

Two Medford Youths Among Finalists for National Scholarship

Evanston, Ill.—(U.P.)—Eighty-eight Oregon high school seniors are among the finalists in the National Merit Scholarship Corporation competition. It was announced today.

The Oregon finalists are among the 7,500 who will compete for more than 700 four-year scholarships totaling \$3.5 million. The scholarships ranging from \$100 a year to \$2,200 or more per year, were established through basic grants from the Ford Foundation and the Carnegie Corporation of New York.

Finalists from Oregon by cities include: Albany, Trudy Donnelly and Michael Owen; Baker, Ruth Lewis; Coquille, Jack Strong; Corvallis, Kristine Han-

sen and Dianne McMains; Cottage Grove, George Woodworth; Eugene, Stephanie Beck, Roberta Clark, Patricia Cleveland, Terry Foskett, Anne Morsund, Stephen Newsom, Ronald Sikes, John Trenholme and Owen Wilson Jr.; Forest Grove, Kathleen

Burnard and Barbara Giberson; Grants Pass, Willis Baldersee, Hilton Graham, Michael Lewis and Kenneth Martwick; Hillsboro, John Osmunson; Klamath Falls, Elizabeth Robertson.

Medfordites Named
La Grande, Charles Quintance Madras, Nancy Green; McMinnville, David Barton and Gordon Baty; Medford, Howard Boyd and Jacque Colton; Milwaukie, Edward Masshoff, George Rogers and Amy Van Houten; Myrtle Creek, Madeline Meier; North Bend, Edward Haasl and John Norlin; Oregon City, David Serres; Oswego, Robert Fields; Pendleton, John

Champion; Phoenix, Lawrence Glidden; Rogue River, David Hatch; Roseburg, James Miller, St. Benedict, Bernard Feiss and Homer Hagus; Salem, Elizabeth Horn, Carol Mason, Marjorie Simila, John Harvey, Charles Loggren and William Richter; Tigard, Roy Kent and James Neely.
Portland had 35 finalists.

Plant Collection Said Parts of Aged Species

Berkeley, Calif.—(U.P.)—A University of California professor has returned from New Caledonia in the South Pacific with a collection of plants which he believes are remnants of species related to ones that existed 100 million years ago.

Prof. Adriance S. Foster brought 1,000 specimens back from New Caledonia. He hopes they will show close resemblances to flowers of the prehistoric ages because they have been isolated that long from an earlier and larger Australian continent.

Horticulturists Look For Macadamia Tree

Riverside, Calif.—(U.P.)—If you have a macadamia nut tree in your yard, a University of California horticulturist would like to know about it.

Dr. William B. Storey is searching for the rare tree, originally imported from Australia, in an effort to find a high-yielding variety that withstands cold. Macadamia nuts are now so hard to get that they cost \$4 per pound retail.

Water Outlook in Oregon Not Good

Portland—(U.P.)—The 1957 water supply outlook in Oregon is not good.

That was the report today of the Soil Conservation Service and the Oregon Agricultural Experiment Station.

They said only slightly more than half of the normal amount of snow cover was now present in the mountains. Some areas have less than half of the normal cover.

Stored water supplies were said to be mostly above average.

Water content of mountain snow cover as measured at 83 snow courses averages 56 per cent normal as compared with last year at this date when it was 140 per cent. Snow cover is all at higher elevation.

Normally, about 35 to 40 per cent of the total winter's snow is accumulated by Jan. 1. In order to provide average water supplies this year, the remaining winter months will have to produce much above-normal snow-fall the two groups said.

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RECOVERING—Actress Marie McDonald, recuperating at her Encino, Calif., home after kidnap ordeal, holds baby daughter, Tina Marie. Miss McDonald said it was threats against her children that made her go with abductors.

Life as Comedian's Wife Like Any Other Assignment

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New York—(U.P.)—What's it like to be married to a comedian?

