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Ann Wood Leaves Headquarters Staff

Gracious, smiling Ann Wood will be missed from the front desk at headquarters and so too will be the voice that smiled over the telephone. But more than all this Ann's courtesy and sincere helpfulness will be missed by all who knew her or who had the slightest contact with her.

In the little more than a year that she graced the receptionist's desk, Ann Wood made friends throughout the entire organization. One saw in her many qualities that bring to mind such trite but true terms as . . . "the perfect secretary . . ." "front office public relations at its best . . ." "the girl with the smile and the helping hand . . ." and so on.

With husband John, member of OSEA Chapter one, Ann left June 4 for a trip to Illinois to visit John's family there. Upon their return to Salem Ann contemplates a life of domesticity.

Mrs. Adelaide Blair, who was trained briefly by Ann, is taking over the duties of record clerk.

Civil Service Recruitments

Nationwide Recruitment for JUNIOR PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER \$310-\$400.

PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER, \$360-\$460.

SUPERVISING PSYCHIATRIC SOCIAL WORKER, \$400-\$500.

Continuous Recruitment for ATTENDANT I. Salary range, \$198-\$265. All Attendant I positions are located at Fairview Home, Salem.

PSYCHIATRIC AIDE I. \$198-\$265. These positions are located at the Oregon State Hospital in Salem and the Eastern Oregon State Hospital in Pendleton.

At the hospital in Salem, preference in hiring will be given to those persons available for all three shifts, (6:00 A.M., 3:00 P.M., 2:30 P.M., 11:00 P.M., 7:00 A.M.)

At the hospital in Pendleton preference in hiring will be given to applicants residing within commuting distance of the institution.

Continuous Examinations for STATIONARY FIREMAN \$250-\$265-\$295-\$310-\$326.

APPRAISER AIDE \$295-\$310-\$326-\$342-\$360-\$380.

PLANT MAINTENANCE ENGINEER I, \$360-\$380-\$400-\$420-\$440-\$460.

PLANT MAINTENANCE ENGINEER II, \$420-\$440-\$460-\$500-\$525.

Open-Competitive Examination for STUDENTS HOUSEMOTHER I, \$176-\$236; II, \$198-\$265. (Last filing date, June 29, 1956).

Sirnio Heads Health Group

George J. Sirnio, director of health and physical education for the State Department of Education, has been elected president of the Society of State Directors of Health, Physical Education and Recreation.

Rex Putnam, superintendent of public instruction, said the election took place at a recent national conference of the society in Chicago. Sirnio is a member of Library Chapter 23.



Daniels Speaks To New Wn. Assn.

Featured speaker at the Washington Public Employees meeting the evening of June 19 at Olympia, was Jim Daniels. Daniels sketched the history of OSEA, recounting its experience in its initial and subsequent operational procedure. He told of the Oregon Association's past achievements in benefits gained and outlined future aims of the organization.

The newly formed Washington Public Employees Association is looking to our Association for guidance and aid in its organizational methods.

The Olympia meeting of the affiliated Washington Public Employees Association, headed by Mark Wienand, will be covered in the July issue of The Sentinel.

Catherine Bain Opens Albany Office

For fourteen years owner of her own insurance business in Albany, Catherine Bain who recently resigned as insurance representative of OSEA, has opened an office in Albany. Accounting, tax work and payroll handling are listed among Miss Bain's services.

Although Albany is the family home of the Bains, Catherine made many friends in Salem and among Association people throughout the state during her several months sojourn with OSEA.

She was a "commuter and liked it." But she is finding much personal satisfaction in once again operating a business of her own, she reports.

Notice to Chapter Correspondents . . . Plan to attend the Chapter Officers Training School in your district if at all possible. There will be press relations workshops at each session.

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State Employee Suggestion Awards

The State Employees Suggestion Awards Board recently granted \$150 cash to ten state employees for valuable suggestions in improved economy and efficiency in state government. Since the adoption of this program last October, fifty-six cash awards have been given, totaling \$2,060.00.

Four people received awards of \$25 for submitting suggestions with proper recommendations for their adoption. Alice M. Tice, of the Oregon State Hospital staff (OSEA Evergreen Chapter 28), suggested the use of snap fasteners in place of ties on hospital robes and Elaine Cogan, of the Public Welfare Commission, suggested changes in a form letter sent to recipients of public assistance to make it more personal and specific. Also receiving this amount were William C. Hohmann, State Highway Department, for his suggested change in record keeping for time earned (overtime) and charging this to each respective job, and Wayne A. Straw, of the Public Utilities Commission, (Willamette 21). He suggested that a letter be sent to log brand operators, reminding them of the renewal date for log brands.

