

# News From The Chapters

## COLUMBIA CHAPTER No. 34

At a recent election our chapter elected officers for the coming year. Up to now every one in the motor vehicle division has been up to their necks in work. Too busy getting the 'rush' season over with to catch up on association work. But 1950 should be a good year for the OSEA. Anyway, we can try. Storms and snow come and go but sunny days are ahead (Pollyanna talking). This is election year, you know. So keep on your toes for some good improvements.

Donald Stow will be our president; Alfred Schafter, vice-president; Noncy Gerstenfeld, secretary-treasurer; all of the motor vehicle division. Roy Sellers, chapter delegate, from the PUC; Edmond (Speck) Burke, first alternate, operators division; Harry Stillwell, second alternate, financial responsibility division. The following committee chairmen were appointed: resolutions, John Scrivner, auditor's division; social, Alta Larson, driver's division; publicity, Esther Griffith, motor vehicle division; and employer-employee relations, Vine Buchholz, of the PUC. The last one is new and we hope it will be an interesting and helpful experiment.

It is with regret we report that Paul Doyle, an old-timer of the PUC department has been a patient in the Veterans hospital since December 20. Roy Sellers who was ill last year has been back to work for some time now.

Now a bit about the girls: Hope Hanley who has been with us the last year, is sporting a big new diamond ring from a Portland man. Nancy Gerstenfeld had her formal announcement party on Monday following New Year's day. She will be married next year. Nancy is interested in Civic theatre work and is on a couple of committees there. Patricia June James, who worked in the Salem office, was transferred to the motor vehicle division, Portland. She is going to school, learning to be a model.

A trip to New York City will be made by Arthur Dake, of the operator's division, Portland. Arthur has been playing chess since he was 17 and has been invited to play on the American team in a radio chess match with Yugoslavia to be held in New York City, February 11, 12, 13 and 14th. The Yugoslavia team will be in Belgrade. This is old stuff for Mr. Dake, as he is Pacific Coast chess champion and was a member of three world championship chess teams. One took him on a trip to Moscow, Russia, in 1946. He will fly to New York, February 8. Before going, Mr. Dake will receive excellent practice in a one game chess match with Samuel Reshevsky, ex-boy wonder of the 1920's and world championship contender, who is now on a chess tour of the United States. This match will be held at the Multnomah Athletic club Sunday, February 5, 2 p.m., in Portland.

As a last news item, we don't want to forget our honorary new employee of the office, 'Mike', the big black and white cat, who has adopted us. He wants to be in time for lunch, so he is at the door first thing in the morning and stays until he is put out at 5 p.m. On memorable 16th of December the customers were lined up for a block waiting to get their automobile plates. When the door opened, in paraded 'Mike', several feet ahead of the first customer, proudly leading the way down the middle of the office, not excited a bit by all the hub bub.

—Esther M. Griffith

## EUGENE CHAPTER No. 40

Eleanor A. Duke, secretary to Ivan Ware of the SIAC Eugene office, received recognition recently in the January 1950 issue of the "Copy Desk Flash", a publication of the Newspaper Institute of America. Eleanor won a five dollar prize for the winning story for January.

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