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SKETCH BOOK



Bud Pisarek

Up until several days ago I hesitated to mention anything about baseball training. There's no holding back now.

I doubt if Florida has any better weather than Brookings but I must admit they undoubtedly have more baseballs.

I tried awfully hard but I didn't find any youngsters here in the area playing the country's number one game. Especially with the schools not in session. Whattassa Matter Kids???

Getting back to the big time, I notice that the Wisconsin entry in the big leagues, the Milwaukee Braves, are doing alright. An Alabama boy, Hank Aaron, has been pounding the ball. It's good to see something favorable come from that southern state for a change.

It might be a little early for me to get out on a limb and set down my predictions for the coming season, but I've done crazier things.

I look for the Milwaukee Braves to meet the Boston Red Sox in the world series. Does anyone, and that includes Pete Lesmeister, want to challenge that?

They are making things easier for the fans nowadays, too. I hear where the Chicago Cubs are installing moving sidewalks in their stadium. All you have to do is buy your ticket, stand in line and bingo you in your seat without moving a muscle.



ROD MCKENZIE FILES FOR STATE SENATE

Red Cross Plans Canvass Sunday

Red Cross Canvassers were out in force this week, but the big drive, within the city limits, will take place Sunday, March 18th, according to Rev. John Shideler, local Red Cross Campaign chairman.

Canvass workers met Tuesday afternoon to prepare for the weeks work. All workers are invited to an open house at the home of Mrs. Helen Rice, following the conclusion of the drive, on March 18.

Policeman Hired, As One Resignes

Policemen seem to come and go in Brookings. Currently the status is 1. A new man was hired this week by Chief Bud Cross. 2. George Hammond has announced his resignation from the force.

Hired was David Lee Mackey, 26, formerly of Coos Bay. He was working for the South Coast Lumber Company.

Hammond announced that he was leaving Brookings to buy out the Crescent Trailer Sales, and consequently would not be able to continue on the force.

Rod McKenzie, state legislator from Curry County, who announced last week that he would not be a candidate for re-election announced this week that he filed, Friday, for State Senator from this district.

He said in a note to the Pilot that "I have filed for State Senator from this district because I feel that it makes for a healthier situation for the voters to have a choice of candidates."

Other candidates filing in the County are as follows: County Clerk—Oleta A. Walker, Gold Beach; Ellen Dougherty of Gold Beach; County Commissioner—Robert H. Ismert, Byron "Roy" Brimm and Fred Flynn, Justice of Peace—District 1: Roy Brown, Brookings; Dist. 2: William Fuller, Gold Beach; Dist. 3: Arthur Nieman, Port Orford.

For School Superintendent—John Edward Seger, Gold Beach. For Port of Port Orford Commissioner—Ira Tucker, John V. O'Hara, and Roy Mills. Port of Gold Beach Commission—Grady Younce.

Republicans filing for committeeman or woman include: Chetco Precinct—Vernon Hanscam, Lois Peterson, Harbor, Brookings Precinct No. 2—Tom M. McKenzie, Sylvia T. Knox; No. 1—Ed. F. Ackley, Hope Lindsey; Ferrelle Precinct—Warren McNeely, Violet Gillette.

Democrats filing for committeemen or woman Chetco Precinct—Andrew Hoffeldt, Edna Weigel, Harbor, Brookings Precinct No. 2—Charles T. M. Echols, Harold G. Pruitt; Ferrelle Precinct—May R. Blunt.

STAFFORD IN HOSPITAL

Mr. L. G. Stafford has been in the Seaside Hospital in Crescent City for the past two weeks. He is 87 years old, and is partially paralyzed, but was reported to be "holding his own" Wednesday night.

HENRY KERR RETURNS

Henry Kerr returned from a flying trip to and about the Amazon Valley, in Brazil. Henry says he saw a lot of timber and has evidences of the virility of some of the Brazilian insects.

Dogs Reported Poisoned

Chief of Police Bud Cross reported today that there is dog poison out all over Brookings, and warned dog owners to be careful with their animals. He said that several dogs have been killed by the poison.

Azalea Festival Dates Are Set For June 9 and 10

The Azalea Festival date has been set, and plan are under way for the big event. The Festival will be held on June 9-10 this year.

