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Up and Down The Avenue

By Don Moffatt

For the past several weeks, or months in fact, there has been a lot of undue bad publicity about Santiam Memorial Hospital in Stayton. The worst of these blasts about the hospital came in a Capital Journal article published the latter part of December, written by Don Kenyon, one of the reporters on that newspaper. He raised a great fuss, with big headlines, about a pregnant woman being denied admittance to Santiam Memorial, stating that she should have been classed as a "dire emergency" case. I cannot agree with him, nor with the Stayton Mail in their interpretation of this case. In the first place, neither of these writers has the ability, or at least I don't think they have, any more than I have, to determine whether any person is in "dire need" of emergency treatment. The hospital for some time now has been the brunt of gossip, so to speak, that it is not doing its job in the community it serves. I feel that Santiam Memorial is one of the best small hospitals in the state, and I will continue to think so and defend it until such time that someone proves to me without reasonable doubt that it is otherwise. They can shout about not admitting patients, but the one thing these writers fail to comprehend, or else they do not wish to accept the fact that no one can be admitted to any hospital without first having an order from a doctor, giving the hospital authority to admit and treat the patient. In this case of the pregnant woman, which is being blasted from paper to paper, had only been to a doctor once during her pregnancy, and that doctor was in Salem. The nurses in Santiam Memorial did the proper thing, when they advised her to go to the Salem doctor for treatment. The only error made, if any could be charged against the nurses, was that they did not first call a doctor and let him make the decision as to whether or not it was an emergency, needing immediate attention.

Johnson, Pittam On Tournament All-Star Team

Guard Ron Johnson and forward David Pittam were elected to the 1969 Santiam Holiday Tournament All Star Team. Tournament winner Marist, placed three players on the team while Stayton and Willamina each had one player on the team. The players are elected for their performance and sportsmanship.

Pittam's 26 point output against Willamina was the best scoring effort for any player in the tournament. David's season average so far is 8.8 points per game, with a season total of 80 points. In rebounding Dave is third with 60 rebounds and an average of 6.6 rebounds a game.

Team captain Ron Johnson is the team's leading scorer with 122 points and a 12.7 game average. Johnson has been a key player in the close games thus far. Besides being the team's leading scorer he leads the team in assists with 22 and has 21 steals to lead the team.

the hospital and its board of directors.

I think that this case has been blown out of proportion, and in the case of the Salem newspaper, it has plenty to dig up in its own back yard, without going out into the hinterland. They have taken an isolated case, blown it out of proportion, and as far as I can see, they have only done a great injustice to OUR hospital.

I still maintain that Santiam Memorial is a good hospital, staffed by competent people, and it most likely will be operating long after the writers of these articles are "over the hill."

Three Timber Sales Held At Detroit

DETROIT — An estimated 10,680,000 board feet of timber from Detroit District of Willamette National Forest was purchased in three sales here Tuesday, December 30.

Successful bidders were Young & Morgan Inc.; Mill City on 9,000,000 board feet of timber in the Upper Leone region 10 miles northeast of here. Freres Veneer Co.; Lyons, on 1,040,000 board feet in the Devils Roaring Creek Salvage area 12 miles East of here, and Seneca Saw Mill, Eugene on 640,000 board feet located in the Hanson Creek Thinning area one mile East of here in the vicinity of the State Highway Maintenance Shop.

Included in the Young & Morgan purchase was 4,600,000 board feet of Douglas-fir for \$41.70, or five cents over the advertised rate. 4,400,000 board feet of Western-hemlock and other species for the appraised value of \$26.95 per thousand, and 135 acres of substandard timber for the appraised value of \$2.50 per acre.

The Freres purchase was of 580,000 board feet of Douglas-fir at \$25.35, or five cents more per thousand over the advertised rate, and 764 acres of substandard timber at the appraised value of 5 cents per acre.

The Seneca purchase was of 490,000 board feet of Douglas-fir at the advertised rate of \$43.05 per thousand, 150,000 board feet of Western-hemlock and other species advertised at \$25.10 per thousand and an unestimated amount of Douglas-fir special cull logs and blocks at \$3.70 per thousand.

Included in the sale was 57 acres of all species logs substandard because of defect or size which sold at the advertised rate of \$1.00 per acre.

