



STATE PARKS —
Looking ahead until 1957, the state parks division's 20 year program calls for increased acreage to take care of the estimated users. Of the 920 acres they have in mind acquiring about 420 acres will be in the Portland area, 535 acres in the Willamette Valley,

125 acres in Southwestern Oregon and 360 acres in Eastern Oregon. This acreage will be added to the 56,000 now under the state parks jurisdiction in order to handle the anticipated 13,500,000 users in 1975. Last year the parks system registered 6,818,800 persons as against about a third of that number in 1948.

According to a report Oregon and Wyoming rank eighth in the nation in the public's preference when inquiries were made which state people would select to visit during their vacations.



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STREAM CLEARING —
Releases from the State Fish and Game headquarters cite several up-coast logging companies for their help in the removal of trash and log jams in the smaller streams. This work has added several hundreds of miles of good spawning area for fish. Every barrier which blocks the upstream movement to the spawning areas seriously reduces the number of fish which the stream is able to produce. The report concludes with, "The game commission highly recommends industry and interested individuals for their cooperation and efforts in the stream clearance program."

LOVELY DISPLAYS —
Here and there are some really gorgeous displays of blooms and the probabilities are that when folks get more settled in their new homes there will be still more. But along Fir Street and Azalea Manor, especially there are some beautiful examples of making the grounds about homes more attractive. On these streets the residents have had time to get things well started and they are beginning to show

—at least show others what can be done to keep our city pretty.

JAP BOTTLES —
Beachcombers who may find bottles containing cards from Japan are asked to turn them in to the State Fish Commission research laboratory at 20 S. W. Bay Blvd., Newport, or to the Fish Commission Office, 307 State Street, Portland. Three bottles were recently found on the beach, at Netarts, with cards enclosed asking that the cards be returned to Japan, with certain data. The fish commission has already written to Japan making inquiries regarding the bottles.

Letter to the Editor

Your article in the May 3rd issue under the caption "Bugs Eating" was most interesting, and helpful as this bug is a constant source of worry to the farmers. Especially the method of eradication leaves one deeply appreciative of what science can do. Of course, we realize what a tremendous amount of time and labor it took to arrive at this solution. It calls to mind the story of the peddler of insect powder who, when asked how to use his product replied, "Take a firm grip on the neck of the beast and squeeze it. When it opens its mouth, fill it with powder. It dies immediately."
— Carl Johnson, of Brookings.

MORE SHRUBBERY —
Gary Wimberly, of the Brookside Greenhouses, left Sunday with a large load of blooming hydrangeas and plans to return with a load of choice landscaping shrubbery

WARNING ON BOATING —

With the probability of there being more boats on the waters, in season, the Coast Guard renews its warnings as to requirements for the safety of all. The Motorboat Law of 1940

states that a boat under 40 feet in length NOT carrying passengers for hire is required to have "one Coast Guard approved life-saving device for each passenger aboard." Coast Guard approved buoyant cushions are acceptable for boats within this range.

On boats 40 feet in length or longer, buoyant cushions ARE NOT acceptable and only Coast Guard approved life jackets or ring buoys, properly stowed and properly marked meet the requirements. Lifesaving equipment which depends upon inflation for buoyancy will not be approved.

The Coast Guard offers free, a pamphlet which may be had by writing to their Public Inform-

ation office, 618 Second Ave., Seattle 4, and asking for Form CG-290.

It was an unfortunate coincidence, last Tuesday, when an emergency accident case was brought in from the woods. One doctor is reported to have been home sick, another attending to cases in Crescent City, two others—line busy; and in the excitement, failure of the interested parties to look at the note Mrs. Ragland left on the office door as to where she could be reached, eating lunch.

Dr. Ed Samuels came, immediately, when called, but found the victim DOA.

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