

Canyon Avenue Parade



By DON PETERSON

This is the Saturday night you have all been waiting for. You surely haven't forgotten that you have a date at the Mill City fire hall, to attend their annual shin-dig! The fire-eaters brigade are throwing wide the doors for your entertainment and fun—6 p.m., the festivities will start and you can take your choice—bigger and better than ever!

Chief of Police Hunt introduced his new assistant today to his new job of city patrolman. His name is Archie Breneman and he hails from Salem, where he worked as a reserve member of the Salem police force. Patrolman Breneman is married.

The local airport operated by Byron Davis was paid a surprise visit Monday when my son, Don S. Peterson of Silverdale, Wash., accompanied by his instructor, Ralph E. Walker of the Apex Air Park at Silverdale, Wash., flew in on the tail of the wind and rain storm that visited the canyon that day.

After showing them a view of the canyon from the highway and visiting the Detroit dam, Mr. Walker took me up for a view of the city—a view I have wanted for some time. And I can assure you that it is well worth the trip. "The city just doesn't look the same up there!" Silverdale is across the Sound from Seattle, and they flew down here in their Cessna 2-seater in a little over two hours flying time.

Saturday is the last day that nominating petitions for the posts to become vacant in the city council can be filed with the city recorder. Arey Podrabsky and Carl Kelly will finish their terms of office on January 1st. Arey has signified that he does not want to be a candidate again, but it is understood that Carl Kelly is being persuaded to return to his seat.

Petitions for Wm. Hutcheson are being circulated, but at press time I do not know what progress has been made. Bill is well known and should be an excellent man for one position on the council.

Paul Ressler and John Muir are being urged to stand for election and undoubtedly will finally agree to toss in their hats. Many feel that the Marion county side of the city should be represented, so we hope that candidates will accept who do live on this side of the city. If you want representation it is now your duty to urge and support a candidate who will represent you best.

So far as we can learn Gates has not started any action towards calling for a consolidation election of the three school districts of Detroit, Gates, and Mill City. Petitions have been circulated in Detroit and Mill City and sufficient signatures have been secured in these districts. It is hoped that Gates will give the voters a chance to decide what they wish to do about it. We invite letters to the editor discussing any and all views so that everyone can be better informed when time comes to cast their ballot on this matter.

Chief of Police Hunt announced plans for a benefit dance for the police department. The dance will be Dec. 8 in the Mill City fire hall. Bob Fisher's orchestra from Albany has been signed to provide the music. Save a date for this affair—it's an excellent opportunity for an evening's dancing to good music for a worthy cause.

We miss the services this week and some weeks to come, of Arthur Davis, our writer, since he will be in the law offices of Hewitt, Estep & Sorensen, of Salem, assisting during Mr. and Mrs. Hewitt's winter vacation to Florida. Art will come out to visit us each week for a few hours when he can find time and possibly do a little writing.

We would like to suggest that all copy for ads and news be in our office by Tuesday evenings of each week. Late happenings we will always try to take care of to the best of our ability. However, any news should be sent in as early as possible so that we can process it and get the paper out on time.

The Portland school board did right in not allowing the schools to be closed for the visit of Douglas MacArthur. The only valid reason would be to point out to the children that "there goes a man who attained the highest military rank in the country, but who disobeyed his superiors and had to be removed for the good and welfare of the country—one who will rank with Benedict Arnold in American history."

Why should he be feted, when had it been your son or mine who had disobeyed HIM on the field of battle, our boy would have been court-martialed, and forever disgraced. He is no better than your son or mine!

