

\$50,000 BOND ELECTION HERE FRIDAY

SKETCHBOOK



Bud Pisarek

Rumors are the vogue in these parts now a days.

Number one scuttlebutt is the choice one about the hardboard plants coming into this area. They tell me every barbershop and coffee hangout has that one pegged right down to the nth degree.

Then there is the one about the population figures in the area. In other parts of this edition you can read all about the Oregon Coast Bulletin report that Harbor now boasts 1,375 population. Rumor has it that it is giving Gold Beach a run for its money.

There are many rumors about the building boom that will start as soon as the weather breaks.

speaking of the latter, there is also a rumor that IT IS GOING TO STOP raining.

It is no rumor but a bona fide fact that the original Harbor Globe Trotters are going to be at the high school to engage in a rousing game of basketball.

The proceeds will again be donated to the March of Dimes. This team has just returned from a tour of Pistol River and Carpenterville and the rumor has it that this team has a lot of color.

The slogan of the two teams in this colossal event is "The Old Gents Will Crawl (after the game) So Little Kids Will Walk Again."

It is for a real good cause so we hope all of you people will turn out for the event. Read the news article about the time and place and all the rest, then be sure to be present. It is to be a game you will never forget. It takes the Old Boys about two months to forget their aches and pains.

KEN PRIEST RESIGNS POST

Kenneth Priest, Curry County Agent for the past three years, has announced that he has accepted a position with the First National Bank of Portland, and has resigned his County Agent post.

Priest's resignation becomes effective on January 31. He plans to leave for Portland early next month.

No successor to the county agent post has been appointed as yet.

Harbor Grows

Announce Plans For New Homes

Pete J. Lesmeister realtor, has announced plans for the construction of 11 new ultra-modern FHA approved three-bedroom homes in the Mathews Tract off Arnold Lane. The homes will be built by Decker and Colbert, contractors and home builders. Construction work will begin as soon as the weather permits, and as soon as sales indicate, Lesmeister said. The announced price range for the homes would be in the \$12,000 to \$14,000 class.

Fire Levels Home

Parking Meter Revenues High

Parking meters yielded the general fund of the City of Brookings \$4,664.75, or almost \$400 per month.

The meters cost the city \$11,138, on which has been paid \$9675.50 with a further \$299 due them for half of the December collections. Payments on the contract are made of half the monthly collections and only \$1,164.50 remains due on them.

At the present collection rate the meters should soon be paid for and the city will then get all the moneys.

Collections by the month are as follows: Jan. \$233.75; Feb. 273.50; Mar. 227.25; Apr. 242.50; May 309.50; June 242.75; July 501.00; Aug. 492.00; Sept. 629.00; Oct. 465.50; Nov. 430.00; Dec. 598.00.

BANK GROWTH HIGH ON COAST

Growth of the southern Oregon coast region during the past year is reflected in the year-end reports of banks from Newport to Brookings.

The Brookings Branch of the U. S. National Bank, was again the leader in the area. It reported the largest loan increase, 97.5 per cent, or \$3,028,939, as compared with \$1,533,709 in 1954.

Other bank figures show: Bank of Bandon, deposits up 11.5 loans up 42.7; Port Orford, deposits up 16.1 and loans up 42.3; Gold Beach, deposits up 17.8 and loans up 42.3.

ROEMMICH IS NEW OWNER OF CHETCO STORE

Larry Roemmich has announced that he has purchased the interests of Wilson Freeman in the Chetco Store in Brookings.

Roemmich has been manager of the store for the past four years, coming here from Klamath Falls. He is a native of Nebraska, and has five children.

Freeman has operated the big grocery store for about the last 20 years.

The present help in the store will remain the same, with the exception of Doris Freeman. Mrs. Sund will continue in her present capacity, Roemmich reported.

Finance Company To Open Friday

The Commercial Finance Corp. has been added to a long line of new Brookings firms. The Finance Corp. will open here Friday in the Northgate Building, in offices formerly occupied by the Horton Bros.

Commercial Finance has already 11 offices throughout the state, with Brookings Branch to



DON ROSS, Manager

be the 12th. They have offices in Newport, Medford, Klamath Falls, Bend and other state cities.

