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IT SEEMS TO ME:



By Dewey

Quietly and without fanfare, people are almost daily coming to the community, seeking a location to establish a new home, or a business, or a new life. Certainly the community has many attractions. Such was vouched by Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Zickler, who wish to cut all connections at Alhambra, Calif., to make a new home here.

In the past I have on different occasions turned letters over to various people in the community to answer in what I believe a more intelligent way. In the past year, a few of these "inquirers" have located in the area, and I feel certain that a number more will come.

Noteworthy among the first questions in these inquiries is: "what schools facilities have you in your community? That is a thought for the people of the vicinity, to remember that people look to schools often in the final decision of making a community their home.

This area, especially since the army engineers held the recent hearing, has come more and more to the attention of people who wish to establish anew in a territory where there are opportunities to expand. Expansion in the next few years in this community is a foregone conclusion. It definitely is coming.

Bob Aston, a likely youth and a promising baseball player, has taken employment with Brimm Bros. mill, awaiting the opening of baseball season. Ambitious to go to college and major in journalism, Bob has contacted Pete Lesmeister with hopes of bolstering his finances for college this fall. Certainly Bob will be welcome addition to the Pelicans.

Bob, fans will remember, was hurler for Gold Beach in one game last summer. Accorded no support, Bob was a victim of the most unmanly barrage of base hits a fellow could be subjected to. Following an old adage, "If you can't lick 'em, join 'em," Bob is here to work and try for the team. Pete told me that he looked for Bob's bat to help in playing the Southern Oregon teams, a faster league than the Rogue Valley.

Years ago, in my youth, I recall how each "cross-roads" used to have a baseball team. From these starts great players have come. Brookings, under the new plan, can be just such an incubator for big-leaguers. Think I am crazy? Well, look how the

talent scouts of the big leagues are out over the country, looking for likely youth, who will, with training, some day go up into the majors.

Bob Aston was quite a player for Jefferson high at Portland. He made, in his second year of baseball, quite a name as a hurler in the high school league. He certainly impressed local people most by his hitting ability. Pete will use him mostly in the outfield in order to get that power with the club.

College lads, after school is out, will be likely to seek employment here, in order to get more practice and training in baseball. Already Pete Lesmeister has had inquiries about the opportunities. Such should be a boost for this community to field a good team in the southern Oregon league.

How can we all help Pete in this venture? The best I can think of right now is the opening of homes to these youth to make them feel at home. They are just fellows like your own sons, or nephews, or perhaps a brother. Most of them are from fine homes, or at least from fine families—other kinds usually do not get far in any sport.

Bob, aspiring to become a big-time writer, will no doubt be a constant visitor about the Pilot during his off-hours. He will be put to work at jobs he can perform, with an effort being made to obtain employment for him at College. That is about the best compensation these lads seek, to hold their amateur rating. That is another way all of us can give Pete a lift in building a formidable team for the Pelicans this summer.

What compensation will we get from this effort. Well, I do like to watch winners in action—I can see no better reason.



By Harris Ellsworth, M. C.

During the last ten years Oregon has grown in population more rapidly than any other state. The last census estimate available is the 1949 figure which placed the population of our state at 1,736,000, a percentage gain of around 60% over 1940. The constitution requires an enumeration to be taken every ten years but it was not until the passage of the law approved March 6, 1902, that a permanent Census Office was established. Subsequent laws dealt with the problem of census taking but in 1929 a basic census law was passed which, with minor amendments, is the legal authority for census taking now.

The 1929 law also spelled out exactly how members of the House of Representatives are to be apportioned among the states. In the first Congress the membership of the house was 65. The constitution set this figure specifically, apportioning the members to the states. The constitution does not, however, specify regarding the membership of the house for the future. It merely says, "The number of represen-

tatives shall not exceed one for every 30,000, but each state have at least one representative." The house grew pretty much on that basis until the membership had reached 391 in the year 1900. After the 1910 census the membership was pegged at 435 where it has remained.