In Air Force



SAN ANTONIO — Airman David L. Cline, son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul L. (Bud) Cline of Mill City, has completed basic training at Lackland AFB, Tex. He has been assigned to Keesler AFB, Miss., for training in communications electronics systems. Airman Cline, a 1965 graduate of Santiam High School, earned his B.A. degree from Oregon State University.

Sportsmen Club Committees Named

Art Hagen said this week that the North Santiam Sportsmen's club would not have another regular meeting until April 6. However, he has appointed his committees for 1970 and they are already working on their schedules for the year. Serving on the Boats and Docks committee will be Frank Kolsky, Bob Feskens, Frank Lowe, Willis Black and Don Miner; Grounds, Bob Gilmore, Fred Halverson, George Koertge, H. Oberman and Newel Wilder; Building, Bob Simons, Bob Gilmore and Art Hagen; Plumbing and water system, Les McCormick, Verne Sattley, Bob Schunke and H. Girod; Entertainment, Bob Schunke, Jerry Coffman and Margaret Black; Painting, Ken McFarland; Refreshments, B. Smith, Cona Hagen, Wanda Oberman and Ada Koertge.

Detroit Students Back In New School

DETROIT—High School students moved back into rebuilt Detroit high school Monday. The facility was heavily damaged by fire last March 11 and grade school students had been sharing their building with high schoolers since then. High school students, working in near freezing temperatures, did much of the moving chore Monday.

The high school building is completely rebuilt except for some work remaining in the library.

IGN Drive Again Reaches Goal

Ed Davis, Jr., director of the Marion-Polk United Good Neighbors drive, said this week that the drive had again gone "over the top" both locally and county wide.

In the Canyon area \$1,895 was contributed which is about the same amount as last year. Of this amount \$700 goes toward youth and recreation activities and \$350 remains in the emergency fund for those in dire need before other help may be obtained.

Virgil Trout was general chairman for the canyon area with his wife, Joyce. Mill City chairman; Hazel Gabriel and Faye Moore, co-chairmen in Gates and Shirley Hill headed the drive in the Detroit area.

Mr. Trout was awarded a plaque for his outstanding efforts in the campaign. Mr. Davis said he appreciated the work of all the volunteers and those who contributed so generously.

Snow and Ice Makes Roads Slick

By Jean Roberts

MEHAMA — First major snow storm of the season struck Mehama Saturday, slowing traffic on highway 22 and stopping it on all of the hill roads.

Kubin Hill road, one of the steepest in this area, was nearly impassable with about eight inches of snow. Harold Honess attempting to get to Mehama, slid off the road with one pickup and walked home to get another vehicle. His second pickup with chains opened the road. He laughingly said he still had a "cat" at home if all else failed.

Nick Wagner waited at the foot of the hill to warn his mother not to attempt to come home. County graders men worked into the late hours of the night to keep the roads open, fearing that another day of snowfall would make it impossible to get the grader over the road.

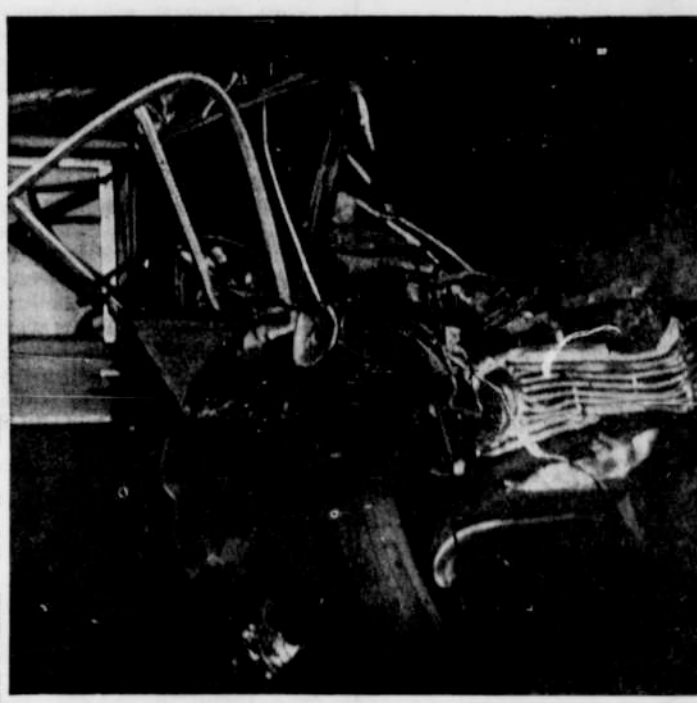
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Two Killed In Wreck



