

### Awards Presented To Truck Drivers At ATA Banquet

American Trucking association awards for safe driving were presented on March 28 to 19 Pierce Freight Lines drivers at an ATA banquet held at the Tally Ho restaurant, Talent.

The awards, in the form of gold and silver lapel pins, represented a total of 119 years of driving without an accident.

**Guest Speaker**

Guest speaker was Ben Heinz, Transport Indemnity company. Other speakers were Charles Champlin, Medford police chief, Sgt. Floyd Crafts of the state police and Frank Henley, chief agriculture agent for the California border patrol. Ed Smith, Pierce general manager, was master of ceremonies and presented the ATA awards. More than 60 guests attended the program.



**SAFETY AWARDS** — Nineteen drivers for Pierce Freight Lines last week received safe driving awards from the American Trucking association. Shown above, left to right, are Police Chief Charles P. Champlin presenting

20-year award to Arthur Davis and Virgil Rose receiving eight-year award from Ed Smith, Pierce general manager. Clyde Knight, local manager, watches at extreme right. —(Brainard photo)

President George P. Davis of Pierce Freight Lines said the Medford drivers helped the trucking firm log 4,491,043 miles during 1956, equal to about 180 trips around the earth. Other awards were given to 132 drivers throughout the Pierce system last month, according to John Castner, safety director for the company.

Drivers receiving awards were Arthur Davis, 20 years of safe driving; Sam Steele, 19 years; John Clark, 11 years; Bob Cosler and Rufus Younger, nine years; Virgil Rose and Robert Guthrie, eight years; Charles Ward and George Dunphy, six years; Harry Hawley, Glenn Kier and Ray Schnorr, four years; Leonard Negles, three years; Fred Simcox and Joseph Cave, two years; W. J. Birkheimer, Lee Sherman, O. O. Caster and John Tompkins, one year.

**A FAST DRINKER**

Britton, Mich. — (U.P.) — Ira I. Earnhardt, 25, Milan, Mich., today was serving a two-day jail sentence for drinking and driving — at the same time. Police said they arrested him for driving 80 miles an hour and drinking beer at the same time.

**1500 JAPANESE HOMELESS**

Niigata, Japan — (U.P.) — Brisk winds fanned a fire through 250 homes early today and left 1,500 persons homeless in the town of Bunsumachi in Niigata prefecture.

### Quotes From the News

**By UNITED PRESS**

Washington: Chairman Richard B. Russell of the Senate Armed Services committee, rejecting Sen. Joseph McCarthy's objections to a promotion for Gen. Ralph W. Zwicker:

"There is nothing in the record to warrant the Senate destroying the life and record of a man whose record has been outstanding."

Dickson, Tenn.: Haskell L. Daniels, civilian Air Force employee at Langley Air Force Base, Va., on how he got out of a B25 which exploded and crashed:

"I don't know if I was blown out or jumped. I think maybe I was blown out."

London: Prime Minister Harold Macmillan, reporting to Parliament on his recent talks with President Eisenhower at Bermuda:

"It would be absurd to suppose that in a few days we could find a solution of all the problems that confront us."

New York: Former Los Angeles gambling czar and underworld gun target Mickey Cohen on his talk with Evangelist Billy Graham:

"I thought he was crazy. I told him the only Billy Graham I ever heard of was a boxer. Pretty soon, though, we became good friends."

### Mysterious Voice Delays TWO Airliner

Chicago — (U.P.) — A mysterious voice which warned, "49 will not reach San Francisco," halted a TWO Constellation preparing to take off today and sent airline officials and police on a search for a hidden bomb.

An airline spokesman said a switchboard operator received the call early today and promptly notified the field authorities. Officials at the field radioed the pilot of TWA flight 49 which was at the end of a runway at Midway Airport about to take off on a non-stop flight to San Francisco.

The plane was ordered returned to the ramp where it was thoroughly searched.

After a two hour delay, in which no bomb was found, the plane took off with 41 passengers aboard.

Roseburg — (U.P.) — The body of John Hoy Thomas, 39, a Douglas county resident, was found in Steamboat creek near the Douglas-Lane county line by two boys during the week end.

### Young TV Whiz Reading Papers At Age of Three; Typing at Age of Four

**BY WILLIAM EWALD**  
United Press Correspondent

New York — (U.P.) — Robert Strom, a 10-year-old phenom-pet who houses a giant brain inside a lilliputian frame, resumes his chase tonight of a quarter of a million dollars.

Rob, a 51 inch, 65 pound fifth grader from the Bronx, N. Y., is the youngest who safely tucked away \$64,000 on CBS TV's "The \$64,000 Question." Under the revised rules of the show, Rob was permitted to shoot for three more \$84,000's or \$256,000 in all.

In his second go around, Rob, a former Quiz Kid, has reached the \$32,000 level, giving him a tentative \$96,000 total. He has climbed to this giddy height by polishing off a series of science questions over seven weeks in categories as chewy as electricity, math, astronomy and chemistry.

**Analytical Mind**

His father, a man who earns \$8000 a year teaching electric motors at a vocational high school here, and his mother, a Phi Beta Kappa, discount the photographic memory theory.

"He has an analytical mind and all of the questions he has been called upon to answer thus far have required him to give the kind of answers that would show he knows what he's talking about," says Albert Strom.

"He was always a curious boy," says his mother. "Anything with the quality of mystery, the unknown, just fascinates him. When he was nine he saw a book on shorthand in the public library, he was so fascinated he taught it to himself."

### Stanford Arthritis Specialist Succumbs

Sausalito, Calif. — (U.P.) — Dr. Willard G. Snow, chief of the arthritis clinic at Stanford University hospital, died at his home here Sunday after an illness of several months. He was 43.

Snow was with the Navy in World War II, serving as a medical officer with the Marines in the Pacific. He held his body to the Stanford medical school.

He was survived by his mother, Mrs. Clarence Groesbeck Snow; a sister, Dr. Dorothy Snow; and two brothers, Dr. Elston Snow and Dr. Robert G. Snow, all of Salt Lake City. His sister is a Ph. D., his brothers, MDs.

### Noted New Orleans Author Dies at Home

New Orleans — (U.P.) — Robert Tallant, noted southern author and chronicler of New Orleans lore, died Monday at his home.

Tallant would have been 48 on April 20. He was found dead by two of his aunts in the kitchen of his home. They said he recently had complained of a severe cold and influenza.

Tallant was best known for his fiction which usually had a New Orleans background. He wrote "Mrs. Candy and Saturday Night," in 1947, and "Mrs. Candy Strikes It Rich," in 1954.

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