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Up and Down The Avenue

By Don Moffatt

We are now tied up in a town of some 8,400 in New Mexico by the name of Deming. We are in a comfortable trailer park, and believe me it is cold this morning. Ice all over the car. Sun is bright, and there was a beautiful sunrise. We are nursing a lot of sore muscles right now, as we made our trip to Carlsbad Caverns. The man at the desk said that we were 84 stories underground at the bottom. We didn't have hiking shoes, and a lot of the trip was down steep inclines, so our toes rubbed the fronts of our shoes. Alta wound up with blisters, but otherwise it was a good trip. We were really "underwhelmed" by the caverns, though, as they were not nearly as colorful as the Luray Caverns in Virginia. Luray was a better trip as we had a tour guide all the way and at Carlsbad—nothing! We were strictly on our own.

After going through the caverns we decided that we earned dinner out, so we went to a place that looked all right—in fact it was the only place there to eat. We decided to have steak, and you never saw such a good piece of beef. Trouble was, the chef, a big, fat loathsome, arrogant creature, really fouled up the detail. After he got done broiling the meat, he put it on a sizzling platter, and dumped some sort of watery goop over the top, then stood there and let it burn to a crisp. I could have wrung his fat neck, but then he was bigger than I was. The manager said he'd fix us another one, but what was the use, if he fouled up once he probably would again. I wish some of our canyon chefs had that type of meat to cook—not that ours is all that bad, but that was exceptional.

However, we haven't suffered too much in any manner on this trip.

I can't help but wonder why they use concrete to make highways. After about a year, it seems that all the slabs tip to a slight degree and when you hit a stretch like that, you just might as well saddle up old Paint, and ride into the sunset. We hit a stretch like that yesterday and today I feel like I have saddle sores. The people who sell cement must have a real strong lobby in the state house. After driving for several miles on this type of highway and you finally get on some good old black top, it is just like having a boil on your posterior lanced—a real relief. We shouldn't complain too much, as for the most part the roads have been pretty good.

Coming across Texas the past few days, we were glad we were in oil country. Surely we must have consumed the entire output from a well or two. We were going uphill most of the way, and we were bucking a headwind. Oh, well, one person's loss is another's gain. Only trouble we have had with the car, is that during the past two days, we have had to replace the left hand outside headlight twice. Funny we got two rocks so closely together. Then our directional signals quit working on the trailer. Here I was cussing the traffic as they wouldn't let me change lanes. Good reason, the lights were not working. Got them fixed, and we expect that we'll make Phoenix Thursday in good shape.

I think I have found a good project for the North Santiam Chamber of Commerce. It would be a school for all service station owners and employees. They should go to some school, learning all there is to know about their area and the state. Nearly all the stations we have patronized on this trip are only interested in pumping the gas, getting the money, and sending you on your way. Most of them don't even know anything about their own towns. Think that over. Don't you think it would create good will to be able to give a tourist some good, sound information?

Mailing Letters To Santa



Mrs. Mike McClain, assisted by Mrs. Gerald Erwin, brought her nursery school students to the Post Office Monday morning to mail their letters to Santa. After the very important letters were mailed, the students were given a tour of the Post Office, thanks to Mrs. Wayne Thomas and Postmaster Charles Kelly. Left to right the students are Kathleen Moore, Treeda Erwin, Eddy Setzer, Tony Thomas, Kate Jerrum, Jeff Girod, Michael Krecklow, Andrea Moore, Kenneth Penrose, Heidi White, Charie McClain and Bobby Morgan.

—Mill City Enterprise Photo

Football Players Honored

Approximately 150 people attended the potluck dinner honoring the Santiam High School State Champion Football team last Tuesday evening, December 5, at the High School Student Commons.

The event was sponsored by the Santiam Pep Club and the Santiam Boosters.

Randy Richter, manager of the team, acted as Master of Ceremonies and introduced the three football coaches, Gerald Gibson, Douglas Suckling and John Jerrum.

Coach Gibson presented the senior members of the team with their football jerseys and awards to those named to the Tri-Conference League All-Star Team.

The film of the Santiam-Lost River championship game was shown and narrated by Mr. Gibson.

Kindergarten To Have Program Thursday, Dec. 14

Parents of the Gates-Mill City Kindergarten students, their families and friends are invited to attend the Christmas Program Thursday (today), December 14, at the old Gates High School.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. followed by a visit from Santa Claus.

The Kindergarten will be dismissed on December 22 for Christmas vacation. They will have a Christmas party on that day.

Snow, Cold Closes Local Schools Tues.

A sub-zero air mass that swept down from the north early last week, sent temperatures in the area plummeting to new lows as most stations in the Valley—and across the State—reported below zero or near zero readings.

