

Cal-Western, Insurance Co. With a Heart

"During the years the Oregon State Highway Department and the California-Western States Life Insurance Company have been conducting business, a warm working relationship has been established. The following incident is the latest example of the sympathetic consideration Cal-West policyholders have received.

"Kirk Simpson, who was employed by the Department from August 1, 1919, until his retirement July 31, 1954, because of total and permanent disability, died recently.

"His son, David K. Simpson, while in the process of accumulating his father's estate came upon a Highway Department Cal-West group policy. Kirk Simpson never took advantage of the clause in the group contract whereby anyone retiring because of total and permanent disability can receive a premium waiver. In effect, the insurance is kept in force after disability without premium payments.

"David Simpson contacted the Personnel Division to ascertain if the policy was current and if any proceeds were available for the estate. Cal-West was contacted and, even though there was no legal obligation, took the claim under advisement.

"Upon proof being submitted that Kirk Simpson was totally disabled, Cal-West settled the claim for the full amount of \$4,200. Thus, after a period of three years the company considered a claim on a lapsed policy and, although there was no legal compulsion to do so, made prompt settlement."

From the September - October Personnel Observations Personnel Division, Oregon State Highway Department.

Bend No. 3 Potluck Lively Affair

The Rim Rock Riders club at Bend was the scene September 13 of a gay and gala potluck dinner with more than 50 members in attendance. Chapter officers and former officers included President Leon Stumpff, Secretary Joan Evans, Webb Ross, Floyd Starkey, and Belva Mayfield (Peggy), former secretary and now official hostess.

After the bountiful dinner a color film was shown. This was a graphic portrayal of the methods of poisoning trash fish in Oregon's lakes. It is an Oregon State Game Commission film and is available for chapter use.

Sentinel editor Polly Predmore was privileged to attend this spirited affair and enjoyed chatting with OSEA members in the Bend highway shops and offices in the afternoon.

A good scare is often worth more than good advice.

Becoming a grandfather is a prideful experience, tempered only by the realization that you're married to a grandmother. —Harold Coffin.

In men whom men condemn as ill
I find so much of goodness still,
In men whom men pronounce divine
I find so much of sin and blot
I do not dare to draw a line
Between the two, where God has not.
Joaquin Miller—Byron.

Sumptuous Potluck Staged by Coquille 10

The unique and attractive Community Building at Coquille was the scene September 27 of a sumptuous potluck dinner at which a color film and square dancing were featured.

The film, loaned by Western Auto Company, was The Sea Aquarium at Miami, Florida. And well worth viewing. The folks down Coquille way are real square dance fans and put on quite a professional performance.

Our good friend Sherman Bealle was revealed as a youth leader in the community. He conducts a rifle range school for boys and is the local Scout master. The rifle range is in the basement of the Community Building, as are Scout headquarters and meeting place for regular meeting of the Coquille chapter. However, the potluck affair was held in the beautiful Junior auditorium, complete with stage, lighting and hardwood floor.

The unique feature of the Coquille community center is that it was financed entirely by contributions and public-spirited citizens donating each a day's wages to the project. Result is an imposing white Colonial type structure which dominates the coastal city it serves.

It was pleasant meeting OSEA members and renewing acquaintances. One cannot help being constantly impressed with the spirit of dedication to OSEA which prevails among chapter members.

OSEA Chapter History Antelope

Continuing the history of OSEA chapters we turn this month to the origin of Antelope Chapter as reported by Wilma Taylor.

"First meeting was held in the State Surveyor's, (Sawyer), office in the City Hall, (think), in the fall of 1949. Walt Carter was elected President, Jim Scroggins, Secretary. The first social meeting was held in the basement of the Methodist Church, a wild-goose dinner.

"Other early meetings were held at the Legion Hall, at the homes of Floyd Crummett and Walt Carter. Sam Taylor was elected second president with Charles Thomas, Vice-President, Marian Sells, Secretary. Sam Taylor was the first member delegate to attend the General Council meeting in Salem.

"The March, (1951), meeting was held at Paisley, the social hour celebrated St. Patrick's day. It was decided at this meeting to contact the Valley Falls Grange in regards to using their hall for future meetings.

"The name Antelope was decided upon at the first meeting. Before this chapter was organized the Lakeview people went to Klamath Falls, Paisley, Alkali and Bend to attend OSEA meetings."

Sloganeering from Business Briefs

Direct Mail: "Guided Missives."
Italian Cafe: "Stop — For Pizza's Sake!"
Auction: "Where You Get Something for Nodding."
Book: "Bound to be Read."

