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Mill has newsletter

The first issue of **Mill Lines**, Volume 1 Number 1, made its debut September 25, 1981. **Mill Lines**, edited by Cynthia D. Stowell is a 4-page internal newsletter for employees of Warm Springs Products Industries.

The idea of such a newsletter was discussed at a Board of Directors meeting nearly a year ago, according to Bob Macy's column "Manager's Message," on page 2 of the newsletter. His particular column will address a variety of concerns and will concentrate on reporting the current market conditions and their possible effect on WSFPI.

The general purpose of the

newsletter is the benefit both management and employees by increasing communication. The newsletter will enable all to have a common understanding of the facts as well as providing a means of sharing information.

Macy states, "Mill Lines...is a positive and factual look at all of us—an attempt to identify our common concerns and experiences as the human element behind the name 'Warm Springs Forest Products'."

Mill Lines will be published every two months. Editor Stowell encourages input from WSFPI employees.

Man injured in fall

An early morning accident October 6 at the Warm Springs hydroelectric site seriously injured an A.S.C. employee.

Melvin Morgan, 52, apparently fell seven or eight feet while climbing in a form at the dam. He struck his head on the form and was knocked unconscious. He suffered a fractured skull.

He was taken first to the Warm Springs PHS clinic for stabilization, then to Mt. View

hospital in Madras for further work and then on to St. Charles Medical Center.

According to A.S.C. construction foreman Speed Moody, employees usually work in groups of two or more, but that Morgan was working alone at the time of the accident.

Morgan is listed in fair condition in the intensive care unit at St. Charles.

H. Greene in stable condition

Harold Greene, 46, of Warm Springs is now listed in "satisfactory condition" at Gresham Community Hospital. He was admitted Sept. 25 after being hit and allegedly "run over" by a Dodge van near an intersection in the Wood Village area.

The driver of the Dodge van was Robert Stanley Sherman, Jr., 20, of Hood River, according to Deputy Robert Schmidt, Public Information Officer for the Multnomah County Sheriff's Office.

The police report states that the van was southbound on 238th and had just started through the intersection at N.E. Halsey. Greene, who had left his car at a service station to have the headlight repaired, walked from the west curb heading eastbound in front of the van. The time was approximately 7:37 p.m.

The driver hit the brakes and the van struck Greene at almost a stop-speed, according to the report. Greene fell backward, striking his head on the pavement. The impact

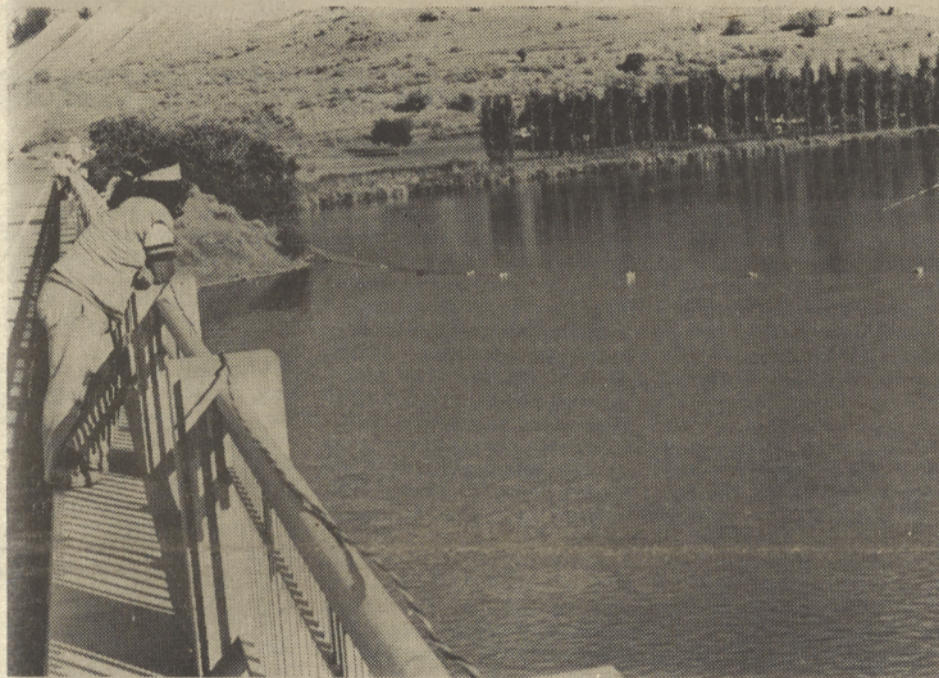
occurred 105 feet south of the traffic signal, away from the crosswalk area, according to Schmidt.

