

Everybody is invited and I might here state that many attend who can boast no Scottish antecedents upon arrival but leave with considerable Scotch in them.

After waxing eloquent on the John Day country, the chapter scribe continued with a tale of woe about the difficulty of proving that one has been born. His tear-jerking and appropriate poem on this subject is printed elsewhere in this issue.

#### Willing Worker at Medford:

We are in receipt of a letter from a member of the Crater Lake Chapter No. 16, comprising our southwestern Oregon area. He writes from Medford as follows:

"My first copy of *The Oregon State Employee* came to me today. I have been a state employee, office of public utilities commission, since 1936 but a member of OSEA since just recently, probably due to inertia.

Your November-December 1947 issue contains no advertising from Medford. Nor from any point in Jackson or Josephine counties.

It is conceivable that I might be able to remedy that. With that idea in mind I ask you to give me some space rates so that I can do some soliciting from time to time.

C. B. Walker.

Now, members! There is a letter to cheer the heart of we hard-working people who get out this magazine and try to promote interest in the OSEA through the medium of the written word! Personally, your PRD enjoyed a warm feeling of gratitude. Strictly off the record, of course, but we've sent Mr. Walker the data he wants and will gladly do the same for other volunteers. Who's next?

We are in receipt of some chapter news from Paul Robertson which went over the state before reaching the editor. Seems as though we'd better advise the press correspondents that their contributions can be addressed to the headquarters office at Salem! After three tries at getting his news items pub-

lished, Robertson succeeds in this issue. We are sorry the other material went astray—we never saw it.

At their recent meeting the chapter went on record as favoring the payroll deduction method of paying group life insurance premiums, the deductions to be made by the employer as provided by law. The members' wives served refreshments and lend a real social pleasantness to the meetings. Results of a contest indicate Walter Poole as the best story teller; Ray Harnish the biggest liar (Ed. Note—We repeat as reported and surmise the reference is to physical size; after all "aren't we all" to some degree or other); and Clyde Holcomb the best fisherman. Fishermen visiting the area are invited to contact Holcomb who works for the state park service and lives at Casey State Camp.

#### Capitol Chapter Announces Joint Meeting

The November meeting of Capitol Chapter No. 19 was held at the city library and was primarily for electing officers for the new year. Those elected were Oliver B. Huston, president; James Young, vice-president, and Harry Green, secretary-treasurer.

Committees were appointed for the annual Christmas party which was staged on December 16 in the state house restaurant quarters and was a striking success in all particulars. Special credit should go to those in charge consisting of Esther Hilmer, Bert Ganong, and Grace Apperson. Reynolds Ohmart made a big hit as Santa Claus, particularly in his use of a telephone through which an investigation was made of the behavior of each person about to receive a present and on such report from headquarters Santa made his decision. The assembly learned for the first time that Santa Claus maintains a rating bureau such as it was only thought St. Peter kept in regard to each individual's conduct.

Our January business meeting was held at the Salem Woman's club which we have engaged for the current year for the third Tuesday in each month. The principal discussion centered on