Lowest temperature in Mill City was recorded by Ron Poertner, Friday, Dec. 8 at 5°, but unofficial observers recorded lower readings. That day, the highest temperature was only 22°, according to the local weatherman.

Local Students Enrolled In Honors Program

Students from this area are among the more than 500 participating in this term in the Honors Program at Oregon State University.

Honors students, as freshmen and sophomores, enroll in special seminars or colloquia—small classes offering close student-faculty contact and the opportunity to expand their knowledge in their own field of study or to explore a completely unrelated discipline. As upperclassmen, students undertake independent study and enroll in interdisciplinary seminars. Many write a senior thesis.

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School Christmas Programs To Be December 20-21

The schools of District #129J will present their annual Christmas programs Wednesday, Dec. 20 and Thursday, Dec. 21. Both performances will begin at 8:00 a.m. at the Santiam High School Auditorium.

On Wednesday night, the Gates and Mill City Elementary Schools, grades one through eight will present a vocal program. The program is under the direction of Herb Bastuscheck and Doris Williams. Judy Wells and Geraldine South are in charge of costumes, with

Beulah Bowes and Olive Barnhardt preparing the stage sets. Leo Poole will be in charge of the lighting and Judy Wells, Jane Pumphrey and the 7th and 8th Grade Home Economics class will prepare and serve the refreshments. Santa Claus will also make one of his rare appearances, through the courtesy of the Mill City Fire Department.

The following night, Thursday, the advanced Elementary Band, the Santiam High School Chorus and the Santiam High School Band will present their Christmas program. The production will be under the direction of Spence Hillesland with Tom Grant serving as accompanist.

Well Child Clinic In Stayton Dec. 19th

A Marion County Health Department Well Child Clinic is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 19, at Calvary Lutheran Church in Stayton. The hours will be 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Parents wishing their child to be seen by the physician should make an advance appointment with Mrs. Walter Frey at 769-2732.

Immunizations for all ages are given at the clinic when indicated and no appointment is necessary for immunizations only.

New Department Created At Detroit Ranger District

DETROIT—The Detroit Ranger District has had a change of organization and an assignment of personnel, it was announced here this week.

A new Department has been created which is called, "The Plans Department." Tod Files is the new Silviculturist and will head the new department. He will be assisted by Mahlon Hale.

Monty Megargel, who was employed in the Pre-Sale section, has been transferred to the Second Growth Dept., to fill the vacancy created by Mahlon Hale.

The shifted positions to the Plans Department went into effect November 15, Forestry officials said.

Office personnel are busy finalizing and summarizing the work accomplished this past field season. This winter they will be making plans for completing the work remaining this fiscal year and the planning for the work to be started July 1, 1973, the next fiscal year.

Sale Of Tree Cutting Permits Down

DETROIT—Permit sales for Christmas tree cutting in the Willamette National Forest are going slower than in previous years.

DETROIT District Ranger Lee Boeckstiegel said Monday if the present rate continues there will be fewer trees cut than in the last three or four years. He thinks snow has held the permit sales down. Rangers recommend tree hunters use tire chains and carry shovels.

Officials at Siuslaw National Forest said about 600 permits have been sold, which is comparable to last year.

The Sweet Home Ranger Station of Willamette Forest reports fewer sales (about 200) probably due to bad weather. Officials reported about 200 permit sales.

A spokesman at Detroit Ranger Station said Tuesday morning about 1,050 tree cutting permits have been sold to date. The permits cost \$1.00. The Ranger Station will remain open weekends through December 16-17th, 9:00 A. M. to 3:00 P. M.

Weatherman Stops Santiam

The Santiam High School basketball game with Siletz which was scheduled to be played here last Friday, December 8, has been rescheduled for Saturday, February 3rd.

The Wolverine's first home game will be Saturday, January 6, when they play Harrisburg. The JV game will start at 6:30 and the Varsity at 8:00 p. m. The Harrisburg game was originally set for last Saturday, December 9, but was cancelled due to weather conditions. Santiam will play Harrisburg this Friday, December 15, at Harrisburg.

Although there is not a home game until January 6, the Wolverines will be playing in the Holiday Tournament at Detroit during Christmas vacation.

Don Stephens To Speak At Santiam Chapel

Santiam Chapel, Lyons, will host Don Stephens, European Director of Youth With a Mission, Friday, Dec. 15, at 7:00 p.m. Mr. Stephens recently headed up Munich Outreach which saw many people turn to faith in Christ during a concentrated effort by young people of at least 24 nations to bring the gospel into the Munich games.

Approximately 1000 persons, many of them from the United States, made their way to Schloss Hurlach, a castle a few kilometers west of Munich, for a week of training prior to the actual games. Christian literature was printed in 13 languages on the YWAM press in Landsberg, where some 40 years ago, Hitler wrote MEIN KAMPF, "bible of the Nazis."

