

Four State Police Officers Attend School at Corvallis

Four officers from Medford attended a three-day state police administrators' conference last week at Oregon State college. They were Capt. Paul Parsons, Sgt. S. A. Morris, Sgt. William Colbert and Sgt. E. F. Crafts. Colbert was duty sergeant for a police school which preceded the conference.

The police administrators' conference concluded a three-week intensified school for state policemen. Half the state's policemen attended the basic and advanced courses during the school's first two weeks. All returned to their home districts Wednesday.

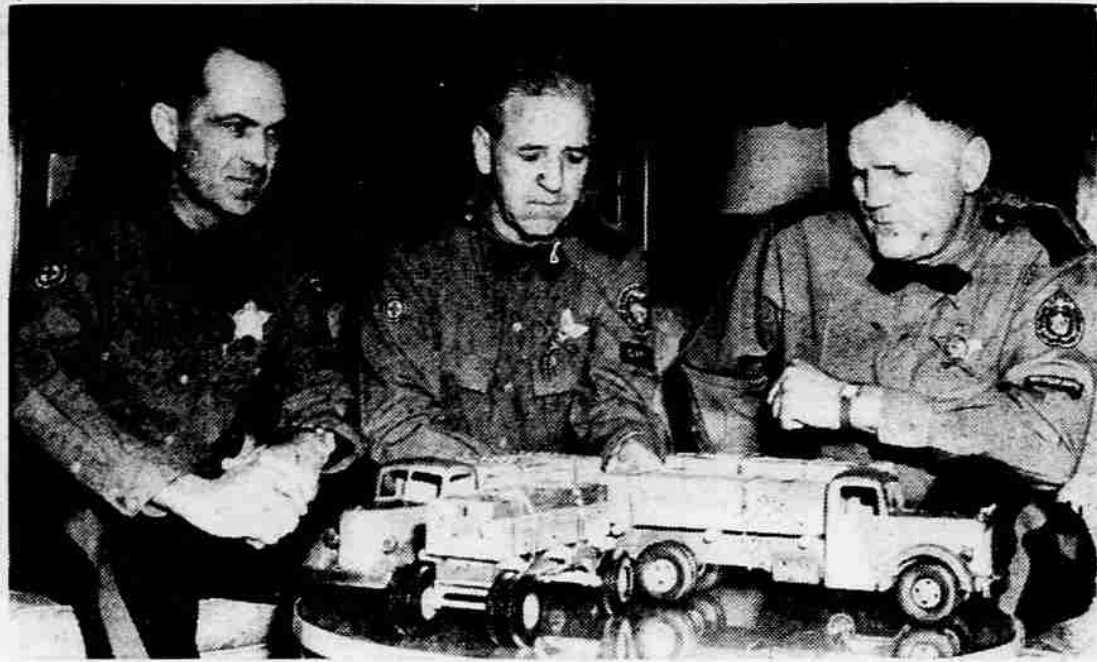
One hundred state troopers and 11 liquor commission agents attended the school. Lt. Farley Mogan, Salem, was commandant of the school. The administrators' conference was conducted by Superintendent H. G. Mason and Deputy Superintendent Lee M. Brown, both of the state police at Salem.

TO RELEASE WATER
Portland —(U.P.)— Army Engineers announced Saturday they will begin next week releasing up-stream storage from Cottage Grove, Dorena and Fern Ridge reservoirs to augment the low flow of water in the Willamette river during the current low water season.

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THE JANE FROMAN STORY
WITH A SONG IN MY HEART
TECHNICOLOR
SUSAN HAYWARD - RORY CALHOUN - DAVID WAYNE - THELMA RITTER
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The Re-Opening of the SPANISH ROOM
MOST BEAUTIFUL DINING ROOM IN THE VALLEY
Featuring a Complete American Menu
LUNCHES SERVED DAILY
OPEN:
Daily Until 10 P.M. - Saturday Until 4 A.M. Sunday
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AT SCHOOL—Capt. Paul Parson (center), of the Medford station of the state police, explains load limits under the motor transportation laws and regulations to two state troopers attending the fourth annual state police school

at Oregon State college. Officers are Sgt. Elmer F. Crafts, Medford (left), and Sgt. C. R. Borgman, Grants Pass. Each year half the state force attends the three-week intensified school to "brush up" on new laws and regulations.

