

pipe dream



Joe Murphy

Heard that if a certain party wins the steer Sunday at the Elks picnic he will lead it to Portland on foot. This would bring a great deal of notoriety to Brookings, and I hope some of the Elks can arrange this.

Toured the old high school building Wednesday with Superintendent Williams. It has changed so much on the interior that most of the kids won't recognize it. Rose, green, and yellow walls inside, new tile floors, lawns fixed, etc.

We reported in the editorial column last week that we had made only a few enemies in Brookings since we've been here. However, I got a letter from some gal today that sounded like she was one of those, only she wouldn't admit it. Didn't even have the courage to sign her name. Must have thought I would go out to her house and throw bricks. Actually lady, we're only simple folk down here at the Pilot, and we don't mean any harm.

It is difficult to be a clock watcher in Brookings. Because of an occasional power outage clocks all over town register a different time. I drove home last night and saw five (5) different clocks set at five different times. How can I make proper excuses to my wife.

Somebody ought to pass a bouquet to the Horton Bros. Just a little over a year ago, they came to Brookings with a concrete block in each hand. Take a look around, on Chetco Avenue, on Del Norte Lane and elsewhere. Man, they have done a lot of block laying in that year. If they got a nickel for each block they laid, they should be ready to retire in the Hawaiian Islands with a sackful.

MERCY FLIGHT RATE INCREASED

Despite the fact that Mercy Flights have raised their subscription to \$4 per family, people are still dropping in to the PILOT office for applications.

Mercy Flights has recently acquired two new planes, replacing the older ones which have been the means of transporting literally hundreds of ill, and injured from where they were to where they could be better attended. The system, costing but \$4 per family per year, covers practically the whole area within 500 miles of Medford. As an elderly man told us, "I may never need it but the guy next door, with four kids, might, and I'd hate to have that on my conscience if I neglected it."

DIMMICK'S STORE GETS RENOVATION

Dimmick's Brookings Market has been getting a face lifting this week.

Modernization of the store included the boarding up of some of the front windows, and a stucco finish on the front of the entire building. The store will be painted a buff color. Work is being done by Gib Christensen, and the Horton Bros.

Del-Cur Cooperative Starts Building

A warehouse and sales room building is being built by the Del-Cur Supply Co-operative, a new group in the area. The building is being built just 500 feet north of the Oregon-California line, on highway 101 on the Masset place. The building will have 1200 square feet, and will be an aluminum frame structure, with a concrete foundation. The foundation has already been poured.

Carpenter work is being done by Clyde Braynard, and Bud Raush, under the direction of Dinty Moore, manager of the new Co-operative.

The Co-operative had acquired 2 acres of land there, and plan expansion at a later date when the need grows. Membership in the co-operative totals 23 farm members, and the



THE NEW PALMERS DEPARTMENT STORE opened this week in Brookings. Located downtown, adjacent to the Weideman-Kessler building, it was built by Roy Weideman and has about 5000 square feet of floor space. It will be operated by Murry Palmer, who formerly had a variety store in the Manley building.

Teachers Start Life In Brookings

Many of the teachers for the Brookings-Harbor area have already arrived on the scene, to make preparations for the opening of school. Both principals, Mr. Tobin and Mr. Allison are at work in their respective buildings.

Arriving Wednesday were Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Dial, the new music instructor. Dial taught last year at Myrtle Creek. Mr. and Mrs. Richard Yates, and child have arrived. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Fowler and family are here. Mr. Harrison is back in town. Mrs. Petra Lee, an elementary teacher from Minnesota, is in Brookings also.

Superintendent D. D. Williams, his wife and three boys have arrived in to take up their duties.

Explorers Make Trip Down Rogue

Norman Suiter and Wally Craig members of the Red and Gun Club Explorers Post 32, made the 47 mile hike down the Rogue River from Galice to Agness. The hike was sponsored by the Oregon Trail Council for Explorers, and 67 boys made the hike. Food was dropped to them at a midway point by the U.S. Air Force, but one of the parachutes failed to function properly, and they had a scrambled mess.

The weather was very hot, and one day it was 110 in the shade, so they got pretty well warmed up from the cool Brookings weather. The final leg of the trip was made by boat from Agness to Wedderburn, and the boat Wally and Norman rode in struck a log and ripped a plank so they had to transfer to another boat.

The fellows said it was a good hike and they had a good time. One experience in the line of survival training was eating grasshoppers and rattlesnake meat, and while it tasted alright, they both agreed they would be very glad to get home to some of mother's cooking.