On Oct. 5, when he was listed in "stable condition," Greene said in a phone interview that he was unconscious until he reached the hospital. He said he was in critical condition for a week and that he was in the Intensive Care Unit until Oct. 1.

During the interview, Greene claimed that after the van knocked him down "the right front wheel ran over my chest just below the neck." Among the list of injuries, Greene said he has stitches in his head and a badly bruised and injured back and spinal cord.

Greene said he is using a walker and can also move about with a cane when under supervision. He said he doesn't know if there will be permanent damage or not.

There were two witnesses in the van and two independent witnesses not connected with either party, said Schmidt. No citations were issued.



INTENSIVE SEARCH—A gill net was used in the search for Vernon Tanewasha who drowned after falling in the Deschutes River while fishing in late September. Tanewasha's body was found 10 days after his disappearance by a Madras fisherman. The funeral for Tanewasha was held at the Agency Longhouse October 6. Photo courtesy of Don Gold

After 10-day search...

Tanewasha body found

Following an intensive 10-day search of the Deschutes River in the Sherars Bridge area the body of Vernon Tanewasha, 39 was recovered October 4. He was a member of the Warm Springs tribe.

Tanewasha had been fishing on scaffold at Sherars Bridge and disappeared from the scaffold. It was feared that he fell into the river when he failed to return home on Friday, September 25.

A search was coordinated by the Warm Springs police when a search revealed his vehicle was still parked at the area. At that time the WSPD, W.S. Fire and Safety, Wasco County Sheriff's department and numerous volunteers from the Warm Springs area and Washington started the intense search of the river and river banks.

The WSPD police enlisted the use of the Tribal helicopter to fly the river with observers. A base was set up at the mouth of the Deschutes River. Warm Springs Chief of police Jeff Sanders, and Sergeant Ray

Calica, stayed at the base to coordinate the search. Local Fish and Wildlife officers Oliver Kirk and Stoney Miller also remained at the site to assist in the search.

Boats from the Tribal fish and Wildlife department were put into the water to cover the river. People were coordinated to walk the banks of the river from Sherars to the mouth of the Deschutes. Biff Johnson and Lester Tanewash coordinated the watch held at the mouth of the river as well as covering the mouth of the river with a net.

The body was located 8.4 miles downstream from Sherars Bridge on Sunday morning, October 4, ending the 10-day search. The body was discovered by a sports fisherman from Madras.

Tanewasha's body was transported to the Wasco County coroner's office in The Dalles to determine the exact cause of death. According to the coroner's report death was due to drowning.

Tanewasha had been a resident of Warm Springs most of his life. He attended high school in Madras. During his high school years he was active on the varsity basketball team and the varsity football team. He was also chosen for the Elk's Central Oregon All-Star football team.

Following graduation he married Ramona "Teddy" Miller. He worked for the Fire Control and then for the BIA Roads Department starting as an equipment operator and was promoted to being the foreman of the equipment operators.

He had played basketball for the Maggie home team and The Duffers. Vernon spent many hours coaching softball teams and basketball teams. He and his wife coached the Bravette's softball girl's program and the young girls of 9-12 in the summer softball league. He had bowled in the Warm Springs men's league and the Wednesday Night Mixers. He bowled a perfect game of 300 in 1978. He was an avid hunter and fisherman.

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