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Up and Down The Avenue

By Don Moffatt

In writing briefly about the OSU incident of the past several days, my main comment is merely—I think the Black Students did the only thing they could do—leave. If they don't like conditions there, it was about their only recourse. They certainly are not forced to attend any institution of higher learning, other than one of their choice. As far as the beard on the athlete is concerned, to me it was nothing to kick up such a fuss about. That student in question knew the athletic rules made by Dee Andros, so why should he feel he has to be different. Personally, I'd hate to feel so insecure that I had to rely on a beard, or long hair, or any other kooky thing these guys do, to make me feel accepted in our society. It is a lot of tomfoolery any way you look at it. I certainly will use a lot of respect for our professors, if they back down and acquiesce to the demands of such a few students. If they cannot stand up for what they believe is right, they have little or no business being at the head of any college.

Now I'd like to get down to something else which to me is a lot more important than hair or beards. It is the business of our big government. Young people are beginning to rebel about a lot of things, and we oldsters, too, are getting a little ruffled at the waste in government, and the ineffectiveness of it. Government now is rather impotent. Right now we need a strong, effective, truly performing government.

The planning for cities made by government agencies is failing to do the job they have been paid to do. Nearly every overlapping program is doing little but perpetuating itself in power.

Long-range planning requested by Washington for New York State alone is something to think about. The state applied for \$1,670,000, but it cost \$150,000 to take care of the paper work. These programs are like a batch of wet noodles. You can hardly tell where one starts and another one ends. First thing government planners do when they move in on a project is to hire a big staff of office workers, who spend most of their time grinding out huge piles of reports. What happens to these forms—most likely they are sent to Washington where another big crew files them away. No wonder so little money actually gets down to accomplishing what it is intended to accomplish.

President Nixon, if he does his job, will most likely go down in history as being an unpopular president. The job he should do is revamp the entire system of federal government. If he would weed out the unnecessary overlapping bureaus, he of necessity would step on many toes. Congressmen would lose a lot of their "sacred cows" so they'd be up in arms. I think he should knock out the 10% surtax that was foisted upon the people to curb inflation. The best way to curb inflation is to stop government spending. We can't continue to forever pile billions of dollars of expense upon the taxpayers, and still survive. If the president does these things, he may save our country, but he most likely will sacrifice himself in the process. Is Nixon, or any other man, big enough to do this job?

And now for the clincher of the week. The lunar module, for five days a traveling companion to Apollo 9 astronauts is now a \$41-million piece of space junk. After it had been flight-tested, it was of no further use. I think this moon stuff is a lot of hokey. Of course, space exploration is progress, but it certainly is expensive, and I believe the money could be saved or at least spent more wisely. I know this tags me as a stick-in-the-mud, but I feel just this way about space flights.

Valedictorian



Karen Loveall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Loveall of Mill City, has been named Valedictorian at Santiam high school, class of 1969. She has earned a grade point average of 3.83. She is president of Honor Society, was treasurer of her class during her sophomore and junior years, and Pep Club secretary when a sophomore. She has been active in T.A.C. all through high school, holding the office of treasurer. As a sophomore, she was J. V. cheerleader and was also chosen as princess for the Sweethearts' Ball. Last year she was girl of the month for April. She has headed the concession stand for her class both last year and this.

Miss Loveall plans to attend O.T.I. where she will major in physical science.

Salutatorian



Lonnie Bodeker the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Bodeker of Mill City, has been named Salutatorian at Santiam high school, class of 1969. She has a grade point average of 3.79. She has been an active member of Pep Club all through high school, this year being varsity cheer leader. As a sophomore, she was J. V. cheerleader, and last year was a member of the drill team. She was a G.A.A. member for two years, and has been out for track.

During her junior year, she was student body activity coordinator. She is vice-president of Honor Society and a member of F.T.A. This year she was chosen Homecoming Queen.

Lonnie's future plans are rather tentative. At present she is considering attending Oregon State and majoring in elementary education.

