

Hoarders Attention! Triple-Header Ball Tickets Scarce

Promoters of Mill City's softball league jamboree for a lighted Mill City high school athletic field expect a 600 paid attendance Sunday afternoon for the triple-header at the athletic field.

High school students report tickets sell like "hot-cakes". Team managers find no difficulty in obtaining takers for the 25 tickets allotted them. Even the softball players must buy a ticket to get into the show!

The reason for this enthusiasm and action stems from the crying need this community has for expanded public sports recreation facilities.

H. H. Roberts, of CBI and manager of the Engineer ball club, and Burton Boroughs, high school athletic coach and teacher, indicated that the dream of a lighted athletic field springs from the citizens' natural desires for further canyon development. The ball clubs feel their gesture of real help and co-operation is timely.

Three thrill packed softball games highlight the Sunday afternoon jamboree replete with soda pop, candy concessions manned by high school students.

This jamboree marks the winding up of the Mill City softball league's activities. The rivalry between the competing teams promises an entertaining afternoon.

Proceeds of the ticket sales go to light up the Mill City high school athletic field, so enjoy yourself while furthering a worthy project—get one of those scarce \$1.00 tickets!

PTA Starts New Year With Successful Meet

Mrs. Kenneth Crosier president of the Mill City PTA started the PTA on a new school year with a well attended and successful first meeting in the Mill City high school auditorium last Thursday.

Miss Hope Baney, Mill City high school teacher, led the group in community singing with Mrs. Chase accompanying on the piano.

Mr. Rugh, Mill City high school teacher, proposed PTA by-law changes. One being that the meetings be held on the second Wednesday of each month instead of the second Thursday as previously provided.

Vernon Todd, Mill City school superintendent explained the two shifts at the grade school; and also the cafeteria lunches. The grade school teachers were introduced to the PTA group by Mr. Todd; and the high school teachers were introduced by Mr. Caughey, high school principal.

Mrs. Lee Donaldson, program chairman of the PTA, announced the participants in and subject of a panel discussion on "What should parents expect of teachers; and what should teachers expect of parents?" Representing the teachers were Miss Evangeline Shattuck, Mrs. C. Rogers, Mr. Rugh and Mr. Boroughs. For the parent's side were Mrs. M. O'Leary and Mr. Bengston. Mrs. Donaldson acted as moderator.

Mrs. Crosier introduced the officers and standing committee chairmen of the PTA as follows: Don Bengston, 1st vice pres.; Fredrick Rugh, 2nd vice pres.; Miss Hope Baney, secretary; Mrs. Chas. Harmon, treasurer; Mrs. Jess Lee, kindergarten; Mrs. Lee Donaldson, program; Norman Jensen, legislation; Mr. and Mrs. Aray Podrasky, recreation; Mrs. Ed Cooke, membership; Mrs. Joe Fencl, publicity; Mrs. Melbourne Rambo, room mothers; Mrs. Roy Stienner, refreshments; Mrs. Arthur Chase, publication; Mrs. J. T. King, safety; Mrs. Rose Daly, telephone; Mrs. Lawrence Kanoff and Mrs. Louis Verbeck, ways and means; and Mrs. Chas. Wolverton, hospitality.

After the business part of the meeting ended, refreshments were served in the recreation room of the high school.

Coming Events:

FRIDAY—

Timberwolves football game.
I.O.O.F. meeting.

SATURDAY—

Grange Harvest Festival all p.m.

SUNDAY—

Triple-header Softball at 1 p.m.

MONDAY—

Lions club meeting.
A.F. & A.M. No. 180 stated meeting third Monday.

TUESDAY—

Chamber of Commerce 8 p.m.
Women's club 8 p.m. 1st, 3rd Tues.

WEDNESDAY—

Mill City PTA meets 2nd Wed.
Santiam Eagles and auxiliary 8 p.m. at Detroit school building.
Lions club auxiliary 8:30, 4th Wed.
Santiam Rebekah 166—1st and 3rd Wed. at 8 p.m.

THURSDAY—

American Legion 2d and 4th Thurs.
Garden club fourth Thursday.
Mill City IWA meeting last Friday

