

## SKETCH BOOK

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I must have been behind the door when they hashed over the changing of Armistice Day to Veterans Day. Not that I have anything against us veterans, but I think I would have objected (if I had been asked.) Somehow the former day seemed to suggest the end of hostilities and PEACE. There is no one that loves Peace more than the Vets, but couldnt they have their day just BEFORE elections? That would make some of the candidates THINK.

I received an entry blank from the Creative Galleries for their coming art exhibit. They require a \$15.00 entry fee. That's placing a high price on creativeness. One consolation is they refund \$12 of it, if the judges reject your work. I'll be darned if I'll pay someone to reject my paintings. I know people that will do it for nothing.

But then you run the risk of damage to your work. I'll never forget the time a young lady, and sometimes I wonder if I dare call her a lady, commented about my painting. It happened at an art gallery during an exhibition in which I was fortunate enough to have a painting hanging. The "lady" moved from painting to painting, hung upon the walls, and commented about each one. I became interested in the comments, of course, so I proceeded to follow close behind, hoping to catch a comment or two about my work. All the poor painting received was an ejection of spittal prettily sprayed over what I thought was a nice frame. And imagine this was done while an impressive blue ribbon hung at its side.

Some day I hope to paint a mural, "The History of Printing" in our new office. We are now printing signs to place all over the joint. The signs will read, "No Spitting, please". Don't laugh, this may mean you.

## VFW TO HOLD ANNUAL PARTY

As has been the custom here for many years, on the Saturday night closest to Veterans' Day, all veterans and their families will have their annual get-together in the VFW Hall, Nov. 13th. Non-members of veterans' or Auxiliary groups will be welcomed.

The ruckus will begin with a potluck supper at 7, followed by a color film of the VFW National Home, at Eaton Rapids, Mich. for veterans', widows and orphans. After this, there will be an evening of fun, a feature of which may be games in which small coins may be used in scoring. As no admission is charged and there are expenses to be met, coffee, film rental, etc., guests are asked to be thoughtful of the kitties. Mrs. Putnam has offered to play some dance tunes on her electric organ.

As these annual events have become widely known the sponsors are expecting several out-of-town guests.

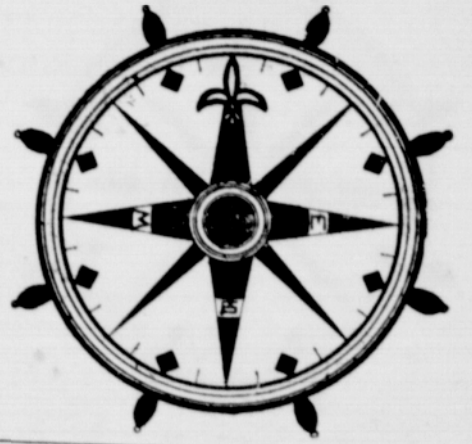
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## ARP RESIGNS CITY POST

### POST OFFICE, PILOT TO MOVE; ----- BUT IN OPPOSITE DIRECTIONS

Its moving time in Brookings this week and next, as two local institutions pack up and move into their new buildings. The Brookings-Harbor Pilot and the Post Office both have announced plans to move, with the Pilot going to the South end of Brookings, and the Post Office further north.

Henry Kerr, who is building the Post Office building, says that he plans to turn over the cement block building on November 15, a Monday, or immediately thereafter to the Post Office department. The interior finishing will be left to the Postal authorities.

The new Post Office building will be 29.4 feet, by 78.8 feet, giving them close to 2400 square feet of floor space. Some work remains to be done before Monday, however, Kerr emphasized.

The ceiling must be plastered, and plumbing installed, and the walls painted. Also some red flagstone finish will be installed on the outside of the building.

According to Postmaster Bill Thompson, moving will begin immediately upon acceptance by the postal authorities. For the present most of the present equipment, including the present boxes will be installed in the new Post Office.

It is planned to move the boxes one day, so as not to interfere with the mail delivery, but the public is asked to be a little patient about the services during the few hectic days that it takes.

Temporarily the Post Office will be closed during the moving, from 5:30 p. m. and will open again at 8 a. m. If the actual moving doesn't take place Monday it will begin as soon after as possible Thompson said.

The final touches are being put on the new Brookings-Harbor Pilot building, and moving is expected to start this week end. The wiring work has been going on for the past two days, and the plastering is completed in both upstairs and downstairs. All that needs to be done in the next few days is the plumbing, and electric fixtures, flooring upstairs, and the ceiling put on.

Office partitions and counters will be built this week end, and as much moving done as possible. The moving isn't expected to interfere with putting out a newspaper next week, although some of it may be done in the existing building, and some in the new building.

Roy Weideman is the contractor on the building.

