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Co. Commissioner No Stranger Here

Robert H. Ismert, Bob as he is known by his friends, elected Curry County Commissioner, is not exactly new in this part of the county.

His parents moved to Pistol River in 1880. When he was eleven years of age he lived in Brookings for a short time.

Mr. Ismert has had 15 years experience with the State Highway Department, helping to rebuild the Winchuck bridge about 12 years ago. He was painting inspector on the Chetco bridge and built the side walk when the highway was changed some months ago.

Mr. and Mrs. Ismert live on a farm at Pistol River. They have two daughters, Donna who works in Gold Beach and Carole, a grade school student.

Mr. Ismert's mother, Mrs. Vera Ismert moved to Brookings two weeks ago buying property on the old airport near the Hurst home. Mr. Ismert is a double cousin of Mrs. Glen Hurst—that is cousins on both sides of the family (brother and sister married brother and sister.)

Mr. Ismert is anxious to become better acquainted over the county and especially anxious to meet the many new people that have recently moved here.

BOOSTER NIGHT PROGRAM TO BE HELD NOVEMBER 21

The members of Chetco Grange are inviting the public to their Booster Night Program at the Grange Hall Friday November 21st at 8 p. m. There will be an interesting program after which a social hour will be enjoyed. All members of the local Grange attending are asked to bring sandwiches or cake for the refreshments.

New Drug Store For Smith River

Smith River has another new business firm the drug store and ice cream fountain under management of Frank and Jean Endert which opened up Saturday. The Enderts state the regular opening day will be Saturday November 15. The new building has been under construction for several months. The exterior is finished in natural redwood with large glass windows on each side. The interior is finished in sea green with large Chartreuse leather upholstered booths and fountain stools and the display rack about the room make the store an attractive business firm for Smith River. Frank Endert, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Endert of Crescent City who operate the Rexall Drug Store of that city and Frank has worked with his father in this business for many years and is well trained to carry on the drug business of his own. Endert will also carry a line of veterinary supplies.

STAR OF THE SEA BAZAAR

The Star of the Sea Catholic Church will hold their annual bazaar at the VFW hall on Saturday night, Nov. 15th beginning at 7:00 p. m. All funds derived will apply on the building fund.

An invitation is extended to the public to attend, where they will find booths of food and refreshments, candy, pastries, games and pin booths, and a fancy-work booth where Christmas gifts can be bought.

SCOUTS GUESTS OF ROTARY TUESDAY NOON LUNCHEON

Four Boy Scouts, Phil Kessler, Dick Fading, Bobby Dimmick and David Bushnell, were guests of Bob Dimmick, mayor, at Tuesdays Rotary meeting at the Chetco Inn. Ways and means were discussed concerning finances to send local boys to the National Jamboree to be held this year at the ranch near Los Angeles. Howard Crane is the troops leader.

Winchuck Women's Clubs Meets

Jean Thompson recently entertained the Winchuck River Women's club at her home in Brookings at which time questions concerning the club were discussed. It is hoped that all members attend the November meeting to be held at Amanda Garvin's, November 20, to vote on current club questions. The women voted in favor of the club purchasing trays for the hostesses to use for serving refreshments.

Jean Thompson and co-hostess, Mrs. Dubbs served refreshments of pumpkin pie, cup cakes, and coffee which were appropriate for the Halloween occasion.

The November meeting will be on the 20th, a week earlier this month because of Thanksgiving coming on the regular meeting date.

It is regretted that a report of the September meeting was not written in time to be published before the October meeting was due. However, the women enjoyed the afternoon spent at Doris Bolin's with Doris and Gertrude Scholl hostesses for the group.

DEMPSEYS NOW NEW BROOKINGS RESIDENTS

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dempsey moved to their home near the ocean and Chetco River Monday. Their home is the Redwood shake house, formerly known as the John Pruess place, across from the Haggerty's.

Mr. Dempsey who operates a used car lot west of town was commuting from near Fort Dick, their former home. Brookings welcomes the Dempseys.

First Publisher In C. C. Hosital

While J. J. Gallagher was at the Seaside Hospital, Crescent City lately, he had as a roommate John L. Childs, now 89 years old, the founder, editor and publisher of the Chetco Harbor Herald which was published at Chetco in 1891. The first settlement near the Chetco river mouth was known as Chetco Harbor, later shortened to Harbor. He taught school at Smith River, later at Crescent City. He was admitted to the bar in California in 1896 and practiced in Crescent City. He was elected District Attorney and Judge of the Supreme Court of Del Norte County and served for 16 years. He still practices law as health permits.

He sold his equipment to Mr. Brookings who built the mill in Brookings.

Judge Childs built the first structure in what is now Brookings and started the first business here. In the early 1900 he built a device for loading ships with tan-bark, which he floated down the river to a stock pile and then loaded on ships. Many of the older residents will remember this versatile gentleman and wish him well.

Program Of County Board

Six members of the Chamber of Commerce of Gold Beach, Port Orford and Brookings, meeting as the Curry County Development Board, agreed unanimously that immediate action be taken to assure to our county adequate telephone service. Such service is essential to the safety and welfare of our citizens and must be provided if Curry County is to hold its recent gains in industrial growth and to encourage further growth.

Specifically, the group recommends the installation of adequate subscriber facilities, switchboards, poles and individual installations, and expanded trunk service commensurate with our business and population needs as the fastest growing county in the northwest.

