



**TOUR COMPLETED** — J. S. Long, assistant superintendent of treatment at Oregon State Correctional Institution, returns reporter's tour credentials to a custodial officer after inspection of close custody cell unit. Sixty custodial personnel supervise inmates in their living units and during meals, recreation, work, and all institutional activity.

Visited by Bulletin reporter

## Correctional Institution aims at reform of youthful inmates

(Editor's Note: This article is the third in a series on state institutions, by Ila S. Grant, Bulletin staff writer. The series is presented as a public education feature.)  
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A young first offender, committed from Deschutes county for car theft, entered the Oregon State Correctional Institution at Salem in a soiled plaid shirt and well-worn levis. He needed a haircut and a ducktail at the nape of his neck brushed his collar.

I saw him again later that day, by chance, awaiting an interview for classification and the beginning of a rehabilitation program designed to return him to the community in a productive capacity as a law-abiding citizen.

He had been suited up in trim khaki pants and shirt, not unlike a military uniform. His brown hair, still tousled and damp from the shower, later that day would be neatly cut in the institution's barber shop. Earlier, he had lunched on well-prepared food.

The menu that day (the same as in the staff dining room, where I ate) consisted of spaghetti with meat sauce, tossed salad, home-style green beans with bacon, French bread baked in the institution's bakery, margarine, fruit gelatin and coffee.

**Latest Addition**  
The Correctional Institution, which became operational May 26, 1959, with the transfer of 79 first offender inmates from Oregon State Penitentiary, is the latest addition to the adult correctional program of the state. It is being watched by other states, and is partly responsible for the interest being generated in Oregon's enlightened approach to penology.

The first court-committed inmates were received on July 1, 1959. Since that time, the institution has almost constantly been filled to capacity, something around 290. There are 294 young men there today.

Many judges, even though they know the institution is overcrowded, continue to send there first-offenders whom they sentence. They know that if anything can rehabilitate these young men, the Correctional Institution will.

### Temperatures

Temperatures during the 24 hours ending at 4 a.m. PST today.

	High	Low
Bend	66	29
Astoria	58	54
Baker	64	28
Brookings	57	51
K. Falls	67	35
Medford	70	40
Newport	56	50
N. Bend	57	54
Pendleton	60	40
Portland	73	54
Redmond	55	33
Salem	59	51
The Dalles	67	41
Chicago	43	30
Los Angeles	69	56
New York	54	37
San Fran.	58	35
Washington	56	36

Preference is given to male persons under 26 years of age. A first offender cannot be committed to the institution if his first felony conviction is for murder, rape-by-force, or treason.

The institution has a well-rounded program of guidance, work, education, medical care, adequate diet, vocational training, optional religious services and employment placement. The living facilities consist of two basic types of construction — close custody units and medium custody units.

The close custody units, for newly-received inmates and those classified as requiring strict surveillance, are constructed with the cells arranged on the inside wall with an open area between the cell and the outside wall of the unit to allow the custodial personnel the greatest opportunity to observe the inmate during the time he spends in the housing unit.

When the inmate has adjusted to the living program of the institution and has made sufficient progress in his individualized program, he may be transferred to one of the medium custody units. These are constructed with the cells arranged on the outside wall of the unit, with an open area in the center.

**Each Person Tested**  
Each person entering the institution is tested for his level of achievement in formal academic schooling. Those below the fifth grade level are required to attend classes to complete this requirement. Education beyond that level is on a voluntary self-improvement basis for each inmate. Inmates are not excused from regular work assignments in order to attend classes. Correspondence courses are available beyond the high school level.

Upon admittance to the institution, each inmate undergoes a complete medical and dental examination, and his program is planned and continued with consideration for any physical limitations he may have. Any needed dental work is done immediately following the original examination, and a program of oral health is outlined and continued. In addition to the medical and dental programs, a consulting psychiatrist is retained to assist in psychological adjustments. Medical specialists are available when required.

The vocational education program is designed to prepare the inmate for suitable employment upon his release from the institution. Initially, six trades are being taught: barbering, radio and television repair, typewriter and office machine repair, and three culinary trades: cooking, meat-cutting and baking.

Other trades will be added when facilities permit. The institution is dependent upon appropriations from the State Legislature for expansion.

A part-time Protestant chaplain and a part-time Catholic chaplain conduct the religious program, and each inmate is urged to participate. Religion within the institution is integrated into the everyday life of the inmate and is not set apart formally. Men with liquor problems are encouraged to participate in the Alcoholics Anonymous program.

A few months prior to the parole or release date of each inmate, the classification committee refers his case to the employment placement officer. When men are not able to obtain jobs through correspondence or family and friends, this staff member finds jobs and seeks to prepare the employer to deal constructively with the man who is being released.

**Squier at Helm**  
The entire program is under direction of P. J. Squier, superintendent, who has been at the helm since the institution's beginning. He was called in by the Board of Control as adviser to the architect. Retired from federal service, he was warden at McNeil Penitentiary in Washington for 15 years, and during his service there, he was the youngest warden in the federal penal system. He came to Oregon from Monroe Reformatory in Washington, where he was superintendent five years.

"The state is hopeful and confident the program of the Oregon Correctional Institution will result in greater success in the efforts to reform individuals who by their conduct in society have demonstrated a need for correction," Superintendent Squier says matter-of-factly.

Law enforcement officers, judges and the general public have reason to believe that his hopes and confidence are well-founded.



**IN STAFF DINING ROOM** — Employees at Oregon State Correctional Institution each pay 50 cents a meal for food prepared by inmates in huge modern kitchen. Vegetables are grown on grounds. Bakery and meat cutting department also serve other state institutions.

