



Main street, Sandy, was the scene of everything but the usual flow of traffic this week when Old Man Winter came down with nearly a foot of snow. Above, a tractor proves one of the best forms of transportation, as many a motorist found out when he tried to pull away from curbs stacked high with drifting snow. In the center, George Potter, Sandy high school coach, proves that skis can be a wonderful form of transportation as well as a sport -- right down the middle of Main street. In the other photo, Sandy Postmaster John Metzger pauses in a trip down the street to give some expert advice to Dr. Walter Noehren, busy shoveling off the porch of his Main street office.

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SANDY CATCHALL

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Man, it's been enough to make a body retreat to the relative comfort of a Texas Norther this week. You know, enough's enough. Last week we had a nice gentle snowfall, enough for some pictures for The Post, and that was all right.

But this week, man! It's stern stuff like this, though, that brings out some happenings that sort of restore your faith in the human race.

Like not being able to get out of the driveway. There we were -- like many another unfortunate this week -- stuck up to our ears in snow. After a bout with shovel and bumper jack and one tire chain on in halfway fashion, the situation looked hopeless indeed until Mike Jacoby came ponuding by in his four-track.

Well, that's what they call it, and I always like to say these things casual-like to give the impression I've been saying 'em for years. (If you've been calling 'em a vehicle with four-wheel drive, get with it, man, it's a four-track.)

Anyway, bless his heart, there was Mike Jacoby with his daughter, Sharon and his good friend Ed Westfall and his son Dick, all of 'em going down to see what the hassles down on the lower forty were making of all this white stuff.

Well, sir, before you could say Snow White, they had that other tire chain on, slapped a towline o my vehicle and pulled me right on out to the highway!

It was the Good Samaritan bit -- in spades.

So here's to the Jacobys and Westfalls and those like them who lend a willing and much-needed hand to all of us boobs who like to see how far down we can get stuck in the snow.

Let's face it, snow can be murder up here Sandyway when it comes to turning an honest buck in business. But underneath all the moanin', groanin' and gripin' -- and the financial loss -- I can't help but get a certain kick out of it. You see, a lot of us come originally from places where snow was so rare as to be a freak of nature. So, regardless of my exterior, when it snows I get a little excited deep down and always wonder if this will be the deepest I'll ever see.

Friends, I think this is the deepest I'll ever see. Speaking of snow, that is.

Of course, a Sandy savant such as John Mills took time out from his snow shoveling Tuesday to allow as how -- mind you, this was not a prediction -- that this was probably only the beginning. After all, we do still have snow.

John emphasized this was February and March to go.

Oregon strawberry growers last year produced the second largest tonnage of record and processing volume reached a similar relative position.

Strawberry production in our state last year totaled some 89 million pounds according to the USDA's annual crop summary released in December. That's 29 per cent more than in 1958 and nearly 50 per cent more than the previous nine year average.

Acres for harvest was the same as the year before but a cool growing season and periodic rains prolonged the harvest season and yields were boosted to a record high of 5,800 pounds per acre.

You've heard the fishermen around Sandy expand over the big ones that got away. A photographer is something like that -- only his are the pictures that, for some reason, certainly not his fault, just don't turn out by the time they come back from the photo shop.

For example, if the Yew-nited States mail service "o sn't let us down--and it does a load of snow to cause that--this page should carry a shot of George Potter sliding down Main street, a tractor wheeling and dealing in the snow of Main street, and Postmaster John Metzger pausing in an errand down the street to watch Dr. Walter Noehren shovel out the front of his office.

BUT . . . you should have seen the ones that didn't turn out . . . a real live snow fight featuring Glinnie Edes and friends, while hubbie Harold watched helplessly from the truck . . . another of shoveling John Mills with swirling snow shrouding the highway behind . . . and a little cutie of Lesley My Schmitz, the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schmitz.

But so it goes.

Record Snowfall Smothers Sandy

By Stan Johnson

The heaviest snowfall since 1930 hit Sandy, along with other western Oregon towns and cities, Monday night. Due to low temperatures, the snow was light and dry enabling the wind to sweep some areas clean and pile deep drifts in other spots.

Traffic from Portland decreased to a minimum. Commercial carriers were generally kept rolling, although they were behind schedule in some instances. Private vehicular traffic met with considerable difficulty on highway 26 between Sandy and Portland and many motorists drove only when necessary, if at all.

Reports indicated drifts on highway 30 in the Columbia Gorge reached depths of eight to ten feet from Cascade Locks to Troutdale. Several trucks were stalled by the drifts along the river, causing additional difficulties for other motorists.

