

## Canyon Avenue Parade



By DON PETERSON

Dan W. Poling and Dave Epps were in the city campaigning for a place on the legislative ticket of the Democratic party. We all know Dave Epps and we hope he will get a place on the ticket, he will be a credit to the party from Linn county. This is the first time I have met Mr. Poling, but he looks good to me and he comes with good recommendations. He is a young man and a veteran of the last war. His family is well-known around Sweet Home and Lebanon. It is good to see young men out campaigning for public office—that is a good omen for the future.

Kay Colburn is collecting MJB coffee can bands, and is putting the "bee" on all her friends and customers to save them for American Legion Auxiliary. When they get 2,000 of these little bands the auxiliary will get a new coffee maker for the Legion hall. Let's all try to remember to save and bring in those little metal bands of the MJB coffee cans. No other brand will do for this job. In case any of you don't know where to find Kay, she is that attractive clerk in the Mill City Meat Market most any day you'll find her there.

The Oregon Publisher for February 1952 published a rather interesting speech made by James S. Pope before the 33rd annual Oregon Press Conference in which he made several statements that are of pertinent interest to citizens of this community. Among some of the subjects Mr. Pope touched on was the reluctance of public officials to give out information. Along this line of thought he said:

"There can be no privileged class of public servants in our system. If the county commissioners can decide to spend thousands on a new project without any public notice or debate, then the department of agriculture can make party payments to farmers without putting their names on record. There cannot be a double standard in this field. The public's right to know is not a qualified right. The main thing is to compel the official who is hiding information to justify himself. Usually he will talk himself onto a falling limb, like the Wisconsin county school superintendent who refused to make public information about a new school route because "parents will complain if they know the route." Or the city councilman who, opposing the presence of reporters at council meetings cried: "If you quote us on what we say at meetings we'll sound like damn fools."

A little further on in his speech, Mr. Pope said:

"I imagine that if we had to pick the local group which abhors public knowledge of its operations more than any other, we would have to pick the school board.

"In almost every state there have been skirmishes to open up board meetings, or just to get access to minutes afterwards. Some papers have won access to school business by litigation . . ."

Then Mr. Pope to develop further his point quoted Carl Saunders of the Jackson, Mich. Citizen Patriot as follows:

"Too many school administrators fail to realize that the newspapers also have obligations and duties which predate those of the public schools, and in some respects transcend them in importance.

"Too many school people look upon newspaper reporters and editors as Peeping Toms from whom the educational system and its agents should be shielded.

"Too many school people feel that they serve education best when they set themselves up as censors to screen what shall and what shall not be printed about their particular area of government."

I call these quotations to your attention to show that not only in Mill City has there been trouble experienced in getting the records of school boards open to the public, but it has been a constant fight elsewhere. The Enterprise has insisted on learning what has been going on in school matters and at the present time a case in the hands of Judge Oliver of Albany to decide the disposition of property we felt had been illegally sold. The case has been presented and all arguments are in the hands of the judge awaiting his decision.

The attorneys for the school board came into court without an argument or a defense witness in defense of their actions. Why was it necessary for the school districts monies to be wasted when they were coming into court to admit the truth of accusations?

Tuesday morning of this week I presented myself at the grade school office to the clerk, Mrs. Edna Ross, and requested to examine the records of the \$43,000 on deposit and earmarked for a building fund at the time the \$101,000 bond issue was floated for the new grade school. I wished to examine the cancelled checks and learn how the money was spent.

