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Up and Down The Avenue

By Don Moffatt

When a person awakens in the morning and the air is clear and crisp it makes life worth living. There may come a day when we can't wake up to the many freedoms we now enjoy. There may come a time when we lose many of our present freedoms, and this is one thing we should guard against with all our might. We in America enjoy many more rights and privileges than any place in the world. Let us keep it just that way.

Sometimes I wonder just how far we should let our central form of government go before we put a lid on it. Each succeeding year we add more people to our ever-expanding government payroll. Just how far should this go? President Johnson stated some time ago that he planned to cut off a lot of government jobs, some 25,000 in fact. So what happened? During the period from last December to June 30, 190,124 employees were added—then during July the payroll was expanded again by 47,082.

This now brings the total civilians working for the government to 2,785,129 which is higher than ever before except for World War II.

The President had planned on reducing the Federal payroll force by not replacing government employees who were retiring under liberalized pensions. When the government is supposed to be attempting to curb inflation it would appear that Johnson is making all these claims with tongue in cheek so to speak. It is reported he said in a Senate speech that government agencies were over-staffed. Under President Kennedy's term of office the government is said to have increased by 141,542. It is interesting to note that under President Eisenhower there was a drop of 201,987 in government civilian employees.

It also is interesting to note that the federal payroll is now \$19,600,000,000 a year plus \$1,600,000,000 in cash benefits and retirement. That is quite a load for us taxpayers to carry, isn't it—and believe me it is not going to get any lighter under the present Democratic regime. Don't you think it is time for a change? One of a more stable and conservative spending policy. How can we ever fight inflation when the government is the worst offender? Why not cut out the bulk of these fantastic "pie in the sky" plans until we get this Viet Nam thing put down. When this is done, possibly we can afford to experiment with more socialism, or the policy of big brother government.

I have always had a great admiration for our founding fathers, who set up our form of government. While many people of today more or less scoff at religion, these great men had a real sound faith in God. I would at this time like to reprint the following prayer made by Thomas Jefferson:

"Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage; we humbly beseech Thee that we may always prove ourselves a people mindful of Thy favor and glad to do Thy will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning, and pure manners.

Save us from violence, discord and confusion; from pride and arrogance, and from every evil way. Defend our liberties, and fashion into one united people the multitude brought hither out of many kindreds and tongues.

Endow with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in Thy name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that through obedience to Thy law, we may show forth Thy praise among the nations of the earth."

Gets Citation for Bravery



Chief of Police James Taylor received a citation at the Wednesday night meeting of the City Council. The citation read "Citation for Bravery" and was awarded by the National Police Officer's Association of America for his work in arresting a man who was holding a loaded and cocked rifle on him at the time. It was presented by Mayor J. C. Kimmel. Police Commissioner Delbert Goforth is seen in the background.—The Mill City Enterprise photo.

Citizens Urged To Register To Vote

It is the obligation and responsibility of every citizen of the United States of the age of 21 years and upwards, who has the qualifications to become a legal voter, to register and exercise that privilege. This statement by Don Penfold, Linn County Clerk, was made as he gave the roster of Registrars in Linn County in locations other than the Linn County Courthouse. Penfold further stated that any registered voter who had changed his name, address or political affiliation must re-register prior to 8:00 p.m. of October 8th. On October 8th the County Clerk's Office will be open from 8:30 a.m. until 8:00 p.m. to accommodate Linn County citizens. To further facilitate the voters of the county, it is pointed out that Linn County possesses more than twice the number of Official Registrars required by law. Any person in doubt of the status of their registration is invited to contact the County Clerk prior to the October 8th deadline.

In Mill City Linn County residents may register with Tom Kanoff at Tom's Shell Station, Marion County residents may register with Mrs. Joe Challenger.

At Lyons registrars are Charlene Lundin at the IGA Market and Bill Smith at the Union Hall. Idanha residents may register with L. C. Davis or Floretta Young. Gates voters may register with Ruby Brisbin.

Well Child Clinic Set for Detroit

IDANHA—Mrs. Jessie Spencer, Marion County District Health co-ordinator for the Canyon area announced this week that a Marion County well child health clinic will be held September 29 at Detroit city hall between the hours of 10 and 12 a. m. and 1 and 3 p. m.

Immunizations will be available for children and adults of all ages. Physicals will be included in the health program by appointment only for pre-school and school age children.

Appointments may be made by contacting Mrs. Spencer 854-3698 or by calling the school 854-3363.