Lions Auxiliary to have Rummage Sale Mar. 29

Plans are well underway for the Mill City Lions Auxiliary rummage sale which will be held in the building adjacent to the bank on Saturday, March 29.

Mrs. Bill Metteer, Auxiliary president said that only items of good quality will be sold, with prices very low. Residents are reminded that some good Easter clothes may be obtained at this time.

There will also be tables of small articles and what may be a "white elephant" to one person may be extremely useful to another.

Mrs. Floyd Eastwood, Mrs. Fred Krecklow and Mrs. Maynard Smith are members of the Auxiliary Ways and Means committee and will be in charge of arrangements for the sale. Hours will be from 10 A. M. to 5 P. M.

Ed Davis To Head Annual River Event

After much discussion and after the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce was ready to quit sponsoring the North Santiam Whitewater Challenge it again has top priority as a project for years to come. At a recent meeting of the Chamber Board of Directors, Ed Davis was named as general chairman for the event this year.

Virgil Trout, president of the Mill City Jaycees was present, and said the Jaycees were interested in taking over the queen coronation this year. At other meetings held recently the Chamber and the Jaycees decided to work together on this phase of the popular Memorial Day run.

It was decided at a committee meeting Monday that Trout and Stan Paulson of the Jaycees would share the responsibility, along with other assistance given by the Chamber.

In other action at the recent board meeting, the members stated disenchantment with radio coverage and stated advertising was sold under false pretenses. Salesmen for the media led advertisers to believe that the Chamber was getting a cut out of the deal, and this was not so.

Volunteer Mothers Assist In Gates Classrooms

Many school districts throughout the nation have for several years had the services of volunteer mothers within their classrooms. Commencing in February of this year one third grade room at the Gates Primary School is also involving mothers in its reading program.

Mrs. Phelps, the teacher, indicated high interest when contacted by Mrs. Howard Morrison, Mrs. Charles Golden, Mrs. Virgil Trout, and Mrs. John Whisenhunt. Needless to say such assistance by parents is a wonderful opportunity for a teacher to extend her reading program. Under the leadership of Mrs. Phelps the procedure to be used was planned with the parents and immediately put into action.

The class was working in three groups so the decision was that for 15 minutes one group would read for the visiting mother, one group would receive technical help from the teacher, the remaining group would read silently and complete assignments in their work books. At the end of the 15 minute session the groups would change places. In the 45 minute period all students would have performed in each of the three positions.

The new program enables the classroom teacher to use one parent each day and it is commendable that mothers have enlisted since the first four volunteered. The mothers have worked out a schedule so that each will be a "listener" every other week. Other mothers indicating they will assist in this important task are: Mrs. James Hoover, Mrs. Arthur Richter, Mrs. James Buddlong, Mrs. Vern Peterman, and Mrs. Irvin Gordon.

This has been very thrilling to the students having their mother in the classroom and the parents and Mrs. Phelps feel the experiment has been successful.

Gates Council To Discuss Bond Issue

GATES—There will be a meeting of the Gates City Council Thursday, March 13. An engineer from West Tech. will be present to discuss the new water tank for Gates.

Anyone who is interested is invited to attend the meeting, as the cost involved will be discussed. A bond issue for this will also be discussed and voted on at a later date.

New Building for City Water Filtration Plant



Raymond Lillie & Son Construction Company workers erect aluminum roof over Pacific Power & Light Company's new water pumping building at the utility's water filtration plant in Mill City. The new concrete block building is one of two new buildings being built to modernize PP&L's water facilities.

\$21,000 To Be Spent on Water Plant

After several weeks of snow and cold weather, construction crews have resumed work remodeling Pacific Power & Light Company's water filtration plant in Mill City.

John Kohls, PP&L local manager in Stayton, reports that Raymond Lillie and Son Construction crews, Albany, have laid the foundations and constructed the concrete block walls on the company's \$21,000 water plant modernization project.

