

Idanha Veneer Co. Expansion Comes To Lyons

An expansion near Lyons of M & M's Idanha Veneer company was made virtually certain by the closing of a land transaction Tuesday, March 27, by realtor Fred A. Lindemann between property owners Wirick and Nydigger of Lyons and M & M officials.

The new M & M site is located one mile east of Lyons on the south side of highway 222. This location affords access to one-half mile of railroad frontage, Lindemann commented.

Present indications point to a \$200,000 annual payroll. A crew of some 50 regular employees is planned when the plant goes into actual production.

Fred Lindemann reports that he was assured that M & M will begin construction immediately on their new plant.

Since this new Lyons plant is an expansion of the Idanha Veneer company located in Idanha, it is assumed that M & M's Lyons unit will carry on peeler operations only when it gets into operation.

The Idanha plant works the year around through the use of a "cold deck", i.e. a stock-pile of logs big enough for operation of the plant through the winter when weather prohibits logging.

Negotiations for the new plant site have been going on for several weeks, but no final agreement was reached until Tuesday afternoon.

M & M will draw on their vast timber holdings all through the North Santiam canyon community for peeler logs for continued operation of their new Lyons plant.



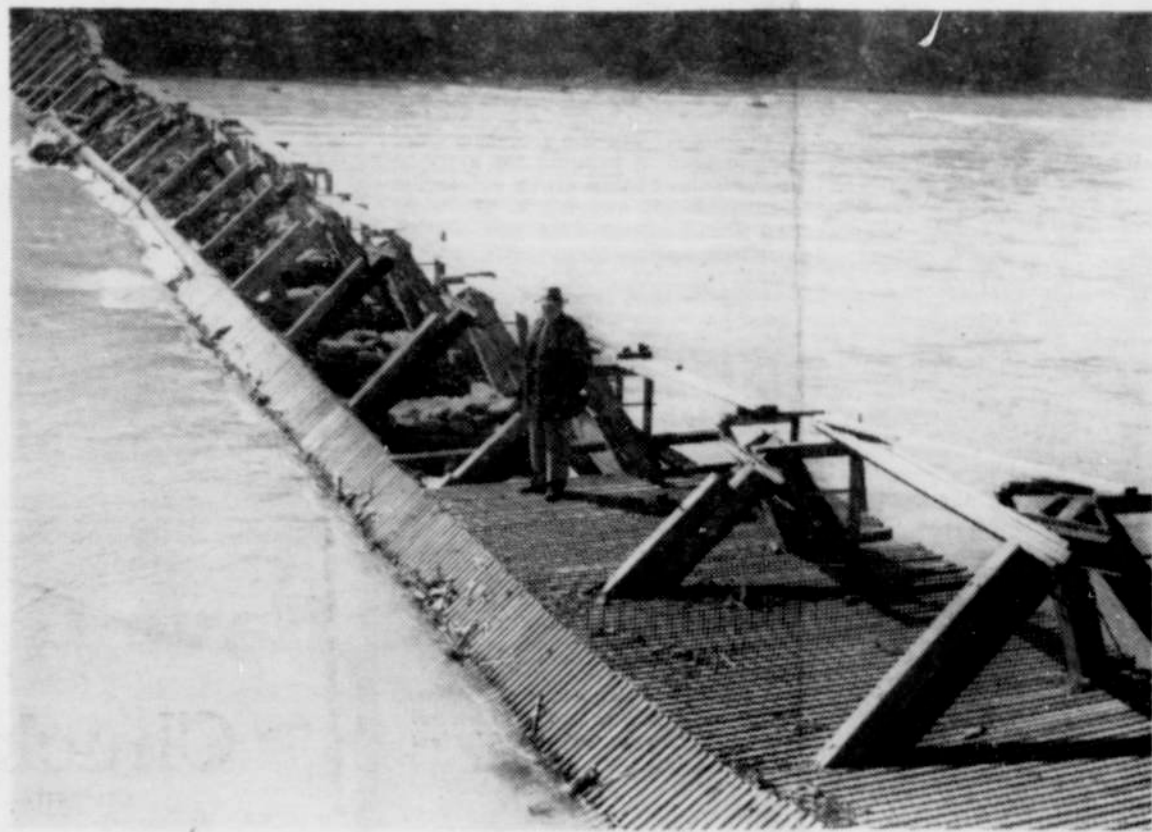
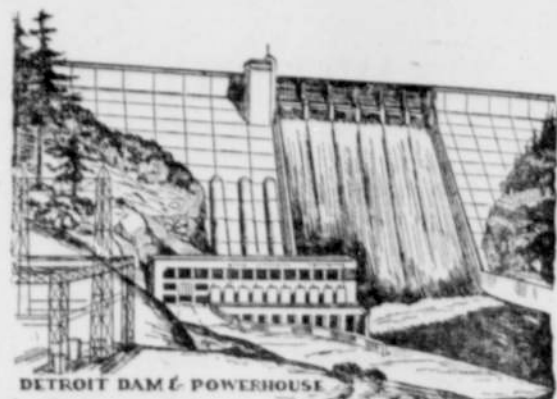
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Col. C. C. Davis of the Army Corps of Engineers stands aboard a fish trap across the North Santiam River near Mad Creek. In building the fish trap the Engineers have been in a race with the spring run of steelhead which is expected within a few days. A special crew of engineers has been rushing the completion of this fish trap that will be used in capturing spawning steelhead. The egg-laden trapped fish will have their eggs removed and delivered to the Marion Forks fish hatchery. After these fish have been milked of their eggs, they will be freed into the North Santiam river again. The as yet incomplete fish trap pictured has heavy steel tripod footings which are weighed down with rock. Closely spaced and edgewise placed two-by-four planks face the upstream side and top of the fish trap shown above. An opening on one end of the fish trap enables the fish access to an enclosure where workmen can easily pick them out of the water. Young steelhead hatched from the eggs gathered will be planted in streams throughout the state.