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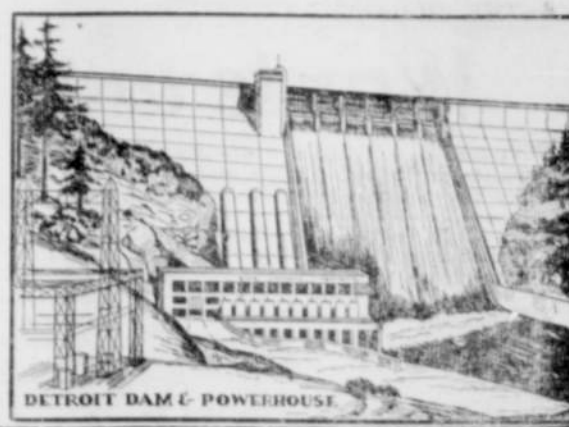
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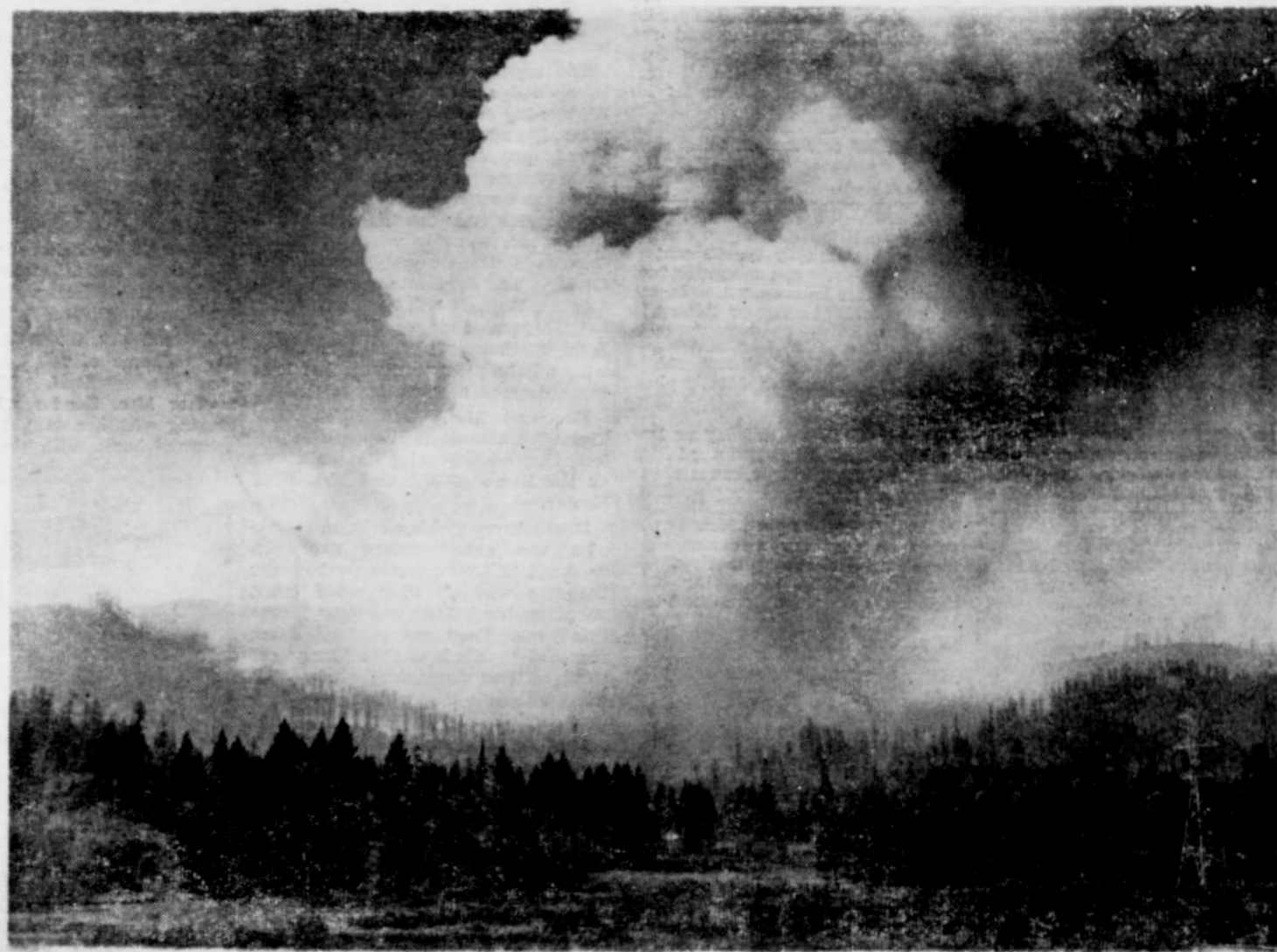
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FIRE ENDANGERS CITY



Tom Rock forest fire pours smoke and ashes into the air as it eats steadily into a wider and wider area three miles southeast of Mill City into four sections of timberland on the Linn county side of the North Santiam Canyon in spite of heroic efforts of fire fighters recruited from canyon communities. Many residents of Mill City Thursday began using garden hose to wet down their

yards and building roofs as a precaution against flying cinders. The fire had been smoldering in an old burn five miles south of town (to the left of the far left ridge) and Thursday flared up out of control. Thursday it had jumped from an original 30 acres to more than 250 acres. Mill City lies at the right of the picture just out of view. (Photo Courtesy The Statesman and Bob Veness)

Tom Rock Fire Burns Unchecked Near Mill City

The Tom Rock forest fire burns unchecked in the timber-covered mountain area near Tom Rock, Tom Rock road and old Camp 26 about four miles southeast of Mill City in Linn county.

