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Up and Down The Avenue

By Don Moffatt

A year ago today, Labor Day, I was up in our forest lands, along with thousands of others. I was surveying the damage being caused by our big forest fires, the guest of Ranger Paul Brady. It was a sickening sight, believe me. Today, it is cloudy with the sun just peeking through the overcast. It is pleasantly warm and there is not a fire in the woods, except those of the thousands of campers, taking what advantage they can of the last big holiday of the year.

Labor Day is always a fizzle of a holiday for us here in the newspaper business. Monday is always one of our busiest days. On this holiday there is no mail service, and that is bad. But, we can't win them all, so we'll work today, and then take some time off later. I came to work sort of feeling sorry for myself, but then I got to thinking about all the people who are unable to work, then I sincerely thanked God that I was able to work, and lived in a country that was strong enough to fight all the things and people that seem to be doing their best to tear our country down.

I can't help but mention the fiasco in Chicago during the Democratic National convention. It was really a bad thing to broadcast to the world via video media and the newscasts. What most other countries think of us. That is but one part of it—what do we think of ourselves. I do not hold with police brutality, but neither do I hold with the group of people who were determined to march on the convention and attempt to force their way into the hall and disrupt the normal nominating proceedings. I, like many others, feel these young demonstrators could have gained their point by meeting in the park, electing a few of their "best" leaders, and then seek admission to the convention floor, to plead their case, if they truly had one. All this shouting of obscenities and head bashing is just not the way to accomplish their desires.

It should prove to all those who try to have peaceful demonstrations that they just don't do the job—even when the mobsters make plans in advance to cause disturbances. I predict that there will be more senseless killings before law and order can be restored to our cities. All people must be made to realize that any law, even if they do not agree with it is better than no law at all. Until all segments of our society learn to obey laws, we will have troubled times. No political figure, state or national can be everything to everyone.

The government giveth, the government taketh away. So goes the battle all the time. The Forest Service gave us a ranger district here in Mill City in 1959, when they decided that the Detroit district could be handled better with the split—leaving part in Detroit, and forming the Mill City district. All went along, supposedly well, but the public did not know that the Mill City district was always marginal—it just didn't make enough to pay its own way. This is not uncommon for government operated projects. It is bad though, because when an area gets used to having something, it hates to give it up, and that is the way Mill City feels about losing the district. However, it is not as bad as it sounds. It is like a wound, it will heal before long and things will continue to go along as they have in the past. As far as business is concerned, it will make little or no difference—about the same amount of money will be spent here. The houses owned by the government will continue to be occupied by forest service personnel. The people living near, will have to drive to the Detroit Ranger station, but that isn't too far, considering the modern day highways. They will be driving a much shorter distance than many who commute from here to Salem—and in large cities, many more miles are traveled under a lot worse traffic conditions. So, while we hate to

Several Log Sales Set For Area

DETROIT — Plans for the sale of some 21,000,000 board feet of timber is scheduled to go on the auction block in the Detroit and Mill City districts in the next several months was announced recently by the Willamette National Forest.

Most of the sales are scheduled in the Detroit District between now and January 1. Two smaller salvage sales are due in the Mill City District.

The Forest Service said it was announcing the Log Creek, Blowout No. 2, Skyline, Horn Creek, East Bugaboo, Blowout Beard Creek Observatory, Lost Shoe Pass Salvage sale plan now so that interested buyers could inspect the timber before snow falls.

Lots of Sausage Being Prepared For Oktoberfest

MT. ANGEL—Three tons of Mt. Angel sausage are being prepared for this year's Oktoberfest, September 19-22. Half will be reserved for the huge dinners Saturday and Sunday, the other half will be available for sale.

More tables will be set up to handle the larger crowds expected this year.

Dinner hours are Saturday 1:00 to 9:00 p. m., and Sunday 11:30 a. m. to 6:00 p. m. at St. Mary's School. The school is across the street from the highest Gothic church that can be seen for miles around.

Mt. Angel's famous wurst-maker, Franz Schmidt, is busier than usual selecting cuts of high grade beef and pork which he combines with special spices to make the popular Oktoberfest sausage.

Citizenship Class to be Offered at YMCA In Salem

Starting on Thursday, September 19th, at 8 p. m. at the Salem YMCA will be another series of citizenship classes offered to those persons planning on becoming U. S. Citizens by naturalization. This series will run for 8 successive Thursday evenings, starting at 8 p. m. These classes are offered at no charge as a public service of the Marion County Bar Association and the YMCA. Mr. Gerry Bartz of the Attorney General's office will be the instructor for this series. No pre-registration will be necessary—just be on hand for the first class on Thursday, September 19th. For further information, call the Salem YMCA 363-9117.

Army Engineers Ask Bids on Clearing Revetted Slopes

Bids for clearing revetted slopes and aprons at 37 locations in the Willamette Valley have been invited by the Portland U. S. Army Engineer District.

Colonel Robert L. Bangert, Portland District Engineer, said the clearing is maintenance work. He will open the bids in his office, 628 Pittock Block, Portland, at 2 p. m. September 17. A month and a half are allowed for completion.

