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WE'LL MISS THE PERKINS, HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Perkins have made a decision to leave this community to help in promoting a new product in Oregon—to make their home at Portland for the time being. The news announced last week was not for celebration—but for sorrow on the part of everyone.

It is no small task to recall any public affair which the Perkins did not in some manner assist. Their influence, always for the best interests of the community, was given whole-heartedly and to their fullest measure. While the Perkins sold their home, they did reserve an acre of ground, to where they may return and build after a time. Both say that is what they intend.

The Barbershoppers will miss him sorely, for it was through Bob that the local chapter was organized, and came the distance it has. Few can take Bob's place as master of ceremonies at different community functions. Alice and Bob, as a team, contributed much to almost every community project. It is safe to say that their friends along the cost numbered among the thousands.

OLD TIME PICTURE INTERESTING

It was just a trial by the Pilot, when last winter it published three pictures about the People's Company at Gold Beach, last week, the Webfoot Club of the early day at Gold Beach, and this week, a picture taken in 1889, of the Sutton family, of which George is now the present county assessor. Interest in these far exceeds the wildest imagination the Pilot might have had before.

History of this county is being compiled by Emil R. Peterson of North Bend, who needs help—lots of help. These pictures are parts—incidents as it were—in the settlement and development of what is becoming the state's most "talked-about" county and section. These pictures are a part of the Pilot program to give its readers the best possible in way of a newspaper.

BE PRESENT TO PLEAD YOUR CASE

Be you for or against incorporation of Brookings—tonight is your opportunity to be heard, at a public discussion, set at the high school gym, at 8:00 p. m.

There are reasons, some people believe, why the area should not be incorporated. In opposition to this belief scores of people feel that need outweighs any argument against the step. Tonight is the night when decision is to be made—whether or not the area will become an entity, or remain just a country town, with little law or order except which it may beg from the state police or from the under-budgeted sheriff's office of the county.

With expansion unprecedented in the history of the county staring Brookings in the face, decision in the right direction, tonight, is important. It is safe to predict that these newcomers to the area will demand incorporation later if the step is not taken tonight.

Hendricks Furniture is to be congratulated for being one of the first to meet the challenge of the increase in population facing this area. This new store is one to which any town or city could point to with pride.

P. M. A. News

By Clifford Jenkins, county agent

This is a series of three articles pertaining to the Curry County Agricultural conservation program, generally referred to as the PMA and is written because of changes involved, due to following the Prior Aproval plan this year in place of the old farm plan sign-up and because of the value o fthis program in the development of agriculture in this county.

PRIOR APPROVAL PLAN — The prior approval plan of accepting application in the county office has the advantage over the plan sign-up in that it is continuous throughout the year and as each practice is granted, financial assistance is set aside in payment of each practice after approval has been granted by the county committee. Funds are, therefore, made available for actual work as it is completed and the operator knows before he commences the job, how much it will actually cost him in dollars and cents. Prior approval practice payments may be received several months earlier. This plan will eliminate the meetings held formerly in the various districts in the county at which the farm plans are made out and practices to be followed for the year are stipulated by each farmer, with the closing date for each sign-up, May 1. Applications now may be made in the county PMA office up until Dec. 15. Under this new plan the farm operator must apply for prior approval for a practice. These applications may be made at the county office either by phone call, letter or personal call.

A reasnably accurate estimate of the practice must be furnished at the time of the call, as after applications are received at the county office the county committee will review the application, and determine whether it will contribute to conservation and erosion control. The committee will then send notice to the applicant and he may proceed with developing the respective practices. When the operator receives his prior approval acceptance, they will indicate the amount of money set aside for this practice and the date by which the practice must be completed, which will be within a 90-day period. If it then becomes necessary for the operatotr to apply for an extension of time, this may also be granted by the county committee.

The administration of the county PMA program is in the hands of your county and community committee men who have been elected for the 1951 program.

These, and districts are:

Northern: Joe Nilsen, Langlois; Ray Zumwalt, Sixes; W. G. Edwards, Langlois; Ray Kamph, Langlois; Charles Caughell of Langlois.

Central: Otis Bowman, Gold Beach; Virginia Fendrick, Pistol River; Charles Graham of Gold Beach.

Southern: L. W. Johnson, Harbor; R. R. White, Brookings, W. G. Pearmine, Harbor; Ellis Garcia, Brookings.

Community committee men serve as supervisors, in checking compliances ad prior approval requests. All communications and requests for PMA assistance are to be addressed to Clifford Jenkins, secretary, PMA County Cobmittee, Gold Beach, or Dorothy Collins, treasurer, Gold Beach.

Payments to individual farm operators under the 1951 PMA program will not exceed $1000 to any one farm operator, however, assistance for community practices may be granted up to $2500 where determined desirable from the standpoint of conservation by the county committee. Each operator is required to furnish acceptable evidence that a practice has been carried out. Sales slips for the purchase of seed, fertilizer, fence, and other materials, or signed statements itemized to show labor or rental of farm machinery are acceptable evidence. Cost statements and measurements are required for clearing land for pasture and constructing for drainage ditches, rip-rap, and stream channel control, and for construction of irrigation dams and reservoirs. Producers in any local area may form a pooling agreement to the carrying out of drainage or water-way stream control practices of an extensive nature. These pooling agreements, however, must be approved by the state committee in addition to the county committee. Technical aid is available through the county office for assistance in establishing stream control practices.

The Little Town Of Brookings . . . .

You can boast about your cities,
and their steady growth and size,
And brag about our city halls,
and business enterprise,
And railroads, and factories, and
all such foolery—
But the little town of Brookings
is BIG enough for me!
You can harp about your museums, with all their old masters
And blow about your auditoriums, and municipal orchestras;
You can talk about your theatrees, and all you've got to see—
But the little town of Brookings
is SHOW enough for me!
There ain't much style in our
town, it's rustic-like and small;
There ain't much taxes neither,
just the county tax is all;
There's no sidewalks, to speak
of—but the highway's always free,
And the little town of Brooking
is WIDE enough for me!

Some find it discommodin'-like,
I'm willing to admit,
Not to be incorporated, and all
that goes with it;
And no mayor, assessor or tax
collector, all three—
But the little town of Brookings
is HANDY enough for me!

You can smile and turn up your
nose, and joke and have your fun
And laugh and holler "Brookings
is a better town than none!"
If the city suits you better, why,
it's where you ought to be—
But the little town of Brookings
is GOOD enough for me!

—*Erskine R. Miller.*

LOCAL NEWS

Henry Kerr went to Portland Monday to meet Mrs. Kerr who flew home from Kansas City. Mrs. Kerr had been with her daughter who is ill.

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