

# Canyon Avenue Parade



By DON PETERSON

Many of the citizens of the canyon were excited last week on Thursday afternoon when they observed an object overhead that at first caused many to believe they were looking at a "flying saucer". Our editorial discussing "conscience saucers" was written on Wednesday before this object appeared, and had no connection whatever. We are informed that the object was observed over Mill City at about 1:30 p.m. and later over Gates, was a weather balloon carrying instruments for weather observations, and is approximately 24 feet in diameter.

The Gates Community church has requested us to announce that their box social planned for this Saturday evening has been indefinitely postponed on account of the basketball tournament going on in Stayton this weekend. A new date will be announced later.

The American Legion hall renovation and remodeling program is nearly completed according to officials of the organization. Cooking facilities and rest rooms have been added so that public dances and affairs can be held in the hall. Plans are being made for a full round of activities to make use of the new quarters, and an open house date will soon be set for all to come and inspect the building and its facilities. The hall will be available for rental to interested parties and organizations as soon as it is ready.

Music lovers of the Willamette valley are given the opportunity of a rare experience when William Warfield, baritone, appears on the state of the Salem high school auditorium next Wednesday, March 5 at 8:30. Many will remember him from the "Old Man River" role of the technical version of "Showboat" when it appeared at the Mill City theatre last November. This is the last of the distinguished artists to appear this season.

Spring is again making another attempt and these days are almost unbearable to remain indoors and do the various chores we must do. Spring fever will soon be taking its annual toll!

The Silver Saddle service station operated by Frank Hunter has been treated to some remodeling and Frank has added a new line of tires and spark plugs for the service of his customers. He invites all his friends to drop by and look 'em over.

Hunter believes in keeping up his end of building a finer and better Mill City. He continues to paint up, fix up and stock up better and better his Silver Saddle service station. Those who drop in at the Silver Saddle can not help but be impressed with the nice display Hunter has rigged up which shows off his bright shiny auto accessories to full advantage.

Paul Smith, Mill City's famous walking man, has again come through with results, which never fail to amaze his many friends. He has gathered up in the past year many pieces of rock from a radius of 25 miles of Mill City and is making a display in the Mill City jewelry show-window for all to inspect. His display will contain an ounce of gold, some samples of rock containing gold, silver, lead, zinc, sulphite, and various other metals found in the area. Smith says about 25% of the samples were picked in the canyon, and the balance in the Quartzville country southeast of Mill City.

This week I received a copy of the Bonneville Power Administration's report on the Columbia River Power System for 1951. There is a lot of valuable information in this report and in the letter of transmittal to (Continued on Page 8)

## Coming Events . . .

- MONDAY—**  
American Legion Auxiliary 3d Mon. Lions club meeting.  
A.F. & A.M. No. 180 stated meeting third Monday.  
O.E.S. meeting, 2d Monday month.
- TUESDAY—**  
Women's club 8 p.m. 1st, 3rd Tues.  
129-J School Board meeting 2d Tues.  
Riders of the Santiam, 1st Tuesday  
Lions Auxiliary 4th Tuesday.
- WEDNESDAY—**  
Boy Scouts, 7:30, H. S. Recreation  
City council first Wed. 7:30 p.m.  
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 3d Wednesday 8 p.m.  
PTA, second 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

# THE MILL CITY ENTERPRISE

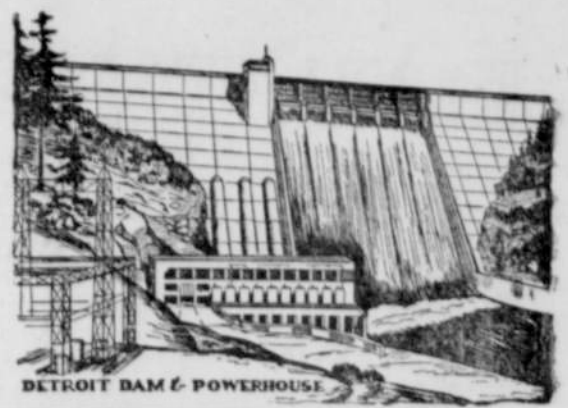
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## Boy Scouts Hold Court of Honor

The second court of honor for Mill City Scout Troop No. 49 held the North Santiam canyon spotlight Wednesday night at the Mill City high school auditorium. Charles Kelly, scoutmaster supervised the honorary meet.

Clarke A. Lethin, field Scout executive, Marion county district, assisted with the program, coming from his Albany headquarters for the evening.

