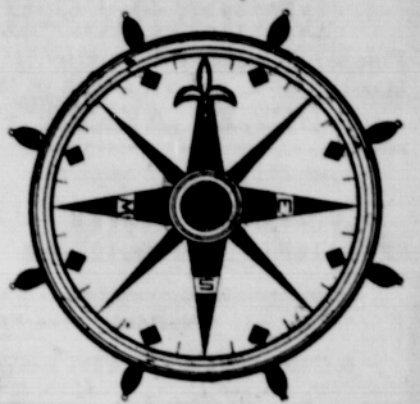




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## Community Hall Group Will Meet

Representatives from every organization in this area are expected at a meeting of the community hall committee, set for next Monday evening, at Thor's home, when organization is to be completed.

Already incorporated under the laws of Oregon, this group now will be called upon to name a board of directors which elects officers to serve throughout the coming year.

A campaign will be planned, which a list of all donations in any of materials and labor will be made, and this will be published as soon as made, and will be added to from time to time. Already several organizations of the area have budgeted money for this project. The Azalea Garden club and the Azalea Festival Association each have set aside \$100. The Rotary club has indicated that it would do even better than this.

Set for eight o'clock, this meeting is hoped to attract all organizations of the community to participate. Attendance at the meeting was urged in a letter sent out a week or so ago, at which time it was urged that a permanent representative be appointed to this board.

### First Unit Possible This Year

Members of temporary committee feel confident, that with co-operation, the main section, or the gymnasium-auditorium, will be possible this year, and ready to use sometime this fall. This fact will make it much more desirable for the coming basketball season, eliminating the local high school gym except for practice sessions.

Dances throughout the year are expected to add considerable to the building fund. Any function using this hall will pay a small percentage of the ticket sale toward the building fund. Rentals will also add to the fund.

## Veterans Service Rotary Subject

M. S. Brainard, service officer of Post No. 966, Veterans of Foreign Wars, whose chief aim, of recent years, is to help veterans and their families, spoke to the Rotary club, Tuesday, concerning status of veterans in this county. He related how he had aided families in obtaining aid when aid was much needed.

Veterans, those who have at the time worn the uniform of this country, make up 10% of the population. Together with their families, this group reaches almost 60%, he added, to show that the veteran problem meant in relation to life in most any community.

Mr. Brainard has made a study of all veteran legislation passed by the state legislature, as well as congress, and has, from this knowledge, been advantageously placed to help any veteran who needs aid of any kind, be it hospitalization, insurance, or loan advice.

Ray and Otto Jacobs, former residents of this area, but now of Santa Barbara, Calif., spent last week in this vicinity, visiting the Bob Perkins home. They built the house on the Perkins place.

## Rainfall Still Sub-normal Despite Recent Rains

Despite the heavy rains of the past three months, especially all that of October and December, failed to raise to normal, the 1947 rainfall, as recorded by the U. S. Weather bureau for the past ten years. With an average precipitation of over 70 inches, the 1947 record shows only 68.91 inches, according to records of Paul Whirry, local observer, observed. However, 1948, the first four days, at least, have made a good beginning for a normal rainfall in 1948. Almost five and one-half inches have fallen since 4 a. m. New Years day. See the weather report elsewhere in this issue for further details.

## Road Situation Up For Study

January 22, will be an important day for the people of Curry county when an interim committee will meet at Coquille for study of the state highway situation in southwest Oregon, especially Curry county. Appraised of the facts concerning this meeting, and data sought, the local chamber of commerce, with group, will be present. The following, appeared in the Oregon Journal, denotes the interest in the forthcoming meeting:

"Curry county's recommendations to state and federal authorities on projected road work will be put into form by a joint meeting of the county's granges and chambers of commerce. The meeting will be held at Gold Beach soon.

"According to Fred Gustafson, chairman of the road committee of Chetco Grange, and Charles Grayshel of the Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce, this meeting will recommend two projects for a meeting later at Coquille and name delegates to represent them there.

"Curry County virtually has but one highway, 101, extending through the county, and this is declared inadequate and expensive because of its numerous grades and curves. The committee probably will recommend improvement of the worst parts. They also are pledged to put their efforts toward a lateral highway to connect the coast with the interior. Residents to the eastward long have been interested in a more direct route and in this project, local people feel they will get much support from those communities."

## Former Harbor Teacher Visits Area, Monday

George Hendricks, who 30 years ago taught school at Harbor, together with his wife and son and family, visited the Leo Lucas home, Monday. Leo was one of his pupils at the time as was Mrs. E. L. Miller, whom he also visited.

Building a home at Sebastopol, Calif., the Hendricks plan to retire this year to live there. After leaving here he taught at Alsea, where he later went to farm and do sawmill work. He is currently teaching at Alsea.

Among other pupils who attended school under him at Harbor are Mrs. Bernadine Steele and her sisters, Mrs. Bertha Beers and Mrs. Bernice Cagley.

Put your dimes to work in a great cause, Jan. 15 to 30.

## March of Dimes Starts Jan. 15

The world's most publicized charitable move, "The March of Dimes", will commence January 15, to continue through January 30, it is announced a second time by John Porisch, of Gold Beach, county chairman of the movement.

This movement, fresh in the minds of everyone in this area, need not be resold through publicity. Mr. Porisch points out. "It is more likely that my job will be the reminding of people that now is the time to act".

"The epidemic of infantile paralysis which visited southern Idaho this year, claiming almost 200 victims, and reaching far into eastern Oregon, should remind people that no one ever knows where the scourge will strike next, and when donors of a dime will be recipients of aid from this fund".