## Collection suits filed in court

Collection suits are predominant among civil actions filed recently in circuit court. There were also two foreclosure suits and a suit to quiet title.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Kolbert are suing Mr. and Mrs. George A. Batiste to foreclose on property being purchased under a contract negotiated Nov. 15, 1961. The contract called for \$8,975 at \$80 per month, and payments, according to the complaint, have not been made since March 15, 1962.

Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. has filed suit against Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Dwan Miller, to foreclose a mortgage and collect the \$13,023.40 balance on a promissory note negotiated between the defendants and Dean Vincent, Inc., on May 5, 1960.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stanfill are targets of collection suits filed by Carrol D. Pierce, for \$320.15 allegedly due for obtaining an option on property on Harmon Boulevard, and by Oscar M. Murray, for a \$1000 promissory note, plus interest at 6 per cent from Sept. 19, 1960.

Kenneth R. Pratt has filed suit against John B. Barton, for possession of 16 cows or \$4,000. Suits for collection of promissory notes have also been filed as follows:

Miller Lumber Co. vs. Ross V. and Edna Rutherford, Oregon State Tax Commission and LeRoy T. Mize, dba Mize Plumbing and Heating Co.; \$3,247.80, plus interest at 7 per cent from June 12, 1961.

Jack Coleman vs. Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Anderregg and Mr. and Mrs. Walter B. Anderregg, \$4,000 plus interest at 7 per cent from Sept. 25, 1961.

Oregonian Employees Federal Credit Union vs. Richard A. Zobrist, Joyce E. Zobrist, Richard Zobrist and Donald C. Wareing, \$802.75, plus interest from Jan. 13, 1959.

Thomas W. Malson vs. Russell Paustian, \$5,000 plus interest at 8 per cent from Jan. 30, 1961; \$1,000 attorney's fees.

Deschutes River Ranch, Inc., filed a suit to quiet title, naming Laidlaw Townsite Co. as defendant.

## Angry minister goes to jail

**PORTLAND (UPI)** — A Eugene minister, angered by confusing traffic signs, spent four hours in jail rather than pay a \$3 traffic fine here.

Rev. Raymond R. Cronk, a Seventh Day Adventist minister, appeared Monday before Municipal Judge J. J. Labadie after being cited for driving against traffic on a one-way street Sept. 30.

He pleaded guilty but offered "extenuating circumstances" in his defense. He cited "inadequate and confusing traffic signs" and said he was an out-of-town driver trying to find his way at night.

The judge fined him \$10 and lowered it to \$3. The Rev. Mr. Cronk declined to pay the fine and spent four hours in jail—from about 4 p.m. until about 8 p.m.

He was allowed to serve the "sentence" in the jail chaplain's office rather than a cell.

The minister said he believed a warning ticket would have been enough.

## NOT WANTED

**LONDON (UPI)** — "School Leavers," a book published today, said that 54 per cent of all teenage schoolgirls questioned dream of an early marriage — and of the early death of their husbands. "One is tempted," said author Thelma Veness, "to think that for these girls the wedding is what matters. The husband is not wanted as a partner for old age."

## BALLOON LAUNCHED

**POINT MUGU, Calif. (UPI)** — An experimental high altitude weather balloon carrying a six-pound payload was successfully launched Friday by the Navy and headed south toward the Mexican border.

## SEEKS ACTION

**WASHINGTON (UPI)** — Rep. Chet Holifield, D-Calif., chairman of the joint committee on atomic energy, Wednesday asked President Kennedy to renew his efforts to get congressional action on a civil defense program.

## Bazaar planned by Methodists

Six confectionery or project booths, a wishing well and two big meals will constitute outstanding attractions in this year's "Storybook Fair" bazaar conducted annually by the Methodist WSCS.

Preparations already are under way for the affair, slated Thursday, November 15, from 10:30 a.m. to 8 p.m. in the recently-re-modeled church basement. Luncheon will be served from 11:30 to 1:30 and dinner from 5 to 7 p.m.

One booth, "The Farmers' Market," will feature a variety of farm products. Others will display aprons, white goods, food, white elephant articles and Christmas articles. Another booth will provide candy and other confections.

The church has announced as general chairmen Mrs. George Hilgers, Mrs. Clint Haugeberg and Mrs. C. E. Hein.

Heading various bazaar divisions are Mrs. Frank Durham and Mrs. R. L. Pomeroy, posters; Mrs. Ralph Boese, publicity; Mrs. R. G. McFarland, Mrs. Lowell Hirtzel and Mrs. Carl Erickson, lunch; Mrs. Charles Davis, Mrs. Hugh Bartlett and Mrs. Harry Drake, dinner; Mrs. James Merrill and Mrs. Kent Bowlerly, dining room, and Mrs. B. A. Anderson, kitchen.

## Servicemen kept on duty

**WASHINGTON (UPI)** — The active duty tours of Navy men and Marines were extended indefinitely Wednesday with the U.S. arms blockade of Cuba going into full force.

There was immediate speculation that an early next step could be orders freezing Army and Air Force men on active duty beyond normal expiration of their tours.

And if the blockade becomes a protracted operation, the odds would heavily favor a call-up of some reservists under authority voted President Kennedy by Congress on Oct. 3.

Effective at 4 a.m. EDT, Navy Secretary Fred Korth ordered extended duty for all Navy men and Marines whose tours would have expired before next Feb. 28. They may be held on active service for as much as an extra 12 months.

The Navy indicated approximately 50,000 men could be affected.

Defense Secretary Robert S. McNamara announced Tuesday night the plans to hold Navy and Marine personnel on duty, and Korth put the orders into effect this morning.

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