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## District No. 2 of Legion Entertained

The Mill City American Legion and its Auxiliary had the honor of being the first hosts to a reunion of all past commanders and presidents of District No. 2 Saturday evening. Dinner was served at 7 o'clock, followed by dancing to music of Jack Lake, Jim Iholtz and John Montgomery.

Carl Frances of Dayton gave the welcoming speech in lieu of District Commander Harold Litchenthaler, who had suffered a heart attack, and the meeting was then turned over to District Vice Commander John Muir, and District President Frances Grund.

District No. 2 being the largest in the state, from Idanha to Aurora, there were quite a number of "Pasts" present. As the names were called and the years they served enumerated, each one presented the advances and highlights of his term of office.

A resolution was passed to make this reunion an annual affair of District No. 2 to be used as a guidepost and inspiration to coming Commanders and Presidents.

## Funeral Services Held for George Clise Saturday

GATES—Services for George Clise, who died unexpectedly Wednesday night, April 28, of a heart attack were held in Stayton, Saturday afternoon, at the Weddle Funeral Home.

The Mill City Masonic lodge performed the ritualistic services. Burial was in California. The widow, Mrs. Margaret Clise and a sister, Mrs. Noami Theurer, both of Ventura, California; his grandmother, Mrs. Ella M. Bennett, of Cody, Wyoming; a brother, Paul Clise, Richland, Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Clise have been proprietors of the LaVista trailer court in Gates for the past five years.

## Fire Laddies Make Fast Run Early Wednesday

Mill City firemen made a fast run about 1:30 Wednesday morning to the old Mill City Hotel, owned by Louis Rada, when one of the tenants discovered smoke pouring from a room. Occupant of the room, who just returned when the firemen arrived on the scene, had evidently left a lighted cigarette on an ash-tray upon which an overcoat had been tossed. The resultant smoke and heat destroyed the coat, and ruined a chest of drawers. A fire extinguisher was used instead of water, thus minimizing the damage. Both fire trucks were driven to the site.

## City Engineer Talks to Businessmen Friday

W. N. Haner, city engineer, from Portland, met with businessmen of Mill City at Friendship hall Friday evening, to talk on the cost of putting the streets of the city in shape.

Mr. Haner stated the first move should be the grading and getting rid of the duck ponds in the town and getting the streets in shape for surfacing. He said that if a bond issue in the amount of \$97,000 could be passed, all main business streets of the city could be surfaced from curb to curb and that the streets with less traffic could have a good seal coat to eliminate the dust.

The work could be done for less money now than when the original survey was made in 1952.

No other business was taken up at the meeting Friday, and only a few businessmen were present.

## Businessmen To Postpone Meeting Until Next Week

The meeting of the businessmen is being postponed this week due to too many conflicting dates. It is expected that a meeting will be held next week, and cards will be sent out notifying all businessmen of the place and time.

A name will be chosen at this next meeting, and a board of directors elected. A good representation of the business houses is expected at this time.

## Detroit Dam Weather

(Courtesy of Corps of Engineers)  
Daily 7:30 A. M. Readings

Date	Max.	Min.	Pcp.	M.S.L.	Elev.
April 28	47	37	0.00	1558.25	
April 29	48	30	0.00	1558.97	
April 30	42	31	0.04	1559.56	
May 1	46	31	0.06	1560.17	
May 2	60	31	0.00	1560.66	
May 3	66	37	0.00	1561.13	
May 4	65	33	0.00	1562.13	

## To Appear Here



Eddie Feigner

Eddie Feigner will be the master of ceremonies at the appearance of "The King and His Court" four-man softball team, which will play the regulation seven-inning game against the Mill City State Champs at Allen Field here Wednesday, May 26 at 8 o'clock. The evening's entertainment will be a shadow-ball game and pitching demonstration, that features, this season for the first time, an additional attraction which they guarantee will please everyone. Eddie will pitch at least one inning blindfolded, and will pitch from second base, on his knees, during the regular game. He will demonstrate some of his 19 windups, 14 hand deliveries, and five speeds.

## Ray King to Show Movies At Santiam Grange Meeting

The Santiam Valley Grange will hold its regular business meeting Friday, May 7 at 8 p. m. The literary program will be some movies of a trip to Cuba presented by Ray King. There will also be an Educational film entitled, "An Idea Takes Wings."

Grangers are reminded to bring their old magazines for the exchange. The proceeds are to be used to complete the community park adjoining the Grange hall.

## Glen Shelton Is Now Provident Insurance Agent

The Provident Life Insurance company this week announces the appointment of Glen Shelton, local real estate broker as their representative in Mill City.

Mr. Shelton will specialize in mortgage retirement plans, estate planning and partnership insurance besides health and accident policies.

