

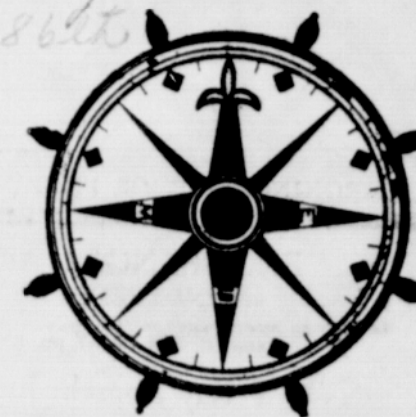
# Brookings-Harbor Pilot

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## HEDBERG LUMBER PLANT SOLD

Sale of the Hedberg lumber company's veneer plant was announced this week by Gunnar and Elmer Hedberg, who have sold the plant to the Oregon-Coast Veneer company, a new corporation.

The sale included the main building, which housed the Hedberg veneer operation, all the equipment, except a small logging outfit, and about 14 acres of land along highway 101 just north of the South Coast plant.

No information was given on the Harbor Lumber Co., a sawmill, also operated by the Hedbergs in Harbor.

The new corporation consists of the Mitchell Bros., a trucking firm in Portland, who have a depot in Crescent City, and Leonard Baxter.

Baxter, who has moved to Brookings, will operate the plant as general manager. According to Baxter the corporation has been set up with B. D. Mitchell, as president; Mr. Dietrich, as secretary and treasurer, and Baxter as vice president and general manager.

Baxter has been in the veneer and lumber work for about 20 years. He is from Aberdeen, Washington, and is now living at the Klise apartments. He has three children, Gloria 19, who is in San Jose State College; Stephen, 18, who is attending Great Harbor College, and Ronald who is in high school.

The Hedbergs have lived here since 1951. Their plans are indefinite at the moment.

The same help will be kept at the plant, which employs about 18 at present, including about eight women. The plant runs about 200,000 board feet per shift, and has been operating one shift a day since last fall.

### Engineer Arrives To Make Survey

The city council met Tuesday night with Archie Rice, of the Corvallis engineering firm of Cornell, Howland, Hayes, and Merryfield, along with members of the citizens committee to inquire into the possibilities of a sewer survey, and a water system survey at a later date.

The meeting was just a fact finding session, designed to give the councilmen and the committee a chance to ask questions about the systems. No action was taken at the meeting, other than to approve the spending of a sum up to \$950 for the sewer survey, which now is in progress.

Rice told the council that the sewer system is the paramount problem, and said that he proposed to give the city first and general idea and plan for a sewer system, rather than confuse the issue at this time by going into the water survey. He said he wouldn't recommend the street survey either, until the problem of the sewer study is taken care of.

Elmer Bankus, of the Brookings Land and Townsite company was at the meeting also. He agreed to pay for half of the sewer appraisal and the water appraisal in the future, providing that the price of those appraisals was right. The firm would be working for both Bankus and the city, in that case.

Rice spent Wednesday in Brookings going over contour maps in Bankus' office, and other data in connection with the sewer survey. The report will come back in approximately three weeks.

### ROTARY, LIONS MEET ON ALLEY

The Lion's Club and the Rotary Club are at it again. This time the two service clubs of Brookings-Harbor will tangle on the alleys of Azalea Lanes in a bowling match game, with the loser to put the Brookings March of Dimes goal over the \$2,000 mark.

The Lion's started out to raise \$2,000, and with the actual campaign over they are a just a trifle short of that mark—about \$40 in fact. So the challenge was issued, with the loser to make up the \$40 deficit.

Bowling for the Lion's will be Hank Houvila, Al Phillips, Gordon Olsen, Roy Pollard, and Warren McNeely. On the opposite alley will be Rotarians Bob Dimmick, Les Dimmick, Tony Christensen, Charles Grayshel, and Archie Hendricks.

The match game is scheduled for Friday night.

### WAIT

#### Don't Light That FIRE

Did you know that a permit, signed by the city fire warden is necessary before you can start a fire—any fire—at any time in Brookings? That warning was issued today by fire warden Don Craig. No permit is required for a paper, or cardboard box fire, provided that it is burned in an incinerator, but all other fires require a permit, and penalties are provided for failure to comply. Craig has the permits available at the Chetco Home and Auto store here.

