

Item Marilyn Struebing
Proud of Girl State
Experiences"

MARILYN STRUEBING
felt very thrilled and honor-
to be chosen as one of the
girls sent to Girls State, in
Oregon. Girls State is sponsored
by the American Legion Auxil-
iary. The leaders, headed by Dor-
othy McCullough Lee, mayor
of Portland, was very nice
and had wonderful co-op-
eration. Each county had two
representatives. One government leader,
one counselor. We had as
many in the house of repre-
sentatives, Mrs. Marie Wilcox,
only woman in the senate.
There was one person who knew
"government."

We set up our own govern-
ment as near like the real Ore-
gon government as possible. We
elected state officers from the
government down. I was elected
state representative in the
house.
We were divided into six dif-
ferent groups, representing coun-
ties. In the county we elected
officers as sheriff, clerk, and
judge. Each county was then di-
vided into two cities where we
elected officers. I was named as
city clerk.

When we filed for office we
made an application of intention
for office and had a secret
just like it is done in all
elections. There were rallies
much campaigning on elec-
tion day. At the primaries each
candidate gave a short speech
repeated her slogan. Some
of these slogans were: "Be-
lieve in the vote for Carter," and
"Ring the bell with Belmar."
There were no speeches at the
election—we just voted as
we did in real elections.

The city council met once.
We learned how to pass a
ordinance. We passed a few
which were enforced by our own
police.
I was thrilled to be elected as
representative in the house.
I was even more thrilled to
be the actual seats which Ore-
gon representatives sat. The first
day we went to the capitol build-
ing. I sat in Rose M. Poole's desk
the second day I sat in Pat
McGowan's desk, and I saw the
desk of Fred Adams.

The first time we met at the
capitol we had a joint session of
the house and the second time we
had how bills were passed.
We visited the supreme court
and were introduced to Chief
Justice and other justices. The
chief justice told us what the
powers and duties of the supreme
court were. We had three courts
of our own. They were the coun-
ty court, the circuit court and
the naturalization court. I was
on the jury in the circuit court
and found it very interesting. In
the naturalization court we learned
what a person has to know and
do to become a citizen of these
United States.

There was a tour of the capitol
building where we met the gov-
ernor's private secretary. We
were taken all over the build-
ing even into the governor's
office and the board of control
office.
We had a lot of fun, also.
There were many pajama parties
and the things planned for us.
Some of them were stunt night,
reception, the style show,
dancing, and the candlelight
dinner. Each night we had ves-
per service which was put on
by one of the six groups.

There were many fine speakers
such as Dr. Riggs, dean of stu-
dents, and Mrs. Dorothy McCul-
lough Lee. Each was very inter-
esting and had a lot of good advice
to give.
To sum it up, I learned a lot
about our government and also
a lot of fun. I think that Girls
State is a wonderful experience.
The purpose is to teach the youth
about our government and that
it is what it does.

Donald Shehan of Long Beach,
Calif., came Saturday to spend
a week or more at the home of
his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs.
J. Gould. He was here last
summer with his parents.

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IN BROOKINGS, OREGON

Saturday, July 17

10:00 P. M. LILY QUEEN'S CORONATION BALL, At The Harbor Grange Hall

Sunday, July 18

**2:00 P. M. GRAND FLORAL PARADE; Beautiful Floats Decorated With Thou-
sands of Easter Lilies—the only Parade of Its Kind In the World. Valu-
able Prizes for Best Entries. Games. Bring Picnic Lunch—Free Coffee!**

**4:00 P. M. CONCERT By 50-piece Band; Entertainment, Etc., at Azalea State
Park, Brookings, Oregon**

10:00 P. M. SPECTACULAR DISPLAY OF FREE FIREWORKS AT THE BEACH!