## Anderson Is Valedictori'n

Several announcements concerning graduation ceremonies for this year's senior class of Mill City high school have been made by Howard Means, high school principal. Valedictorian of the class is Richard Anderson, with Donna Bengston as salutatorian. Date of graduation will be May 27 in the elementary gymnasium.

Baccalaureate services will be conducted Sunday, May 23, by Rev. Brewer, Methodist minister, at the high school auditorium. Speaker at commencement will be Dr. Jonas A. Jonassen, professor of history at Linfield college in McMinnville, whose topic will be "Men to Match My Mountains." School will be dismissed May 28.

Other events scheduled in the near future include the annual tea for mothers, given by the Girls' Athletic association, which will take place May 7 at the high school, and a banquet at the Senator hotel in Salem honoring "B League" athletes of the senior class.

## Local Industrial Art Class Places in Corvallis Exhibit

Four exhibits from Delos Hoey's Industrial Arts class in the Mill City high school took two first places and two third places in the show put on by the Willamette Valley Industrial Arts association at Corvallis last Friday through Sunday. Mr. Hoey and Richard Verbeck, a member of the senior class, attended the monthly meeting for shop teachers and assistants in Corvallis on Thursday evening.

Entrants in the exhibit from here were as follows: Phil Carey, coffee table, first place; Richard Verbeck, wrought iron wall shelf, first place; Richard Thomas, coffee table, third place; and Brooks Crosier, wrought iron magazine rack, third place.

## Resort Owners Will Meet For Regional Session

All phases of resort and other commercial recreation operations on national forest land will be discussed when Oregon members of the National Forest Recreation Association meet Tuesday, May 11, at Pilot Butte Inn at Bend. Members from the national forests throughout Oregon will convene under the leadership of E. C. Kennedy, president.

The association seeks to raise standards of accommodations for vacationers at resorts in national forests and is currently conducting a campaign in Congress to get adequate funds for improvement and expansion of public campgrounds. The organization has members in 11 western states.

## PROCLAMATION

Whereas, this is official clean-up week, for Mill City, and that we should all endeavor to make our city, "the city of hospitality," a place of cleanliness,

AND WHEREAS, cleanliness not only makes the city have a pleasing look to visitors, it is also a major factor in preventing costly fires, eliminating pests and disease carrying germs that are detrimental to the happiness and good health to us all.

NOW THEREFORE, I, J. C. Kimmel, mayor of the City of Mill City do hereby proclaim that the week of May 3 to 8 be designated as the official week in our "Clean-up Mill City Drive."

Let's Keep Mill City, "the city of hospitality," a cleaner and better place in which to live.

Signed:

J. C. KIMMEL, Mayor.

## Gloria Klecker Takes 1st At Lions Club Show

Winners of the Lions club annual talent show held Thursday night were as following for the junior division: first, Joellen Agee, tap dance and baton twirling number; second, David and Jean Pridcaux of Lyons, accordion and piano duet; and third, Glea Dee Duman, accordion solo.

Senior division winners were Gloria Klecker, pantomime; second, Barbara Podrabsky, accordion solo; and third, Mrs. R. P. Veness, Carol and Shirley, accordion and dance number.

Others taking part in the Junior division were Judy Podrabsky, marimba solo; Mari-Linn boys and girls, cowboy vocal number; Allene Agee and Laraine Lee, tap dance; Marcella Warriner and Sandra Olsen, vocal vocal solo; Douglas Hirte and Phyllis Pate, guitar duet, and Douglas Hirte, steel guitar solo.

Additional entrants in the Senior division were Terry Dustin, vocal solo; Donalee Oliver, piano solo; Dale Woodard, vocal solo; Mari-Linn colored group, vocal number; Leon McCall, electric guitar; Joan Leach, vocal solo, and Douglas Hirte, steel guitar number.

Door prizes were won by Karen Shepherd and Mayor J. C. Kimmel, who turned his box of groceries back to the Lions club for distribution. Vernon S. Todd was chairman of the show, and Shields ReMine acted as Master of Ceremonies. Ushers were Roger Nelson and Frank Hunter, assisted by Charles Kelly.

Judges were Ed Randall and Ursula Wolser, both of Salem Hollywood club, and Dr. J. D. VanEaton of East Salem Lions club.

## Charter Night Observed By Lions Club Auxiliary

Charter night was observed for the Mill City Lions Club Auxiliary at a potluck dinner in Fellowship hall on Monday evening at which time the six Salem auxiliaries were well represented, the Hollywood Club being sponsors of the local group. Distinguished guests at the gathering were Mrs. Clarence Humble of Klamath Falls, state president of Oregon Lions club auxiliaries; Mr. and Mrs. James Tindle, Salem, Mr. Tindle being District Governor; Mr. and Mrs. Burton Dunn, of Corvallis, Mrs. Dunn being regional vice president for the State organization of auxiliaries.

