

HISTORICAL HEADLINES

Historic News from the Archives of the North Lincoln County Historical Museum



Oceanlake to Have Theatre by Spring

August 1936

North Lincoln will have a new theatre in the near future. William McKevirt, who owns the Midway Theatre in Newport and operates the Lincoln Theatre in Taft, will be the proprietor.

The new building will be 35 feet wide and 110 feet long. It will contain 350 seats. In addition to the theatre, there will be a

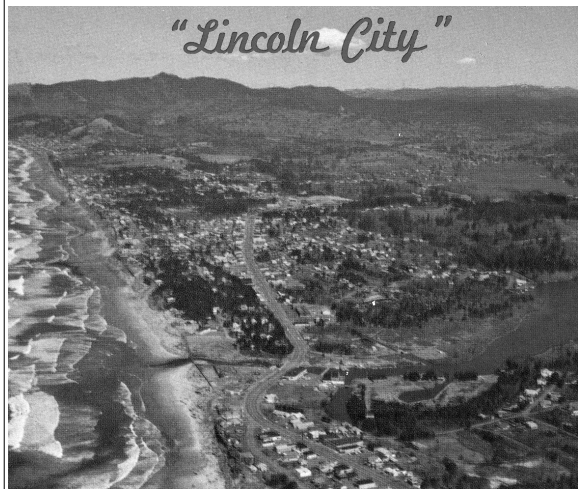
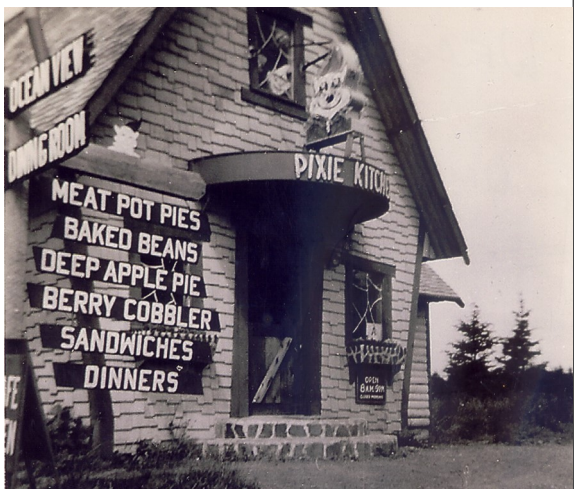
drug store on the ground floor, and offices or apartments will be constructed over the store. This marks another advancement of Oceanlake and North Lincoln at large and is welcomed by residents of North Lincoln. (Note from the future: Lakeside Theatre opened in June 1937. Shows were 35 cents for adults and 10 cents for kids. In the 1980s the theatre was renamed “The Bijou,” and continues to thrive to this day.)

Construction Started on New Restaurant

November 1948

Construction for the building that will house Pixie Pot Pies, a new venture in this community, is now underway.

Operators of this enterprise, Mr. and Mrs. Gallagher and Mr. Cleworth, have selected eight lots bordering Highway 101. The front of the building will resemble a house featuring pixies and fairies. The owners wish to maintain a “take-home” service primarily, but pies may be eaten on the premises, if so desired, in a large room equipped with a fireplace. (Note from the future: In 1953 the Parks family purchased the restaurant, enlarged and redecorated, and renamed it Pixie Kitchen. The Pixie Kitchen was a favorite for many decades until it closed in 1983, with a short-lived revival in 1985. The location is now home to Motel 6.)



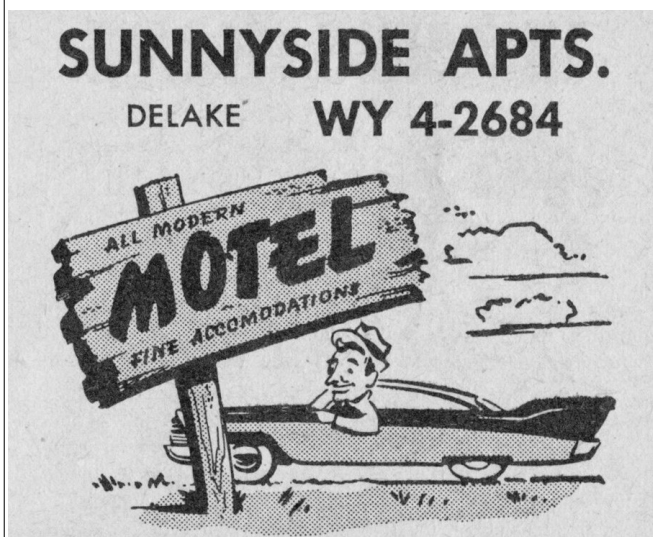
New City Name is Lincoln City

March 1964

Citizens of the 20 Miracle Miles heard local civic officials discuss the pros and cons of the proposed consolidation plan for three hours on Sunday afternoon over KBCH radio. Questions poured in via the telephone to the panel and most all facets of the proposal were explored.

Of the three mayors, only Taft’s Manville Robison expressed himself as unalterably opposed, indicating that he saw nothing favorable to Taft in the plan. Both Delake Mayor Roselie Pompel and Oceanlake Mayor Jerry Parks believed that consolidation would benefit the entire area. Mr. Parks was the leading proponent of the plan.

Manville Robison, who said he was expressing his own opinion and not speaking for the citizens of Taft, stated: “We don’t want a honkey-tonk name for the consolidated city! There are enough buildings, beaches, streets, etc., named after Lincoln County; surely we can think of something more original!” The committee was undecided between Lincoln City with the clear majority of newspaper ballot votes and Surfland which was preferred by school children. Ultimately they decided with the newspaper votes, which were 2 to 1 in favor of the name Lincoln City. (Note from the Future: Lincoln City officially incorporated in 1965. Although the debate of the name resurfaced several times throughout the years, the town remains named Lincoln City.)



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