"Construction is now underway to complete the roofing and make the final electrical connection," Kohls said. The modernization project replaces the water treatment plant control house and a raw water pumping shed with two fireproof concrete buildings. Included in the new 943 square foot structures will be a separate chlorine room and a chemical storage area.

Kohls said the wood frame buildings were replaced because they were inadequate to house PP&L's modern pumping and water filtration equipment.

The remaining wood frame equipment building will be painted to blend in with the new modern structures, the manager said.

The project is slated for completion next month.

Dr. J. Davis to Teach At Purdue University

IDANHA—Dr. John Davis, son of Mr. and Mrs. Len C. Davis of Idanha, has accepted a position as Associate Professor of Education at Purdue University. Dr. Davis, a graduate of Detroit High school, received his bachelor degree at Oregon College of Education, and his masters and doctorate at the University of Oregon. He has resigned his position as Associate Professor at Central Washington State College in Ellensburg, Wash., to accept the Purdue position.

He will be located in Hammond, Indiana on the Calumet Campus, one of four Purdue University Campuses. Ending six years at Central Washington, Dr. Davis and his wife Betty and their four children will move to Hammond in August.

Mr. Davis was the recipient of a Deanna PTC 4 year scholarship at OCE and a Fellowship from the National Defense Education act.

Organizational Meet Scheduled For Rerview Cafe

C. H. Patterson, state organizer for the Fraternal Order of Eagles, will be in the area Thursday and will attend the meeting that night at The Riverview Cafe at Mehama. All those who have joined the organization are urged to attend the 7:30 meeting.

The organization plans on installing its officers when it institutes March 23, and much work has to be done before that time.

Anyone wishing to join the order is also asked to attend this meeting.

Money Raising Planned For Sant. Scholarship Fund

Mrs. Eldon Hutchinson, chairman of the Santiam Canyon scholarship drive this year, said that to date \$460.00 had been collected. Goal for the drive is \$1,000 which will give two students from Santiam High school scholarships in the amount of \$500 each.

Mrs. Hutchinson said she would like to remind residents that any donations given were tax deductible. Several money-raising events are planned for the drive with a spaghetti dinner planned for Thursday, April 3 at the grade school.

There will be family rates available for the dinner and serving will be from 5:30 until 7:30.

Scholarship Fund Gauge

\$1,000 Dollars	.....
\$ 900 Dollars	.....
\$ 800 Dollars	.....
\$ 700 Dollars	.....
\$ 600 Dollars	.....
\$ 500 Dollars	.....
\$ 400 Dollars	.....
\$ 300 Dollars	.....
\$ 200 Dollars	.....
\$ 100 Dollars	.....

Weather, Detroit Dam

7 a. m. Daily Weather Reading					
Pool					
Elev					
March 5	47	35	1434.17	0.18	
March 6	45	33	1435.15	1.64	
March 7	42	33	1438.09	0.52	
March 8	45	31	1436.64	0.01	
March 9	51	28	1437.29	0.00	
Mar. 10	45	27	1437.84	0.00	
Mar. 11	49	27	1438.40	0.00	

Fire Wrecks Detroit High

By Boots Champion

DETROIT—Flames, which may have been set by an arsonist, destroyed all the classrooms of Detroit High school early Tuesday morning. Reports indicated the fire started in the science room of the almost new \$420,000 building. Loss has been set at about \$265,000, which is covered by replacement insurance.

Mrs. Robert Johnson, who lives several blocks away was the first to see the fire about 1 a. m. Her husband, Bob Johnson went immediately to the building and with others held the flames to the one room until firemen arrived. Superintendent Ronald Wilkerson said the ceiling and the hall seemed to act like a funnel to carry the fire to other classrooms.

Cpl. Tom Drynan of the State Police Wednesday morning told The Enterprise that it may take a week of checking to determine the cause of the fire. It cannot be determined right now whether or not it was arson, but every lead is being followed.