Some 300 acres of basin timberland is burning uncontrolled in a northerly direction in an area between Rock Creek and Thomas Creek with treacherous weather conditions creating mounting fire danger.

According to Verlyn Thomas, Monument Peak fire lookout, this morning a 30 mile-an-hour southeast wind fans the Tom Rock fire causing spot fires to mushroom in new areas in parts of four sections of land.

In Mill City, because of billowing smoke to the south and overhead, sunlight at high noon creates a golden hue effect much as a sunset casts on the horizon.

After discovery by Jordan guard station of Tom Rock fire, Saturday night at 11 p.m., a fire fighting crew dispatched to the scene soon found themselves totally unable to cope with the situation and sought reinforcements immediately.

Fire breaks yield quickly to the onslaught of Tom Rock fire and to date all containing efforts have proved fruitless.

Five, and probably six, bulldozers gouge up fire breaks of soil and knock down snags, brush and second growth timber. Another "dozer" is expected on the scene soon.

Firemen and loggers from Stayton, Mehama, Lyons and Mill City area man fire fighting tools for 100 men. Operations are directed by a state board of forestry control headquarters set up in old Camp 26.

Seven vehicles were written off as a loss on Tom Rock road as the fire cut access to them today.

Tom Rock fire blazes in parts of sections 15, 16, 20, and 21 in township 10 south, range three east of the Willamette meridian.

Womens Club Holds Teachers Reception

Members of the Gates Woman's club met Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joe Joaquin. Mrs. Edward Chance presided at the business session. Plans were made and committees appointed to arrange for a teachers reception which will be held in the recreation rooms of the high school, Thursday evening, September 27. Invitations will be extended to all parents and friends of the school. The annual bazaar given by the club will be held the evening of October 20. The ladies will endeavor to make this the most entertaining and interesting affair yet given by the club. Fancy work, refreshments and other articles will be on sale. An antique display will add much to the evening entertainment.

The club is happy to acknowledge the receipt of a check, received from the Mill City chamber of commerce committee of industrial development for \$200, for their share of the profit from the dinner served Tuesday evening, Sept. 12, in Mill City. The members of the club wish to again extend their thanks to all those in Mill City and other cities of the canyon and to the members of the club who worked and donated so generously to make the affair a success. Those present at the Thursday meeting were the hostess, Mrs. Joaquin, who assisted by Mrs. Chance, served refreshments at the close of the afternoon, Mrs. W. R. Hutcheson, Mrs. Albert Millap, Mrs. Norman Garrison, Mrs. Wilson Park, Mrs. Harold Wilson and two visitors, Mrs. Thomas Hall and Mrs. Fred Smith.

REGISTER TODAY — ONLY 15 DAYS LEFT!

Flegel Wires I.C.C. On Freight Situation

Portland—Austin Flegel, Democratic candidate for Governor has wired the Chairman of the Interstate Commerce Commission asking that the chairman's personal representative be sent to Oregon to investigate the freight car shortage and determine what steps must be taken in order to alleviate the situation. At the same time the Democratic candidate announced that he had received a wire in response to his request for information from Chairman Johnson of the I.C.C. indicating that no request for action, or protests on the freight car shortage had been made to the I.C.C. by either Governor McKay or Public Utilities Commissioner Flagg until late in August, after Flegel had wired President Truman on the urgency of the situation here. Commenting on both wires, Flegel said "It is incredible to me that the present state administration is so indifferent to the welfare of the shippers of this state, or so unaware, that it took no steps to improve the freight car picture until after it had been prodded into action by the publicity received by my wire to President Truman". Public Utilities Commissioner Flagg possesses ample power to take immediate steps in this emergency to improve the distribution of cars. He has seen fit to do nothing. With the whole economy of the state in jeopardy, neither Flagg nor Governor McKay had taken even the minimum action—calling upon the I.C.C. for intervention in the Oregon situation." Flegel's wire to President (Continued on Page 8)

ANNOUNCING RALLY

FRIDAY, SEPT. 29th

Political rally Friday night, Sept. 29 at Dave Epps' Mill City Furniture store.

Only registered voters can enter the free drawing on \$100.00 worth of merchandise at 7 p.m.

Democrats and republicans alike are invited to the unique political rally.

Come, meet and get acquainted with your candidates and at the same time win in the merchandise drawing.

Annual Santiam Grange Fete Opens Saturday

The annual Santiam Valley Grange Harvest Festival opens to the public September 23rd, this coming Saturday afternoon, at the grange hall on highway 222 between Mehama and Lyons in Linn county.

