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It Ain't All Roses

(by George Long)

When a woman gets a job traditionally held by a man, or enters a field heretofore dominated by men that's news. Lately there's been much news of this nature; it's getting to be about as old hat as dog bites man. Comes now a man bites dog item—and we hasten to say that this figure of speech is not intended in the slightest degree as an insult to the ladies, for whom we have the most extreme regard. But consider if the characterization is not apt: For the first time in its 112 years, during most of which time it enrolled women, Vassar College has a male student government president. Ah, well, a little men's liberation is not a bad thing, either.

We think government needs to cut back on duplication of agencies. We think it needs to get tougher about endless programs aimed at helping the "poor" for we are making "professionally poor" people and paying good salaries to endless people to champion the causes of the "poor". It's profitable to help the poor today. It's profitable for the workers in the field, profitable for the poor. We need to take a hard look at what we are doing and the philosophy behind it. President Nixon is forcing the nation to take a second look. Let's do it.

About the high cost of living—cigarettes sell for about \$2.89 a pound and I don't recall anyone complaining about them being high—yet to pay \$1.89 a pound for beef steak drives some shoppers right up the wall. It's a funny thing, but I know people who'll pay 90 cents or \$1.25 for a drink and never say a word about the "high cost of drinking" but to pay over \$1.00 a pound for hamburger... is a different story!

Life must be worth living. The cost has more than doubled and we still hang on.

A wise commentator on the social scene says that instead of congressmen getting free postage so they can write to us taxpayers cheap, we should get free postage to use when writing to our congressmen. This he says, would put things in their proper order, based on the alleged relationship between employers and hired help. We pay the lawmakers' wages; we pick them for their jobs; our money subsidizes all postage franking, and we should be telling them instead of them telling us.

A lot has been said about the declining value of the dollar. Nevertheless, we don't know of any country that has declined American aid!

Any way you slice it, a lot of people are being priced out of the home market. Construction costs continue to skyrocket, and mortgage experts, according to one news story, have estimated that each one percent increase in mortgage interest rates removes as many as 3.4 million families from the home buying market. What the net result of all this maybe no one can yet say, but one thing is certain, people still need to have a roof over their heads.

An answer will be found, and it seems likely that it is going to be in the direction of such things as mobile homes and ready-built compact houses. There is an additional problem of finding the land on which to set the homes we build, and land use planners are making that evermore difficult and more costly too. The custom built home on five acres of ground will, to an increasing degree for the vast majority of Americans, become a vanishing dream—a casualty of inflation and land use planning.

Mill City Bus Service Cut To Once A Day

The public utility commissioner has approved a substantial reduction in Hamman Stage Lines passenger and freight service to communities in the Santiam Canyon. Effective Wednesday, the present three runs from Salem to Sublimity, Stayton, Mehama and Mill City will be reduced to one round trip daily and two daily runs to Turner, Aumsville, Scio and Lyons will be terminated. The decision, delivered last Thursday by Commissioner Richard Sabin, states the lack of adequate revenue from the passenger and freight service, coupled with the Salem firm's loss of the postal service contract, makes it economically unfeasible to continue the service.

As a result of the change, Hamman will virtually terminate a service which has been almost continuous from 1925, when it first won the mail contract. A Hamman bus on the Salem to Prineville run will serve Mill City twice a day now, making a stop at 9:15 a.m. on its way to Salem and a return stop at 7:00 p.m. In a PUC hearing last month, a Hamman representative said continuation of the passenger and freight service could mean a \$13,600 loss for the company this year. The passenger service, required under the \$18,000 mail contract, was largely financed by the main contract, he said.

Huebert Galle of Salem now has the mail contract and is using a truck and plans no passenger service.

22 Forest Land Auctions in May - June

The U. S. Forest Service has conducted 22 public auctions for timber in the Willamette National Forest during May and June, selling an estimated 125,900,000 bd. ft. of timber for bids totaling \$15,696,999.

Approximately 8,900,000 bd. ft. of timber in the Detroit Ranger District (Hawkins Leave Sale), appraised for \$845,032 or \$117.35 per thousand for Douglas-fir, was purchased by Young & Morgan, Inc. of Mill City for \$854,132 or \$118.75 per thousand for Douglas-fir. There were four other bidders.

