

Our Valley

... By CHARLES IRELAND



One of the unique football teams in valley history was recalled by oldtimers at Monmouth last week with the passing of James Riddell, 79. . . While attending Oregon Normal School (now OCE) Riddell and five of his brothers played on the same team. . . Five classmates rounded out the eleven which sometimes was called the Riddell Brothers team. . . Their victories included one over Chemawa Indian School. . . And in those days Chemawa often compared with the best college teams in the state.

Football wasn't the only sport for the Riddell brothers. . . Out at their father's ranch they made a small private track to practice bicycle racing, another popular sport of the era. . . The track was a popular rendezvous for young Monmouth blades of the day including Pete and Gene Tatom, Bid Waller, Dan Howell, Frank Fisher, Curtis Hawley, Dell Ireland and Curt McGrew. . . And of course the Riddell Brothers, James, Ed, Dave, Leslie, John and Will.

The tragic death of Lt. James Todd of Salem in Pacific maneuvers near Camp Pendleton, Calif., last week was accompanied by one of those incidents that is beyond the realm of human understanding. . . Because of the maneuvers, Lt. Todd's wife, the former Ann Gibbens of Salem, had not seen her husband for three weeks prior to the night he drowned. . . And yet the accident happened within sight of the cottage where she was sleeping. . . That night Mrs. Todd dreamed that her husband had drowned. . . She awoke with a start at 2:30 a.m. . . Not until noon was she informed what had happened. . . The rubber boat her husband was riding in had capsized at 2:30 a.m.

One of those exchanges of kindness that warm the heart was culminated at Silverton last week. . . Because they are fond of children, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dahl often serve as volunteer baby sitters for many of their neighbors. . . Last week fire destroyed the home of the Dahls. . . The Dahls succeeded in renting another house, but it was in need of cleaning. . . So the neighbors whom the Dahls had befriended got together and scrubbed the floors, hung new wallpaper and put up new curtains before the Dahls moved in.

At least one valley Democrat who has a part on the program at the Averill Harriman dinner at Milwaukie Tuesday night has a hunch the New York governor will announce his candidacy for president at the dinner. . . A more prevailing belief is that he is out here to help Wayne Morse. . . And did those form letters the Mark Hatfield committee sent to registered Republicans Friday get lost in the mail for two months? . . . Some of them (maybe all) were dated September 18.

Win or lose, football coaching is a hazardous profession. . . The number of losing coaches who have been hanged in effigy this season has been well publicized. . . And a few days ago when Sheridan won its traditional battle with Willamina, the Sheridan players celebrated by grabbing their Coach Don Hosford as he walked into the locker room and tossing him into the showers.

James Dean, the young movie actor who was killed in an auto wreck near Paso Robles, Calif., this fall, jumped to an early lead in Audience Award voting which opened Thursday at Salem theaters. . . Other early choices of Salem audiences included James Stewart, Doris Day and Ava Gardner, while Mr. Roberts was favorite for best movie. . . Also right up there with leaders was Fess Parker, for his portrayal of Davey Crockett. . . "It must be the kid vote," said movie mgr. Pete Jones. . . "Only serious acting Fess Parker ever did was grinning a bear."

Over at Falls City, some high school girls have organized a Hope Chest Club. . . They meet regularly to work on things for their hope chests. . . Their officers are Donna Long, Mary Dennis and Marguerite Fern. . . And their slogan is "Destination Marriage."

CC Takes Timber Stand

STAYTON — The Chamber of Commerce here favors the present marketing policy on movement of logs from O & C timber holdings. . . John Davis has been authorized to make this known to the congressional committee which is conducting an inquiry into policies in effect in management of government lands. . . The chamber here feels that the present system of processing O & C logs in designated areas is best to maintain the "local" economy, results in the lowest cost of lumber to the consumer and serves as a deterrent to monopolizing log sources.

Dayton, Amity Lions Discuss Youth Problems

DAYTON — Dayton and Amity Lions Clubs held a joint dinner meeting in McMinnville Tuesday night to discuss youth and its problems in small communities. . . Albert Green, director of the Multnomah county juvenile court and home, was guest speaker. . . Special guest was Alden Powell, Yamhill county juvenile officer. . . The Dayton Lions Club is working to provide recreation and activities for young people in the Dayton area.

Oregon has 3,232 miles of railroad.

Log Jam at Dallas Threatens Bridge

By HAL NORBERG
Statesman Correspondent

DALLAS—Crews Saturday afternoon started clearing a large log jam which had threatened the Levens Street bridge here since late Friday.

The logs were backed up for 100 feet behind the bridge in the raging waters of Rickreall Creek. Swollen Friday by heavy rain and melting snows, the creek had dropped almost two feet by Saturday noon.

City crewmen and telephone linemen spent Saturday forenoon removing two large trees which dropped on the bridge and adjacent telephone cable. No outages occurred as the cable did not break. The upstream bridge railing was broken by the mishap. Just Missed Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wiedeman were narrowly missed by the first tree which fell about 11 p.m. Friday. The couple was standing in the middle of the concrete structure viewing the log jam.