The manager, Don Ross, has arrived and is looking for living quarters for his family. He and his wife, Esther have two children, Kathy, three and Michael, 2.

Ross is a native of Coos Bay, but has been in Bend, Oregon, recently with the Commercial Finance office there. The headquarters of the corporation is in San Francisco.

City Officials Take In Workshop At Corvallis

A group of three Brookings city officials, Work Superintendent Ralph Reed, city engineer Dot Martin and councilman Fell Campbell left Brookings Wednesday to attend a state workshop at Oregon State College at Corvallis.

The session is being put on by the Oregon State College, and will last until Saturday.

Bowling Tourney Next Week End

A bowling tournament, with most of the proceeds to go to the March of Dimes was announced jointly by Glen Rogers, the proprietor of Azalea Lanes, and the Brookings-Harbor Lions Club.

Called the 1st annual March of Dimes Classic, the tourney will have both doubles and singles, for both men and women. Each entry will cost three dollars, with a good percentage of that going into the March of Dimes Fund.

The tourney will run on two weekends, Saturday and Sunday, January 28 and 29 and February 4th and 5th. Prizes will be awarded on basis of participation. Bowlers handicaps will be used.

Entries are to be mailed to Bud McCourt or Azalea Lanes.

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Lyle Redfield Dies In Oakland

Lyle Redfield, 63, former operator of Redfield Market here, died Wednesday in Merritt Hospital at Oakland, California. He had suffered a heart attack on Christmas Day, while undergoing an operation.

The funeral will be held at Klamath Falls. His wife and mother-in-law live in Smith River. A complete obituary will follow in next week's Pilot.

BROOKS DOWN GOLD BEACH

The Brookings Bruins slid by the Gold Beach Panthers fairly easily Saturday night in the Gold Beach gym, by a 51-38 count.

Gold Beach hung tight 'til the third quarter, when the Brooks outscored them 11-3 to take an unsurmountable lead. Brookings led 15-12 at the end of the first quarter and 25-21 at the half.

Rod Rush and Jerry Anderson paced Coach Art Guthrie's charges. Rush hit for 19 markers, while Anderson added 15.

The Brookings "B" squad nosed out the Junior Panthers 49-48 in a close contest all the way. M. Bullock netted 11 buckets and three free throws for 25 points, followed by Jerry Fox's 14 points.

Brookings makes the long jaunt to Powers this week end.

The Brookings Trailer Sales, owned by George Hamond, has set up in down town Brookings, across the street from the Pilot, and Hendricks Furniture. The land was leased from Elmer Dankus. Most of the trailers, and the office have already been moved into the new location.

There will be an organizational meeting of the Democratic Party of Curry County next Wednesday night, January 25th, according to Dave Shaw.

Shaw received information from Howard Morgan, state Democratic head, requesting the meeting, which will be held in the 4-H club house at the Fairgrounds in Gold Beach, at 8 p.m. All those interested are asked to attend.

GEN. BEECHER, PRISONER OF WAR, CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SPEAKER

Gen. Curtis Beecher, U.S.M.C. will be the speaker at the Chamber of Commerce's annual dinner, which will be held Thursday evening, January 26, at the Chetco Grange Hall.

New officers of the group will be installed at that meeting.

Gen. Beecher is a property owner in Brookings, having recently acquired the Goetz building. He lives in Roseburg. He was born in Chicago, and enlisted in the Marine Corps at the outset of 1917. He was commissioned a 2nd Lieut. on the battle field, and afterwards received a permanent position. He served in France, Germany, Haiti, China and the Philippines as well as abroad ship, and various U.S. posts.

He went to China for second tour of duty in 1941 to serve with the 4th Marine Regiment, and left with the regiment one week before the outbreak of World War II. He participated in the defense of Corregidor, and was captured by the Japanese when Corregidor fell.