Approximately 2,200,000 bd. ft. of timber in the Detroit Ranger District (Fox Creek Fuel Break Sale), appraised for \$209,207 or \$114.29 per thousand for Douglas-fir, was purchased by Young & Morgan, Inc. of Mill City for \$213,814 or \$117 per thousand for Douglas-fir. There were two unsuccessful bidders.

Approximately 11,600,000 bd. ft. of timber in the Detroit Ranger District (Slide Creek 3 Sale), appraised for \$1,299,328 or \$151.81 per thousand for Douglas-fir, was purchased by Young & Morgan, Inc. of Mill City for \$1,604,306 or \$201.00 per thousand for Douglas-fir. There were three unsuccessful bidders.

Campers Leave Campfires Unattended

DETROIT — The United States Forest Service at Detroit Ranger Station reported there were no major fires in the district this past week. However, careless campers did leave two campfires unattended, that could have resulted in tragedy if they had not been spotted. One of the fires was in the Marion Lake area.

For those of us who know the region, what a terrible thing it would be if that beautiful area were destroyed by someone's Carelessness! The other fire was on the little island in the middle of Detroit Lake called Piety Knob. Please, campers, make sure your fires are out, dead out, before you leave your campsite.

Cathodic Ground Bed for Gas Line



A cathodic ground bed for Northwest Natural Gas Co., was drilled last week by Hansen Drilling Co., of Vancouver, Wash. The reason for the ground bed is to preserve the life of the gas line for at least an additional 20 years, according to workmen on the job when they were interviewed by The Enterprise. The well was drilled to a depth of 200 feet. Into the bottom of the hole four duralumin anodes were placed. On top of this, coke and carbon materials were filled to the 100 foot level, then the balance to the surface was filled with inch and a half ground rock. A well seal will then be placed over the well. The firm will then set a pole and rectifier, and run one wire to the gas line and the other to the rectifier, which will check the amount of electricity needed to form a ground bed. In the process, instead of pipe erosion, the anodes will be eaten up instead of the pipe line. This will lengthen the life of the pipe line 20 years, they said. Working on the project are, from left to right, Wes Huhnhausen, Al Harrington, Bill Young and Phil Yynn. Enterprise Photo

Water Short At Detroit

DETROIT — Voluntary water use restrictions are being asked of Detroit's three to five thousand regular and summer residents for the first time this summer, following a near shortage last weekend.

Mayor Cliff McMillan said the city's water system, designed primarily to serve the 330 year-round customers, was overtaxed during the weekend with an influx of tourists.

As a result, all residents are being asked to curtail sprinkling Friday through Sunday for the remainder of the summer. "Otherwise," said McMillan, we might have to put restrictions on."

The problem has repeated itself every summer for the last three or four years, said McMillan, but will hopefully be resolved by next summer with a proposed expansion of the water system.

The city currently has a system of two reservoirs for a total capacity of 80,000 gallons. Saturday night, the reservoirs came close to running dry, while the pumps, working at capacity, proved inadequate.

City officials have been preparing a proposal for a public vote which would involve increasing the pumping capacity. This would involve metering the water system for the first time. Plans call for completion of the system before the heavy snows start this winter, although no date has been set for a hearing on the proposal or a public vote.

As a preliminary to receiving FHA approval of the project, the city increased its water usage rates in June and decided to change over to meters with the new system. FHA said this was necessary before it would consider the proposal, said McMillan.

The residential rate was increased from \$4.75 to \$6 monthly and the business rate, which had ranged from \$6 up, to a flat rate of \$10.

There has been some opposition to the increase in rates and the metering plan from both full-time and summer residents. The winter residents because the water shortage only occurs during the summer due to tourists and summer residents, and the summer residents because they are unable to vote on such proposals.

McMillan said there has been more support from summer residents for the planned expansion and the hearing will be planned so they can express their opinions.

The FHA is currently reviewing the city's expansion proposal, but McMillan declined to reveal any figures, saying plans are still indefinite.