The directors of the Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce met with representatives of the other organizations last Thursday, to plan the annual community event.

Further plans will be made when the group meets March 22 at 8 p.m. in the City Hall.

The Lions Club are planning a boat race for the same date. Organizations sending representatives were: The Beta Iota Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi, Gamma Gamma Chapter, Azalea Garden Club, Rebekahs, V.F.W. and Auxiliary, Satellite Social Club, Wranglers, Rotary, Lions Club, Emblem Club, Elks, and the Chetco Grange.

3,063

Population

The population of Brookings is continuing its upswing with 3,063, officially calculated as residents, according to both the state and federal formulas. City work superintendent, Pop Reed, announced at the beginning of the week, that he had submitted this tally for official recognition which will probably be forthcoming.

This is an increase of 730 since the official count last year. There was an increase of 49 percent in the population between the count of 1950 and 1954 and 24 percent in the past year. The increase was based on electric meters and building permits.

WORKING BOYS

Three youths have been prettying up the streets downtown, herded by John Molino. Their services are much appreciated, gathering up dust, loose rock, etc. The crew consists of David Bushnell, Bob Harvey and Jerry Smith.

Pioneer Woman Obituary Told

Mrs. Mary McIndoe Anthony, 89, a pioneer of Smith River for 73 years, passed away at the Seaside Hospital, Crescent City, March 7th, following a long illness. She was born at Wedderburn, Oregon on February 3, 1867, the daughter of the late Robert and Susannah McIndoe. She came to Smith River as a very young girl and made her home there ever since. She followed dress making for many years and was always very active in community and church work.

Funeral services were held Saturday afternoon, March 10th, from Weir's Mortuary Chapel with Rev. David Alexander officiating. Soloist was Carol Stanbough who sang "We Never Say Goodbye in Heaven," and "Abide With Me." Organist was Mrs. Clyde Bigler.

Survivors include a sister, Mrs. Lillian Wood, of Bakersfield; a Brother, William McIndoe, of Brookings and a half-sister, Mrs. Lillian McCann of Seattle, Wash. and a number of neices and nephews and many old-time friends.

Interment was in the family plot, at Smith River Cemetery, beside her husband, the late Mark Anthony.

Pall bearers and friends of the deceased were Clarence Hight, John Cooper, Everett Woodruff, Lester Ulrich, Clarence Westbrook and Fred Haight.

NEW TAX RE-ASSESSMENT PROGRAM GETS INTO GEAR

NEW DISTRICT IS SET UP BY COUNCIL

The Brookings City Council met Tuesday night and discussed various and sundry items. Little concrete action was taken, although the council did by a resolution set up a Pacific-Pioneer-Easy Street Special Assessment District.

The district, which includes the school area, is to install a sewer system, and base and pave part of Pioneer and Easy. The state will contribute a large share of the actual paving.

The city engineer was directed to make a survey and plat of the area and submit a report.

The council also adopted planning commission recommendation 21, which granted the request of Elmer Bankus for permission to deed a 70-foot strip for Industrial Street as platted. The property is located behind Murray Motors at Railroad and Center.

A second recommendation called for the Council to take action to prevent large vehicles such as logging trucks from parking in areas causing traffic hazards such as highway 101. The Council tabled the recommendation, but recommended Chief of Police Bud Cross to warn flagrant violators.

Minutes of a previous meeting concerning a license committee was read. The committee was of the opinion that at this time there were no combination businesses operating in the city.

Gene Gould appeared to suggest to the council that a flat rate be charged, which would eliminate the inequities.

The council took no action, but reported that the committee is working on the set-up for next year.

Discussion was held on the ambulance. The committee wants to turn it over to the city, and the council agreed that they would take it, but no action could be taken until the old ambulance group was dissolved.

Sever Bond sale was discussed and it was reported that as soon as any concrete information is received the council can go ahead with the selling of the bonds.

Word was received that the Harbor Rural Fire District wants to renew their contract on the present basis. No action was taken pending the arrival of councilman Clive Manley.

It was agreed to advertise for bids on a new Police car, with and without trade-in.

Attention was called to a congested area adjacent to the post office on Center Street, and a general discussion on a proposed parking area for the city was held.

