

Up and Down The Avenue

By Don Moffatt

People fail to realize the danger of floating down the North Santiam in rubber boats and inner tubes. Another accident happened over this past weekend which took two lives. The woman and man had no life jackets on when they went under while negotiating some falls west of Big Cliff Dam. This is dangerous business. The river is a beautiful thing, but it is a dangerous stream nevertheless. People must be made to realize that precaution must be exercised when going down the river in any type of conveyance.

Jean Roberts of Mehama has a story on page one this week, telling of the loss of income, due to changing from pole to bush beans. The writing is on the wall for everyone to see. As farmers are forced by government rules and regulations to upgrade their camps which house the pickers, and the higher cost of labor, they are forced to change their methods of operation.

This should also be a lesson to Cesar Chavez who is busily unionizing farm laborers. He will eventually get the labor wages so high that none of our farmers will be able to pay them. Many farmers now are doing away with crops that take a lot of hand labor. They are diverting their acreages to crops that are easier to handle, and can you blame them?

No matter what the reason is for farmers to change their crops, it is making quite a difference in the economy of the area. These young local pickers who have been accustomed to making money for their school clothing and also for spending money, are going to have a hard time to find anything to do to earn this money. There is little for young folks to do now days but work in harvest fields, so what will come next? Who knows.

With these extra hot days it behooves every citizen to take extra precaution with fire. It is true that most of the backyard burning has been shut down, but people still must be careful if they go out into the woods. These last hot days have dried out the woods, and all it takes is a spark to set off a destructive fire. Residents here have been expecting electrical storms, which are one of the main causes of fires in our forests. So far this season has been a good one. The late, wet Spring, also had a lot to do with keeping fire danger down.

It is noted that of the 189 fires so far, 35 have been started by lightning, and 154 have been caused by various activities of people. Only 111 acres have burned compared with 3,464 at this time last year—but the fire season has just begun.

I wonder just how many people in the United States know that, like it or not, he is supporting one more person than he realizes.

Besides your family, you're providing for about one fourth of a government employee, one fourth of a person on public welfare, and one half of a person on Social Security.

That's the average for us taxpayers.

Under some of the welfare plans being proposed, you'd have still another invisible member added to your "family."

Or, another uninvited guest.

In this modern age, children are very smart. At the age of 6, they know all the questions, and at 16 they know all the answers.

Nature is wonderful. A millions years ago she did not know we were going to wear glasses, yet look at how she placed our ears.

Santiam River Takes Two More Lives in Rubber Raft Accident Below Big Cliff

A Salem man and woman lost their lives in an accident about 4 p. m. Sunday when they went over a water fall in inner tubes below Big Cliff Dam on the North Santiam River. The accident occurred about eight miles west of Detroit.

The body of Cheryl Ann Johnston, 21 of Salem was recovered about 3½ hours after the accident and her brother-in-law, Leonard Don Johnston, also of Salem, was recovered by divers about 11:45 Monday in about 60 feet of water by Marion County Sheriff's office divers.

Charyl's husband, Michael and a fourth companion, Kathleen Golden were floating down the river in truck inner tubes when they came to the swift falls, officers said.

The two victims who weren't wearing life jackets, failed

to surface after going over the falls. The two survivors suffered bruises and lacerations.

The victims had moved to Salem from Gresham a short time ago. The bodies were taken to Weddle's Funeral Home at Stayton, and then shipped to Carroll's Mortuary at Gresham for services.

Howard Lyness Hurt In Fall from Building

Howard Lyness, 18-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. William Lyness, received injuries Tuesday afternoon, July 20, when he fell about 12 feet from a beam at new construction at the Statesman-Journal building in Salem.

Employed as an ironworker by Lohi Erection Co., Lincoln, young Lyness was taken to Salem Hospital, Memorial Unit, by Willamette ambulance where he remained about 3 days. His injuries included a punctured leg, which was taken care of by stitches, as well as a bruised kidney which will require rest at home for about a week.

Lyness recently completed his Freshman year at Oregon State University in Corvallis.

Hospital Gets Permit To Build Office at Stayton

STAYTON—The city council Monday night approved a building permit for Santiam Memorial Hospital to put up a building to house a doctor on land adjacent to the hospital.

The new addition will hook up with the hospital's present sewer system, thus by-passing a situation which has caused some other building in the area to be delayed by the overloading of the city sewer system.

Fleetwood Receives 3-Year Scholarship From Sixth Army

Willard Fleetwood, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Fleetwood, who recently completed his Freshman year at Oregon State University, has been awarded a three-year scholarship from the 6th Army. This will include all his educational expenses, such as tuition, fees, books, and laboratory expenses, but not his room and board. A \$50.00 monthly stipend is also included.

A Cadet Corporal in the Army ROTC, and a member of the Raders at the University young Fleetwood was given the honor due to his high standing and scholarship, being second in his entire group.

It is understood that only 18 such awards were presented west of the Mississippi River. If all goes well, Fleetwood will be commissioned at the time of his graduation, then will spend four years in Army service.