Movie Scheduled For August 11

The Mill City Junior Woman's Club will be sponsoring another movie on Saturday evening, Aug. 11, at the high school auditorium.

The doors will open at 7:00 with the show to begin at 7:30. Tickets are 25c for children six and under, 50c for students and \$1 for adults.

Name of the movie to be shown will be announced next week, according to Mrs. Larry Urban, chairman.

Detroit School Dist. Looking For Help

DETROIT — Ron Wilkerson of the Detroit School District reports that no one has as yet been selected for the job of School Deputy Clerk, or for the job of bus driver/custodian.

There is no deadline set so far for the filling of any applications.

Those interested, please contact Ron Wilkerson at the school during office hours.

New Dentist



DR. DAVE THOMPSON

Mill City Now Has A New Dentist

Dr. Dave Thompson has recently purchased the Canyon Dental Clinic in Mill City. Dr. Thompson received his B. A. degree from the U of O in 1967 and his DMD degree from the U of Oregon Dental School in 1971. He recently completed two years of military service in the army at Ft. Hood, Tex. as a dentist.

Dr. Thompson is experienced in all phases of dentistry and is especially interested in preventive dentistry. He plans to be working with the schools and the community health programs to improve health care to the people. His office is at 548 First St.

His wife Chris, is from Portland and they both enjoy the Mill City area. Church and sports are their major interests.

Fracas Leaves Two Injured

Chico Mino, a Stockton, California man, was arrested Saturday evening and arraigned in Linn County District Court Monday on two counts of assault following an incident in the Hilltop parking lot. Bail was set at \$2500 for each count.

Mino's wife, Norma L., 24, presently of Mill City, and Virgil Hurst, 23, also of Mill City, received knif wounds in the incident about 7:50 p.m. Saturday.

Mrs. Mino suffered an arm cut and Hurst was cut on the chest when he went to her aid, police said. Both received outpatient treatment at Salem Memorial Hospital where they were taken by the Lyons Ambulance.

Mino, 43, was subdued by several other bystanders, according to the Mill City Police Department.

New Traffic Laws Now In Effect

If you drive a camper, tow a trailer or operate any vehicle with a gross weight of 6,000 pounds or more, there's a new traffic law now in effect restricting your use of some lanes on divided highways.

Here's what the law says: On a divided road where there are three or more lanes for traffic moving in the same direction, these vehicles can be driven in the extreme left-hand lane only when necessary to enter or leave the road, in response to an emergency condition or when otherwise indicated by appropriate signs or signals.

Otherwise, these units must use either the extreme right-hand lane or the center lane of a three lane highway. When there are two lanes for traffic moving in the same direction, campers, vehicles with trailers and those weighing 6,000 pounds or more are to be driven in the right-hand lane. They cannot move into the left hand lane until the lane change can be made "without interfering with the passage of other vehicles."

The restrictions on lane use for these units carried an emergency clause and took effect on passage.

Football Gear To Be Issued Thurs., Aug. 2

Santiam High School will issue football equipment Thursday, August 2 from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Practice starts Aug. 20 at 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. All boys must have a Santiam High School Athletic Physical Examination by their doctor turned into the coaches by this date. Forms can be picked up and turned in at the high school.

Football shoes are the only thing the boys furnish themselves. Coach Gibson recommends the Viking multicleated shoe for \$10.00 at Bill Beards in Salem or Portland Athletic in Portland, for young boys this is the only shoe they will need.

The first game of the season will be here with Marist of Eugene, an AA school last year and is picked to win it this year. This will be the toughest game of the year and will require a Santiam best effort.

PP&L To Install Communication System For Outages

Like most electric utility firms throughout the country, PP&L has been depending on locally stationed crews and sometimes customers to report minor power outages or service problems as they occur. However, last year PP&L decided the old "word-of-mouth" reporting method was too slow. The decision prompted construction of a major communications system in the Willamette Valley which will be fully operational early next year.

The \$110,000 communication system will tie together the power networks serving Stayton and other Willamette Valley communities. John J. Kohls, local manager for PP&L in Stayton, said the project involves the installation of sophisticated monitoring, telemetering and supervisory controls. "With the technical electronic hardware, our service dispatcher will know about a power failure the instant it occurs, rather than having to wait for a customer call," Kohls explained.