Thirty-three of the locations are along the Willamette, Mollalla, Santiam, South Santiam, McKenzie, Middle Fork Willamette and Coast Fork Willamette, and four are along the main stem Willamette.

lose the prestige of having the station located here—that is about all it will amount to within a short time. It just goes to show, though, that one should not put too much stock in an economy that is based on governmental projects.

The Really Big One Got Away



Pictured is Mrs. Lee Bassett with one of the nice silvers she and her husband caught on a recent fishing trip to Warrenton. The one she is holding is a 13-pounder but she hooked a bigger one that really did get away. Joining the Bassetts for a day were Jerry Coffman and Jim Strout of Stayton.

Leaders Needed for Camp Fire, Bluebird Groups This Year

It is expected that there will be about 88 Camp Fire and Bluebird girls this year and all former leaders and assistants as well as any others that are willing to help in this really worthwhile and rewarding experience are asked to call Mrs. Bill Shepherd at 897-2147.

The Mill City Woman's club will again sponsor the girls as they have for many years.

The Canyon Camp Fire Leader's association will meet on Tuesday, September 10 at 10 a. m. at the home of Mrs. Bill Shepherd. Main purpose of the meeting is to secure leaders and assistants and anyone interested is urged to attend. Those who have worked with the girls find that it is a real pleasure as well as guiding the girls in a constructive and entertaining way of life.

Missionary To Be At Christian Church

Don Summers, who works with the Indians in the Puget sound area, will be at the First Christian Church in Mill City this week-end.

He will be at a Get-acquainted Pancake breakfast at the church basement Saturday morning at 8 o'clock when members and friends of the church are urged to come and meet him.

Mr. Summers will conduct the regular services at the church on Sunday according to Minister Charles Fultz.

Some Forest Trails Are Muddy

DETROIT — Muddy trails and snow at higher elevations made an interesting mark on the weekly recreation report for the Central Cascades which was issued last Wednesday by the Willamette National Forest.

Detroit District warned hikers of muddy conditions following unseasonal rains. Rains may have also damaged the huckleberry and blackberry crops in Detroit, Mill City, Sweet Home and McKenzie districts the report said.

Travelers were reminded to check with the ranger station for latest information on the Lake French Creek road to Tumble Lake.

Weather, Detroit Dam

7 a. m. Daily Weather Reading	Pool	Elev.	
Aug. 21	66	51	1556.95
Aug. 22	70	51	1556.63
Aug. 23	68	53	1556.33
Aug. 24	63	55	1556.11
Aug. 25	58	54	1556.00
Aug. 26	65	56	1556.48
Aug. 27	66	55	1556.85
Aug. 28	62	55	1557.32
Aug. 29	71	56	1556.99
Aug. 30	89	54	1557.02
Aug. 31	89	55	1556.95
Sept. 1	89	59	1556.82
Sept. 2	71	53	1556.43
Sept. 3	72	53	1556.06

School To Begin Thurs.

The schools of Santiam Administrative District 129J is all set for opening on schedule today, September 5.

Teachers have been meeting this week in preparation for classes on opening day. Football practice is in full swing with the first home game slated for Friday, September 13, with Stayton. This should be a real good game, according to Coach Gibson.

Holiday Traffic Sets Record 688 Killed

While there were no fatalities listed in this particular area, highway accidents took their toll in the nation, listing 688 killed in the three-day Labor Day weekend.

The toll far exceeded the previous record of 636 for the summer's last holiday, set in 1966. It compared with 518 vehicle deaths during a recent non-holiday weekend of similar length.

The record toll, counted from 6 p. m. local time Friday to midnight Monday, was more than 10 times greater than the number of Americans killed in combat in Vietnam during the same period.

District Three Nurses To Have Fall Meet September 9

The first program of the fall season for District No. 3 nurses will be September 9 at 7:30 p. m., Oregon State Hospital Nurses' Residence. Topic of the discussion will be "Games People Play", systems of transactional relationships as described by Eric Berne, M. D. It will feature Dr. John Carter, director of one of the community psychiatric units at Oregon State Hospital.

A native of Iowa, Dr. Carter obtained his medical degree at the State University of Iowa College of Medicine. In January, 1968 he completed the three year psychiatric residency program at Oregon State Hospital. In addition to being unit director at Oregon State Hospital, Dr. Carter is consultant at Oregon State Correctional Institute and Douglas County Mental Health Clinic.

William Grimes In Navy for 16 Years; At Gulf of Tonkin

U.S.S. Long Beach—S.P.C.M. William A. Grimes, Husband of Shirley L. Grimes of Rt. 2, Box 218A Scio, is serving aboard the nuclear-powered guided cruiser USS Long Beach in Vietnam's Gulf of Tonkin. The ship maintains surveillance of all aircraft flying over the gulf or North Vietnam.

Slash Burning Underway in Upper Area

DETROIT—Some 104 acres of slash in six units in the Park Santiam area near Santiam Junction, and twenty two acres of slash in the South Whitewater area was touched off Tuesday morning under the Supervision of the U. S. Forest Service.

