

# Local Police Officers Take Training During Annual Class Sessions Here

## Law Enforcement Subjects Covered In Annual Project

City, State, Sheriff Officers in Course

Approximately 50 law enforcement officers in Jackson county are taking part in the Oregon Regional Police school now under way in Medford.

The first of seven classes began here March 7. They will continue through next Wednesday. The schools are held throughout Oregon during March, sponsored by the Oregon Association of City Police Officers and the Oregon State Sheriffs association, in cooperation with the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Oregon State Police, League of Oregon Cities and the Bureau of Municipal Research and Service of the University of Oregon.

**Objectives Told**  
Medford Police Chief Charles Champlin said the schools are held annually to keep abreast of current advancement in general law enforcement and prevention of crime, as well as to create better understanding and good public relations between the public and law enforcement agencies.

Instructors are from the FBI, State Board of Parole and Probation, state police, and various city police departments. Classes are held in 14 Oregon cities, including Medford, Coos Bay, Roseburg, Klamath Falls, Bend, Eugene, Albany, Salem, McMinnville, Astoria, Oregon City, The Dalles, Pendleton and Baker.

Subjects covered in the schools should give participating officers a wide general knowledge of police investigation and crime prevention techniques, officials said, in addition to education in the fields of public relations and functions of the various state and federal agencies.

### Many Participate

Attending the classes are representatives of the police departments of Medford, Ashland, Central Point, Grants Pass, Jacksonville, Talent and Phoenix and of the state police, and sheriff's offices in Jackson and Josephine counties. Deputy U. S. Marshal Paul Hanlin also is participating.

Julius Rice, an FBI agent, discussed public relations, the constitution of the United States and the role of local law enforcement officers at the first session March 7.

He stressed the constitutional rights of citizens and the responsibility of law officers to protect and respect such rights. Rice said it was important that police establish friendship with juveniles, making youngsters aware that such agencies are established for their help.

### Public Relations

Rice also explained the necessity of good public relations in police work, and demonstrated various policies necessary in establishing proper attitudes in law enforcement work.

Burglary investigation and suppression techniques were topics of the second session led by John E. Nolan, Portland detective sergeant.

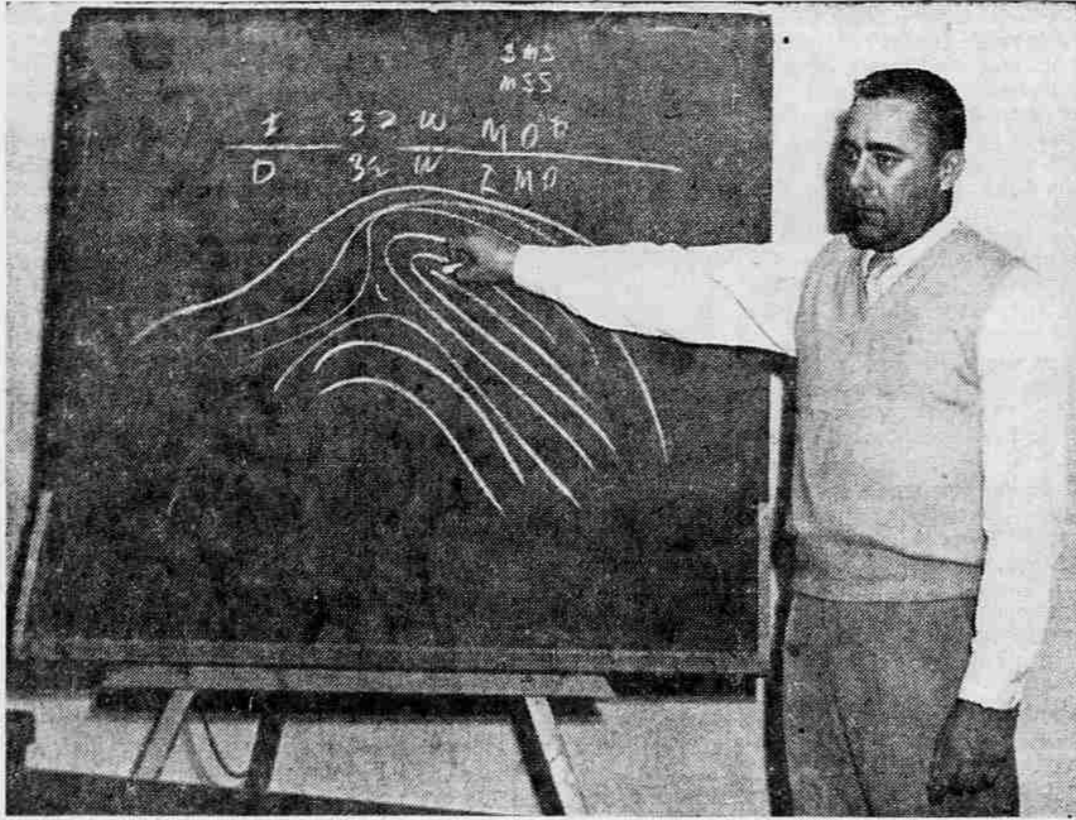
Methods of preventing burglaries included use of marked police cars, efficient use of foot patrolmen, ample night lights in stores, security checking by officers, and proper placement of safes.