Well, according to Marian Paar, wife of Jack Paar, it's just like any other connubial assignment—except that your husband is apt to wake you up at two in the morning to test out a joke.

"We're a pretty closely knit family—Jack, myself and our seven-year-old daughter, Randy," said Mrs. Paar today. "We don't

live the sort of life people think celebrities lead.

"Jack is a great one for staying close to our Westchester home. He doesn't stay up late, he intensely dislikes cocktail parties and he hates coming into New York City."

Offbeat Moments
Still, Mrs. Paar confessed, their domestic life does have its offbeat moments.

"I'm his sounding board," she said. "Whenever he has a new joke or a new bit, he tries it out on me first. Sometimes, he'll think of something while he's dreaming and he'll wake me up to ask me if it's funny."

"It's gotten to the point where I have to keep a pencil and paper by the bedside to write his jokes down. However, when we wake up in the morning, they usually don't sound so funny as they did the night before."

Right now, Jack pilots a 15-minute chatter show on ABC radio, a program in which Mrs. Paar and Randy also participate. It's beamed from the Paar's 10-room home in the suburbs.

"So far, Jack hasn't really used me too much," confessed Mrs. Paar. "But, he has used lots of Randy. Occasionally, he'll tape records a bit with Randy during the day to insert on the show, she's been on stage with Jack since her diapers."

Porter Assigned To Committee Job

Washington—(U.P.)—Rep. Al Ullman, freshman Oregon Democrat, has been handed a place on the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee.

Ullman's seat on the committee was made possible by Rep. Edith Green (D-Ore.) who took an assignment on the House Administration Committee. Mrs. Green retained her seat on the Education and Labor Committee.

Rep. Charles O. Porter, another new Oregon Democrat to the House, got a seat on the Post Office and Civil Service Committee.

Rep. Walter Norblad, the lone Republican member of the Oregon delegation, was reassigned to the Armed Services Committee. He will be the fourth-ranking member of this group.

Sen. Wayne Morse (D-Ore.) was shifted from the Banking Committee to the Labor Committee.

Tighter Law on Watered Milk To Go To Legislature

Corvallis—(U.P.)—Dairymen gathering here for the 63rd annual convention of the Oregon Dairymen's association learned today that legislation is being drafted to strengthen the law against putting water in milk.

O. K. Beals, chief of the foods and dairy division of the State Department of Agriculture, said a proposed law being drafted for submission to the legislature would make possession of watered milk prima facie evidence of an intent to sell it.

Now Must Be Caught
Prosecutors have contended, that the present law requires a dairyman to be caught in the act of watering his milk before he can be prosecuted.

George Hostetter, Redmond, president of the association, said he doubted that watering of milk was a common practice on Oregon dairies but that it happened frequently enough to point up the need for a stronger law.

To Hear Proposals
The association membership also was scheduled to hear proposals to increase a tax levy by the Oregon Dairy Products Commission to bring in some \$210,000 per year to promote the use of more dairy products.

Don E. Anderson, Oregon State college dairy specialist, said in a pre-convention statement that Oregon dairymen would have to streamline their operations if they are to meet the competition of outside producing areas.

Trend Growing to Top-Level Help

Chicago—(U.P.)—The American Municipal Association says there is a growing trend toward providing mayors with top-level administrative help. But the trend apparently doesn't carry over into giving uniform names to these jobs.

The association said that within the past five years at least 10 cities have created top administrative posts and that there are nine different names for the job.

Salisbury, Md., has an executive secretary. Los Angeles a city administrative officer, Philadelphia a managing director, St. Cloud, Minn., an administrative officer, New York City a city administrator, Boston a director of the department of administrative services, Newark, N. J., a business administration, New Orleans a city administrative officer, Renton, Wash., an office controller and Lincoln, Neb., a city coordinator.

Two electric motors with capacities of 63,000 horsepower have been installed in the Grand Coulee dam in Washington for the purpose of pumping for irrigation projects.

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