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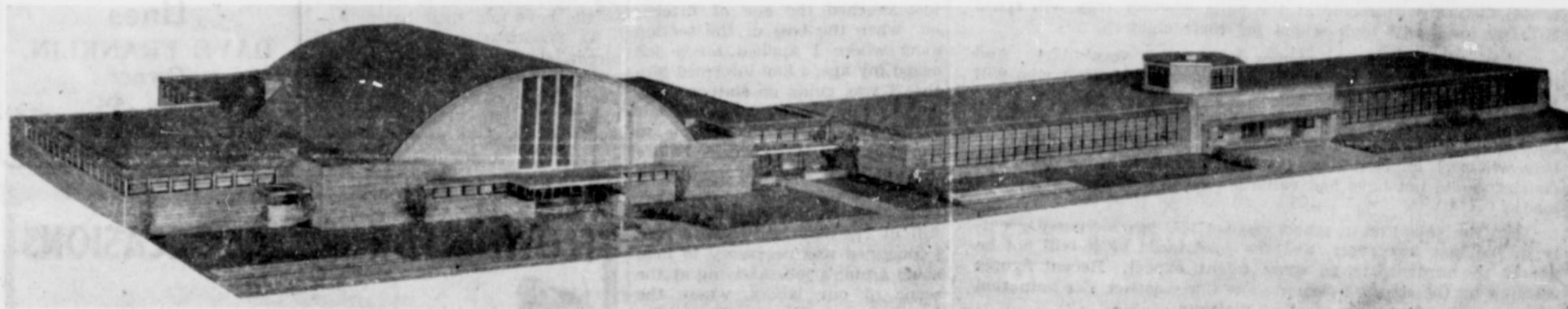
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This is the way the proposed new Brookings-Harbor high school will look when completed. The domed area on the left houses the gymnasium, with school offices in the center and classrooms on the right. The building is expandable in the future.

On the Reef

By BILL PHELPS

There seems to be an idea in some circles that during my recent diatribe concerning the location of Highway 101, I made a derogatory remark concerning a past condemnation suit for the highway location.

Well, I didn't. I wasn't here when the condemnation suit was pressed, I don't know where the property is, how much they got for it, who owned it, or anything else about it.

What I did say was that if condemnation suits do rise to the point of absurdity in the future, thereby discouraging the building of a highway, it would be a calamity. And I'm afraid I still think so.

And, as I've said in the past, you may not make any money editing a paper, but you sure have interesting conversations!

I'm beginning to think this town is full of sadists. Walked over to the city hall the other day, and there was Frenchy Arrell, eyes gleaming, pulling people in by their neckties. For why? For to get their finger stuck, that's why.

Frenchy may say he's doing this out of a sense of civic virtue. He puts on a good front. But he can't fool me. No one could ever get that much enjoyment out of watching all those people wince when Ed Samuel sticks them, just out of a sense of civic responsibility.

And Paul Ronniger's another. You know, Paul was one of the instigators of this thing. He was not satisfied to sit up in his office, gleefully listen to the groans of his patients. . . he had to foster a branch over in the city hall. And Ed Samuel. . . what kind of a guy would volunteer to sit over there sticking people all day long, when he could be fishing? Never saw so many people with blood on their brain.

Oh, well. Any future mistakes you can blame on my sore finger. It's the one I type with.

Honest, fellows. I've — ouch — already been typed!

CITY TAKES NEW STEPS TOWARD WATER SYSTEM

The City of Brookings took additional steps Tuesday in their program to acquire a municipal water system for the city of Brookings.

What the council did was this:

1. They opened negotiations with the engineering firm of Harvey and Hawkins of Medford to make preliminary studies of the costs of acquiring or building a municipal water system for the city of Brookings.

2. They approved the drafting of an order by City Attorney Ed Ackley to be served upon the Brookings Water Company, demanding "safe and adequate" water service.

3. They initiated the drafting of a city charter, an action which has been pending for a year. Such an action is felt by the council to be necessary before bonding issues could be voted for the construction of such a system.

The three actions were initiated at the regular meeting of the city council, held Tuesday night at the city hall.

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7 LOCAL PEOPLE ON JURY PANEL

The jury panel chosen for the fall court term last week showed seven residents of the Brookings-Harbor area chosen among the 31 names.

Six of the jurors will come from Gold Beach, and five each are from Port Orford and Ophir. Remainder of the panel is scattered through the county.