Mrs. Spencer said anyone interested in helping in the health program may do so by contacting her.

Weather, Detroit Dam

Date	Max.	Min.	Elev.	Pct.
Sept. 14	67	48	1550.62	0.28
Sept. 15	55	51	1550.55	0.08
Sept. 16	68	51	1550.30	T
Sept. 17	73	54	1550.09	0.00
Sept. 18	69	52	1549.57	0.66
Sept. 19	60	48	1548.96	0.01
Sept. 20	72	49	1548.00	0.00

Detroit Asks For Help to Get Air Strip

"We need some real good projects to work on this year" said Ed Davis, president of the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce at their meeting in Gates Tuesday night. "We have most all our present projects well under way now," he continued.

Answer to the question on good projects came when Lee Hopson, Jr., and Farris Benton of Idanha asked the Chamber for help in getting an air strip at Detroit. They said the strip could be located between the school property and the lake. Both state it would be advantageous in case another flood hit the area. They said some residents of that area now keep their planes at the Gates airport. They will meet with others in that area, make plans showing their needs and report at the board meeting to be held here October 5.

Davis also gave a report on a meeting he attended in Portland Monday when men from the timber industry and others met with Edith Green and Wendell Wyatt, U. S. representatives in Congress.

Gene Teague gave a report on the River Guides trip down the McKenzie. He said 20 men made the three-day trip and had a real good time. He said the Santiam River is a good training stream and that the Guides proved they had learned their lessons well when they tackled the McKenzie.

Teague also said the Chamber should work to get a boat ramp at Santiam Park west of Mill City and also to work to have the ramp at Fishermen's Bend Park improved.

Program Chairman George Craig introduced Gale Christensen, administrator of Santiam Memorial Hospital, who gave a talk on "Medicare" and its many ramifications and its effect on hospitals. Christensen stated he believed medicare could have been handled more economically by private insurance companies and without much of the usual red tape entailed in any government sponsored project. He said he felt sometimes that the government was more interested in forms they require than in the assistance given to the aged. "More assistance is really needed in the limited income group," said Christensen. He answered questions from the floor before the meeting closed.

Mr. Craig said L. B. Day would talk on "Ocean Resources" at the next Chamber meeting, October 19th at Gates.

Youth Organize Car Club in Mill City

A group of young people owning and driving automobiles in the area two weeks ago organized a car club called The Coachmen. Dave Sledge, who recently leased the Richfield station of Highway 22 here was one of those who organized the group. He said: "members of this group are interested in forming good driving habits, and also to give assistance to motorists on our highways who are in trouble."

A meeting will be called soon to elect officers.

Father Gearen To Open Mission At Detroit

Father Gearen, pastor of St. Catherine's Church in Mill City said this week that a Mission would open in Detroit on Sunday, Sept. 25 at 11 a.m. when a Mass will be held.

The Mission will temporarily be held at the Community hall at Detroit and Father Gearen will conduct the Mass there following the one at St. Catherine's Church which will be at 9 a.m.

Local Bank Officers, Staff Honored



U. S. National Bank personnel received awards at the recent City Council meeting here. The awards were for being alert and helping track down a person who forged several checks on the Mill City Jaycees. Alice Farnen of the bank staff pinpointed the person, by checking names in the Salem telephone directory. The forgeries were committed by a 13-year old girl who had used the last names of neighbors in her area and different first names. Salem police, on her tip caught the girl. Getting the awards were Branch Manager Floyd Eastwood, Assistant Manager Rex A. Ohmart and the third award went to bank personnel, all who had assisted. Presentation was made by Mayor J. C. Kimmel.—The Mill City Enterprise photo.

Eldon Hutchinson Hurt at Simpson Plant Monday

Eldon Hutchinson, millwright at Simpson Timber Company at Lyons, had the tips of three fingers on his right hand cut off while on his job Monday evening. The fingers were badly mangled in the machinery; however, the all-important index finger and thumb were saved for which Mr. Hutchinson said he was very thankful. He does a considerable amount of home repair work besides his work at the mill and without those digits his work would be pretty hard to continue.

Mr. Hutchinson was brought to Dr. John Reid's office for treatment and then Mrs. Hutchinson took him on into Salem Memorial for a human tetanus shot as he is extremely allergic to the animal tetanus. He is now taking it easy at home for awhile.