The Board specifically solicited the endorsement of the local Chamber of Commerce in Brookings, Port Orford and Gold Beach, the Municipal government of each of the cities and the County Government of Curry County, and the Sixes, Ophir and Chetco Granges.

Brookingsites Entertain Oregon Coast Ass'n.

The twenty-second Annual Convention of the Oregon Coast Association came to a successful conclusion Saturday, November 8th, at Crescent City, California. The convention started on November 6th with registration at the Hotel Lauff. Rudy Lachenmeier, sports editor of Radio Station KGW, Portland, was the featured speaker at the Friday luncheon, and he chose as his topic "Fishing and Hunting is Big Business in Oregon." Mr. Lachenmeier gave the members a very inspiring talk and accurate figures on the amount of money that accrues to the State from fishing and hunting licenses together with the amount of other expenditures made by the sportsmen while they are spending time in our area. Mr. Lachenmeier impressed his listeners with the fact that we have not sufficiently advertised the fact that no license is required for surf fishing, no limit is imposed and it is open season on this type of fishing the year around.

The speaker at the Saturday luncheon was Mr. Lee H. McLeod, president of the Redwood Empire Association, who told about the future highway program of the California State Highway Commission. Plans are under way for improvement of the highway south of the Dr. Fine Bridge which will cut off the hazards through the town of Fort Dick and eliminate that part of the road that is narrow and dangerous in the Redwood Grove. There are also plans being made for more freeways from San Francisco to the Oregon State Line for which money is being sought from the Federal Aid program. The spirit of co-operation that exists between the two Highway 101 associations was brought out by the presentation of a Redwood Gavel by Mr. McLeod to the incoming president of the Oregon Coast Association.

Introductions of the newly elected officers were made by immediate past-president Charles Grayshel as follows: President, H. A. Roberts, Florence, Oregon; recording secre-

NATIONAL EDUCATION WEEK BEING OBSERVED

This week being National Education Week was observed by the local education plant with a display at the Chetco Drug Store.

'Readin,' 'ritin' and 'rethmetic' lessons by several very young school students show samples of the hand work possible after only a few months of present day instruction and patient teachers are to be commended for their sincere efforts on behalf of our children.

Bullet Wounds Youth In Arm

While examining an "unloaded" rifle Sunday at the Bonn Motel, 17 year old Dickie Campbell, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Campbell was struck in the arm by a bullet.

His friend, 15 year old Gerald Bonn had previously held the gun. When Dickie pulled the trigger, the bullet glanced off the car in which they sat and entered the flesh of his arm. No bones were damaged, but it is a painful wound. He was given tetanus shots to prevent further complications.

Armistice Party Well Attended

Over a hundred veterans and their families attended the annual Armistice Day party at the VFW hall Saturday evening. Chairman for the party were the VFW Post Commander J. G. Kohler and VFW Auxiliary president, Dolly Brainard. The pot luck dinner was served early in the evening, after which colored slides were shown by Benjamin Jones. These were of particular interest as they had been taken by his nephew, Pvt. Verne Garvin, on his trip from San Francisco Bay to his present base at Okinawa, and showed many views of that island as well as the trip.

Grocery Bingo followed the showing of the slides, and dancing until a late hour completed the evening. Those who have been attending these annual affairs say that they get better each year with more veterans and their families taking part.

BLOOD BANK AT SMITH RIVER THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 20

The Blood Bank will be in Smith River at the Community Hall on Thursday, November 20th from noon until late evening or until all those wishing to contribute blood have been taken care of. This opportunity is sponsored by the Smith River American Legion and Auxiliary and the V. P. W. and Auxiliary of Crescent City.

Mrs. E. M. Kampf of Smith River is making a plea to Brookings residents to contribute blood. No appointments needed but it is necessary that no food is taken in the stomach for four hours previously.

WELL CHILD CLINIC MONDAY

The Curry County Health Department will hold a well child clinic at Brookings-Harbor grade school Monday, November 17th, from 9 to 12.

Mrs. Bertha Whirry may be contacted for appointments.

Chetco Grange Elect Officers

The officers for 1953 were elected at the meeting of Chetco Grange Friday evening, with Benjamin Jones re-elected to head the organization as Master. The other officers elected are as follows: Overseer, Fred Gustafson; Lecturer, Kathryn Reekman; Steward, William Eickhoff; Assistant Steward, D. C. Jagers; Chaplain, Jessie Judkins; Treasurer, George Hiland; Secretary, Edna Weigel; Gatekeeper, Alan Woodruff; Ceres, Bernadine Steele; Pomona, Laure Ziegler; Flora, Beulah Keiser; Lady Assistant Steward, Lillian Zumpfe; Musician, Edna Weigel; Executive Committee members, Roy Springer, Roy Hendry and Andrew Hoffeld. The installation of officers will take place the first part of January.

After the meeting, a social hour was enjoyed, with refreshments of pie and coffee served by Mr. and Mrs. Drorbaugh, Mr. and Mrs. McCatten, and Mr. and Mrs. Ravekes.

SMITH RIVER CHURCH SETS NOVEMBER 20 FOR BAZAAR

The ladies of the Smith River church have set Thursday afternoon November 20 for their annual bazaar, food sale, variety table of useful articles, to open at 2 p. m. at the Community hall. There will be on sale many hand made articles of needle work, variety table of useful articles, food sale, grab box. Mrs. Isabel Buckner is chairman of the tea table.