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ON THE SCENIC NORTH SANTIAM HIGHWAY—OREGON'S FAST GROWING VACATION WONDERLAND

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## Up and Down The Avenue

By Don Moffatt

It sort of makes one laugh, only it isn't all that funny. I'm referring to this childish deal about the flag poles which hit the news the past week.

It seems that some of our government agencies in Washington got into a hassle about which one had the tallest flag pole. It reminded me of kids who come up with the remark "my Dad can lick your Dad."

It simmers down to the fact that this is your money and mine, that these kooky government men are fooling around with. A few bucks probably doesn't make much difference, but to me, one of those people who have worked hard all his life, \$26,581 is a lot of money!

The agencies who have been in the race for the tallest flagpole are the Housing department, known as HUD. This department had only one skinny 45 foot flag pole when the fracas began. Not to be outdone by the Transportation Department which has TWO 75-foot flag poles, now guess what, HUD comes up with TWO 80-foot aluminum poles. One pole flies the American flag which surely should be enough, but the other flies the Departmental flag.

Pity sakes, and HUD is supposed to be helping poor people find good housing, probably along with a lot of other damphool programs that could be eliminated. Kind of shakes you up, doesn't it?

And don't think this has all happened under a Republican administration. The only thing that worries me is how in the world can we get these kooks to knock off this foolish spending of OUR money?

The second thing that happened recently which shook me up is letting some judge, who most likely knows nothing about timber management and logging, make a decision to let the Sierra Club and others of like thinking tie up all those unroaded areas of 5,000 acres.

Zane G. Smith, forest supervisor for the Willamette National forest says that the action will have no immediate effect on this area as no timber sales are planned in roadless areas before July 1, 1973.

In the Willamette forest, some 220,000 acres of roadless areas are affected. This amount of acreage has a potential of 40 million board feet of annual cut, and according to Smith, it represents some six percent of the forest's annual allowable cut of 623 million board feet. There is a hearing set for November 6.

Probably the thing that is being overlooked by all the powers that be, is the precedent that is being set by this action of the Sierra Club. Only a handful of these selfish individuals can tie up the forest. I don't know about some areas, but right here in our North Santiam Canyon, we are almost wholly dependent upon the production of our forests. Our loggers and mill owners have millions of dollars tied up in equipment. Most of our men are employed in the woods. If you businessmen don't think you are "loggers" just tie up our woods for a year or so, and find out what happens to the tinkle of the cash registers. Of course, Sierra members don't give a hoot about that. All they can think of is their own selfish desires of having some place where they can go to see the trees.

I would like to recommend that the next time there is a big fire in the wilderness area, that the loggers who usually take their equipment in to fight their blazes, sit tight and let the Sierra Clubbers go in and put out their own fires. They're not supposed to have any man-made equipment in these areas anyway. That would be a dirty trick and I don't suppose there is a logger in this area who'd do that—but it is something to think about, isn't it?

## Lightning Sets Three Forest Fires

DETROIT—Three small fires were started on the Detroit District of the Willamette National Forest by an electrical storm that moved into the area late Wednesday afternoon of last week. Richard Gassner, fire dispatcher at Detroit Ranger Station, said the three were all controlled by mid-afternoon Thursday. The storm also caused telephone problems in the area.

Gassner said two other fires, which were started by lightning strikes Tuesday night of last week, were put out the next day by Redmond smoke jumpers. Forest Service officials said they suspected the .98 of an inch of rain which came with Wednesday's storm prevented other fires. Of the fires found by aerial survey Thursday, one was four miles north and west of here, another seven miles south and west and one 13 miles south and east.

The two fires discovered Wednesday (last week) were up the Whitewater Creek drainage, about nine miles east of here.

Gassner said he expected a few lightning "sleepers" or fires lying dormant to kindle from the recent storm when the weather warms up, but to date none have been spotted. However, a small man-caused fire was discovered Friday in the Tumble Lake area apparently resulting from a campfire.

Gassner said, of the 25 fires on the District to date, 20 of the fires have been man-caused.