The heavily damaged car operated by Curtis Alan Wolfer of Salem is shown ready to be towed away following a tragic two-car accident Tuesday, December 30 on icy pavement east of Mill City. Valerie Jean Koenig, 19 of Gervais was killed in the accident. The driver's 15 year old brother Kim, died later at Salem Memorial hospital from injuries suffered in the accident. The driver received a broken arm and dislocated hip and is in fair condition. — Enterprise photo by Stan Ogden

Detroit People Hurt in Wreck



In the picture above the car driven by William McMilian is being hitched to a tow car by Vern Ohrt of Vern's Shell station in Mill City. Passengers in the McMilian auto were Susan Morgan of Marion Forks, Kerry Murphy and Steven Murphy of Troutdale. All are recovering from their severe injuries. The accident occurred last Tuesday on icy pavement east of Mill City. —Enterprise Photo by Stan Ogden.

Two Lose Lives in Dec. Hiway Crash

A tragic two-car crash Tuesday, December 30 took the lives of two young people in an accident on icy pavement on Highway 22 at Niagara, east of Gates. A young Gervais woman, 19-year-old Valerie Koenig, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Koenig, was dead on arrival at Santiam Memorial hospital following the 9 a. m. accident.

Kim Loren Wolfer, 15, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Wolfer, of Salem, died about 6:20 p. m. at Salem Memorial hospital.

Wolfer and Miss Koenig were passengers in a car driven by his brother, Curtis Alan, 21, state police said. William Myles McMillan, 17, Detroit, was listed by police as driver of the other car. Passengers in the McMillan auto were Susan Morgan, 16, of Marion Forks; Kerry Murphy, 16, and her brother, Steven, 18, both of Troutdale, who were transferred from Santiam Memorial to Emanuel Hospital, Portland, where both were listed in good condition.

State Police Cpl. Tom Dryan said the Wolfer car apparently skidded on ice or had a blowout just before the collision.

Miss Morgan suffered a broken back and suffered internal injuries and is reported to be recovering at Salem Memorial hospital. Young McMillan was released from the hospital Sunday and is recuperating at home.

Weather, Detroit Dam

	Max	Min	Flev	Pcp
7 a. m. Daily Weather Reading				
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Dec. 24	48	36	1471.68	0.31
Dec. 25	43	37	1470.99	0.08
Dec. 26	48	36	1468.43	1.75
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Dec. 28	42	34	1466.23	0.04
Dec. 29	40	35	1463.50	0.09
Dec. 30	44	35	1460.50	0.00
Dec. 31	40	36	1458.18	0.00
Jan. 1	41	33	1457.65	0.00
Jan. 2	43	29	1456.38	0.00
Jan. 3	39	29	1455.39	T
Jan. 4	35	30	1454.55	0.52
Jan. 5	39	22	1453.54	0.00
Jan. 6	36	25	1452.27	0.00

Enterprise Records Yearly Events

By Goldie Rambo

As this year-end review is being written, just one week before Christmas, it is a nice, almost balmy day. But December of 1968 was quite gentle also — and then came January and one of the worst snow storms to hit this area in many years. However, as far as snow is concerned it's strictly for the birds and skiers—I'm too old to enjoy it. This is the season to be gay and full of cheer but it is also the time to think back over the past year and reflect on happenings, good and bad. It seems to me that there is now too little concern shown for others; for justice, mercy and the dignity of man. But a new year is starting and a good time to sweep past errors away and start out on a new path with higher purpose.

January—1969

The town was all "lit up" and winning the sweepstakes in the Jaycee sponsored lighting contest were Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Harlan with Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Phillips and Mr. and Mrs. John MacGregor other winners. The scenes were very decorative with the background of snow.