I was refused permission to ex-  
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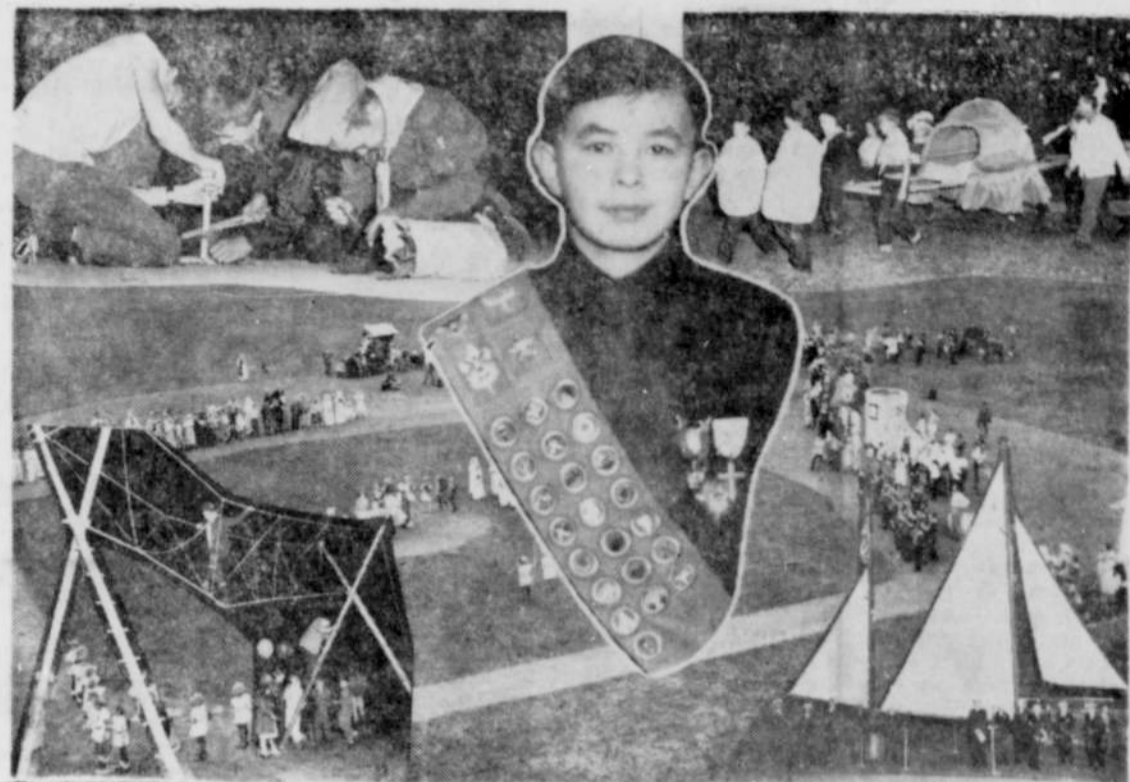
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Boy Scout activity like that pictured above will feature the Cascade Area Council Boy Scout Circus in Salem at 7:30 p.m. Saturday, May 10. Shown are fire by friction or steel (upper left); pioneer construction (bridge, lower left); Sea Scout ship (lower right); Cubs' capers (lower right and background). Exemplifying Boy Scouting above is Eagle Scout Carl Maxwell of Albany, formerly of Salem, who has made an outstanding record and has sold the most circus tickets for the past three years.



David Keyes, Mill City high school senior, who has been awarded a scholarship to Reed College for his high scholastic standing. His scholarship, a regional one, was this week recognized by the high school.

## Pvt. Lawrence E. Poole Now Serving in Korea

With the 7th Infantry Div. in Korea—Pvt. Lawrence E. Poole, son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Poole, Route 1, Lyons, is now serving with the 7th Infantry Division in the west-central sector of the front in North Korea.

Despite a halt in large-scale actions, men of the division move out daily in raiding and reconnaissance patrols against enemy installations.

Private Poole, a rifleman in Company C of the 17th Infantry Regiment, arrived in Korea on April 4, 1952.

He is a graduate of Mill City high school, and attended Oregon State college at Corvallis, before entering the army last September.

## Mill City Council Tables Time Issue

At the Mill City council meeting Wednesday evening the problem of daylight time was discussed and it was decided to table the subject until school is out. A budget committee was appointed to prepare the budget for the next fiscal year.

The council discussed the problem of hiring a full-time play ground director for the summer months to direct activities for the young people during the vacation time.

The council has started action to pass an initiative and referendum ordinance so that it will be possible for the citizens to make changes in the city government without lengthy and expensive delays. The new ordinance will set up machinery to allow the mayor, or other officers to be elective, or speed up the time necessary to pass a bond issue for street or other improvements. At the present time the law is very cumbersome under state statutes and takes a great deal of time and expense, and it is felt that an ordinance should be passed to expedite the rights of citizens.

Police Commissioner John Muir has ordered "no parking" on either side of the street on the block next to the ball park on Evergreen street during ball games. Muir said he is ordering these precautions in order to prevent some child getting hurt by cars passing by. Children jump out from between cars and it is impossible to see them and stop in time to avert accidents, it is feared.

## Final PTA Meeting Next Week May 14

The final meeting for this term of the Mill City PTA, will be held next Wednesday, May 14, at 8 p.m. A full and varied program is planned, after a short business meeting, including the following:

On the program for next Wednesday's meeting is the following: presentation of the Flag by Explorer Scout group; special music; "Graduation" exercises of Mrs. Allen's kindergarten class; speech on the kindergarten program by Miss Jean Spaulding of the State Department of Education; introduction of Dolores Poole, recipient of the PTA tuition scholarship to Monmouth; convention report by Mrs. Roger Nelson, incoming president; and installation of officers.

After the meeting refreshments will be served downstairs, by the first-grade mothers. "We particularly invite parents of pre-school children to attend this meeting, as we feel it should be of special interest to them," according to Mrs. Jim O'Leary.

## Scout Circus in Salem Saturday

Chairman of the Cub Scout committee Eldon Lents announced the Scout Circus in Salem, May 10, for the benefit of Scout camps in Marion, Linn and Polk counties. Tickets are available through the Den Mothers and assistants, Mesdames Leo Lemke, Frank Dell, Park Savage, Arlo Tuers, Harvey Hautala, Eldon Lents, Wm. Tickle, Joe McNealy, Bert Provost, Melvin Foster and Dudley Jones or any Cub Scouts or committeemen.

The Scout Circus parade will start at 2:30 p.m. in Marion square in Salem; and the grand circus will begin in the evening on the grounds of the famous Salem Senators. In the event of rain May 10, the circus will be held May 24.

Everyone takes part in the Scout parade. The local Cub Pack will participate in "balloon bursts" and an act "The Thing" in the Scout Circus. Scouts will feature a chariot race and Explorers will present an "emergency act".

New Cub Scout Pack No. 84 Den Mothers are Mrs. T. A. Baughman, Mrs. Kenneth Hunt, Mrs. Bob Hill Jr., Mrs. Wilbur Meinert and Mrs. Lowell Stiffler. Over 100 persons, including 44 Cub Scouts and Den chiefs attended the meeting in the Mill City high school gym where the new Den Mothers were named.

Awards to Cub Scouts were made by Cubmaster Ray Steiner as follows: Wolf awards to Lawrence Hunt, Delbert Hill and Johnny Wood; Wolf Gold Arrow awards to Charles Harman, Dickie Haun, Johnny Wood, Bert Bothwell, Richard Dyhrman; Wolf Silver Arrow awards to Bert Provost, Lee McNealy, Dickie Haun, Bert Bothwell and Richard Tickle.

Bear award was made to Gregory Dorman; Bear Gold awards to Dennis Hunt, Jamie Baughman, Gregory Dorman, Gary Mathany, James Meinert; and Bear Silver Arrow awards to Donald Dell, Jamie Baughman, Gregory Dorman and Dennis Hunt; Lion Silver Arrow award was presented to Roger Klecker.

During the April Cub Pack meet, announcement was made of tentative plans for softball practice every Wednesday night, 6 to 7 p.m. for all Cub Scouts. Ken Siler, assistant Cubmaster Charles Harman and others will be on the scene.

Bean bag ball was played on the gym floor by the Cub Scouts after the pack meeting. Next Cub Pack meet is slated for Monday, May 26.