Posters, similar to the facsimile shown here, will be placed in every business place within the



next few weeks, urging people will be published from time to time by the Pilot.

## Storm Said Worst In Recent Years

Heavy rains since New Years day have swollen every stream along the coast, with accompanying damage being reported in many places. Families have been forced to vacate places near rivers, here and along the coast.

Smith River is reported a raging torrent all along its entire length, with road damage in places.

The Winbuck flooded Tuesday preventing the school bus from going up that road the usual distance.

The Chetco usually a placid stream, is anything else, with several people forced to evacuate homes, if near the river. This is true of the Whites, near the Chetco Bridge.

Old time residents of this area claim this is one of the worst storms in recent year, mostly due to the high winds which accompanied the precipitation. Few roofs are water-tight, this week.

Bus travel, Tuesday, was brought to a standstill, with one bus being held in Brookings by high water at Smith river. Daily papers from Portland failed to arrive because of flood conditions between Bandon and Coquille.

## 'It Was Interesting' Says Lesmeister Of Rose Bowl

Mr. and Mrs. Pete Lesmeister, who spent the holidays visiting their two son-in-laws and daughters at Fresno, and who also attended the Rose Bowl game at Pasadena, New Years day, returned home late Saturday.

Asked "how" the Rose Bowl game" was, Pete smiled and replied: "Well, unless you were a dyed-in-the-wool Southern California fan, it was real interesting to watch. Those Michigan players, were just as good at the press notice said."

Asked how he figured Michigan and Notre Dame would be, pitted against each other, Pete smiled: "Well . . . ."

## Scout Charter Is Being Renewed

Charters for Troop 32 and Cub Pack 332, for this area, are in the process of being renewed, assuring the boys of this vicinity another year of scout training. To date, the local units are the only ones active in Curry county, according to information coming to the Pilot.

This year, to help work with the Cub Pack, a separate committee has been appointed by the Legion Post, sponsors of the scouting movement in Brookings. Too many duties were loaded on members of the single committee.

Under direction of T. S. Abbott, the Cub Charter is being completed, with registration of boys 9 to 12 years, to gether with leaders and den mothers. C. E. Low heads the troop committee, with his leaders and the other committeemen.

This evening at the Baptist Community Church, the troop committee will meet to complete final steps. The troop registration has been turned in by John Ginther, scoutmaster. The committee, consisting of Charles E. Low, Pete Lesmeister, Bob Perkins, Mike Page and Dewey Akers, will elect officers.

Completion of Cub re-registration probably will be made when Mr. Widney, cubmaster, who has been in the veterans hospital, arrives home.

Reviewing the past year, shows many advances by boys in the scout and sub movements. The local troop is the first in this county to advance a boy to the rank of eagle. By June 15, some half dozen more will likely be raised to that coveted rank.

A camporee, tentatively set for the week-end of Memorial day, has been planned for Curry county, probably in this vicinity. Definite plans await organization of troops at either or both Port Orford or Gold Beach.

Local boys, enthused by advancements in the past few months, hope to enjoy more and more of the thrill incident to scouting in the way of hikes, camping trips and such, this summer. A number of boys who have camped out more than 15 nights are eligible to membership in the Order of the Arrow, an honorary society, which emphasizes this one phase of scouting.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Goings returned late last week from San Francisco, where they had spent the holidays visiting their son, Claude and family. Mrs. Goings enjoyed every moment of their stay, including an evening at a night club.

## School Budget Set up, Friday

Under the new rural school district law, the budget of the local Brookings district No. 17, which appears in this issue of the Pilot was prepared in the usual manner by the budget committee. After due publication a hearing opportunity will be held on Jan. 29 at 8 p.m. At the hearing, opportunity for discussion of the proposed budget will be provided. After the hearing, the budget will be presented to the rural school board for their consideration.

Since a number of school patrons and several organizations have requested a home economics department and added equipment for industrial arts, the budget committee included these items. The committee felt also that since the apportionment of the basic school fund, this year \$21,539.16, is made to standard schools, efforts should be made to strengthen deficiencies in the standardization of our school.

It was felt also that a nurse's services was necessary at least one morning a week so that the students who were absent on account of illness or infection could be properly readmitted to the school.

Salaries of the teachers were computed on the schedule submitted by the rural board, with the exception that elementary teachers with the same amount of training and experience were figured on the same basis as the high school. In order to more adequately provide for secondary school instruction 5½ teachers were included in the secondary program.

It should be noted that although the total budget of the district is considerably higher than last year, the anticipated receipts are much higher, and the actual amounts to be raised by taxation is only \$5408 more.

It might be well also to point out that this year the Brookings school educates 30.8% of the pupils of Curry County. It should also be noted that there is an increase in both census and enrollment over last year.

## P.-T. A. Will Meet At H. S. Tonight

"Discipline" will be the topic of discussion tonight (Thursday) at the high school, when John Ginther, local teacher and scoutmaster, will bring the message. This problem, of great proportions today, will be discussed from every angle, both from the viewpoint of parent, teacher and child.

The local parent-teacher group urges every parent who is interested in the welfare of the schools to be present. Parents are requested to learn more about the problem, 85% of which is traceable to home training.

The meeting tonight will be held in the new school building and will be followed by refreshments, served by the group.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Bush left on Sunday for their home in Arizona, planning to visit their son and his family in southern California on the way. They had spent the holidays at their home in Harbor.