Gen. Beecher spent 40 months as a Jap prisoner and was senior

Rotary Club To Have Ladies Night Friday

The Brookings-Harbor Rotary Club will have their annual Ladies Night dinner on Friday evening at the Cliff House, according to Dr. Richard Smith, chairman of the program. It is planned as a social affair, with no guest speaker. Entertainment will be furnished by the Cliff House. On hand will be the Tri-Notes Trio. Dancing will follow the dinner.

Chetco Choral Group Plans Monday Session

The Chetco Choral club, under the direction of Mrs. Helen Rice will have their weekly practice session Monday night January 23rd. The group will meet at the Assembly of God Church, with the practice to last from 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m.

The group still needs new members, although they will be closed to new members after Monday night. The group is starting work on their spring concert.

Basketball Tilt Planned By Pros

The Second Annual March of Dimes basketball game (?) will be held next Sunday, January 29th, according to Bill Thompson the chairman.

Fans will have the pleasure of seeing two games, a real double-header. The high school varsity will tangle with the high school faculty in one encounter, and the Brookings-Harbor Lions will battle it out with the Brookings-Harbor Rotary Club in the second struggle.

Because of the age of the Rotarians, the Lions have consented to allow the Rotarians several "ringers" although the nucleus of the team will be bona fide Rotarians.

DOGS CAN PICK UP LICENSES NOW

The dog licenses have arrived, according to Police Chief Bud Cross. They will be sold on Saturday mornings, beginning this Saturday, January 21, from nine until 12 at the Police Station.

All dogs who are bona fide residents of the City of Brookings, must have licenses Cross said.

Almost a year in the making, the City of Brookings will have a \$50,000 bond election this Friday for the purpose of acquiring and, or building a city sewer system.

The special election will be for residents of the city, and will be held in the Old Fellows Hall, for those in precinct No. 1, bound on the north by Chetco Avenue and in the City Hall, for precinct No. 2, for all the territory bound on the south by Chetco Avenue.

The ballots are printed, and if successfully passed by the voters will authorize the acquisition and construction of a sanitary sewer system and facilities.

The ballot reads as follows: Shall the City of Brookings, Oregon acquire and construct a sanitary sewer system and facilities within the corporate limits according to plans, specifications and estimates of costs therefor as the same are on file in the City Hall of Brookings.

And proposition two: Shall the City of Brookings, Oregon authorize and issue general obligation bonds in the sum of Fifty Thousand (\$50,000) Dollars to apply on the construction of costs of construction of the sanitary sewer system and facilities authorized and approved by its electors.

Mayor Roy Brimm said there has been questions regarding the bond issue. He said that the bond would be through the \$2 surcharge now being levied against house holders, and wouldn't be an additional burden on the tax payers.

Ambulance Status To Be Improved

The ambulance service, it is said, will be quickly and more fully restored as soon as the ambulance committee meets with the newly elected trustees to complete the turn over.

According to a reliable source required for the old board to meet and transfer their interest to a newer board as there are two committees functioning on the same project. Otherwise, an independent board would have to be formed with the red tape of incorporation, insurance, etc., to be done all over again and that much more delay in having a functioning ambulance.

Sam Hall reports he has written Mercy Flights, and elsewhere, for copies of their incorporation papers to study for possibly revising of the present charter. It is reported that a large local organization has made attractive, tentative offers of assistance when the new setup is working.

The old ambulance is sitting out in the weather and service from it is said to be very unsatisfactory. Some years ago, a community ambulance was on a paying basis here.

The new committee is anxious to get the ambulance back into service.

LIONS AGAIN TO HANDLE MARCH OF DIMES

The Brookings-Harbor Lions Club have again taken the March of Dimes campaign in this area. Last year, they raised over half of the Curry County total with a series of events.

This year they have already launched the program, which includes a party next Saturday night at the Cliff House, a bowling tourney, a basketball game. Several other plans are under consideration too.

The Lions have mailed out cards to most residents, and have sent cards home with the school children.

Plans were progressing nicely for the big annual Cliff House Party, which would feature local and outside entertainment, as well as a big spaghetti dinner.

Plans for the bowling tourney and basketball game are listed in another part of this paper.

With warmest personal regards and best wishes, I am Sincerely yours,
DEL NORTE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Bradley Page
Secretary-Manager