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EVER SEE A "SETTING DUCK"? Bird perched atop electric transformer (left side of picture above) is just that. Duck was stationed outside Armory, apparently "just resting." No duck friends or relations were to be found in vicinity and his appearance was unannounced. When last seen, duck was still "setting."

## Wash. Stop Signs To Have Red Back With White 'Stop'

PORTLAND, OREG.—New stop signs on all state highways, county roads and city streets in the state of Washington will have a red background with the word "STOP" in white. This announcement is made by William A. Buggee of Olympia, Wash., director of highways for the Washington State Highway commission, in an announcement to Ray Conway, general manager of the Oregon State Motor association.

The word "STOP" will be fully reflectorized so that the new sign will stand out when headlights strike it at night. The new sign has been under study for several years. Buggee estimates it may take six years to replace all the present yellow and black signs on the state system. First replacements will be done as the yellow signs wear out or are broken.

The American Association of State Highway Officials at its meeting last November in Pittsburgh, recommended that each state adopt the new red sign as standard. The red sign is said to be more effective in calling attention to stop, as red at a traffic intersection light means stop, whereas yellow means caution.

## 23 Major Projects On Highways in '53

The Oregon State Highway department has been working on a total of 23 major projects during the past year. These improvements are taking place in most of the areas throughout the state. Two of them are being made, at least partially, in Lane county.

In one, construction is in progress and nearing completion on a short section of the Siuslaw highway. This section extends from a point 1.8 miles east of Blachly, east over the Low Pass Summit to a point 1.2 miles east of the Summit. It is known as the Low Pass Section and total length will be 2.54 miles. Cost upon completion in July, 1954, is \$850,000.

Starting at Divide, construction is also under way on a 20-mile relocation project extending to Rice Hill in Douglas county.

The project will save three miles in travel distance and will eliminate many miles of narrow pavement and sharp curves. Construction is on a fully controlled access basis and is completely free of crossings at grades. Cost is estimated at \$3,350,000. Work is already completed on the six-mile unit between Divide and Anlauf and grading work is well advanced on the remaining 14 miles. Completion date is set for November, 1954.

## Liquor Commission To Suspend License

License of the Eagle Cigar store, Cottage Grove, will be suspended for five days beginning February 1, according to the Oregon liquor control commission, which ordered the suspension after reviewing an earlier hearing at which William Montgomery and Mark Kincart, licensees, were charged with selling beer to a minor through an employee and with allowing a minor to consume alcoholic beverages and loiter upon the premises.

Kim McKester, employee, was similarly charged, and his service permit ordered suspended for 15 days.

On the whole, with scandalous exceptions, Democracy has given the ordinary worker more dignity than he ever had. —Sinclair Lewis

## Poster Boy Collects from Governor



Debby Dains, 4-year-old polio victim who is the 1954 March of Dimes Poster Boy, collects the first contribution in his home state of Idaho from his governor, Len Jordan. March of Dimes has provided \$15,000 for Debby's care since he was stricken. "It's the test tube where the money goes, Governor," he explains. The drive runs through January.

## Highway Commission To Study Bids On Three Lane County Projects

SALEM (Special)—The Oregon State Highway commission will hold its regular meeting at Portland today and tomorrow. At this time, the commission will receive bids on 23 highway, bridge, building and traffic signal and illumination installation projects estimated to cost \$3,000,000.

These projects occur in 16 of the state's 36 counties and call for 9.94 miles of grading, 10.82 miles of rock base construction, 16.88 miles of paving, 13.11 miles of roadbed oiling, 6.84 miles of shoulder oiling, construction of 10 bridges, one building, and one traffic signal and highway illumination installation.

The commission will receive bids on three projects in Lane county.

The first calls for the construction of three structures on the Goshen-Coast Fork Willamette River Unit of the relocated Pacific Highway south of Eugene. Plans call for the construction of a 233-foot reinforced concrete deck girder, grade separation structure at the Pacific Highway with the Willamette Highway, a 120-foot reinforced concrete deck girder bridge over Camas Swale, south of Goshen, and construction of a 126-foot reinforced concrete grade separation structure at the intersection of the relocated Pacific Highway and the Kuni County Road, north of Creswell. Grading of the relocated Pacific Highway between Goshen and the Coast Fork of the Willamette River, south of Creswell, is now under contract.

The second project calls for the widening of the existing railroad overcrossing structure on the Pa-

cific Highway, just north of Eugene, from a roadway width of 26 feet to a roadway width of 52 feet. The grading and paving work to widen the Pacific Highway to four lanes from a point near the intersection of Prairie Road to a point near the north city limits of Eugene is now under contract. All work is scheduled for completion by September, 1954.

The third project calls for the furnishing of 10,000 cubic yards of crushed materials in stockpiles on the Willamette Highway between Goshen and Lowell. The crushed materials are for the use of maintenance forces in maintenance operations on the Willamette Highway.

## 82 Farm Units Available to Vets

Veterans of World War II and subsequent military duty have first priority in the acquisition of 82 farm units being opened by the bureau of reclamation in the South Columbia basin irrigation project in Washington, it was reported Monday by the Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs.

To receive priority, veterans must apply to the bureau of reclamation office at Ephrata, Wash., by February 19, 1954. Their military service must have been between September 16, 1940, and July 3, 1953.

The 82 farm units range in size from 49 to 148 irrigable acres and in price from \$1,189 to \$4,880, with most of them listed between \$1,500 and \$2,000.

Application forms may be obtained from county veterans service officers, from the state veterans' department in Salem or Portland, or by writing to the reclamation office in Ephrata, Wash.

## CG EDUCATORS ATTEND PORTLAND MEETING

Virgil Kingsley and Jesse Fasold, superintendents of Cottage Grove Union high school and School District 45, respectively, attended a meeting of First Class School district superintendents and principals in Portland January 15 and 16. More than 60 educators were present at the meeting, held at the Oregon Education building.

School problems of all natures were discussed, including class loads, teacher shortages and the problem of meeting the cost of public education in Oregon.

Look not mournfully at the past—it comes not back again; wisely improve the present—it is thine; go forth to meet the shadowy future without fear, and with a manly heart. —Longfellow

## NEWS & NOTES



By Vinal Jr. and Russ

Not long ago a prominent psychologist with tongue in cheek, no doubt—gave a somewhat vague pat on the back to the bane of Sunday motorists, the "back seat drivers."

The BSDs, composed in the main of women long on instruction but short on the mechanics of a machine powered up to 210 horses, are supposed to have a stabilizing influence on the harassed husband behind the wheel. In fact the psychologist went out on a statistical limb with the statement that older married men are better drivers than their younger, fancy free brothers and owe their ability in great part to the distraction disguised as instruction which pours from the back seat.

To our way of thinking, the only distraction even slightly beneficial to a driver (the older, married brand) is the sight of a full-blown blond in shorts pedalling a bike down the road. At least this tends to keep the average car jockey from dozing off.

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