

## On the Reef

By BILL PHELPS

MY WIFE DORIS, who lays down the editorial policy for this paper every night at the dinner table, has a few other attributes, too . . . including a couple we never expected.

She uncovered one of them the other day. We have a pet parakeet at our house, the pride and joy of my daughter, Kathleen. The other day, when guests arrived, the parakeet flew out the door and perched on the porch rail.

Doris spoke soothingly to the parakeet. The parakeet huddled down in the rain, closed its eyes and appeared to go to sleep. Doris reached slowly for it. The parakeet opened its eyes, chirped twice, and flew into the top of a thirty (Doris says it was sixty) foot spruce tree. Once arrived it cowered on the branch, looking dismally at the world.

So Doris went after it. She doesn't fly very well, so she started up the tree, limb by limb. Finally, she reached the top, and calmly clutched the parakeet, who had been laughing so hard he was unable to fly.

Right about here she perfected a new technique, the Phelps method of sliding down a spruce with a bird in the hand. It's hard on the clothing and the three outer layers of skin, but Doris says it's invigorating.

Well, we have our parakeet. Occasionally he chirps to Doris as if he's asking her what kind of a bird she thinks she is, anyway. And the Sis-Co Logging Company is endeavoring to sign Doris up to a year's contract as a high climber.

They haven't a chance, though. I'm already negotiating with Barnum & Bailey. That climb, performed twice a day under canvas, would pull millions.

## FILM OF HOLY LAND TRIP TO BE SHOWN

Henry Kerr will show the pictures of his recent trip to the Holy Land at the Assembly of God church, beginning tonight. The movies will start at 7:30.

Mr. Kerr will show the film over a five weeks period every Thursday night. Everyone is cordially invited. There is no admission charge.

## Town Leaders, School Children Join in Tree Planting Ceremony

The first Arbor Day celebration at Brookings-Harbor school was carried out Friday, and, when it was over, eight new trees graced the school lawns.

With a grudging assist from the weather, which turned off the rain long enough for the ceremonies, the planting was accomplished by leading citizens and by school representatives.

Albert Weisendanger, executive secretary of Keep Oregon Green, was master of ceremonies for the occasion, which saw a number of townspeople as well as school children assemble to watch the ceremony.

Weisendanger was introduced by Superintendent Lynn Hampton, and in turn introduced the principals in the school planting. Mayor Dimmick, Elmer Bankus and W. L. Crissey each said a few words to the assembled audience before participating in the planting.

Representatives of four grades aided in planting the seven flow-

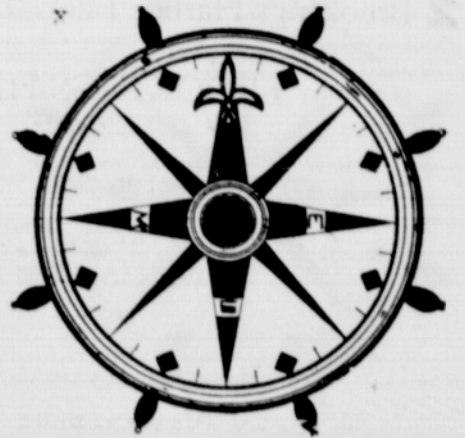
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## DIMMICK TO HEAD ROTARY

Les Dimmick was elected president of the Brookings-Harbor Rotary club for the forthcoming year in an election held at the club's regular Tuesday meeting.

Serving with Dimmick will be Art Knox as vice president, and Frank Chapin as secretary-treasurer.

The group heard a report by Jerry Smith, local scout who visited Governor Paul Patterson during Scout Week, and watched movies of the Boy Scout Jamboree, taken by Henry Kerr during the international jamboree held last summer in California.

## Voters Asked To Check Precinct

Brookings voters will receive cards soon asking them to notify the County Clerk as to the precinct in which they live.

The Brookings precinct was recently divided into two precincts by the county court. Voters living west of the Highway 101 will vote in Ferrello precinct, those east of the highway will be in Brookings precinct.

County Clerk Oleta Walker noted that it is important for voters to register in the precinct in which they live, rather than that precinct in which they are employed.

She said, also, that election officials had noted in the past that a number of Harbor residents had voted in the Brookings precinct. Such votes, she said, will be invalid, and she asked that Harbor residents be sure and vote in the precinct in which they live. If they have moved from one precinct to another, she said, they must be sure to reregister.

ring plums and the one evergreen which were furnished by the Azalea Garden Club for the occasion. They were Jerry Arrell and Judith Mosier of the fifth grade, Tommy Gardner and Mark English of the sixth, Eddie Hoar and Bobby Bivins of the seventh, and Tommy Widney and Alvin Sanders of the eighth grades.

The school band, under the direction of Bob Dick, also participated in the ceremony, until the wind blew the music off the stands.

The ceremony marked the climax of the Azalea Garden Club's project to landscape the school grounds. Work is being carried out by the club and its Junior Gardeners.