### So. Curry Realty, House of Shoes Change Location

The shift in Brookings business places is still on. Latest to be caught in the rush is the Southern Curry Realty Company, and the House of Shoes store. Both are moving into the northernmost part of the Kerr building this week-end.

Mrs. Erma Rice, of the Real Estate firm said that the new location will give the business more space in which to function. Mrs. Amber Campbell, of the House of Shoes, will also occupy more space for display purposes. The store will also function now as the agent for Ray's Shoe Repair shop in Harbor, which specializes in the repair of boots.

The two businesses will be located in their new site by Monday, adjacent to the Crabb Bookkeeping Co. office.

The Charles Grayshel Insurance Agency will remain in its present location.

### Report \$691.96 Carnival Return

The Library Carnival Committee reports a very successful evening last Saturday and wishes to express their thanks to all organizations and individuals who contributed to the success. The net receipts to date are \$691.96, with two organizations yet to report.

The Community Club netted the largest amount with the patched shirt, and they wish to thank the Rotary Club and all individuals who donated so generously to bring their total to \$326.83.

This money from the Carnival should pay for the interior finish of the new building with maybe a small amount left toward book shelves and furniture.

### No Word Yet On Van Pelt

Several men searched the beaches on both sides of the state line Sunday, under the supposition that they might find some trace of Phinice "Piney" Van Pelt, who disappeared about January 15th.

Police have checked in both California and Oregon and veterans have checked hospitals in both states and nothing has turned up as yet. Van Pelt is 5' 5" tall, weighs about 155 pounds, has brown hair, brown eyes. He was last seen walking towards the Chetco bridge. Later a 3 foot hole was found in the pedestrian walk, and Police investigated.

Van Pelt had left his pay check at the mill, and his good clothes at his home so friends ruled out the possibility that he just left the area.

Beaches in the vicinity have been patrolled by plane. Van Pelt was unmarried, and was well known in this area.

### Fire Call Tuesday At Plywood Plant

Firemen were called out Tuesday afternoon when sparks caught in a sawdust pile underneath the Brookings Plywood plants conveyor chain. No actual flames could be seen, but there was plenty of smoke.

Firemen pumped water on the stack, but the smoke continued to bellow forth. Later the Plywood crew pushed the stack into a gulley and let it burn. There was no danger of it getting out of control.

### Services Held For Charles S. Schaal

Funeral services for Charles S. Schaal, 75, of Harbor were held Monday, Feb. 21st, at the Assembly of God Church with the Masonic Lodge officiating. Brown's Mortuary in charge.

Mr. Schaal was born in Canfield, Ohio, January 14, 1880. While a young man, he learned the harness making trade.

On May 8, 1917, he enlisted in the Army at Vancouver Barracks, Wash. and served through World War I. On April 20, 1919 he was discharged at Mitchell Field Long Island, N. Y., a Master electrician in the Air Corps.

He returned to the west and entered the upholstery and Awning business in Klamath Falls in 1921. In 1929, he married Myrtle Howie who survives. They moved to Harbor in 1945 and grew Lily bulbs until 2 years ago.

Three years ago he was appointed Justice of the Peace to finish the term of Judge Sambo who retired and was elected to the office in 1952. He served as justice until his health forced him to retire last Nov.

He was a member of the Masonic Lodge, Eastern Star, Elks, of which he was a Charter member of the Brookings Lodge, and the V.F.W.

Survivors, besides his widow, include 2 daughters, Mrs. June Stainbrook of Klamath Falls, and Mrs. Helen Faunce of Los Angeles, Calif.; a step-daughter, Mrs. Louise Faunce of Norfolk, Virginia; 2 step-sons, Clarence Howie of Crescent City and Melvin Howie of Klamath Falls. Also 4 grandsons and 4 granddaughters, and P. F. Burke of Medford.

### Seven Babies Arrive in Week

A rash of babies brought up the population of Brookings-Harbor to a new peak here in the last week, and kept Dr. Paul Roninger busier than a one-arm paper-hanger at a spaghetti dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Jagers, had a baby boy born on Feb. 15. A girl was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bucher on Feb. 20. Mr. and Mrs. Willard S. Bailey had a son, born Feb. 20.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bailey have a new baby daughter, born on Feb. 19.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward A. Patton, Jr. on Feb. 19.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Tobin Monday evening, Feb. 21.