## Poppy Day Arrives May 23 This Year

With Poppy Day rapidly approaching, disabled veterans of both World wars in veterans hospitals throughout the nation have completed working on thirty million memorial poppies which Americans will wear on that day, Mrs. Lee Kelly, Poppy chairman of Mill City American Legion Auxiliary, reported. Poppy Day will be generally observed on May 23 and 24. Mrs. Kelly estimated that approximately ten thousand disabled veterans unable to perform other work have been given employment by the American Legion Auxiliary in its poppy program this year. The majority have worked in their beds, wheelchairs or hobby shops in hospitals of the Veterans Administration, although many have been employed at special poppy workrooms maintained by the Auxiliary in several states. With more than 1500 Korean war veterans now in veterans hospitals, it is probably that some of the poppies this year have been made by men disabled in that conflict, as well as by World War veterans.

"To men who have been confined to the hospitals for months or even years, the work is a godsend," Mrs. Kelly explained. "It fills the long, monotonous hospital hours with an interesting activity, keeping hands and minds busy and turning thoughts away from self. The experience of  
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## Christine Chance, 5, Painfully Burned

Miss Christine Chance, 5, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Chance of Mill City, was painfully burned while playing in her backyard, last Thursday.

Christine was burned on the legs and hip when her fuel saturated clothing caught fire during her play. The child is improving, but indications are that she will require tedious skin graft operations.

## 'The Curious Savage' Forest Trees Showing Red Cross Collects

Gates high school juniors and seniors are in the final week of rehearsal of their play "The Curious Savage" to be presented Thursday, May 15, 8:15 p.m. daylight saving time at the Mill City theatre. A matinee will be given Wednesday, May 14 for both grade and high school students.

The cast includes members from all classes, although the majority of the cast is juniors and seniors, and proceeds will go to these class funds.

Those appearing in the play are: Lorena Devine, Carolyn Brejcha, Joan Ryal, Elda Webster, Darlene Cole, Maxine Schoeder, Allan Vail, Earle Henness, Marlin Cole, Edward Romey, and Wilmer Crites. Mrs. Dorothy Wood is directing the play and Betty Tucker is assistant director.

Committees for the play are: publicity, Earle Henness and Marlin Cole; programs, Verna Schmetzky and Lorena Devine; tickets, Jerry Larson and Mervin Haun; set, Wilmer Crites, Don Bates, Jack Oliver, and Leslie Beamish; set design, Patty Stewart and Maxine Schoeder; lighting, Allan Vail, Eddie Buttler and John Barnhardt; and properties, Danny Evans.

## Calling All Minnesotans!

Minnesotans entertainment and dance Friday night, May 16. Potluck supper at 6:30 p.m. Following supper will be introductions, music with program. Main event will be Melvin Johnson. Mr. Johnson will put on a panamine. Moving pictures in dining room. Leap year dance at 9 p.m. in main hall. Election returns.

All Minnesotans and friends are invited. Washington Masonic hall, E. 8th and Burnside, Portland.

## 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  
Lions Auxiliary 4th Tuesday  
Riders of the Santiam, 1st 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

## Forest Trees Showing Red Cross Collects

Mehama—Forest service officials in this area have recently noticed that many fir trees are turning brown and dying. Needles at the tree top or the ends of limbs first turn brown and rapidly spread inward.

In many places entire trees stand dead. Trees bearing the tell-tale brown spots can be seen on all sides.

It is reported that the destruction of trees is caused by a larvae under the bark which hatches into a small black beetle.

Only control method reported is to fall the diseased tree and burn it.

Several of the diseased trees have been noticed on the Little North Fork, threatening well known picnic spots in that area.

## Mill City Marines In Atom Test Bomb

Marine Corporal Wiley Muise and Staff Sergeant Donald E. Kelly of Mill City took part in the atomic tests held at Camp Desert Rock, Las Vegas, Nevada, Thursday, May 1.

Muise, son of Mr. and Mrs. G. D. Jenkins of Mill City and Kelly, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin V. Kelly of Mill City were members of the first Marine Corps units to participate in atomic exercises.

Muise is a graduate of Willamette university and the Oregon College of Education. He enlisted in the Marine Corps at Portland, August 22, 1951.

The exercise unit was made up of 2000 Marines from Camp Jeune, N.C., and Camp Pendleton, Calif., plus approximately 100 other Marines from stations throughout the world.

Formed into combat teams, the Marines were occupying pre-determined positions of safety at the instant of the explosion. Minutes later they "attacked" an objective near the center of the burst area.

The exercise provided Muise and his unit with indoctrination and training in operations featuring the use of atomic weapons. The Marines observed first hand the effects of an atomic blast on equipment and received on-the-spot training in essential physical protective measures.

On Saturday afternoon at about 3 p.m. over KOCO, an interview with Corporal Muise will be broadcast following the ball game to be broadcast on that station.

## Albany Man Killed On Lyons Job Wednesday

S. T. Jackson was killed Wednesday when he fell from a trash burner at the Freres-Frank lumber company plant at Lyons. Jackson's safety belt slipped and caused the fatal plunge earthward. He died shortly after striking the ground of a broken neck.

Jackson was engaged in painting the trash burner when the accident occurred. His home was in Albany. He was some 50 years of age. Surviving are his widow and four children.

## Red Cross Collects \$400 In Mill City

Mill City Red Cross workers will be guests at a social gathering in Salem's Bush grade school on Mission street, Tuesday night, May 13, at 8 p.m., Lowell Stiffler, Mill City Red Cross chairman, said today.

In support of the idea that Mill City Red Cross workers deserve recognition is the fact that incomplete totals show more than \$400 raised for the Red Cross in this area.

Stiffler was loud in his praise of the excellent work done. He stated that, "Now that the Red Cross house-to-house drive is over—I want to thank all of the volunteer workers who gave so generously of their time to make it a success."

Stiffler added, "To those, who may have been missed or who want to subscribe to the Missouri river flood relief, please contact our store's personnel."

Listed as Red Cross volunteer workers are Mrs. Jim Barton, Mrs. Sue Mikkelsen, Mrs. Ernest Brown, Mrs. Geo. Rambo, Mrs. Turpin, Mrs. Walter Peterson, Mrs. Clyde Baltimore, Bill Stewart Jr., R. B. McClain, Mrs. C. Mason, Mrs. Martin Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Todd, Miss Daisy Geddes, Mrs. "Dud" Stewart, Mrs. Herbert Schroeder, Mrs. W. W. Allen, Mrs. Les Owens, Mrs. Frank Hunter, Mrs. Tom Booth, Mrs. McCoy, Mrs. Arey Podrabsky and Mrs. D. B. Hill.

## Stayton's Annual Bean Festival Set

Stayton's annual Bean Festival looms in the limelight with the announcement of the various chairmanships recently. Gene Teague, '52 Bean Festival horse show chairman stated that the big four-day affair starts Wednesday, July 30 and lasts until August 2.

Main features of the Bean Festival are the pet parade, amateur hour, main parade, Friday night—featuring floats of all kinds and descriptions, and the Saturday night horse show—star-studded with western garb.

According to Teague, "over 100 horses are expected to participate, and all horsemen—regardless of affiliation with a riding organization—will be invited to participate in the competition for a multitude of trophies and prizes."

Teague stated that the "Main parade will consist of floats of any size or description—stressing ingenuity rather than a large expenditure of money." He stressed the fact that this is a canyon affair, but, of course, Stayton will be back of this annual event full tilt. Also that Bean Festival chairman would appreciate the aid of any interested men and women in the canyon who will assist in the program.

Joe Peiser, well known Stayton businessman, now retired, is chairman of the '52 Bean Festival. Ed Bell is chairman of the amateur hour; M. Van Driesche, chairman of the pet parade; and Mayor Matt Martin, will chairman the grand parade.

Teague said that the "Governor and the Governor's Guard will be invited to attend the show."

# Three Links Food Sale - Sat., May 10 - IOOF Hall