

Department Gives Awards to Drivers For 1959 Records

One thousand fifty-one state highway department vehicle and equipment operators have been presented with safe driver awards for accident-free driving last year, W. C. Williams, state highway engineer, has announced.

Of the persons honored many were assigned to the southern Oregon district of the department.

From the Medford office were Richard R. Lawton, Carl A. Petersen, and William D. Stanley, all 10 years; Paul W. Robertson, 9; and Luther P. Gann, 3. Ayo Orvil E. Henderson, Alfred W. Overdick, Charles O. Cearley, and Chester W. Vreeland, all 10; Lewis E. Robertson, 9; Carl C. Christian, 7; and Harold A. Kingery, 6; Eagle Point station; Thomas A. Beddingfield, 10; Clyde D. White, 8; Jack L. Ross, 6; and Donald R. Reed and Milton S. Corum, both 1; Prospect; William M. Gibson, Richard L. Howell, and Lyle E. Springer, all 10; Earl E. Bridgman, 8; Ralph I. Robertson, 7; Robert N. Ford, 4; Roy F. Hendrickson, 2; and Lester R. Hazelwood, 1, all Siskiyou station.

Also William S. Inman, 7; Roberts B. Breckenridge, 4; Kenneth A. Brown, 3; and Montee D. Heald, 2, all Cave Junction station, and Carol E. Converse, 9; Clarence Peterson and Bevely M. Estes, both 8; Edwin H. Wylie, 7; and Norman E. Klavano and Allen R. Boyd, both 4, all Lincoln station.

SOCTFA Meeting Planned Friday

Glen Duysen, Kogap Lumber Industries, Medford, will be installed as president of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association, Friday, Feb. 19, at the membership meeting of the association to be held at Kim's restaurant. Duysen replaces Ray Offord, Offord Logging, Medford, who served during 1959.

The meeting will be preceded by a social hour beginning at 7 p.m. with dinner to be served at 7:30 p.m., according to Dale Prentice, secretary-manager.

Guest speakers for the occasion will be Robert Olin, director of planning, and Elmer Surdam, secretary-manager, Forest Industries Radio Communications association. They will discuss the purpose, activities and accomplishments of F.I.R.C.

Curtis Nesheim, district warden, Southwest Oregon district, state board of forestry, will give a brief review of the Oregon Log Brand act and answer questions concerning it. Recent changes in administration and enforcement became effective Feb. 1. The law, previously administered by the public utilities commissioner, is now under the jurisdiction of the Oregon state board of forestry.

Reports and recommendations of the standing committees will round out the program, Prentice said, with entertainment to be furnished by a local "barber shop quartet."

Medford Man Helps In Sunday Rescue

Word has been received here of a Medford man assisting in the rescue of an injured fisherman near the north end of the Golden Gate bridge near San Francisco Sunday.

The seriously injured man was taken from the beach by a Coast Guard helicopter after Ralph Watson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Watson, Bear Creek Motel, 2715 South Pacific highway, pulled him from the water after a wave knocked him from a ledge while fishing.

Injured was Carl Norgaard, San Francisco, merchant seaman. The two men make their home at 627 Page st., San Francisco. The men were fishing at different spots on the beach when Watson saw Norgaard washed off the ledge.

The beach was too rocky for the helicopter to land and Watson assisted in lifting the injured man into the rescue basket. Norgaard suffered fractures of both legs.

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FLOWN HERE—This six-week-old St. Bernard puppy was flown here from Bakersfield, Calif., for the William Dawkins' children of Ashland. Mike, 13, Ellen, 6, and Christopher, 7, receive their slightly air sick pup from Miss Eileen Newton, United Air Lines ticket agent in Medford. The puppy, son of award-winning Keg of Anastasia, will reside at 140 Ridge rd., Ashland.

Backstairs: Ike Runs Through Gestures

By MERRIMAN SMITH
UPI White House Reporter

Washington — (UPI) — Backstairs at the White House: At President Eisenhower's last news conference, he was asked a long question about the public morality involved in the television quiz scandals of last year.

There was a lag of several moments before Eisenhower answered. During this brief interval the still cameras at the rear of the conference room set up a noisy clatter as the photographers shot rapidly one picture after another.

Later, the lensmen were asked about the sudden burst of activity. Many reporters had their heads down making notes at the time and noticed nothing unusual going on.

Many Gestures
The photographers, however, pointed out that Eisenhower has a number of characteristic gestures he employs during press conferences and that during the brief stage wait, he seemed to run through his entire catalogue of hand motions.

He straightened his tie, he put one hand over his nose, he brushed something from his coat and clasped his arms. One photographer described the scene:

"He was as busy as a third base coach calling for a double steal in the last of the ninth inning."

There could have been serious international repercussions from the President's last meeting with reporters.

He was told of a recent statement by Soviet Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev to this effect: "Our flag is flying on the moon. This means something. Is this not enough to prove the superiority of Communism over Capitalism?"

Then Eisenhower was asked, "what do you think of such remarks?"