(Photo Courtesy of Capital Journal and Bob Veness)

Advertising Week Recognition Given

"Advertising has been one of the greatest factors in the amazing development of the West."

This was the statement today of Glen V. Sorensen, president of the



GLEN V. SORENSEN

Mill City Chamber of Commerce, as that body observed Advertising Recognition Week, March 25-31.

"The first Spanish and English explorers who visited our western coast were lured by word-of-mouth advertising."

"In later years advertising has helped to build the west far beyond the wildest dreams of these early explorers," Attorney Sorensen continued.

The civic leader pointed out that advertising first brought people to the west as visitors, and the west held them as permanent residents.

"After the tourist boom, advertising was used to attract new business to the west. Advertising has been a great factor in the development of the west as the mighty manufacturing, agricultural, mining, and recreational area it is today."

Sorensen also emphasized that without advertising the products of the west would not be in constant demand by the nation and the world.

"Without advertising, the west would offer fewer jobs and fewer futures for Americans," Sorensen concluded.

Mrs. Byron B. Shuck Elected To Board

Mrs. W. E. Weddle presided at the regular meeting of the Women's Auxiliary of the Santiam Memorial hospital on March 15, held in the banquet room of the Bon Ton restaurant in Stayton.

The following members answered roll call: Mrs. Earl Allen, Lyons; Mrs. E. J. Bell, Stayton; Mrs. G. W. DeJardin, Stayton; Mrs. John Frank, Sublimity; Mrs. Kenneth Hansen, Stayton; Mrs. J. C. Kimmel, Mill City; Mrs. Lee S. Ross, Mill City; Mrs. John Teeters, Mehama; Mrs. Arlo C. Tuers, Route 1, Lyons; and Mrs. W. E. Weddle, Stayton.

Mrs. Byron B. Shuck of Stayton, was unanimously elected to the board of directors, and appointed to the executive committee of the hospital auxiliary.

President Weddle announced that many membership applications are being received, and all members would be assigned to committees within the next few weeks.

Santiam Eagles Credit Donors

Easter festivities carved an impression upon the minds of the children of the Canyon Saturday when they thronged over the Mill City park in search of Easter eggs during the hunt sponsored by Santiam Aerie No. 2745.