East of Sandy along the Mt. Hood highway, state and county snowplows worked 24-hour shifts in an attempt to keep main and secondary roads open. Some roads were temporarily closed, however, including the Welches road.

The accident that killed Kenneth Dale Rehberg of Sandy at Miller's Gulch on Highway 99 between Rogue River and Gold Hill, also injured Norman Victor Bredahl, 22, of Gresham.

Rural Mail Carrier Test Set

An examination for Rural Carrier for the post office at Sandy, Oregon, will be open for acceptance of applications until January 26, 1960, the Commission reminded today.

Applicants must take a written test for this position. They must have resided within the delivery of the office for one year immediately preceding the closing date of the examination. In addition they must have reached their 18th birthday on the closing date for acceptance of applications. There is no maximum age limit. However, persons who have passed the age of 70 may be considered only for temporary renewable appointments of one year.

Complete information about the examination requirements and instructions for filing applications may be obtained at the Sandy Post Office. Application forms must be filed with the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Washington 25, D. C., and must be received or postmarked not later than January 26.

Schools were not expected to re-open this week.

No serious power outages have occurred in the Sandy-Hoodland area during this latest snowfall, nor have telephone services been disrupted to any extent.

Forecasts indicate the possibility of more precipitation in the next few days. Freezing rain or more snow will likely be in store for this area and subfreezing temperatures are expected for several days.

First Fatal Reported

The Sandy-Mt. Hood Loop highway claimed its first life this year when one man was killed and two others hospitalized as the result of a collision about a mile east of Wild Bill Rock, some six miles east of Rhododendron on January 15.

Set Tom Cutsforth reported Bert E. Hanson, 48, operator of a night club in John Day, was pronounced dead on arrival at the Gresham Community hospital when he was taken by Larry Prior, driver of the Mt. Hood ambulance.

Driver of the car Hanson was in was Kaskell Scott, 35, also of John Day, who said they were eastbound on highway 26 at the time of the accident. Scott, manager of a John Day furniture store, said he rounded a slight curve and observed a panel truck coming down the hill at him "well over" on his side of the roadway. He said he swerved to the right in an attempt to avoid the collision but was unable to do so.

Scott, who said the accident was nearly head-on, suffered facial lacerations, shock and possible fracture of the hip, according to Cutsforth.

Charles Henry Parker, 2816 NE 63rd street, Portland, who was driving a 1956 Chevrolet panel truck registered to PGE company of Portland, was taken to the Providence hospital by a private car. He suffered chest injuries and an ankle fracture.

Cutsforth, who was assisted by Irwin Olsen of the state police, said it was several hours before he was able to locate Parker.

Parker was reported to be working foreman of PGE's electrical maintenance and construction department and was returning to Portland from Pelton dam.

Cutsforth said there was about two and one half inches of packed snow on the highway, which was very slick, and it was snowing heavily at the time of the accident.

'Great Decisions' Groups Being Formed In County

International problems facing the United States in 1960 are basis for "Great Decisions" discussion groups being formed for February start, according to William Dickman, Clackamas County Great Decisions discussion group chairman.

Great Decisions is an annual nationwide study of some of the most urgent foreign policy problems and covers an eight week study series.

Fact sheets, prepared by the Foreign Policy Assn., provide the study material used by the informal study or discussion groups. The sheets are available at the Oregon City Library and the county extension office.

The extension office in Oregon City will fill mail orders, according to Dickman. Requests should be mailed to Box 511, Oregon City. The fact sheets packet sells for \$1.00.

In past years, Clackamas county individuals connected

with church groups, members of fire departments, civic and service club members, industrial plant workers, PTA members, Farm Bureau, Grange members and students in social study classes have participated in Great Decisions discussion groups.

Information concerning formation of study groups may be obtained by calling Dickman's office, OLIVE 6-2641, ext. 60, Oregon City.

Topics included in the 1960 eight week study series are: Feb. 7--Communist Timetable for 1960--What Odds; Feb. 14--Divided Europe--Cooperation or Crisis?; Feb. 21--Red China On the March--What U.S. Action?; Feb. 28--What Chances for India's Middle Way?; March 6--Middle East--What Hope for Stability?; March 13--What Goals for Africa's New Leaders?; March 20--Cuba's Revolution--Reform or Fiasco?; March 27--U. S. Global Strategy--What Outlook in 1960?

Two Men Hurt In Car Crash

Two Boring residents who were on their way to work in Corvallis were involved in a two-car accident south of Oregon City last week.

