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## On the Reef

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The man from New Jersey looked out across Chetco Cove, to where the white caps were breaking outside the bay. Faint and far behind them the lighthouse on St. George's reef shone in the sun. The man from New Jersey shrugged.

"Very pretty," he said. "Very pretty. But rather wild, isn't it? After all, what can you do with it?"

Far above him a gull wheeled in above the Chetco, his feathers fluttering in the breeze. He sailed slowly up the river, then dropped to where the tall dark firs cloaked the shoulders of the mountains.

"Now Atlantic City, now there's a beach for you," said the man from New Jersey. "Boardwalk a mile long. Big hotels. And people . . . you never saw so many people."

Down on Harris Beach, the great green rollers came in, slowly surging on the rocks, rolling through arch rock to shatter on the beach. The tidal pool behind the rock rose and fell, and the hermit crabs went scuttling with their borrowed shells across their rock-ribbed prison pools.

"And Jones Beach," said the man from New Jersey. "Why, on a Sunday I've seen hundreds of thousands of people at Jones Beach. People so thick you couldn't even see the water. Now there's a beach!"

Across the mouth of the Chetco, the surf was rolling in, frothing white where it met the green water of the river coming out. In the channel a salmon rose and rolled across the bar, his flank showing wet and smooth at the surface of the water. The sea gull dropped to investigate.

The man from New Jersey looked once more, his eyes sweeping from the wooded mountains, across the river, down the beach to where the rocks broke into the ocean.

"Well," he said. "I've got to get going. It's a long way to New Jersey."

He waved as he started his car. And there was lonely envy in his eyes.

## Radio Broadcast From O'Holleran's

O'Holleran's Restaurant will celebrate its reopening this Thursday, with a radio broadcast over KCRE, Crescent City.

The newly remodeled restaurant, formerly the Town House, will be the scene of an informal broadcast during the dinner hour. KCRE staff men will interview diners there during the evening.

The restaurant, on the north end of Chetco avenue, reopened after remodeling a few days ago. The O'Hollerans plan extensive alterations yet on the exterior of the building.

## Willis Schleisner Dies In Sleep

Willis Schleisner, who with his wife Nellie, had lately returned from a few months in California passed away in his sleep some time Monday night or early Tuesday morning. Mr. Schleisner had been in ill health for years, but had had company the evening before and apparently was as well as ever. He and Mrs. Schleisner had lived in Brookings since 1947. She had been a Post Office employee for five years before going south.

Mr. Schleisner had built and sold several homes on the old Airport tract and owned property on Easy street.

Services will be held today, Thursday, Aug. 20, at the Baptist Community Church at 2 p.m.

Interment will be in Portland.

## New Instructors Signed for School

Several new teachers have been signed to teach at Brookings schools this year, according to Lynn Hampton, Superintendent of Schools.

Mrs. Lorayne Clayton, a graduate of Simpson College in Indiana, Iowa, will teach biology and English. Mrs. Clayton has taught previously in the middle west.

The new teacher for the eighth grade will be Ernest Madden, a graduate of Southern Oregon College of Education. Mr. Madden taught last year at Grants Pass.

Also signed for the new school year is Clifford R. Girod of Salem, a graduate of Willamette University. Mr. Girod will teach mathematics. While at Brookings, Mr. Girod will continue work on his master of education degree.

## E. B. Watson Will Manage Cliff House

Don's Cliff House, sold at Sheriff's sale Friday, Aug. 14, at the county court house, Gold Beach, was bid in and sold to Roy Brimm, Earl M. Hall and Kalberer Hotel Supply Co.

The property has been leased with an option to E. B. Watson and Mr. and Mrs. K. A. Carr of Los Angeles. Mr. Watson stated that he plans to reopen the establishment in a couple of weeks and asks that prospective patrons watch for his advertising in later issues.

Redecoration and renovation is to be started at once by Mr. Watson who has had considerable experience in operating this type of business. It will be known as the Cliff House.

## Smith River Schools Open Sept. First

Smith River school will open for the fall term on September 1, the date set for all schools in Del Norte County.

Teacher's Institute for Del Norte county will be held August 31 in Crescent City.

## Her Royal Highness, Carol Ann



This is Carol Ann Benson who will be South Curry County's Princess at the Curry County Fair to be held August 21, 22 and 23 at Gold Beach. If Brookings exhibitors win enough ribbons, she'll reign over the Fair as Queen.

## Double Shift To Be Used Again

A double shift will be necessary for Brookings schools again this year.