Six other employees were awarded \$10 each for their participation in the suggestion program. The Awards Board gave Donald M. Barrett of McLaren School for Boys this amount for suggesting a printed operational log be placed in state owned vehicles to show a record of maintenance work done on each car. Freida M. Smith of the Oregon State Medical School won this amount for her idea to consolidate the admission and discharge report forms to a smaller size for more practical use in the Medical School.

Harry B. DeLand and Harold R. Pfeil, Industrial Accident Commission employees, (both SIAC 20), together received \$10 for their joint suggestion for the use of a card instead of a letter to explain to claimants the need for signing benefit applications on specified dates. This procedure will be faster and less costly to use.

Another \$10 award went to Ruth Helen Sheer who works at the State Medical School. She submitted a suggestion to purchase inter-departmental envelopes with lines marked vertically for the addressee's name so they can be used more than once. Another Public Utilities Commission employee, Robert W. Thomas, suggested improving the present Motor Carrier's Highway Use Tax Report and was also given \$10.

A certificate of commendation was given to J. B. Hansen of Finance and Administration, (OSPD 27), for his suggestion that a standardized card style and color be adopted in each state department for business cards.

Chapter Officers Schools

- Salem — Districts 2 and 9 — July 6, Friday, 7:30 p. m.
- Portland — Districts 1, 7 and 8 — July 7, Saturday, 10 a. m.
- Corvallis — District 6 — July 13, Friday, 7:30 p. m.
- Roseburg — District 3 — July 14, Saturday, 10 a. m.
- LaGrande — District 5 — July 21, Saturday, 10 a. m.
- Klamath Falls — District 4 — July 28, Saturday, 10 a. m.

How Are We Doing In The Contest?

Listed below are the standings of the participants in the membership contest. If you belong on the list and your name does not appear, see your chapter secretary.

	New Chap.	Mbrs.
1. J. Lloyd LeMaster	72	120
2. C. D. Hedrick	37	53
3. Orrin Brien	52	32
4. Al Forman	20	24
5. Ray Rich	45	16
6. Jasper Lewis	57	14
7. Robert Henderson	72	13
8. W. A. Welch	40	12
9. Mary Miller	40	10
10. Beryl Baer	39	8
11. Elsie Smith	57	8
12. Ken Conover	20	8
13. Florence Baker	21	6
14. A. C. Kelley	39	6
15. Maxine Daniels	57	5
16. Fred Allen	6	5
17. E. C. Outlaw	57	4
18. Florence B. Wigle	21	4
19. M. J. Thompson	40	4
20. C. J. Kauffman	40	4

Flash! Joe H. Hayes, No. 13, signed 10 new members.

Willie: "Dad, how do fishermen make their nets?"
Dad: "That's simple. They just take a handful of holes and sew them together."

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Dr. Lange Authors Item On Restless Skull

Association members do a lot of interesting things. A fascinating article entitled, "Science, Skulls, and Sacrilege or: The Curious Case of Concomley's Cranium," appearing in the May-June, 1956 issue of Pacific Discovery reveals the talent and broad scientific curiosity of an active OSEA member.

Erwin F. Lange, Portland State College chapter charter member and twice delegate to the General Council, has prepared a well illustrated and stimulating account of some of the early explorers of the Pacific Northwest with emphasis devoted to their inquiry into the practice followed by some Indian aristocracy of compressing the frontal lobe of infants so that adult heads would appear cone-shaped.

In a brief author's foreword, Dr. Lange introduces the article as follows: "A news story concerning the skull of Chief Concomley attracted our attention and that is how it happened that my family and I found ourselves taking turns squeezing onto the tiny dark stairway and into the dusty lookout tower of the historic Flavel House Museum in Astoria, Oregon, from which we could see for miles in almost any direction, particularly out to sea—out over the very waters where the great Chief had piloted ships of the Hudson's Bay Company. While downstairs, on the first floor of this beautiful old home, reposing in its glass case, was the strangely shaped skull of this same Indian Chief, come to rest after its weird travels and adventures. Behind all of this, we found an interesting and strange story."

Astoria chapter members will be particularly impressed by the article because of its immediacy and familiarity. Many others who visit the Clatsop County Historical Museum and those who are interested in Oregon history, will appreciate Dr. Lange's addition to the record.

Although a member of the Public Relations committee, Dr. Lange neglected to advise anyone connected with the Sentinel of the imminence of his publication. While such modesty has its becoming side, the Sentinel would benefit by prompt notification of all noteworthy accomplishments of OSEA members so that the information can be widely shared. Chapter publicity chairmen can be particularly helpful in this regard.

Another wise man said, "The important thing is not winning your spurs, but in keeping them bright and shining."