

NEW TRAINER—A formation of the U.S. Air Force's newest supersonic airplanes, the T-38A trainer, the first supersonic airplane designed specifically for pilot training, is shown during a flight over the Mojave desert in southern California. The T-38s soon will be assigned to the Air Training Command to provide high altitude, faster-than-sound instruction for the nation's new generation of space age pilots. (UPI Telephoto)

Straub Announces Agenda for Demo Caucus Monday

Salem — (UPI) — State Sen. Robert Straub, Democratic state chairman, Saturday announced the agenda for the Democratic senate caucus scheduled here Monday night. As precedence for calling the caucus, Straub cited caucuses called by Bob Boyer, Democratic chairman in 1956 and by Dave Epps, chairman in 1958.

"Without a caucus at this time," Straub said, "many important matters will be left unattended until the senate convenes."

Agenda Told

The agenda was given as follows:

1. Selection of a candidate for senate president.
2. Election of a majority leader and other floor leaders.

3. Discussion of the Democratic legislative program and recommendations of the Democratic platform convention.
4. Consideration of senate rules and proposed changes thereof.

5. Method of selecting legislative employees.

Straub said that in November he had asked Senate President Walter Pearson (D-Portland) to call a caucus, but the request was refused.

Medford Woman Is Candidate for List

McMinnville — Mrs. Carol Schmid, 1308 Eureka circle, Medford, is one of 12 seniors at Linfield college, McMinnville, named for listing in the 1961 edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities.

Mrs. Schmid is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Davidson, Medford, and is majoring in mathematics education.

New Program Noted For Young Navy Men

Young Navy men may receive prolonged and intensive training early in their careers, according to a new program for enlisted men announced Friday by Chief Murray J. Emmerich of the Medford Navy recruiting office.

"This program is open only to men in certain critical rating fields and is a result of the Navy's ever increasing need for skilled technicians," Murray explained. "It is designed for men who have served at least one year, but not more than four years in the Navy."

Additional information may be obtained from the Navy recruiting office at the post office, or by calling SPing 2-4060 between 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. week days; Saturday 9 a.m. to noon and Monday until 9 p.m.

U of O Professor Receives Award

New York — (UPI) — Dr. Howard P. Lewis, professor of medicine at the University of Oregon Medical school at Portland is one of six persons to receive an award of merit from the American Heart association.

The awards were presented Saturday for "outstanding service in the development of the association's national programs of research, education and community service."

'Bald' Woman Held for Forgery

Los Angeles — (UPI) — Courtroom observers gasped Friday when pretty Mrs. Jo Ann Morrow, 24, removed her turban to reveal a head nearly as bald as a billiard ball.

Police said the Covina, Calif., brunette shaved off her hair so employees at a South Pasadena, Calif., market wouldn't recognize her as a passer of \$243 worth of bad checks.

Conscience-stricken, Mrs. Morrow then surrendered to police. Municipal Judge Louis W. Kaufman refused to reduce her \$5,000 bail and fixed Dec. 23 for her superior court trial on forgery charges.

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Lumber Industry Advised To Keep in Close Contact With State Legislature, Congress

Lawrence (Stub) Stewart, president of the Association of Oregon Industries, told members of the Southern Oregon Conservation and Tree Farm association Friday night "life blood is given to us by the state legislature."

During the meeting in the Jackson hotel he advised members of the lumber industry that they should stay in close contact with both the state legislature and the congressional delegation to make their wants and needs known.

He also touched on several bills expected before the state legislature in its new session starting in January and which will directly affect the lumber industry.

The Oregon forest research laboratory at Corvallis should not be placed directly under

the state board of higher education unless an advisory board of forest industry representatives "goes along with it," Stewart recommended. He noted that the lumber industry has an estimated \$400,000 in reserve now for the laboratory and the plant itself represents a \$2 million investment. This should not be allowed to get away from the industry and used for other than industry problems, he stated.

The AOI does not approve a three-way bill affecting the state industrial accident commission and the workmen's compensation law, Stewart reported. This, he noted, is an extremely controversial measure. The present industrial accident commission is also working on several bills. One proposes universal coverage and injury compensation

based on the whole man rather than 50 per cent of an arm, for instance. He noted also that six legal firms are "raiding the fund." It has become a welfare fund and this trend should be stopped, he urged.

Would Group Agencies

The lumber industry should be opposed to Gov. Mark Hatfield's recommendation for a state natural resources department, the AOI president said. This would group several different government agencies affecting natural resources under one department. The power companies are among the few interests who would benefit. They would have to go to one source for approval of dam construction on a river instead of several as they do now.

"The lumber industry as

the biggest industry in the state doesn't want to be subservient to any one person or office," Stewart said. "The state board of forestry and the state department of agriculture with different interests don't belong in one agency."

"The unemployment compensation is getting into a welfare fund and should be stopped also," Stewart suggested.

The timber tax problem should be well on a way toward solution with both Georgia Pacific and Weyerhaeuser companies joining forces to fight the problem. Stewart invited the SOCTA members to attend the AOI forestry committee meeting in Eugene on Dec. 16.

Likes Duncan

Summarizing the general political picture in the state legislature Stewart said Harry Boylson, state senator from Klamath Falls, would be president of the senate, and Robert Duncan, state representative of Medford, and speaker of the house during the last legislative session would hold that position.

He described Boylson as an attorney with considerable business interests, a wide variety of experience, a good man and will make good committee appointments.

The AOI head described Duncan as a Democrat of "the liberal line" and "basically not too bad." He will make good committee assignments.

F. P. M. "Monte" Montgomery, Lane county Republican, minority leader of the house, will work well with the governor, he said.

Anthony Yturri, Republican from Harney, Grant, and Malheur counties, is a conservative who will also work closely with the governor, he said.

Budget 'Pretty Realistic'

The AOI head described the governor's budget "higher than h— but pretty realistic in view of inflation and the demand for more public services."

He also noted that the "people in Medford helped remove Charles Porter, fourth district congressman, from office. "I hope we have someone in there who will listen to us now," Stewart added.

Tree farm certificates were presented Archie Pierce, Medford, on his 500 acre Papoose tree farm at Squaw lake. Jack W. and Ruth Langley received a tree farm certificate for their 40 acres on Wagner creek.

Biennium Finances Topic of Discussion

Salem — (UPI) — A special 23-member legislative interim committee will meet with the legislative fiscal committee here this week to discuss finances of the 1961-63 biennium hoping to cut down length of the 1961 legislature.

Purpose is to give legislators an idea of what the fiscal problems are prior to opening of the session.

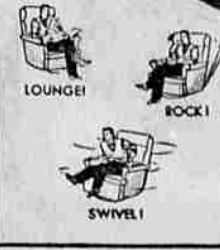
The special committee, made up of 10 senators and 13 representatives, will meet with the fiscal committee Monday through Friday and will hear testimony from key state officials.

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