In 1920 Congress faced the problem of what to do about representation from states having lost population as compared with those with substantial gains. Nothing was done following the 1920 census. The population of the country has grown and has shifted, but the house membership remained at 435 and the apportionment of members was unchanged. In 1929 however, Congress faced the problem, fought it out, and settled it. In 1930 and 1940 re-distribution of the 435 house members to the states was made on the basis of a mathematical procedure known as the method of equal proportions which is called for in the 1929 act. Some states gained members, others lost—but the total remains 435. The same procedure and formula will be followed after the 1950 count.

Applying the equal proportions formula to current population estimates reveals that the three Pacific Coast states will gain a total of 10 members in the house. California which now has 23 congressional districts will have 31; Washington will have seven instead of six; and Oregon will gain one seat increasing its delegation to five after 1951.

Census taking is going on now. The work must be completed in eight months. During the first week of the next congress (January, 1951), the allocation of house members to the state will be formalized and the states legislatures notified. Thereupon it will be the duty of the Oregon legislature to re-make present congressional district boundaries so as to provide five districts instead of four. It is possible for a house member to be elected from the state-at-large. A few states elected one or more members-at-large. This practice has been generally discontinued.

LANGLOIS NOTES

NANCY MOORE, Correspondent

The monthly Youth Dance was held at Sixes Grange Saturday. Pot luck refreshments were enjoyed.

Next Sixes Grange meeting will be held Saturday, Feb. 25. Little Ronnie Brooks, who has been very ill with rheumatic fever, seemed to be mending earlier this week but had a relapse Friday night and his parents took him to Doernbecker hospital, at Portland, early Sunday morning. His parents are Mr. and Mrs. Don Brooks of Sixes. Mrs. C. H. Brooks, Ronine's grandmother, will care for the other children during their mother's absence.

Walter Hofess is a patient at Falk Hospital, Coquille, undergoing medical treatment.

Mrs. Roy Kamph was called to Tillamook Friday morning by the serious illness of her brother.

Harry Strain spent Thursday and Friday of last week at Eugene on business.

Fred "Buster" Boice was taken to the veterans hospital, Portland, last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. O. E. Baker and small son, Pat, of Medford, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore for three days last week. This is the first time that Mr. and Mrs. Moore had seen their grandson, who is a little over two months old. The Bakers left Friday to visit his parents, near Eugene, and Mrs. Baker's brother, Roger Moore, who attends University of Oregon.

Mrs. Eva Donaldson of Denmark, a surgical patient at Mast Hospital, Myrtle Point, is reported recovering nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Moore, Mrs. Frank Moore and Nancy, were shopping at Coos Bay, Monday. Joy has come to several homes in Langlois via "Old Doc Stork" the past week.

Mrs. Darrell Elliott, who has been spending the winter with her mother, Mrs. Velma Sabin, of Langlois, gave birth to a girl Thursday, Feb. 16 at Gold Beach hospital. The little girl has been named Penny.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Storm became parents of a boy, born Friday, Feb. 17, at Mast hospital

at Myrtle Point. The baby was weighed in at 9 lbs. 9 oz.

Candace Louise was the name given to their new daughter by Mr. and Mrs. David McDonald. She made her appearance at the Falk Hospital, Coquille, Friday, Feb. 17. She weighed 8 lbs.

Langlois School News

The basketball game between Langlois Panthers and Ophir Indians, which was played Tuesday, Feb. 14, was very close until the last five minutes. At this point the score was 30 to 30. Then the Langlois team got busy and made 15 points to Ophir's 2. The Panthers emerged winners by a 45 to 32 score. Norman Holy-cross was high-point man for Langlois with 11. The girls lost the volleyball game 38 to 18.

Thursday, Feb. 16, first night of the county hoop tournament, Langlois lost to Gold Beach by 14 points. The final score was 41 to 27. Bill Storm was high-point man for the Panthers with 13 points.

Langlois didn't have much of a chance against Ophir Friday night, due to the fact that four of the main team members and two subs were unable to play. The final score was Ophir 55, Langlois 22. Dick Everest made nine for Langlois.

