

# Business News

By FLORENCE JENKINS



JIM JOHNSON

Appointment of James G. Johnson as general traffic agent for Union Pacific Railroad, with headquarters in Sacramento, has been announced by Madison H. Fowler, traffic manager for the line at San Francisco. . . . Johnson started his UP career as freight traffic agent at Tacoma in 1943. . . . five years later was appointed foreign freight representative for Union Pacific at Portland. . . . In 1952 he came to Klamath Falls as district freight and passenger agent and 18 months ago was named as district traffic agent here. . . . he succeeds Frank A. Fox, who retired on July 1 after 25 years in the railroad's Sacramento traffic department. . . . Arthur H. Clark is to fill Johnson's position in Klamath Falls. . . . he has been with Union Pacific since 1939, starting at Omaha, then going to San Francisco in 1950 until 1952 when he was transferred to Bakerville.

The year 1953 will be the biggest travel year in history, according to the Wall Street Journal. . . . U.S. Passport Office experienced a 21 per cent increase in applications during the first quarter this year and it follows that domestic travel increases when there is a boom in overseas travel. . . . government estimates are that Americans will spend eight per cent more for travel in 1953 than they did in 1952 and it is expected that \$350 million will be spent in Canada, alone. . . . Okanogan Cariboo Trail Assn., Wenatchee, Wash., plans "Caravan 97" to start from Weed on Sunday, Sept. 4, 1950, and to arrive in Dawson Creek, B.C., on Friday, Sept. 9, 1950, with plans announced this year to continue travel stimulation.

Appointed woods maintenance supervisor at the Klamath Falls operation of Weyerhaeuser Timber Co. is R. D. (Sentry) Scott, who assumed his new duties on July 1 with headquarters at the main office. . . . he was formerly with the sales and service division of Loggers and Contractors Machinery Co. and worked out of Medford.

Guided tours at the local Weyerhaeuser plant are available at 9:30 a.m. and 2:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays. . . . guiding visitors through the plant during her summer vacation from Oregon State College is Bette Bousquet, daughter of Vincent Bousquet.

Will Wood, of Wood's Drug Store, Medical Dental Bldg., was reelected as secretary of the Oregon State Pharmaceutical Association at its annual meeting in Salem on June 22, 23 and 24. . . . Wood has been a registered pharmacist since 1915. . . . he started in the drugstore business while a youngster in high school in Klamath Falls back in 1909.

Another veteran "Man of Distinction" is Walter R. Waggoner, of Waggoner Drug Co., 839 Main St. . . . he has been getting awards, degrees, citations, etc., all over the place. . . . he was the youngest Oregon State College graduate at 18 years, back in 1908, before the school gave degrees, so OSC finally has gotten around to send him his M.S. degree. . . . although he did not attend the state convention of the Oregon State Pharmaceutical Association this year, he was awarded a 30-year emblem and has added other items to his collection of awards which Mrs. Waggoner is saving for the grandchildren.



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Victor E. O'Neill, associated with Swan Lake Moulding, So. 6th, packed this week after he and Mrs. O'Neill spent the long July 4 week end at Olympos.

The 1953-54 Oregon Blue Book will be off the press at Portland Printing House, Inc., on Jan. 8, 1953, and will cost \$16.43 for 15,000 copies with 3,000 additional copies available for \$2,650. . . . Oregon Historical Society has prepared the Centennial history for this issue.

Vern's Bar-B-Q, one-fourth mile from the Lakeview-Merrill junction on Highway 39 (at Hager Station), operated by Verna Perry, opened on July 4. . . . Bar-B-Q meats (ribs, beef, pork, chicken, hot links) are the specialty.

Dr. David P. Olney has become officially associated with Dr. Joseph T. Riker in Riker Veterinary Hospital, 6360 So. 6th. . . . Dr. Riker opened his offices here in 1946 after five years with the government and then active military duty in World War II. . . . Dr. Olney, a nephew of Dr. and Mrs. Riker, has been with him during summer vacations from school for the last five or six years and received his degree in veterinary medicine from Washington State College, Spokane, this year. . . . by that time he was married and the father of one child. . . . twins were born to the Olneys the day he took his state board examinations (June 27), bringing the total to three children under 19 months. . . . Dr. Riker is a graduate of Washington State, also, and he and Mrs. Riker met while they were both in college there.

Wilbur Belling of Klamath Falls and Lee B. Albright of McMinnville have been reappointed by Gov. