

Canyon Avenue Parade



By DON PETERSON

The voters of Detroit-Idanha and Gates decisively voted down the proposition before them—that is consolidation with the Mill City school district. Mill City voters turned out solidly in support of consolidation by about the same majority. Detroit voters voted 3 to 1 against and Gates about 5 to 1 against, while Mill City cast about a 5 to 1 vote in favor.

The voters have spoken and the decision rests, only the students will suffer for lack of poor schools operated below standards.

ONLY 10 DAYS LEFT in which to register for the Oregon primaries, so don't postpone it any longer. On the Marion county side here in Mill City you have two registrars, Mrs. C. M. Cline, at her home on NE Alder and Third streets, and here at the newspaper office. On the Linn county side Mr. and Mrs. Charles Umphress at Chuck's Shoe Repair shop are registrars and will gladly see that you are properly registered.

REMEMBER ONLY 10 days left!

Paul Smith has completed cleaning up the Fairview cemetery and is hanging a new gate and repairing the fence to keep livestock out and keep the cemetery in clean condition. The trustees have opened up another acre of ground for burial plots and they are hiring a bulldozer to do a little leveling and landscaping before use. You are invited to visit the cemetery at any time. Paul is proud of his appearance and the people owe him a vote of thanks for all the work and effort he has put in.

The Mill City tavern is keeping tab on the days left until the opening of the regular fishing season. 16 days to go, I believe it says down there.

The grocery survey seems to be ringing the bell in many homes in Mill City. We intend to do our best to inform the public in this survey so that housewives may have a little information regarding the prices that food can be purchased from the various stores in our community.

This week's survey reflects a leveling off of prices in the city and an attempt on the part of one at least to undercut the other stores. Publicity is a sensitive spot.

If these non-advertisers are trying to force the newspaper out of business because of lack of support then I shall feel no sympathy for them when their customers leave and travel to neighboring cities to do their shopping. That statement fits other business as well as the grocers. You have only to examine The Enterprise to find out who supports this newspaper. I only want fair treatment, but when month after month goes by without any advertising when their business and finances are such that they can and should support the local newspaper, then I get hostile and am ready for a show-down.

I said last week that I would like to hire help to put up this paper. I am working too many long hours alone to get the work done. I cannot keep it up many more months so I have decided to do something about it. I believe when the public knows the truth they will act. The response I have received in letters to the editor this week show that to be true.

I have received one letter unsigned that I would like to print, but can only use a part from it until the writer or writers come forward and sign the letter. I will withhold any names from publicity if that is desired, but I must have a signed letter in my files. The letter I received says in part: "Hooray for Don Peterson! He has had the spunk and nerve to publish a grocery survey of the local grocery stores. Thanks Don, and we will be watching for results of same from time to time."

"This letter is a combination of thoughts of Mill City housewives who have to go by car or walk from grocery store to another, when it could be done with an ad in The Enterprise. We all feel the same on the subject, namely in the slang expression, 'We are being Took'."

"Keep up the good work Mr. Peterson. We are all for you. We would like to sign our names to this, but it would take up too much room in your paper."

I would like to print the letter in full, and hope the writer will come in to sign it. We shall be happy to withhold any writer's name.

DRIVING HOPEFULS — NOTE
A drivers license examiner will be on duty in Mill City, Thursday, April 10, 1952, at the Fire hall between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m. according to an announcement received from the Secretary of State's office.

Persons wishing licenses or permits to drive are asked to get in touch with the examiner well ahead of the scheduled closing hour in order to assure completion of their applications with a minimum of delay.

THE MILL CITY ENTERPRISE

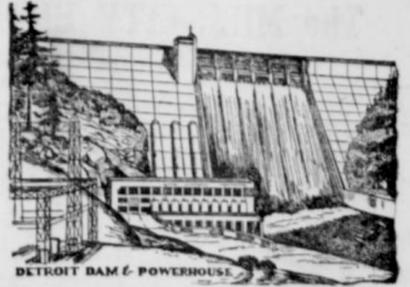
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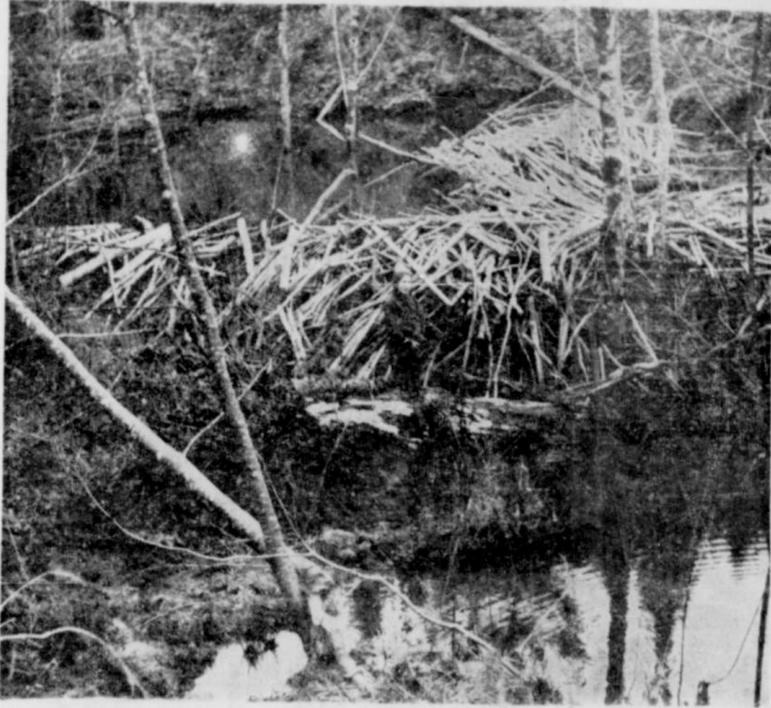
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Here's Beaver Version of Detroit Dam



MEHAMA—The dam pictured above, located a few miles from massive Detroit Dam, was built by beavers. Boy standing in center indicates size of the dam which is located on a nameless creek east of Mehama. (Statesman Photo by Jean Roberts.)

'Snow White' Color Work for Small-Fry

Mill City theatre and Mill City Appliance store have sounded the call for artist competition among the small-fry. It was announced this week that another of the popular coloring contests is underway. This newest crayon event was inspired by the forthcoming showing of "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs", April 24, 25, and 26.

Three drawings will be colored. The first drawing appears this week in The Enterprise on page 8. The second drawing will be printed in this newspaper next week and the third drawing the week following, or April 17.

All three sketches must be colored and submitted to the Mill City Appliance store or to the theatre not later than Thursday, April 24. Winners will be announced from the Mill City theatre stage during the matinee, April 26. Two sets of prizes will be awarded—one for entrants up to seven years of age, and one for those over seven.

All prizes are being donated by the Mill City Appliance store, co-sponsor of the color contest. The Mill City Appliance store is celebrating the showing of the new "Snow White" Bendix automatic washer now on display in the store and the theatre lobby.

Bob Veness, manager of the Mill City theatre, urges all children in the canyon to enter the competition. "We do not expect perfection. Judging will be based on neatness, and especially on how completely the pictures are colored. In the past some entries had to be rejected because some important part, such as a face, was not completed. In all cases, the age of the contestant will be considered. Contestants should put their names and ages on submitted entries."

Coming Events . . .

MONDAY—

American Legion Auxiliary 3d Mon. Lions club meeting.
A.P. & 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.
Lions Auxiliary 4th Tuesday

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.
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

Canyon Redi-Mix Firm Sells To Barnhardt

A. T. Barnhardt, Gates general contractor and builder, has purchased Marion County Redi-Mix, a branch of the Mt. Angel Redi-Mix firm operated by Al Bochsler and Frances Lulay. The name of this business formerly was "Santiam Redi-Mix".

Mr. Barnhardt, came to the canyon three years ago and since has built a number of buildings including the Meander Inn, Gates Furniture Store, Gates Automatic Laundry, Hill Top Locker plant and several improvements at the Gates school.

Mr. Barnhardt expects to better serve the canyon area with the new enterprise in his future construction work.

Hoover Praised Fall Teapot Dome Figure

Secretary of Agriculture Charles F. Brannan pointed out in a recent speech that former Pres. Herbert Hoover, who now is talking about morals in Washington, praised Albert Fall, one of the key figures in the Teapot Dome scandals.

"Only this week Herbert Hoover expressed deep concern about the moral atmosphere in Washington today—the same Herbert Hoover who sat in the cabinet of Warren Harding along with Albert Fall and Harry Dougherty and didn't utter a word," Brannan said in an address at the Washington day dinner in Topeka.

"Fall and Dougherty were the guilty parties in the Republican Teapot Dome Scandals in which they profited to the tune of hundreds of thousands of dollars delivered in little black satchels. Yet only eight days after Fall's hasty resignation from the Interior department, this is what Hoover wrote him:

"In my recollection, that Department has never had so constructive and legal a headship as you gave it. I trust the time will come when your private affairs will enable you to return to public life."

"This is the man who now casts doubt on the moral fiber of public employees."

Saturday, March 29 Grocery Survey

The following is a comparison of grocery prices in Mill City as found Saturday, March 29. In some cases the article is not carried in stock in the brand or size that the other stores carry the article, therefore the price is omitted. In the case of meats, grades and packaging may make a difference in price, and we cannot identify the grade sold more accurately than is here used. The meats in Ressler's, Red and White, and Hill Top are packaged and priced by Kliever.

	Stewart	Kellom	R&W	Ressler	MCMeat	Hilltop
Oleo, Nucoa, lb.	.27	.31	.31	.31	.29	.31
New Potatoes, bulk, 2 lbs.	.19			.19	.25	.20
Tomatoes, Elsinore, 2½		-.30		.28	.31	.29
Tomatoes, Red and White, 2½			.33			
Cheerios, 10½ oz.	.23		.26	.24	.25	.25
Coffee, standard brands, 2 lbs.	1.77	1.77	1.77	1.80	1.77	
1 lb.	.89	.89	.89	.91	.89	
Del Monte Pineapple Tidbits		.33				.32
Campbell's Chicken Soup	.18	.19	.19	2/35	.18	.18
Soap Powders, Duz, large size.	.27	.31	.32		.32	.31
White Star Bite Size Tuna, ½		.35	.35	.35		.35
Bolled Ham, lb.	1.20	1.00	1.20	1.20	.90	1.20

Amateur Show Sifts Mill City Talent

Amateur Show aspirants came un-Six acts auditioned for position in the Lions club membership, Monday night following the club's dinner in the Presbyterian recreation hall in Mill City. Six acts auditioned for position on the Amateur Show, Thursday night, April 17, in the Mill City theatre.

Beverly Walker and Johnny Kelly presented the "soft shoe tap dance" in song; Georgia Kendler gave a piano solo; Carol and Shirley Veness did a novelty number in tap and magic; Dale Andreasson, accompanied on the piano by his sister, Carol, presented a horn solo; Shirley Lawson, accompanied on the piano by her father, sang.

Lawson also provided the background music for a song and baton twirling act by Virginia Bilyeu. A large crowd is expected for the fourth annual Amateur Show, Thursday, April 17, since a fine variety of talent promises excellent entertainment.

Stanley Chance Takes Over Gates Union Station

Stanley Chance was announced this week as the new owner of Gates Union Station by George Mielke. Chance worked for sometime for Hill Top General store and recently has been engaged in the operation of Gates Union service station.

Mielke stated, "I wish to thank my many friends for their past patronage, and assure them continued courteous and efficient service by Mr. Chance."

Gates Union Station is the first Gates business place that meets the eye when driving towards Gates from Detroit dam.

MARINE RECRUITING OFFICE

A Marine recruiting sergeant from the Salem office will be at the post office in Mill City every Friday afternoon.

He will interview young men and women interested in the Marine Corps. The Salem office is now located in Room 221, post office building, Salem.

Council Considers Charter Amendments Tuesday Eve

Two big items vied for the attention of the Mill City council, Wednesday night in its first session in the Mill City American Legion hall. That problem of Mill City's "ghost street" assumed vim and vigor when a petition signed by 40 signees was plopped onto the council table. The petition recites a desire that the "ghost street" be made into a "two-way street". Second big headache for the council was the matter of amending the corporate charter of Mill City. Pressure is being put for election of city recorder, municipal judge and mayor. These offices are now appointive.

Junior Class Play Scheduled April 10

The annual Junior Class play is being presented on April 10, this year at 8 p.m. in the Mill City high school auditorium. "Nuts and Bolts" is a farce in three acts by Jay Tobias which is sure to keep you laughing as you follow the plot through all three acts.

It is late spring at a health resort somewhere in Missouri as Act I opens in the living room of the Bolt mansion owned by the mercenary Rebecca Bolt. Miss Bolt has turned her late brother's old house into a mental hospital for patients with minor phobias and ailments. The suspense of each succeeding event keeps you ever watchful to go along with Miss Bolt and her mental patients on this hilarious journey. Each act leads you up to the hilarious climax in the third act.