As a part of the court of honor proceedings awards and advancements in the Scouting world were made. Parents and Scout committees made the presentations. Tenderfoot rate was given to Gary Bevier. Second class status was awarded to Ray A. Steiner, Jr., Bruce C. Thomas, Lahny Podrabsky, Terrence Muir, John W. Roten, LaVerne Whaley, and Rodney Goble.

Richard Lovell was made a first class Scout. Merit badges were presented to Richard Lovell—home repairs and reading; Arthur Cox—home repairs, safety and poultry keeping; George Rambo—carpentry, and home repairs; Gregory Peterson—home repairs; Maurice Bassett—home study, music and scholarship; and Richard Ziebert—poultry raising and safety.

Richard Verbeck was announced as being one merit badge away from that coveted goal, Eagle Scout; he must yet win his civic merit badge. Vernon Todd presented the first class badge to Richard Lovell. Ed Cooke, Irl Pymale, Jhuu Johnson and Mel Rambo, scout committee members, presented the awards.

New scouts invested into Mill City Troop No. 49 were David Lee Jones, Davis Jennings, Billy Hedge and Duane Neissess. A candle-lighting ceremony was carried out by Loren Dart, Greg Peterson, Maurice Bassett, Richard Verbeck and Donald Lemke.

The purpose of this advancement program of Scouting is to develop good citizens in the home, community and nation.

## Gates Resident See Mysterious Balloon

Gates—The editorial in last week's Enterprise had much to say about "flying saucers". The editor failed completely, however to mention that fact that residents of Gates had told him of the presence of a strange object hovering in the sky above town, all afternoon Thursday of last week. When first observed "it" was at a very high altitude, slightly north and west. It seemed to remain stationary. Later, just before dusk, it had moved a small distance to the west. Every binocular and opera glass in town was in use as the curious craned their necks and strained their eyes to get a better view of the "thing". It was not a flying saucer—it didn't fly. It was not shaped like a saucer but seemed to be a huge round ball of some transparent substance that glistened in the sunlight. Later in the afternoon it reflected the rays of the setting sun with a rosy glow.

We don't know what it was but we are dead sure it wasn't a "conscience saucer". We Gatesites all have clear consciences—we keep 'em inside of us—don't let 'em go sailing off into the void.



## There's Gold In Your Farm Woodlot

No. 1 (First of a series of six articles on second-growth forests as a cash crop, prepared by private, state and federal forest agencies)

Can you afford to grow a crop of trees on your land? Can you make more money in trees than in grass pasture or other crops? The answer may be a resounding YES to both questions, if your land is best suited to forest growth.

Oregon and Washington are full of case histories of hopeful settlers who went against nature and tried to convert forest land into crop land. Reason for failure in most cases, so expert soil men tell us, is that forest lands generally lack some vital mineral and food elements which farm crops require. Trees will grow well on this land which is best suited for a forest crop.

How much can I make off my forest land? Take the typical case of the Snohomish County farmer in Washington who has made his 60 acres of woodland pay well. In 1940 he began managing his second-growth timber. Since that time he has taken off a total of approximately \$1,500 in cash from timber sales, plus 160 cords of fuel for home use, materials for a new barn, including a cedar shake roof, and enough fence posts for a mile of fence. This amounted to \$6.60 an acre from his woodland each year; \$2.77 in cash plus an estimated \$3.83 in fence posts, fuelwood and building materials. He estimated that it has cost him about 42 cents

per acre per year for taxes, fire protection, interest on his investment and general costs. He still has his forest in excellent condition.

How can you manage a second-growth forest for permanent income? You can sell some products right along as the forest is growing. Thinnings may yield pulpwood, cedar poles, alder and maple bolts, Douglas fir poles and piling and fuelwood. The Snohomish farmer discovered that his woodlands had increased in value about 500 per cent from 1940 to 1949 because of the increased volume due to faster growth after thinning, proper care of his forest and increased value of his growing timber. A bonus for good husbandry.

Do you have to wait 50 to 100 years to get a harvest? No. You can sell some products right along while the young trees are growing into saw logs. The secret of getting the most out of your farm woodlot is to make numerous small harvests at the right time and in the right way. You will then keep healthy growing trees on your land which are making money for you each year of growth. Next week we'll look at a typical young forest with critical eye.

(For more particulars write your State Forester at Olympia, Washington or Salem, Oregon for your free copy of "YOUR TREES—A CROP," how to grow and harvest them in the Douglas fir region.)

## Management, Told Of Woodlots Care

"There's gold in your farm woodlot". That is the title of a series of six well-illustrated articles, the first of which appears in this newspaper today, and each subsequent week until April 3rd.