The new system also calls for extensive telephone and radio equipment which will give PP&L's dispatcher a direct line of communication to individual service crews for repair instructions. Monitoring equipment will give PP&L the capability to measure voltage, power flow, and control system operations over a 2,700 square mile area. In the event a line was downed during a storm, PP&L's dispatcher could isolate the break and restore the remainder of the line to service with the new supervisory remote controls currently being installed. "The dispatching control system will be faster, safer, and more efficient than ever before," Kohls said.

The communication operation will centralize the control of all PP&L's transmission and distribution networks in the Willamette Valley along with several water facilities. Temporary power outages to PP&L's customers will be channeled directly to a control center in Albany where technicians will route local mobile service crews by radio. Control systems will pinpoint an outage at a specific feeder instantly.

Construction plans for 1974 call for the installation of additional supervisory controls and relay operations for backup power. In addition to Stayton and Albany, PP&L's Willamette Valley service includes Lebanon, Sweet Home, Corvallis, Dallas, Independence, Junction City, Springfield, Cottage Grove, and surrounding areas.

Linn County Receives User Monies

The Oregon Transportation Commission recently announced distribution of \$6,824,188.65 in highway-user tax funds to the 36 counties of the state.

The allocation is based on the statutory 20 percent for the period April 1 through June 30, 1973. The funds come from the following sources: motor vehicle registration and operators license fees, gasoline tax, use fuel tax, motor carrier fees, and fines and penalties collected for violations of the size and weight statutes where complaints are made by the highway division weighmasters.

The allocation to each county is based on the number of vehicles registered in it. Net apportionment for Linn County \$247,380.03 with 61,673 registered vehicles and Marion County received \$468,994.53 based on 116,932 registered vehicles.

Idanha Ambulance Makes Three Runs

IDANHA — The Idanha Rural Fire Protection District Ambulance made three runs last week. The first July 25, at 9:20 a.m. was a logging accident injuring Edward L. Keys of Box 211, Lyons. Mr. Keys was injured by a power saw.

David Layman, 15, of Detroit was taken to Santiam Memorial Hospital with an illness, July 26, at 11:00 p.m. Samuel Paschall, 17, Bend, formerly from Rickreall, was injured July 30 at 1:00 p.m. when his pickup left Highway 22 at signpost 65 east of Idanha. Mr. Paschall was hauling some plumbing supplies to Bend when he reportedly went to sleep at the wheel. He was not seriously injured.

Detroit Dam - Weather

	Max.	Min.	Elev.	Pop.
July 25	80	48	1552.18	0.00
July 26	88	56	1551.81	0.00
July 27	89	59	1551.58	0.00
July 28	91	60	1551.23	0.00
July 29	93	60	1550.99	0.00
July 30	90	59	1550.76	0.00
July 31	87	59	1550.51	0.00

Final Session For Swimming Classes To Begin Monday

Registration for the third and final session of swimming classes will be Thursday (today) afternoon from 1:00 to 3:00 at the pool or by phoning the pool number 897-3105.

The third session will begin August 6 through August 17 and will include instruction in beginners courses, advanced beginners, diving classes and intermediate classes. Instructor will be Mrs. Doug Suckling.

Cost for each class for a two weeks session is \$5.00.

Open House To Be Held By Dental Clinic

The Canyon Dental Clinic is planning an open house for the patients to introduce Dr. and Mrs. Dave Thompson to the community of Mill City.

It will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 8 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the clinic at 548 First St. and refreshments will be served.

Idanha Girl Selected To Sing At State Fair

IDANHA — A local girl, Miss Sherry Williamson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Williamson of Idanha, has been selected to sing in the 1973 State Fair All Oregon Talent Show on Sept. 3, at 2:00 p.m. Miss Williamson was notified by a letter from state fair manager, Robert L. Stevens.

The selection, in view of the tremendous competition, is quite an honor for Miss Williamson and her family. One would hope that the local people will turn out on that date to hear Sherry and give her moral support. Congratulations, Sherry!

If the number following your name on The Enterprise label reads 8-73 it's time to send a check for renewal.