The Russell Wheelers had a baby boy, born on Wednesday Feb. 23.

### Mrs. Warnock to Make Trip to Far East Places

Word has been received that Mrs. Edith Warnock, who has spent the past few months with her brother, Francis Hibbard, in Medford is flying to San Francisco Feb. 28th for final inoculation shots and will sail March 5th for a three months cruise in the Orient.

Her itinerary includes stops at Manila, Formosa, Japan, Hong Kong, and Bangkok. Mrs. Warnock will spend between two to three weeks at Bangkok, then start the return trip coming through the Dutch East Indies.

It is to be a combined pleasure and health trip, doctors having suggested it, as possibly helping the recovery from recent surgery and illness.

### The Last Citadel

The last citadel, the last stronghold of man has fallen. There is in Brookings, you understand, a Barbershop quartet group. Barbershoppers are men singers of high regard. But now, directing that group here is Mrs. Irma Rice, who has replaced Bob Dick.

### ELKS WORK ON SCOUT BUILDING

The concrete floor for the new Boy Scout building near the entrance to Azalea Park was poured last Saturday morning by volunteer labor under direction of the Elks Lodge.

Those participating in the work were Blain and Stan Gribble, Ed Hoar, Dick Pundt, Lee English, Arnold Morris, William Demsey, Darrell Allsup and Pete Lesmeister.

Special thanks go to Lee English, Arnold Morris and Blain Gribble who spent several hours finishing the concrete floor after the other workmen had completed the pouring.

The proposed building is to be a meeting place for all scouts, boy and girl, of the Brookings-Harbor area. The project will enable all types of recreation for the youngsters, with the exception of dancing, as per the building permit.

The building will be 6 feet, by 40 feet. The foundations and floor are all poured and ready for framing. Lumber is on the ground, all cut and ready to nail up, including tuss timbers.

Work thus far has been done by committees from different organizations. Some materials have been donated. The roughed in plumbing was located and installed, and plumbing fixtures have been purchased and are on hand.

Finances are getting short, and a finance committee will be set up shortly. Those wishing to donate to the building fund can make out checks to "Chetco Scout Building Committee," or give or send them to Larry Rommerick, Blaine Gribble or Mike Page.

There is a deal with Brookings Plywood Corp. to trade lumber and Plywood for logs. The group owes them logs now for the lumber on hand. Any logging operator or ranybody having any logs for this project are asked to dump them in the Brook-Ply pond and have them mark the duplicate ticket "Scouts", and see that Mike Page gets it.

Weather permitting, another crew of Elk members and others wishing to help will be on hand at ten o'clock Sunday morning to start framing the Scout building.

An initiation will be held in connection with the regular Elks meeting this Thursday evening in the new lodge quarters, and there will be a dance Saturday night, Feb. 26th, following the institution ceremonies of the new Ladies Emblem Club.

### Delmer Colgrove Has 78th Birthday

A birthday party for Delmer Colgrove, Sr. was held on Feb. 17. He was 78 years old. Those present were his two sons, and families, Stanley and Delmer, Jr. Also present was Warren McNeely and family, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Barry, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Brown.

## Calendar of Events

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Elks Lodge, Elks Building, 8 p.m.

Chamber of Commerce Dinner, Chetco Grange, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Basketball Tournament, Eagle Point.

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Dance, Grange Hall, 8 p.m.

Emblem Club, Elks Hall, 8 p.m.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Lion's Auxiliary, Hank Houvila home, 8 p.m.

Chetco Choral Club, Chetco Inn, 7 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 1

Beta Sigma Phi, Mary McCourt home, Harbor.

THURSDAY, MARCH 3

Elks Lodge, Elks Hall, 8 p.m.

### COAST FREIGHT LINES SELL OUT TO CONSOLIDATED FREIGHTWAY

#### Air Watch Is In Progress Now

Plane spotters are now working at the Ground Observation Post on Azalea Heights. The day that Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hamman and a few other interested people in the community have worked and waited for so long has finally arrived.

