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## Up and Down The Avenue

By Don Moffatt

I think possibly this new highway law passed by the Oregon lawmakers this last session is really going to work. I am referring to the law recently in effect that requires slow moving vehicles on two-lane highways to pull over at the first safe spot and let faster traffic go by.

This past weekend we have been driving considerably, giving my brother Al, and his wife Mabel a look-see at our country. We have noticed that drivers are really taking the law seriously—and about time too, I might add. There was only one instance this weekend that we noticed a pile-up of traffic and that was behind a large transport truck going up Highway 22 over the pass from the east. He could have pulled out at one place, but I suppose he would have lost what little speed he did have, so he stayed put. The traffic finally did get around him on a straight stretch. For the most part though, it appears that this law will really work. If it does, it certainly should reduce the number of these head-on crashes where a driver in desperation to get around—a slow-poke driver, takes chances in passing. Time alone will tell if the highway patrolmen will really enforce the law. I for one, hope they do.

A lot of people, including me, have believed that President Johnson never tries to stop up the leaks in government spending—but I find that is not always the case. Do not misunderstand me, I still am not in favor of many of his programs, but by the same token, I do not believe he should take the blame for an over-eager group of Senators and Representatives who are out beating the tub to get themselves re-elected. President Johnson had recommended a \$13 million program for increased coverage in life insurance for government employees, officials and members of Congress, but when the smoke cleared Congress had voted for a \$61 million program, which the president vetoed.

When our government is faced with a possible \$29 million deficit, how in the world can these senators and representatives face their constituents when campaigning for re-election.

I think we really should bear down on our senators and representatives and see to it that they earnestly attempt to cut out waste and duplicity in government, instead of voting a 10% increase in taxes. Why not cut 25% in domestic expenditures just to see what the taxpayers would do.

You know there is something very special about a good doctor. In these days when so much emphasis is put on the common man and equality, the instinct of survival dictates that when we get sick, we want no part of the common man. It takes a dedicated person to make a good doctor or surgeon. Just opening the doors of colleges to more students to study for this profession, does not assure us that we will have more good doctors. This is not always the case. A lot depends upon the temperament of the student doctor himself. Not everyone can be a good doctor, no matter how much training he gets. A doctor has to have real patience. It takes a lot of courage for a doctor to face a full schedule of sick people every day. He listens to the complaints of people, some who are really sick, and others who think they are sick, so it must be a real trying profession. However, on the other hand, if he can't take these responsibilities in a somewhat cheerful and civil manner, he is not fit for the name of "doctor." We have seen many doctors who place themselves

## Brady Heads Calendar Sales Drive

Paul Brady will again head the annual Lions Club Calendar sales drive which will get under way immediately after the meeting next Monday night. Brady said that he is working with a committee to re-arrange the various selling zones so that every citizen of the Mill City and Gates area will have an opportunity to participate in this worthy project. Deadline for the sales campaign has been set for October 9. Residents of the community are asked to welcome Lions members as they make their house to house canvass to sell the birthday calendars. The calendar sales is the Lions club's only fund raising event of the year and the funds are used for sight conservation and other community betterment programs.

**Calendar Explained**  
As an explanation to new residents, the calendars are of a community nature. On the calendars are listed the meeting dates of the clubs of the community and also listed are the birthdays and anniversaries of all those who purchase the calendars at \$2. Additional calendars can be purchased for 50c each.

All people living in one house as a family can have their names listed on the calendar for the \$2. In the event you wish to have other family members from other towns listed, another \$2 will be charged for their listing. The community birthday calendar is a handy addition to the home as it helps keep track of the various community, lodge and club meeting dates.

At the meeting Monday night, the first of the fall season, Bill Metteer, vice president was in charge. Maynard Smith, president was out of town. Metteer said there would be a good program for October 9 meeting when a showing of the laser beam will be put on at the school following the dinner meeting. District Governor Harold Johnson of Coos Bay will be present at the October 16 meeting.