Volunteer firemen from Mill City, Turner, Stayton, Lyons-Mehama, Sublimity and Four Corners worked with the Detroit-Idanha trucks to keep the fire from spreading to the gymnasium and shop area. These areas were heavily damaged by smoke and water.

Supt. Wilkerson said that much of the equipment and all of the important records were saved. Among the losses were budget documents and teacher contracts just completed by Ruth Miller, district clerk.

The board had been in session until about 10 p. m. Monday night, and members had talked outside until about 11:30, leaving only about an hour and a half before the fire was discovered.

Construction on the one-story building began in the summer of 1966 and was completed and dedicated September 10, 1967. Construction was of re-inforced block masonry, with laminated roof beams.

Voters approved a \$120,000 bond issue in 1966 to finance the construction. This did not include the furnishings.

Reports indicated that school will be closed until next Wednesday. Many plans and arrangements will have to be made, and at this early stage cannot be obtained. It is believed, however, that the high school students will move back into the old building.

(Pictures of the fire will be published next week.)

OSU Track Trainer Talks At Lions Meet

Bill Robertson, head trainer for the track team at Oregon State University was guest speaker Monday evening at the Lions club here.

Robertson gave an interesting year-round view of the "wide world of sports," using poem and prose to bring the story to the club. It was extremely interesting to the only 11 members present.

Mr. Robertson gave his impression of the recent trouble at OSU when the black students walked off campus. He figured they picked on the sports department to start their trouble, because they thought they could win their point. They did not have power enough to "floor" the popular coach Dee Andros. The OSU man stated "a team must be governed by discipline. Those who participate in college and high school sports have always been the epitome of the 'young American boy.' The top notch athletes of our college back Dee Andros."

Robertson was under the impression that some of the pressure has been brought on by outside professionals from Seattle and the Bay Area.

There will be no regular club meeting Monday, March 17, and club members are asked to meet at Fellowship hall at 6:05 Monday the 24th, when the club as a body will hold their regular meeting at Jefferson.

The Father-Daughter meeting will be held Monday, March 31 at the hall here. At this time there will be a speaker from the Sheriff's department, who will talk on drugs.

Guest Speaker Slated At Community Church Sunday, March 16

The Rev. Glynn Hilligoss of Salem will be the guest speaker at the Community Church in Mill City on Sunday, March 16.

Rev. Hilligoss is a former pastor of the church and will speak at both morning and evening services.

Challenge Given Parents of Mill City-Gates Area

Barbara Thomas, PTA Pres. Did you know that we are about to lose a valuable organization in our town? This organization is beneficial to our community in the following ways:

1. It sponsors the Kindergarten at Gates.
2. It sponsors the Canyon Scholarship.
3. It has given aid to the Mill City Kindergarten.
4. It has in 1968-69 established Toys for Fairview Mental Hospital.
5. It is a social force in education which aids in understanding of children by bringing parents and teachers together.
6. It offers an opportunity to meet people, many of whom you may enjoy.

This organization is the Mill City P.T.A.

Why are we about to lose such a valuable asset. One reason, I think, is that we expect the same people who perform some services for the community to perform all the services. This is unfair and unrealistic. It is the "Let George do it" or "Let's not get involved" attitude. I feel that this attitude is at least partly responsible for much of the trouble on our nation's campuses. Our youth have found us lacking in the old American idea of "lets pitch in and help." Our youth has found us so tied up in our own inward looking world that we often fail to take part in helping others (except through monetary donations) on the organizational level. I'm not certain that our youth does not have a better understanding of the need for involvement than do the responsible adults. Their involvements may not always run parallel to what we consider as right and just, but they do get involved. Perhaps if we set examples and portray the proper type of involvement we would not find it necessary to ask, "what's wrong with these kids?" We, I think are more guilty than they.

The old adage, "It won't go without an engineer and crew still holds true.

Do you wish to save this beneficial organization? If so get involved. On Thursday, March 13th, the P.T.A. will send a questionnaire home, with your child, after school. Please, take a few minutes to fill it out and return it.