Scio to Dedicate New City Hall

For the concluding event in the Centennial celebration being observed by the City of Scio, the new City hall will be dedicated on October 1 at 2 p.m., to which the public is invited.

The dedication will be followed by a 6 o'clock no-host Masonic dinner at a Scio restaurant and then at 8 o'clock there will be a district No. 7 meeting.

Ken Purdy, DDGM of District No. 7 said this week that all Masons in the area are invited to attend these events.

First Home Football Game to Be Played Friday

Merchants in the Mill City-Gates area have taken space in this week's issue of The Enterprise to support the Santiam Wolverine's during the current football season.

First home game will be played on Allen Field, Friday, September 23 when Gervais will meet the home team.

In last Friday's game the Wolverines lost to Serra 19 to 0. They plan on using similar offensive and defensive plays but expect to have a winning score.

Idanha Graduate Gets Scholarship

IDANHA — Frank Storey, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Storey of Idanha was recently awarded a \$1500.00 scholarship for his scholastic standing in the field of optometry. The award was made by the Pacific University of Forest Grove where he is a student. Storey is a 1964 graduate of Detroit school.

Prineville Masons Here Saturday

Six members of the Prineville Masonic lodge were in Mill City Saturday afternoon to confer the third degree on John Roten of Gates. The Prineville and Mill City Masonic lodges have been making visitations back and forth for many years.

At 1 o'clock a salmon dinner, prepared by members of the Marilyn Club, was served.

Fred Berg Receives 20-Year Service Pin



Fred W. Berg, at right, the Mill City serviceman for Pacific Power & Light Company, has reached a 20-year service milestone with the power company. Berg, 589 S. E. Hazel Street, receives a service emblem and congratulatory handshake from Frank A. Benesh, Albany district manager for PP&L. An active civic worker and officer in the Mill City Lions Club, Berg moved here early in 1963 from central Washington. He joined the power company in 1946 in Springfield, Ore.

City Police Chief Here Keeps Job

In action at the recent city council meeting, it was voted to keep Chief Jim Taylor. Following a heated argument between Taylor and Mrs. Rudy Tohl, Councilman Jim Rose asked for Taylor's immediate dismissal. The motion was seconded by Councilman Veryl Hoover. The argument came up following Taylor's handling of an incident of breaking the glass in the door of the liquor store, managed by Mrs. Ruth Tohl. She claimed Taylor was abusive in his talk and actions. Taylor denied it. Following the reading of his record of arrests and convictions, the council voted four to two to retain Taylor. Those voting against were Rose and Hoover, those for, Podrabsky, Mason, Kimmel and Goforth.

In other action, building permits were issued to Archie Thompson to build a one-bedroom house at 156 S.E. Ivy; to Dick Posekany to alter his present home and add a two-car carport, and to Warren Goffin for an addition to his home on Southwest Spring Street.

Charlie Stewart and Jim Girard appeared before the council asking for an amendment to Ordinance No. 87, to permit them to display perishable goods in season. The ordinance restricted any display of merchandise on the sidewalk. The request was granted.

Engineer Richard Worthington was present to discuss the dumping of raw sewage into the North Santiam river by several business houses on the Marion County side of Mill City. He advised that a tote holes be made on property just east of Pacific Power & Light Company to see if a septic tank and drain field would take care of the problem.

The council approved the State Speed Control Board's proposal to reduce speed on Santiam Blvd. to 40 miles per hour from the west edge of town to the east edge of town except 20 miles per hour during school at the city center crossing.

Councilmen voted to have Recorder Rex Ohmart write a letter to Lowell Brown of Valley Telephone requesting the moving of a pole on the corner of S. W. Linn Blvd. and 8th street to permit the realigning of the street.

Stanley Chance appeared before the council to see if something could not be done about drainage in the area near Hutchinson Trucking Co., stating water and mud on the street was a hazard. Mayor Kimmel said the city was unable to get an easement from property owners to put in a drain tile to the river at the present time.

Engineers Making Survey Concerning Fallout Shelters

Engineers and technicians from Cornell, Howland, Hayes and Merryfield will be surveying structures in Polk and Marion counties to update the national fallout shelter facility inventory. The work is being done under contract to the Corps of Engineers.

Vaughn Sterling, project engineer for CH2M, said the survey will start about October 1. The four-man team assigned to the project includes James Fuller, Richard Roy, Arlan Rippe and Masten Beaver.

Sterling said the CH2M team will conduct the survey in other northwestern Oregon counties after the work is completed in Marion and Polk counties.