Chief Champlin said all such techniques are encouraged by the Medford department.

### Investigations

Under burglary investigation, Nolan explained methods of searching for and preserving evidence, types of evidence to look for, proper photography at the scene, and methods of operation, especially of known criminals.

He listed the chief sources of aid in identification of criminals, including the files at the



**EXPLAINS FINGERPRINTS**—Chief John Truett, Bend (above) is shown explaining fingerprint patterns for the fourth class of the regional advanced police school held in Medford during March for law enforcement officers in southern Oregon. Similar schools are being held throughout the state.

state police headquarters at Salem, which were described as one of the most outstanding sets in the country.

Hal Randall, director of the



of state agencies. Morgan introduced an improved type of marginal heading case report which is being encouraged by the League of Oregon Cities for use by all enforcement agencies.

### Aids in Work

Morgan said use of the reports not only aids the officer in organizing his reports, but makes for easier filing and quick assimilation of facts in a particular case and improves general report techniques.

He also listed the various agencies in the state which are available to assist in criminal investigation, including the state bureau of identification, Salem, and the general crime file in state police headquarters, and the secretary of state's office.

All persons wanted nationally are listed in the general headquarters file, Morgan reported, and fingerprints and records of all major criminals are also filed in Salem.

### Other Agencies

Other agencies in the state provide such services as radio network in the office of the secretary of state.

The two remaining classes of the school will cover accident prevention, led by Eugene Police Chief Vern Hill, and interrogations confessions and signed statements, led by a Portland police bureau representative.

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### 10th Meeting of SOCTFA Scheduled

Bill Hagenstein of the Industrial Forestry association of Portland will speak at the 10th annual meeting of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association at 8 p.m. Friday, March 30, in the Jackson hotel.

Secretary-manager Lewis L. (Doc) Simpson urged members to attend because directors will be elected and two amendments to the by-laws will be voted on. In addition to electing three directors, there will be an election to fill the term of Jack Crump, who resigned recently.

The nominating committee has selected A. C. Smith, Ray H. Morris, L. E. (Rosy) Haynes from the Grants Pass area. One director will be elected. From the area at large, the committee has selected Art Davies, Ben Nork, Bob Kline, Steve Wilson, Leo Hoag and Tom McFadden. Two will be elected from the area at large.

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### Top Riders Assured For August Roundup

Top rodeo riders from southwest states will be in Medford in August to compete in the Jackson County Mounted Sheriff's posse annual Rogue River roundup, which will include world championship events, according to Leonard Ward, Eagle Point, posse captain.

He has just returned from a business and pleasure trip to southwest states and Mexico, and contacted world championship riders in Texas, Arizona and California. He said he has been assured, that a number of them will be here for the roundup, Aug. 10, 11 and 12. The posse captain is a former world champion rodeo rider.

Max Barbour will produce the show, which will be conducted on Rodeo Cowboys association regulations.

### Panel Discussion of 'Career Day' Stated

A panel discussion on "Career Day," a program to help high school students choose a profession, will be conducted at a meeting of the Medford Chapter of National Office Management association Monday at 6:30 p.m. in the Medford hotel.

Several NOMA members attended the "Career Day" session held in February in the First Methodist church.

### Leo E. Sohler, Education Committee Chairman

is in charge of the program. Dinner will be served at 7 p.m.

All office and personnel managers and office superintendents are invited, according to Mrs. Elizabeth J. Ferguson of the publicity committee. Reservations may be made by calling Norma Burroughs of the Groceteria, 3-1932.

## 944 Accidents Are Reported in County

Jackson county had a total of 944 accidents involving automobiles during the 1955, which resulted in death for two people and injury for 167, according to a report from the secretary of state's office.

The number is an increase in accidents over the total for 1954 when 866 accidents injured 142 people and killed none.