"It's Crazy"

"I think it's crazy," Eisenhower shot back.

Most of the reporters in the front rows of the conference room understood him accurately. Some however, thought Eisenhower said "I think he's crazy." That was the way a widely used unofficial transcript of the conference, subscribed to by most news organizations in Washington, got the President's words.

The first stories out of the conference reported Eisenhower's reaction accurately, but then the transcript was distributed and things began to pop.

Appeals Court Hears Chessman Lawyer

San Francisco — (UPI) — The 9th U.S. Court of Appeals, hearing the case of kidnaper-sex terrorist Caryl Chessman, was told Monday that the U.S. Constitution itself was on trial.

Attorney George T. Davis made this impassioned plea during arguments that Chessman had unconstitutionally been denied the right to appeal his case directly to the tribunal.

Federal law provides that Chessman must get "a certificate of probable cause" for appeal from a single judge before the whole court can consider it.

Such a certificate was denied Chessman last week by Chief Judge Richard H. Chambers of the appeals tribunal.

Press Secretary Jim Hagerly was disturbed as telephones in his office began to clang. Had the president really meant to say that Khrushchev was a crazy man?

Three times Hagerly checked the tape recording of the conference. He even had some of the White House reporters listen to the tape. There could be no mistake. Eisenhower said the word "it's."

Film Checked
Then the television crews who had photographed the conference on sound film began to check their film back from the developing labs and they confirmed the White House tape.

The commercial transcript service distributed a correction about two hours later. The press associations were able to catch the error in their transcripts but during the afternoon, the word buzzed around Washington that Eisenhower had called Khrushchev a maniac.

This is the sort of human error that is highly difficult to avoid and human error on occasion is inescapable.

Rickover as Defense Secretary Requested

Washington — (UPI) — The bitter debate over U.S. defense erupted on the Senate floor Monday with Mike Mansfield (Mont.), a top Democrat, calling for appointment of Vice Adm. Hyman G. Rickover as defense secretary.

London — (UPI) — Chinese Communist chairman Mao Tse Tung and his three top colleagues have assured Nikita Khrushchev that unity with Soviet Russia is China's "most sacred obligation."

Eisenhower Will Learn Economic Needs Of South Americans on 4 Nation Tour

Editor's note: President Eisenhower arrives in Rio De Janeiro on Feb. 23 to start his 10-day, four-nation tour of South America. In this, the second of a series of articles, UPI's Latin American editor reports on the problems the president will encounter in Brazil and sketches the personalities he will meet.

By FRANCIS L. MCCARTHY
President Eisenhower will get his first close look at an acute South American problem, galloping inflation, during his three-day stay in Brazil.

He will get his first concrete indication of what additional economic aid our hemisphere neighbors would like from their northern compatriots.

Labeled by some "an economist's nightmare," Brazil is the largest of the South American nations. Its 65 million people live in an area of over five million square miles, an area roughly the size of the entire United States.

Only the Soviet Union, Canada and China exceed Brazil in size.

Brazil baffles the economist because of the inconsistencies of its complex industrial system.

Inflation Rampant
In theory, the country should be bankrupt. The Juscelino Kubitschek regime has printed more money in its three years in office than all previous Brazilian governments combined.

Inflation is rampant. Annual cost of living increases are estimated in excess of more than 30 per cent. The

coffee crop, the world's largest and the country's biggest single export, is selling at crisis prices.

Yet, conversely, industry is booming. More than 40,000 new factories have opened up since 1950. Foreign investors are fighting to be allowed to participate in the upswing. Gross investment has doubled in five years. The city of Sao Paulo, flanked by vast jungles and barren plains on each side, has become the industrial capital of South America.

The government is to inaugurate a new federal capital, Brasilia, in April. It has won world recognition as a symbol of modern Brazilian culture.

Study in Contrast
President Kubitschek, like Brazil, is a study in contrast. A political conservative, he is a man of daring modern business concepts. Meeting financial emergencies with "printing press" methods, Kubitschek shocks the economists but keeps his nation humming with industrial activity. Organized labor is strong and active.

A surgeon in private life, Kubitschek is an energetic 57 years of age. He is up for reelection in October.

He is the author and principal sponsor of what has been styled "Operation Pan American," a daringly conceived plan, praised by some and criticized by others, designed to bring economic stability to the hemisphere.



CAROLE'S EX-HUSBAND—James Pappa, husky ex-husband of Carole Tregoff, was a visitor at her trial Monday and would not say whether he was going to take the stand. Pappa, shown as he read a paper before start of the trial, did say that he hoped Carole "gets out of it and I think she will," but added that he wouldn't mind if she went to prison for a couple of years. Pappa said he didn't care what happened to Dr. R. Bernard Finch, Carole's codefendant accused of murdering Mrs. Barbara Finch. (UPI Telephoto)

Inside information is that Brazil will seek a new and large United States loan when the presidents of the two countries meet. The U.S. is by far — 40 per cent of imports and exports — the nation's largest single customer. (Next: Argentina — Example of hemisphere austerity.)



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