

# State Police Brass Testify At Police Officer's Hearing

Salem — (UP) — A parade of state police brass testified here Tuesday in a hearing of a state police officer charged with disrespect of his superiors.

Supt. H. G. Maison told a disciplinary board headed by Deputy Superintendent Lee Bown that the officer, Robert H. Wampler, Milwaukie, was critical of the department, its management and questioned Maison's competence.

Maison said he had cautioned Wampler on several occasions to refrain from airing his grievances with fellow officers and outsiders and to take them to his superiors instead.

"His attitude was arrogant and insolent," Maison said.

**Quotas' Not Issue**

Bown said the charges against Wampler had nothing to do with other charges made by State Rep. Richard Groener, Milwaukie, that the state police were making arrests on a "quota" basis.

But Wampler said that he agreed with Groener's charges although he tried to persuade him not to print them.

Groener was present the first day of the hearing.

Maison said that Wampler told him that he had "20 or 30" police officers on his side who also were critical of the department.

The superintendent offered to hear any or all of the men in his Salem office, but said that Wampler never produced the men or statements he is alleged to have solicited from them.

Capt. Wayne Gurdane testified that Wampler was "emotionally upset" when he complained to him of traffic duty, the uniforms, and "the way Maison ran the show."

Gurdane said he and Lt. Holly Holcomb, head of the Milwaukie office, urged Wampler to "get hold of himself" before going further with his charges.

Holcomb, who brought the charges against Wampler also testified, as did Mrs. Marvin Atcheson, Coquille, wife of a police officer.

Mrs. Atcheson said Wampler told her he was circulating petitions trying to get officers to air their grievances against the department.

Officers Fred Gibson, Lesley Crownson and Wallace Ummel all testified as to a "bull session" in the West Slope office of the state police in June during which derogatory remarks about Maison were made.

Ummel said he had received two anonymous phone calls this month urging him not to testify against Wampler and threatening him "you'll be taken care of."

Gibson said he recalled Ummel telling Wampler that he also would express himself to top police officials if he "had the nerve."

Wampler conducted his own defense with the help of Capt. Farley E. Morgan and did his own cross-examining of witnesses. He tried to make the point that other officers also were critical of police administration, but that he alone was being called down for it.

Police regulations forbid officers to criticize their superiors with officers of the same or lower rank or with outsiders. They are supposed to take their grievances to superiors.

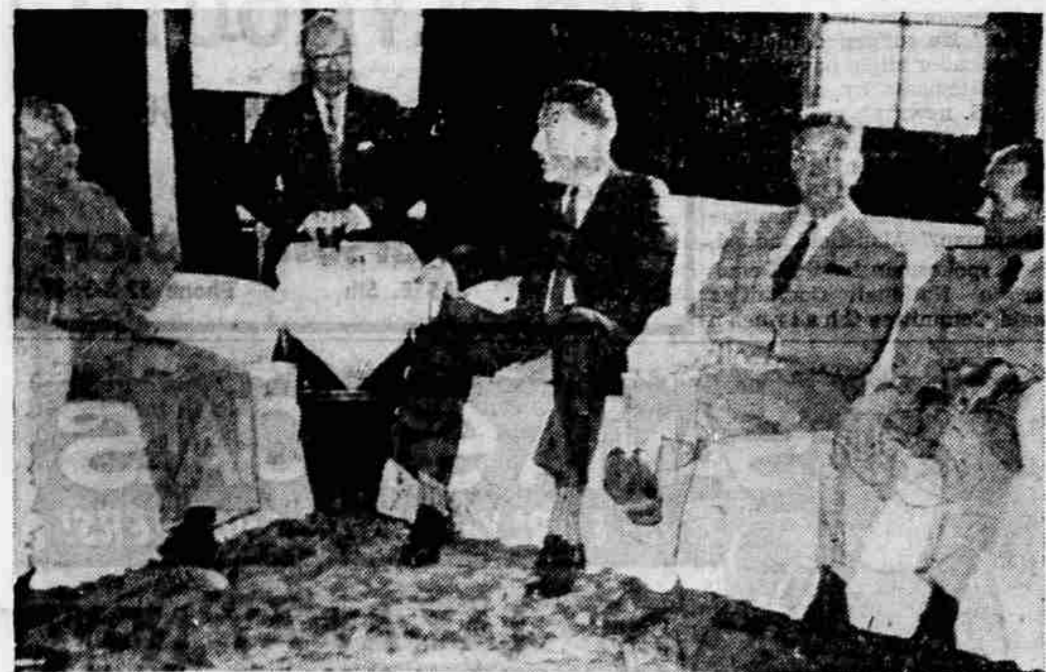
Other members of the disciplinary board were Capts. Paul Morgan, Medford, captain of District 3, and Eric