That's the word from Lynn Hampton, Superintendent of Schools here, as plans move into shape for the opening of school September 8.

Lynn says the school board has no definite idea as to how many students there will be enrolled when registration opens August 31, but they are positive that a double shift will be necessary. Such a condition will probably continue until new construction can be undertaken.

Last year's school census indicated there would be 539 elementary students in Brookings for enrollment this year, but the school board has no way of figuring how many have moved in or out of this community since. Figures for the high school, subtracting last year's seniors and adding last year's eighth graders, indicate there were 188 prospective enrollees last June.

Superintendent Hampton emphasized the fact that it will be necessary for all prospective students to register during the period from August 31 to September 2, so they may make plans for assigning shifts. Details of the registration will appear in next week's Pilot.

### NOTICE

The Brookings Water Company announces that restrictions on water usage have been removed. The reserve in the reservoir has now reached a stage where it is believed that an adequate supply will be available for the balance of the season.

## Four-H Members to Be Busy at Fair

A full program is in store for Four-H members at the Curry County Fair, according to Kenneth W. Priest, County Agent.

The Fair opens Friday morning at Gold Beach for a three-day run.

Friday is kid's day, and in keeping with that the Four-H program will get off to a flying start. Animal judging will start promptly at 10 a.m., although the order in which breeds will be judged will not be known until judging actually begins.

A full program of Four-H demonstrations is scheduled for the youngsters, as follows:

10:00 a.m.—Cake Baking—Joan Wolff and Sharon McCully.

10:30 a.m.—Team Demonstration—Joan Perkins and Alice Bowman.

11:00 a.m.—Team Demonstration—Ruthanne Porisch and Faye Shearer.

11:30 a.m.—Cake Baking—Michael Walker.

12:00 noon—Lunch.

1:00 p.m.—Individual Demonstration—Sharon Jarrett.

1:00 p.m.—Cake Baking—Carol Clyde.

1:30 p.m.—Canning Contest—Pat Kerber.

1:30 p.m.—Bread Baking—Charles Saxton.

2:00 p.m.—Cookie Baking—Norah Baker and Gladys Saxton.

2:30 p.m.—Cookie Baking—Carlene Harris and Linda Colson.

3:00 p.m.—Individual Demonstration—Vesper Bailor.

3:30 p.m.—Electric team demonstration—David Herron and Tim Kessler.

4:00 p.m.—Judging—Sharon Jarrett.

4:00 p.m.—Bread Baking—Vesper Bailor.

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## CURRY COUNTY FAIR OPENS THIS WEEK

Everything is in readiness at Gold Beach for Curry County's biggest and best fair, which opens Friday for a three-day run.

Ken Thompson, manager of the Fair, promised a full three days activity for everyone. Prospects are for the finest fair ever held at Gold Beach, he said.

The Brookings Wranglers are in charge of all grandstand attractions, and have arranged a full schedule. Included in the attractions will be a calf scramble, milking a wild cow, wild steers, and horse and auto racing.

Friday at the Fair will be children's day, with the kids participating in a full program of field events. There will be a children's parade Friday afternoon with prizes for the best costumes, and foot races and novelty events at the Fair Grounds. Friday afternoon the Gold Beach High School band will give a concert.

Judging in Fair classifications will start Friday and be concluded Saturday.

Saturday main events will include the Horse Show, the crowning of the Queen, and a free barbecue at noon. There will be a parade in Gold Beach, and another band concert by the High School Band. The big event Saturday night will be the Cowboy's Dance, held at the Veterans Hall.

Sunday will see the Calf Scramble for Four-H members, in which the kids try to catch a calf let loose among them. The winner gets to raise the calf as a Four-H project.

Also Sunday will be horse racing at the Gold Beach track, the parade of winning animals, and Hard-Top racing at the track.

Entries for the Fair open at 2 p.m. Thursday and close Friday at 10 a.m.

## Smith River Babies Perish In Fire

The one-year-old babies of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Leishman were fatally burned Friday, when their parents' home on Weitchep road, near Smith River was destroyed by fire.

Cause of the fire was attributed to a defective gas heater, lit only a few minutes earlier. The mother of the children had left them asleep while she went to an adjoining house to wash clothes.

When discovered, the fire was well-advanced, with the walls burning rapidly. Mrs. Leishman and neighbors attempted to gain access to the house, but were beaten back by the flames.

Funeral services for the children were held Tuesday from Wier Funeral Home in Crescent City. Surviving beside the parents were the children's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Leishman, Sr., of Crescent City, and other relatives.