Citizens who have attended and taken part in this annual event in previous years recommend that all, who can do so, visit the festival Saturday.

Arrangements are complete on an interesting FREE program for evening visitors. Exhibits are welcomed. Tony Moravec, master, reports keen competition for honors on exhibits. Those desiring to compete contact Tony immediately. Cash prizes are being offered on winning exhibits. No cash prizes are offered, however, on livestock exhibits.

Wonderful dollar plate chicken dinners can be obtained at the Grange hall, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

C. C. Davis Speaks To MC Womens Club

The Mill City Womens club last night heard C. C. Davis, civilian engineer on the Detroit dam project, speak on the subject, "The meaning of the Detroit dam to Mill City," at a no-host reception dinner for School District 129-J teachers in the Mill City Presbyterian church recreation room.

William "Bill" Hutcheson, toastmaster, introduced Mr. Davis, who told the group in his speech that it is estimated that some 300 industries could be powered by the electricity potential of the project. Other comments upon industrial and recreational possibilities of the Detroit dam project occupied the main portion of Mr. Davis' interesting and informational talk to the gathering. Stress was also laid upon the vast resort possibilities in the offering.

Mrs. Shields Remine sang a clever solo for the enjoyment of the diners.

The Thursday dinner festivities of the Mill City Womens club marks the first of the club's activities this fall.

Funds Appropriated For Power Lines

Fourteen new Bonneville Power Administration transmission lines, 11 substations and continuing work on nearly eighty projects already under construction in Oregon, Washington, Northern Idaho, and Western Montana are authorized in fiscal year 1950-51 appropriations signed by President Truman Wednesday, today announced Administrator Paul J. Raver. Cash appropriations of \$44,500,000 and contract authorization of \$20,000,000 provide a budget of \$64,500,000 compared to the President's budget request of \$69,000,000.

Construction funds assure starts on six new transmission line additions to the major 230,000 volt Columbia River grid and continuing construction on lines from Grand Coulee to Western Washington, Spokane, and McNary Dam, the Portland area, and Southwest Oregon, Raver said. Eight new secondary 115,000 volt lines together with substation facilities will give needed transmission facilities to serve power deficient load and distribution centers.

"Bonneville 1950-51 appropriations for scheduled transmission facilities were based on normal generator installations and load increases," Raver pointed out. "Transmission facilities for war production or any acceleration of present construction completion schedules will require supplemental budgets."

Cash appropriations include in addition to \$22,500,000 for new construction, \$17,000,000 for liquidation of last year's contract authorization and \$5,000,000 for operation and maintenance. Contract authorization of \$20,000,000 will be used to (Continued on Page 8)

MILL CITY GOES BACK TO STANDARD TIME SUNDAY

Mill City citizens must set back one hour their timepieces as they retire this Saturday night.

The "powers that be" again ruffle Father Time this weekend when the shift from daylight saving time to standard time takes place.

Many Oregon cities undergo the time shift Saturday night.

Jerry Volkel Killed in Early Morning Accident

Gates—The entire community was shocked and saddened by the death of Jerry Volkel, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Volkel. Jerry was killed early Sunday morning in a one car accident on highway 222, east of Cottage farm.

Jerry was driving a panel truck which overturned causing his death. No cause of the accident has been determined, since he was driving alone and there were no eye witnesses.

Jerald Volkel was born January 30, 1930, in Salem, attended the Salem schools and lived there until his parents came to Gates where they are in business. Among survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Volkel, and his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Volkel and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Boynton, all of Salem.

MRS. AGNESS A. ALLEN IN CHARGE OF KINDERGARTEN

The Mill City PTA announced today that Mrs. Agness A. Allen has been placed in charge of the PTA sponsored kindergarten which starts Monday at 9 o'clock at her home in Mill City.

Mrs. Allen lives in the last big white house on highway 222 on the left side of the road before crossing the last railroad tracks on the way to Lyons.

Children aged four and five may come to the kindergarten. The rates will be \$6.00 per month per child for her supervision.

ROY HOLLINGWORTH PASSES IN SALEM HOSPITAL

Roy Hollingworth, age 57, of Denver, Colo., father of George Hollingworth of Mill City, passed away late Friday night in a Salem hospital soon after a stroke suffered here in Mill City while visiting his son.

Mr. Hollingworth is survived by his widow, Marie, and sons George of Mill City and Roy Jr. who is in the United States Navy, and one daughter, Patricia Owens of Boulder, Colo.

The deceased was born in Kansas and was an oil driller by occupation. Funeral rites and interment will be in Denver.

Triple-Header Softball Sunday, Sept. 24, Starts 1 PM - Benefit Lighting Fund