Those recorded by the Eagles as actually making possible the Easter egg hunt in the Mill City park last Saturday are Hill Top General Store, Mill City Meat Market, Kellom's, Ressler's, Mill City Wrecker Service, Al's Shuffleboards, Coville Real Estate, Don Nelson, Mill City Tavern, Stewart's, Red & White, of Mill City; Durham's Grocery, Richard's Tavern, Garrison's Variety, Jerry's Tavern, and D. R. Stevens, of Gates; Ken Golliet of Mehama, Thiel's Store and Brassfield's Store of Lyons.

Idanha Mercantile, IGA Store, Spar Cafe, Idanha Dry Goods Store, Pamela Lumber Mill, Idanha Lumber Mill, Idanha Garage, Idanha Veneer, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Heibert, Idanha Shingle Mill and Spillway Tavern, all located in the Detroit-Idanha area.

The Eagles wish to thank the above donors for the success of the Easter egg hunt in which they distributed 187 dozen eggs, and numerous prizes to the finders of the lucky eggs.

Canyon Plans Aired By Wilson Stevens

Elkhorn—Sixteen members and 12 visitors gathered for the regular meeting of the Mehama local of the Farmers Union Friday night. Being social night the regular business meeting largely was dispensed with but a report was made on the canyon-wide chamber of commerce by Wilson Stevens and all were urged to attend the meeting at the Santiam Valley Grange hall March 28.

Mrs. John Neal of the Jordan local read a bulletin on the important legislative measures coming up. A committee consisting of Ike Myers, Bob Draper and Mrs. Lenore Stevens were appointed to draft a letter to our congressmen in regard to some of these measures.

M. J. Martin of the Santiam Co-op and his son presented two very interesting reels of pictures, one a travelogue of Africa and the other a colored film of the Great Salt Lake basin.

A social hour followed with refreshments being served by the ladies.

Nolan Rasnick Slates Canyon Aid Meeting

Nolan Rasnick, president of the Canyon Aid Fund, today gave the official announcement that the board of directors of the charitable organization will meet in the Detroit high school on Thursday, April 5, at 7:30. Rasnick was elected head of the Canyon Aid Fund by its board of directors at the organizational meeting.

\$100 Gift Voted By Civic Leaders

The Mill City Chamber of Commerce surprised itself during its Tuesday noon meeting at Mom & Pop's cafe as it voted \$100 of its funds to the athletic field lighting fund when only minor matters were on the agenda.

A motion was made, seconded and passed that \$100 of the chamber's funds, raised previously by way of sponsorship of the annual airshow at the Davis Airport, be applied to lights for the athletic field located in Mill City.

Glen V. Sorensen, president of the Mill City Chamber, called upon J. C. "Doc" Kimmel for a resume on the work of the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce constitutional committee.

During his report to the chamber membership, Kimmel imparted the information that he attended a meeting in Gates recently where spokesmen from Gates, Redmond and Sisters chambers developed plans for advertising highway 222 and highway 97 as a travel route meriting the attention of commuters and tourists interested in both convenience and scenic values.

Burton Boroughs, Mill City high school athletic coach, reported the developments concerning the lighted athletic field campaign. He announced \$1,015 is now available for field lights. Boroughs issued a formal invitation to all softball teams, interested in a softball league, to a canyon-wide softball league.

Linn Civil Defense Wishes Nurse Data

The Medical Division of the Linn County Civil Defense Agency wishes a complete list of nursing resources in the county. This list will include graduate nurses, practical nurses and nurses aides.

All graduate nurses, practical nurses and nurses aides who have not registered with their local Civil Defense Agencies are requested to do so. To register it is only necessary to send a card to the chief nurse of the local defense agency giving the name, address and type of nurse. Inactive as well as active nurses should register.

The chief nurse in Albany is Mrs. M. Sexton, R.N., 621 Elm Street; in Lebanon—Mrs. Josephine Niles, R.N., 163 E. Grant Street; in Sweet Home—Mrs. Grace Williams, R.N., Sweet Home.

Nurses living in the county outside these three cities are requested to register with Mrs. E. C. Littler, R.N., Court House, Albany.

Just Arrived...

A SON—To Mr. and Mrs. Stewart Clason, Lyons, Route 1, March 23, at Salem Memorial hospital.

