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The Over-time Editor

SUBJECT of this week's is "Trilliums and Trash". If you would think there connection between the and lovely lily and a beer on Sunday we found that they side-by-side along our roads. The flower shames trash, but nobody seems they can do anything it—especially those who bottles, cans, wrappers, beer cartons and the like their car windows. Perhaps they are the ones who don't flowers, only the conveyers.



Three Cars Totaled Out In Friday Collision On Highway 20 Just West Of Concrete

Seven persons received injuries and three cars were completely demolished in a three-car pileup last Friday evening after 10 p.m. about a mile west of Concrete on Highway 20.

The car of Arthur L. Tonkyn of Diablo, a 1967 Buick Electra, and those driven by Argus F. Roberts of Sedro-Woolley, a 1959 DeSoto, and Paul G. Edgren of Bellingham, a 1965 Pontiac sedan, were all totaled in the collision.

State patrol officers said that Edgren and Tonkyn were east-

bound on Highway 20 when the car driven by Roberts, westbound, crossed the center line and struck Edgren's car. Tonkyn was unable to stop and crashed into the rear of the Edgrens' vehicle.

Roberts suffered abrasions to his forehead and nose. Tonkyn had possible chest injuries and Virginia Tonkyn has chest pains and Kasey Tonkyn, 10, had lacerations of the right knee.

Edgren received cuts inside his mouth and passengers in his car, Jill Grennan and Betty Tremp, had bruises and lacerations.

\$5,000 Loss In Burglary Of Local Bank; Professional Job

The burglars who spent most of the night last Monday, April 6, wrecking the vault of the Concrete State Bank gained approximately \$5,500 for their efforts. The smaller loss was due to the fact that the only money readily available within the vault was the coins in rolls or loose in the change drawers. The currency was in another small safe that is almost tamper-proof and was not touched. The procedure of the operation pointed to professionals in the field of safe cracking.

The loss was covered by insurance for the bank. The only personal loss was by Dudley Ross, who had a small silver coin collection in the vault. This was

taken along with the bank's silver. He placed the monetary value at about \$500, with the collector's value at probably three times that amount.

Entry to the building was through a rear window, high above the ground and covered with bars. Two bars were cut at the bottom and then bent upward to permit entry. The catch on the window was then released. Through this opening the burglars lifted four large tanks of acetylene, oxygen and helium and the tools for their work in cutting into the vault.

They first attempted to cut out around the combination of the vault door, but apparently gave up and concentrated on cutting a large section from the lower righthand corner of the door. Through this they entered a small area between the vault door and another steel door, also locked. This they cut across with the torch and bent it inward into the vault proper.

Once inside they went to work on a small standard safe and blew the door open only to find that it contained nothing of value.

From the glove prints on the glass of the side window in the bank lobby they apparently had removed what cash they found and their tools the easy way. They left the four tanks behind.

Knowledge of the vault-locking construction was shown in the way the door was cut. Also the failure in attempting to open the small safe in the vault was considered knowledgeable as the report is that while such a safe can be opened in a long period of time, the contents would be destroyed in the process. Also, if it were tampered with to any extent it would be impossible to open without the same result.

The bank's vault alarm, which had been maintained for many years, had been removed during the remodeling of the building a few years ago. The burglars made an effort to eliminate any chance of an alarm and cut off the connections to the time and temperature sign. It was the 119 degrees registering on the sign that first

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NO FORMAL NOTICE OF SEWER MONEY FOR TOWN OF CONCRETE

News reports announce that the Town of Concrete has shared to the extent of \$52,440 in the allocation of \$500,000 in state and federal grants for this county for construction of sewer projects. The announcement was made by the State Water Pollution Control Commission but to date no official word has been received by the town government.

Sedro-Woolley was listed for a federal grant of \$285,560 and a state grant of \$129,800. Concrete is down for \$17,480 from the state and \$34,960 from federal sources.

Some \$4.6 million was approved for 51 sewage treatment projects throughout the state on a priority basis.

Concrete's project was updated in 1963 by Hardstad & Associates, engineers with an estimated cost of \$490,000. State and federal aid was expected to provide up to 60% of the cost. A new firm of engineers, Slavin & Cores, Inc. is now carrying on submission of the necessary applications for aid.

The amount given in new items is approximately what would be required to pay engineering costs on the project.

Cascade Juniors, Husbands Erect Park Sign, Build Fence To Complete New Scenic Attraction

A work party of Cascade Juniors members and their husbands spent all day Sunday making improvements to the park grounds at the club's park site adjacent to the Baker River bridge.

A large sign identifying the site as the "Cascade Juniors Community Park" was erected on the bank overlooking the highway and view point. Dick Riehl was responsible for carving the sign.

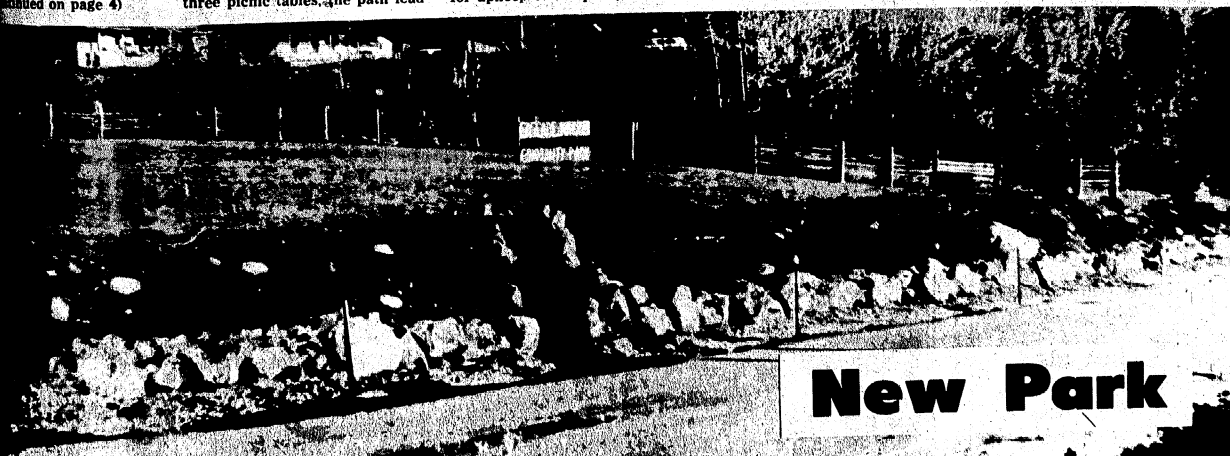
The entire park lot, leased by the club from Lone Star Cement Corp., was enclosed with a high cedar rail fence. Materials were provided by Superior Shake Co., Hurn Shingle Co., and Levaque Co.-shake mills.

Locations were cut out for three picnic tables. The path lead-

ing to the junior women's park from the Upper Skagit Garden Club park across the highway was leveled and banked with rocks, and trees and shrubs on the grounds were mulched.

Spending the day at hard labor were Vici and Leonard Hornbeck, Barbara and Dick Rathvon, Lee and Chris Comstock, Lynne and Jim Menzies, Kathleen and Larry Hurn, Bonnie and Ray Drake, Leslie and Lawrence Bates, Vicki and Mike Frank, Lois and Kenny Coone, and volunteers Allan, Jerry, and Cliff Hurn.

The club's car wash on Saturday netted a little over \$37 which will be used for the town improvement fund, including expenses for upkeep of the park.



New Park