

Awards Presented To Clerks Offering Ticket Validation

Mrs. Nancie Lamp, a clerk at Burelson's, was named Park and Shop clerk of the week and received a cash award from the Park and Shop organization last week.

She was one of six clerks in downtown Medford stores who were recognized for validating the group's mystery shopper's parking lot ticket.

Others who received similar cash awards were Tom Rogers at Buster Brown Shoe store, Jack Vaughn at Barker's, Phil Brainerd at Brainerd's, John C. Pinkham at Ander's Photo Shop, and Opal Wyatt at Weisfeld's.

The mystery shopper program was started by Park and Shop officials to remind sales clerks that Park and Shop is a retailer's program, and it is the responsibility of the clerk to extend the courtesy to the customer by suggesting validation, officials said.

Stores are being shopped daily by an unidentified person, and plans call for the mystery shopper to continue shopping until after the holiday season. Most all stores participating in the Park and Shop program have been shopped, officials said.

They said the mystery shopper still finds it necessary to cast hints that Park and Shop ticket validation is desired. In three stores, the mystery shopper either chewed on the corner of the parking ticket, or held it in the teeth where it remained undiscovered.

In four stores, officials said, the Park and Shop ticket was laid on the counter at the time of the sale with the same result. No validation was offered. In four other stores, sales people were asked if they were members of the Park and Shop program, and no validation resulted.

Park and Shop officials said, however, they were well pleased with the interest the program has stimulated. "Our sales people are beginning to get the idea in suggesting Park and Shop to customers," they said.



MRS. NANCIE LAMP
Clerk of The Week

Plans Formed for Lights On Program

Plans are being formed at Jackson school for the "Lights on for Education" program, Thursday, Jan. 5, according to Mrs. Jack Wolgamott, Jackson school chairman.

"Lights on for Education" will be observed by schools throughout Oregon to discuss legislative measures and issues the 1981 Oregon state legislature will consider. The program will include a consideration of issues affecting welfare of children and youth, Mrs. Wolgamott said.

The program is being sponsored in Oregon by three organizations. They are the Oregon Congress of Parents and Teachers, Oregon Education association, and the Oregon School Board's association.

DIRECTOR'S WIFE DIES

New York — (UPI) — Mrs. Erba G. Pankow, 62, wife of Rufus Pankow, merchandising director of Puck, the comic weekly, died Friday.

School Board To Check Authors

Tigard — (UPI) — The Tigard School Board has agreed to look into the backgrounds of some authors represented in a ninth grade literature textbook which has received stern criticism from a group of parents.

The board's decision followed accusations from one mother that some authors in the book have been listed as subversive.

The reader, "Adventures For Today," was the subject of a heated hearing last week. Some parents labelled selections in the book "trash," as well as suggesting some of the authors were on un-American lists.

School board officials said they had decided to continue using the book because they did not feel the reader was immoral, but they said they would check the backgrounds of authors in connection with the newly-brought protests that some authors were on subversive lists.

Brown Returns from Washington, D. C.

Carroll E. Brown, forest supervisor of the Rogue River National forest, has returned from a trip to Washington, D.C., where he attended the annual Society of American Foresters meeting.

Brown was one of four official representatives from the Pacific northwest region of the forest service who attended the 60th anniversary convention. The Society of American Foresters is a group of professional foresters from private and government industries.

Theme of the convention, which was attended by about 1,100 members, was "forestry's expanding horizons."

While in Washington, Brown worked on a one-week detail in the Washington office of the forest service in civilian defense activities in the administrative management division.

En route home, Brown and his wife visited in New York, and in Pennsylvania, where they picked up Mrs. Violet Thomas, who returned with the Browns to visit her daughter, Mrs. Robert Snolich, at Star Ranger Station.



