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Floyd Bassett Plans to Retire

MEHAMA — Floyd Bassett is retiring - - maybe. Bassett's welding, a complete shop, welder and generator, mounted on a Dodge Power wagon has been a familiar sight in this area, on logging roads, landing, sawmills and even cat roads, for the past 21 years. Equipped with a winch, he has traveled to many inaccessible spots to weld broken equipment. Many a cat or logging truck marooned on a logging landing has welcomed the sight of Floyd in his faithful power wagon ready to

repair a break, so the machine can be moved. Determined as a mountain goat, Floyd has earned the reputation over the past 21 years of going anywhere at anytime. He will be missed. Many a logger coming home late at night with broken equipment would ask Floyd to fix it. Always accommodating, it was not unusual for him to work until midnight to repair a break so that the logger would not miss work the following day. Quite often Floyd would leave before daylight the next day to get to another logging show to repair some needed equipment before the crew would be ready for work.

The only state certified welder in this area, he has quite often been called into big shops such as Halton, Pape, International to do some unusual weld. Not only could he winch himself to most any spot, he also carried yards of extension cord to reach a swamp or a cut over area where he might need to weld. On one steep job a cat pulled him into place and snubbed the power wagon while he repaired another. Intending to retire, Floyd plans to sell his power wagon to a local welder so that loggers in this area may still have service. He plans to close his shop and take a vacation perhaps in August and go to Iowa. He may then reopen his shop at Lyons to minor repair work. Having served this canyon for 36 years, fifteen as a mechanic and 21 in the portable welder, Bassett's welding will be missed by many—so will his stories.

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David Golden Is Crew Chief of Month At No. Carolina Base

Airman First Class David N. Golden, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde E. Golden of Mill City, has been selected Crew Chief of the Month for his unit at Seymour Johnson AFB, N. C. Airman Golden, a jet aircraft mechanic, was honored for his exemplary conduct and duty performance. He is a member of the Tactical Air Command which provides battlefield firepower, precision jet photo reconnaissance and air mobility for the nation's ground forces. The airman is a graduate of Glendale (Ore.) High School. His wife, Marcella, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Davis of Roseburg, Ore.

Charles Hamilton Writes from War in Viet Nam

This letter was received last week by Mr. and Mrs. William Hamilton from their son, Charles: "I am just one of many Americans here in Viet Nam. I am stationed with the 1st Hospital Company at Chee Lai. When the Marines first landed they made quite a fight for this land. Many of America's young men gave their lives in the fight for what we believe is right and just. I believe it is right and am proud to be here. I am sure no American fighting man wants to be here fighting. None of us want to die, especially at so young an age and so far from home. But like myself, I am sure all of us would be willing to give our lives to protect our loved ones. Who knows, if Americans pulled out of Viet Nam, the next time Communist aggression strikes it could be on our own soil. This would result in one thing—the loss of many innocent lives. War is bad enough, but on our own American ground it would be even worse. The thing that gets most of the men down over here is the lack of support from back home. We don't ask much, just a little support to know the people back home are behind us. It gets rough sometimes eating C-rations, not getting a shower, smoking stale cigarettes. But that is not half as bad as hearing about a group of college jerks walking around with signs protesting U.S. movements in Viet Nam. I am proud to say I am a resident of Oregon. My home town is small and most people have never heard of it. I live in Idanha, Ore., a small but friendly neighborhood. My friends over here from Oregon must feel the same way. In Oregon when a serviceman is home on leave he is at least treated decently. There are all types of demonstrations going on to make us feel we are fighting a lost cause. I can't write to every citizen of our wonderful state, but I can say this: I and every other man from Oregon over here thank you from the bottoms of our hearts." Charles L. Hamilton 774-37-33, 1st. Hospital Co. FMF-PAC FPO San Francisco, Calif., 96602.

