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Four Lives Lost At Mouth Of Rogue Friday Evening

GOLD BEACH — An elderly couple, Mr. and Mrs. William Grant, about 60, of Van Nuys, Calif., lost their lives here last Friday evening, in a boat tragedy, and then two rescuers lost their lives in an attempt to pilot a plane to them in the open sea, just off the mouth of the Rogue.

The couple, fishing in the river near the mouth, ran out of gasoline. After anchoring the boat, a line was thrown them by Andy Moore, a fisherman, but the boat capsized, and the Grants were washed to sea by the rough waters at the time.

Vance Scott and Roy Rader took off from a nearby airport to rescue the hapless couple, but about 500 yards offshore the plane crashed, wrecking it badly. The rough water prevented any other rescue craft to reach any of the craft from reaching the plane or the Grants.

Vigil Kept At Shore

The Grant boat capsized about 5 p. m. with the plane crashing less than an hour later. Vigil was kept at the shore line hoping for the wreckage of the plane to be washed ashore. Coast guard rescue boats were kept from crossing the bar at the mouth of the river by the rough water.

According to Mr. and Mrs. Rex Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. Grant were intimate friends of theirs, having known them many years when the Hayes operated the Sportsmens Cannery at Wedderburn. Scott, of Scott's Lodge, also was an intimate friend. They have kept intimate friends of theirs, having Gold Beach friends.

Later word stated that bodies of both Mr. and Mrs. Grant had been washed ashore. Further details were not learned.

Winners Revealed In Picture Contest

Winners of prizes at a recent photographic contest staged by Phillips Clothing were announced this week in a letter to Mr. Phillips from Mrs. Rodriguez, one of the owners of Motoc Studio, Alturas, Calif., conducting the contest:

Winners of the different ages:
Three months to 7 months — Pamela Sue Hanscam, Harbor.
Eight months to 18 months — Ginger Lee Briscoe, Box 261, at Brookings.
Nineteen months to two years — Nylice Eastburn, Brookings.
Three years to seven years — Connie Payne, Harbor.
Eight years to 12 years — Patty Matson, Harbor.
Grand prize winner was Ginger Lee Briscoe.

C. of C. Meeting

October meeting of Brookings chamber of commerce is set for 8:00 p. m. Thursday night at the Grange hall. This is not a dinner meeting.

Members of new business and new residents in this area are especially invited to come (tonight at the Grange hall.

Men Oustriped In Salmon Catch

Much to the masculine disgust hereabouts, it seems the feminine anglers are having the better of the records.

A couple of weeks ago this paper carried an account of Mrs. Arthur Guthrie's prowess with the tackle. Sunday, Mrs. Roy Brimm came home with a 45½-pound beauty—probably to the chagrin of Roy, who, however, did like to display the catch.

Reports have it that many fish are being caught on the Chetco these days.

Garden Tour Was Poem Inspiration

The following song was written and composed by Mrs. Jack Collis after a Garden Club tour of local gardens last Summer. It is dedicated to Azalea Garden Club. At the October meeting, Mrs. Lee Rice, accompanied by Mrs. Collis, sang it:

A FLOWER GARDEN
Mabel McCanse Collis

A flower garden is someone's dream come true
Through love and labor each precious garden grew
And if you have one you are among the blest,
For heartease grows there;
Hearts' ease and spirits' rest.
(Chorus)

I have been told that in the wee hours
The fairies visit each garden in bloom
They paint each fragile-opening flower
And touch it with perfume.

II
Although you've seen so many flowers, or plant and shrub and tree,
One never quite remembers how exquisite they can be.
The miracle of beauty holds that feeling of surprise
And beauty's all around us, on the earth and in the skies.

Jack Myers Now At German Base

HANAU SIGNAL DEPOT, at Hanau, Germany (Special to the Pilot)—James R. Myers, son of Mrs. Lily Myers, Box 204, Brookings, was recently assigned to the 27th Signal Base Depot, here with the 512th Signal base maintenance company.

Pvt. Myers was inducted in the army Jan. 9, 1951. After completing basic training in the U. S. he came overseas to the European command, where he is presently assigned to the powers maintenance, Hanau Signal Depot.

He was a former student of Brookings high, where he was on the basketball team.

LOCAL NEWS

Mrs. Harry Lockland has returned from a short trip to Hayward, Calif.

Cecil Young of Young's Gift Shop is having a medical check-up at Seaside hospital this week.

Caroline Kerr of Coos Bay was a week-end visitor at the parental home.

Councilmen Attend Cities Confab At Portland This Week

To take advantage of all the experience compiled by League of Oregon Cities, Brookings city councilmen left Sunday for Portland, to attend a 3-day convention, in order to learn how best to set up the local city government.

Organized for purpose of sharing experiences, League of Oregon Cities maintains a service to all cities, which gives any particular city aid in solving problems which may arise. The local councilmen expect to gain valuable knowledge concerning the charter and ordinances which will be applicable to Brookings and cities of this comparable size.

Going from Brookings were: Mayor Robert O. Dimmick and councilmen Warren Smith, Chas. Young, Fred Fox and Pete Lesmeister. Convention days were Monday through Wednesday.

A special meeting of the council is set for Thursday night, at the Lesmeister office to discuss ordinances and business licenses. The public is privileged to attend any of the council meetings.

