

### Announce Exams For Academies

Congressman Harris Ellsworth announced today competitive examinations for appointments to vacancies at the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland, and the U. S. Military Academy at West Point, New York, will be conducted by the U. S. Civil Service Commission, Monday, July 14, 1952, at the Post Office buildings in Medford, Albany, Coos Bay, Eugene, Grants Pass, Reedsport, and at Roseburg.

Candidates for the Academies must never have been married, and must be bonafide residents of the Fourth Congressional District. As of the date of entrance into the Academies, July 1, 1953, appointees must be 17 years of age. The maximum entrance ages for Annapolis and West Point are 21 and 22 respectively. Candidates now in the armed services are eligible to compete.

The examination will be confined to vocabulary and reading, spatial relations and algebra. Nominations to the Academies will be on the basis of grades earned in the competitive examination.

Candidates desiring to compete should notify Congressman Harris Ellsworth, House Office Building, Washington, D. C., not later than June 20, indicating their choice of place for examination, legal residence, and date of birth.

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### "JOE BEAVER"

By Ed Nofziger



Americans should remember that wherever you find a low national standard of living, you'll find wasted timber resources.

### Parks President Of Lions Club Here

Roland Parks, Ashland high school principal, was installed as president of the Ashland Lions Club Tuesday evening, at a dinner meeting in the Elks dining room.

Parks succeeds John Reed, local realtor, in the post.

Other new officers seated were Leighton Schell, first vice president; Bill Sampson, second vice president; Nelson Damon, third vice president; Al Miller, secretary-treasurer; Paul Finnell and Bert Kimsey, two-year directors; M. L. Wright and Joe Engh, one-year directors; W. R. Brown, Lion Hamer; and Gene Allison, Tail Twister.

The installation followed a banquet honoring the new officers and wives of the members.

Emceed by Dr. John D. E. McAulay and Wayne Myrick, the

program included piano and vocal selections by Brad Curtis and Mrs. Zoe Peters, and a magic stunt by Mr. Myrick.

### New Bond Series On Sale June 2

A new defense bond which may become as familiar as the old series E war bond went on sale June 2.

It's called the H series defense bond, and will serve as a twin companion to the series E, and be promoted along with it.

Morris B. Leonard, Sr., defense bond county chairman pointed out the similarities and dissimilarities between the two bonds.

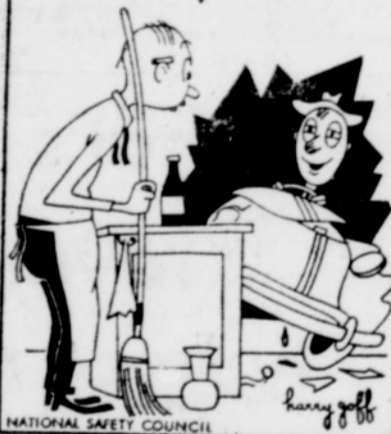
"The new H bond has the same maturity length of 9 years, 8 months as the E bonds, and returns the same interest of 3 per cent if held to maturity," he said. "It also is issued only to individuals and has the same annual purchase limitation of \$20,000 maturity value."

"Unlike the E bond, however, the interest on the new H bond is paid semi-annually by check. It cannot be redeemed until it is at least six months old and then only after one month's notice. It does not have," Leonard emphasized, "the 10 year extension privilege after maturity like the series E bond."

Leonard stated that the new H bond is so attractive that it should appeal to both large and small investors. "It should, together with the revision of the E bond, stimulate defense bond sales to a new peace-time peak."

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### Strange Reasons Cited in Accidents

Accident analysts must sometimes have a feeling of futility as they sort through reports of the more than 74,000 traffic accidents that occur each year in Oregon, trying to find reasons for each smash-up, the Secretary of State's traffic safety division has concluded.

Take, for example, the accident report received early this week by the state department. This one occurred when a car missed a turn on the highway. The driver's explanation was, "I must have had a flat tire." Investigation by police showed that all four tires were inflated following the mishap.

Further checking also revealed that the curve he missed was a 60 degree turn, and two passengers said the driver attempted to negotiate it a mere 70 miles an hour.

Then, there's the report of an accident that might explain why crumpled fenders are stylish in many cities. This driver failed to signal for a left turn, and pulled directly in to another car. He didn't signal, he told officers, because, "I didn't want to roll my window down."

