

stake in the functioning of the OSEA. THE O.S.E.A. has already served to protect the interest of state employees, as well as to improve their lot. A large and united group with decent and fair objectives and a reputation for honest dealing, will certainly stand as a bulwark against abuses that might arise.

A Democratic Group

The O.S.E.A. is not controlled or dominated by any clique. The policies of the association are adopted in free and open debate at the council meetings. The execution of these policies is delegated to an elected Board of Directors. The members of this board have a delicate but heavy responsibility. It is up to them during their term of office to determine the manner in which we strive to attain our objectives. If the Board does not function as the majority thinks it should, members can replace those officers at any election. The point is any member who attends a chapter meeting can assist in forming the policies of the O.S.E.A. This is an opportunity which no state employee should miss.

When this organization was first started there was an underlying thought in the minds of those who pioneered. If the employees' case was to be presented to administrative heads, and to the public, no one was better prepared to present that case than the employees themselves. New members, new ideas, and the drive that comes with them are welcomed into the Association.

SAM BOARDMAN WINS AWARD FOR STATE PARKS

Sam H. Boardman, member of Highway Chapter No. 1, has received a commendable distinction. He was awarded the Cornelius Pugsley bronze medal for "developing a fine system of Oregon coastal parks and saving scenery that would otherwise have been destroyed or badly injured," the society said.

The medal was awarded at the an-

nual meeting of the society in New York City recently and formal presentation will be made to Mr. Boardman this spring.

For the last 18 years Mr. Boardman, as state parks superintendent, has been supervising the development of the famous Oregon parks, not only along the coast but in every part of the state. These parks have been one of the primary factors in winning Oregon national distinction as a home and vacation land of beauty. From 1917 to 1929, Mr. Boardman worked for the Oregon State Highway Commission in other capacities.

OUR ADVERTISEMENT SPECIALIST

By CECIL HEAD

In the person of Leo Ordway, Oregon State Highway Department, road magnet operator, the Association has a staunch supporter and active member. Leo's work carries him over the entire state during the summer season and gives him an unusual opportunity to speak a good word for us as he gets around. That he speaks out for the O.S.E.A. in a forceful and convincing manner is attested by the advertisers he signs up for the *Oregon State Employee*. Our advertising manager has already received over a dozen new ads from Leo, all running for a year, and Leo is just getting underway! Active members of this calibre are real assets to the Association, and the good will which Leo spreads and the income which his actions provide are much appreciated. They are of real value to us all. Keep up the good work, Leo, and may your efforts act as a shining example to us all!

It is appreciated that there are many among us who give unstintingly of their time and talents to the O.S.E.A. Efforts in behalf of O.S.E.A. are self-rewarding, and we feel sure that many members, as well as Leo, deserve praise and commendation for their special good works.