



ASSEMBLE PENS—A contract for assembling ball point pens was awarded last week to the new Southwest Oregon Rehabilitation Facility and Opportunity center at the fairgrounds. The visually handicapped persons assembling the pens (left to right) are

Blind Assemble Ball Point Pens At Area Center

Blind and partially visually handicapped persons in this area are assembling 10,000 ball point pens for the Oregon Wholesale Novelty company, Portland.

The contract was awarded the Southwest Oregon Rehabilitation Facility and Opportunity center at the Jackson County fairgrounds. Approximately 400 of these pens were delivered to the First National Bank of Oregon, Medford branch.

"This center would like to obtain sub-contracts from the local area," according to Clyde Richardson, area project coordinator for the Oregon Commission for the Blind. "We can do packaging, wrapping, assembling and sanding work. The center will submit bids on any feasible sub-contract."

Blind-made brooms are now available through Safeway and United Grocers' outlets, also from local blind salesman and Lions club broom sales. Wider distribution of blind-made brooms affords more employment opportunities for blind workers, Richardson explained. Hudson House Wholesale Grocers and Broer Wholesale of Grants Pass also handle the brooms.

Present when the new project was initiated at the fairgrounds on Aug. 15 were George C. Schmidt, acting director of commercial enterprises for the blind; Charles Judd, superintendent, Portland shop, industries for the blind; and Virgil Danison, sales representative, commission for the blind.

One of the older fair buildings is being remodeled for the rehabilitation center.

Attorney To Attend Department Meeting

Medford Attorney Edward Branchfield will attend a meeting Saturday of the advisory committee to the director of the Oregon Department of Veterans Affairs at Salem. The committee will consider the department's budget for the 1963-65 biennium and submit its annual report to the governor.

Branchfield, a candidate for state representative, is vice chairman of the committee.

First leg of the highway from Laredo, Texas, to Mexico City, a distance of 766 miles, was opened July 1, 1936.

Success Comes To Young Statistician

Yonkers, N. Y. —(UPI)—Solomon Dutka learned early in life that being able to total two and two can add up to success.

Dutka, now 38, was a college graduate at 19 and contributed his mathematical skills to the making of the first atom bomb before he was old enough to vote. By the ripe young age of 25, he was recognized as a leading statistician and at 29, he was head of his own marketing research organization.

He attributes his success to having received a good education. A native of the Bronx, New York City, where his father ran a tailoring shop, Dutka was encouraged from his earliest years to be a dedicated student.

"We had to like school," he says. "Our parents saw to that."

After graduation from the City College of New York in 1943, Dutka was inducted into the infantry. The Army decided his mathematical talents should not be wasted and sent him to the University of Illinois for a special engineering course.

Two years later, Dutka became a civil engineer and was assigned to the Manhattan project at Oak Ridge, Tenn., where he received a special citation from the secretary of war for his work on the first nuclear weapons.

Advanced Study

After the war, Dutka received a master's degree at Columbia university and became a lecturer on statistics at City college and Columbia. He wanted more than the academic life, however, and became the chief statistician of the research firm of Elmo Roper and Associates. Then he helped organize and direct a medical and pharmaceutical research company, a task that stirred his interest in having his own organization.

Out of that dream came the Audits and Surveys company, which he founded in one room in 1953. So successful has this venture been that Dutka has moved and expanded the operation nine times. Dutka and his organization provide manufacturers with continuous and comprehensive counts of sales, inventories, purchases.

Unander Will Visit In Douglas, Clackamas

Portland —(UPI)—Republican senatorial candidate Sig Unander plans to visit the Douglas county fair in Roseburg Saturday and the Clackamas county fair in Canby Sunday.

He visited the Lincoln county fair in Newport Thursday and the Tillamook county fair today.

es and distribution of their products in all kinds of retail outlets. He employs a staff of 200 research specialists in his New York offices and a field force of more than 1,000 researchers across the country to keep data flowing. Dutka still has time to teach statistics at New York university's graduate school of business. He also likes to travel — by airplane or bicycle. When he is not traveling to distant places, Dutka likes to join his wife, Sylvia, and two sons on bicycle rides.

An ice containing an antiseptic that kills bacteria as it melts has been developed experimentally for use in commercial food packing.

A uniform system of highway markers for federal routes was generally adopted in the U.S. in 1925.

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