Elks Picnic

The Brookings Elks first annual picnic will be held Sunday, August 28 at the Pedrioli Ranch. The picnic will include everything from free barbecue, carnival games, refreshments, to a dance and Smorgasbord at the Elk's Hall Saturday night.

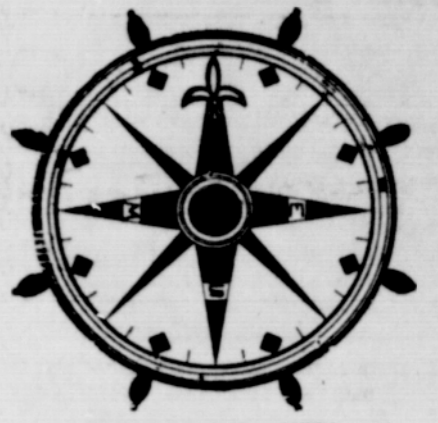
The picnic is limited to Elks and their families, and will begin at 10:30 a.m. Sunday.

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Council Gives Go Ahead to Plans To Pave City Airport Tract District

AMBULANCE IS PROBLEM IN CITY

If you figure your chances of ever needing an ambulance are about the same as ambulance users usually figure—which is not at all until they're packed into one—might be a good idea to have a look at YOUR possibilities of getting a ride when YOU DO NEED ONE!

At present, we have a usable ambulance practically rotting unattended, on a side street. Lately, when it was needed to move an elderly, ill person toward hospitalization, it was found to be in a gory condition, from the previous unfortunate—an accident case. Further, no help was immediately available and Val Mendenhall was again called into the emergency, a job which Val, a busy business man, and a very few others, seem to be thought of as being under obligation to drop everything and become servants of the public.

An analysis of the cases requiring ambulance service are for the most part, unpremeditated emergencies. As such, the unfortunates are entirely at the mercy of kindly folks, be they off on some remote logging show, amongst the wreck of a car, scattered along the roadside, taken violently ill, or mangled in an industrial accident, not forgetting the imminent expecting mothers and the children, who are the most helpless of all.

The situation is up to YOU.

The problem MUST be thoroughly solved and the solution involves bookkeeping, notably, in times past, the collection from responsible parties for services; insurance, mechanical upkeep of equipment, a list of competent, available volunteer drivers, and the servicing of the rig, after each trip. These are some of the things absolutely necessary if YOU are to have transportation when it can very probably be a case of life or death to YOU!!

This is not something to be shrugged off to the non-existent THEY to do. "THEY" never get anything done! It is something WE must do and, in the long run, WE get things done. It is not a problem to be dumped in the lap of the city fathers because political problems would then arise similar to those experienced in rural fire protection.

We have the ambulance—which is a matter of some thousands of dollars advantage. It could be made the worthy project of an existing group or a new association could be formed.

However WE go about it, let none of us sit on our hunkers and wait for "THEY" to do something. If WE do, we'll all jolly well eventually pay for our folly. Look what WE have done with the Brookings Walking Blood Bank. Incidentally, have you had your blood typed and are YOU registered as a donor?

SCHOOL IS READY FOR BIG DAY

Renovation work on the old schools, and finishing work on the new high school has just about been completed, and all is set for the first day of school in the Brookings-Harbor School District 17C.

The high school registration will be under the direction of the new principal, Mr. Allison, who has arrived and is on the job. The Juniors and Seniors will register next Monday, August 29 from 9:30 a.m. until 8 p.m.

The Sophomores and Freshmen will register August 30, from 9:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

According to D. D. Williams, superintendent of schools, books will be available, so the youngsters should come prepared to buy their books, and pay their fees on registration day.

High school will open on September 6th at 8 a.m.

Elementary pre-school registration for all the new students in the district and first graders will be held at the upper grade school on Friday, August 26th from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, and from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Also Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Joe Tobin will handle that registration.

The bus schedule calls for all students from grades 1 through 4, who live North of town beyond Thompsons Road, or on Park View Drive, on the North Bank, South Bank, or South of town beyond Pedrioli Drive will attend school in the morning on the morning shift.

School will start at about 7:45 every morning, with the bus pickup at about the same time and place as last year.

Those youngsters in grades 1-4 who walk, or who meet the bus at Thompsons Road, or on a point on the highway between there and town, or between town and Pedrioli Drive, Ocean View Drive or Benham Lane will attend school in the afternoon, starting at 12:30.

All elementary youngsters are asked to bring paper and pencil the first day, September 6, so that the first day can be a complete one.