Most of last year's accidents in the county occurred on city streets where 469 occurred and 102 people were injured. Primary state highways were the scene of 366 accidents in which one person was killed and 56 injured. On secondary street highways 109 accidents took place, killing one person and injuring nine. Both victims of fatal accidents were pedestrians. One was between the ages of 50 and 59 and the other was over 65 years of age.

Collisions of two or more vehicles accounted for most of last year's accidents with a total of 828. Other accidents involved cars and pedestrians, 29; cars and trains, 8; cars and bicycles, 23; cars and animals, 18; cars and fixed objects, 34; and cars running off the roadway, 4.

Saturdays were the worst days for car accidents in 1955 with 158 occurring on that day. Accidents taking place on Monday totaled 126; Tuesday 132; Wednesday 137; Thursday 142; Friday 146; and Sunday 103. Most of the accidents occurred between the hours of 8 a.m. and 10:59 p.m.

## Chamber Votes to Move Offices Soon

The office of the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce will soon be moved to the new D'Anjou building at the corner of Central ave. and 11th st.

The chamber's board of directors approved the move at a luncheon meeting last week, after considerable debate as to various proposed sites, each of which has both advantages and drawbacks. Entering into the decision to move was the greater availability of parking space, more ample office space, and other factors.

The board was told it is planned to erect several signs which will direct tourists to the chamber for information about this locality.

In other action, the board approved and endorsed two recommendations of the new water resources committee.

The first was an endorsement of Congressman Harris Ellsworth's bill to provide for screening turbines at Savage Rapids dam to protect fish life in Rogue river.

The second was a letter to the state water resources commission, asking a high priority for the Rogue basin for a survey of all phases of the water resources of the area.



**STUDY PRINTS**—Lester Tythcott, Josephine county sheriff's officer, (above right) demonstrates to Doyle Perkins, also Josephine county deputy, the procedure for dusting latent fingerprints. The demonstration was part of session on fingerprinting in the regional advanced police school underway here.

## Two Bids Opened for Central Point Sewer

Central Point—Two bids opened by the city council last week for the rehabilitation of the city's trunk sewer line exceeded allotted relief funds.

A portion of the sewer was washed out by Bear Creek during December floods. The city has received approval of the expenditure of disaster relief funds in the amount of \$5,129 for repair of the line.

A low bid of \$5,565 was submitted by M. C. Lininger and Sons. They provided that the bid could be reduced \$500 if work was delayed until July 15.

A second bid of \$8,894.25 was submitted by Warren Conrad Construction of Medford who provided that the bid could be reduced \$1,000 per month with a four month maximum if work was delayed until July 15.

Bid specifications called for excavating 540 cubic yards and salvaging and replacing 275 feet of 12 inch pipe.

The two bids were submitted by the council to the civil defence agency.

## Five Attend Annual Welfare Conference

Five persons from the Jackson County Public Welfare commission attended the annual two-day Oregon State Conference of Social Work Thursday and Friday at the Marion hotel in Salem.

More than 500 professional social workers, persons from allied fields, community leaders and students from Oregon colleges attended.

Representatives from Jackson county included James Pullman, administrator, and Mrs. Ryntha O. Sturges, Miss Jeraldyn Jerome, Miss Donna Sherwood and Miss Celia Walker.

Speakers included Arthur Duhing, lecturer in the school of social welfare, University of California, who discussed the conference theme of rehabilitation; Homer G. Barnett, University of Oregon anthropologist; Dr. Norman Janzer, director of the division of mental health, Portland; and Jack Parsons, University of Washington school of social work.

## Noon Services Set At Craterian Theater

Noon services will be held each day Monday through Friday next week from 12:30 to 12:55 p.m. at the Craterian theater under the direction of the Medford Ministerial association.

Speakers for the series will be the Rev. T. J. Dixon, of the First Methodist church, Monday; the Rev. J. M. Root, of the Free Methodist church, Tuesday; the Rev. J. W. Neely, of the First Baptist church, Wednesday; the Rev. Clynton Crisman, of the Medford Friends church, Thursday; the Rev. J. A. Bowdoin, of the Medford Community church, Friday.

Serving as moderators will be the Rev. F. Wildon Colbaugh, Medford Assembly of God; the Rev. Robert Burger, St. Marks Episcopal; the Rev. H. J. Kreider, Central Point Pilgrim Holiness; and the Rev. G. E. Walston, Christian Advent.

**WEATHER**  
By United Press  
Northern California: Fair Sunday.



**NEW ASSIGNMENT**—E. K. Ricker (left) Camp White Veterans Administration Domiciliary, expresses best wishes to Kenneth B. Black, formerly assistant domiciliary officer at Camp White, who is leaving to go to a new assignment as registrar at Fort Harrison, Montana VA center.

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