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Fog, Ice Conditions Cause Car Accidents

Fog and icy roads over the weekend caused at least three accidents with heavy damage to vehicles in the nearby area.

Zettie Massingale of Mount Vernon lost control of her Volkswagen coach Saturday afternoon a little over two miles west of Concrete on the South Skagit road. The vehicle received \$750 damages when it hit black ice on the roadway and went off of the road as she was rounding a curve.

The same day Amy Martin of Vancouver, B. C., totaled her 1963 Ford station wagon as she was traveling east on Highway 20, about six miles east of Concrete. The car skidded on ice and rolled over off the left side of the highway. Mrs. Martin received bruises on her arms, legs and back. Passengers in the car, William Martin and Barbara Crom, also were bruised. Mrs. Crom was taken to the United General Hospital with broken ribs and abrasions.

Eugene E. Imbleau of Concrete received lacerations on his face when his pickup went into a ditch and rolled over on the Alger cut-off west of Alger Sunday evening. The vehicle received \$900 in damages.

Siro Cugini Home From Venezuela For Visit

Mr. and Mrs. Siro Cugini of Caracas, Venezuela, South America, arrived Saturday for a ten-day visit with Mr. Cugini's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Isia Cugini, and sister and family, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell McDaniel, and other relatives and friends in the area. His three children, Kim, Caprice, and Cary, who make their home in Seattle, were here for the weekend. Mr. Cugini is an executive with General Electric Corp. headquartered for nearly 20 years in Caracas, where he has been He had been in New York on business before coming to Concrete for his vacation leave.

HERB LARSEN ACCEPTS UGN CHAIRMAN POST

Herbert Larsen has been named chairman of the United Good Neighbor campaign drive in the Upper Skagit Valley.

The goal for the area is \$750 of the \$100,000 total for Skagit county. Concrete had raised 37 per cent of its assigned total, as of last week's report.

Rearing Pond At Barnaby Slough Indicated Sunday To George Harrison

George R. Harrison, conservation director of the Interior Department, indicated at 2 p.m., Sunday, December 7, that a rearing pond should be developed at Barnaby Slough near Rockport.

The Game Department rearing pond will cover 15 acres. It will be initially stocked with 300,000 summer run steelhead trout slated for the Skagit, Sauk, Suiattle, Samish, Nooksack and other northwest Washington streams.

The hatchery pond is the result of more than 200 people from many organizations putting in over 1,000 manhours.

Everyone is invited to attend the dedication.

Get Ready!



CAMP FIRE GIRLS Lorene Coffell, Robin Drake and Denise Covert reach high to place red streamers and bright decorations on the tall evergreen beside the bank building. Third, fifth and sixth grade Camp Fire Girls are decorating the trees along Main Street as their project for the Yuletide season.

Town Dump To Be On Control And Fee Basis

A solution to Concrete's growing garbage disposal program was presented to the council at the regular December meeting Monday night by Harold Kloes, presently operating the garbage collection service here. Under his plan, approved by county health and pollution authorities would substitute a land-fill process for present burying and burning.

According to Kloes the county authorities estimate that Concrete could use their 15 acres for the next ten to fifteen years with a rat-free, pollution-free system and wind up with that same acreage in level, useable land as a site for either industry or the possible sewage disposal plant that is planned for future expansion.

The garbage dump was inspected November 24th by the health department the plan given a welcome go-ahead. A complaint as to possible water pollution dumping made, a further inspection was made and it was decided that there was no danger from that source.

OKAY STARTING PROCESS

The council gave Mr. Kloes permission to begin the land-fill as soon as possible. He will start

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W. R. Bendy Killed In Airplane Crash

Ward was received here of the death of W. R. Bendy, who will be remembered here for work he did for both Superior and Lone Star Portland Cement plants in his capacity as consultant engineer. Bendy was one of the passengers killed Nov. 19, Glen Falls, N.Y., in the crash of a Mohawk Airlines turbojet. The plane hit a mountain and burned, killing all 11 passengers and three crew members aboard.

Bendy is survived by his wife, the former Sylvia Palmer, who worked in the office of the Superior Cement plant before her marriage. Her brother, Ted Palmer, lives in Sedro-Woolley.

Bendy was the founder and president of the Bendy Engineering firm of St. Louis, Mo.

Christmas Tree Permits Will Be Sold This Year By Forest Service Districts, Starting Saturday

The traditional family Christmas Tree permits will once again be available to interested parties beginning Saturday, December 6, at 8:00 a.m. at the ranger station offices of the Mt. Baker National Forest. Offices will be open from 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. seven days per week through the 21st of December.

The popular permits will be available right up until the close of business on December 21. It is not known as yet what areas will remain open for cutting, due to the vagaries of the weather during this season. Personnel will be on duty to provide assistance to Christmas tree cutters, as in years past.

The Forest Service would like to remind all prospective Christmas tree cutters that road conditions are often hazardous. Be prepared with snow tires on vehicles, chains, and shovels in the trunk of the car.

"We expect to have snowfall before the close of the cutting season, and probably well before it gets underway. All members of the family who participate in the tree hunting expedition should be warmly dressed, with extra dry changes of clothing in the car if possible. A hatchet or small axe or a saw, some rope to tie the tree down, and a tarp of some kind to protect the tree from the wind should not be forgotten. Darkness comes early, usually by 4:30 p.m. this time of year. Caution should be taken not to remain in the wooded areas past this hour if it can be avoided," say Forest Service officials.

A recently passed Washington State law requires that anyone observed hauling more than five Christmas trees may be stopped by any law enforcement officer and asked to produce a bill of sale signed by the owner of the

lands from which the trees were cut. On National Forest land a permit must be purchased for each tree to be cut.

Following the close of business at 4:30 p.m. on December 21st, offices will resume the winter schedule of business and will be open only Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. These offices will remain closed weekends until spring.

The Ranger Station offices are found at the following locations: Darrington District—Approximately 1/2-mile north of the center of Darrington. An almost unlimited number of trees will be available for family cutting this year, weather permitting.

Baker River District, at Concrete—Approximately 5 miles west of Concrete on the route of the North Cross-State Highway. An almost unlimited number of trees will be available for family cutting this year, weather permitting.



BIG BOOST FOR SCOUTING—Don Ross, President of the Skagit Valley Banker's Ass'n., presents a check for \$4,000 to Scout Executive Joseph Barney of the Mt. Baker Area. The money will go into the Capital Drive Fund for use at the Black Mountain Boy Scout Camp.