All grades, fifth through 12th, will attend school on a full day basis, from 7:45 to 2.

Renovation work at the old high school included the painting of the classroom in rose, yellow and green, plus the installation of tile on all the corridor floors. The yard has been fixed up too.

The new high school is just about in shape for the opening day. The superintendent's office has been moved to the new school, and the new principal of the high school, Mr. Allison, will also have an office there.

Joe Tobin, elementary principal, will have his office in the old high school.

TEACHERS MEETINGS TO BE THURSDAY

The first general teachers meeting will be held in the library of the new high school Thursday, September 1, at 9:30 a.m.

The meeting will open with a get-acquainted coffee period. At 10 a.m. Supt. D. D. Williams will discuss general school policies and staff duties.

After lunch, Mr. Joe Tobin, the grade school superintendent, and Mr. Allison, high school principal, will have staff meetings.

INDIAN DANCE AT SMITH RIVER AUGUST 27th

The Del Norte Indian Welfare Association are sponsoring a benefit dance, at the Smith River Community Hall Saturday night, August 27. The dance will be held from 9 p.m. until 2 a.m.

A special attraction will be Indian dancers, dressed in their heirloom costumes, with singers chanting the native Indian music.

DEL NORTE FAIR OPENS FRIDAY

Del Norte county's fair, the forty-first agriculture association, will have its thirty third annual showing this week at the fairgrounds, August 26, 27 and 28 amidst the traditional color of fair fun and fair exhibits.

A jam packed schedule for the three day run has been promised by secretary-manager Chuck Grover which includes horse shows every day, horse races on Saturday and Sunday, the Monte Brooks vaudeville show twice daily and a number of special events.

Leading off Friday night will be the choosing of Del Norte county's Maid of California who will represent the county at the Sacramento state fair and reign as queen during the local fairs three day run.

The contest will be judged at 7:30 p.m. in front of the grandstand. Ten lovely Del Norte girls have been entered in the contest by local organizations. They are Sylvia Miller, Nancy Moore, Mary Hallmark, Colleen Hughes, Cherry Yamor, Sandra Black, Jeanette Mathews, Marianne Moore, Joyce Hollenceck, Bobbi Jean Smith, and Joan Johnson.

On both Saturday and Sunday, two new events have been scheduled for the fair. The Scotia band will perform at the grandstand and a talent show of amateur talent will be shown. The band concerts will be at 10 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. The talent shows at 4:30 p.m. A traditional fair dance with Monte Brooks providing the music will be held Saturday night at the Memorial Hall starting at 10 p.m.

Special events on Sunday will feature the second annual 4-H livestock auction at 11:30 a.m. at the grandstand, the parade of the champions at 1 p.m. plus the regularly scheduled events.

The carnival area known this year as the "gayway" because of its bright and different hued booths will feature thirty-two different concessions in games, and food.

Exhibit wise, the fair should be one of Del Norte's largest with 341 exhibitors signed up by the final entry date. A new exhibit building has been created out of the old grandstand for the well-known Del Norte floriculture exhibits. Complete agricultural, horticultural, home economics and 4-H exhibits will be found in the main pavilion. Also feature booths from the Klamath Valley grange, the Del Norte Pomona grange, the Crescent-Redwood grange and the Lake Earl grange. Two one-family farm booths have been entered.

FORMER RESIDENT KILLED IN ACCIDENT

David Dickey, who spent his boyhood here, was killed in a logging accident, August 20th, at Orick, according to reports. David age 42, was the grandson of the late D. M. Dickey and son of Mrs. Bessie Bunker. His wife, Ellen, is the daughter of the late Fred Miller, of Fort Dick. Deceased leaves 3 sons and 2 daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Simpson now occupy the former home of the Dickeys.

BROOKINGS LITTLE LEAGUE TAKE PAIR OF WINS FROM GOLD BEACH

"Skin" Arnett won his third victory; his second of the season. The strike out wizard "Fanned" eight men in the four-inning contest, and at the same time collected two doubles in three times at bat. Beem homered and singled to keep his batting average at the top of the list. Been is now hitting .611, only 11 points ahead of Fox.

The only hit of the game for Gold Beach went to Westwang, who singled in the first. All in all, "Wild Bill" Highem had things in control. The two wins boasts the Little League record to five wins and one loss.