Tucker, Jennings Lodge, of the arson squad.

Commercial helicopter operations in the U. S. will total about 326,000 flight hours in 1958, compared with 146,500 in 1956, a 122 per cent increase.

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Detroit, Mich. — (UP) — Hartwell A. Johnson won a divorce from his wife Tuesday after testifying she used her maiden name and introduced him to her friends as Mr. Johnson, her chauffeur and business helper.



**MILITARY TALKS**—U. S. Defense Secretary Neil H. McElroy (third from right), opened military talks with Nationalist Chinese President Chiang Kai-shek (left), just eight and a half hours after Communist China extended its ceasefire at Quemoy for two more weeks. He was accompanied by Adm. Harry D. Felt (right), commander of all U. S. military forces in the Western Pacific, and Harry Drumright (second from right), U. S. ambassador to Nationalist China. Sitting in the background, next to Chiang Kai-shek, is an interpreter.

## Demos Running Out of Issues, Nixon Tells San Franciscans

San Francisco — (UP) — Vice President Richard M. Nixon, cheer leader for the Republican party, carried his "fight, fight, fight," message into southern California today.

Nixon told 1,500 Republicans faithful, who paid \$100 a plate at a banquet at the Cow Palace Tuesday night, they should not despair of their chances of electing GOP candidates in November, either in California or in the nation.

**Republican Upturn**

"There has been a sharp upturn in Republican prospects throughout the country," Nixon said. "The Democratic tide, which was running for almost a year, had reached its peak and is now melting away."

"If we step up our campaign in California and make

the fight of our lives, we shall elect our entire Republican ticket in November."

Nixon planned to fly to Los Angeles late today to unveil the X15 rocket plane and address a \$100-a-plate dinner this evening.

In his San Francisco address, Nixon asserted that the Democrats are "fresh out of issues."

"They are boring the people to death with the same worn-out discredited charges," he said. "Every issue they have tried has fizzled like a wet firecracker."

The vice president claimed the voters would not risk their fortunes on the "wild, high-spending plans the radical wing of the Democratic party will foist upon the economy if they increase their

strength in Congress this year."

"Our opponents are now left without one legitimate issue," he said. "They offer only a return to the discredited policies of the New Deal and the Fair Deal."

"The people are not going to take that chance. They are going to vote for guaranteed progress by electing more Republicans. They are not going to risk their prosperity and their progress by increasing the strength of the radical wing of the Democratic party."

The vice president said the Democrats could not raise the issue of recession because "a booming recovery has exploded the recession issue into bits."

He said the opposition party could not use corruption in government as a campaign theme because it would invite comparison between the "high standard of integrity of the Eisenhower administration and the standards of the Truman administration, one of the most corrupt in history."

And he said inflation could not be a major factor in the campaign because "the record shows that prices went up 50 per cent in the Truman administration and only 8 per cent in the Eisenhower administration."

"In summary, our opponents now are left without one legitimate issue," Nixon said.

"The Democrats are overconfident. Republican candidates are working and fighting harder than their opponents. After months of bad luck, we are getting the breaks. As the economy booms upward, Republican chances are riding up with it."

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## Dr. Graham to Speak At Yreka Meeting

Ashland — Dr. Alva W. Graham, professor of education and director of graduate studies at Southern Oregon college, will address the Yreka Parent Teacher association meeting Thursday, Oct. 16 at the Jackson school.

His topic will be "Education Since Sputnik," and will concern an analysis of the current practices in American educational fields, the impact of Russian technological achievement, and the ways by which the threat to American supremacy in these areas may be met.

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