Santiam Grad Presumed Drowned

Charles Richard Geelan, Jr., whose address is listed as Portland but who graduated from Santiam High this year is missing and presumed drowned after he disappeared while swimming in the Willamette River just north of Albany. The accident happened about 4 p. m. Tuesday.

At the time of going to press Wednesday morning he had not been found.

Deputies said Geelan and Larry J. Horner of Rt. 1, Lyons also a '71 graduate of Santiam High, and Randy Cogar a former graduate here but now of Salem, were cutting brush near the Western Kraft disposal plant along the river and decided to take a swim after work.

Two of them started to swim across the river, but turned back when they decided they couldn't make it, deputies said. Geelan went under before he made it back to shore, companions said.

Change To Bush Beans Taking Payroll from Area

By Jean Roberts
MEHAMA — Bean picking time is almost here, but no bean pickers are needed in the Boedigheimer Bean Yard at Mehama, for the first time in 14 years. "The phone rings constantly" says Della Sturdevant, owner of the bean yard, "former pickers wanting to know when bean picking will start."

There will be no beans to pick because no pole beans were planted, only bush beans. Rising labor costs and no raise in the price of beans to the farmer is the reason for phasing out the pole bean acreage says Della. The bean yard is just as green as ever, but the long rows of green vegetation are bush beans which will be picked by a mechanical

picker with no need to hire local help.

Bean picking had become a way of life for people in the Mehama, Lyons, Mill City, Stayton, and North Marion areas with the farm work and picking wages a sure source of income for school youngsters who wanted to work. Wages from this one bean yard in the Mehama area was \$43,000 last year, a boost to the economy here and spending money and school clothes for many of the youngsters.

Prior to this year, local people were hired to hoe and string the pole beans. At picking time, more local help was needed to pick and weigh the beans. This year there will be no work for local people in this bean yard.

Gates Gets New Fire Truck



Gates Rural Fire Protection District has a brand new modern fire truck. It was delivered to them on Tuesday night. This will help keep fire insurance rates down, said one of the firemen who was interviewed by The Enterprise when the above picture was taken.

Gates Fire District Gets New Truck

Citizens of Gates Rural Fire Protection District had reason Tuesday night to be proud when their new fire truck was delivered. The new truck will do much to keep the district in line for lower fire rates. This coupled with the new water tank, when it is completed, will make considerable difference in the insurance rates for residents of that area.

The new truck, powered by a 534 Ford V8 gasoline motor will give them all the power they need. It has automatic transmission which also is an aid to Volunteer Firemen who will be manning the equipment.

Elvin (Tommy) Thomas from Philippi Motor in Stayton said that the truck is equipped with a Hale Midshipman pump which can deliver 1250 gallons of water per minute, and more if it is pushed. The truck also carries 1,000 gallons of water. It is equipped with a 3,000 watt generator with 110 and 220 outlets. It has full air brakes and an air chuck mounted in the cab which will enable firemen to use air hammers, air jacks and also pump up tires.

There is a power pump take-off which will allow water to be sprayed while the truck is moving, which is something new for the department. The department now has three trucks, but one of them is obsolete. To those who think the truck may be unnecessary, Bob Blumenstein a Gates fireman stated that it is used in mutual aid fire fighting. He said: "if we have to take one of our trucks to Detroit, or Idanha, a truck from Mill City or a department at Lyons, Mehama, Stayton, or any town clear to Salem can be used to back us up. This truck can be used to help fight fires anywhere in the Canyon, thus it is of benefit to everyone."

The Gates Volunteer Firemen have donated \$500 towards the purchase of the new truck, said Orville Brown, another fireman. This is some of the money we have raised by our dances over the years, he said. New helmets and other equipment is also on order now.

Gates can well be proud of the new addition to their fire fighting equipment. Cost of the new outfit cost \$26,000.

Weldon Horn Hurt In Fall from Ladder

Weldon Horn is in Santiam Memorial hospital in Stayton following an accident Saturday when he was doing some wiring at Elkhorn Woods.

It was reported that Horn was drilling a hole in the ceiling when the drill slipped, and he fell from the ladder. He is reported to have several broken bones and torn ligaments in one shoulder.

Fran Blumenstein, Leroy Shepherd Attend Seminar

Frances Blumenstein, a senior, and Leroy Shepherd, a junior, represented Santiam High School at the second annual Youth Citizenship Seminar held at Willamette University, July 11-15. Two hundred students from Oregon and Washington spent the week on campus listening to outstanding leaders in the fields of government and education, asking questions, and participating in discussion groups. The seminar is sponsored by Civitan International which is made up of leaders in government and business. Their motto is "Builders of Good Citizenship." The organization, whose program is non-partisan, non-sectarian, non-profit, pools its resources and makes it possible for youth to participate in such seminars. Emphasis is placed on the privileges and responsibilities essential to the maintenance of an orderly society, and gives young Americans a chance to learn and understand the basic principles underlying representative government.

