



# Brookings-Harbor Pilot



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## C. of C.-Loggers Discuss Highway Problems At Meet

A committee of the Chamber of Commerce was to attend a meeting held by the local logging industry and a representative of the State Highway commission to discuss the problem of returning Highway 101 north to normal operation. The conclusion of this meeting will determine to a great extent the action of the Chamber of Commerce in its efforts to assist.

At the time this paper went to press no report of the meeting was available.

## Library Site To Be Deeded To City

The surplus properties division of the Federal Securities Agency is now ready to put the deed to the lots for the Chetco Community Library in escrow, and suggested that, since the community is now incorporated, the land be conveyed directly to the city instead of the Library Association; thereby relieving the association of the necessity of filing a tax exemption certificate; since, as city property it would automatically be tax exempt.

In view of this suggestion, the Library Board conferred with the city council and city attorney, and later called a special meeting of the association membership, at which time a resolution was passed to the effect that the city council make application for this property.

However, the Library Association is still responsible for the collection of funds and the construction of the building. Action was taken by the city council and its application is now in the hands of the federal securities agency in San Francisco. The deed will carry the restriction that the land cannot be used for anything other than a library.

The Library Board would very much appreciate receiving payment, at this time, of all pledges made by individuals and organizations.

## Vernon Crockett Honored Guest

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Crockett and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Freeman entertained at the Crockett home on Sunday with a festive dinner in honor of Vernon Crockett, who leaves Wednesday for the armed forces.

Those enjoying the affair were: Mr. and Mrs. David Crockett, Mr. and Mrs. Milton DeMartin, David and Kay, Joanne Pettigrew, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Freeman and daughters, Donna Mae, Cindy and Susan, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Crockett and the honored guest, Vernon Crockett.

The day was spent around the piano with accordion and bingo. Many an old fashioned tune came to light, and many a new one.

## Kemp Residence Damaged By Fire

Saturday, Jan. 17, when Norris Kemp and his family returned home after the matinee at the theater they found their home filled with smoke and the floor surrounding the gas floor furnace on fire. The wood was quickly chopped away and water used to quench the flames. If the family had been delayed for some time the house very likely would have been consumed by fire.

During a previous winter the same house suffered the loss of its roof and damage which also affected the family car, during a severe storm.

The wood flooring has been repaired and new linoleum will be laid at once.

## Minstrel Show Featured Tonight

The old-fashioned minstrel show sponsored by the junior class of the high school will be given this evening (Thursday) at the school. Practice was interrupted by school closure, which made it necessary to postpone the show that week.

The show is made up of a large group of varied musical and dancing numbers.

Those holding tickets will please note that the show will be given this evening.

## Local Men Make Gilbert Passable

A group of men from this vicinity took it upon themselves to make it possible for travel to be resumed southward Thursday evening. One span of the three-span bridge across Gilbert creek on the old highway in Del Norte county was taken out by the recent heavy storm and washings therefrom.

"Speed" Funari is given credit for engineering the project. The work consisted of deepening the channel, thereby diverting the flow of water to the other two spans and filling in the space of the missing span. Cats, trucks and other heavy machinery were used to move logs, rocks and earth for filling. Charles Sabin, Fox Bros., "Speed" Funari, Bert DeMoss and others whose names were not available worked all day.

Nightfall did not bring a halt to the work, portable light plants and generators were supplied by Elmer Bankus and George Murry. Gravel for surfacing was supplied by Art Gibbs and Elmer Bankus.

Mrs. Charles Sabin, Mrs. Freddy Fox and Mrs. Albert Anderson brought hot coffee and sandwiches. Brookings Market and Ed and Mendys provided oil, lights and food. Bill Brown and Bud Cross were there to direct traffic and give the use of radio for relaying messages.

Work was not completed until 1 o'clock Friday morning.

## C. C. Banquet This Evening

The Chamber of Commerce annual banquet will be held Thursday evening (tonight), Jan. 29 at 7:00 p.m. at the Grange hall in Harbor. Tickets have been on sale this last week, and a very large attendance is expected. In addition to the installation of officers, an interesting program on the proposed harbor development is planned. The door prize has been donated by Kerr hardware.

If you can't come for dinner, come for the business meeting which will begin at 8:00 p.m.

## Library Benefit Carnival

Saturday, Feb. 28, has been set as the date for a gala carnival night at the V.F.W. hall. Each organization in the community will be asked to run a booth—all proceeds to be given to the library building fund.

Keep this date open—there will be lots of fun for everyone.

## GENE GOULD WILL DISTRIBUTE CLOTHES IN KOREA

In response to the request of Gene-Gould, son of Mickey and Peggy Gould, who is stationed with the armed forces in Korea, the American Legion is taking the lead in a project to collect and pack warm practical clothing to be sent to Gene for distribution to those small Koreans he is so concerned about.

The affection and good wishes of his friends in Brookings go to Gene with the packages.

