

Curry County Hosital A Reality; Over \$100,000 Invested In Its Construction

Curry County has its own "county hospital," all the results of a meeting held August 22, 1949 at the court house, Gold Beach, after the county had voted, subscribed otherwise obtained funds to pay for cost of erection. At this first meeting, board members present were C. E. Seger, president; Dr. R. L. Erickson, secretary; Joseph Bailey, Homer Kerber and W. W. Smith, directors.

At a special meeting, November 17, 1950, bids for the construction and equipping of the new hospital were opened. All bids at that time were rejected, as the lowest bid was \$9,000 above all available funds.

An emergency meeting was then held, with George M. Shiffer, of the Oregon State Board of health, hospital and facilities section, in Portland, on November 24, 1950. County Judge Guy H. Forsyth and C. E. Seger, president of the board, attending. The purpose of this meeting was to re-arrange, if possible, the financial cost of construction to within reach of the county finances.

After meeting with the advisory board of the State Board of Health, the following joint federal and county agreement was entered upon, provided an additional \$10,000 could be raised by the county. This agreement was tentative upon the raising of the additional amount within 10 days or all federal assistance would be withdrawn:

General Construction	\$101,428.00
Architect Fee	6,600.00
Group 1-2-3 Equipment	24,835.00
Site and survey and soil investigation	200.00
Contingency fund	6,948.00
Sub-Total	\$140,001.00
Site cost, no federal participation	4,624.00
Total Cost of Project	\$144,626.00
Federal share of the estimated cost	46,667.00
Curry County's share of costs	97,959.00

Assisted by Mrs. Rita Ganong, Mrs. George Mateer, president of the hospital association, traveled throughout the county soliciting funds to raise the amount of money needed to make the hospital a reality. After a week of hard work the shortage was reported overcome. This was promptly reported to the State Board of Health, which then authorized that the county proceed with the construction and equipping of the hospital.

Curry County now has a hospital well equipped in every department. Visiting doctors have declared the operating room to be exceptionally well equipped, capable of handling any and all types of surgery. The hospital staff consists of:

Ellen G. Ayers, R. N., manager; Crystal Henson, R. N., Vona Connolly, R. N., Faye Hasel, L. P. N. Elizabeth Nye, L. P. N., Margaret Kerber, L. P. N., Ronald Maxwell, technician, Laboratory and X-Ray; Alma Turner, aid; Nina Stansell, aid; Inez Hayes, cook; Elsie Olson, housekeeper.
—W. D. Sibley.

Down Town In Brookings In 192?



Looking in the opposite direction from another picture in this section is another view of the then "Main Drag" of Brookings of the days beyond recall. On the right is "Young's Small Hotel"—now go from there and try to identify the buildings on both sides.

Pictures taken today of this area, in possibly a few months, may look as odd to us as this one appears. Object of this edition is to make comparisons. You readers may have much enjoyment filling in the "vacant" spots.

THANK YOU, FRIENDS!

- * Our business grew from a small unit. *
- * Need for more room built the present *
- * building and further extensive expansion *
- * is planned for spring to meet the *
- * demand for service to the public here. *

We want to take this opportunity to wish the Brookings Plywood Corporation all the success in the world, and congratulate them for their coming to Brookings—the "coming" city!

BROOKINGS GARAGE

Claude Goldizen "Wally" Darling
Near the Plywood Plant Brookings, Ore.

Three Partners Expand Lumber Operations Here

Like "Topsy," businesses just seem to grow in this vicinity.

Take for instance the case of the South Coast Lumber Company, two miles north of Brookings, purchased May 15, 1950 by three partners consisting of Archie Simpson, C. L. Fallert and Charles V. Ames, then known as the S. F. A. C. Loggings Co. the holdings of Walter S. Craig.

Known then as "Craig Mill" the partners changed the name to South Coast Lumber Co. Today, it is doubtful if Walter S. Craig would recognize the place as so many improvements have been made.

Some of the improvements are: lengthening of the mill building, constructing a shop, and office building; installation of a 60-ft. burner; installation of a 54-inch Monarch headrig and carriage; as well as countless other minor changes. The pond has been enlarged.

Lumber Background Noted

The partners are experienced lumber men—grew up in the business would be the right way to express it. Take Archie Simpson: Born in 1903 at Coos River, in Coos county, where he attended grade and high school, beginning work early with the Coos Bay Lumber Co. In 1940 he went to Scottsburg, Douglas County, to work as a hook tender for the Gardiner Lumber Co., and held this job until 1945 when he became a partner of the S. F. A. C. Logging Co., to do contract work until the group came to Curry County to buy the South Coast Lumber Co.

C. L. Fallert, born in 1910, near Oregon City, got his start early, after two years of high school at Washington High, Portland, and at the age of 14 began logging with a team of horses with his father who operated a small sawmill about 11 miles of Oregon City. In 1929 he became associated with his father in the sawmill as logging superintendent until 1938, when they sold. In 1939 he, too, moved to Scottsburg as log hauler, and acquired a fleet of six trucks.

In 1941 he sold his trucks and became truck foreman for the Gardiner Lumber Co., later to become logging superintendent. In 1945 he became one of the partners in the S. R. A. C. Logging Co.

Charles V. Ames was born in 1914 at Portland, and attended high school two years at Falls City, Oregon. At 15 he began his logging career, working at wood cutting for a donkey for the Willamette Logging Co. A number of jobs were stepping stones to high climber for Willamette Loggings Co., at Taft.

In 1944 he also went to Scottsburg, and became another logger to do contract work for the Gardiner Lumber Co.—and the third partner in the S. F. A. C. Loggings Co. All three like their part in the growth of Brookings.

Max Steineke, A Brookings Man Is Noted Geologist

Brookings may be still quite unknown as far as the world at large is concerned, but from this area came Max Steineke, brother of Mrs. Ed Ransom, who is a noted geologist—a Sidney Powers Medalist Winner.

Max, born at Brookings in March, 1898, came from sturdy pioneer stock, and being endowed with a strong physique, chose geology as his profession. His endowment of robustness has been his ally in the work he has become noted.

Following high school, he entered Stanford in 1917, majoring in mining and geology. Following graduation he was sent all over the world, Canada, South America, New Zealand, and Saudi Arabia. Since 1936 he has spent almost his entire time with the Arabian-American Oil Company.

Mrs. Ransom, as well as any of his friends, thinks a special edition depicting the progress of southwestern Oregon would be incomplete without some mention of Max Steineke, whose name is now an authority in geology in the world. Mrs. Ransom would be only too glad to point out the big achievements of her brother.

Spend A Day!

This area affords scores of intriguing spots the tourist must visit. Be sure to spend a day or more here, on that trip you are planning this summer!

Growing With Brookings



Brookings Clinic Is Staffed By:

DR. ROY M. WHITE
Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon

DR. ROBERT E. SMITH
Dentist

DR. JOHN WILLS
Osteopathic Physician and Surgeon

DR. ARTHUR F. DURBIN
Optometrist

Wishes Every Success To Brookings Plywood Corporation In The Future!

When you think of Southern Curry, you most likely recall that it is the "home of winter flowers," home of the Croft lily; seat of much lumber manufacturing, and now of plywood.

CONGRATULATIONS!



To the Brookings Plywood Corporation

For coming into this area. Your operation will do much to develop the resources of Southwestern Oregon. We hope, also, to continue our part in the contribution toward this end—to the progress of Curry County, as we have in the past several years.

SOUTH COAST LUMBER COMPANY

Archie Simpson Charles V. Ames Bill Fallert

—Manufacturers of Douglas Fir Lumber—

Highway 101 North

Brookings, Oregon