For What Its Worth

By Clifford P. Rowe

For some years now it has been custom in our household to p for groceries on Friday ht. Naturally, in my sincere at- pt to be a cooperative husband, have always accompanied the r purchasing agent of our es- lishment on her weekly forag- expeditions. I have always , though, that I was of little stance other than in the cap- y of pushing the cart, an ach- ment of which one would be her foolish to boast.

Of course, once in a while she nits me to run the coffee ough the grinder which has ad- much to my self-confidence, pite of the fact that on one wo occasions I have forgotten place in position the receptа- lesigned to catch the finished duct. In the main, though, I trudge along, keeping an al- eye to oncoming traffic, and g once in a while as the dear tries to decide between ties and Krispies.

This has been the procedure many years, but a week or so this pattern of behavior was to shreds when the director of the expedition was confined to her bed as the result of a bout with a bug and I finally found myself promoted from cart push- er to shopper of the week.

The experience, to put it mild- ly, was a shocking one. Suddenly I found myself confronted with a problem as perplexing as that facing the newly-married man try- ing to purchase a present for his beloved in the woman's clothing department.

Although armed with a wife- prepared shopping list, I discov- ered that the items come in var- ious sizes, that seemingly every company in the United States has a brand in each specific area, and that each company was doing its best to confuse me by offering the product at a different price. The good wife, under the mistak- en impression that I had been ob- serving her merchandising acti- vities of years, had failed to be specific enough to forestall bewil- derment on my part.

Suffice it to say that I returned home befuddled, frustrated, and firmly convinced that while the store of today may be the ulti- mate in modernity, a dirty trick was played upon the inexper- ienced husband when food mark- ets eliminated the clerk as mid- dle man between the consumer and the merchandise desired.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Frieds:

The Chetco Scout Building Committee is asking you, in be- half of the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts in the Brookings-Harbor area, for a cash donation to help pay and finish our Scout meeting place. This drive has nothing to do with the Oregon Trail Coun- cil who put their drive on each spring. When you donate to the Chetco Building all of the money stays in the Brookings-Harbor area.

We have been working towards this sort of building for 6 years. The building is now being used in the unfinished stage for all the branches of the Scouts (Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Cub Scouts, and Explorer Scouts).

This building is located on Az- alea Park road, near schools, churches, parks and etc. It is a credit to our community, and our citizens will be proud of it as will all who see it from other cities. Plans are being made to have a record displayed on the wall of the building, with the names of all donors.

It will take some $3,000.00 to pay and finish the building. All donations can be deducted from your income tax. Checks should be made payable to: Chetco Scout Building, Box 16, Brookings, Ore.

Very Sincerely yours,
C. A. Page, treasurer

Degree Work Held At Arago Chapter

Degree work was held at the Arago Chapter No. 22, R.A.M.S. on Saturday, December 22 at Coos Bay. A very busy day was held at the Araga chapter, with the de- grees of Capitular Masonary be- ing conferred on a class of ten candidates.

The H chapters of this district, Arago Chapter, Auroria Chapter, Reedsport; Valley Chapter at Co- quille and Cape Sebastian Chap- ter at Gold Beach furnished the candidates and formed the degree teams.

D.D.C.H.P. Earl Murphy and Grand Sentinel Claude Saunders were in attendance. A banquet was served in the Hawaiian room at the Tioga Hotel.

Joy Gott Named As Club Officer

Joy Gott, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Gott, Brookings, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the International Relations club at Linfield college, McMinnville, where she is a freshman majoring in a pre-nursing course.

The club holds monthly meet- ings for the discussion of foreign affairs and world events. Recent- ly members have conducted a clothing drive on campus and through McMinnville churches for Hungarian Relief.

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We Have Same Goal . . .

"Brookings will never have another mayor that will put in as much time, effort and money", thus spoke Mayor-elect Fell Campbell at the final meeting of the Brookings council recently.

Campbell was speaking of Byron "Roy" Brimm, who concluded his two year term of office on December 31, as Mayor of Brookings.

We would like to make several comments on that point too. We find that we are in complete agreement with Campbell—and in fact with a vast majority of the Brookings residents. Mayor Brimm sacrificed a great deal of time and money on the job that he was elected for by a majority of the Brookings voters. He served in that capacity for no other reason that the thought of service to a community.

In serving Brookings Brimm did what he thought was right, and moved forward towards his main goal of mak- ing a better city out of Brookings. He did that with the utmost sincerity of his convictions.

Brimm felt, and didn't hesitate to say, that we as a newspaper have been too quick to criticize the mayor and the council. We can honestly say, in our own de- fense, that we too were looking out for the best interest of the people f the community. We, obviously, approach the problems from a different way—but nobody can say that our goals aren't precisely the same.

The Pilot is bound by moral obligation to attempt to go a step further—as will any newspaper worth its salt— we tried to present to the public the merits or disadvan- tages of a given situation.

We did so because we feel that we, as a newspaper, re- present th citizens every bit as much as its elected officers. We feel that we are in effect, elected by the people, too Their subscriptions are our votes.

However, all that is past. A new city administration is now in office, and we wish to stress two very important points. One, we who have sat through council meetings night after night until midnight or 1 a.m. realize the problems that a mayor and a council face—without com- pensation—and especially so in a new city. We therefore feel obligated to express to Mayor Brimm, outgoing coun- cilmen Clive Manley, and Jim Yelton, our deepest appre- ciation for their efforts, made in our behalf.

Secondly, we want to wish the new Mayor, Fell Camp- bell, and Councilmen Earl Breuer, Ben Phetteplace, Per- cy Hanks, and Lee Hein our very best wishes for the next two years. We make the sincere hope that our re- lations with the new council will always be friendly— but if it isn't, we hope that they will understand that we still have the same goal in mind—that of making Brook- ings a better community.

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