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WE FINISH TWO

We have completed our second year in Brookings. It seems only natural and logical that we take a moment to stop and reflect on what has passed, and to plan with renewed vigor for the future. While two years is a very short time, it is time enough to enable a person to see many things.

This is what we've seen in two years.

First in our own business we've been confronted with problem after problem. We were hard pressed in coming into a strange community, not knowing a soul, and thus equipped, trying to acquire our highly perishable item—news. We've been plagued by machinery adequate only for a much smaller shop. We have been handicapped by a dearth of competent help, and we've gotten into difficulties because of our own lack of experience. We've been faced with natural problems, such as flooding basements, and long power outages. Our main problem, however, has been parallel with the city—a growth in the community that just makes it hard to keep up.

In those two years, we are happy to report, we have accomplished the following. We have acquired better and newer machinery, and expect to acquire more: In our production room, the heart of the publishing business, we have separated our custom job printing from our newspaper plant in order to provide better and faster service. We have staffed our plant with excellent people, and we are confident that our newspaper will show definite improvements.

In Brookings and Harbor we have seen much, too, these past two years. We have seen a remarkable growth—with its accompanying problems. We have seen and reported such wondrous things as an appropriation by Congress for a small boat harbor here. We have witnessed an increased tempo in the tourist industry. We have seen the lumber industry here have its ups and downs, but watched them maintain confidence in the future by expansion.

Looking ahead we can see a "triple threat". We look for even more tourist business with the elimination of the Brookings-Gold Beach 101 bottleneck, and the fine possibilities of a small boat harbor. We look for an expanding lumber industry that will eventually realize their fuller potential by eliminating the wastes, and the fuller utilization of the existing timber. We feel sure that soon the mineral deposits of the county will be tapped some way. A fourth possibility, a new fishing industry, may also be explored within the next few years.

Summing up, we find that we have had problems—much the same as other local businesses and services—and even much the same as the city as a governmental body. Many of these difficulties were brought about by the unprecedented expansion of the area. We are well underway in the solving of these problems, and moving ahead with confidence to further achievements—again both as a newspaper and as a city.

Tourist Information Bureau Needs More Help Weekends

The Tourist Information Bureau maintained by the local Chamber of Commerce is one of the greatest assets of all Oregon and especially the coast. Tuesday morning there were twenty-two parties, all from the south, looking for dope

on all sorts of thing—where to camp, state speed laws, fishing data and what about Brookings?

It seems it would be a splendid idea if some of the town's businessmen or women would help out with the morning shift—and especially Saturday and Sundays when there is no one manning the booth and when the most people stop.

One of the nicest things about

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Night Driving; Drive Safely

Anybody who thinks night driving is a snap because there is less traffic is due for a rude awakening. The record shows that the night traffic death rate is about three times the daytime rate.

The trucking industry offers these eight rules which are designed to cut down on the number of accidents after dark.

1. Don't drive at night unless you are well rested, particularly if you must drive for any distance.
2. Check lights each time before you start driving at night. Replace burned out bulbs or sealed beam units immediately. Be sure your lights are clean.
3. Clean the outside of your windshield as often as necessary and clean the inside as least once a week.
4. Dim your lights when within 500 feet of approaching traffic.
5. If oncoming headlights are bothering you, look toward the righthand edge of the pavement and use it as a guide.
6. Dim your lights when following other vehicles.
7. Slow down after dark so you can stop in the distance illuminated by your headlights.
8. Dusk is the most dangerous time of day. Turn on your lights early so others can see you.

Brookings Items

Mr. R. J. Stoken brought into the Pilot a clipping about her grandson, Bob Norris, who went to school here a few years. Bob has been a member of the armed Forces Water Polo team in Germany and has won many awards in this game and in swimming. He is also a member of the Schweinfurt German Polo team.

Dot Martin is slowly recovering, trying to get a house up and run from result of bit of over exertion. Trying to get a house up and run a ranch, and get himself out of the rut he got into during many years with State Highway, so I got Dot down and the medicine says the longer he stays down the quicker he'll get stirring. Some of us can sympathize with Dot, an avouch for the value of the cure through it is irksome.

A Mackinaw trout, just a shade over 25 lbs., in weight, is reported to have recently been taken in Dell Lake, by Otto Kreuger of Gilest. He was deep trolling with a black flatfish.

Mr. and Mrs. James Pyne and family returned Saturday night from Washington and Idaho, points where they visited friends and relatives, and attended the family reunion of the Pyne in Twin Falls, Idaho during their vacation.

John LaVigne To Teach In Germany

John LaVigne received a call last Friday asking him to report to Germany where he will teach next year. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Kanick and Dianne drove him to Portland where he boarded a train for New York

it is that all the questioners are eager for information, very grateful when they get it, and are keenly interested in Oregon.

City. From there he will fly to Frankfurt, Germany.

He has been teaching junior high school but as yet he isn't certain of his assignment. Before returning to their home the Kanicks visited at the home of Mr. Kanick's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Kanick at Peell, Washington

They also visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Evavold at Gray land. The Evavolds are Mr. Kanick's parents.

Today one out of every four acres of America's forest lands are either poorly stocked with trees or not stocked at all.

"JUST CALL ME DOUG"

When a Coos county emcee asked how he should address Mr. McKay, he answered, "Just call me Doug. I'm out of a job, now, but would like to go to work for you in the Senate."

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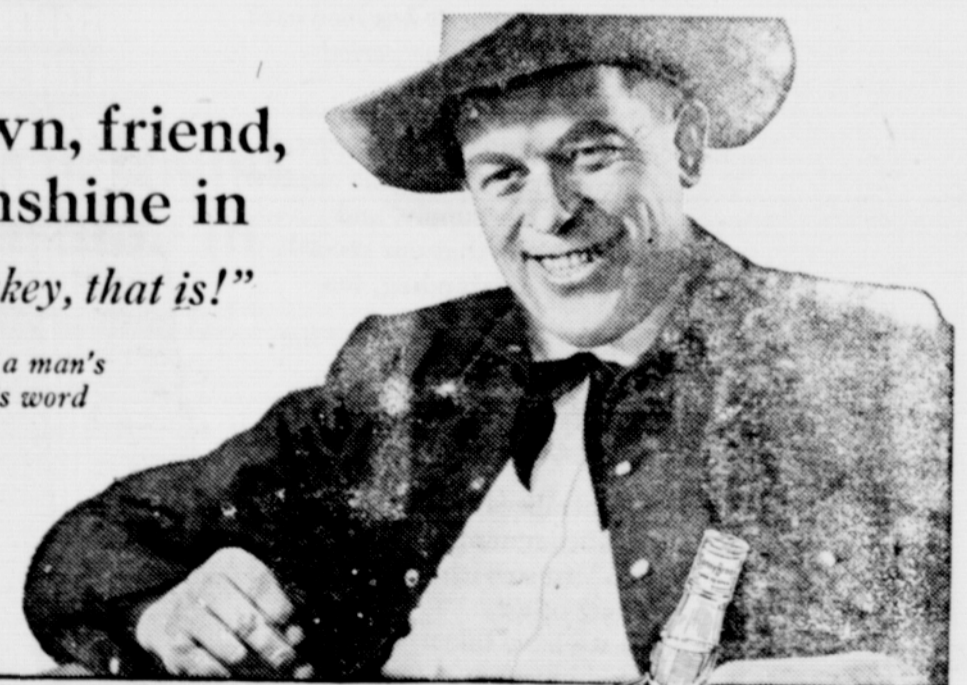
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