

SKETCH BOOK

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All over the nation traditional Thanksgiving football games are being played. I wonder if the old neighborhood sandlot games that I looked forward to every year, are still in existence.

There was nothing like a good scrap with the tough guys from across town and then the feast that followed. The turkey, pumpkin pie, and all, made a fellow forget about all the bruises sustained in the pigskin scramble.

It seems that idea can be carried over into present day life. Sometimes at the end of the day one feels like he's been in one terrific tussle, pigskin or not. But it is nice to sit back at least once a year, feast, and give thanks. The bruises and bumps received the year around don't seem to hurt as much when you look around you and realize there's more to be thankful for than there is to worry about.

Bud McCourt, a member of the PILOT bowling team is to be married Saturday. Three of the team members are going to usher. Bud has been after us to order bowling shirts. I think it would be nice if we all wore them as we ushered for his wedding. Advertising pays you know.

Speaking of bowling, Freddie Fox asked us to mention something back east. My sister, who visited that something is, "the PILOT team is better than the Fox Brothers team."

Last Saturdays weather was quite a contrast to the situation abck east. Mr sister, who visited Brookings several weeks ago, sent me a newspaper clipping showing the snow covered streets. She stated that the average temperature was about 27.

Many a year I sat in Wisconsin's Camp Randall stadium about this time of the year, viewing the traditional Badger - Minnesota game with the temperature near the zero mark. And now to be walking around in just light clothing. My, my, who says we have nothing to be thankful for?

\$114,600 To Be Cost Of New Bank

The contract for the new U. S. National Bank building to be built on Chetco Ave., adjacent to the Homer Kessler-Roy Weideman building now under construction, has been awarded to the Hickey Construction Co.

The Hickey firm, of Portland, Ore. was low bidder with a bid of \$114,600.

Completion date has been set for 120 working days, which will include the installation of equipment, furniture, and fixtures.

Excavation work is expected to start on the building very soon.

Mrs. Sally Bates, and son Cris, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Shannon will be visiting Eugene for the Thanksgiving holidays. Mr. Bates is in the Air Force, and is stationed in Columbia, Mississippi.

Hearing Held On Hydro Plant

There was a hearing Monday at the court house in Coquille on the proposed hydro-electric plant the Coos-Curry Electric Co. plans to build near Agness.

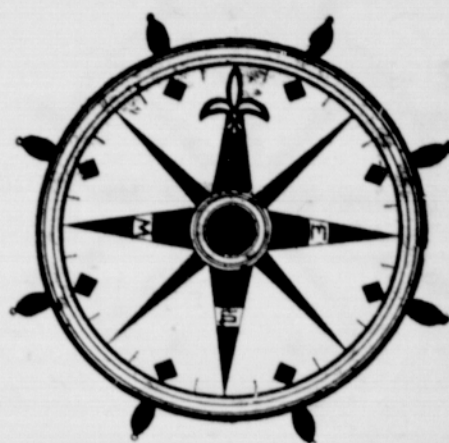
No decision was reached by the State Hydro-Electric commission at this time, after hearing the comprehensive report made by the Electric Co. engineers.

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GOP HASSLE OVER JUSTICE OF PEACE APPOINTMENT

CHETCO FIRE DISTRICT HEARING HELD; TO HAVE ELECTION NEXT

LIBRARY DRIVE BEGINS BY ELKS

Donation cans are out in a number of business places this week, soliciting funds for the Community Library. The project for raising funds is being undertaken by the Brookings Elks club, and the money will be used for library equipment and other necessities.

VFW Post May Take Ambulance

The local VFW Post voted to look into the matter of taking over operation of the Community Ambulance. Andy Gunzolos was asked by the Post Commander, Al Phillips, to take on the project and will contact those remaining of the old ambulance committee. The post also asked Andy to see about getting the ambulance under cover, it being brought out that the rig was bought through subscription and the present city inbuilding designed to house it, instead of sitting out on the streets as it now is.

Post members also discussed their taking turns at periodically staffing both the fire equipment and the ambulance, and test their running condition

In the post and auxiliary there are competent, trained personnel to handle the ambulance but it will be necessary to thoroughly investigate liability, etc., before a transfer can be made. It was brought out that there were probably several trips for which no payment has been made. Insurance, alone costs \$400 per year.

May Form Commerce Class In Brookings

Adults interested in an evening class in either typing of book-keeping, or shorthand should meet in the Commerce room, located in the Hearststone apartment on Monday night, November 29, at 8 p. m.

A tentative date of January 11th was set by the County Court Monday evening for an election to be held to decide whether the area from the Chetco River south to the State line establish a Rural Fire protection District. This tentative date was set at the conclusion of the hearing called by the County Court and held at the Grange Hall Monday evening. It was attended by many of the interested residents of the affected area.

The meeting, which was presided over by County Judge Guy Forsyth, was also attended by the other members of the county court, Bob Ismert and J. R. Yoakum; District Attorney Sam Hall and County Surveyor Charles Echols. Lawyer Ed Ackley was the spokesman for the residents of the proposed district.

Two requests to have the boundaries of the proposed district changed from the way it was on the petitions were heard, and both were granted as the lands covered were on the eastern edge of the proposed district and were brush and hill grazing lands, as well as being now in the State Fire Protection area.