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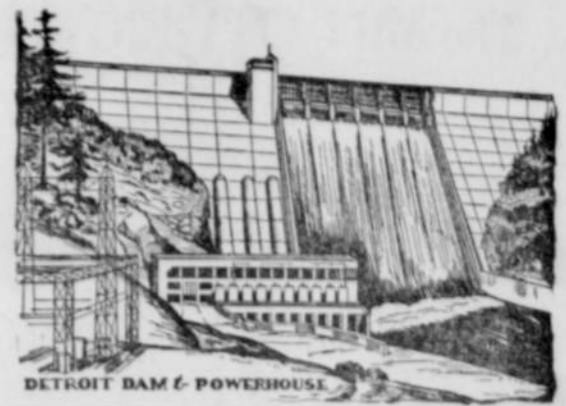
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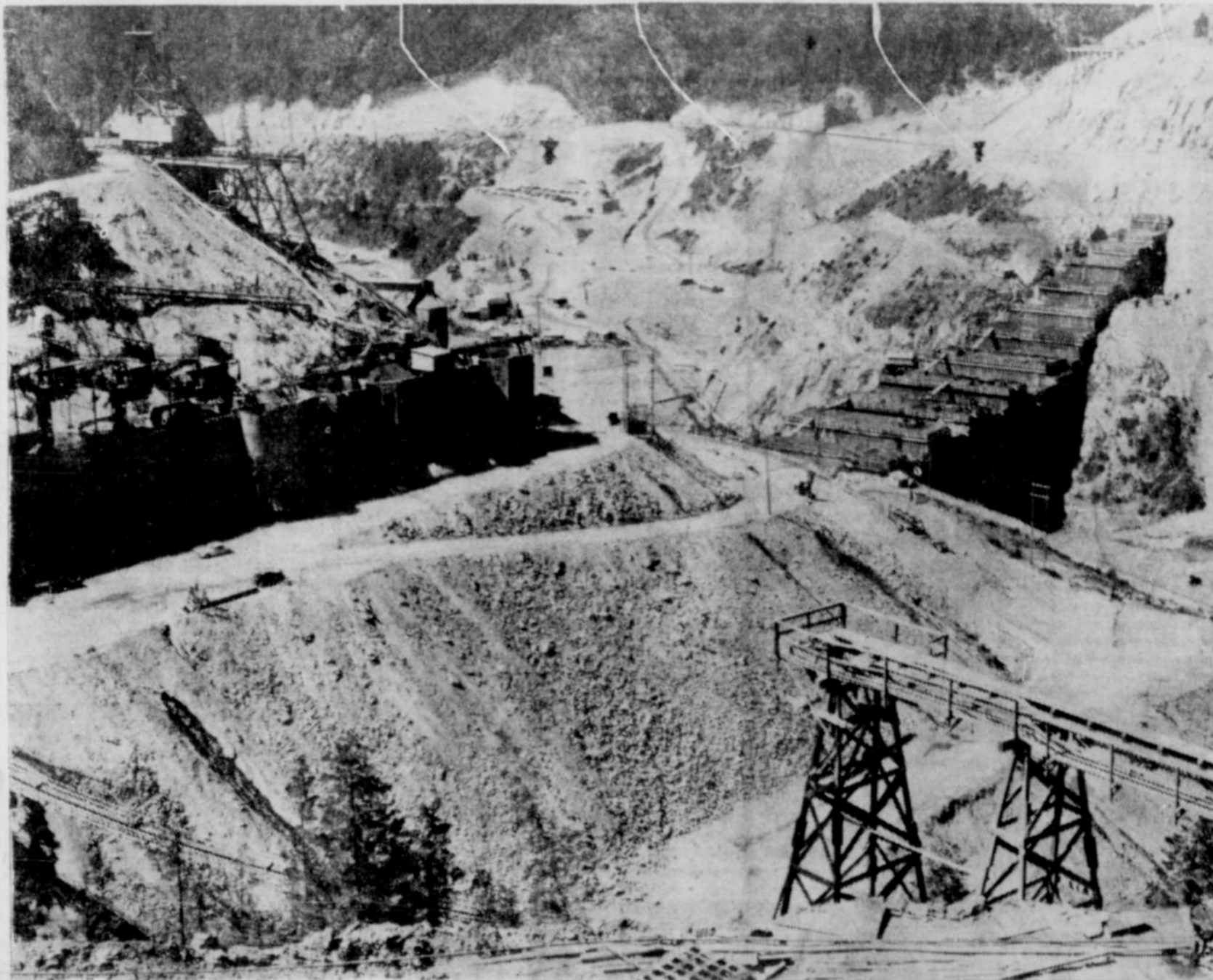
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This excellent view of the "workings" at the Detroit dam is taken from the stone quarry overlooking the storage bins and the raising structure as it appeared several weeks ago. Today the dam is nearing the level of the Santiam highway. In the background. (Photo courtesy of the Albany Democrat-Herald)

School District Consolidation PTA Subject

School reorganization, with special reference to school problems of the Santiam canyon, were explained and discussed by Vernon S. Todd, superintendent of schools, and Burton Boroughs, high school coach, at the regular meeting of P.T.A., Wednesday, November 14th. Mrs. James O'Leary, president of P.T.A. presided over the meeting.

Mr. Todd summarized the Holy report on Oregon education, mentioning the main recommendations, which include unification of small districts into one larger, more efficient and economical district, and the use of present school equipment to the greatest possible extent.

Two Possible Approaches

Mr. Boroughs, who is writing a master's degree thesis on school reorganization in the Santiam canyon, stated that two plans are open to voters in the canyon. One of these would be to form a union high school district, which would have a school board and taxing power of its own, in addition to the present existing districts and boards. This plan is not recommended in the Holy report and is considered by the majority of educators to be inefficient, and is sometimes financially wasteful.