YWAMers worked in person to person contact with both Western and Eastern athletes and game enthusiasts and Munich press reported that converts came from scores of nations: "Among them were athletes, two Communist journalists, Arabs and Israelis."

Following the Arab-Israeli incident, the main amphitheater was turned over to them for the last four days of the games, where they worked in conjunction with Teen Challenge and other Christian groups.

Mr. Stephens heads one of the ten Youth With a Mission Schools of Evangelism. Central offices are located in Burbank, California.

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Rich Moore Speaks To Lions Members

Rich Moore, Counseling Director of School District 129J, was guest speaker at the Lions Club dinner meeting Monday evening, Mr. Moore, who was introduced by Burton Boroughs, Santiam High School Principal, explained the guidance and testing programs from the elementary level through high school.

Fred Krecklow, secretary of the local club, presented Martin Hansen with his 25 year pin.

Lions Club members, their wives and guests attended the meeting.

Guests for the evening were Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kelly and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Nelson.

Idanha RFPD To Have Public Hearing Dec. 19

IDANHA—A public hearing on a supplemental budget for the Idanha Rural Fire Protection District will be at 7:30 P. M. Tuesday, December 19, in the lower portion of the Idanha Fire Hall.

The \$3,500 budget is to cover rental on an ambulance while awaiting delivery on the new unit, personal services and materials.

The funds are from property taxes over estimates and revenue from the ambulance service above estimates in the 1972-73 budget.

Detroit Places Second In Scio Tournament

DETROIT — Detroit and hosting Scio were easy winners in opening night play of Scio Basketball Tournament there Friday.

The first game saw Detroit defeat Chemawa, 61-46, behind the shooting of Tom Leming and Rick and Randy Roth. Then Scio came up with a 66-44 victory over Falls City paced by Gregg McDonald's 25 point effort. Scio walloped Detroit 54-39 to win its own invitational basketball tournament there Saturday night.

In the battle for third spot, Falls City knocked over Chemawa 69-53. Scio got 23 points from Garv Larsen and a big 19-point third period to walk away from Detroit. Randy Roth pitched in 14 for the losers.

Falls City came from behind with 22 points in the third quarter and 23 in the final stanza for its verdict. Wayne Anderson led the win with 29 tallies, while Frank Bittoni matched that for Chemawa.

Valsetz will host Detroit in the seasons first basketball game Tuesday, December 19, and then on December 22 Detroit will host Mohawk. JV games are scheduled at 8:30 p. m. and Varsity at 8 p. m.

Winter Tree Planting Completed

DETROIT—Forester Mahlon Hale, Detroit Ranger Station, announced this week that Snow Reforestation has completed their contract on the reforestation of 918 acres in and around Detroit and in the Breitenbush area of the Willamette National Forest. Hale said, due to the lack of skilled tree planters and the early snowfall, the firm was extended a seven-day extension to get the job completed.

Pacific Reforestation completed 212 acres of the contracted 430-acre in the U. S. Forest Service fall reforestation program in the Trappers Butte vicinity. Here again, the lack of skilled tree planters and repeated snowfall in the higher elevations, was the primary cause of the program not being completed, Hale said.

The fall reforestation program got underway October 16.

If it hadn't been for Edison, we'd all be watching TV by candlelight!

Children's Program Sunday At Community Church

The children's Christmas program at the Mill City Community Church will be at 10:00 a.m., Sunday, December 17.

There will be special musical numbers, both vocal and instrumental.

Also, a one-act play, "The Christmas Story," written by Tracy Sedberry, will be presented and Delores Dishong will tell a story using her hand puppets.

Everyone is invited to attend the program.

Mill City Weather

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	Max.	Min.	Pep.
December 6	28	22	0.00
December 7	23	18	0.00
December 8	22	5	0.00
December 9	24	9	0.00
December 10	24	10	0.00
December 11	30	10	0.00
December 12	31	31	0.00

Doctor Schedule

Santiam Memorial Hospital Emergency Unit record of Doctors on duty for the period December 13 through December 24.

- December 13, 14 and 15—Doctor in hospital, 6 p. m. to midnight.
- December 16 and 17—Doctor on call. Dr. in hospital, midnight to midnight.
- December 18 and 19—Doctor on call.
- December 20, 21 and 22—Doctor on call. Dr. in hospital, 6 p. m. to midnight.
- December 23 and 24—Doctor on call. Dr. in hospital, midnight to midnight.

Pictures With Santa At Mill City Pharmacy

Parents wishing to have their child's picture taken with Santa Claus may do so Saturday, Dec. 16, at Mill City Pharmacy.

Santa will be in the store from 1:00 to 5:00 p. m. and photos may be taken during this time. There will be a minimum charge and no extra for additional children.

Santa's visit is being sponsored by the Mill City Junior Woman's Club.