The first plane spotters to begin work were Mr. and Mrs. Peter Schmidt, who started Monday afternoon, followed by Mr. and Mrs. Art Peirce, on the next 4-hour shift.

There are lists at the Hi-Way Market, Chetco Meat, Ed Dempsys, C. O. Leonards, and Hanscans at Harbor for those who are interested in volunteering, or call 3301. The schedule has not been completed yet, so anyone who has volunteered or would like to has still have the opportunity to serve the hours that they prefer, if they call the post to state their preference.

More people in the community are showing an interest in the completion of the building with Mr. George Titus, Art Peirce, John Burbank, Howard Adams, and Marion Miller working on it this past week. The Beta Sigma Phi sent in a donation of \$10.00 to help the work along.

The first training meeting was held at the Elks Hall last Wednesday night with about 60 people attending. Captain Davis of the Air Force stressed the importance of having the post on a 24 hour schedule, as Brookings-Harbor is located in a very strategic area.

Sgt. unlap conducted the training class and will hold others here wherever his schedule permits. Anyone missing the training meeting will be shown what is necessary by Mr. and Mrs. Hamman, who have operated the post a number of months.

The new volunteers are: Jean Stacey, Mr. and Mrs. John Burbank, Kay Pateten, Lynn L. Hugh, and Mr. and Mrs. Dall Sanders.

### Del Norte Rally Beats Bruins 78-68

The Crescent City, California Del Norte High School basketball team beat Brookings-Harbor, Oregon in an inter-state contest Tuesday night 78-68. The Californians, victorious, nevertheless knew they had a game on their hands. The score was tied at half time 41 up.

Ken Russell, Bruin forward helped his teams cause by contributing 27 points. Captain Frank Faddling netted 18 points.

Russell fouled out in the last period and his added scoring points was missed. This was the second defeat by the Cal. team for the Bruin squad this season.

The team will travel to Eagle Point this week-end where they participate in the State playoffs. Details of this schedule can be found on the Sports page.

### ROTARY HAS ANNIVERSARY

Two hundred and nine people helped the Rotary Club celebrate its Golden Anniversary here Monday night. The local club had a 50th anniversary dinner, under the program chairmanship of Archie Hendricks, at the Cliff House.

Highlighting the evenings festivities was a talk by an exchange student, from Vienna, Austria, Liselotte Georgiades. On the program were songs by Bud Cross, in the western style; A quartette, the Sea-Flats, with Carole Hogenon, Nancy Pisarek, Bernice Swanson, and Gayle Malone; A history of the club by Lynn Hampton, and an Anniversary message by Roy Weideman, the senior past president of the Club.

Also on the program was the high school band, decked out in their new uniforms, given to the school by the Rotary club as one of their projects. The band, under direction of Bob Dick, played several Master of ceremonies for the evening was Bob Perkins, former Brookings resident, and now of Coos Bay. Perkins entertained the crowd with several of his fabulous "skits," as well as keeping the show on the road in a talented manner.

Club president, Les Dimmick presided at the meeting, and

Dave Franklin, owner of Coast Freight, has announced the sale of the concern to Consolidated Freightway, with the deal subject to Interstate Commerce commission, and OPC approval. This approval may take some time, however, Consolidated is going to ask for temporary operating authority, and may take over by April 1.

Franklin, who was sole owner of the firm, which had headquarters in Coos-Bay, said that his plans were indefinite at the moment.

Franklin bought out the old Central Transfer Co. six years ago, and changed the name to Coast Freight.

Franklin said that there is a possibility that Consolidated run a rig out of Portland each night, and be in Brookings the following morning.

The Consolidated firm is the 4th largest truck line in America, with headquarters in Portland, Ore.

The deal includes all equipment, and franchises. The warehouses are leased, and not involved in the transaction. For the present they plan to maintain the same facilities. Also no change in personal was planned at this time.

The Coos Bay agent Cliff Strom will be in charge of operation of the Consolidated in this area.

### PLAN TO OCCUPY BUILDING SOON

Only the finishing remains before Brookings' newest building is completed. Plans are being made for a March 15 opening by the Phillip's Dad and Lad store in the Weideman-Kessler building, but the actual completion of the building is expected before that date.

