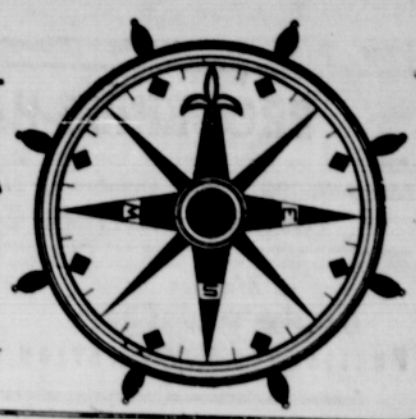




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GORSE CONTROL TOPIC MONDAY, OF LOCAL GROUP

Temporary Committee Headed By Mr. Crissey To Organize District

Gorse, which has caused more damage to southwest Oregon than any other weed, was the subject of a discussion, Monday afternoon, at Vincent's Restaurant, when R. M. Knox, county agent, and Rex Warren, of the state gorse control committee, explained the laws governing formation of weed control districts.

Few people of this section of Oregon need education on the damage coming from this weed. The Bandon fire and loss of \$100,000 in 1936 is still vivid in the memories of people of this region, and should spur them on to formation of a weed control district in Curry county, as suggested by Mr. Knox.

Gorse not only destroys land but is extremely dangerous to life in the neighborhood. Its peculiar nature makes it almost impossible under proper weather conditions. The small plot in Harbor park area, planted in 1930, is now reaching an area estimated to be more than 40 acres.

Rex Warren, former Yamhill county agent, showed colored pictures of the experimental tests in the Bandon area on gorse control, with the results made in the test. Amate seems to have achieved the best results, but its use makes it costly for control measures.

In his explanation of the various types of control measures to date, little has been learned, except that control by burning, followed by chemical methods and planting of pasture trees, wherever practical, is a known method of eradication.

It was discovered at this time that the only hope of the area for the present will be in control measures, a few of which have been discovered to be somewhat effective.

Gorse, burned off in May, is expected to pasture in the fall. When pastured by sheep or goats, it was pointed out. The area, if control measures are practiced, may hold the present contamination to approximately the same area.

Headed by W. L. Crissey, the committee will meet with other organizations of the area to form a permanent weed control district in this section. The county court will be persuaded through various groups to set the whole county up under weed control district.

Basketball Games For Athletic Fund

Three basketball games, receipts from which will go to the high school athletic fund, will be staged Friday evening at the high school gym, under the auspices of the Rod and Gun club.

Crag Lumber Co., of Smith River, will play one of the high school teams; Pykes Variety will meet the other high school team, and the Ramrods will meet Bay City Market, which made the Ramrods bow to them once before this season.

Starting at 7:00, these games promise to give the fans their final hoop thrills for this season.

OVER 400 FED AT P.-T. A. DINNER

Penny Dinner Attracts Capacity Crowd Sat.

The "penny" dinner, staged Saturday evening at the high school gym, by the local unit of Parent-Teachers association, attracted a capacity crowd, when over 400 were served by the group. At one time the waiting line reached out to the street from the gym door.

Several, after viewing the line, left for home to eat, later to return for the program. The menu consisted of 16 chickens, a tubful of noodles, many kinds of salads and pickles, cakes, pies and rolls. Something over \$100 was realized for the treasury of the group. The following program was enjoyed:

Piano solo—Pauline Hendricks, Piano solo—Marilyn Struebing, Playlet—Seventh grade, Folk dance—Second grade, Trio—Seventh grade girls, Violin solo—Irene Rau, Piano solo—Betti Goldizen, Playlet—under the direction of Mrs. Hampton, Sextette—High school girls, Vocal solo—Betti Goldizen, Stunt—Den 1, Cub Scouts, Pantomime, Orchestra number—Chetco Ramblers.

Fashion Show And Dance Progressing

A surprise is in store for attendants at the Satellite Social club's first annual fashion show and dance, the Pilot was assured early this week by Ben Kerns of the Town Shop, who, too, is expected to aid in the show.

While not too much information was divulged, prospects for a first class show, one that would be a credit to a city, are good. Mrs. Madge Moore has made a couple of trips south in this affair's behalf. Dance plans are progressing well, too, the committee reports.

Grand Jury Called For Next Monday

John Darger and Wilson Freeman of this area, will serve on the grand jury, called for next Monday at Gold Beach. Findings will be published in these columns next week.

Scout Executive To Conduct A Scouter School Here, Sat.

Dave Putnam, regional scout director, will be in this area this week-end to give instruction to committeemen, den mothers and the sea scout ship, still in process of formation. Mr. Putnam, March 1, returned from New Jersey, where he underwent two months of intensive training for this work.

The tentative plan set up for this week-end includes:

Saturday afternoon, den mothers school. This is open to prospective den mothers as well.

Saturday evening, Sea scout ship at the Thor Ask home.

Sunday afternoon, at Baptist Community church, county council meeting and school of instruction.

Reports from other troops will be heard at this time, and a round-table solution will be attempted. This meeting will be presided over by R. G. Sabin, county chairman, and all people interested in the scout movement are asked to come.