Fire Control Officer, Byron Rarey, Detroit Ranger Station said if weather conditions hold approximately sixtytwo acres in the Martin Butte area and some fifty five acres in the Devils Creek area in three units will be set off Wednesday morning.

Some two thousand nineteen acres in 88 separate clear-cut units in the Mill City-Detroit Districts is scheduled to be burned in the U. S. Forest Service slash burning program this fall.

State Relaxes Forest Land Restrictions

Permit restrictions on some 863,000 acres of land protected by the State Forestry Department have been relaxed due to the unseasonably damp weather which has reduced fire hazard throughout the state.

The areas are still under regulated closure, because of the likelihood of increased fire danger when the weather becomes dry, hot and more seasonable.

Extreme fire prevention care is still needed in these areas, but permits are no longer required to enter them.

In West Oregon Forest Protection District, permit restrictions on Closure Areas 1, 2 and 3, totaling an eighth of a million acres, have been lifted. Permit restrictions have also been dropped on the 42,875 acre Oxbow area in Western Lane Forest Protective Association.

In west central Oregon, restrictions on the 46,000 acre Brooks Scanlon area and on the 43,800 acre Ochoco Closure have been raised.

In east central Oregon, the Radio Mountain Area, Middle Fork-North Fork John Day River Area, Mitchell Unit Area, Baldy Mountain Area, and the Kinzua Unit Area, totaling more than half a million acres, are now open with no permit restrictions.

Certain entry restrictions on the 264,000 acres of the Klamath Forest Protective Association have been reduced. The areas affected are the Green Springs, Kings Cabin and Boulder Creek areas. These areas had previously been closed to entry entirely. Permits are still required, and persons wishing entry should apply for permits at the KFPA headquarters, located west of the Weed Ashland junction on Highway 97.

Mill City Ranger District Now Closed To Public; Consolidated With Detroit

DETROIT — Closure of the Mill City Ranger District went into effect this week in the merging of Mill City and Detroit Districts, Willamette National Forest Supervisor David Gibney has announced.

Merger of the two districts with the main office at Detroit is scheduled to become effective November 3, under the plan approved by the regional forester.

The Mill City Ranger Station was closed to the public September 3, but will continue to be used for certain activities during the weeks required to phase together the operations of the two districts. All telephone calls to the Mill City District should be made to the

Detroit Ranger District now. "It was initially proposed that the Detroit District Ranger, Lee Boeckstiegel, would live in Mill City after the merger, but this was not approved because of regulations affecting our ability to finance the Ranger's move," Gibney said. He added it is believed that effective relationships between the Forest Service and the community are assured.

The Detroit Forest Service District was split in May, 1969, forming two districts. Forest Service officials felt the area was too large as one District, and thought that better administration and closer ground supervision would be gained by splitting the district. A Forest Service headquarters was set up at Mill City, and District Ranger, Al Sorseth, of the Detroit Ranger Station was transferred to Mill City. Ed Graham succeeded Sorseth here as District Ranger.

Gibney said it is now felt that consolidation of the two districts is in the best public interest.

New Ordinance To Be Proposed at Council Meeting

The Mill City council will meet at the city hall for a regular meeting on Wednesday, September 11 at 8 p. m. At this time a new ordinance will be up for discussion and possible passage.

The proposed ordinance is to repeal the present trailer house Ordinances No. 81 and 106 and will set up standards for mobile home parking in the city.

This has been a controversial issue for some time and anyone wishing to discuss the ordinance is invited to attend and express their views.

Well-Child Clinic Has Good Turn-out for Pre-School Examinations

There were 14 Pre-school physicals given at the August 29 clinic at the Mill City grade school and about 25 immunizations. There were 12 smallpox inoculations and several other shots given.

Mrs. Lois Gruver said she would like to stress that mother's should follow up these immunizations in about 4 to 6 weeks. The Linn county health office is open each Friday and the shots will be free. Both Marion and Linn county residents may also attend the well-child clinics in Stayton which are held each Tuesday at the city hall.

Mrs. Gruver, registered nurse, said she doubted very much if more clinics again would be held here as they are operated through federal funds and located in central areas which for residents here would mean Detroit and Stayton.

Helping at the August clinic besides Mrs. Gruver were nurses from Linn county and Dr. Van Veen from Stayton.

Detering Attends Tax Conference

State Representative Gerald Detering is attending The National Tax Association Conference this week in San Francisco as one of the delegates of the Oregon Legislative Tax Study committee. This is the 51st annual conference of the National Taxation Association. The Theme of the conference is Tax Harmonization.

Detering is a board member of Oregon Tax research, a State-wide non governmental organization and also a member of the Legislative Permanent Tax Study Committee.

Shucks, It Didn't Hurt At All



Nurse Lois Gruver, can be seen giving a shot to John Ohmart, son of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Ohmart at the Well Child Clinic held last week at the Mill City Elementary school. The PTA and other interested people have worked for the past several years to get the clinic back in Mill City—The Enterprise photo.