



The annual running of the smelt brought hundreds of eager dippers to the Sandy River, but not many found success.

Photo by Mark Floyd

Occupations diverse for blind Oregonians

Blind Oregonians work in a wider variety of occupations than most people realize.

A recent survey of jobs obtained by blind people during the past two years shows that 90 of the 136 people entering employment represented separate job areas.

Twenty-one percent of those placed took jobs in professional, technical and managerial areas, including junior engineer, two computer programmers and one computer analyst, an assistant pastor, an elementary school teacher, a certified public accountant and an administrator of a state agency.

Of the 18 percent employed in clerical and sales occupations, two are pager recep-

tionists, one is a materials coordinator for a library, one sells insurance and one sells real estate. Others are clerks, receptionists and switchboard operators.

The Business Enterprise Program, a training program of the Oregon Commission for the Blind, placed 14 people in food service during the year. Other blind people entered service occupations including a massage therapist, apartment manager, trailer court manager, shampoo technician and a recovery fireman.

Five percent accepted jobs in farming and forestry work, three percent became laborers, five percent worked in the machine trades, four percent in benchwork occupations, one percent in construction and six percent in miscellaneous occupations.

Forest Inn gets national recognition

Patrons of the Forest Inn at Alder Creek can congratulate themselves on their high standards. The restaurant has won three additional awards for dining distinction.

For the fourth consecutive year, the restaurant has garnered the prominent "TravelHoliday" magazine award for dining excellence, citing the business for its "rustic charm and Continental-American menu without peer in the area." The magazine issued only 300 such awards in North America for 1981.

"This one means a lot to us," says manager Rick Estes. "You never know when they're ('TravelHoliday' representatives) coming."

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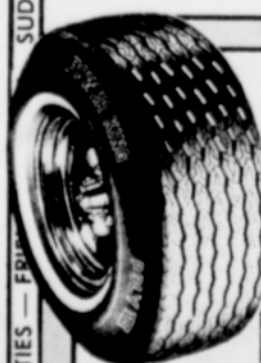


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