Chapter Briefs

Resolutions and General Council matters generally were subjects of chief concern at chapter meetings during September and through mid-October. Reporting were chapter secretaries Wilma Appleman, Corvallis 29, Ralph Wheeler presiding; Audrey Meyer, Roseburg 2, Pat Gregory presiding; Albany 7, Bill Mann presiding; Wylie Graham, speaker; Flora May, Oregon Trail 35, Estell Rorick presiding; Carolyn Roberts, Clackamas County 71, Al Blaylock presiding, Al Kelley, guest speaker; Mildred Peterson, Salem 1, Phillip Michael presiding, W. W. Stiffler, Assistant State Highway Engineer, speaking on Progress of Chapter 1; at a special meeting Oct. 4, (two days later), of Salem 1, Wylie Graham spoke on insurance; W. C. Gray, Northwest Forestry 76, B. Birch, vice-president and Larry Fick, president-elect presiding, (Fick succeeds Ronald Smith, resigned), W. Graham, topic, insurance; Jean R. Brackett, Chinook 58, Tom McKee presiding, speaker Ernie Jeffries, topic, insurance. "The chapter decided to have several meetings this year in other parts of Oregon to give our widespread membership a chance to participate . . . November meeting, Corvallis, Nov. 8; Mary B. Joyner, LaGrande 4, L. Stumpfenhaus presiding; Fred Allen, Eugene 6, present: District Director, HQ insurance representative and HQ office manager; Mary R. Clark, OTI 3, Charles Boleyn presiding, District Director Paul Conner present — presentation of original poems dedicated to retiring secretary and vice-president with gifts from chapter, informal social hour and refreshments; Helen Smith, VAFA 69, Bob Stevens presiding, speaker, Ed Taggart on functions of General Council; John H. Wells, Newport 11, John C. Willis presiding, Wylie Graham on insurance; Deloras Warrick, Consolidated 61, (total membership 104, number present 100), Ralph Mason presiding, Aaron Frank of Meier & Frank, William Gregg of Rose City Transit Co. and Patrick Byrne of Hamilton Investment Co., topic: Shoppers special bus and investments or savings plans, J. B. Daniels and Wylie Graham of HQ in attendance; Lois Manning, Chemeketa 64, James W. Carver, Jr. presiding, Wylie Graham and Helen McClure discussing OSEA-OPS and Cal-Western contracts and open period; Coquille 10, George Thornton presiding, Polly Predmore from Headquarters speaking, movies and dance following a potluck dinner; Evelyn Westrum, Mercury 39, Ely J. Weathersbee presiding, Wylie Graham, speaking on insurance; Lenora M. McCoy, Fairview 57, John J. D. Thiessen presiding, E. C. Outlaw speaking on association policy. Wylie Graham and Helen McClure from Headquarters; Gladys W. Smith, Webfoot 49, Willis Wiper presiding, Carrol Gates on insurance, District Director present; Audrey Hargreaves, OCE 43, business and social, Robert Scott presiding, District Director Ed Taggart, Jim Daniels, Wylie Graham and Helen McClure in attendance.

The October 9th meeting of Northwest Oregon Forestry 76, W. C. Gray, secretary, reporting Larry Fick presiding and the showing of slides of projects affecting rehabilitation of Tillamook Burn.

It is gratifying to note increasing flow of chapter information on meetings. KEEP IT COMING!

Late chapter reports as we go to press reveal that OR-CA-CO 51, secretary Barbara C. Hill reporting, that a meeting was held September 30 with President Austin Hamer presiding. Noted: Membership 82, present 10.

Another report late in arriving is from Oregon Trail Chapter 35, Flora May reporting that Estell Rorick presided, Wylie Graham spoke and pictures were shown by Jo Einarson.

"My poor man," said the kind old lady to the beggar, "it must be dreadful to be lame. But think how much worse it would be if you were blind."

"You're right, lady," agreed the beggar, "When I was blind I was always getting counterfeit money."

—Texas Employee.

General Council Policies Aired at Astoria No. 8 Meeting October 3

Leroy Boldt, chapter secretary, reports 23 in attendance at the October meeting of Astoria 8. Says he: "Wylie Graham, Polly Predmore and District Director-Elect Raymond G. Falleur with President Edward J. Hall presiding, discussions on insurance, news items and resolutions to General Council were adopted. Polly Predmore discussed OSEA general policies and told members they could expect to hear digest of these policies over KAST (newest station to be added to the broadcast list). News items of interest to membership were discussed and some good ideas came out of these discussions.

Wylie Graham outlined the OSEA insurance program and told of its changing benefits to correspond with members' demands. A question and answer session followed each speaker's talk.

Coffee and, and a social hour followed the lively meeting in which members participated freely.

W. R. Smith offered timely suggestions on several matters.

Press, radio and public relations liaison contacts were made the next morning. Both the Astorian Budget and station KAST expressed active interest in OSEA local news. Both media were alerted to the coming General Council. Space and time were assured.

It's all where you place the accent . . .

"Do you like to work?"

"I like to do nothing better."

And that other double entendre, "I can't recommend Jones too highly."

Too many men conduct their business lives on the cafeteria plan—self-service only.

Albert Bunker, Corvallis 29, Dies October 3

Albert Bois Bunker, 67, a resident of Corvallis for the past 11 years, passed away October 3 at a local hospital.

The son of Andrew J. and Kate Bunker, he was born on October 5, 1889, in Kellogg, Iowa. With the third Mrs. Bunker he came from South Dakota to Corvallis in 1948 where he was employed at Oregon State College.

His wife Alberta, three daughters, one son, four step-children and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren survive. A son, Pvt. Wallace Bunker was killed in North Africa February 20, 1943.

A communication from Ralph Wheeler, president Chapter 29, states: "Al and his wife Alberta have been members of OSEA since 1948, always with Chapter 29. He was very active in the chapter, a good membership solicitor and he liked to be the door greeter at the meetings. Al had that special type of personality that made every one aware of his warm friendliness. We will miss him greatly."

COPY TO LETTER TO
September 23, 1957

Headquarters Staff,
OSEA
Salem, Oregon.
Gentlemen:

The Capitol Chapter No. 19, OSEA, wishes to extend their thanks and appreciation to all of you for your fine work of lobbying during the 49th Legislative Session on the behalf of the State Employees, especially the salary increases.

Capitol Chapter No. 19
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