Clubs present included West Salem, Hollywood, South Salem, Downtown Salem, East Salem, and Keizer District, each presenting the Mill City Auxiliary with an appropriate gift. A collection taken, at the suggestion of Mr. Dunn, netted \$45 to start the new club on its way.

Acting as installing officer for the evening was Mrs. Dunn, with the following Mill City officers being installed: president, Mrs. Roger Nelson;

vice president, Mrs. George Veteto, and secretary-treasurer, Mrs. Alfred Nesbitt. Presentation of the charter was by the State President, Mrs. Humble, who spoke briefly on the aims of Lions Club auxiliaries.

Welcome to the many visitors was given by Mabel Nelson, president, after which a large bouquet of red roses was presented her from the Freda South Memorial fund, this being customary for each new president.

In charge of the evening's entertainment was Shields ReMine, the master of ceremonies of the recent talent show, who presented JoEllen Agee, baton number; Barbara Podrabsky, accordion solo; Bavarian trio, the Veness family; Glea Dee Duman, accordion solo; and Gloria Klecker, pantomime. These were all winners in the talent show. Group singing was accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Lee Ross.

Dinner committee included Mrs. Robert P. Veness, chairman; Mrs. Don Moffatt, Mrs. Jay Mason, Mrs. Frank Hunter, and Mrs. George Veteto. Serving at the table were members of the Girl Scouts.

Club President Charles Kelly was master of ceremonies for the evening.

## Campfire Girls Enjoy Outing on Saturday

Saturday five 5th grade Campfire girls, accompanied by their leaders, enjoyed a hike southeast of Mill City.

A sack lunch was eaten at noon, after which the girls hunted wild flowers. They returned to town about 3 o'clock where the wild flowers were arranged in May baskets. The girls were then taken to Santiam Memorial hospital where the baskets were distributed among the patients.

Those making the hike were: JoEllen Agee, JoAnne Challenger, Doris Hutchinson, Sharon Whitsett, Judy Woodard and their leaders, Mrs. Joe Challenger and Mrs. Eldon Hutchinson.

## Boy Scouts Win Softball Game From Gates Friday

The Mill City Boy Scouts defeated the Gates scouts in a softball game played here Friday after school. The Gates boys started out far in the lead, but several home runs by the locals evened up the score.

At the end of the game the score stood at 17 to 13 in favor of Mill City.

## Garden Club to Sell Cakes and Plants Saturday

The Mill City Garden club will hold a cake and plant sale at Fellowship hall here Saturday, the sale to begin at 1 o'clock and last until 5 o'clock.

Plants in bloom will be featured, and a flower festival with displays of flowers will be a highlight.

Decorated cakes for Mothers' day will also be featured.

## Five Mill City Second Grades Get Shots For Polio Thursday

Five of the eight Mill City second-graders living in Marion county, who were eligible to receive the polio vaccine at the clinic in Stayton, took advantage of the opportunity Thursday. Vernon Todd accompanied the children on the Detroit school bus, along with pupils and teachers from Detroit and Gates.

Those from here receiving the inoculation included Karen Shepherd, Suzanne Couble, Barbara Tickle, James Hearing, and Johnny Kelly. Going along for the "ride" were Mrs. Wm. Shepherd and Mrs. Charles Kelly.

## PTA Benefit Show Scheduled For Thursday

Of special interest to the schools this week, is the showing of a film classic, "Young Tom Edison," starring Mickey Rooney. The Mill City Theatre, cooperating with the PTA, is running a Thursday matinee for the Mill City elementary grades. Thursday evening the general public will be admitted at regular prices.

In presenting this film for their annual spring benefit, the local Parent-Teacher association feels a fine type of entertainment is being offered, as it is also accompanied by a patriotic short subject. Plenty of humor makes it enjoyable for all.

## O. K. Hirte Injured In Car Accident

Oswald K. Hirte, who had been in the Santiam Memorial hospital at Stayton with critical injuries since an automobile accident last Wednesday night, was moved to a Salem hospital.

Hirte received a broken back when his car collided with the left front fender of Al Havener's car as he was attempting to pass the latter on the North Santiam highway almost in front of Whitties Santiam Cafe between Mill City and Gates. Hirte, who had attended a banquet here of the Rainbow Girls, to which his daughter belongs, was hurrying to Gates to get in on the last of a Boy Scout banquet there where his son was present.

