

McGee Leads City Police in Shoot At Practice Meet

Lt. Orlo McGee of the Medford police department shot a score of 98.8 to lead the police force in shooting accuracy in a practice shoot at the old Camp White shooting range last week.

The entire department took part in the shoot and averaged 86.79, which is the best the department has ever done, according to Chief of Police Charles P. Champlin.

First platoon (midnight to 8 a.m.) led the other platoons with a 90.45 average. Next came the second platoon with 87.24, the third platoon with 82.48 and the detectives and services division with 87.73.

Each officer was required to shoot 50 rounds with a .38 caliber revolver from varying positions and distances from the target.

In Second Place Following McGee in second place was Sgt. D. F. Tusow with a score of 98.4, in third was Lt. L. C. Perkins with 97.6, fourth was Officer George L. Lucas with 97.2

fifth was Officer Glen Bundy with 96.8, sixth was Officer Milton Hanson with 94.2 and seventh was Chief Champlin with 93.4.

Besides being the best average the department has ever shot, Champlin said that Wednesday's score represents an increase of 10 points from the same average three years ago.

Being able to shoot well is one of the most important requirements of any policeman, Champlin said, and he feels it is vital that members of the force be proficient in the use of firearms.

The Camp White course is of the same type used by the FBI and the department holds practice shoots there every other month. Champlin said that reloaded ammunition is used in practices, which is less expensive than the bullets used in the normal course of police work.

Pear Condition at Markets Studied

Corvallis - What condition are Oregon winter pears in when they arrive on midwest and eastern markets this time of year?

The answer to this question is being sought by two Oregon State college staff members who are visiting wholesale and retail outlets in Chicago, Boston, Hartford and New York.

Dr. Elmer Hansen, OSC horticulturist, and Walter M. Mellenthin, superintendent of the Mid-Columbia branch agricultural experiment station at Hood River, have gone east to observe condition and eating quality of Oregon pears.

They are particularly interested in pears that have been held in controlled atmosphere storage. This is the first season for such storage to be used commercially for D'Anjou pears in the U.S.

Hansen pointed out that inspecting fruit when it is shipped doesn't necessarily reveal what the appearance and condition may be after transportation, ripening, and handling by the marketing trade. It is important to obtain first-hand information on arrival condition, ripening ability, market quality, and trade reaction to the fruit, he said.

The Oregonians also are interested in learning details of new pre-ripening and pre-packaging methods being used by eastern markets. Some of these developments may require changes in Oregon's handling procedures.



PHOTOGRAPHERS ROUGHED UP—United Press International has protested to the General Services Administration against the roughing up of UPI photographers Stanley Tretick and Ed Alley at a government building in Washington, D.C. The two photographers went to the building to photograph a five-year-old girl, N.J., taken from her home by a baby sitter. They were physically ejected by the guards. The upper photo shows Tretick being "shown the door" by a guard. The lower photo shows Alley having his camera forcibly taken from him after he photographed Tretick being pushed toward the door. (UPI Telephoto)

Pickin' Pears News and Notes From Camp White

By SID HOLLINGSWORTH (Pinch hitting for Walter Townsend who has taken on the duties of registrar of voters in the Camp White area. With the number coming in to register this year, he is too busy to give his usual attention to other incidents at the domiciliary.)

For nearly 10 years, the writer has been mystified by the nature of an attraction for tourists a little beyond Gold Hill, called the House of Mystery.

Tales of the grotesque illusion created by some unknown force, counteracting the force of gravity, have been told by the many who visited the area, held by the Indians to be "forbidden ground."

A meeting with the late John Litster some years ago is recalled, when the man who publicized and developed the "Oregon Vortex" reviewed the details of his "discovery" of the spot after the big depression in 1930.

Through arrangements made by District Post 7, of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, domiciliary members have been making the trek to the phenomenal place at this time.

Scientific explanation leaves one cold. You have to experience the force and note the effects to appreciate one of the wonders of nature that as yet has not been explained fully or satisfactorily.

When the eye can no longer impart a true visual impression of what it sees, then you know that something is happening to disturb this sense.

The House of Mystery itself adds to the illusion by being pitched at an angle on the hill, and you have to be a good sailor to make your way through it when the two magnetic forces start to distort what you experience.

It is quite certain that empirical tests do not hold in explaining why the gravitational pull is deflected, and why the azimuth line is displaced so that three inches difference in height may be

Children's Code Committee Recommended to Legislature

Editor's note: This is another in a series of articles in which the Governor's Committee on Children and Youth report is discussed. The series was written by Ann Sullivan, long-time Oregon reporter.

