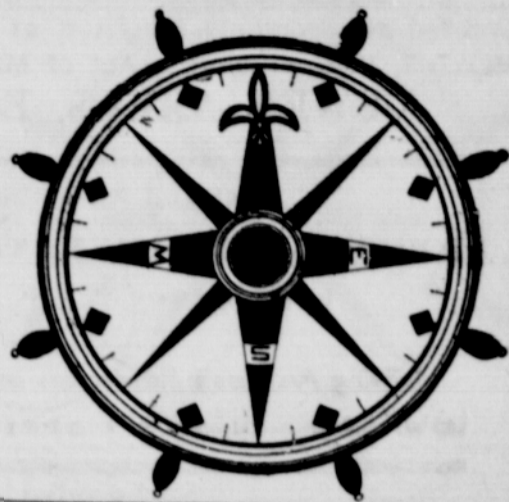


# Brookings-Harbor Pilot



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## TWO GIRLS DROWN, SATURDAY, AT BRUCE HOLE; RESUSCITATION FAILS

What was intended to be a picnic at Bruce Hole, Saturday, ended in tragedy before it got started, when two ten-year-old Klamath Falls girls lost their lives in the almost placid waters just minutes after the group arrived at the spot, and before anyone could prevent their going into the water under supervision.

Sharon Lilly, 10 and her 12-year-old brother, accompanied by Kay Howard, 10, her chum, and also her 12-year-old brother, had come to this area to visit Sharon's grandmother, Mrs. Clara Kerns, and her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Kerns. A picnic had been planned, to include several families, including Mrs. Homer Haggerty, Mrs. Jesse Hoagland and children, Mrs. Pat Kerns and children, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Garabedian and children.

### Mrs. Kerns Left First

Just before noon, Mrs. Clara Kerns, who had the four children in her car, left for Bruce Hole, with the others to follow as quickly as the group gathered the picnic lunch. Mrs. Kerns Sr. arrived at the spot first. While she was parking the car, and unloading some of the provisions, the girls disappeared, with their brothers before she realized the children were gone. By that time more of the party arrive, including Mr. and Mrs. Garabedian, Mrs. Homer Haggerty and Mrs. Ben Kerns.

### Boys Report Girls "Down"

As was told the Pilot, the two boys returned to where the ladies were, reporting that the girls were swimming, "but hadn't come up for five minutes." Mrs. Clara Kerns, the only person in the immediate group able to swim, shed her shoes and slacks and went in, despite the fact she had not been in the water for years, and that she was troubled with a heart ailment. By heroic effort she finally reached and pulled Kay Howard ashore, but was too exhausted to return for the body of Sharon Lilly, her granddaughter.

Mrs. Haggerty rushed toward town for help, and en route told Russell White the story, and he dropped his task, and headed up

## Party Planned

Members, and guests, of the Chetco Rod and Gun Club are invited to the club house Saturday evening, Aug. 12, for a floor show, and dancing.

Feature of the evening will be Mrs. Alice Putnam on her Hammond electric organ. Mrs. Putnam, an accomplished musician, is showing this organ for the first time in this area.

## Weather Report

For the past week, ending on Sunday:

	Max.	Min.	Rain
July 31	59	54	T
August 1	62	54	.02
August 2	69	53	T
August 3	69	51	.....
August 4	70	46	.....
August 5	69	49	.....
August 6	65	44	.....
Rainfall for week			.02
Def. for July			10

the river. Word reached town to Ben Kerns, who with V. A. Mendenhall Sr. and Homer Haggerty, took the ambulance and the resuscitator, to the scene.

After many attempts, Russell White located and brought up the body of Sharon Lilly. All attempts at artificial respiration, or resuscitation failed.

Leo Garabedian helped in every way he could after arrival, including carrying Mrs. Clara Kerns back from across the river after her effort to locate the girls. Mrs. Kerns was too exhausted to even swim the return.

The children had arrived here Friday, with expectation to stay one week with Mrs. Kerns. The tragedy occurred just about noon the Pilot was informed.

Bodies of the victims were returned to Klamath Falls where funeral arrangements were pending their arrival.

