

GROWERS FIRM ON 15c PRICE

ATTEMPTS TO CUT BULB PRICES FOUGHT

Local lily growers agreed last week to maintain a previously established price of fifteen cents for 7-8" bulbs, and there was every evidence that an attempted flurry of price cutting had been stopped.

The action was taken at a meeting of growers held Saturday, during which the growers rejected protests made by brokers of the fifteen cent quotation.

Two of the largest brokers, George J. Ball of Chicago and American Bulb Co., also of Chicago, have completed payment for their bulbs at the fifteen cent quotation. Only one broker is attempting to pay for his bulbs at twelve cents, and local growers pointed out that the few who had accepted his price comprised such a small portion of the market that it would not affect prices generally.

In letters to the brokers and to the American Wholesale Bulb Dealer's Association, the growers again raised the point that there was no surplus of 7-8" bulbs in this year's crop. Basis of the attempted price cuts has been the contention by the broker that 7-8" bulbs were surplus, and that the previously agreed upon price did not hold true.

Other brokers' protests to the growers had not been because of the fifteen cent price, but because they feared the one broker would be getting bulbs at a lower rate. Agreement of the growers to maintain the price should erase that fear.

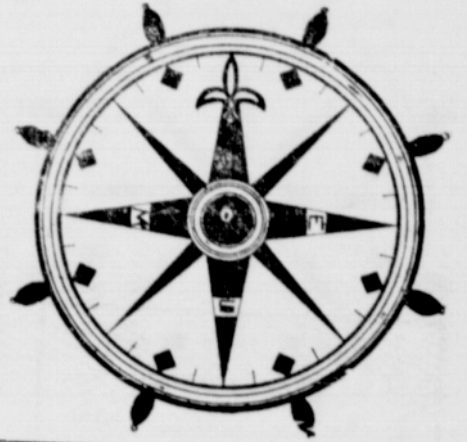
Letters were also sent by the growers to American Bulb and George J. Ball, expressing their appreciation of the stand the two companies had taken in the matter.

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LUCKY 7 BOYS CLUB BECOME LIFESAVERS

CITY COUNCIL APPROVES TERMS OF FIRE HYDRANT CONTRACT

The Brookings city council on Tuesday approved the terms of a contract for installation of 20 fire hydrants within the city, and instructed City Attorney Ed Ackley to so inform the Brookings Water Company.

With differences in the contract erased, it was hoped that installation of the badly needed hydrants would begin soon.

The original contract carried specifications that half the hydrants would be installed by January fifteenth. However, it was expected that the two months delay during contract negotiations would set that date back.

Last points of dispute were removed after the council decided

to accept State Public Utility valuations to determine the value of the hydrants, if the city should desire to acquire them. Earlier, other points of disagreement had been removed in a Portland consultation between Mayor Dimmick, Attorney Ackley, Councilman Lesmeister and legal counsel for the Brookings Water Company.

Under the terms of the contract, 20 hydrants will be installed within a year, with ten of them to go in within four months.

In other action, the Council continued discussion of a city charter, and heard a delegation from the Veterans of Foreign Wars, who protested street excavation on Pioneer road adjacent to their property.

The council accepted a bid for propane gas from Ward Propane Service, but rejected bids received on gasoline and oil for city vehicles.

Workers Needed For Scout Home

Work will start Sunday morning on a Boy Scout home here, and volunteer workmen who wish to help are asked to report Sunday at 10 a.m.

Also to be on hand, according to Mike Paige, chairman, is a group of Explorer Scouts who plan to help in the construction of their new building.

Work Sunday will consist of construction of footings for the building. Volunteers should bring digging tools, as well as carpenter tools for the construction of footing forms.

South Coast Lumber Company this week, donated and delivered to the committee 1400 feet of heavy timbers to be used in roof trusses for the building. The donation completes the requirements for heavy trusses to span the 40x60 building.

Pilot Carries T-V Schedule

With the advent of regular programming from KIEM-TV, The Brookings-Harbor Pilot will regularly carry TV schedules in each edition.

Programs for the coming week appear on page 14.

On the Reef

By BILL PHELPS

Ever so often we run right smack into a fact that's been bothering us for years and years, and that is that a large number of people in this world do not agree with us. They disagree with us, in fact, on a large and varied number of points; politics, religion, how to run a newspaper, comparative merits of blondes and brunettes, and so on.

There was a time when this bothered us exceedingly, and we've been known to spend a lot of time just pondering how they got that way. Occasionally, even now, we find ourselves pondering how we got this way, but we don't talk about that.

On one point, though, we have strong ideas, and that is about running a newspaper. We don't feel they're especially good ideas, but they're our own, and we feel we should expose them to the public view.

Occasionally, someone comes in who wishes to insert in our news columns something that we don't feel should be there. And sometimes it makes hard feelings.

One of the most difficult to handle is religious matter. We have people come in who wish to insert, in our news columns, long articles concerning the merits of their religious belief.

We can't do that. We hope that this newspaper will serve the people of every belief, but we cannot proselyte for any. We want real church news. But it must be news. If you have a visiting minister, a special service, a party, a special occasion, we want to print it. If you're working on your building, or changing locations, or aiding a Mission, that's news, too, and we want to print it.

But we don't feel we can devote our columns to matter which is intended to further the cause of one denomination at the expense of all the others. We wouldn't do it for our church, and, I'm sorry, but we won't do it for yours.

Same thing applies to other news. You bring us real, actual, bona fide news, and we'll love you forever. But don't bring us, in story form, material which is actually opinion. If you want that in, write us a letter, and sign it, and, provided that it's not libelous, we'll print it.

And, come to think of it, I'm

The Lucky 7 Boy's Club of Brookings this week accepted an invitation to become the Highway Lifesavers Committee for Curry County.

In so doing, the club became the youngest of 28 county organizations which operate in Oregon Counties and are devoted to reducing the appalling toll of traffic accidents within the state.

The invitation to take on the man-sized job was issued to the club by Marshall Dana, Assistant to the President of the U. S. National Bank, and Secretary of Highway Lifesavers.

He approached the club, he said, after hearing of the magnificent job the boys had done in keeping order in Brookings on Hallowe'en, and of the impressive record they had made in Community service since their formation.

The committee will operate under the sponsorship of the Rotary Club, but Rotarians will serve in an advisory position only. Actual work of the committee will be carried out by the boys.

In undertaking the project, the 30 boys that form the Lucky 7 club will be a unique chapter of a unique organization.

Highway Lifesavers is an organization of public spirited citizens who have undertaken to do something about the terrible cost in lives and property of automobile accidents.

Headed by E. C. Sammons, President of the U. S. National Bank of Portland, the organization has received national attention in its campaign for safety.

But nowhere else has the organization entrusted its campaign to a group such as the Lucky 7 Club.

Mr. Dana told the club that the favorable mention they had received for their Hallowe'en activities, as well as their previous impressive record for Community service, had convinced him that they were equal to the task being set.

And, he added, in accepting such a task, the club was undertaking a job which gave them an opportunity to make possible the saving of numerous lives as well as thousands of dollars now lost in highway accidents.

Rockhounds Eat

The Mt. Emily Gem and Mineral Society (Rockhounds to you) will hold their annual turkey dinner, Thursday evening, Nov. 19, at the VFW hall.

glad so many people disagree with me. Keeps the newspaper business from becoming boring.

New President Named at Bank



Not really. This is the spirit of something-or-other, as portrayed by Ralph Wallen. Ralph took first prize at the Lion's Club Hallowe'en parade with this costume. (Brookings Studio Photo).