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About eight miles west of The Dalles, Rowena Heights are up-reared on the South bank of the Columbia, a rugged barrier reaching practically from the river's edge to the crowning scenic point of Mayer Park some 747 feet above. When the early-day residents around The Dalles came down to Portland they took to the river boats to get around Rowena. Pioneering highway engineers got around by smuggling close to her curving shoulders and climbing up and down, loop on loop. It was the long way around and a scenic way but it ate up the

gas and killed time and many persons didn't like it. The top picture shows the original highway, near the crown of Mayer Park before it was paved. The lower photo looks down at the "Rowena Loops" from close to the top. But now Rowena Loops are on their way out so far as major traffic is concerned. Initial contracts recently have been let for the construction of a water grade modern highway along the river at the foot of the cliffs. The new way is programmed to be completed in the late fall of 1953.

In The Mail-box:

Editor, Pilot: Just wish to say "hello" and to compliment you on your very fine editorials — Brookings is fortunate indeed to have as its editor one who is keenly progressive, fair-minded and also always ready to praise and support activities engaged for the good of the town and schools. You, in your position, undoubtedly have much (uncalled for) "unconstructive" criticism but in my opinion, I know you are doing a magnificent job and are living 'the good life.' My congratulations to you and your fam-

ily—keep up the good work. Sincerely, Helen Horner Austin, 310 E. Lauff St., Crescent City. P. S. I've been meaning to write this note for some time. Would you please renew my subscription? Will send check as soon as I find my pen—lost as usual. Oh, yes, please start sending the paper to my father, L. D. Horner, Rt. 1, Sweet Home, Ore.

Phone Numbers

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It will be worth your time to attend the band concert at the high school gym, Friday night at 8:00. The band has come a long way, and is anxious to show its abilities.

Barbershoppers Named Officers

Where there's harmonizing — usually one will find barbershoppers—and distance has no horror for these fellows.

Bradley Page, Charles Schaal and Charles Grayshel, members of the Brookings Chapter, No. 675, SPEBSQSA, along with Mrs. Page and Mrs. Schaal, went to Klamath Falls last Saturday to see the Annual Parade of Quartettes staged by Klamath Falls chapter.

This show was a sell-out for the fifth year in a row. Eight top-quartettes; the Eugene Chapter chorus and Klamath Falls chorus in their new uniforms, pleased the entire theatre audience.

The top quartet was the Travel-aires of San Jose, Calif. These boys will be international champs in

the future if they stay together.

Local Chapter Elects Officers
The annual election of officers for the Brookings chapter was held Monday night, and these will lead the group:

President—Charles Grayshel.
Vice-President — Stanley Paterson.

Secretary—Ray Guerrettaz.
Treasurer—J. Andy Anderson.
Directors: Al Panzer, Bert DeMoss and Orville Dimmick. Delegate to the Pacific Northwest district, Charles Grayshel and alternate, Bradley Page.

New Members Sought
The local chapter again invites prospective members who like to sing to take part in the chorus activities. Plans already are under way for the program for the show to be held this fall. The chorus meets Monday evenings at the Grange hall, at 8:15.

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