Ed Hoar Raises 'Real' Potatoes

Ed Hoar, who does a little farming in addition to his other vocations, brought four red potatoes, similar to the Pilot Tuesday, each weighing all of three pounds. He said three were from one hill.

The Pilot wondered at the size, and asked him if he was guilty of picking up such "little potatoes." He admitted his guilt, and said that he would like to see any other spot in Oregon match these for size and appearance.

To say that Ed is a booster for this area would be a big understatement.

On The Main Drag

Teen-agers testing new shoes in a puddle.

A distracted owner hunting elusive wood screws for the Manley building.

Al Panzer bragging about the one that got away (fish).

Lily workers spending some of their hard-earned cash.

A bank but no money.

The town, battering down its hatches for a long damp pull.

That aggravating smirk on Mrs. Roy Brimm's face.

George Widney forgetting his route long enough to catch a big one—ask him.

Venison or salmon on most of the menus except ours.

A dividend of sunshine—that of the brilliant kind.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Jones and daughter of Grants Pass visited Mrs. Jones sister, Flossie Buchanan, Monday night.

LILY INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR ASSOCIATION HERE

Practically all of the lily bulb sizes, 8-inch and up, are sold and shipped from this area, but there are some 7-8-inch bulbs unsold.

However this is not the near-fabulous numbers which have been rumored. A careful survey is being made for the purpose of reporting to all concerned just how many there are, still unsold. This is necessary because so many wild rumors and false reports have been set afloat to confuse the growers who have no regular market.

This week a rumor started that the Gold Beach district had sold and were selling their sevens for 12½c. Traced to its source, this rumor proved that the rumor had come from the fact that a dealer had offered that price for their sevens, but none of them had sold. There are 91 cases of 7-8-inch bulbs left unsold in the Gold Beach area, and many of these are not packed.

One grower has 10,000 of the unsold number, and he told a

reporter that he would plant them rather than sell below the code price of 15c. The prices this year are 15 for 7-8-inch; 25c for 8-9-inch, 30c for 9-10s and 35c for 10s and larger.

The market can absorb only a certain number of bulbs. No more can be used at any cut-price than at the agreed price. There happens to be too many sevens this year, and all growers now know it. Also, the growers know there were barely enough eights to fill orders. In order for the business to continue every grower needs to stay by the standards. If not all will suffer and be reduced to the Japanese lily growers level. Since there is no longer the need and demand for the seven-inch bulbs, they should be taken off the market. The outcome of the lily business depends upon the co-operation of all lily growers.

The committee urges that all sevens be planted again, thus assuring bigger bulbs next year.

Wranglers Book A Dance, October 27

Chetco Wranglers have advertising out for a dance to be held October 27, at the Grange hall. Funds raised by these dances will go toward a barn which eventually be built by the club.

Charles Jensen and his band of Langlois will furnish the music. A feature will be a skit by Wilbur and Judy Jensen.

The Wranglers have voted a donation of \$25 toward the local school band.

The Wranglers expect to put on a skit at the next P. T. A. meeting, with youngsters putting on a square dance.

'Spooks' Opening Observed, Sat'day

"Spooks Drive-in" was officially opened last Saturday. Formerly The Hearthstone, owned by Mr. and Mrs. C. A. MacKenzie, the business will be open from 11 a. m. to 11 p. m. daily, under lease and management of Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Zook and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Astin. Drive-in service will be featured, as well as regular table service with assistance of Pat Zook as fry cook, Roberta Zook as waitress. Mr. and Mrs. Zook and Agie Astin will cook during the day. Bob Astin will take charge in the evening.

They have installed a new ice cream machine, made by Mills Industries Inc., of Chicago, and a demonstrator served free ice cream all day, Saturday.

Located across from the local school, it is a popular place for snacks by both old and young.

Mrs. Mary Fisher, Mrs. LaMerne Christensen and Mrs. Louise Ostenberg attended an all-day meeting of the Federated Dorcas Society at Coquille last Tuesday. Mrs. Ostenberg was on the program with a vocal number. The gathering was held in the new Adventist church recently completed.

Mrs. A. Johnson Passed At Salem

Last rites were held last Thursday at Forest Lawn Memorial Park, Glendale, Calif., for Mary Ann Johnson, wife of August Johnson, who died at Salem. The V. F. W. Auxiliary had charge of graveside services and were in uniform.

Born in Nottingham, England, Mrs. Johnson was 76 years of age at the time of her death. She had been a resident of this area about six years.

Survivors are her husband, August, a local builder; John L. Silvan of Reedsport; a sister, Mrs. Burritt Chandler of Los Angeles, and a Brother, Arthur Hickling, in New Jersey.

Born Mary Ann Bellows, she came to America as a young girl and in her early womanhood, was on the old stage circuit for a number of years. She enjoyed telling of her experiences of the one-night stands in many cities. She had been in poor health for several years.

Grange Conference Billed At Ophir

The county Grange conference will be held at Ophir Grange next Tuesday, Oct. 23, starting with a lunch at noon. It will be attended by several state Grange officers and an afternoon closed meeting will start at 1:30.

The dinner at 6:30 will be followed by an evening meeting, which will feature a program to be open to the public.

These conferences are held in each county once in two years, and bring the state officers into contact with Grangers throughout the state.

Mr. and Mrs. Doyle Rausch are parents of a baby girl, born Sunday at the Rausch home. The young lady weighed 6 lbs. and 7 oz. No name had been given her at press time.