One of the more than 20 traffic deaths reported in May to date resulted when a driver crashed a truck parked completely off the highway, killing a passenger in his car. His speed at the time was 60 miles an hour, which means the impact packed the same punch as driving off the roof of a 10-story building. This driver's statement: He didn't know what caused the accident.

### Ashland Graduate Heads SOC Alums

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Dr. Elmo N. Stevenson, college president, reviewed campus progress of the past year. He urged graduates to sell Southern Oregon at every opportunity and to improve the importance of the field of teacher training. He said that SOC is no longer primarily a teacher college but is gradually strengthening its work in other liberal arts fields.

The future of the teacher training education program was outlined by Dr. John D. E. McAulay, director of the SOC program. He predicted future training to include establishment of experimental schools, lengthening of training to seven years, and establishment of the teaching profession at the top of the standards.

Members of the Class of 1952 were welcomed by President Baccus and response was given by Robert E. Phillips, president of the graduating class. Roland L. Parks served as master of ceremonies.

### OVER 300 REGISTER FOR SWIMMING CLASSES

Over 300 Ashland children and adults signed up for Red Cross swimming classes at Twin Plunges, according to Ashland Chairman Owen Gragg.

Eight classes for children are being held in the morning and adult classes in the evening. Instructors are Elaine Leach and Milton Kupersmith, both students at Southern Oregon College.



MONSTER TANK CARRIER TRIES TEST ROAD—This 200,000-pound Army tank retriever was one of the heavy vehicles used on the Maryland Test Road by highway engineers in an experiment which proved that pavement built on gravel will carry weights far greater than the heaviest commercial trucks permitted anywhere.

Motorists today drive smoothly at 50 mph over the site of the road test, despite earlier unofficial reports the road was "ruined" by the specially heavy test trucks which were shuttled back and forth 24 hours a day for six months.

The Highway Research Board's official findings, just released in Washington, D. C., describe how the engineers withheld normal road maintenance so that washouts of clay beneath the pavement would permit cracking they could measure against various weights.

The report shows that the 28 concrete slabs on good soil didn't crack, and the tank retriever was run over this part of the highway to confirm that a properly-built road can support heavy loads. The inadequate Choptank clay pavement of the test road, it was said, exists nowhere except in a few parts of Maryland and Delaware, but the engineers' findings indicate that pavements built anywhere on poor soils, without adding gravel, require faithful maintenance if rain and weathering are not to weaken them so they cannot bear even ordinary traffic.

The Maryland Test Road was reopened to public use after the state highway department spent \$9,918 on it, mostly to fix shoulders and drainage found faulty before the test.

Highway designers and builders are hopeful that the Maryland test and others in prospect will point the way to better highway construction and care. They have learned that a good foundation is a good start, for any road.

### Set Forgery Charge Against Man Here

A California youth was arraigned in justice court here Tuesday afternoon, after he allegedly attempted to pass a worthless check at two Ashland business places, the police department reported.

Robert V. Neighbors, Lawndale, Calif., was said to have come here after "borrowing" a car without permission from a San Pedro, Calif., man, police said.

Police said the youth made out the \$63 check on the Ashland branch of the First National Bank, payable to himself and signed a fictitious name. He attempted to pass the check at Fortmiller's and at the A and B Sports Shop.

He was arrested by city police near Lithia park last night and lodged in the city jail overnight.

Chief Smith said that the youth reported he had been arrested 20 times in California on charges including forgery and armed robbery.

### Speaker Tells SOC Graduates To Free Thought

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plea for independent thinking by pointing out the trend in totalitarian countries.

In the baccalaureate address, the Rev. Paul W. Harms of the Grace Lutheran church appealed for recognition of the dangers of being self-centered. He asked for acceptance of the principles of Jesus Christ in dedicating service as teachers to mankind as a whole. He told graduates that they will occupy one of the most influential positions when facing their new jobs.

Greetings of the State Board of Higher Education were extended by Frank J. VanDyke, Medford, who welcomed graduates into the Oregon community. Band music was directed by Glenn T. Matthews and the college choir appeared under the leadership of Oscar C. Bjorlie, both assistant professors of music. Miss Edna Dougherty presented organ music as degrees were conferred.

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