

Mill City will get a new grade school (pictured above) in 1949

(Continued from Preceding Page) and "It stinks," regarding the zoo. The small lumbermen were keeping up the fight against the timber monopoly threat, with increasingly wider support.

In mid-month the Canyon experienced a spectacular, but not serious forest fire. Bone dry brush caught fire around the new highway project and roared up Mayflower Creek. A thrilling sight was the crashing of blazing snags. State and federal foresters fought the blaze and had it under control in two days.

A prominent West Coast lumber journal publisher, Car Crow, cited Mill City's rise after the company town era as an example of what a free and unmonopolized timber economy could do.

A kid parade sponsored by the auxiliary of the firemen went over with a bang one Saturday.

Again the question of a new Mill City-Mehama road was revived, this time by county officials, with a hint that it might be forthcoming next year. We'll wait and see.

The Canyon was busy, and the employment officials in the state office said the future outlook was good.

The PTA undertook an ambitious plan of taking many children to Salem for swimming lessons. The program was quite successful.

The council studied a proposal to survey the town, but had to set it aside because of the expense. Vernon Todd announced that a complete high school faculty had been hired.

Bob Mather, the proprietor of the jewelry store, was a lucky man. He entered a radio contest and won a Toni permanent wave set. He is bald.

AUGUST

By August, with legal technicalities out of the way, the school board announced further plans for the new grade school program: It would be located on a tract just east of the new park, it would contain 12 rooms and cost about \$142,000.

Lyons, too, began its plans to build a larger structure to accommodate its increased pupil load. Citizens had been called to a meeting to decide.

On a half acre patch along the river, an experiment was going on that might well influence the whole future of the Canyon. W. R. Olmstead had proven, with an unprecedented first year crop, that Canyon soil was tops for kingberries and boysenberries and many, hearing of his success, had become interested in fruit farming up the Santiam. The Fern Ridge strawberries were counting their income from the '48 crop in tens of thousands.

Paul Smith was set for another marathon at Portland—he lost this one to much younger men.

At long last R. L. Heacock, whose logging operation was halted by inability to use the detour, got into operation again.

Lyons got quick approval from its residents of the plan to build a big new school house, which will be built in '49 on property located between Mehama and Lyons.

A Portland man plunged to his death in a car, off a steep fill on the Canyon road.

In Detroit, the people were happy to know that a physician had arranged to locate there. He was Dr. E. E. Willmott of Sisters.

A little girl, daughter of Mr. and

Mrs. Joe Podrabsky, was rescued after falling in a well.

The editor was expecting momentarily a visit from a newspaper colleague in New York, and decided he would turn the editing over to him for the week. It didn't work.

Next week after a wave of phony checks, and the arrest of one forger, merchants got pretty wary.

The estate of William L. Quinn was valued at \$107,871.30.

Throughout the summer there had been numerous power shortages, and utilities officials agreed that the region had gotten too big for its kilowatts.

Two bears had been killed in the upper Canyon region in the past few days.

On the 24th the peaceful town of Gates was aroused by gunplay. Carl Harden, 23, a highway employee, was the center of a fearful ring of on-lookers in a trailer camp there. He held a Japanese rifle in his hand as he stood over Clifford Harden, a cousin, whom he had shot. While Carl's attention was momentarily distracted, Clifford made a getaway. He was not badly wounded.

Gates, in fact, took over the headlines that week. After colliding on the highway with a car, a big gravel truck crashed through, special delivery, the Gates Postoffice.

Keith Pratt, of Gates, who admitted forging checks the week before, got a stiff two year sentence.

SEPTEMBER

As the month began, the Detroit dam did not seem any more such a remote prospect. For the Bonneville Administration had let a contract for clearing a right of way for a 230,000

volt power line to the damsite, and workers began, in the middle of the month, to cut a wide path through the brush.

The vacation came to an end, and Mill City high school was offering a wider range of subjects than ever before.

The city was getting more improvements, newly bulldozed streets and the council adopted a garbage code. Lyons had a new phone cable to Mehama ready for use.

School began with about the same enrollment as the year before. Many families had moved away because of the discouraging logging season, but new residents had filled their places.

The long fight against the timber monopoly was nearing an end. Hearings were being held in Eugene by a U. S. Senate committee. Testimony there put the co-op plan under wraps.