This is the story of farm woodlots and how to manage them to make them pay you money. There are hundreds of these forest plots in our county. They average 40 acres to every farm. There are 50,046 farms in western Oregon and Washington containing 2,000,000 acres of forests.

Foresters from private, state and federal agencies have worked up a co-operative program as a second-growth management committee to develop a simple, but sound method of managing these woodlands to make them profitable for the farm owner.

We believe these to be worthwhile and timely articles and offer them as a public service to our readers.

## Immunization Clinic Scheduled March 4

The appointment of Mrs. Lee Owens as well-child conference chairman for the Mill City area has been announced by Mrs. Robert Wingo, general health chairman for the area. Mrs. Owens will succeed Mrs. John Muir who has resigned.

Well-child conferences, nursing conferences, and immunization clinics are sponsored by the Marion county health department in co-operation with local citizens groups who do the local planning and assist with clinics.

The Mill City area serves Mill City, Gates, Detroit, and Idanha. The local chairman for Gates is Mrs. K. W. Martig and for the Detroit-Idanha area is Mrs. R. C. Haseman.

The next well-child conference will be held at the Mill City elementary school, March 18. Appointments may be made with Mrs. John Muir at Muir's bakery or with the local chairman.

The next immunization clinic and nursing conference will be held March 4 from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. Appointments for this clinic should be with Mrs. Muir also.

## Masons-Eastern Stars Hold Annual Dinner

Carload after carload of Masons and Eastern Star members came to and unloaded at the Mill City IOOF hall Saturday night. The occasion was the annual dinner of the Masons-Eastern Star organizations. A record crowd of 160 attended the banquet served by the Mill City 3-Links club.

Rev. Merton Booth, pastor of the Presbyterian church of Albany, was the guest speaker for the evening. He was introduced by Jimmie Barton, toastmaster. Barton also introduced Burt Smith, worshipful master of the Mill City Lodge No. 180, A.F. & A.M. Presented to the annual dinner guests were Mrs. Hallie Toman, worthy matron, and Wilson Stevens, worthy patron, of Marilyn Chapter No. 145, O. E. S. The arrangements for the mass fraternal banquet were under the direction and supervision of W. B. Shuey.

## BPA Power Sales Set New Record For Fiscal Year

Power sales exceeding 15 billion kilowatt hours boosted Bonneville power administration revenues to a new high of \$36,189,028 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951, a gain of about 16 percent over the previous year. Generally favorable water conditions, installation of last scheduled generator units at Grand Coulee and heavy defense power demands contributed to a record year, according to the administration's 1951 annual report, just issued.

## Cpl. James E. Harmon Last Rites Saturday

The James Edward Harmon last rites will be observed Saturday March 1 at 2 p.m. at the Mill City First Christian church. Harmon was killed in Korea, October 16, 1951. He was born in Wyoming, Sept. 19, 1916. Cpl. Harmon served in Company E, 21st Regiment, 24th Division. The Mt. Angel American Legion post firing squad will carry out the military honors attending this ceremony.

Cpl. James E. Harmon is survived by his mother, Mrs. C. A. Harmon, Salem; sisters, Mrs. Pearl Oliver, Lyons; Mrs. Helen Gratzner, Moorcraft, Wyo.; Mrs. Francis Tibbets, Stayton; Mrs. Ruth Arthur, Newcastle, Wyo.; Mrs. Phyllis Goodwin, Mill City, and Miss Cora Lee Harmon, Salem; brothers, William Frederick Harmon, Belleflower, Calif.; Thomas Harmon, Salem; Harry C. Harmon, Lyons, and John R. Harmon, Remer, Minn.

Proper military ceremony will attend the interment at Fairview cemetery near Gates. Commander John Muir of the Mill City American Legion post asks that all possible members notify him they will be present and in uniform for this military funeral.

## Idanha Residents Suffer Injuries

Frank Sheppard of Idanha suffered neck and back injuries early Sunday morning as a result of the car, in which he was riding, turning over near Fox Valley school building on highway 222. Mill City ambulance, driven by Chief of Police Kenneth Hunt, took Sheppard to the Salem Memorial hospital.

Besides the neck and back injuries, Sheppard had arm and face lacerations. Other passengers and the driver of the car received multiple cuts and bruises, but not severe enough for their being hospitalized. Sheppard is employed by the Idanha lumber company in Idanha.

Driver of the car in which Sheppard was riding was George Barney, Jr. Barney works for the Pamela lumber company, as does also Don Poepfer of Idanha. Other passengers in the car, but reportedly not seriously injured, were Mrs. Don Poepfer and W. T. Sellers, Idanha.