This year there will be a 50c fine for being absent without excuse. Metteer said. The secretary, Lee Ross, should be notified of anyone planning to miss a meeting not later than Thursday prior to the Monday meeting.

## Elkhorn Bridge to Open North Fork Timber Cutting

Construction of a new concrete bridge across the Little North Fork of the Santiam near Elkhorn Valley park is included in this year's timber harvest plans, the Salem District, Bureau of Land Management reported Thursday.

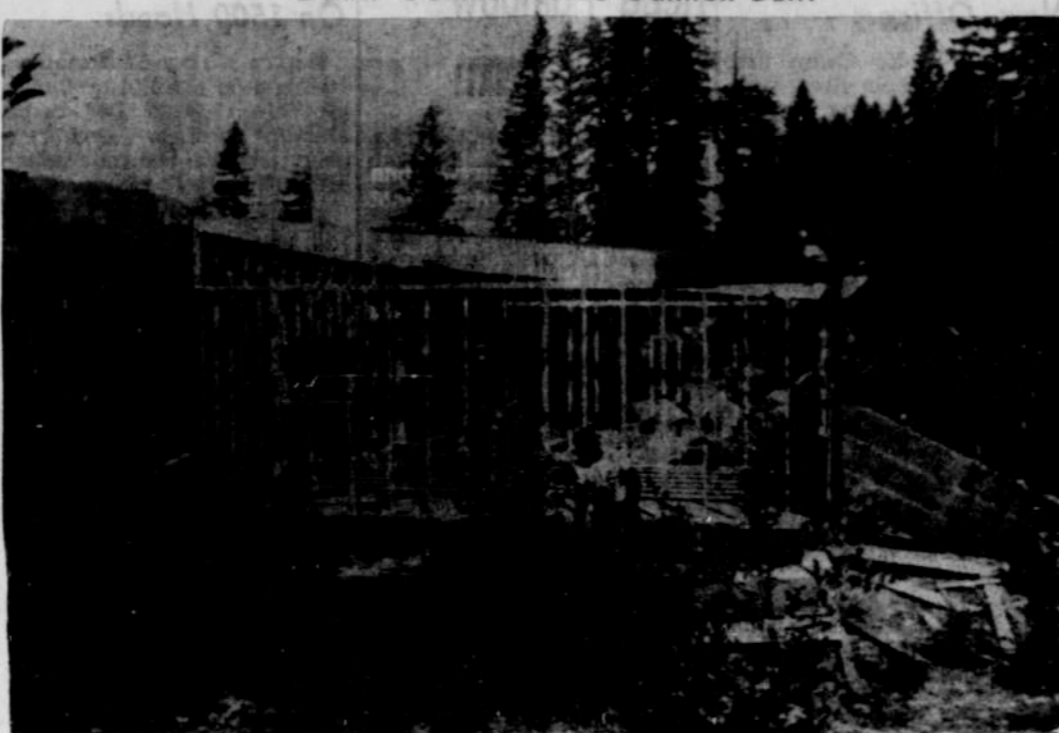
The bridge, about 10 miles east of Mehama, will open some 1,560 acres of timberland owned by BLM, State of Oregon, Capitol Lumber Co., and Freres Lumber Co. Walter Gavin, assistant district manager for BLM, estimated that 60,000,000 board feet would be harvested from the area.

Gavin said a buffer strip of timber would be left along the Little North Fork for its recreational value. It includes some two miles of river front in that area extending both up and downstream from the Elkhorn park.

right along with Diety. I would advise them not to try walking on the water, as I am sure they are not quite that good.

We are fortunate in this area to have many good doctors. We need more, but we should be very thankful for the ones we do have.

## Down Comes House Cannon Built



Robert J. Cannon of Albany, illegally built the above cabin, or what is left of it, on O and C land over the Gates hill on the Little North Fork. He picked a beautiful site, but a crew from the Job Corps from Tillamook made short work of the plywood building last Wednesday. It was dismantled board by board, hauled off and stored.—The Mill City Enterprise photo.