### Approve Work On Chetco Road

The highway commission has approved for construction with Federal Aid Secondary fund the Brookings-Morse Ranch section, a job of two miles, at a cost of \$35,000.

This section extends from the city limits of Brookings easterly to Morse Ranch on the Chetco River county road.

The proposed project is to grade to a uniform width throughout the length of the project and place a pit run gravel base with a crushed gravel wearing surface 22' or 24' wide. The present road has a considerable depth of pit run gravel in place of varying widths.

The project should follow the present grade and alignment as closely as possible in order to utilize this gravel in place. If a 24' finished cannot be obtained without extensive grading, the width should be reduced to 22' which could be obtained with a minimum of grading. Pit run gravel is available from the Chetco river and a commercial crushing plant is located near Brookings.

Preparations of plans and specifications and approval by the Bureau of Public Roads are now required prior to contracting the proposed projects. Preliminary engineering will be handled by the division office in Roseburg and will proceed as rapidly as available engineering personnel will permit.

The highway commission also gave an OK to the Elk River road at a cost of about \$67,000.

### MOTHER DIES

Mrs. Mary Lakem was called to Wilmington, Ill. by the death of her mother. She flew from San Francisco to Chicago.

### Surprise—Pilot Publishes Wednesday

The Pilot is being published a day early this week, on Wednesday instead of Friday—Thursday, in order to get the paper into the post office a day early as the post office will be closed on Armistice Day. The longer week end will give the Pilot a chance to move into their new building. If anybody has any business with the Pilot in the next week, please check in both buildings before you go away mad.

## FOREST SERVICE HERE PLAYS VITAL PART IN AREA ECONOMY

About all that's lacking is a flagpole, and the new Forest Service building here will be complete, according to W. E. "Rags" Ragland, district ranger in charge of the Chetco Ranger district.

Moving into the new building has just been completed, and it is one of the most attractive buildings in the community, finished off in myrtle wood, and red alder wood paneling. More buildings are planned for the future, and work will begin shortly on a garage—warehouse on the same grounds.

The Ranger station first came to Brookings in July 1953, when new boundary formations for the Siskiyou National Forest were announced. The Chetco district was set up at that time due to the increased value in lumber operations in this area.

Ragland previously worked out of Gold Beach, and a station was maintained at Agness too.

Some landscaping work remains to be done in the new site, located just above the Chamber

of Commerce information center. Also Macadam will be filled into the parking area.

The Forest Service conducts a varied program from their station here—a program which includes such things as tree restocking, fire watch, timber cruising, slash burning, locating roads, plus keeping records.

The fire season is over now, according to Ragland, and the Forest department are buckling down to their regular winter jobs. There was no fire of any consequence this year.

The slash burning work has been completed, and the department has started planting trees in the logged areas. This work will carry through November and part of December. The service is planting 2-0 Douglas fir. These are baby firs that have been growing in their Winchuck nursery for two years. They are about 5 inches high. Last year 100,000 trees were planted, and

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### ECHOLS RESIGNS AS CITY ENGINEER

O. D. Arp, city building inspector, resigned from the city government Tuesday night in "deference" to the incoming council. The regular council meeting was filled with one tension after another, as a new administration started plans to take over the city governing.

Also resigning was Charles Echols, as city engineer. However, Echols qualified his resignation, saying that he will be available after Jan. 1, 1955.

In attendance at the meeting was the mayor-elect Roy Brimm, who was pledged support by the remaining members of the old council, and said he "wasn't going to change anything" in the city, but that there "was a lot of things to attend to" such as the water and sewer.

Arp's resignation came at the tail end of the meeting, and came as a surprise to many in attendance. His letter read:

Gentlemen:

I herewith present my resignation as your city official for the offices of Zoning, Building, Sanitation and Streets, to take effect January 1st, 1955.

I hereby thank this council for the support and consideration given me in the administration of my several offices. I feel it has been a great privilege and a distinct honor to have served you and the citizens of Brookings for the past two and a half years. I wish you to know that my decision to resign was made solely in deference to the incoming council.

Respectfully submitted,

O. D. Arp.

Bouquets were generally passed out by the council, in appreciation of the time and work Mayor Bob Dimmick and others in the city have given to the city.

Most important, as far as city government carried on at the meeting, was the pot shots that were taken at Elmer Bankus, of the Brookings Water Co., and the Land and Townsite Co.

The city authorized an issuance of a permit which will allow Albert Joy and William Martineau to dig up the city street in accordance with a new city ordinance, enabling Joy and Martineau to construct a sewer disposal pipe line from their home. It was assumed by the council that the pipe line will hook into the existing sewer.

The council also instructed the city recorder to write Bankus a letter asking him to appear before the council at their next meeting to explain the delay on

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