Hunters Operate 'Silver Saddle'

Frank Hunter and his family began operation of the Silver Saddle service station and trailer park facilities in Mill City Tuesday.

Because of ill health Joe Slater gave up the proprietorship of the Silver Saddle enterprise which long has been a landmark in Mill City.

Those who are residents of Mill City and area are familiar with the genial and business-like manner of Frank Hunter, who was associated with the Loc-Bloek company in this area.

Hunter devotes much of his valuable time to civic projects both in Mill City and in the entire North Santiam canyon.

The Silver Saddle enterprise under the care of Frank Hunter is rapidly assuming the aspect of the tourist's idea of an ideal spot for launching a successful vacation in the North Santiam canyon.

Paul Smith Drums Oregon's Walkers

Paul Smith, "Oregon's Walking Man", in an interview today stated, "I want to see all the 'boys' interested in and who want to get into walking races."

Smith, in the interests of promotion of Canyon-wide entertainment of a unique kind, wants information from those who are pretty confident of their walking ability. Smith gives his mailing address as Paul Smith, Box 394, Mill City.

"Oregon's Walking Man" spoke about a \$150 prize belt that is now being put together and is slated for the best walker in the state of Oregon.

Smith will long be remembered as the man who walked from Salem to Gates in 8 hours and 25 minutes with a burden of royal garments for the queen of the annual airshow last year at the Davis airport near Gates.

The reason expert walkers should contact Smith now is that the weather is rapidly making possible the holding of walking races at such times and places that the public can fully enjoy them, he commented.

Smith plans a walking race beginning at the Oregon Capital building steps and ending on the airfield of the Davis airport near Gates.

Watch It Grow!

FIELD LIGHTING FINANCE REPORT—GOAL \$3,200

\$ 390.00 made last year.
329.85 sale of metal
250.00 gift of CBI.
100.00 gift of Mill City C.of C.
45.00 ticket sales accounting
1.00 private gift

\$1,115.85 Total NOW.

North Santiam Chamber Lays a Work Platform

Canyon-wide Organization Champions Entire Area

J. C. Kimmel Wednesday evening guided canyon-wide spokesmen gathered in the Santiam Valley Grange hall towards and into formation of a North Santiam Chamber of Commerce according to the pattern laid down last week by the constitution and by-laws committee which met in Mill City.

Davis Airport Opens Sunday

Weather permitting Davis Airport near Gates will buzz cheerfully again with the affairs of airmen this Sunday, April 1, and "That's no April Fool's Joke!" Byron Davis very carefully commented.

Ralph Nibler, Davis Airport flight instructor, flew the airport's trainer plane to Lebanon Tuesday for its final check by Civil Aeronautics authorities. The careful inspection of the plane used in training fledgling pilots, Davis indicated.

Since the airport trainer flown to Lebanon could not be thoroughly inspected in one day, Jim O'Leary flew to Lebanon also where he picked up Nibler for the flight back to Mill City. O'Leary used Byron Davis' private plane, a Luscombe, for the Lebanon trip.

Mrs. Clyde Wells will supervise the Davis Airport restaurant on weekend evenings and on Sundays. The restaurant will be set-up in such a manner that service for the visitors at the Davis Airport, as well as airmen using it, will be available.

A special feature, sponsored by the Davis Airport, is a drawing for a free ride each Sunday at 3 p.m. This drawing starts this Sunday. Last year many residents of the North Santiam communities found plenty of entertainment at the Davis Airport during the annual airshow.

Hospital Payment Due On April 2

Notices for payment on subscription contracts have been mailed to the subscribers in the recent money-raising campaign to build and equip Santiam Memorial hospital, according to an announcement made at the area business office.

All who can afford to do so, are urged to pay their contracts in full, instead of on installment plan, for the reason that this will enable the board of directors to enter into contracts for the building and equipping of the hospital.

This request is made for the reason that it is necessary to buy all the hospital equipment before the growing shortage of equipment increases the price or causes a shortage in certain lines.

This request has been made by the equipment and building committees that have been studying the situation, and the extreme importance of raising sufficient funds at present to purchase the equipment while it is available, instead of waiting many months for installment payments on contracts.