Local residents who will serve on the jury include Ed S. Thornton of Brookings, garage operator; Frank Hellrig, logger, of Harbor; Charles Grayshel, Brookings, Realtor; William S. Campbell, Brookings, trucker; Homer Kessler, Brookings, lumber yard operator; Viola Hanscam, Harbor.

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Blood Bank List Still Growing

The list of names in the Walking Blood Bank was rapidly growing longer, and the volunteer workers were growing tired, as interest continued unabated in Brookings-Harbor's unique blood-typing program.

The Blood Bank passed its 350th name Tuesday, with no abatement yet in the public interest. And Blood Typer Dr. Ed Samuel said he'd go right on typing as long as people were interested enough to come.

Hours for the blood bank are three to five Tuesday and Thursday afternoons, and six to eight-thirty Wednesday evenings.

They were coming, last week, from less than one year old on up. The youngest known typee is Mary Ann Rosen, six weeks old.

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PTA Exec. Board To Meet Friday

There will be a meeting of the executive board of the Brookings-Harbor Parent-Teachers Association tomorrow night at the home of Mrs. Frenchy Arrell, president of the group.

All committee chairmen of the group are to attend the meeting which is scheduled for eight o'clock.

Purpose of the meeting is to make plans for the initial meeting of the association, to be held September 17. At that meeting, local parents will meet their new teachers for the coming year.

TRAFFIC HINTS

By BILL BROWN

(CHIEF OF POLICE)

Motorists — Now that our children are back in school, WATCH the school crossing lanes marked out for them.

We have four sets of them — on Chetco Avenue and Fern and on Pacific near the school.

Don't make a child our first traffic fatality.

TOWN MEETING TONIGHT TO DISCUSS SCHOOL BUILDING; POLLS OPEN TUESDAY 2 P.M.

Voters of the Brookings-Harbor District No. 17C will go to the polls Tuesday afternoon to decide whether this district should build a new high school.

Polls will open at 2 p.m. at the school gymnasium and will remain open until 8 p.m. Registered voters of the district will be eligible to vote.

RECORD CLASSES MARK OPENING OF SCHOOL

Seven hundred fifty-two bright —hah—smiling faces greeted the faculty of the Brookings-Harbor grade and high school Tuesday.

There were 581 elementary school students and 171 high school pupils present for opening exercises, which consisted of an hour and a half session on opening day.

The enrollment showed increases of 75 pupils in the grade school and six in the high school over last year. However, Superintendent Lynn Hampton expects to wind up with a substantial additional increase in the high school. A number of high school students who are still working are expected to enroll later.

The biggest jolt to school officials came when 96 first graders filed into their rooms, the largest class in the school. Officials had expected about 85. Second largest class in school is the fifth grade, which has 85 students.

The short first session saw teachers meet their charges for the first time, and initial roll-calls, as well as the wind-up of registration. Actual work on the school year will get under way with the beginning of the coming week.

Enrollment of other classes was: second, 72; third, 73; fourth, 65; sixth, 66; seventh, 64; eighth, 60; freshmen, 66; sophomores, 44; juniors, 30; seniors, 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Dubs took Bill's mother to Sonoma, Calif., last week, leaving Thursday and returning Tuesday.

Tonight at 8 o'clock members of the school board will be present at a town meeting, called to discuss the need for the new high school. The town meeting also will be held at the gymnasium.

Estimated cost of the new school will be about \$385,000. It will provide a new gymnasium, cafeteria, shop, and 12 classrooms. Although classrooms are intended for high school usage, four of them actually will be used by elementary grades, to alleviate overcrowded conditions in the grade school.

Need for the school is obvious, according to school board members. At present high school and elementary grades are all going on a double-shift basis, with students in school a half-day. In addition, classes are also being taught in rooms rented in nearby buildings not intended for schools.

Financing of the bond issue should not be the burden that some people fear, in the opinion of the board. The present tax rate of the district, 4.4 mills, will rise sharply, but not to the same level that it has on previous building projects, because of the growth of valuation of the district.

School board members are hoping for a heavy vote, since such a vote should represent the actual opinion of the voters of the district.

A model of the school will be on display at the town meeting tonight, and at the Chetco Home and Auto Supply after that.

MAYOR RETURNS

Mayor Bob Dimmick and his family returned last week from a pre-school vacation. They visited Hayward, Calif., then journeyed to Sacramento for the California State Fair.