Wiedeman has an \$18,000 contract for widening the bridge to provide a 30-foot roadway and five-foot walks on each side. Work on the project started in late September and is due for completion by Dec. 31. With 19-foot roadway and one small walk, the bridge had long been a hazard for youngsters attending Lyle School.

Temporarily Closed
Dave Warren, street superintendent, said that the structure will be temporarily closed to traffic due to the work being carried on now.

Warren said that about two days will be required to clear the log jam. Biggest threat was to falsework on the new construction east of the old bridge. All footings had been completed above the water level and appeared capable of withstanding log and water pressure.

Stayton Yule Contests Due

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STAYTON — High schools art students will paint water color scenes on store windows in a Christmas contest announced here this week. The art contest is open to students at St. Boniface High, Sublimity, and the union high school here.

A home-lighting contest also will be held as in previous years. The Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring both programs. Cash prizes will be awarded.

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Davidson Chosen To Head Ankeny Grange for Year

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JEFFERSON — Ankeny Grange members have elected Delmer Davidson as master.

Other officers elected were: overseer, Kenneth Van Cleve; lecturer, Mrs. Jake Gilmour; steward, Lloyd Marlatt; assistant steward, Walter Wulff; chaplain, Mrs. Louise Johnston; treasurer, Jake Gilmour; secretary, Mrs. John Zehner; gatekeeper, George Marlatt; Ceres, Mrs. Galena Winn; Pomona, Mrs. Delmer Davidson; Flora, Mrs. George Marlatt; lady assistant steward, Mrs. Faye Van-Cleve.

Executive board members are John Zehner, Mrs. J. C. Bentley and Mrs. Lloyd Marlatt. Named as a committee to arrange for installation were Jake Gilmour, Mrs. John Zehner and Mrs. J. O. Farr.

Boosters Club Names Officers

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MILL CITY — Members of the Boosters Club, 18 in number, met Thursday evening to elect officers and to map out a program.

Elected to the presidency was Verne Shaw; vice-president, Carl Kelly; secretary - treasurer, Bob Hill.

It was agreed to investigate the possibility of door-to-door mail delivery, with a report at the December meeting. Erection and lighting of a community Christmas tree were also planned.

LIBRARY ISSUES REPORT

WILLAMINA—The annual report of the city library shows that 6,678 books and magazines were loaned for home use during the past year. There are 1,144 borrowers registered at the library, and 3,244 books in the library to be loaned.

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Shell Blast Blinds Deaf Mute in Italy

CASERTA, Italy (AP) — Antonio Orsi, 20, a deaf mute since birth, found a World War II shell in the woods near Caserta. He was playing with the shell, authorities said, when it exploded.

Doctors said Orsi will be blinded for the rest of his life.

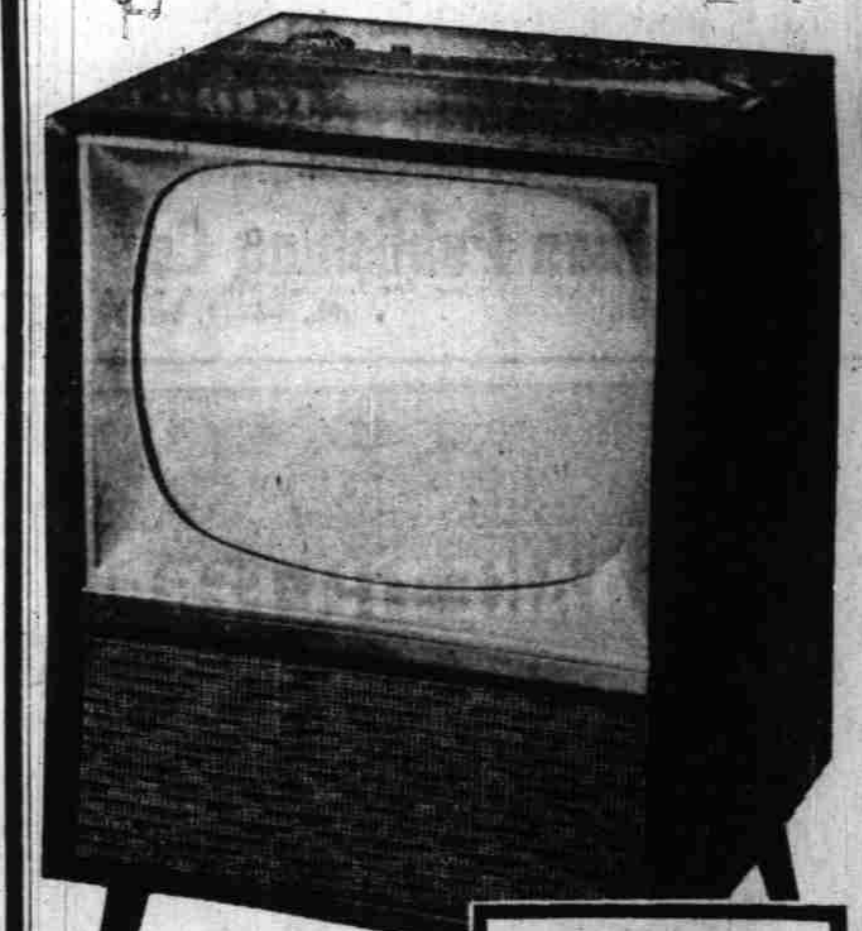
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(FROM 1 TO 101!)

