

SKETCH BOOK

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W. S. "Chad" Chadwick informs us about a benefit plan that should be made known to everyone. This is the Mercy Flights plan.

Chad feels, and we agree, that especially living here in Brookings does this plan merit considerable attention. With transportation a bit difficult to say the least, emergency situations could prove disastrous instead of routine.

MERCY FLIGHTS entitles the person or family to medical air ambulance service within a 400 mile radius of his, or her, home residence. A small fee of \$2.00 per family or \$1.00 per person covers a person for a period of 12 months.

The flowers, plants, and what have you were not the only ones that benefited by the rain on Saturday. Mr. William Crissy and I spent considerable time talking about a plan that could benefit all of Brookings. I mention the rain because it forced us to remain in my car, thereby giving us ample time to discuss this matter. I couldn't, and wouldn't let Mr. Crissy make a mad dash for his house in that down pour. It would be like saying his idea was all wet. To me the soft spoken, alert, and foresighted gent's thinking is as refreshing and alive as the flowers and plants that are nourished by the rain.

The plan, somewhat in the idealistic stage at the moment, would be to encourage artist, that is painters, sculptors, ceramists, weavers, designers to establish a working residents in Brookings.

This would mean that many people who have been starving for some type of creative instruction could benefit by instruction from these artists. It means, also, that the city could become nationally known as a creative home. Again the city and surrounding area, could reap the harvest of viewing the many fine works

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Plywood Accepts Honzel Resignation

The resignation of Andrew Honzel, general manager of the Brookings Plywood Corp. has been accepted by the board of directors of that firm.

Honzel has been with the corporation since March 1953 and his current plans are indefinite. He will be leaving Brookings, however.

The board also delegated Ken Osborne to assume the temporary duties of general manager, until a replacement for Honzel can be found.

Collier Is Del Norte Golf Club Champion

Brookings golfers won top places in the Del Norte Club championship, held recently.

Bob Collier defeated last years club champion, Bill Spears, of Crescent City, 3-1, for the club championship.

Norris Kemp won the 1st flight championship from Alex Yakomovich, Crescent City, 3-1.

Mack Malcolm won the 6th flight from Benny Beasley of Crescent City.

The tournament consisted of nine flights.

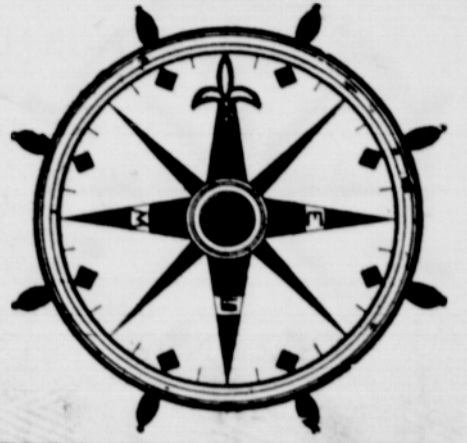
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THIS ISN'T A CRAZY MIXED UP SALMON but a sunfish weighing 28 pounds, caught by Dan Davenport three miles off the mouth of the Chetco River last week. The fish is native to more southernly waters. Photo by Brookings Studio

STATE VETOS CHETCO PAVING

The top engineers of the Oregon highway department have sent word that they do not recommend the paving of any portion of either the North Bank Chetco road of the Elk River road in the immediate future.

Only a few weeks ago the county had approved paving a stretch of the North Bank road, and had requested state and federal approval the expenditure of approximately \$28,000 for that work.

However county judge Guy H. Forsyth said that he received a telephone call last Thursday from John Hagemann, county-city relations engineer of the highway department, in which Hagemann stated that the department did not recommend paving to be done. He did say that the department did favor permanent improvements of the road immediately, with a view to paving at a later date, but quoted the engineers opinion that heavy logging on both roads at present would make paving impractical. He requested the opinion of the county court on this matter.

Forsyth stated that the court had advised Hagemann that it would go along with highway department's recommendation to improve the roads at once and pave later.

Dunning Motors To Open Here This Saturday

The grand opening of Dunning Motors, Curry County's only Ford agency, is slated for Saturday Sept. 18. The showrooms, and modern service department, has just been finished. It is a new Ford franchise, and is the first Ford dealership in Curry County.