Tony Moravec, master of the Sanfor a long time to come. Grant Grange, won honors by being appointed an advisor to OSC.

Dave Epps was branching out, adding another furniture store in Sweet Home.

Big news! It was announced in the middle of the month by Col. Walsh that work on the Detroit dam would star in he Spring.

A god report was made on lumber wages which were, in 1947, \$316 per man on an average.

At long last the county acceded to Detroit and Idanha's demand for help in law enforcement, and placed a deputy there on part time duty.

It was about time. That week two Detroit businesses had been entered and over \$100 taken.

It was still Gates' month for news. This time it was bears.

Now that big things were in store for the Canyon, the question arose: What happens to towns when booms subside. Apparently one answer could be found in the experience of Redding, which, like Mill City and

other towns, was in the area where a great government dam was built. Redding kept right on growing after the dam was finished. It would be worth something to know the secret of that growth.

Rev. R. T. Cookingham of Lyons died at the age of 73. He had an interesting career, which included four years as a sheriff of a wild western county, and years spent in work with prisoners.

But as the month drew to a close, there wasn't much happening. Everyone was waiting for the deer season to open.

OCTOBER

Word of complete victory over the plan to monopolize the timber for big companies came as the month began. The Interior Dept. backed down.

T. Henness, oldest native resident of the Canyon, passed another milestone, his 94th.

Three had concented to run for the two vacancies on the city council. A marked expansion of new businesses was reported up and down this gulch. But who cared about business? The main question of the day was whether you'd bagged your deer.

Perhaps the best, or worst one, involved Ed Kelleme, who scarcely bestirred himself to get out of his car to get one—while hundreds traveled all the way to eastern Oregon with no luck—and Ed's tale of a neighbor who shot one so close to his home that it was retrieved with a wheelbarrow.

Contract was let and work would soon begin on a \$20,000 water system, which included a large settling basin and pumping system.

More deer hunting stories poured in—in one case three Mill City hunters found a still which went back to prohibition days.

A heated discussion developed at the PTA meeting over the lack of music in the public schools.

Already the declining prices of lumber was slowing the tempo of local production.

Little more than accidents accounted for most of the headlines the following week: Thomas Key of Mehama was killed, a Detroit logger, Zealand Fryer, was gravely hurt and Mrs. T. R. Burton of Gates was in an auto collision.

A Detroit was hurt when a railroad speeder was derailed by a spike.

The editorial neck was out a mile on election guesses, as the next few days would prove. Even the editor misguessed the local interest, which he said was quite low.

Linn County loosened up with a few tax dollars we'd been spending down in Albany and announced that a bridge was about to be built over Rock Creek.

NOVEMBER

How far the editor was off in his election guesses the first week in November would reveal in glaring outline. The nation re-elected President Truman by a substantial majority—in Mill City his margin was 213 to 92. The Canyon showed it was Democratic territory.

Locally the city council race was won by Arce Podrabsky and Carl Kelly.

The Engineers called for bids on clearing the damsite area — they were all too high when opened later.

Byron Davis began construction of an airstrip on property near Gates.

It's a regularly used landing field now.

A series of accidents in Detroit culminated in the arrest of Burdette Younge, hotel keeper, for assault with intent to kill as feeling ran high in the upper Canyon.

It was Detroit's week in the news. Businessmen there formed a Commercial Club. And the water works controversy there had reached state hearings.

As the month drew to a close, the news that the Mill City Manufacturing Co. would shut down indefinitely put a crimp in the coming Christmas season for many.

Work got under way on the new water system.

The last two major bridges on the North Santiam Highway got under construction. But on the detour, travel was still dangerous. An Idaho car got trapped in a slide and its occupants barely escaped with their lives.

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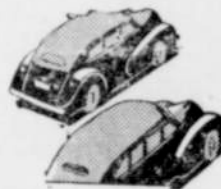
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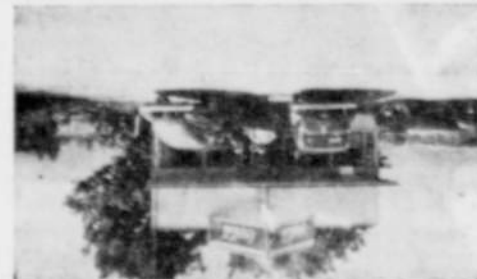
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