## Grange Plans Fair Booth For This Year

Regular meeting of Chetco Grange was held Friday evening with five candidates being obligated in the first and second degrees: Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Rapraeger, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jackson and Alan Sechrist. Rose Poole was obligated in the third and fourth degrees.

Plans for putting a booth at the county fair, Sept. 1, 2 and 3 were discussed, and Nellie Bush was appointed chairman of the committee. It was unanimously voted to have Miss Pat Hyland represent this section as one of the princesses at the fair. Miss Elaine LeClair had this honor last year, and was a credit to this community.

The lecturer announced that next meeting would be mens night, and Bill Weideman, Wesley Smith and Bill Wridge were appointed to be in charge. Following the meeting, refreshments of ice cream and cookies were served by the ladies.

## Church Women Plan Picnic, Friday

Executive board of the Women's Society of the Baptist Community Church met at the home of Mrs. Lynn Hampton Friday afternoon, for purpose of formulating plans for the work of the society for the coming months.

Officers present at the meeting were: Mrs. Claude Goldizen, president; Mrs. Lynn Hampton, secretary-treasurer; Mrs. A. P. Hendricks, first vice-president and membership chairman; Mrs. Bill West, second vice-president and program chairman; Mrs. J. E. Stevenson, third vice-president; and friendliness or visitation chairman; Mrs. C. E. Campbell,

## Cedar Lane Bldg. Will Be Closed 10 Days During Move

Cedar Lane Cartery, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hayes, will be closed for the next week or ten days while the highway department moves the building up several feet and south some twice the width of the building preparatory for the widening and elevation of Hwy 101 at that point.

The job will be accomplished by raising the building on jacks, making a cribbing underpinning to the proper height, when the moving commences.

The fish house at Parkers Anchorage, recently, was moved to a new site, to permit the highway crew to straighten the Harbor curves. A fill will about cover the former site of the fish house.

The garage belonging to A. C. Thompson, once across the road from his house, now is moved to a new site, adjacent to the house and across the road.

Highway crews are arriving almost daily to start this highway project which will begin just east of Hendricks Furniture Co., and continue to the state line.

## Bob Astin Hurt In Collision, Sat. Eve

Just as he was turning off Hwy 101 onto the street which led to the W. H. Andrews home, about midnight Saturday, Bob Astin and Leora Andrews miraculously escaped death when hit by the Jack Tillson car, driven by Neil Lafferty, both of Gold Beach, where the Andrews live.

Bob, popular baseball player of the Brookings Pelicans, suffered severe cuts about the face, on the left arm and leg. Miss Andrews sustained a severe cut on her face, almost severing her nose. Lafferty and Tillson, riding in the other car, were hurt also. The four are in the Gold Beach hospital.

The Astin car, a Plymouth club coupe which he had purchased from Hugh Gearin, was said to be practically a total wreck. The Tillson car was badly damaged.

One witness reported that the Tillson car was far over onto the left lane. It is also said that this was the second accident in which Lafferty had been involved in the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Gordon of Eureka, Kenneth Gardner of Los Angeles, Mrs. Roy Reynolds and son, Douglas, and Richard Cook of San Diego, were callers at the E. L. Miller home last week.

White Cross chairman; Mrs. Edith Moore, devotional chairman and Mrs. J. L. Mumbower, publicity chairman.

The society will hold a picnic Friday evening for members of the church and their friends at Mill Beach. Set for 6:30, each family attending is to bring their own picnic supper and equipment. This will be held in place of the regular women's meeting this month.

## Along Azalea Row

By B. Miller

The meeting of the Azalea Garden Club which was set for Thursday afternoon, August 10, has been cancelled due to a death in the family of the president, Mrs. Clara Kerns.

## Mumbowers Feted At Church Affair

Rev. and Mrs. Jack Mumbower and daughter Sharon were extended a warm welcome by citizens of this area at a reception given for them at Baptist Community church Tuesday night.

The recreation room of the church was decorated in the western theme, with charcoal and crayon drawings, by Mrs. Bill West and Miss Hoag, hung about the room. Cacti were placed in all the windows and a most attractive white horse with feathery mane and tail stood inside a picket fence at the front of the room depicting Rev. Mumbower's mare Merry Melodie. The program was announced by Mrs. Doris Ackley.