## Lightning Injures Three Campers

DETROIT—Three young people camping out with a Portland church group were injured about 3 p.m. Tuesday of last week when lightning struck near them in the Blue Lake area of the Eight Basin, about 25 miles southeast of here.

Bill Tescher, 20, of Hillsboro, a counselor with the Cedar Hills Bible Church group was admitted at Santiam Memorial Hospital, Stayton, with burns and lacerations. Ambulance attendants said he sustained burns to the face and neck. Christine Herren, 17, of Portland, and Jim Eastman, 15, of Beaverton, were given out-patient treatment for minor bruises and burns. The group was walking down a rocky area on Saddle Mountain when the lightning struck nearby, throwing them to the ground.

A helicopter was sent to the camp site to bring the injured to the Forest Service Ranger Station at Detroit and Idanha Rural Fire District ambulance took them to Stayton.

## Lyons Man Hurt By Logging Truck

IDANHA—A Lyons man, Wayne Newton, was injured about 7:40 p.m. Wednesday night of last week, when his vehicle struck a logging truck trailer broadside on the North Santiam Highway on the east outskirts of Idanha.

The logging truck was in the process of making a turn and apparently the victim did not see the trailer and crashed into it.

He was taken to Santiam Memorial Hospital, Stayton, by Idanha Rural Fire District ambulance. Ambulance attendants said he sustained leg and shoulder injuries, cuts and bruises. Newton is employed by Bob Johnson, Marion Forks, and he apparently was returning home from work when the accident occurred.

The vehicle was extensively damaged.

Jack Johnson With ROTC



Cadet Jack M. Johnson, a student at Oregon State University, participates in a field problems test. He is one of 1,100 cadets from colleges and universities in the 14 western states attending advanced ROTC Summer Camp, June 9 through 27 at Ft. Lewis, Wash. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Jackie M. Johnson, 227 S. E. Hazel, Mill City.—U. S. Army Photo.

## East Gates Folks In Need of Water

GATES—Regular meeting of the Gates City Council was held August 17 at the City Hall. One of the main issues was the need for water by residents at the east end of town who have been on wells and they are drying up. Mr. and Mrs. Thuron Wilson were at the meeting to see what could be done. They are the last residents in city limits on the east. Council is checking into the cost of a six-inch water line and will install it at the cost of the property owners along there. This would involve seven property owners.

The new zoning ordinance that the Planning Commission has been working on was returned from the lawyers with the part on single unit mobile homes being clarified. Now it goes back to Planning Commission for its approval. An application from G. T. Pittam for water hookups to lots 1, 2, 3 and 4 in block 2 of Riverview Park Terrace addition to Gates was approved.

Mayor Bibler introduced Steve Cahon of upstate New York who is a Vista worker in the Gates-Mill City area, and he told a little of his work. Gates has been interested in seeing about getting some grant money and Steve feels he can be a help in finding the right people for the council to contact.

## Three Loggers Hurt In Crummy Accident

DETROIT—Three loggers sustained injuries about 5 p.m. Thursday of last week when the crummy went off the road five miles northeast of here on East Humber Road. Dan Justus of Gates, Don Sims of Mill City, and John Smith of Lebanon were given out-patient treatment at Salem Hospital Emergency Center for minor cuts and bruises. They were taken to Salem by Idanha Rural Fire District ambulance.

Witnesses said the crummy, which was taking the men to work, was attempting to avoid an oncoming car when it plunged over about a 40-foot embankment.

## Lose Some Teeth? See Joe Challander

Perhaps someone is finding steak a little hard to take this week. Not only in price but in the chewing. Joe Challander of the police department here brought in an upper partial denture plate to The Enterprise office which he said he had found in Mill City.

The owner of these may call for them at the police station or phone 897-2301.

## City Seeks Money for Circle Sewer

The City Council Wednesday night decided to refer part of its Circle Drive sewerage problems to the State Health Division and investigate obtaining emergency funds from the Department of Environmental Quality for sewer construction for the Forest Service homes.

The Wednesday night action stemmed from the refusal of the U.S. Forest Service, which owns seven of the 21 homes concerned, to accept an assessment for sewer construction. This matter is being referred to the health division.