Both Fran and Leroy felt that the week was well worthwhile. They said they wished more youth could have this chance to be informed on such important matters.

The week wasn't all work and study. There was recreation time, dances, picnics, sports (Leroy played on the baseball team) and a talent show. A group of 50 Japanese youth from the International College of Commerce and Economics at Kawaga City, Japan were attending a conference on campus at the same time. Frances reported making some interesting acquaintances from among them. She said, "They're really neat!" They gave her some souvenirs and several promised to write.

This is the second summer Santiam students have participated in this seminar. Last year Gordon Plotts and Sue Crowthers attended.

Schofields Sell Mill City Hardware To Portland Couple

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Schofield announced this week the sale of the Mill City Hardware which they have owned and operated the last eight months. The Schofields will return to their former home in Calif.

The new owners, Everett and Iola Hamilton, formerly of Tucson, Ariz., have lived in the Portland area for the last three years. Mr. Hamilton, since retiring from the railroad after 25 years service, has worked in the Hardware business.

Spending the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Swan were their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Orville Oderman (Donola Swan), of Gold Beach, Oregon.

City Planning Commission Asks for Upgraded Map Of Streets and Park Plan

About a month ago the City Planning commission of which H. O. Adair is chairman, met and set up three, three-member sub committees to study the current status of the Commission and come up with a new report and recommendation covering the following:

1. A revised five-year development for the City Park.

2. An upgrading of streets, and possible alteration of the present zoning plan.

3. Sanitary sewerage collection or system and treatment plant.

The Commission met again Tuesday, July 20 and at this meeting Roger Penrose presented an interim report on progress made in the City Park Planning Development, following two meetings of his group, chaired by Gale Larson.

Carl Kelly, who is on both the City Street, Zoning and Sanitary Sewerage Committees, made a report. This group made recommendations to the City Council that arrangements be made with the County surveyor to secure an up-graded map of city streets

as a pre-requisite to further detailed planning.

Dale Howell, city building inspector, relieved the Planning Commission of the assignment previously given by the Council to study the City Ordinance having to do with business licensing and a desire to better this ordinance.

Roger Penrose of the Jaycees reported that more than 90 percent of the City homes now have been renumbered properly.

The Planning Commission approved by a motion a request that the City Council purchase a copying machine for use of the Council, Planning Commission and the Police Department.

The next meeting of the Planning Commission will be held Tuesday, August 17.

Gates School Reunion Set for August 15th

GATES—All Alumni of the old Gates high school are being reminded that the annual school reunion will be held on Sunday, August 15.

The event will start at noon with a potluck, and all pupils, teachers or anyone else who has been connected with the school at some time or other is invited to attend.

Herman Graf asks that anyone having pictures from bygone years to bring them for a display. He has a large collection he will bring and is particularly looking for pictures of the Minto and Niagara schools that were used before those districts were combined with Gates.

Home Wine Makers Allowed 200 Gallons

PORTLAND—"Tramping out the vintage" time is near for families who plan to make up to 200 gallons of wine for home consumption. Federal regulations permit the annual production of 200 gallons of tax free wine by a properly registered head of household. Internal Revenue Form 1541, "Tax Free Wine for Family Use," should be submitted to the nearest office of Internal Revenue Service, Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division, five days before starting production. A head of household registered with the IRS must still abide by the home wine laws of this state.

IRS officials emphasized that Federal laws prohibit the production of distilled spirits and beer in any dwelling that is not registered as a distillery or brewery.

Interested wine makers should contact their nearest IRS office of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms Division for further information.

Former Residents Visit Here Tuesday

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Gordon (Violet) of Klamath Falls, Ore. former long-time residents of Mill City, dropped by the Charles Kelly home Tuesday afternoon of this week for a visit about old-time friends.

The Gordons, who spend about one-half of each year in their trailer-house at Mesa, Ariz., were just on their way home from a visit with a grandson and family in Portland. Their daughter, Jeannine, lives in Gold Beach, with her family, and their son, Buster, and family live in Klamath Falls.

During the time they lived in Mill City, Gordon was head of the green-chain in the Hammond Lumber Company sawmill, and was also a well-known musician in an orchestra here. He still plays with a group of retired people in Klamath Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon were charter members of Marilyn Chapter, No. 145, Order of the Eastern Star, and are Past Patron and Past Matron of the chapter, respectively. Mrs. Gordon was also a charter member of the Mill City Woman's Club. They moved to Albany from here in 1933.

Work Party Set for Scout Organizations

A work party is scheduled for Saturday, July 31, at the Scout Cabin for all scouts, cubs, boy scouts, explorer and sea scouts, their dads and the Scout Committee, from 9 a. m. to 5 p. m.

Cleanup will be done as well as working on a shed for the scout bus. All attending are asked to bring a sack lunch.

Remodeled Beauty Shop Open Now



Mrs. Betty Klutke is shown above in her newly remodeled beauty shop in Mill City. Mrs. Klutke has taken space in The Enterprise this week to invite the public to come in for free coffee and cookies, all day Saturday.—Enterprise photo.