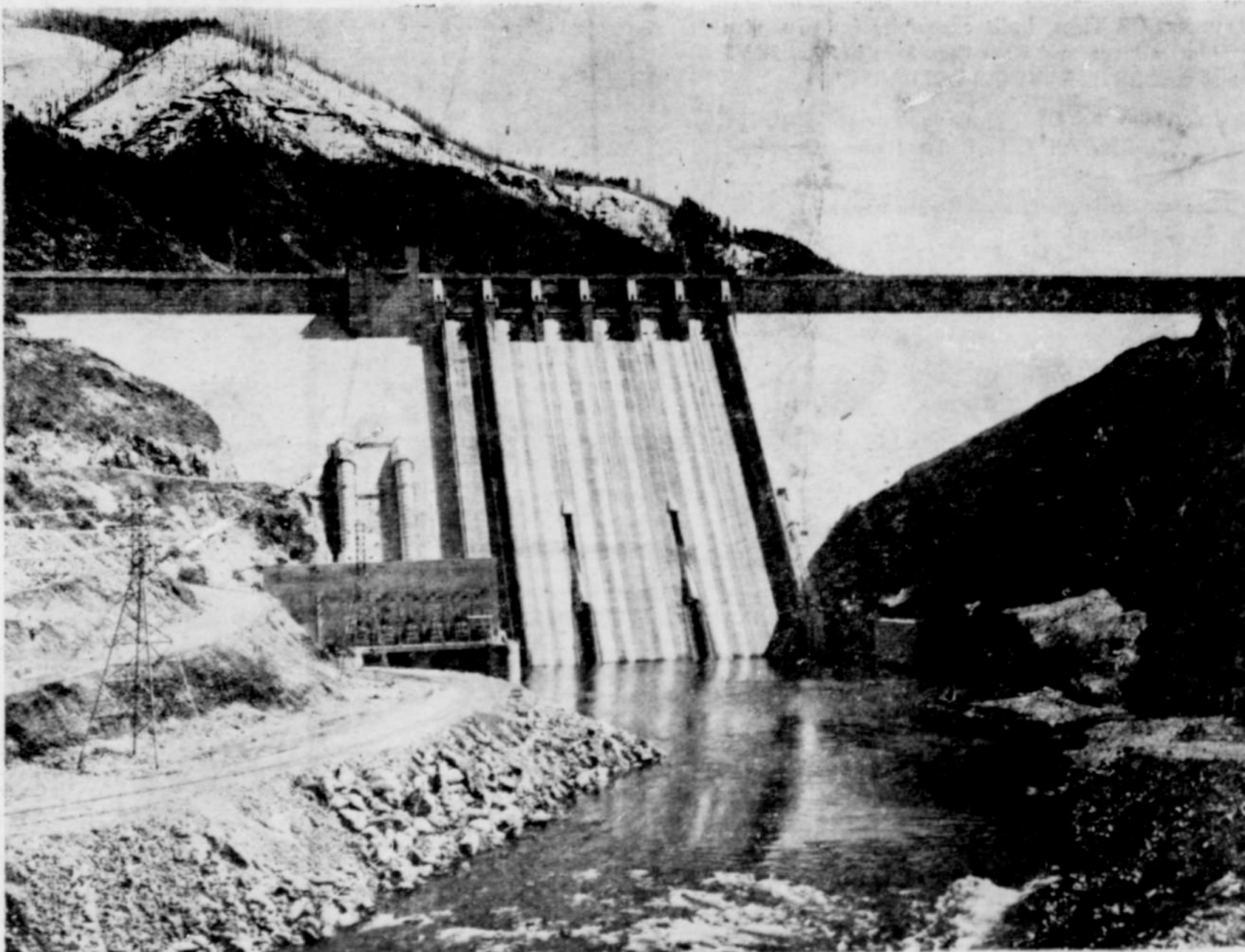
After hitting the Havener car, Hirte's car left the highway, rolling 276 feet, returning to the highway and throwing the driver an additional 50 feet from where it stopped. A state policeman happened to be at the scene, an ambulance was called, and the injured man was rushed to the hospital. At last report, he was still in traction, but was conscious and able to talk.

A fatal heart attack to another Gates resident came at almost the same time. George Clise, a close friend of Mr. Hirte, who had given aid at the scene of the accident, drove to Mill City to notify Mrs. Hirte of the accident. Mrs. Clise ran into the lodge hall to tell Mrs. Hirte and her daughter, and found upon her return to the car, that her husband had suffered the fatal attack.

## Teenage Age Dance To Be Held Here Friday Night

A teenage dance will be held in the hall over Byron's Tavern this Friday evening.

Dances have been held at the Legion hall for the past several weeks.



Water level at Detroit Dam at the present time is above the spillway, but no water is being allowed to escape. It is being stored for use in the dry season. According to the report on water elevation Tuesday night, the reservoir elevation was at 1562.13 feet above sea level. The lake is at the highest level since construction. By the

end of the week, it is expected it will be at 1563.3, which is as high as they expect to have the water this year. In case of rapid run-off from melting snow, or heavy rain, the water can be raised to 1754 feet above sea level. Good catches of fish have been reported.

—Cut courtesy Oregon Journal