The 3,000 gallon septic tank serving the homes has been condemned by the health division.

## Log Exports From West Coast Total 750.9 Million B. F.

A total of 750.9 million board feet of softwood logs, Scribner scale, was exported from all ownerships in Washington, Oregon, northern California, and Alaska in the second quarter of 1972, according to research economist David Darr of the U.S. Forest Service, Pacific Northwest Forest and Range Experiment Station in Portland.

The second quarter volume was 6.6 percent more than the previous quarterly high of 704.3 million board feet in the fourth quarter of 1971.

The volume exported during the second quarter of 1972 was up 34.4 percent from the previous quarter and up 443.3 percent from the second quarter of 1971.

Japan was the destination of 649.4 million board feet or 86.5 percent of second quarter west coast exports.

Washington and Oregon exported 727.2 million board feet an increase of 36 percent from the first quarter 1972 volume. Shipments from the Washington Customs District increased 40.5 percent to 537.3 million board feet. Exports from the Oregon Customs District were up 36 percent from the previous quarter to 189.9 million board feet.

Second quarter log exports from northern California totaled 13.7 million board feet, an increase of 1.6 percent from the previous quarter.

The Alaska log export volume decreased 4.3 percent to a second quarter total of 100.1 million board feet.

Douglas fir accounted for 34.7 percent of total second quarter 1972 exports and Port Orford cedar 1.3 percent.

Other softwoods, primarily western hemlock and true firs, made up the remaining 64 percent.

Second quarter shipments had a total value of \$98.9 million at port of exportation and an average value of \$131.72 per thousand board feet. Douglas fir averaged \$133.04 per thousand board feet, Port Orford cedar \$279.74, and other softwoods \$128.05.

Softwood log exports from the west coast totaled 1.3 billion board feet through the first six months of 1972, 24.6 percent more than for the same period of 1971.

## Red Cross First Aid Course Slated

DETROIT—A Red Cross First Aid Course is scheduled to begin August 29 at Detroit City Hall, under the direction of a SAIF instructor. Five three hour sessions beginning at 6:30 (to 9:30 p.m.) are slated on the following dates: August 29 and 31, Sept. 5 and 7, and Sept. 13.

Any advanced First-Aiders who wish to "brush up" on first aid are being encouraged to attend.

For further information, contact Dave White or Harold Champion.

## Mill City Shoe Shop Has New Owners

The former railroad depot on Wall St., in Mill City, next to the Enterprise office, which up to the end of this week has housed Chuck's Shoe Repair, will re-open Monday under new management.

They purchased the business from Mr. and Mrs. Charles Umphress, who have operated the establishment for many years.

Arriving here this week from Forest Grove, via Riverside, Calif., are the new owners, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Willeman. Willeman was born and raised in Ohio and following his service stint, resided in California, where he worked as production controller for the Food and Machinery Corporation.

Willeman met his wife, Marilyn, four years ago at his uncle's wedding. It was his uncle who introduced him to shoe repair and leather craftsmanship and after a two-year apprenticeship with his uncle, Willeman feels he is ready to take over a shop on his own. His wife plans to help with some of the stitching machines and other jobs around the shop. "It's really not much different from sewing materials—only the material is a lot tougher," she said.

"We like Mill City very much, and all the people we've met," added Willeman. "Only trouble is, we couldn't find a place to live in town. Finally got a mobile home and had it moved out to Gates."

The Willemans plan to change the name of their recently-acquired business to Mill City Shoe Repair. Hours will be 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day, Monday through Saturday. Shoe repair, leather work and special leather orders plus a small stock of shoes and leather goods will be available.

When asked about the proposed city plans for the old RR building, Willeman said: "When and if the city gets the property from the railroad, all I ask is that they give me enough time—preferably about six months—to find a new spot and time to move my equipment. I'll probably try to buy a lot in town, and put up a new shop, if I can. Otherwise, I may have to move clear out of town and set up shop somewhere on the highway, maybe."

