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## CLIFF HOUSE RAID STIRS UP HORNETS NEST

Eight state policemen raided the Cliff House here Saturday night, and stirred up a hornets nest of local opposition. The raid was strictly a state police show, and neither district attorney Ed Ackley, the Curry County Sheriff Glenn Sabin or Brookings Police Chief Bud Cross were notified that the raid was taking place.

Danny Wagner, operator of the Cliff House was arrested, although not taken into custody on the charge of operating a gambling house. Wagoner appeared before Justice of Peace Roy Brown Monday morning and was released on his own recognizance. State Police Officer McDonald said that he would be arraigned in about two weeks.

### SKETCH BOOK . . .

By Bud Pisarek  
Communications to and from Brookings aren't best in the world, but it sure gets things mixed up. For years the local chamber and various organizations have been hounding the state for Roads. Last week end the state responded with a Raid. Just a mix up in connections I guess. It was Roads not Raids boys. Let's get with it.

Sketches  
Some of the local people went to a real gone political meeting Monday night. It meant quite a few of us had to wear starched white shirts and ties. That was the penalty for a very good smorgasbord put on by the ladies of the Grange and also to hear Doug McKay give a fine straight forward talk.

Sketches  
Paul Ewig is handling McKays press releases. Paul was with the Bonneville Dam project before. He mentioned the fact that he had visited Brookings and the Pilot about two years ago. He was the only person in the room that didn't have to look up when he spoke to Sam Hall.

Sketches  
With the Demo convention in full swing it's hard to get Ma Perkins or other favorite serials on radio or that new fangled thing they call TV. One gent I talked to said he wasn't voting this year. Reasons were two: (1) the loss of his favorite TV programs and (2) by watching the convention he found out that if the politicians were meeting in that ganster town of Chicago they must all be crooks.

Sketches  
The new city attorney, Bill Balderree, of Grants Pass sat through the first council meeting Tuesday night with a bemused smile on his face. Afterwards five hours of some very serious, and sometimes heated discussions he said that he may have been misinformed about the job as city attorney. He said that Mayor Brimm troubles were over and that the city was entering on a shining sea of tranquility. Now Bill wasn't so sure.

Sketches  
McKay is quite a politician. Anybody could see that when he referred to Maudie Luick of Smith River as a "young lady". Maudie is one of the real honest to goodness characters of the area. She has talent, charm and a sense of showmanship, and is certainly a lady.

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Always willing to help out, the last few items were written by your old favorite, honest Joe Murphy. Apparently Bud left in the middle of a sentence to take his wife, Nancy to Seaside hospital, for the delivery of their second child. At this point we don't know any details other than they left in a hurry.

Sketches  
P. S.—It's a Boy! Six pounds, seven ounces.

### FAIR PRINCESS BRINGS HOME FAIR HONORS

Southern Curry county can feel proud of its Fair Princess Shirley Hewitt, who not only ably filled her duties as Princess at the Curry County Fair at Gold Beach last week end, but also brought home several blue ribbons for her 4-H work exhibits. She took first for her cotton dress which she modeled; and Reserve Champion for her clothing project division. She was awarded a trip to the State Fair at Salem to model her cotton dress in competition with the county winners from the rest of the state, and her entries in knitting and clothing III will also be sent to the State Fair for exhibit.

Shirley, who was a guest of the Fair Board while in Gold Beach, was presented a lovely necklace and earring set by the American Legion and a set of perfumes by Dick's Feed and Seed store of Langlois at the coronation ceremonies Saturday evening. She, with the queen and the other princesses, will go to Myrtle Point Saturday where they will ride in the Coos County Fair parade representing Curry county. They are also slated to go to the State Fair as the guests of the Fair Board.

The southern part of the county showed more interest in the County Fair than it has ever before. Last year there were ninety-seven entries from this area, and this year there were four hundred ninety-nine, with nearly fifty percent of the entries earning blue ribbons.

Shirley is the daughter of community minded parents, as her father, Lavere Hewitt, is the Fire Chief of the Harbor Rural Fire Protection District, and her mother, Bernice, has served as president of the Chetco Unit of the Home Extension Work for the past year and was re-elected for another year.

### CITY HALL TO STAY OPEN LATER

The city hall will stay open until 5 p.m. on Saturday this week to give property owners a chance to make arrangements for their Bancroft bonds on the sewer assessments. The deadline for making such arrangements is this Saturday.

WELL CHILD CLINIC  
There will be a well child clinic in the local grade school this coming Friday, August 17, between 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. D. Paul Rominger will do examinations and immunizations for DPT and Small Pox vaccinations, assisted by Mrs. Dorothea Miller, public health nurse.

### BLACKTOPPING

A state black-topping crew will be in Brookings Friday, to work over the section through town.