4-H Meetings Date For Thurs., Mar 18

According to a letter received by the Pilot, Tuesday, from R. M. Knox, county agent, L. J. Allen, state 4-H club leader will be in Curry county March 18 and 19 to visit schools and to meet club leaders. A luncheon meeting will be held at Vincent's Restaurant at noon, March 18.

At this meeting all interested in 4-H work, with idea that he may become a leader, is asked to be present.

This Is Pilot's New Head-Letter Face

As another step in its attempt to bring a better newspaper to this area, and to make it typographically more attractive, the Pilot, this week is using its new head-letter dress.

The head-line above this article, as well as others on this page, is 24-point gothic. The smaller, or 18-point heads, are known as Spartan.

Ambulance, Inc. A Permanent Group

Articles of incorporation are being taken from the secretary of state's office, officially incorporating the ambulance committee of the permanent committee are:

Leo Lucas, president, representing the Rotary club.

Lloyd Harbin, Vice-president, representing the Rod and Gun club.

L. A. Harvey, secretary-treasurer, representing the Odd Fellows lodge.

V. A. Mendenhall, Sr. representing the American Legion.

Roy Stephanson, representing the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

Lighting District Up To Co. Court

Following its rejection at the February meeting of the county court, for insufficient data on the petition, the Brookings lighting district was returned properly attested too late for the March meeting of the court.

The matter, however, will be brought before the April 7, meeting of the court and probable acceptance. Only one property owner the entire length of main street failed to sign the petition.

Actual construction awaits action of the court, and will probably commence immediately follow this action.

CALIFORNIA HURT BY LONG DROUTH

John Mello Is Glad To Be In Oregon

"People of this area, and I am one of them, should never moan about the rain," said John Mello, who last week visited in the Bay region, where, he says, it is really dry.

"You can look at acres of crops that are but a few inches high, and all dried up. The vegetable growers will take a 'beating' this year."

"I made myself obnoxious to many, there, when I'd tell them about the amount of rain we were forced to endure in this area. People there are more than just desperate, because they are allowed to irrigate only half an hour, at a time. That is really no good as the dry ground absorbs the moisture at the source of supply and the far sides get no water."

"There will be a real catastrophe in California unless rain comes, and that soon," Mr. Mello concluded.

Unclaimed Dishes Are Being Held By P.-T. A.

Dishes that were unclaimed after the P.-T. A. penny supper may be picked up at the office of Woody cabins. An orange colored bowl was taken by mistake, and the person having the dish may leave it at the same office for the rightful owner.

Ambulance Benefit Set For Wednesday

St. Patrick's day will be fittingly observed in this area next Wednesday when the ambulance benefit dance will be held at the Harbor Grange hall, under the auspices of the Odd Fellows, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the American Legion.

With something over \$800 already in the fund for purchase of this ambulance, these organizing necessary money to pay at least three-fourths of the purchase price of the vehicle. In any event, the order will go in immediately after the dance, regardless of the amount raised.

Advance tickets are being sold by committee members, and last Saturday it was reported that the sale was exceeding expectations.

DIST. NO. 17 MUST BUILD IN 1948 TO KEEP 'STANDARD'

State Department Says School Not Capable Of Keeping Accredited

While publication of the state high school examiner's report is being withheld until arrival of the elementary report, District 17 has been told that it must build, to remain "standard" and this must be accomplished before June, 1949. First revelation of this information was made at the meeting of the Parent-Teacher Association, Thursday evening.

If additional teachers are not added to the high school staff before the beginning of the next term, the school may remain "conditionally standard," until progress is shown on a building program toward making the school acceptable to the state department of education.

The state examiner, Cliff Robinson, on his recent visit to the Brookings school, said a definite "NO," regarding the present manual training course, carried on in an old tool shed to the rear of the new building. The Rotary club furnished the basic hand tools for this department, with the understanding that it be expanded.

In making up the local budget in January, provision was made for expanding this course, as well as adding home economics. Both these were disallowed, unless space and equipment are provided, placing the district in a particular position, as demand has been made from many people that these two courses be included in the curriculum.

Pointed out in the report made by Mr. Robinson, were such facts as the crowded conditions of rooms, the inadequacies of toilet facilities, and the present gym, which has no heating system.

These columns will carry the report in the future issues, when the school board receives the elementary school report.

Cur-Del Cleaners Was Sold Monday

Mr. and Mrs. Ted Arditi, of San Francisco, son-in-law and daughter of Mrs. and Mrs. Henry Horst together with Henry Horst, Monday completed all arrangements and purchased the Cur-Del Cleaners, owned by Sanders & McMahan.

Mr. Arditi, who served with the marines in the south Pacific, has had considerable experience in the cleaning business. He will be assisted by Ed Storsett, who started the business and later sold it to the Cur-Del Cleaners.

The announcement of the new firm is printed elsewhere in this issue.

Time Is Changed At Fashions Showing

Because many of the models will be of the younger set who will not attend the dance, the Satellite Social club announced the change of hour of showing of the fashions, March 20, from 9:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

INCOME TAXES DUE NEXT MONDAY

For the harassed people who are trying to make ends meet, stretching their dollars to the limit, like bed blankets, another killer looms: The dead-line of 1947 income tax returns. People helping serve this area that line, are working long hours to complete this work by Friday, March 15th.