Play-books for the three-act play, "Million Dollar Cook," to be presented by the student body in March, have arrived. Tryouts will be held this week.

Gold Beach Notes

BY DOROTHY DOUTHIT

Oleta Mae Jarrett and Dorothy Douthit made a business trip to Pistol River last Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Art Kane have moved their clothing store from Langlois to Gold Beach.

Room mothers for the elementary grades "surprised" the youngsters with treats after the Valentines had been distributed in each room, last week. Mothers are: Oleta Jarrett, Ann Porisch, Juanita Bauer, Caroline Oliphant, Ellen Gardner, Pauline Crook, Dorothy Fendrick.

Adelle Corbin is taking Doris Turner's place as deputy clerk in Oleta Walker's office at the court house.

Mrs. Charlie Dapp, Mrs. Ralph Dapp, Leta Dapp, all of North Bend, were Gold Beach visitors late last week.

Homer Taylor drove to Coos Bay this week on business.

Irene Mateer went by bus to Elson, Wash., on a business trip.

Howard "Red" Herion is working at Foster-Clyde mill.

Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson left Thursday morning for Los Angeles. Mrs. Richardsons' father accompanied them.

Freda Schofield is working at the E. V. McCain Grocery.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Taylor were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Ostrander at Pistol River last Sunday. The evening was spent with cards.

"Ted & Bob," who are opening opening the business in the old Trehearne location, were in Gold Beach Monday on business.

Marie Frye and Dorothy Douthit made a business trip to Coos Bay Saturday. While there they visited Mrs. Douthit's folks, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Turner are parents of a baby boy, born Friday night. The young man was weighed in at 6 lbs. 3 oz., and has been named Robert Dale.

Frances Norton of Port Orford was in Gold Beach Wednesday visiting her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson.

Mrs. Louise Sibley has taken a position in the court house.

The sidewalk south of the court house has been completed.

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Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Beem took her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. McLaughlin, to Eureka Sunday afternoon, from where they took the train for Sioux Falls, South Dakota. The Beems visited their friends at Fortuna, Sunday night.

Notice Of Sale

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF CURRY.

Sherman Jones, Plaintiff,

versus

David B. Peters, Minnie Bell, Mary F. Boradori, Mae Davis, Edith West, Lulu Hayden, A. S. Hickey, Jr., Jessie W. Stevens, H. L. Redd, William D. Taylor, Clarence Crane, California Trust Company, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed referee in the above entitled suit for the purpose of selling the property which is the subject of suit, to-wit: The Robert J. McDonald homestead, the north 1/2 of North East 1/4, South East 1/4 of North East 1/4, North East 1/4 of North West 1/4 of Section 16, Township 39 South, Range 12 West of Willamette Meridian, Curry County, Oregon.

Said sale shall be held at the office of S. O. Newhouse, Wedderburn, Oregon, at 10:00 a. m. March 18, 1950. The sale will be by public auction to the highest bidder, in the manner required by law for sale on execution.

Terms of the sale shall be cash, and the real property shall be sold in one parcel, and shall not be subject to any prior estate, charge, or lien. The sale shall be subject to approval by the Court.

This notice is given pursuant to order of the Hon. Dal M. King, Judge of the above entitled Court, made and entered on January 21, 1950, as amended January 31, 1950.

S. O. NEWHOUSE, Referee.
Feb. 9, 16, 23, Mar 2, 9.

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By Pete Lesmeister



Question. If we carry a public liability and property damage insurance policy on our car and are sued as the result of an accident, who defends the suit? I mean does the insurance company defend the suit or is their liability limited to the payment of any damages awarded if the case is decided against us?

Answer. Under terms of a public liability policy, the insurance company assumes full responsibility for defending any suits brought against the insured as well as for payments, within the limits of the policy, of any damages awarded the insured person. Also within the policy limits, the company will pay any other costs legally assessed against the insured as a result of the suit.

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