## Yearbook Staff Attends Meeting

Saturday, five members of Santiam's Yearbook staff and their advisor, Mrs. Larry Slack, attended the High School Yearbook Conference in Portland. The conference was held at the Hilton Hotel.

Irving Lloyd, a professional photographer for yearbooks was the main speaker. He had many ideas to offer on how to "Let the Picture Tell the Story."

The afternoon was spent in small group sessions where different phases of yearbook construction were discussed by experts in the field.

Wolverine Staff members attending were: Jack Johnson, editor; Theresa Lankins, VaDonna Earhart, Peggy Cooper and Kande Hennes.

## Santiam Education Association Here Names Chairmen

Fred Gruver, president of the Santiam Education Association, presided at the Monday afternoon meeting. Committee chairmen selected were: Department of Classroom Teachers' Representative, Herb Bastuscheck; Legislation, Al Glover; Special Services, Sigrun Grimstead; Ethics, Doris Sheythe; Research, Roger Mink; Teacher Education and Professional Standards, Marge Parker; Hospitality, Alice Smith; Human Rights and Responsibilities, Beulah Bows; Economic Welfare, Marian White; Membership, Judith Parent; Publicity, Elaine Main.

The Association voted to host the Linn County Coordinating Council at a fall banquet. In charge of the October affair will be Alice Smith (chairman), Mary Wright, and Al Glover.

A potluck picnic is planned for all District personnel and their families on Sunday. Dinner will be served at 4:30 at Fishermen's Bend Park.

## Safety Meeting for School Bus Drivers Held Tuesday Night

A Safety Meeting for school bus drivers of the Detroit and Mill City districts was held here Tuesday night. Nine drivers and the school administrators, Francis Dummer of Detroit, and Bill Lewellen of Mill City heard Perry Duncan, safety engineer from Safeco give a talk on how to be a safe bus driver.

Two films on safety were shown at the school following a dinner at a local cafe, hosted by Pittam Insurance. These meetings are held to give bus drivers the benefit of latest driving techniques.

## Rangers Tell NS Chamber About Fires

Paul Brady and Lee Boeckstiegel, rangers from Mill City and Detroit were main speakers at the first fall meeting of the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce held at Gates Tuesday night. They came to tell of the recent fires, and how the Forest Service starts early in February to make plans for fire suppression during the year. Fire control officer for Mill City is By Rarey and Howard Dean for Detroit.

These men make a record of all logging operations in the area and how many men they have. They also make a record of the equipment so they can tell just how much can be called in when fire strikes.

Ranger Boeckstiegel said June 22 was the last day there was any rain until after the big fires were raging. He said he never had seen so much lightning before. Two storms converged on the Ivy Creek District at the same time and started 40 fires, 36 large enough to need immediate action. He said there was just not enough man power to take care of the fires in the two districts, so outside or overhead crews were summoned to take care of the major fires. Both rangers said the high temperatures now, coupled with low humidity, make it a potentially bad fire season yet. A lot more rain is needed to keep fires down and make the forest safe.

The impact of the fires on the economy of the area was discussed. Both men said that much of the timber burned can be salvaged, but it will have to be done right away. They did not think they would have any trouble selling the large timber, but the smaller trees pose a more difficult problem. One timber sale had been cancelled and others have been postponed until a fuller assessment of the fire damage can be made.

In speaking of the Eagle Rock and Devils Ridge fires in the Mill City district it was said that this is the toughest terrain in the Willamette National Forest. Mr. Brady said that the area can be assured of a good allowable cut, and that the two districts will do all in their power to work out a solution that will be favorable to the area.

President Floyd Eastwood said the program for November 21 would be Consumer Education. He also told of a program coming up October 10 at the Women's World Building at the State Fairgrounds when Andy Landforce, OSU Wildlife Specialist will give advice on how to take care of deer after they have been killed.

## Wolverines To Play First Home Game Friday at 8 P. M.

Santiam Wolverines meet Salem Academy in its second Capitol Conference game this Friday at 8 p. m. at Allen Field.

Salem Academy dropped its first game with Regis by a 26-0 score.