Payments may be made by check, or calling at the area business office, 325 E. Ida street, Stayton, which will be open from 8:30 to 5:30 Monday through Saturday; or at the First National bank of Portland, Stayton branch, Stayton, and at Mill City State Bank, Mill City. Official receipts will be given for all payments.

William Konsack Family Suffers Fire Disaster

Idanha—Norman Bowers and children, Florence, Lloyd and Rosalya Bowers were called to Florence, Mont., by the death of his former wife and the mother of the children, who with her husband, William Konsack and two children by this marriage were burned in the fire which consumed their home early last Tuesday morning.

The fire, caused by an exploded oil heater, was discovered by Danny Bowers, 14-year-old son of Norman, who was sleeping in a nearby bunk house, when he awakened to milk the cows.

Surviving Mr. Konsack are his two grown sons, Clayton of Roseburg and Wallace of Clinton, Mont.

Last Thursday "Doc" Kimmel, as chairman of the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce constitutional committee, issued the official call for the canyon-wide organizational meeting held Wednesday in the Santiam Valley Grange hall.

Kimmel keynoted yesterday's canyon-wide conclave when he said, "Think about the entire area and not just about your own. We do not have the habit of thinking about the welfare of the whole North Santiam Canyon, but we must acquire it."

Chairman Kimmel introduced guest speaker Hal Boss, assistant manager of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, before convention action was begun on the proposed North Santiam Chamber of Commerce constitution.

Boss, in his address, developed the idea that a chamber of commerce is an effective medium through which practical judgment is impressed upon community affairs.

Speaker Boss illustrated that a chamber of commerce can develop tourist business and sell the area to prospective business.

Boss favors insuring that all ages have an equal say in a chamber of commerce set-up. He emphasized use of a full or part-time secretary, who—he thinks—can help being a very busy person once the chamber is functioning. He believes in small, hard-working committees in bringing about chamber of commerce objectives.

"Your community has a right to expect the best you have to offer," was Boss's closing reminder.

Following the closing remarks of the guest speaker, the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce constitution was presented for approval. Previous to Wednesday's convention, Sublimity had not been active in the canyon-wide chamber movement.

Representatives of the Sublimity community expressed the desire for official representation on the Canyon chamber. The North Santiam Chamber of Commerce constitution as proposed was amended in harmony with the wishes of Sublimity and as amended on the floor was later approved. The nine communities included in the constitution as adopted are: Idanha, Detroit, Gates, Mill City, Lyons, Elkhorn, Mehama, Stayton, and Sublimity.

Elected as directors of the new North Santiam Chamber of Commerce were: Russell Kelly, R. B. McClain and J. C. Kimmel, Mill City; Merrill Brassfield, Wilson Stevens, Fred Lindemann, Lyons; Russell Wilson, Jack Linglas, Ken Golliet, Mehama; Ike Myers, Jake Myers, Steve Dark, Elkhorn; John Cannon, Ray Johnson, Nolan Rasnick, Detroit; James Nightingale, Fred Hartman, Harman Hassler, Sublimity; and W. N. Simmons.

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Coming Events . . .

MONDAY—
American Legion Auxiliary 3d Mon. Explorer Scouts Legion hall 7:30 p.m. Lions club meeting.

A.F. & A.M. No. 180 stated meeting 3rd Monday.
O.E.S. meeting, 2d Monday month.

TUESDAY—
Chamber of Commerce 2 & 4 noon luncheon.
Lions Auxiliary 4th Tuesday
Women's club 8 p.m. 1st, 3rd Tues.

WEDNESDAY—
Santiam Eagles and auxiliary 8 p.m. at Mill City fire hall.
Santiam Rebekah 166—1st and 3rd Wed. at 8 p.m.
Altar Society meets 3rd Wed.
Mill City PTA meets 2nd Wed.
City council first Wed. 7:30 p.m.

THURSDAY—
Theta Rho Club for Girls, meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays.
Gates PTA 1st Thursday 8 p.m.
American Legion 2d and 4th Thurs.
Garden club fourth Thursday.
Firemen Auxiliary meets 3d Thurs.

FRIDAY—
I.O.O.F. meeting.
Mill City IWA meeting last Friday