Benita Bolt, the young girl of nineteen who wants to get married, is Joan Johnson, whose marriage can not take place for two years without the consent of her money-hogging aunt, Rebecca Bolt, played by Pat Brown. Rebecca Bolt is the manager of the Bolt Sanitarium for Mental Hygiene and carries over from her youth a wishful love for an old sweetheart of hers, Cadwalleder Clippy, played by Philip Goble. Mr. Clippy has a horrible fear of cats which Miss Prunella Figg, played by Donna Nelson, is always taking advantage of and meowing like a cat to frighten him. Lutie Spinks, the maid who winks, is Beryl Mason, whose hatred of men keeps her on the run. The cook, Martha Grubb, is portrayed by Lynn Waite, who is a melancholic that believes in carrying out the wishes of the dead. Twink Starr, played by Lyle Fleetwood, is Benita's fiancé, with delusions of grandeur and whom you will agree is quite dramatic. Dick Williams plays the part of Dr. Hippocrates Joy, a psychiatrist and author of the "Joy Book" which is Rebecca Bolt's basis for her mental institution. Henry Goober, is Bill Huffman, the negro porter who is afraid of lunatics. Dorothy Downer is Mrs. Gertie Glossop, the patient who fears contamination. (Why it's dangerous to her health!). Her darling little son, Wilbur Glossop, is portrayed by Dick Kanoff. He is quite the onry little beast and his mother is terribly concerned about him. The young doctor, Jacqueline Gordon, is played by Barbara Smith, whose appearance at the Bolt Sanitarium causes much confusion.

Arthur Le Cours, one of the Junior class advisors, is directing the play. The whole class is putting their best efforts into "Nuts and Bolts" for your (Continued on Page 4)

Councilman John Muir tossed into the "ghost street" controversy, the opinion that said street does not exist. The present status of "ghost street" as a one-way street has proved extremely unhandy at certain times. The legality of "this street" has been shrouded in doubt since city fathers first began tampering with it.

Recent developments show that the parking problem in the area of the Dawes building is being worked out in a reasonable manner by the businessmen in that immediate area, according to Jim O'Leary, who was detailed by the council to look into the matter. A light was authorized for the corner near the Beebe apartments on the new route of the North Santiam highway.

The in's and out's of getting the corporate charter of Mill City amended in such manner that the mayor, police judge and city clerk could be elected were explored during Wednesday night's council meeting. The amount of work involved in amending and the short time yet remaining before the General election is prompting action on this matter. Suggestion was made that the city council itself initiate the changes requested. To-date nothing in concrete form has been advanced on the problem of amending the city's charter as sought.

Albert Toman, councilman, reported that Santiam garage, located near the railroad tracks, has made arrangements for clearing their premises of debris and unsightly useless junk. Toman also proposed that the city write up the amendment for the city charter providing for election of certain city officers now appointed by the council.

'First Citizen' Role Assumed by Baker

Forrest Baker, Mill City jeweler, has the job of breathing life into Mill City's Chamber of Commerce for the coming year. Baker was handed the post a week ago Tuesday.



FORREST BAKER

Don Jenkins was chosen vice president and Al Toman, board member of the local chamber, Tuesday night at the Mill City American Legion hall.

Mill City merchants and citizens assembled Tuesday night decided that the chamber should hereafter meet on the first and third Tuesday evenings of each month. Some 15 businessmen knitted together a Mill City chamber of commerce working organization, Tuesday night.

Lysle F. Knight Passes At Veterans Hospital

William L. Knight of Gates was called to the bedside of his dying father, March 18. Lysle F. Knight of Fort Benton, Mont., died March 25 in the Veteran's hospital at Fort Harrison, Mont.

He had been under treatment and surgery for two months. The cause of his condition dated back to his experiences in the water-filled trenches in France in World War I.

He leaves to mourn his loss, his widow, and daughter, Nina Elizabeth of Fort Benton, Mont., one son William L. Knight and one grand-daughter, Barbara Ann of Gates.

Knight was the son-in-law of Mrs. Agnes Allen of Mill City.

Boy Scouts Are Out After 'It'--Paper

Mill City's Boy Scouts are out after it! "It" is paper—any paper—just so that it is tightly bundled, in plain sight on the front porch or other open spot, Thursday, April 17. Charles Kelly, local Scoutmaster is in charge of the drive.

Kelly stated that the proceeds raised from the sale of the donated scrap paper will make possible more Scouts taking part in the coming Scout Camp activity at Camp Pioneer near Marion Forks on the North Santiam highway.

Rainy weather and lack of public knowledge of previous paper drives have prompted the Scouts in this further attempt. Some 25 Boy Scouts will be in there "pitching" the bundles of paper left for them, Thursday, April 17.

If the coming paper drive proves a success, it will inject new spirit into the Mill City Scout troop because of the expanded opportunity for Scout work and community service, Scout officials feel.

Just Arrived . . .

A SON — To Mr. and Mrs. Jhue Johnson, Mill City, March 27, at Salem Memorial hospital.

A DAUGHTER—To Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Oliver, Gates, March 28, at Salem Memorial hospital.

A SON—To Mr. and Mrs. Rammie Martell, Lyons, March 31, at Lebanon hospital.