

Recreation Group Official To Speak

Charles Collins, executive secretary of the California-Oregon Recreation Development Association, has been in-

ited to speak during a conference on "Use and Management of High Mountain Areas of Oregon and Washington" Dec. 9 and 10 at Timberline lodge. Collins will speak on the "Role of Private Enterprise" as part of a panel discussion of recreation planning and management in the high mountain area. The conference sponsored by Reed College will also mark the 25th anniversary of Timberline lodge.

Portland — **UPI** — The 10th annual Oregon Tax Conference will open here next Thursday.

Teen-Agers Endorse Five-Point Plan To Curb Traffic Mishaps

Homefront, U.S.A. — **UPI** — Two youngsters down the street went joy riding after school the other day.

Within a block of home, a dog ran in front of the car. The driver swerved to miss man's best friends. The car hit a pole, snapped it.

One youngster in a coma and has multiple fractures. His brother, luckier, just has multiple fractures.

Down the highway in a quiet little town five miles from this typical neighborhood, teen-agers recently contributed to a memorial fund "in lieu of flowers" when one of their classmates was killed in an auto accident.

Last year 2.7 million accidents involved teen-age drivers. The figure becomes alarming when you note that there are just 6.5 million licensed teen-age drivers.

Drivers Interviewed

The statistics were cited by Jean Lee, a driving consultant who recently interviewed 1,300 teen-age drivers in 11 cities.

The teen-agers were asked what's wrong? Who's failed? And what can be done to put a dent in the awful statistics.

Miss Lee, former head of the American Academy of Safe Driving in New York, sides with the teen-age drivers.

"Most of them," she said in an interview, "want to be safe, courteous drivers. Their poor driving record stems from lack of habitual skill."

Veterans Receive Compensation Pay

Portland — Retroactive compensation increases totaling \$315,316 were paid last week to 16,560 disabled Oregon veterans, Manager R. J. Novotny of the Veterans Administration Regional office in Portland announced.

The October check was the first to reflect the increased compensation payment voted by the recent session of Congress. It contains a special retroactive payment amounting to four times the amount of the increase each veteran will receive each month thereafter, according to Novotny.

The increased amount each month hereafter to be received by veterans in Oregon will be \$78,829, Novotny said. Compensation for peacetime service-connected disabilities is paid at approximately 80 per cent of that paid for wartime service-connected disabilities.

lack of mature judgment, lack of parental interest, lack of responsibility and lack of qualified driver education."

"Teen-age drivers can protect their lives and change their reputations as reckless, accident-prone hot rodders if adults, particularly their parents, care enough to help."

During "Operation Hotrod" — as Miss Lee's tour was called — the teen-agers endorsed the following five-point program aimed at putting accidents on the skids:

- Better parental example. Poor driving habits among the under 20 age group could be mitigated if parents would substitute example for exasperation and guidance for gripes. Parents should drive the way they want offspring to drive, instead of merely telling them how. If parent's don't respect traffic laws and enforcement officers, how can they expect their children to?

- Driver education. Every boy and girl who reaches the legal driving age should have driver education in the classroom and behind the wheel. There should be a strong emphasis on not combining drinking and driving. Of 18,000 public high schools nationwide, 70 per cent provide some driver education.

- Psychological testing. Schools or community safety agencies should provide tests to determine aptitude and stability on the part of would-be teen-age drivers. State driver license bureaus would then decide, on the basis of this testing, which youths should or should not be issued licenses.

- Better parental control. Temporary suspension by parents from using the family car after infraction of safe driving rules would lead to more careful teen-age motoring habits.

- Self government. Teen-agers should be encouraged to help solve their own driving problems through setting up "kangaroo courts" where they pass judgment and deal out discipline to their fellow violators, through forming their own traffic safety coun-

Youngster Killed In Hunting Accident

Lebanon — **UPI** — Richard Chastine, 12, Sodaville, was accidentally shot and killed while hunting Sunday.

Linn county authorities said the victim had been hunting with his brother, Kenneth, 13, and their grandfather.

The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, three editors and a women's editor. Each article is a summary of a family disagreement presented to the Council. The Council deals with problems, major and minor, encountered by guidance counselors and social workers. Edited by Mrs. Alma Denny. (Copyright by General Features Corp.)

John F. — We're disappointed but would like to get married now anyway.

Mrs. G.F. — It's for the best. Now you can each graduate first and then marry.

John F. — I'm 20 years old and was graduated from college last June. I've been engaged to Violet for two years. She's 20, too, and a senior at the same college I attended.

I was lucky enough to win a scholarship which will cover all my expenses towards a Master's Degree. So I registered at a Western university which offers outstanding instruction in my field. And Violet sent along a transcript of her record, hoping she'd be able to transfer to the university for her last year. We planned to marry in September and leave for the West together.

Well, Violet was turned down. So I left alone and decided to postpone our marriage for a year. But the separation is torture and we're setting our wedding date for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. G.F. — It was Providence that kept Violet East and my son, West. And now John is ready to upset the best break a boy could get. If Violet really loves him, she'll see things my way and agree to stick to the original plan — namely a June graduation for both, from their different colleges. A June wedding can follow, and that's not too long to wait when the reward is valuable college degrees for both.