The first number was a piano solo by Pauline Hendricks; a duet by Mr. and Mrs. Emil Moore and then Edith Moore gave a reading about 'The Minister's Wife,' Mrs. Watson gave a flute solo, accompanied by her mother, Mrs. M. C. Beem, after which Mrs. Lynn Hampton gave a clever speech and introduced the various officers of the church.

The Barbershoppers, enmasse, entertained with three numbers—first of which was a parody on a well-known song to welcome the Mumbower family. Bert DeMoss sang a solo, accompanied by Mrs. Stan Patterson a quartette of ladies, Mrs. Panzer, Mrs. Bill West, Mrs. Patterson and Mrs. Doris Ackley.

Mrs. A. F. Pierce presented the new minister's family with a lamp table from the congregation, and extended them a warm welcome. Rev. Mumbower responded with thanks and a prayer.

Guests were treated to tea, coffee, punch and cookies from a decorated table with Mrs. C. A. MacKenzie and Mrs. Zetta Baughn pouring. Floral decoration were by Al Panzer, who also fashioned the corsages presented to Mrs. Mumbower and Sharon.

After refreshments and general get-acquainted fellowship, Bob Perkins announced that he wished to try out a voice for the Barbershopper, if those present would bear with him and called Rev. Mumbower forward for a try-out. "Old Man River" was sung, accompanied by C. A. MacKenzie. The Barbershoppers then sang several numbers and a quartet of the same group gave a rendition.

A myrtlewood guest book was signed by all those attending and was presented to Mrs. Mumbower.

Mrs. Mildred Byrne and Joan left early Monday morning on a motor trip to Chicago and waypoints. They expect to return about Sept. 1.

## Classes Start On Tues., Sept. 5; To Enroll Beforehand

Brookings school has been set for opening, Tuesday, Sept. 5, with prior registration on August 24 and 25, and Aug. 28 and 29, reported Lynn Hampton on Tuesday.

All pupils who have moved into the community since school was out in the spring, are asked to register on Thursday or Friday, August 24 or 25. Freshmen and sophomores will register from 2 to 4:30 and 7:30 to 9:30 on Friday, August 25. Juniors, from 2:30 to 4:30 and 7:30 to 9:30 on Monday, August 28, the seniors from 2:30 to 4:30 and 7:30 to 9:30, Tuesday, August 29.

In addition, all beginning first graders are asked to register on Friday afternoon, August 25. Parents of beginning first grade pupils should bring the child's birth certificate at time of registration.

First grade pupils may enter school, whose sixth birthday occurs on or before Nov. 15, as provided by law. Complete roster of teachers appears later in this article.

A pre-school meeting of Curry county teachers has been scheduled at Coquille on Thursday, Friday, August 31 and Sept. 1.

*High School Faculty*

Arthur Guthrie—social science and coach.

Catherine Doherty—science & mathematics.

Commercial subjects will be taught by Carl Harrison and Mr. Hampton.

Ruth Woodward—English and library.

Mary Alice Pyritz, home economics and girls physical ed.

John Ginther — mechanical drawing.

*Grade School Faculty*

Eighth—John Ginther.

Seventh—Mrs. Frances Henry.

Sixth—Harold Larson, O.S.C. graduate with graduate work at Lewis & Clark College.

Fifth—Ruth Garcia.

Fourth—Lillian Mathews.

Third—Hannar Dotson.

Second—Bernadine Steele.

First—Jennie Carter.

First—Evelyn DeMoss.

Music—Mrs. Lloyd Morris.

Supt., Principal—Lynn Hampton.

## Rotarians Hear Of District Assembly

Lynn Hampton, secretary of Brookings Rotary club, reported on the district assembly, held recently at Vancouver, Wash., to club members, Tuesday, telling of the inspiration received by all presidents and secretaries who came.

Several noted speakers, including President Harry Dillon of Linfield College, a national committee member of the Paul Harris Fellowship fund. Others to address the assembly was Wait Gleason, noted figure in Rotary and fraternal circles in Oregon, a district governor from Australia, and the newly-elected district governor of Dist. No. 154.