The two men, Frank Gokey, 31, rt. 1, box 926, thought to be the driver of one of the cars involved, suffered a left arm fracture and had to undergo surgery. He also had bruises and was in a state of shock.

His passenger, Kary McDermid, 19, rt. 1, box 217, suffered four broken ribs and a broken sternum or breastbone, bruises and shock.

The attending physician said the two men were in fair condition.

HOODLAND COUNCIL ANNOUNCES YULE LIGHTING WINNERS

Gene Bowman, president of the Mt. Hood Inter-club Council reports winners in the Christmas lighting contest sponsored by the Council. Honors were divided into three classes of first, second and third prizes: residences on Highway 26 homes off the highway on branch roads, and a classification for public buildings, private businesses and churches.

Winners in the first group (private homes on the highway) were: first prize, Joe Woodie, Brightwood realtor; second prize, Mrs. Selma Wilson, Brightwood; third place, Bill Steinbarger, Wemme. Honorable mentions in this group went to Lloyd Williams of Brightwood; Walter Volbrecht, Wemme and to Al Greenwalt, Wemme.

In the off-highway classification, first prize winner was Leonard Smithson, Welches; Harold Livengood, of Sleepy Hollow Road, took second place and Leo Burgess also of Sleepy Hollow Road, was awarded third prize. Honorable mention went to Keith Bowman, proud owner of a new home at Welches.

Mert Wheeler's weaving shop in Rhododendron took first place in the business, public building and church category. Second place went to McPaul's Motel in Brightwood; third prize was given to Wemme Baptist church.

Honorable mentions were won by Dave and Polly Owens' igzag inn, the Snowline Motel in Rhododendron and Cook's Motel near Brightwood.

The grand sweepstakes honor was awarded to J. A. Calkins, Brightwood, whose residence was judged the best lighted and decorated structure of all three categories.

Sandy Blood Donors May Give Feb. 17

All people in the Sandy area are urged to donate blood February 17 between 4 pm. and 7 pm. at the Presbyterian Church annex. The Red Cross is very low on blood and has given this area a 50 pint goal. Those who would like to sign up for donations may do so by calling Mrs. Agnes Barker, MU 7-2351.

Red Cross blood donors who have a history of hepatitis (also called "yellow jaundice") or who have had malaria or taken anti-malaria drugs within the past two years, are being asked to defer blood donations until further notice.

Malarial or jaundiced blood cannot be used for whole blood transfusions, but by means of special processing is completely safe for fractionation.

Reason for the present curtailment is a currently adequate supply of derivatives coupled with the increasing cost of processing jaundiced and malarial blood for fractionation.

When the fractionation program is again expanded, donors with a jaundice or malarial history will be notified. Robert Wills, program chairman of Clackamas county, said he was confident that when the need for their blood again arose such donors would respond as generously as they have in the past.

Robert Wills pointed out that donors who have had malaria are eligible to give again two years after they have had an attack or taken any anti-malaria drugs.

Donors who have not had jaundice or malaria are still urgently needed to provide adequate whole blood supplies, Wills reminded.

City Report Submitted

If one month's report told the whole story (which, of course, it doesn't), Sandy would be just about the most prosperous municipality in these United States.

The recorder's report for December as presented at the January meeting of the city council gave a total of \$8,024.83 in collections as compared with \$2,550.97 in expenditures.

Here's the report in detail:

COLLECTIONS:	
Water Rents	\$1751.91
Sewer Rents	832.00
Court Fees	291.50
City Licenses	75.00
Taxes	4912.00
Miscellaneous	162.48
Total	8024.83
EXPENDITURES:	
Payroll	\$1544.69
Supplies all departments	1006.28

State Timber Sales Jump To All-Time High In '59

Timber sales on state owned forest lands managed by the state forestry department reached an all-time high in 1959.

This was the word from Vance L. Morrison, assistant state forester. Morrison revealed that sales mounted to \$3,210,300 last year, bettering the previous year's total of \$2,313,698.

The increase was not due to an increase in volume of stumpage offered for sale but to the increased footage of green timber placed on the market, Morrison explained. Salvage operations in the

Tillamook burn have almost ended and it was from this area that much of the timber has come in past years.

In the matter of values, Morrison cited recent sales where green Douglas fir went at prices ranging from \$30 to more than \$50 per thousand board feet while the fire-killed timber was sold for about \$10.

Morrison pointed out that all the forest lands coming under the jurisdiction of the state forestry department are yield basis with the allowable being managed on a sustained cut governed by growth.