With all his big talk, John must still realize that he's extremely young. In our state he even needs his parents along to get marriage license because he's under 21. And I'm inclined to withhold consent for his own good. He should apply himself to his studies. So should Violet. Instead she plans to get a job in the local 5-and-10-cent-store to help with expenses, and take a few courses at night.

The Council: Love laughs at locksmiths, we know, and the 20-year-old variety laughs at obstacles like time, space, money. Mrs. F. might as well save her breath, put on her hat for the trip to the license bureau, and prepare to become a mother-in-law in November instead of June.

Not that we recommend this sort of haste. Time after time, we see the aftermath of "campus marriages." Ten or fifteen years later it dawns on the young man that he never had a real chance to try his wings, to be "free." He was tethered and domesticated too fast. And the erstwhile co-ed wonders what might have happened if she'd played a wider field than the Seniors at Oje Winsocki.

But in this instance, John and Violet have already come so close to the altar that a year's delay, especially when there are alternatives, seems to be a cruel and unusual punishment for Violet's failure to gain admission to the Western university. Pining for each other across a dozen states, doodling over their notebooks with hearts and arrows and lyrical couplets, pouring out their missiveness in long letters, skipping lunches to pay for long-distance calls — where's the percentage? End the sweet sorrow of it all, Mrs. F. Ratify the treaty.

Even though John is under age, he must be a pretty bright fellow to have been chosen for a full-expense award towards a graduate degree. And evidently he's found the female counterpart every smart man seeks, the girl who makes him feel ten feet tall, ready to take on all comers. So we say, bring on Violet. Although her education may be interrupted, his wage-earning capacity will be increased by June and enable her to stop working and sign up for a summer session. Mrs. F. plucks the practical procedure. John, impatient, hopes to prove the romantic up-dating of his marriage plans is even more practical.

Broker vs. tipster

"I've got a hot tip—a chance for a quick killing!" That's the tipster speaking—a strange voice on the phone, or perhaps even a friend, or a broker who doesn't deserve the name.

If you're thinking of investing in stocks and bonds, consider the important differences between the tipster and a reputable broker.

Tipster: "I've got a sure thing for you. It can't miss."
Broker: "No investment is without risk. When someone says he has a sure thing, he means a stock whose price can only go up. There is no such thing. The price of stock fluctuates—now down, now up—like the price of almost any property. But over the years, the value of a prosperous, expanding company has a good chance of rising. Its dividends may also increase."

Tipster: "Buy now—before the price goes up."
Broker: "Never act hastily. First, take time to check the facts. What have the company's earnings been over the years? What is its dividend record? Have sales been going down, holding steady or moving upward? A broker in a Member Firm of the New York Stock Exchange can help you get such information. And he will be happy to give you his opinion about the company's prospects."

Tipster: "Who wants to wait years for a stock to pay off?"
Broker: "Set your goals carefully to fit your circumstances. Your goal may be extra income through dividends. Or you may place more emphasis on growth in the value of the stock over the years. Or you might want to consider bonds which usually offer a more stable income with less risk to your principal."

Tipster: "Scrape up all the money you can and bet the bundle."
Broker: "Living expenses have first call on your income. And provision should be made for emergencies. Then you might consider investing."

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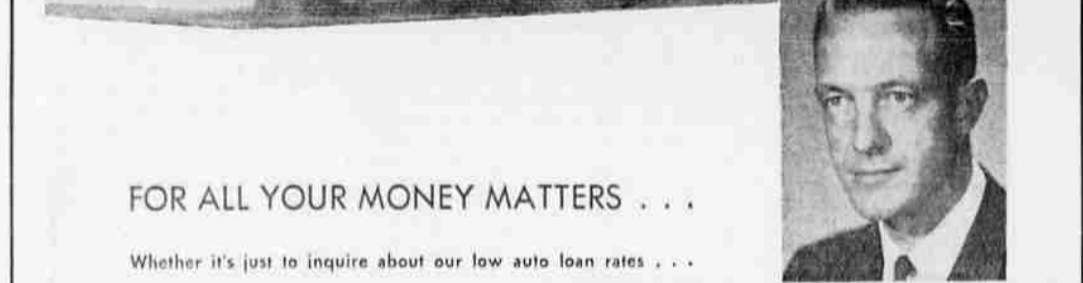
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Eugene Business Leader Found Dead

Eugene — **UPI** — Donald A. McDonald, 33, a prominent Eugene businessman, was found dead in his car here Saturday in the garage of a house he owned.

He was believed to have been dead at least four days. An autopsy was ordered to confirm the cause of death, apparently carbon monoxide poisoning.

The body was found in the garage of a house McDonald was trying to sell. A prospective buyer made the discovery. McDonald was a former president and leading stockholder in Liberty Television, Inc., operator of KEZI-TV. He sold his interest several months ago.



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