This will be the first time that Santiam has played Salem Academy and the Wolverines will attempt to keep their slate clean. They have defeated Stayton and Scio so far this year.

Mill City and Gates Merchants have taken a full page in The Enterprise this week urging support for the Wolverines.

## Three Hurt In Highway Accident

Three persons were hurt in a two-vehicle crash at John Roten's service station near the west city limits of Gates Friday evening at about 7 o'clock. John F. Van Osdol and his wife were in a camper going east, when they were struck from behind by a car driven by Lawrence Van Camp of Idanha. He was accompanied by Bob Sumpster also of Idanha. Roten who was in the station talking on the telephone at the time said he heard the "tires squeal" and looked up in time to see the camper go end over end, land off the shoulder of the highway in front of his station. The other vehicle went several hundred feet down the road and ended up in the ditch on the south side of the road. Van Osdol was thrown from the pickup, but his wife was not so severely injured. Van Osdol was taken to a Salem hospital, and the other two involved in the wreck were treated at Santiam Memorial in Stayton.

Van Osdol was pulling a boat behind the pickup, which broke loose and ended up on the south side of the highway, apparently undamaged.

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**Weather, Detroit Dam 7 a. m. Daily Weather Reading Pool**

Date	Max.	Min.	Elev.	Pct.
Sept. 13	77	48	1541.15	0.00
Sept. 14	87	48	1540.55	0.00
Sept. 15	90	56	1539.90	00.0
Sept. 16	90	56	1539.23	0.00
Sept. 17	85	51	1538.57	0.00
Sept. 18	71	53	1537.91	0.07
Sept. 19	80	57	1537.29	0.00

## BLM Takes Action to Remove Robert Cannon House from O and C Land

By Don Moffatt

A feud, which has lasted for over a year between the Bureau of Land Management and Robert J. Cannon of Albany came to a new level last Wednesday, when a Job Corps crew from Tillamook, under the direction of District Manager Otto Kreuger, proceeded to tear down the plywood summer home, which BLM claimed was illegally built on O and C land in the Northfork area over the hill north of Gates.

Cannon, who says he is an Oklahoma Indian from the Osage tribe claims that he holds a certificate of eligibility for public domain lands under an Indian Act of 1887.

"His is just one of the actions of Indians recently attempting to establish claims under the old law," Kreuger told The Enterprise Wednesday afternoon, when this writer was taken to the site.

Cannon's application for the 160 acres was rejected because the land is reserved as former Oregon and California grant land for sustained yield timber production, and as such, it is not subject to appropriation under the Indian Allotment Act.

Walter Gavin, Cascade Area Manager for BLM of the Salem District, stated Wednesday: "Cannon certainly picked a perfect spot. The view across the North Fork Valley was unimpaired, and the tract has been appraised at some \$400,000." And that is worth fighting for.

State Police were on hand while the building was being removed. Just in case some difficulty was encountered.

Mr. Kreuger said: "there is a great difference between making application for land, than getting the right to settle the land. A person shall be entitled to possession and use of land only after his entry, selection, or location has been allowed, or lease has been issued. Settlement on the land prior to that time constitutes a trespass."

Mr. Cannon took his plea to the President of the United States advising that he intended to pursue his claim in court and that he would protect his improvements on the "land at all costs," his letter was written on July 7.

On July 14, BLM wrote Cannon, as follows: "You have been consistently notified that your improvements would become the property of the United States if not removed within the time allowed for this purpose. You now have notice that the improvements are property of the United States because of your failure to timely remove them."

On July 17 Mr. Cannon was advised that "since he did not comply with the removal of his improvements within the time allowed, they have been posted as Federal property." He was thus accused of trespass on Federal lands.

Thus on last Wednesday, BLM took down the building and moved it off the property.

Mr. Cannon is a foreman at the Wah Chang Company plant in Albany. He did appear while the removal of the building was in progress.

However, he said later in the week, "I'm going right back up build again. I'll move there this time if necessary. And I'll take along my rifle. This thing has gone far enough," said Cannon, who is a graduate of the University of Kansas.

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