

ALBANY CHAPTER No. 7

In order to increase the attendance at our regular monthly chapter meetings it was decided to cancel our August meeting and save our gas for a 100% turn out in September. This plan was very successful and with the exception of a few members now out with the oiling crews, nearly all members were present. Bangert's bridge crew which has been working at Newport has now returned to Albany and those that had not already done so signed up at the last meeting.

With deer season here it is doubtful if even skeleton crews will be available for work after October 1st. As a matter of fact Glen Adams shows signs of increasing nervousness each day. A little investigation revealed that a tank car of asphalt was due to arrive for unloading on the same day that the season opens.

Russel Smith has launched his new boat and gave very favorable reports on its performance.

NEWPORT CHAPTER No. 11

Alex Gallacher, section foreman at Newport, is doing some repair work on one of his houses while vacationing.

John H. Wells, Waldport section foreman, is also on vacation. John has a lot of wood to cut and other work to catch up during his vacation. Bet you can find John either digging clams or trolling for salmon on the Alsea Bay.

Fred Leek reports the deer are a menace to the maintenance crew on the Siletz. Fred gives them the right of way.

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PORTLAND CHAPTER No. 17

The meeting of Chapter No. 17 of the Oregon State Employees Association held in Portland, September 21st was very well attended and several speakers were present. The first business of the meeting was to elect officers for the ensuing year.

Mr. David C. Bryant was elected president; Mr. R. W. Petterson, vice president, and Lulu E. Sherman, secretary-treasurer, (contingent upon her acceptance).

After the business of this meeting was completed, we heard a very fine address by Mr. Leo Smith, representative of the state legislature and chairman of the Interim committee, appointed by the Governor for the purpose of making a report covering civil service or merit bill which will probably be considered by the next legislature. Mr. Smith explained very thoroughly the workings of the state legislature and the things that would have to be done to succeed in getting the bill through for state employees.

Mr. Ray Smith, our chairman of membership committee, handed in several new applications for membership and also made a very good progress report covering his work among several division of state employees in the city of Portland.

Mr. Ford, president of the State Association, contributed some very fine remarks concerning the work and progress of our organization.

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