### Workers Wanted For Lily Harvest

Elsewhere, in the classified ads, there appears an ad concerning the forthcoming lily harvest. Those who wish to register for work in the fields or packing sheds, and growers who will be needing help are asked to phone 2072, at which a housewife has offered to carry on the deal. She has no interest in her project other than to act as an impersonal clearing house so that the crop can be taken care of smoothly. Preference may be given experienced workers in lilies and it won't take an employer any time at all to find out if he needs to train the person sent to him. There is, of course, work for inexperienced help.

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### Brookings Supply Begins To Move

The Brookings Supply Co., auto and truck part distributors and retailers have spent the past week moving into their new building, the Cate building in North Brookings.

### Building Plans Announced For Masonic Temple

Plans for the building of a Masonic Temple were announced Saturday evening by Harold Jochens, W. M. of Sidney Croft Lodge, at a dinner observing the group's tenth anniversary. Jochens said negotiations were practically completed for the site on Azalea Park Road near the Boy Scout building and reports from members of the order concerning the proposed building were very encouraging.

### Shrub & Flower Sale At Feed & Seed Store

The Garden club members will take over the Brookings Feed & Seed store for the sale of shrubs and flowers on Friday and Saturday, August 24 and 25. Mr. Carl Yahr has given the ladies this opportunity to use his store for raising funds for the landscaping of the library grounds. The store will be open for this sale from 8:00 a.m. until 6:00 p.m.

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### Campbell Petition For Mayor is Out

A petition has been taken out, and is being circulated by Russell Jenkins, for Fell Campbell as mayor for Brookings. The election is in November.

Campbell is currently a city councilman, and has been on the council for three years. Campbell received the largest number of votes of any of the men running for council in the last election in 1954.

The filing deadline for all candidates is October 6. Three council positions will become vacant at that time, as well as the mayor post, now filled by Brimm.

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## missing boat found empty

### 100 HEAR TALK OF DOUG MCKAY

"I predict that the U. S. Federal Government money (from the federal road aid bill) will release state funds to build U. S. 101." That was the word from Douglas McKay, former Secretary of Interior, and now a robust campaigner for the senatorial post of Wayne Morse, in his speech here Monday night.

McKay hit at the things Brookings and Harbor people are interested in. He raked his opponent Morse over the coals, and went into why the Republicans must remain in power.

About 100 area people gathered at the Grange hall to hear McKay, and eat a well laid out smorgasbord, prepared by the ladies of the Grange. Earlier McKay was introduced around Brookings by Art Knox, Curry county chairman for McKay. With McKay was Paul Ewing, former Bonneville administrator who is now handling McKay publicity, and Mr. Miller, photographer for Fortune magazine.

McKay was convinced that the tourist industry isn't being done justice because of the "bottleneck" on 101. He also emphasized the need for access roads to enable the state to "cut the annual growth—no more and no less," and then the timber here would last for "100 years."

In regard to his campaign McKay said, "It's going to be a tough campaign—but I'm as tough as Morse." The former secretary of the interior emphasized that under the Republicans there has been no war, and the greatest prosperity the country has ever had, and that a stabilized economy has been realized.

McKay reported that the name of Morse on a bill has been called "the kiss of death," and said that out of over 400 bills introduced by Sen. Morse only 29 has passed.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Craig and three daughters spent a few days last week visiting relatives in Walla Walla.

The small boat, in which three men had left Brookings, last Thursday was found Wednesday by the Coast Guard Cutter Boham, out of Coos Bay. The boat, owned and operated by Lloyd Morrison, long time guide from this area was found capsized off St. George reef light, an area in which Morrison was known to do much of his fishing. The search continued for evidence of the three men aboard, Morrison, A. Monahan, and J. M. Hoatson, both dentists from Grants Pass.

Last Thursday morning at 5, two Grants Pass dentists, Thomas P. Monahan and J. M. Hoatson, are reported to have set out in a small outboard propelled craft on an ocean fishing trip with Lloyd Morrison, an experienced licensed guide. Since that time, nothing has been heard from the trio or their boat and it is feared they met with disaster.

Every available means of ocean and coastline search has been employed, including many cruises of a huge Coast Guard seaplane, but nothing has been turned up. The first searchers, out in planes early the following morning were members of the local flying club, Al Phillips, with Joe Sayer as observer, Johnny Hewitt, with Jackie King and N. Hedberg with Cliff Jacques, Elmer Costello of Cold Beach and a companion, and northward from Arch Rock.

The Costello plane is reported to have come to some trouble and made a forced, smooth landing on the Freeman ranch south of Harbor.

### VAN GORDER PASSES

Word has been received here of the passing of Ray E. Van Gorder, who leaves a host of friends who will sincerely miss him. Familiarly known as "Van", Ray moved across from Cave Junction when the lily boom came and was a successful grower of bulbs on the Dawson tract. Later, he moved into town and sort of took it easy. Little is known of him other than he was, for many years in charge of the forest service pack stock. Mr. Van Gorder had been in poor health for the past few months and died at Seaside hospital, Crescent City.