The second game saw both teams tame down a little as Bill Highem led his team to a 5-3

DOG POUND ACTION TAKEN

The dog pound, threatened by Brookings police, and the city council, is going to be built. At the Brookings council Tuesday night Police Chief Bud Cross was given authority to arrange with Jim Nichols to set up a dog pound. Nichols would be empowered to make a weekly trip to pick up stray dogs and impound them. Dogs without licenses will be held for a few days to give owners a chance to claim them, and if not, they will be destroyed.

BOAT SHOW SLATED

Free boat rides, coffee and doughnuts will be the feature of a boat show, to be held on the Chetco this Sunday from 11 to 4 p.m. Demonstrations, both in the water and on display, will be held for Birchcraft boats, at Hanscans Center and Bellboy boats at Hewitt's Anchorage.

CARDS TO BE GIVEN TOURISTS

Something new has been started by the Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce. Cards were printed requesting information from the tourists on highway 101 relative to the condition of the highway and if their trip was enjoyable.

The card left room to comment on their trip on U.S. 101, and had a return mailing address to the Chamber of Commerce.

The thought behind the cards is that if enough of the cards are returned by the tourist, it will be a public opinion poll which could focus attention on the needs of the highway.

McGrew Returns To Brookings

Herschel McGrew, an old time Brookings resident, has taken over the meat department at Freeman's Chetco Store, which was operated by Bart "the Butch" Bartley, before his recent illness.

McGrew, who lived in McMinnville previously, was in Brookings during 1922-25, working for the California-Oregon Lumber Co. He has been in the meat business for 15 years, and worked for Safeway for 18 years, and owned his own business the last 12 years.

He is married, and has a married daughter. His wife, the former Helen Hurst, is a sister of Glenn Hurst who operates the Hurst Market. Mrs. McGrew was raised in the Brookings area.

Mr. and Mrs. James Yelton, and son Ellis, returned Monday from a vacation in Portland, visiting relatives and friends.

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Sixty-seven petitions from property owners were secured for a special assessment district improvement in the old airport tract area, and the Brookings council authorized that the necessary step be taken to go ahead with the improvement district.

The area included in the district will include part of Chetco Avenue, and all of the Beresa tract, down to Oak St. Alder St., Del Norte Lane, part of Memory Lane, Birch St. Musser, Maple, N. Hazel and South Hazel. Alder St. would go through according to present project plans.

There are approximately 120 property owners in that area, it was reported to the council by Ralph Reed, city work superintendent.

The council heard some discussion on the project and agreed to go ahead with the plan. The next step will be to put the project in the hands of the city engineers office, who will proceed with the formation of a special assessment district. The engineers office, will in turn, report a complete picture to the council as soon as possible.

The council also passed two ordinances Tuesday night, their third meeting of the month.

One ordinance passed directing the mayor to apply for water right on the Chetco for the City of Brookings. Another ordinance related to the change in the building code, to conform with more modern codes existing in the city.

The council also requested that Mayor Brimm go to Portland, to see Mr. Schuler, the bonding attorney, to see if speedier action can't be gotten on the bond question, so that the people can vote on the sewer bonding.

The council also authorized \$3100 for the final payment on the city fire truck.

A report by Ralph Reed was given on the Beresa housing project which showed that after a meeting recently, difficulties were being ironed out.

A report on the hospital by councilman Fell Campbell told that Dr. Ronniger had given up the idea of building a hospital in conjunction with his clinic, and said that there is the possibility that other land might be secured.

Parking meters on side streets were brought up by Police Chief Bud Cross, but no action was taken. It was referred to the planning commission for study.

An order was issued to be served on Roy Weideman and Charles Grayshel to have their sidewalk fixed within 15 days.

The council approved Mayor Brimm's appointment of the Chetco Library board of trustees. They are as follows: Mrs. Art Knox, Mrs. Jessie Judkins, Jack McCarton, Ben Jones and M. S. Brainard.

Bill Thompson, postmaster, attended the council meeting to request spots to locate letter pickup boxes. It was referred to the planning commission. He also asked about house numbers.

The council agreed to push the project. They have ordered the house numbers and will put them in the hands of the Boy Scouts, who will in turn bring them to the property owners.

Heat Hits 95 Here Saturday Morning

Weather conditions, last Saturday morning, were truly and officially unusual.

Mrs. Mina Akers, in charge of the airways weather observation station here, reported a temperature of 60 degrees at 7 in the morning and her recording thermometer went up to 95.1 degrees sometime between 10 a.m. and 1 p.m., dropping off soon after 1 p.m., when a 10 mph breeze came up.

The U.S.F.S. office reports the humidity, during the period of extreme temperature, was up to 46, the combination of the heat and air moisture making most folks feel miserable. (Especially the natives)