The Willemans plan to redecorate and restore the old railroad depot to something of its original state. "We especially want to repaint and put up the old RR signs, elevations, mileages, etc. Might even put in an old wood pot-bellied stove!" they added.

## Mill City Weather

The following weather readings have been compiled by Rod Pfeortner, as a special feature for The Enterprise. Rod is doing this as a hobby, and it will be a service for the people of the area who are always wondering just what the actual temperature and rainfall is.

	Max.	Min.	Pcp.
Aug. 15	65	56	0.00
Aug. 16	74	54	0.00
Aug. 17	67	52	0.00
Aug. 18	75	54	0.00
Aug. 19	79	54	0.00
Aug. 20	81	52	0.00
Aug. 21	79	53	0.00
Aug. 22	80	59	0.00

## Detroit Dam - Weather

	Max.	Min.	Elev.	Pcp.
Aug. 16	62	52	1563.17	0.00
Aug. 17	72	51	1563.43	0.00
Aug. 18	67	50	1562.35	0.00
Aug. 19	74	50	1562.23	0.00
Aug. 20	76	54	1561.65	0.00
Aug. 21	78	55	1560.93	0.00
Aug. 22	73	57	1560.67	0.00

## Rodney Wilson

Leaves Pearl Harbor

Navy Petty Officer Second Class Rodney E. Wilson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Erroll Wilson of Mehama, has left his home- port at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii for a deployment to the Western Pacific aboard the nuclear submarine USS Puffer.

## State Fair Starts Run This Saturday

Tickets for reserved and box seats at the Oregon State Fair's Burl Ives and Doc Severinsen concerts are now on sale, reported Oregon State Fair personnel today.

Ives will perform at the Fair Grandstand August 26 and 27, and Severinsen's concert will be September 2. Show time for all three will be 8:00 p.m.

Tickets for the Governor's Command Performance of the All-Oregon Talent Show are also on sale. The Show, presenting "the best of the best" in Oregon talent, will be September 3 at 8:00 p.m. at the Fair Grandstand.

On sale August 14 are tickets for the State Fair Gold Cup Motorcycle Races, set for Labor Day, September 4, at 8:30 p.m. at the Grandstand.

For all events, tickets can be purchased at Stevens and Son Jewelers in Salem and Portland's Lloyd Center, or by writing to the Admissions Office at the Fair.

## 21 Million Trees Within Half Hour Of Portland

If you love the outdoors, you'll find a forest nursery visit to be an exciting experience and the Western Forestry Center invites you to attend its August 29 bus tour to Canby, Oregon where 21 million seedling trees are growing.

At nurseries operated by the Industrial Forestry Association and Crown-Zellerbach Corporation, you'll see planting stock being grown for two dozen forest industry firms in Oregon and Washington. From this total crop of 21 million trees, nearly nine million will be planted in Pacific Northwest forests during the winter planting season.

The new container-method of planting will be demonstrated at the Crown-Zellerbach nursery. This method appears to have great promise in reforesting harvested areas quickly. Reservations for the nursery tour are on a first-come, first-served basis. Call 228-1367 for information and reservations. The cost of \$6.00 per person includes lunch. Guests will board the bus at 9:00 a.m. at the Western Forestry Center (or 8:30 a.m. at 5th and Yamhill-Old Pioneer Post Office) and will return at approximately 5:00 p.m.

## Local Talent To

Perform at State Fair

GATES—The Rayette Dancers, including Lori Levon, will be doing the opening and closing numbers on The All Oregon Talent Show at the State Fair, Saturday, August 26. Lori will perform a solo number on the same program. On Saturday, September 2 they will appear on the talent show again.

Labor Day the group will be performing on the special program by the Oregon State Employment Associates at 2:30.

To select the talent for these shows there are auditions held in all major cities in Oregon and the winners of these events are chosen to appear at the State Fair Talent Show.

## Mill City Kindergarten

Registration To Be

Thursday, September 7

A registration meeting will be held Thursday, September 7, at 7:30 p.m. for Mill City Kindergarten in the old Scout Building.

Pre-registration may be made by contacting Mrs. Florence More at 897-2646 or Mrs. Lucille Berry at 897-2047.