Truck Taxation Dispute Given Airing in Astoria By State, Industry Men

Astoria —(U.P.)—The big truck controversy rolled noisily along in Oregon Saturday toward a decision by the people in November.

A large crowd of Astorians Friday heard a heated debate between a member of the Oregon legislature and a representative of the trucking industry over the question of whether trucks which use Oregon's highways should be taxed.

State Sen. Elmo Smith of John Day, member of the last legislature which passed a truck-tax measure, asserted the trucks were not now being taxed at all, but were merely paying for the use or "rental" of the highways, since they pay no fee if the roads are not used.

On the other side of the debate was George H. Flagg, former Oregon public utilities commissioner and now representing the Oregon Highway council which supports the large truck operators.

Differ on Taxes
Flagg agreed with Smith on the importance of big trucks to the economy of Oregon but he sharply differed on how the trucks should be taxed.

Flagg presented figures and testimony from various automotive groups and state sources indicating trucks do little damage to the highways. He contended frost was the big cause of highway damage.

He challenged the figures and introduced a letter from the U.S. Bureau of Roads which denied the figures.

Study Legislation
Flagg said the Oregon High-

way council was making a study of truck legislation and taxation needs and that it would be presented to the next legislature.

He said the council was spending \$75,000 on its research.

Referral of the truck taxation bill to the voters in the November general election had saved the truck operators \$2,000,000, Smith retorted, and the truckers easily could afford the study.

Flagg said any legislation introduced by his group would make no attempt to shift the tax burden to small truckers or private automobile operators. He said there also would be no attempt by the industry to get taxes reduced.

Danger to Long Haulers
Stressing the importance of the trucking industry to Oregon's economy, Flagg said higher taxes would be reflected in higher rates to shippers and there was danger the long-haul trucks would be taxed out of existence.

Smith replied that the plate fee plan of taxing trucks, which is supported by the council, would make it possible for large operators to haul all the way across Oregon without paying any taxes. The plate plan, Smith said, would eventually prove so costly to small operators they would be forced out of business.

The bill passed by the legislature puts a ton-mile tax on all trucks operating over Oregon highways.

One in Series
The meeting here was sponsored by the legislative interim committee studying the tax measure and was another in a series of similar meetings to be held various parts of the state.

Members of the committee included Rep. Pat Lonergan, Portland; Rep. Ed Geary, Klamath Falls; Sen. Warren Gill, Lebanon; and Sen. Angus Gibson, Junction City.

With Flagg on side of the truckers were Leland James, president of Consolidated Freight Lines; Ellery Sills, president of the highway council; Robert Knipe, manager of the Oregon Motor Transportation association; Earl McCracken, intrastate truck operator from Eugene; and Hal Short, Portland advertising man.

EUGENE MAN NAMED
Salem —(U.P.)— Gov. Douglas McKay said Saturday he has appointed Percy W. Brown of Eugene as a member of the State Board of Accountancy for a four year term. Brown succeeds John F. Lee of Portland.

Starlite DRIVE-IN theatre
2 MILES SO MEDFORD
A Singin', Swingin' Musical Hit!

SINGIN' IN THE RAIN
TECHNICOLOR
GENE KELLY - DONALD O'CONNOR
DEBBIE REYNOLDS
JEAN HAGEN - MILLARD MITCHELL - CRY CHAMBERLAIN
— PLUS —

STARS IN MY CROWN
JOEL MCCREA
ELLEN DREW
Gates Open at 6:30
Show at 8:15

Rogue River Recorder's Office Set for Completion in Two Weeks

Rogue River—Completion of the recorder's office in the new city hall is expected in about two weeks, according to Lloyd Smith, who is participating in the building's construction.

Smith said that lathing and plastering would start tomorrow on the front office of the 36 by 50-foot building. In addition to the recorder's office, the building will include a large library, council chambers, storeroom and rest rooms.

The building is now roofed and shingled and has asphalt-type white shakes on an outside covering. The floor is all concrete and will be covered by asphalt tile.

Participating builders have been Dave Brace, concrete; Rogue Valley Electrical company, wiring; Jack Hogan, plumbing; and Smith and Al Babcock, carpentry.