The other alternative available to voters is the unified district. This would do away with present district boards and boundaries, and create a new board of five members, drawing representatives from the entire canyon, and would place all the area now in three school districts into one consolidated district. This new district would then be able to build a new school for all canyon high school students, while the grade school people would continue to use the present buildings and equipment.

Present Facilities Inadequate

All three school districts are working under hardships which would be rectified by adoption of the unified district plan. Detroit must vacate its high school by October of 1952 because the lake will overflow the site. Gates school is crowded. All three high schools are in need of improved facilities for physical education. Mill City grade school at the present time needs two new rooms. There are 73 people on the Mill City school census who will be of age to enter grade school in September, 1953. This fact will mean that at least one more additional room will be needed at that time.

It was pointed out that the canyon situation of three small districts, each maintaining a small high school, is the sort of situation criticized in the Holy report as being economically wasteful.

Both speakers called attention to the fact that while the unified district may mean some financial relief to taxpayers, the primary reason for the unification of the canyon school districts is that the students would be benefited by an enriched program of studies and more adequate facilities.

International Dinner Report

Report on the International dinner served last Thursday evening showed a net profit of \$132.03. The chairman expressed thanks to the following for their efforts in the work that they did: The soup course at the Carl Kelly home, was under the direction of Mrs. Robert Mundt, assisted by Mrs. Roy Walker and Mrs. Melvin Foster, and was served by a group of Girl Scouts in Greek costume.

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Cake Makers Called To Bazaar Affair

Harken! Cake makers have their day! A cake contest is being sponsored by the Gates Woman's club at their bazaar Friday, Nov. 30, in the Gates high school building. The contest is open to any man, lady or teenager in the North Santiam canyon.

Cakes will be judged by men on the basis of how pretty and tasty they are. "Come on and stir up your favorite—be it chocolate, angel food, chiffon or maybe the new "color-vision" cake, you just make it beautiful and tasty and enter it in the bazaar contest!" urged Mrs. Harold Wilson, chairman.

Prizes will be given to the winners in both adult and teenager classes.

Lloyd Dunivan Dies In California City

Friends have received word of the death, Monday morning, Nov. 12, of Lloyd Dunivan, 46, of Bakersfield, Calif., following four months' illness.

Mr. Dunivan was born April 30, 1905, in Winona, Mo., and came to Oregon at the age of nine years with his family, who lived in Albany and later moved to Mill City. His immediate family has resided in Bakersfield for the past six years where he was a cannery owner and manager and a potato broker. He was affiliated with the Christian church.

Surviving are the wife and two children in Bakersfield, Jacqueline, and John and Diane; four sisters, Mrs. Arthur Charles Bates of Silverton, Mrs. Marshall Powell of Independence, Mrs. Lulabel Churchill of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. Erce Wilson of Mehama; one brother, Floyd of Stockton, Calif.

Final rites were scheduled for Thursday of this week.

Coming Events . . .

MONDAY—
American Legion Auxiliary 3d Mon. Lions club meeting.
A.F. & A.M. No. 150 stated meeting third Monday.
O.E.S. meeting, 2d Monday month.

TUESDAY—
Riders of the Santiam, 1st Tuesday Chamber of Commerce 2 & 4 noon luncheon.
Lions Auxiliary 4th Tuesday Women's club 2 p.m. 1st, 3rd Tues. 129-J School Board meeting 2d Tues

WEDNESDAY—
Boy Scouts, 7:30, H. S. Recreation Santiam Eagles and auxiliary 8 p.m. at Mill City fire hall.
Santiam Rebekah 166—1st and 3rd Wed. at 8 p.m.
City council first Wed. 7:30 p.m.
AAR Society 3d Wednesday 8 p.m.

THURSDAY—
Theta Rho Club for Girls, meets 2d and 4th Thursdays.
Gates PTA 1st Thursday 8 p.m.
American Legion 2d and 4th Thurs. Garden club fourth Thursday.
Firemen Auxiliary meets 3d Thurs. Toastmistress Club, 2d & 4th, 7 p.m.

FRIDAY—
I.O.O.F. meeting.
Mill City IWA meeting last Friday
Farmers Union meeting at Mehama
Woman's club, 2nd

Liquor Control Issues Policy Statement

At its November 9 meeting, the Oregon liquor control commission adopted the following statement of policy:

"In view of the uncertainty which appears to exist as to whether or not amusement devices are permissible under the Knox Law in premises licensed by the Oregon Liquor Control Commission feels that its policy should be made clear and all uncertainty removed for the benefit of all who may be concerned.