By ANN SULLIVAN

A children's code commission, charged with the responsibility for a comprehensive review and recodification of all laws relating to children, is recommended to the 1961 Legislature by the Governor's Committee on Children and Youth.

The section on juvenile protection services of the newly released committee report states:

"With increase of our knowledge of the needs of children and of the methods most effective in meeting these needs, legislation once appropriate no longer provides the kind of legal base from which programs can be developed to protect and serve the welfare of children."

The report charges a serious legislative lag in efforts to modernize such legislation, largely limited to piecemeal revision, and charges that this is "very costly both in money and in terms of human life" because programs for children tend to be inadequate without a coordinated and sound legislative base.

No Sweeping Revision The committee's report notes that the 1959 Legislature did make a sweeping revision of the laws pertaining to juvenile court procedures and hailed this "a major step."

The committee recommends that a training course or school for police be established at the state level, with specific training directed toward selected law enforcement members who will be juvenile officers or work with juveniles. The report also seeks an increase in the number of police officers assigned to juvenile work on "an adequate and realistic level."

It is noted that there are only eight police juvenile officers in Oregon outside of the Portland law enforcement agencies.

Other recommendations: 1. A system of uniform reporting of juvenile offenses. 2. Continuation of efforts toward uniformity in processing referrals to the proper courts and agencies.

3. A consultant on police juvenile services at the state level.

The juvenile protection study committee (subcommittee of the Governor's committee) stresses need for continuing concentration on the development of a plan which would help local juvenile courts to interpret their program more effectively and gain community understanding and support. Much progress has already been made, the committee points out, mentioning work of the Oregon Juvenile Judges association, legislative efforts and others.

"Basic to effective interpretation of the needs of children and youth," the committee members write, "is an awareness that this cannot be accomplished by professional workers alone but must involve participation of the total community."

Juvenile Advisory Councils The committee suggests juvenile advisory councils be appointed in each county having a population of over 10,000. These would operate to both stimulate community interest in the problems of children and the functioning of the juvenile court and also communicate to the court evaluation of its services in meeting needs of the children and families in its jurisdiction.

Also recommended is the employment of a juvenile court consultant by the state of Oregon. Five other states have such consultants, and they are credited with having done a great deal to improve juvenile court standards and with solving many administrative and relationship problems between the juvenile courts and other departments.

A section on Institutions (Villa St. Rose and the Louise Home for Girls in Portland; Hillcrest School of Oregon, Salem, and MacLaren School for Boys, Woodburn) stresses

Gladys Durand and Mrs. Fred Rehling.

A special invitation is extended to visitors to attend "open house" at the domiciliary library this afternoon from 1 to 3 o'clock. Enid Holmes, chief librarian, arranged the event signaling the opening of "library week." Open house will continue throughout the week.

The Sunday afternoon celebration also marks the opening of the new library at the station, and advantages of the new arrangements will be explained. There will also be refreshments.

that they exist to provide specialized services to help children with behavior problems and not for punishment.

Proper diagnostic services, in the institutions and in the communities, are another need, as well as better financial support of institutional programs and facilities so they can do an "optimum" job.

Also stressed are foster-home facilities, if needed; community understanding; and successful placement back in the community with proper help and use of religious, health, recreational and welfare services of the community.

The staff of the institutions, because of its intensive work with the child, is in the best

STAR GAZER

Table with columns for zodiac signs (ARIES, TAURUS, GEMINI, CANCER, LEO, VIRGO, LIBRA) and corresponding astrological advice and dates.

4-H Club News

Eagle Point Cookers The Eagle Point Cooker 4-H club met recently. There were 11 members present and two visitors. They were Bonnie Sutton and Mrs. Bagley. After the meeting, the first year cooked brownies, and the second year cooked whole wheat muffins.

The next meeting will be April 13. After the meeting, the first year members will make baked custard, second year members potato soup, and the third year members will make a two layer plain cake.

Elk-Creek Forester Squirrels The Elk-Creek Forester Squirrels 4-H club met at the home of Leonard and Margaret Hanson recently. Roll call was taken with one absent.

Our main discussion was pine trees. We discussed different kinds of pine trees and where they grow and how to identify them.

Next month's topic will be oak trees. Next meeting will be held at the home of Morgan Miller, April 13.

Merry Mixers The fourth meeting of the Merry Mixers 4-H Cooking club was held at Jeanne West's home recently.

All the members were present except Sue Cornutt, our president. We judged muffins after the meeting.