DISCHARGED—This is how a seasoned skydiver leaves the Army. Sgt. Roger Hale, right, of Pearl River, N.Y., has just taken his discharge from SP-4 Lee Meyers as they free-fall in space, 9,000 feet over Ft. Campbell, Ky. Hale then reenlisted for another three years. The men have been selected to be members of the U.S. Army Skydiving team for future competition. (UPI Telephoto)

The Week in California

Narcotics Commission Urges Program To Cut Down Traffic

By United Press International
Gov. Edmund G. Brown's Commission on Narcotics Control recommended more severe treatment for narcotics offenders, increased federal aid and tighter customs screening at the Mexico border as measures to gain control of narcotics traffic in California.

In an interim report, the five-member study commission also recommended that prevention of addiction be emphasized and that the streets be cleared of the "addict peddler."

The commission stated that narcotics traffic in California was not a large-scale syndicate operation but was carried on "almost entirely by addict peddlers operating independently."

Pledges Full Support
Brown, present for a special press conference in Los Angeles on the commission report, said he would give full support to its recommendations.

The governor was questioned about his trip east during which he talked to President-elect John F. Kennedy.

"I am most proud to be able to assure you that under President-elect Kennedy, a White House Conference on Narcotics will be called, and that the hard-pressed forces of law enforcement will get increased help from Washington," Brown said.

He said he and Kennedy talked in general terms about a possible job in the Democratic administration but no specific post was mentioned.

Job Prime Concern
The governor said he told Kennedy he felt his job in California was his prime concern. Brown refused to say whether he would run for reelection as governor in 1982.

Questions from Los An-

geles newsmen on the narcotics commission report were answered by commission chairman Harry M. Kimball, a former Federal Bureau of Investigation agent of Palo Alto.

In explaining the recommendation for more severe treatment of offenders, Kimball said the commission found that the majority of offenders were paroled before serving the full statutory sentences.

"We feel our laws are severe enough as they stand," he said, "providing the prescribed sentences are served."

Elsewhere, there were these developments:
Scott: The U.S. Supreme Court turned down an appeal by Leonard Ewing Scott, imprisoned for life for the murder of his wife, who disappeared from their Los Angeles home in 1955. Scott has asked the high court to decide whether a murder conviction can stand without proof that the alleged victim is actually dead. His wife's body has never been found.

Employment: Gov. Edmund G. Brown announced that the federal government has classified three parts of California as "surplus labor" areas, thereby giving them priority on future federal contracts. He listed the areas of San Bernardino-Riverside-Ontario, Eureka and Ukiah-Fort Bragg.

Drugs: The Assembly In-

SNOW REPORTED

Salem — (UPI) — The State Highway Department today reported packed snow at Timberline, Government Camp, Warm Springs Junction, Austin, Willamette Pass, Meacham. There were icy spots at Astoria, Tillamook, Eugene, Roseburg and at several mountain and Eastern Oregon locations.

Billboard Groups Discuss Measure

Portland — (UPI) — Outdoor advertising industry representatives and representatives of the sponsors of the defeated billboard control measure met Thursday to draft a compromise bill designed to strengthen existing billboard regulation.

Ralph T. Holsapple Jr., chairman of the Council on Highway Regulation, said purpose of the meeting was to explore possibilities that both sides on the billboard issue would sponsor joint legislation at the 1981 state legislature.

Holsapple said the meeting was encouraging and that additional meetings would be held.

THEIR IDOLS

Ottawa — (UPI) — Prisoners in one of Canada's federal penitentiaries decided in a group which television programs to watch to help while away the spare time on their hands. The most popular program was "RCMP," a series on the Royal Canadian mounted police. Thomas Bell, parliamentary secretary to the justice ministers, told the house of commons.

NEW COMMANDER
Washington — (UPI) — Rear Adm. Charles K. Duncan, chief of the Pacific Fleet Amphibious Training command, has been named commander of the U.S. Naval base at Subic Bay in the Philippines. The Lexington, Ky., native will take over in January, succeeding Rear Adm. Arthur F. Spring, who was killed in an air crash last month.



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