Oiling of city streets, which will be done at the cost of the individual property owners, at about 10 cents a front foot, was discussed. Also the council heard a report that a vending machine company objected to the new sticker charge of \$5 per machine.

A meeting of the Directors of the Brookings-Harbor Ambulance Association for the purpose of discussing the turning over of the ambulance and equipment to the City of Brookings, will be held Monday night in the City Hall at 8 p.m. All interested parties are asked to attend.

NEW USED CAR DEALER — There is a new used-car lot set up next to Milt Potosnik's Richfield station, at Harbor. Harold Strong is the manager and says he is giving it a whirl.

Court To Lower Courthouse Costs

The Curry County Courthouse Planning Committee, this week is negotiating with Harold Grappe, Coos Bay contractor, in an effort to get costs down on the proposed courthouse.

Grappe bid \$404,756 on the courthouse and was low bidder. The County had planned on spending \$265,000 for the new structure.

The group decided to negotiate with Grappe, rather than reject all the bids. Raymond Marks, architect, has been called into the parley.

County Judge, Guy Forsyth, said Marks has submitted revised plans and that the committee would await completed plans on a new basis before awarding any contract.

Opal Elkin Wins Rime

A Harbor woman, Mrs. Opal Elkin, won the latest sweepstake prize of \$10 in the Pilot's Ad-Rime contest. A check is all made out, and awaits her at the Pilot Office. Her Rime, to go with "shop nearby at less expense" was "Don't Leave Your Merchants On The Fence."

GOVERNOR ALERTS

Governor Elmo Smith has alerted all state agencies that will be concerned in any way with potential flood threats in the next weeks to be prepared to spring into action immediately, if Oregon streams overflow.

The Governor said that experiment stations reports indicate record-breaking stream flow in Oregon this Spring based on heavy snowfall in 14 major watersheds in the state.

RED CROSS REPORT

Twenty-six emergency calls, from local people, for help from the Red Cross have been handled here during the past year, according to Rev. Willard Spencer, who has taken on the job of handling such cases. Most of the calls have been brought to a happy climax, Rev. Spencer says, and they could not have been without the facilities of the huge National organization.

ONE-ACT PLAYS TO BE PRESENTED

Two one-act plays are scheduled for March 2th, by the Smith River Women's Club, under the direction of Mrs. Eunice Farris. The titles are intriguing, "The Flying Grandmother" and "Mushroom Patter." They will start at 8 p.m. on the above date, at the Smith River Community Hall. Proceeds will go toward chairs for the hall.

Hanscams Hit

Burglars struck last Friday night at Hanscam's Center in Harbor, and made off with several hundred dollars, mostly in silver, and an undetermined amount of merchandise, picked at random from the general store.

Junior Hanscam, one of the owners of the store, said that a deposit was made at five o'clock Friday afternoon, so that little money was in the safe at the time of the robbery.

The burglars cut through the big safe to get at the cash, using an acetelyne torch.

The store was apparently entered after midnight, Friday, through a side window. Then the front door was opened, and the tools wheeled in. Cardboard boxes were stacked by the loot-

The big Curry County problem of re-appraisal got a working over this weekend, as a committee on Taxation and Finance, set up by the County Extension office and headed by chairman Charles Grayshel, met with other county officials and state tax representatives, Monday.

The committee, composed of representatives from all over the county, met with the court with the object of find out how soon a re-appraisal of Curry County would take place.

At the meeting were Grayshel, Don Vaughn and Tom McKenzie of Brookings; Clarence Brooks, Langlois; Rod McKenzie, Sixes; Engstrom, Port Orford; Elmer Bankus, Ed Seger, Dave Forchler, Ken Priest and the county court. Also there were Lee Hein, and Virgil Clark from the Brookings Plywood Corporation.

A summary of the meeting brought out several important conclusions. One, that preliminary work would start on the re-appraisal in June of this year. Two, it was hoped that the re-appraisal would be completed in 1958, if man power was available, or in 1959 at the latest.

The committee had a number of questions to ask the court and the tax men, it was brought out that the assessed valuation of timber was only at \$1.50 per thousand, and the county receives only 3 percent of that figure. Timber now brings anywhere from 35 to 60 dollars a thousand. The county receives from 4 to 5 cents a thousand and most timber, although there are instances in excess of, and below that figure.