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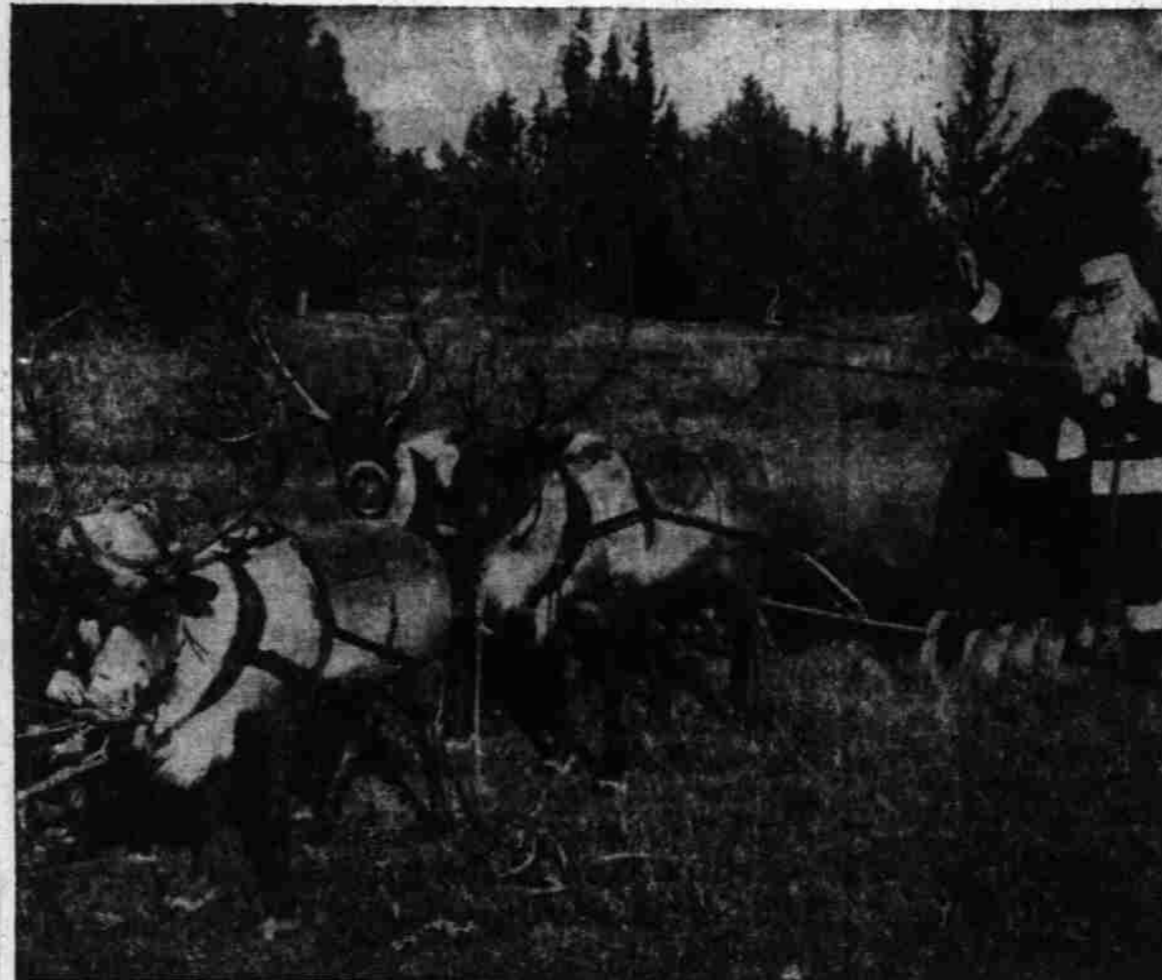
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Santa Claus is reserving a place for a little girl and a little boy to ride with him in his sleigh while he tours through Salem on December 5th, AND some young helper will get to LEAD RUDOLF, too!

For First, Second and Third Graders CONTEST RULES

1. Draw a picture of Santa Claus
2. Draw on paper 8x11 inches
3. Submit your drawing to Valley Motor, 375 Center St., By Mail or in Person Prior to Dec. 1
4. Sign your name, age, grade and school
5. Contest winners: One girl and one boy

For Fourth, Fifth and Sixth Graders CONTEST RULES

1. In 100 words or less, write on the subject: "The True Spirit of Christmas"
2. Submit your theme to Valley Motor Co., 375 Center St. By Mail or in Person Prior to Dec. 1
4. Sign your name, age, grade and school
5. Contest winner: One girl or one boy

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