The next meeting will be at Dianna Davis' home April 16.

Table Rock Stitches A meeting of the Table Rock Stitches 4-H club was held Saturday, March 26, at the home of Mrs. Frank Myers.

The club members discussed goals. They voted to dispense with the business at our next meeting, Saturday, April 16, and have an Easter party for younger brothers and sisters or friends.

Southwest Club A conservation poster made by Ella Mae Williams won first place in a contest at the Southwest Livestock and Poultry 4-H club meeting March 17 at the home of Carol Leon, president.

Carol demonstrated how to show a rabbit. Heather Rode, Marlene Nougier and Carol Leon led games.

Ronnie Becker and Sheila Franklin will give a sheep demonstration at the next meeting April 21 at 7:15 p.m. at the home of Ella Mae Williams.

Duane Close, Reporter Zesty Stitches Members of the Zesty Stitches 4-H club exchanged corsages during roll call at the March 26 meeting at the home of Mrs. Ben Gardner.

Landscape Design Course Scheduled At Oregon State Home Accidents Among Leading Cause of Deaths

Corvallis - A study course in landscape design, first of its kind in the Pacific Northwest, has been scheduled for May 5 to 7 at Oregon State college.

The course is being sponsored by the OSC extension service and the OSC department of landscape architecture, in cooperation with the Oregon Federation of Garden Clubs. It will be the first in a series of four to be held during the next two years, according to Donald J. Martel, head of the OSC landscape department and coordinator of the course.

The series was set up to help garden club members, people in the landscape profession, and the general public get a better idea of the landscape needs of gardens, parks, and city development, Martel explained. People who understand the art and science of landscaping are needed in every community and state to serve on park boards, road commission, school ground committees, and other public bodies that have to consider landscaping problems, he pointed out.

First Two Days The first two days of the course will give those attending an opportunity to study the history and art of landscape design, landscape design theory, planting designs, and landscape practices of importance to roads and highways. Professional landscape architects as well as staff members at OSC and the University of Oregon will serve as faculty members for the course.

An examination for Federation Garden club members who are working toward their Appraiser's Certificate in Landscape Design will be held the last day of the course. Members who pass all four course examinations will receive their certificates from the National Council of State Garden Clubs.

Enrollment in the course will be limited to about 200, Martel said. More information about the course, and enrollment forms, can be obtained from local garden clubs or at county extension offices.

Newspaper readers want to read local ads. The Continuing Study of Newspapers Reading shows that median readership of one or more local ads throughout the year by women is 94 per cent; by men, 74 per cent.

Accidents kill more children than all the communicable diseases combined, Dr. C. I. Drummond, county public health officer, reminded residents recently.

"While significant progress has been made against traffic accidents, in terms of number of miles traveled, we have too long overlooked the fact that home and other public accidents now rank as Oregon's sixth leading cause of death."

According to state health board tabulations for last year, 208 deaths occurred from home accidents and 223 from public mishaps not involving motor vehicles. There were 801 deaths from motor vehicle accidents.

The average home, according to Dr. Drummond, contains dozens of potentially-lethal compounds, which should be kept out of the reach of small children at all times.

Of the 503 cases handled by the Oregon Poison Control registry in Portland during the last fiscal year, 251 were

The eating and drinking patterns of Americans are constantly changing. One out of every five cups of coffee drunk in the U.S. today is made from instant coffee. This is an increase of 100 per cent over 1953. And local grocers have increased their ad budgets 120 per cent since 1950 to keep their customers informed of food trends and bargains.

children under three years of age and 361 were under 10 years of age.

The largest number of accidental poisonings by a single product during the year was attributed to baby aspirin, with 40 cases reported.

"To many homes have eye-cleaning compounds and other dangerous materials stored under the kitchen sink or in open-face cupboards accessible to children. Out-of-date prescriptions are usually found in bathroom medicine cabinets, and such things as aspirin and sleeping pills on bedside tables. And too many people still store left-over kerosene and insecticides in soft-drink bottles, which may attract unsuspecting toddlers," the doctor concluded.

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But it is prevention of cancer that is one of man's most hopeful dreams. Its realization could result from the dramatic research being done today in immunology and virology looking toward the discovery of a cancer vaccine. Your money is helping to support much of the steady and encouraging scientific progress in the control of cancer. In the last 14 years, the American Cancer Society has allocated about \$76,500,000 to cancer research projects. More money is needed this year. Cancer research must not end until there is an end to cancer itself. Send a generous contribution now to your Unit of the American Cancer Society.

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