

Chapter News

District No. 1

PORTLAND CHAPTER 17 President George Israel has invited Everett B. Stiles, OSEA's wage and salary analyst, to attend the chapter's May 12 meeting at Perry Boys' Smorgy restaurant in Portland. He will outline progress the association has made in collective bargaining with the Liquor Control Commission. All members are urged to attend.

CONSOLIDATED CHAPTER 61 members were brought up to date on recent changes in civil service rules by Edward L. Wilson, assistant executive secretary, at the March meeting in Portland. A question and answer period followed Wilson's talk.

GRAIN DIVISION CHAPTER 62 members discussed the proposed supplemental agreement on overtime at the March 13 meeting in Portland. It is presently in the process of being negotiated with the Department of Agriculture.

District No. 2

COMPENSATION CHAPTER 20 members saw a film entitled "LSD -- Insight or Insanity?" at the April 9 meeting in Salem. The chapter's next meeting will be held May 14 in room 221 of the Labor and Industries Building in Salem.

OCE CHAPTER 43 voted to contribute \$59.15 to the association's 1968-69 scholarship fund at its March meeting in Monmouth.

District No. 3

ROSEBURG CHAPTER 2 hosted a potluck dinner April 9 in honor of three retiring mem-

bers: Bob Harvey, Bill Copple and Del Magness. Some 25 members, their wives and guests attended. Howard Walp, OSEA's Director of Retirement, discussed the new retirement law passed by the 1967 Legislature. Gift books, signed by all present, were given to the retirees as mementos of the occasion.

CRATER LAKE CHAPTER 16 hosted a retirement dinner party in honor of five retiring members March 29. They are: Carol Converse, Carl Bennett, Richard Lawton, Charles Cearley and John Isham. The five men, all of whom were employed by the Highway Department, have a total of 159 years of service.

COOS BAY CHAPTER 65 invited staff member Edward L. Wilson to attend its April 8 meeting in Reedsport to discuss the maintenance reorganization taking place in the Highway Department. A question and answer period followed Wilson's talk.

SOC CHAPTER 79 contributed \$100 to the association's 1968-69 scholarship fund at its April meeting.

CURRY CHAPTER 93 President Jack Wills appointed a Membership Committee composed of Floyd Hayden, Burrell Babb, James Zib and Roy Lake during a recent meeting. A Resolutions Committee composed of James Wright, Edward Bennett, George Perkins and Burrell Babb was also appointed by Wills. He named E. Carl Bennett as the chapter's publicity chairman.

District No. 4

KLAMATH FALLS CHAPTER 12 President Ralph Russell called a special meeting April

9. Edward L. Wilsons, OSEA's assistant executive secretary, and John L. Gunter, Klamath Falls district maintenance superintendent, discussed the maintenance reorganization taking place in the Highway Department. The chapter's next meeting will be held May 9 at 8:00 p.m. in the Klamath Falls Equitable Savings Office.

District No. 5

BAKER CHAPTER 37 held its March 28 meeting in the Department of Employment office in Baker. District Five Director Del Chaney was a guest at the meeting.

District No. 6

WEBFOOT CHAPTER 49 voted to contribute \$25 to the association's 1968-69 scholarship fund at its April 4 meeting in Eugene. Donald G. Olds, OSEA's insurance manager, attended the meeting to outline the group insurance plans offered to association members. The chapter's next meeting will be held May 16 in the Washington Park Clubhouse. It will be a potluck.

EMERALD CHAPTER 88 held its last meeting April 10 at the Erb Memorial Union at the University of Oregon. The meeting was turned over to Mrs. Barbara Stearns, who introduced a Symposium Group from the Speech Department. Four students from the department presented a symposium on the topic, "Who should be the two major political party presidential nominees in 1968?" A lively discussion followed.

District No. 8

ASTORIA CHAPTER 8 held its last meeting May 2 in the Odd Fellows Hall in Astoria.

District No. 9

WOODBURN CHAPTER 45 voted to contribute \$50 to the association's 1968-69 scholarship fund at its last meeting.

FAIRVIEW CHAPTER 57 will sponsor a potluck dinner for its members on May 29 from 5:00 until 8:30 p.m. at the Multipurpose Building at Fairview Hospital and Training Center. Charles Golden, a member of Fairview's Collective Bargaining Council, discussed collective bargaining at the April 9 meeting. The chapter's next regular business meeting will be held May 14 at the institution.

TWILIGHT CHAPTER 91 President Thomas Cowan and Deb Bolton, a member of Evergreen Chapter 28, discussed merit ratings with chapter members at the April 8 meeting. Chapter 91's next meeting will be a potluck lunch on May 7 in the basement of the Administration Building at the Oregon State Hospital.

Call for Action!

By BETTY FRENCH
Director of Membership

This is a call for action -- and for help! As most of you know, OSEA is celebrating its 25th anniversary this year. Your Membership Committee has set a goal of 17,500 members in 1968. It intends to meet this goal without membership contests or gimmicks, but on the basis of OSEA's 25-year record of accomplishment.

Political, economic and social pressures are being exerted in Oregon which will have a profound impact upon the fabric of public employment. These pressures have created searching inquiries into government and higher education and the roles played by public employees--by you and me.

It is essential that we have an effective, persistent "voice" in behalf of state employees. OSEA was created to be, and will continue to be, that voice.

To maintain and increase its effectiveness in the halls of the legislature, however, OSEA needs the strength which comes from unity and a high level of membership. Now is the time we must try to increase our numbers. Growth is possible. There are still thousands of unsigned potential members sprinkled throughout the state.

These potential members are being contacted by mail and can be enrolled in the association if each of us buckle down and follow through with personal contacts. Herein lies the real success of our effort.

We need the help of the entire membership in making these contacts. If each chapter in each district conducts a successful recruitment drive, the overall statewide results will be good.

This is the call for action! Members within each OSEA chapter possess the ideas and knowledge needed for a successful membership drive. Don't underestimate yourself! If you need membership assistance or advice, ask for it! Sources of help: district directors, assistant district directors, chapter officers, chapter membership committee, your State Director of Membership and the headquarters staff.

We all know there is strength in numbers. The more members our association has, the more effective it will be. The more members our association has, the sooner it can obtain all of the things state employees need, want and should have. Won't you lend a helping hand? Support OSEA! Let's make every state employee a member of the association!



RETIREES HONORED Crater Lake Chapter 16 hosted a retirement dinner party recently in honor of these five men who retired from the Highway Department. They are, left to right, Carl R. Bennett, Central Point; Carol Converse, Lincoln; Charles O. Cearley, Eagle Point; Richard Lawton, Central Point; and John M. Isham, Grants Pass.

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