On January 2 a heavy snow fell—about six to eight inches of the stuff—and that was only the beginning. The thermometer stood at 20 degrees.

Things were booming over at Santiam High school with a bomb "planted" during the

Holiday basketball tournament. Damage was done to the restrooms.

Art White and John Swan narrowly escaped injury or death when White's pick-up truck was clipped by a Southern Pacific freight train.

Everywhere—talk was about the weather as people, cars, birds and animals were slipping and sliding through the stuff. By January 16 there was 160% of the normal fall. Roofs were collapsing, some people, too, and the birds were getting very hungry.

Administrative School District No. 129J was proposing plans for an auditorium at Santiam High school—a serial levy was suggested as the best means of raising the money needed.

Herbert Peck had taken office as mayor with Larry Pitts, Jr., and Dale Howell the newly elected councilmen.

Orville Brown was named to head the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce and a big decision to be made—should the Chamber again sponsor the Whitewater Challenge, a look-ahead-forward and heavily attended Canyon event. With the help of the Mill City Jaycees it was again backed by the Chamber.

February—

Snow level was getting higher and higher—although most business was carried on as usual. Stove-wood was one of the fast selling items. De-

spite all the inconveniences caused by the weather—people were so much nicer. Helping hands were evidenced everywhere with struggling motorists and pedestrians helped with a cheerful smile.

Charles Fultz, pastor of the Christian church was heading the Heart Drive for the area and at Santiam High school Deborah McClellan was named homemaker of the year.

Teachers at the school got another 5% cost of living boost in salary.

Trailer ordinances in the city were causing discussion and confusion. Council members were making an effort to get all rules and regulations equalized.

The City park which had been supervised by the Lions club was turned over to School District 129J for school use. A new city park is being developed near the recently built scout cabin, near the Santiam river.

A common sight in town that month were a number of deer and elk foraging in yards for foodstuff, driven from the mountains by the heavy snow.

An Organizational meeting was held by the Fraternal Order of Eagles with C. H. Patterson of Portland and George Long, Mill City, handling the many details for the new lodge here.

March—

Snow was barely out of the way in most places—but plans were started for the annual

4th of July celebration. TAC (Teen-Age Committee) and the Steering committee were working with other organizations to get plans formulated.

April—

A number of citizens here were helping promote a Community College under its own status for Salem. (Salem Technical Community Vocational College has since become Chemeketa Community College).

Princesses had been selected for the Whitewater Challenge with Patricia Moore representing Santiam High; Rose Aplet, Regis; Anita Fox, Stayton; Laurie Moninger, Stayton, and Linda Rotl, Detroit.

While many school districts were having all kinds of budget trouble, at Mill City and Gates, the budget was passed easily on the first try—157-70.

On Wall street the old Mill City Bank building was being remodeled by Charles Kelly and was to house the newly formed Madison-Davis Insurance company. (Formerly Hill Ins.)

Mill City schools and citizens along with other communities were offering assistance to Detroit School staff as their high school had been completely gutted by fire. Arson was suspected.

Pacific Power & Light Co. had started remodeling their water filtration system here, with \$21,000 the amount budgeted.

Ed (Bud) Davis had been

appointed to head the Whitewater Challenge and had started working on the many details connected with it. Hill Insurance Agency owned by Ed Davis and J. C. Kimmel had changed hands with Les Madison of Stayton in partnership with Davis. Mr. Kimmel was to retain his interest in the L & C Finance company and K & K Development company, a home construction firm.

Mrs. Eldon Hutchinson had accepted the chairmanship of the Canyon scholarship drive with the goal of \$1,000 set. This would allow for two scholarships for students attending Santiam High school.

May—

The Mill City Lions club had elected Fred Krecklow to serve as their president and Mrs. Leo Poole headed the Auxiliary.

There were 43 out-of-state visitors viewing the outstanding Audio-Visual aids being used in Administrative School District 129J. There were some representatives from as far away as Venezuela.

An Archery club was in the process of being formed with Glen Bigness, state patrolman and Jim Rose, Hardware dealer, spearheading the group.

The Hilltop Market was again burglarized (same as last year) with thieves going through the roof air duct. No clues were obtained.

Bids had been called for the See YEAREND on Page Three