Contractor Roy Weideman, who is constructing the 55 feet, by 80 foot structure, said that the building work is progressing nicely. The front of the building was bricked in by the Horton Bros. Tuesday and Wednesday, and the interior painting was also completed this week.

All that needs to be done is the installation of the aluminum door frame, and aluminum sashes for the front windows, and the laying of the floor tiles, plus some electrical work.

The Elks hall, occupying the upper story of the building has been functioning for some time, and the work is nearly completed there. They have been holding their meetings in the building, since Jan. 1st.

According to Al Phillips, the clothing store will begin moving in as soon as possible, and a grand opening in their greatly expanded store is being planned.

The Pete J. Lesmeister Insurance and Realty firm will occupy the rest of the structure.

### May Use Film For Training In Bowling Here

A possibility of having a unique bowling training class here was being discussed. The class would be for new bowler, beginners, and others interested in picking up their averages.

It would entail the use of an 8 mm. camera to shoot the bowler in action, and then the film would be shown back to him the next week so that mistakes could be corrected. The fee for the camera and film would be small, those interested said. Anyone is interested in the training, please contact the Pilot.

president-elect Art Knox also said a few words.

Miss Georgiades talk was of great interest to the Rotarians, and guests. She told of life in Austria, especially as compared with life in America. She said that American people are "lazy," in a sense, driving even three blocks rather than walking. She said that in Austria, automobiles are uncommon, refrigerators practically unknown, and automatic wash machines just something to look at.

She had a very critical word for the Russians too, telling how they stripped Austria of much of its industry, and "brains." She told some about the good the Marshall Plan did in rebuilding her country.

### pipe dreams



by joe murphy

There are two pairs of Buds and Joes in town, running establishments upholding human dignity, and helping bring law and order to town. I refer, of course, to our friends on the police force, Bud Cross, and Joe Schumaker, and then that other pair at the Pilot.

At the council meeting the other night poor old Archie Rice, an engineer from Corvallis, underwent an inquisition. Councilmen, and committee-men, such as Ed Aldrich, Al Phillips, Gordon Goetz and a few more fired questions right and left at him, trying to gather the facts about the sewer survey, and a possible water survey.

One of the questions Al Phillips asked was point blank, "Does a city make any money from a municipal water system?" The answer was that the city will never get rich from a water system of their own. But Rice said that generally the water system will take care of itself financially—it will pay back the bond issue, the interest, and operating expenses, plus putting some aside for expansion, to more adequately serve the people.

Most of the council waits for Earl Breuer to arrive on the scene, as that particular councilman always brings a bag of caramels, which everyone enjoys. However Tuesday night Ed Ackley beat him to the punch and brought a bag along, and everyone was much contentedly before Breuer arrived.

At the State Press convention in Eugene they introduced Bill Tugman, now publisher of the Reedsport paper, a weekly, with a size comparable to our own. Tugman was former editor of the Eugene Register-Guard. The introduction told how Tugman was "leveling off" in as much as work is concerned, by moving into the small town weekly field. Only Tugman didn't agree—nor do we.

That Rotary dinner went off without a hitch Monday night, but they almost didn't have a program. We didn't print them until Monday to get all the program on, and then the ink wouldn't dry. So I was still folding them at 7:30, just before the dinner was scheduled to get

What the well dressed dogs in Brookings-Harbor area wear! Mrs. Miller from Harbor brought in her neices dog, Thursday, all outfitted in boots, and raincoat which even covered over the dogs ears. No dog should be without an outfit like that.

### Chief Cross Issues Warnings

Chief of Police Bud Cross issued warning to day on speeding in Brookings. It has got to end, Chief Cross said. He reported that the city has been fortunate up until now, and that the streets are in better shape so that people are stepping on the gas pedal too heavily. He warned that more citations are going to be issued. Cross said that the dust problem alone was enough of a reason to slow the cars down.

Chief Cross also had a word to say about dogs. He has received many complaints about barking, and dogs making nuisances here, and reminded owners that they are liable for stiff penalties for violations.

The third word issued by Chief Cross concerned dumping garbage on the street. It is absolutely forbidden, and will bring the wrath of law upon the offender quickly. Cross said.

### NEW ARRIVALS

IN BROOKINGS  
Mrs. Tom Aukland, and Mrs. Jim Huddleston arrived Wednesday from Omaha, Nebr.