

"Hooley" Smith has been working with his crew in the vicinity of Creswell, graveling the secondary highway.

Orval Cos has been transferred to Odell Lake as a helper.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Stewart are the proud parents of a new baby boy, born in December.

Ernie Umphlette and his crew found time to take some vacation during the past week, while the contractor was shut down for the holidays. Rumor has it that Ernie and MacIrwin went on a Duck Hunting trip where the birds were plentiful, and Mac reports that it was a "fine" hunt.

We have not had an opportunity to see many of the members from the Odell Lake, McKenzie Bridge, and Swisshome crews, but we are hoping that they will find a way to join us at future meetings.

CHAPTER No. 19—CAPITOL

Our regular January meeting was held on the 8th, second Monday, at the Salem Chamber of Commerce. The attendance, while not large, was enthusiastic and those who failed to appear were the losers from not hearing the talks by State Executive Secretary Forrest Stewart and District Director Floyd Query.

Our permanent meeting place is still a problem for the Chamber of Commerce will not guarantee us a regular night nor can certain other organizations take care of us on our chosen second Monday.

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CHAPTER No. 21—WILLAMETTE

Attention Other Chapters!

A competitive plan for getting memberships by Willamette Chapter 21, instituted at the January 9th meeting, has resulted in very heated competition and the signing up of 19 new members in the Public Utilities Commissioner's office in one week, making a total of some 75 members of the Oregon State Employees Association in this one Chapter out of a possible total of 93 members. It is called to your attention that this is an 81 per cent coverage.

The original 55 members entered into a friendly contest to sign up the additional non-member employees; half of the members under the direction of Mrs. Maxine Rasmussen challenged the other half of the members under the supervision of Mr. C. E. Jaqua. The losing side will be required to provide the entertainment at the March 13th meeting for the winning side and the new members. The rivalry is very keen and the results very encouraging.

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