George Westfall With Army in Missouri

Army Pvt. George R. Westfall, son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Westfall, Idanha, completed a combat engineer course at Ford Leonard Wood, Mo., March 18. During the seven-week course, Westfall was trained in the construction and repair of roads, railroads and bridges. He also received training in demolitions and mine warfare. The 17-year-old soldier entered the Army in June 1965 and completed basic training at Fort Ord, Calif. Westfall attended Detroit High School and was employed by Green Veneer Incorporated, Idanha, before entering the Army.

Dave Roberts, Idanha On Ballistic Missile Sub. Geo. Washington

Torpedoman's Mate Second Class David G. Roberts, USN, son of Mr. and Mrs. David G. Roberts of Idanha, Ore., is a member of the Blue Crew of the nation's first Fleet Ballistic Missile submarine USS George Washington. The George Washington fired her first A-3 Polaris missile recently down the Atlantic Test Range from a submerged position off Cape Kennedy. The successful firing of the A-3 Polaris missile completed the first major overhaul and conversion from the A-1 Polaris missile, with a 1250 nautical mile range, to the A-3 Polaris missile, with a 2500 nautical mile range. The George Washington is homeported in New London, Conn.

Pvt. Storey Named Soldier of Month By Viet Nam Group

Pfc. Steve Storey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Storey, Idanha, who is an army truck driver with the 556th platoon in Viet Nam, was recently named soldier of the month in his platoon division. The following is a tribute paid to the platoon by their Commanding General in Saigon. Army truckers of the 556th Transportation Company, who traveled sniper-infested highways to deliver more than 9 million gallons of fuel in a two-month period, have been commended by Brig. Gen. Charles W. Eifler, Commander of the 1st Logistical Command. General Eifler praised the men for their "exceptional performance" in supplying fuel to the combat units of the 1st Infantry Division. He particularly cited their "vigorous efforts and detailed planning" in speeding fuel to battle elements. One platoon of the 556th has been loaned to the Saigon port, operated by its parent unit, the 4th Transportation Command, to keep the strategic flow of supplies moving. Working around the clock, this platoon has moved over 10,000 tons of cargo from the port to distribution centers. Steve, a graduate of Detroit High School, left for Viet Nam Nov. 4, 1965. He was the only man in his platoon to receive a live Christmas tree, a 4 foot noble Fir, sent by a friend, Darlene Helfer, Detroit.

For Commissioner



Russell T. Daulton of Salem was in Mill City recently and announced that he was a Republican Candidate for Marion County Commissioner, position No. 1. Daulton was born on a farm in Kentucky 54 years ago. He lived there until he finished high school in 1930. He graduated from State Agricultural college in Manhattan, Kans., in 1936. He is now a Realtor in Salem.

Use of Electricity Passes Milestone

Residential use of electricity passed a milestone for the Pacific Power & Light Company system last month when average annual household usage exceeded 10,000 kilowatt hours for the previous 12-month period for the first time. "With more and more new residential buildings adopting electric heat systems, and households adding new electric-powered conveniences, the trend of household usage continues to push upward each year," it was noted by PP&L's district manager, Tom Keenan. "In most of the company's service areas the weather was slightly cooler this past heating season through March, as compared with the previous season, and this also helped push the usage higher," he added. The PP&L district manager said that annual household usage in most of the company's districts in Oregon, Washington and California exceeds the system average by a sizable amount. It is below average only in Portland, Montana-Idaho and in Wyo.

Vernon Chance Gets Army Honors

Mill City friends have received word that Vernon O. Chance, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Chance of Santa Barbara, Calif., has received Army honors. He is one of 20 young graduate engineers to begin training recently at the Army and Supply Maintenance Command Logistics, Interim Center at Red River Army Depot, Texarkana, Texas. He is a graduate of California State College and holds a BS degree in electrical engineering. He served in the Navy for two years before entering college. Chance will receive two years of intensive training on the post-college graduate level. Upon graduation he will be assigned to one of the Army Command installations. His training, and others in the program, is to provide the Army with executive level professional engineers within the logistical system. Mr. and Mrs. Chance and family are former residents of this area. Their daughter is Mrs. Marvin Dodge of Gates.

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