Using the ceremony Weisendanger presented a plaque to the Brookings-Harbor Pilot. The plaque, signed by Governor Paul Patterson and Paul M. Dunn, chairman of Keep Oregon Green, was awarded, he said, for "outstanding support of forest fire education."

## Lady Lions Talk At Brookings



STATE OFFICERS of the Lion's Auxiliary talk over the group's program for a training school for the parents of blind children during visit to Brookings. Left to right, Mrs. Bruce Elliott, Roseburg, state hospitality chairman; Mrs. Clarence A. Humble, state president, Klamath Falls; Mrs. Pearl Shipley, Brookings Club President; Mrs. F. L. Thompson, Sutherlin representative. —Maudie Luick Photo.

## Winds Blows Mail Truck Off Road

Freakish winds which blew in enormous gusts caused damage Saturday on both sides of Brookings.

Most spectacular damage was to the Crescent City-Gold Beach mail truck, which was blown off the highway near the Colegrove ranch, and wound up sitting on its nose and top. The truck sustained damage which necessitated pulling it off the run for repairs, although the driver, Nick Turner, was unhurt.

Also damaged was a plane belonging to Umpqua Plywood, which broke its moorings at Crissey air field and flipped over. Damage to the plane, however, was light.

Winds at Brookings were comparatively moderate, but they downed at least a dozen trees along the highway here and at Gold Beach.

Nick said the wind literally picked up the truck as it came to an exposed point on the Colegrove ranch, and deposited it beside the road, upside down. Nick commandeered a car to bring the mail on through, arriving in Crescent City about two hours late.

## Teachers To Get Pay Raises

The Brookings-Harbor School Board granted pay raises last week which will in substance equal the Curry county scale.

The county recently announced pay raises for its teachers which would raise its scale about \$300 a year.

Details of the new scale are to be explained to teachers during the next week, Lynn Hampton, superintendent of the schools, said.

## Lions To Have Birthday Party

The Brookings-Harbor Lions Club will celebrate their first anniversary Saturday with a dinner party at the Chetco Inn.

Ralph W. Reed, president of the club, announced that the guest of honor for the evening will be Dr. Lee Mellish, district governor of the Lions.

Plans for the evening include dinner at the Chetco Inn, and a full slate of entertainment. Chet Tompkins, member of the Grants Pass club, will be master of ceremonies.

Herb Drew, Lion from Illinois Valley, will be a featured entertainer, and other entertainment is planned.

The evening will be concluded with dancing at the Chetco inn and Cliff House.

## Charter Group Meets Friday

The City Charter committee will meet Friday at 8:00 p.m. in the city hall, in an attempt to wind up study of the new city charter, and get it into shape for the May primary election.

All members of the group are urged to attend, Ed Dempsey, president of the group, said. The final document which comes from the committee should, he said, be passed upon by the whole group before being presented to the City Council and to the electors.

## Well Baby Clinic February 26

The Well Baby clinic for pre-school children will be held at the Brookings-Harbor elementary school Friday morning, February 26.

## ADAMS JUMPS INTO COUNTY JUDGE RACE

Fred W. Adams of Ophir announced his candidacy this week for the Republican nomination for the office of County Judge in the May primaries.

Adams, who has been a state legislator from the Coos-Curry district, filed his statement Tuesday. In it he announced a platform which called for road improvement and a more business-like handling of county affairs.

In his statement, Adams said he hoped to secure an experienced road supervisor, and planned to build and maintain permanent and standard roads in the county. He also said he planned to secure a juvenile court probation officer.

Adams said he realized the County Court is a large business, and should have careful thought, not only to save and to avoid unnecessary expenditures, but to develop business that will bring in more county revenue.

Adams candidacy rounds out a field of five candidates for the important post. Also running for the Republican nomination is the incumbent, Guy Forsyth.

On the Democratic side, three candidates have filed. They are Archie Kerber and D. S. Wallace, both of Gold Beach, and Marvin Shields of Sixes.

Other county officers are also drawing attention. William Fuller, Gold Beach attorney, is running for District Attorney, with no opposition as yet, although the incumbent, Sam Hall of Brookings, has not stated as yet whether he will run.

Two candidates have also filed for County Surveyor. They are the incumbent, Charles Echols of Brookings, a Democrat, and Arthur Sherman, also of Brookings, a Republican.

## Building Group To Meet Tuesday

The Boy Scout building committee will hold a meeting at the City Hall Tuesday night at 8:00 p.m., according to Mike Page, temporary chairman.

The meeting will be held in conjunction with the hearing on rezoning of the area in which the Boy Scout home is to be built. No opposition is expected.

Page said the zoning hearing would give an excellent opportunity to the group to hear the plans for the building, and to coordinate their efforts so that construction can be carried forward as rapidly as possible.

## Lake Pleasant Has New Superintendent

Robert Hamann was named superintendent of the Lake Pleasant Plywood Company here recently.

Hamann took over his new duties February 1. He came here from Garibaldi, where he was with the Oregon-Washington Plywood Corporation.