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## Pelicans Name Paŕse, Beavers Will Play For Brookings During Coming 52 Season

Pete J. Lesmeister, business manager of the local baseball team has an announcement to make—the local team will not be known as the "Pelicans" this year. Why?

Perhaps that is a long story—there might be some sentiment, too. "Pelicans" was the name of his Klamath Falls team, Pete informed the Pilot, and when he came here and started baseball he naturally took the name again since Brookings was on Pelican Bay. But those days are gone—like the 1948 election.

Pete told the Pilot, also, he had purchased the Portland Beaver's "home uniforms" on which was the "Beavers." He said it would cost considerable to have the name, "Pelicans" put on the uniforms—thus the Brookings team hence forth would be known as Beavers.

Pete has a re-building job to do this year. Gone are such lads as Barrett, Astin, McLean, and a few of those old stand-bys who slaved hard to give this area the Matson, The Westbrook boys, and Keith Johnson are likely the only ones of last year to return, unless it may be Ken Kimura.

Pete's missionary work at Corvallis may bring results. He will likely get quite a number of the OSC boys, through influence of Hank Westbrook, Pete's shadow. Bill McLean, Keith Johnson and the SOCE boys will do what is possible to help Pete.

Crescent City, it appears, will not be in any league this year—it didn't apply for a spot in the Southwestern Oregon league and apparently turned down any opportunity it had to be a member of the redwood league.

Some of the Crescent City boys, including Maciel, Peterson and a couple more, have reached Pete with an offer to wear the colors for Brookings.

While Pete faces a difficult task in his rebuilding, he apparently is losing little sleep. He knows that he has friend, he also knows these friends will do their utmost to bring the right kind of boys here. Pete, it appears, is worried mainly about this two-games-a-week schedule, and the financial burden which it will heap upon Brookings which must play Sunday double headers.

Since it costs considerable to field a baseball outfit, not to say anything about expense money on trips away from home, Pete wants to talk to the trusty fans of the area, who may have suggestions "banking business" current to running a team.

Lights, if fans could possibly underwrite the cost, would be the quickest solution to the problem since it would give the local management a double chance at the gate receipts. However, these lights cost money—and quite a bit, if Pete were to have to buy them outright. However, it is a thought that with as many electricians as there are in the area, who might donate labor for the erection, actual cost might be reduced that a "passing the hat" might pay for the luxury which actually is a necessity under the 1952 schedule.

Lights, while they cost considerable, would enable the city to use them for years with little or no maintenance costs. Should the local high school ever go to football, then the district, in the future, might be willing to underwrite some of the cost. These are thoughts, only, which must be kept in mind by the fans.

Fans will be given an opportunity to speak and offer aid to the situation when Pete has collected his thoughts and list of needs to call a meeting for that specific purpose. Watch for the date, you fans.

A copy of the schedule for the coming season has not been released, anyway, the Pilot has not learned of its existence. However, Pete did say that he had asked that his early games be on the road, and that the first home-games would be here on the weekend of the Azalea Festival, late in May. By that time, many of the college boys will be located in summer jobs in the local area, and the newly-christened Beavers can really go to work in earnest.

## LOCAL NEWS

Laura Barker and daughter, Karen, drove to Eugene Tuesday to spend the vacation there. Mrs. Barker has been employed by the Chetco Store for a time.

Henry Grootendorst says "It must have been a lady driver that bumped into the Pontiac in front of the post office." From the tone of voice used the writer wonders whether or not he thinks women are generally good drivers.

A number of couples gathered at the home of Col. and Mrs. Rice Sunday evening to wish him many happy returns. Mrs. Cliff Lindskoug baked and delivered a beautifully decorated cake.

Mrs. Mildred Bryant and son, Robert, visited an older son and brother at Eugene last week.

Lon N. Bryant, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. Bryant, is to sail from Bremerton for Korea soon. He has visits in Brookings and has acquired many friends among the youth here.

During the absence of Mrs. Bryant from Mildred's Beauty shop, Mrs. Hazel Holmes is in charge. Mrs. Bryant will attend the beauty show at Portland this weekend.

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