The dealer is George D. Dunning, a former resident of Portland. Mr. Dunning has been associated with Pacific Motors, in Portland and Roseburg, before coming to Brookings just recently. He is married, and has a boy, Johnnie, 9.

Dunning Motors has been in operation here, without the franchise, as Pacific Motors for the past three years. Under that name the company operated a used car business.

The new company will feature complete sales and service for all Ford vehicles.

Sales manager of the new agency will be Tom Dent, who has been selling used cars here for the past three years.

Hugo Mackey will be service manager. He has been especially trained in Ford servicing.

Miss Mary Munly will be the office manager.

The new firm will have its formal opening Saturday along with an open house, at which time they will distribute favors, and other prizes.

SALMON START RUN UP CHETCO RIVER

Council Discusses Water Problems

Discussion between the Brookings council and Elmer Bankus, of the Brookings Water Co. occupied much of the time at the regular monthly meeting of the council Tuesday night at the city hall.

Bankus told the council that they were putting hydrants in, as agreed earlier, and that his men are putting in the 12th on Oak and Redwood. Two more will go on Easy street, with 15 to be put in altogether.

Bankus also asked for permission to put in a heavy duty pipe line down a section of Easy street, with a great deal of discussion following on that point. The water Company was granted permission to do it, after working out a solution with the city engineer and street superintendent. The proposed line would improve conditions for a number of users.

The council and Bankus also discussed the controversial question of who owns the sewers in the city, but nothing was decided.

In other matters the council heard Al Phillips request permission to drill holes in the business district to place flags under a new VFW set-up, where the VFW will buy and install flags for merchants for a nominal fee.

The council also heard E. F. Morton, representing the Presbyterian church, ask through a petition by property owners, that the proposed Fir st. be taken out by the city, in order that the new church be built there. The proposed church is in a triangle between Oak and Pacific, and would need the additional room. It was agreed by the council that it was a good thing, but it will have to be passed upon by the planning commission.

The council also heard Mr. Clark of the engineering firm of Clark and Groff, Salem, explain the steps taken on an appraisal his firm made of the water system in Gold Beach. The new system there will cost an estimated \$175,000.

A letter from the Chamber of Commerce was read, asking that the city take steps to lower the speed limit in the city.

Under the adoption of the new charter new city officers had to be appointed again by the mayor, and approved by the council. All of the present city officers were named by the mayor, and were O. K. ed by the council.

The salmon run is on in the the Chetco. According to word from Hewitt's anchorage, fishing has been much improved in the river during the past week, and between 10 and 15 fish are being taken a day.

This year fishermen will have something to shoot for besides fish too. The Chetco American Legion post is sponsoring a salmon derby, at which weekly prizes, and a grand prize of an outboard motor will be offered. Tickets are available in many business places, and at the anchorage.

The first good size fish this year was taken by Helen Rice, who dragged in a whopping 31 pounder Tuesday.

About six to eight boats a day are out on the river now, and it has been reported that casting has been very good in the mouth of the river. Many shore fishermen have been out already, but the big rush isn't expected until a little later in the season.

The Chetco derby official opened on September 15, and won't close until in November. The first fish for the derby was weighed in at Hewitt's Anchorage on Wednesday, when a 19 pounder was brought in.

TAX RATE TO BE 84.9 MILLS HERE

Brookings residents will pay a total mill rate of 84.9 in 1954-55, about the same as last year, according to figures received from Curry county treasurer, B. I. Mather by phone Wednesday.

Of this only 14.7 will go into support of the city. This is a slight increase from last year, when the tax payers paid 13.9 in the city rolls.

The great majority of taxes will go into the school district 17, which will draw 57.1 mills. Last year the residents had to pay only 4.4 for the local school, but had to pay 32.1 for a rural school system, which included the Brookings school.

The county government figures are slightly lower that last year too, as the mill rate is 13.1.

The city government of Port Orford will cost taxpayers at the rate of 20.6, and Gold Beach only 13.2 Total millage for Gold Beach will be 88.6, while Port Orford will pay 89 mills.

WIN MIXED DOUBLES

In the mixed doubles last Sunday night at Azalea lanes, Betty Guthrie and Gordon Olsen placed first, with Merle and Hazel Hanscam second, and Jeanne and Ed Samuel third. The Samuels have just taken up bowling, and have now placed in the prize list two weeks in a row.