The new building is located about 50 yards from the new fire hall on Broadway street. When the recorder's office is completed, water bills will be collected in this office instead of the temporary quarters in the room adjacent to the fire hall. Completion of the rest of the offices and rooms will be done as fast as possible, pending receipts to cover the costs.

ARMY CONFINED
La Paz, Bolivia —(U.P.)— All Bolivia's regular armed forces have been confined to barracks and all La Paz night clubs have been padlocked because a police major shot and killed the president's military aide in a night-club brawl.

Court Records
POLICE COURT
Elsworth F. Duke, failure to stop at stop sign, \$5 bail.
Alvin Lee Cartwright, no operator's license, \$5 bail.
Dennis Lyle Kittle, violation of basic rule, \$10 bail.
Calvin Francis Crews, failure to stop, \$5 bail.
Dwayne P. Chitwood, violation of basic rule, \$10.
Esther Russel Medley, violation of basic rule, \$10.

Dead line Sunday Classifieds is at noon Saturdays.

ASHLAND VARSITY PHONE 3761
Francis GOES TO WEST POINT
DONALD O'CONNOR
LOUIE NELSON
AUCIE KELLEY

BUCK AND SUNNY'S ROGUE VALLEY BALLROOM TUESDAY JULY 29

Tommy Duncan
IN PERSON
MUSIC BY
TEX MARSHALL'S Rodeo Ranch Hands
JULY 29

Negligent Homicide Charged to Driver

Portland —(U.P.)— State Police said Saturday they have arrested George Smith, 54, Sherwood, on a charge of negligent homicide in connection with the death July 7 of W. H. (Ted) Holmes of Newberg.

Smith is the driver of a log truck and trailer that collided with Holmes' station wagon in Tigard. Authorities asserted they believe Smith was operating the truck and trailer with a faulty hitch and without safety chains.

Smith was arrested Friday near Wilsonville.

DIES IN WRECK
Bend —(U.P.)— Charles Edgar Eatchel, 61, maintenance superintendent of the State Office Building in Portland, was killed Friday when his car went out of control and smashed up on highway 97 about 24 miles south of Bend. State police said Eatchel was alone in the car and there were no witnesses.

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The Grange

Gold Hill Grange has been bravely carrying on this summer despite absence of many members. Principal project at present is making scrapbooks to be given hospitalized children.

As a side line, members have worked at assembling plastic airplanes and automobiles.

At the June 19 meeting a beautiful flag was presented by Mrs. Lena Laricks on behalf of the Gold Hill VFW. Master William Howes of the Grange presented the juveniles with their charter from the National Grange. It had been framed by the Hal Bishop Studio as a gift from Mr. and Mrs. Bishop and the Gold Hill HEC.

Allen Martin was initiated at the July 3 meeting. Application for membership from Michael H. Milner was received at the July 17 meeting. Lucille Biles and Bonnie McCormick of Shan Creek Juvenile Grange were visitors at this meeting.

HOLLY Today!

A WHOLE NEW WORLD OF ADVENTURE
SWEEPS THE SCREEN!

Universal International presents
GREGORY PECK ANN BLYTH
in **Rex Beach's THE WORLD IN HIS ARMS**
COLOR BY Technicolor

They stormed the gale-lashed seas...with Riches the lure...all Alaska the prize!

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New Mother Misses College Examinations

Albuquerque, N. M. (U.P.)—Mrs. Robert Gerard, anthropology senior who was graduated from the University of New Mexico this spring, had a good excuse for not taking the final examinations.

Her son was born on the day before the examinations and her professor, Dr. Frank C. Hibben, took a look at her B record and excused her from them. However, her husband, the proud father, wasn't so lucky. He had to take his examinations to get his degree in geology.

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A PERSONALLY DIRECTED PRODUCTION BY MERIAN C. COOPER
FROM THE STORY BY MERIAN C. COOPER AND ROBERT WILSON
DIRECTED BY MERIAN C. COOPER

AND
STRANGE CLAW-KILLER RIPS BEAUTY TO PIECES!
THE LEOPARD MAN
DENNIS O'KEEFE - MARGO
Produced by TAL LEVINE
Directed by JACQUES TOUSSAINT
Screen Play by John Wray
Additional Story by Edward Doherty

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