"From the time the Knox Law was enacted, over 18 years ago, pool, billiards, bowling, card games and some other forms of amusement and amusement devices have never been regarded by either the Commission or by law enforcement agencies as being prohibited under the Knox Law. This long course of administrative interpretation has been with the full knowledge and acquiescence of the legislature, which has met each biennium since the Knox Law was enacted. Because of this, the Commission feels that if a change is considered necessary, such change should be accomplished by specific action of the legislature.

"Some of these amusement devices may be used for gambling, in violation of state law. Such use can not be sanctioned on any premises licensed by the Commission. The Commission (Continued on Page 8)

Local Legion Auxiliary Sponsors Essay Contest

Mill City American Legion auxiliary will again sponsor the annual Americanism essay contest, according to auxiliary president, Mrs. Tearly Muir. Separate contests will be held for the grade and high schools of Mill City.

Mrs. Arthur Chase, auxiliary publicity chairman, announced today that the American Legion auxiliary will meet at the home of Mrs. Ledora Kelly, at 8 p.m., Monday, Nov. 19.

President Muir cautioned that auxiliary membership dues are now payable. "The next meeting is a good time for paying them", Mrs. Muir said.

Wm. Ransom Killed On Santiam Highway

Lyons—William Thomas Ransom, 82, died of injuries suffered when struck by an auto here about 6:40 p.m. today (Thursday).

State Patrolman Byron Hazelton said Ransom apparently was walking along the edge of the pavement on highway 222 at the east boundary of Lyons. Driver of the auto, traveling west, was listed as Franklin C. Coryell of Mill City. He was not held, Hazelton said.

Ransom had been residing at Lyons about 10 years. Survivors include a son, George Ransom, Coquille; nephew, Wayne Ransom, Mill City; a daughter in Corvallis and two sisters.

Charles Kelly New Local Scoutmaster

The Boy Scout troop No. 49 committee announce that Charles Kelly, our genial postmaster, has taken on the duties of scoutmaster and reports that he still has plenty of room for more boys who want to be Scouts. Scoutmaster Kelly reports the boys are getting lined out in good shape after a rough start.

Any boy eleven years old regardless of race, creed or color is welcome to come and join. The troop committee has announced that the boy who brings in the most new boys will be awarded a piece of scout equipment as a prize. The contest is to run for one month.

Scout meetings are held in the high school recreation room at 7:30 every Wednesday evening and closes promptly at 9 p.m. Mr. Kelly announced the following leaders working at their various duties: Richard Verbeck, junior assistant scoutmaster; Richard Lovell, troop scribe; John Taylor, senior patrol leader, with the boys working in three patrols with Don Lempe as patrol leader for the "Flaming Arrows"; Greg Peterson for the "Beavers"; and Maurie Bassett for the "Eagle" patrol.

The scout committee consists of M. G. Rambo, chairman; Jhuo Johnson, Clyde Golden, H. I. Plymale, Bill Tenl, Howard Bair, and Don Peterson. The committee urges all parents to come out and visit the meetings at any time. There is room for more "helpers" at all times. You are cordially invited to attend.

Wildlife Emblem Now Available

The conservation emblem of the Oregon Wildlife federation for the current year will be making its appearance locally within the next few days.

John M. Hayes, Westlake, the federation's emblem chairman, reports that the new sticker is being mailed to a large group of conservationists of this community. Persons whose names are not now on the federation's mailing list may obtain emblems by submitting name and address to the nearest sports club, or mailing requests to federation officers.

"The federation's emblem—a sticker which may be attached to automobile, store or home window, or similar surface—is the badge of the Oregonian interested in the vital problem of conservation of natural resources," said Hayes. "Possession indicates that the exhibitor has a direct personal interest in the resources of forest, soil, water and wildlife."

The federation's mailing list, Hayes explained, is limited and not all true sportsmen are being reached. It is hoped that names of interested persons can be added from year to year.

Recipients of the emblem are asked by the federation to make voluntary contribution to the program supported by the state organization. The federation has no paid officers, and all funds received are used in natural resources activities. Among these activities are co-operation with the State Sanitary authority to stop stream pollution and soil erosion, ef-

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Well-Child Confab Scheduled Nov. 20

The regular session of the Marion county well-child conference for preschool children will be held, Tuesday, Nov. 20, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Mill City grade school building.

Appointments for this conference may be made with Mrs. John Muir, phone 2222 or contact Mrs. Muir at Muir's Bakery.

Those in the Gates area interested in this well-child conference may make their appointments with Mrs. K. W. Martig, phone 5842; and Detroit appointments with Mrs. J. R. Haseman, phone 3984.

7th Annual Firemen's Benefit Dance - Mill City Fire Hall - Sat., Nov. 17, 6 pm