At the same time that the election is held to determine whether such a Fire Protection District is wanted by the residents of this area, five directors must be elected. Great care is needed to selecting these men as they are responsible for the operation of the district. To be eligible to vote at the coming election, one must be a registered voter in the Chetco Precinct, actually reside in that area for the ninety days preceding such election, and either be a recorded property owner or holder of a contract for the purchase of property in the area covered by the proposed district.

Chamber Of Commerce Dinner On December 9

Plans are being made for the second Chamber of Commerce dinner of the year here. The dinner meeting will be held at the Chetco Grange Hall on Thursday, Dec. 9.

Cameron Bridge Is Dedicated In Monday Ceremony

At the dedication of the Don Cameron bridge, across the North Fork of the Chetco, County Judge Guy Forsyth said the structure was not the only monument to Don and that not only his footsteps but also the finger prints show up all over Curry County made in the thirty years he has been wholeheartedly cooperating with local officials. The county judge and Don, himself, said they looked upon the bridge as not only facilitating traffic into a large segment of the county but, more, as a possible link between the coast and the interior.

In his introductory remarks, Sam Hall, District Attorney, who acted as master of ceremonies, in addressing the children from the Upper Chetco school, with their teachers, Herschel Chaney and Mrs. Frank Waldien, reminded the youngsters that this bridge was the work of men whom they would supplant and that they should remember that although they were students at a country school, their opportunities were just as great as those attending any other.

In his remarks, Mr. Hall brought out that the site of the bridge was the homestead, some eighty years ago, of Johnson Gardner, several of whose descendants were in the crowd, among them Fred Gardner, a grandson of Johnson, who did much of the structural work on the bridge and who worked, until his recent retirement, under the direction of him for whom the bridge is named.

Judge Forsyth told how the court unanimously approved naming the bridge for Don, now that he is lively than waiting until he was gone.

Cameron told the audience that it was a pleasure to work with the officials of Curry County and that it had always been the policy of the Forest Service to remember the county had but little taxable land and the most of the area was under the Forest Service. He told of the old bridge, built many years ago when the late Charles Bailey was county judge and A. C. Thompson, com-

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To Dedicate PILOT Building Saturday

The new Pilot building will be dedicated at 2:30 Saturday afternoon, Nov. 27 in memory of Dewey Akers, founder of the Brookings-Harbor Pilot.

The first issue of the weekly published in March, 1946 by Mr. Akers was a one man newspaper. He gathered the news and advertising, operated the linotype, made up the ads and did the presswork. As the town grew and the business expanded he was forced to have help, but until his death in 1952 he did the major

part of the work. His columns of news and editorials enthusiastically supported all projects that were for the betterment and development of the community.

At the time of his death, which was the result of an airplane crash he had plans for a building to house the newspaper. Now after two years the building has been completed by his widow, Minna S. Akers.

The structure 40 by 60 feet of concrete with brick trim was de-

signed and constructed by Roy Weideman. The machinery and printing equipment are installed in the daylight basement, while the office is on the street floor.

Space is leased to Joseph Murphy and Raymond Pisarek, present publishers.

The address at the dedication service will be given by E. F. Ackley, City Attorney. A bronze plaque will be erected in the entranceway of the building in memory of Dewey Akers.

There is trouble brewing in Republican ranks in Curry County. The rhubarb developed following the appointment of Roy Brown as Justice of the Peace for the First District, which comprises Brookings and Harbor.

The Republican County Central Committee, the group elected by the Republicans to manage the party's affairs, recommended Luther Tisdale, Brookings resident, for Justice of Peace to fill the vacancy left when Judge Charles Schaal resigned recently.

It is claimed by members of the Republican Committee that Sam Hall, District Attorney, hand picked Mr. Brown and caused a petition in his behalf to be circulated in Brookings and Gold Beach. Thereafter, it is claimed, that Mr. Hall urged Governor Patterson to appoint Brown.

Committee members allege that this was not cricket on the part of the District Attorney. They state that he should have referred the appointment to the County Committee which is the governing body of the Republican Party in Curry County and so established by law.

As to the position of the Republican County Committee in this matter Hall said, "I did not hand pick any candidate. I asked others if they would like to apply for the job. I did nothing wrong, if I were to accept all the credit which six or less people are heaping upon me. It might be rather satisfying to be possessed of the power which they either think I have or which they are attempting to lead the good citizens of this area to believe I have. However, I do not know whether it would be satisfying or not because the power with which they seem to be trying to cloth me must be diverted among so many people from the Brookings-Harbor area, the County as a whole and the State that my rightful share is less than impressive to me.

If those six or less people want to think that I have such power or want to try to convince the good citizens in this area that I have such power, whichever the case may be, they are free to do so, but to all of the good people in the Brookings-Harbor area, the County as a whole and the State who went to bat for the appointment of Roy H. Brown as Justice of the Peace, I wish to say that the record shows your respective efforts and the Governor could not have been other than impressed by your recommendations because he appointed the man you supported

The Justice of the Peace court does not serve only our local area. It serves the whole county and the whole state. It has jurisdiction in criminal cases. It is only fair and proper that all the people are free to make their recommendations to the Governor. A lot of people exercised that freedom in this case.

There is no law or rule which required them to consult the Central Committee much less control

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