## Cub Pack Celebrates First Anniversary

The first anniversary celebration of Mill City Cub Pack No. 84 will take place in the Mill City Odd Fellows hall, Sunday, March 2, at 3 p.m. The blue and gold birthday dinner is for all Cubs and their families. Coupled with the first anniversary celebration will be recognition of the February birthday of Scouting itself.

Mrs. James O'Leary, president of the Mill City PTA, the Cub Scouts' sponsor, will be an honor guest at the Cub Scouts' first anniversary banquet.

A committee meeting was held at the home of Ray Steiner, cubmaster. Last minute details of the coming pack meeting were settled and a discussion was held regarding the March pack meet slated for the last Monday in March.

A committee interested in promoting Cub Scouting in Stayton will be present in Mill City for the March pack meeting. Stayton is contemplating formation of a Cub pack.

Those present for the committee meeting in the Steiner home were Eldon Lents, Cub chairman; Ray Steiner, cubmaster; Ken Siler, Harry Dyhrman, Charles Harman, and Bill Tickle, committeemen. Den mothers and their assistants attending the meet were Mrs. Eldon Lents, Mrs. Harvey Hautaula, Mrs. Dudley Foster, Mrs. Joe McNealy, Mrs. Wm. Tickle, Mrs. Frank Dell, and Mrs. Leo Lemke.

Refreshments were served by Mrs. Ray Steiner.

Expansion of defense industries following outbreak of Korean hostilities represented a substantial part of increased gross revenues with aluminum and other industries accounting for 47.8 percent of total revenues. Publicly owned utilities accounted for 27.5, privately owned utilities, 23.5, and other sales 1.2 percent.

**22% Gain After Expenses**  
Net revenues of \$14,495,552, after expenses, depreciation and interest, represent a gain of nearly 22 percent over the previous year. Surplus net revenues since beginning of operations totaled \$69,139,613 as of June 30, 1951.

Cumulative cash receipts of the Columbia river power system allocated to power as of June 30, 1951 totaled \$216,078,233, reducing the federal investment of \$583,245,075 to an unpaid balance of \$368,429,456 on a cost accounting basis, after transferring \$1,262,604 to the continuing fund. Capital repayments on the power system were 161 percent in excess of scheduled requirements.

Transmission facilities completed during the fiscal year made the federal Columbia river system one of the largest high voltage power grids in the world with 4,370 circuit miles of transmission line and 123 substations serving portions of four north-west states. Major additions to the administration's facilities brought relief to most serious power-deficit areas of Puget Sound, Longview-Vancouver-Portland and southwest Oregon load centers. Fiscal year grid additions totaled 330 circuit miles of high voltage lines and 15 substations.

Administrator Paul J. Raver in a transmittal letter to interior secretary, indicated the Pacific Northwest remains woefully short of generation, as pointedly illustrated in the recent September critical stream flows and brief curtailment of interruptible loads.

**Northwest Needs More Power**  
"Because of the essentiality of making as full use as possible of Pacific Northwest hydro-electric potentialities, Bonneville power administration last spring made specific recommendations to the defense electric power administration through which 200,000 kilowatts of federal capacity and 1,000,000 kilowatts of non-federal capacity and 1,000,000 kilowatts of non-federal capacity might be installed within a period of 36 months, and 780,000 additional kilowatts of federal capacity with a period of 60 months," Raver said.

Strongly advocated as a further means of alleviating the situation, the administration recommended installation of 400,000 kilowatts of fuel fired generation to firm an equal amount of interruptible power, and tie lines to California and Idaho to firm an additional 220,000 kilowatts of interruptible power.

Important power developments since close of the fiscal year were reported as the five-year contracts between all major Pacific Northwest private utilities and the administration, approved October 31, establishment of a northwest area office of the defense electric power administration as a result of critical September water conditions with threats of serious power curtailment, and experimental cloud seeding in the upper Columbia river basin.

Bonneville power administration was designated a national defense agency in December, recognizing the importance of federal programs of hydro-electric generation and transmission in the Pacific northwest to the nation's security.

## Boy Scouts Paper Drive This Sunday, March 2

Scoutmaster Chas. Kelly announced today that his boys will have trucks available for a concerted paper drive this Sunday afternoon at 1:30 p.m., March 2.

The boys request that paper be tied in bundles and placed on your porch by 1:30 p.m. and that the paper should be sorted, that is, newspapers tied separately from magazines.

Money earned from this drive will go into the Boy Scout fund for camp and building improvements.



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## G. A. A. Cooked Food Sale, Sat., March 1