Those having children's clothing, wishing to contribute to this cause, are asked to call 2548 or 2451. They will be collected by Bernice Stanhurst and packed for mailing. Articles must be clean and in good condition. They may also be left at Verna's Shop in the Brookings Hotel.

Several boxes have already been sent by Gene's parents and others are ready to go from the Auxiliary.

## SON OF LOCAL MAN RECEIVES AWARD

Lt. J. G. James E. Collis, stationed at present at Whidby Island, Wash., was, together with other members of patrol squadron one, awarded the air medal for meritorious achievement during operations against enemy forces in the East.

Lt. Collis, formerly with the F.P.I.I., is now being detached for special duty with the Fleet Air Service.

Lt. Collis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Collis of Fountain Rock addition.

## Lions Club Plans For Carter Night

The Brookings-Harbor Lions Club will hold its charter night program Saturday, Feb. 21, at the Chetco Inn. Many dignitaries are expected to attend. The club is making preparations for an expected attendance of at least 200.

Lions clubs in general, concentrate work with their aid to the blind. They donate time and money to the purchase of glasses, treatment and seeing-eye dogs for the blind. They usually try to confine their aid to local community projects that needs to be undertaken. They usually get the job done in fine order, too.

The Brookings-Harbor club now has a membership of 26 members and it is expected to grow still higher by charter night.

Numerous board meetings have been called by President Ralph Reed to take care of the many problems of organization and for the making of future plans. Regular dinner meetings are held at the Chetco Inn on second and fourth Mondays of the month.

## 2 Explorer Scouts Give Assistance

Tommy Smith and Dick Fadling Explorer Scouts of Eagles Troop 222, deserve a great deal of credit for selling \$62 worth of advance March of Dimes dance tickets.

The dance held Saturday evening was well attended, according to Amber Campbell, March of Dimes chairman. She stated that she wished to thank all those that had helped make the dance possible and especially the two boys for their fine work.

The amount of the total proceeds will be published later.

## Full Mail Service Since Thursday

Mail service to this area was interrupted just one day last week. Nick Turner, mail carrier from Gold Beach and Crescent City, and Mrs. Goldie Swearingen, acting postmaster, made every effort humanly possible to get the mail to the public.

Mr. Turner made a hazardous trip to Gold Beach Sunday. He was not able to get through Saturday. At Red Cut he had to leave the mail truck and, with the first-class mail on his back, started out on foot. Fortunately he did get some rides and had considerable help from Stanley Colgrove with a jeep, but much of the way he walked. The trip took seven hours.

Tuesday Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Swearingen took the mail truck to Gilbert Creek where they met the Butler freight from Crescent City. The mail was carried across the damaged bridge. The next day Mr. Turner was met at Myers Creek by the Swearingens and on Thursday all mail was carried both north and south.

## Robert Dimmick To Succeed Himself As Mayor of City

At the January council meeting, Bob Dimmick gave his acceptance to the mayorship for a term of two years. The councilmen felt that Mr. Dimmick knew a great deal about the workings of the city and had piloted them safely through the most difficult months of organization, therefore was the most logical one to accept the title of mayor.

Clive Manley was sworn in as councilman, replacing Fred Fox.

## Brookings Given National Publicity

By C. H. GRAYSHEL

Brookings, Ore., has received national publicity in the ads placed by the Travel Information Bureau, State Highway Commission, in the following publications: Saturday Evening Post, Jan. 31 issue, and the January issue of Holiday Magazine. This picture was taken this past summer by Mr. Dennis Clarke and one of the official photographers from State Highway Commission, Salem, Ore.

Local high school students cooperated in posing in the car which was furnished by Gordon Hook, of Smith River Calif. For the benefit of the readers the students in the car are Gordon Hook, behind the wheel; to his right Marjorie Freeman and Ed Grootendorst; in the rear of the car, Mary Lou Berger; directly in front of the car on the bank, Patsy Hyland, Shirley Bowlin and Lyle Vaughan.

Many pictures were taken during the visit of these two men from the Travel Information Bureau and I'm sure that we will see more colored pictures of the many scenic spots in this area in issues of national magazines.

## Chetco Valley Old Timer Passes

Cesare Bravo, born in Switzerland Feb. 17, 1872, passed away Friday evening, Jan. 23, at North Bend.

Mr. Bravo came to the Chetco Valley with his family in 1889, 64 years ago. He was married to Jessamine Farnum in 1897 and to this union were born six surviving children, Mrs. Eva Moody, Reedsport; John Dale, Harbor; Mrs. Elina Eunice Towler, Grants Pass; Mrs. Anice Velma McCulloch, Brookings, and Chester of San Francisco. Surviving sisters are Mrs. Albina Tambo, Harbor; Mrs. Beatrice Pieni, Requa, and Mrs. Fulvia Vosti, Salinas Calif. His divorced widow also survives.

Cesare Bravo, known as "Ches" by his friends, a rancher around here all his life, will be missed by those who knew him.

Funeral mass will be in the Star of the Sea parish church today (Thursday) Jan. 29 at 10 o'clock, and burial in the family plot at Crescent City.