It was brought out also that the last timber cruise in some instances was back in the 1930's and in some cases are over 25 years old.

Dr. David Brown To Begin Practice

Dr. Paul Ronniger announced this week, the association of David R. Brown, M.D. Physician and Surgeon. Ronniger also announced that they will be moving into their new location in the Pilot Building, on and after the 26th of March.

Dr. Brown is a native of Sioux City, Iowa, and attended St. Louis University Medical School. He practiced for five years in South Dakota, and more recently for a year in Portland at Cedar Hills.

Dr. Brown, and his wife Rita, have three children, David, Jr., 12; Michael, 10; and Merideth, 9. His family won't be moving to Brookings until the end of the current school year.

20 NEW HOMES TO BE BUILT IN BROOKINGS BY ED McCLAIN

Ed F. McClain, well known Brookings building contractor, announced this week that the Federal Housing Administration has approved the plans and specifications on 20 new homes in the City of Brookings totalling about \$300,000.

The homes were approved on an individual basis and each home is on a different plan, he said.

McClain had purchased the 20 lots in the Wade Tract some time ago. He has been building homes all around the tract since 1951, when he and his family first came to the area.

Commonwealth Inc., of Portland, worked with the FHA in securing long-term, low down payment loans at a low rate of interest.

Prices will range from \$13,500 to \$16,000 with as low as \$1,900 down.

The 20 new individually styled three-bedroom homes will all have fireplaces. Some will have one large bath and some will have extra plumbing, McClain said. Streets with curbs and connection with a public sewer will be a feature which is required by the FHA.

McClain is no novice in the building game. He started out with his father back in Iowa several years ago. He came to Oregon in 1943 and built homes in Lebanon and LaComp. Five years ago he came to Brookings. He has built 20 homes in this area.

McClain also announced that the Leonard Real Estate Agency would handle the sales of the new homes, exclusively, and the pictures and floor plans are on display there.

Fashion Show Saturday

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Courtesy of Brookings-Harbor Chamber of Commerce

THURSDAY, MARCH 15th
Chamber of Commerce luncheon—12 noon, Chetco Inn.
Elks Club—Elks Hall, 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 17th
Square Dancing—IOOF Hall
OES Fashion Show—8 p.m., High School Gym.
Elks Dance—Elks Hall

SUNDAY MARCH 11th
Everyone Attend the Church of their choice.

MONDAY, MARCH 19th
Ambulance meeting—8 p.m. at the City Hall.

TUESDAY, MARCH 20th
Rotary—12 noon, Cliff House
Eastern Star, IOOF Hall, at 8 Beta Iota Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi—8 p.m. at Wanda Thompson-
Jean Erbs Home, 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21st
V.F.W. and Auxiliary—8 p.m. V.F.W. Hall

Dust Begins To Fly; City Speeders Blamed

The rainy season is hardly over, and the dust has begun to rise. And, according to Police Chief Bud Cross, the dust is beginning to rise mainly because a number of persons are exceeding the speed limit in the city.

He said that the limit on city streets is 25 miles per hour, and that arrests would be forthcoming.

TO CARRY HISTORY OF SEWER SYSTEM

In next weeks Pilot will be carried a fully documented "History of the Sewer System." The story will be written and signed by a leading citizen of the community, who spent a good deal of time and money in discovering some facts on the present system.

ROY IS BACK WITH US

Roy Marouis, our old time neighbor, is back along the main stem after quite a bout in the Curry County Hospital.

A sure sign of Spring. The annual Satellite Social Club's Fashion Show, will be held this Saturday night at the new high school auditorium.

Over-all chairman, Ann Nelson Helen Hanscam and Agda Bickner have completed all the arrangements for the event, which has the title of "Silver Symphony."

All of the Brookings merchants who carry any clothing line will be represented at the affair, and local models will display the current styles. Participating stores are Shehans Clothing, Eva Lee's Palmers, Phillips Dad and Lad, Mode O'Day, Tots-Teens, House of Shoes, Moore's Variety and Miners Jewelry.

Admission will be 50 cents for those under 12 and \$1.00 for those over.

Eleanor Arrell is in charge of the entertainment and local talent will perform. Russell Jenkins will play the organ. Agda Bickner will be in charge of an intermission time snack bar. Rose Hubbard is chairman of the Door Prize.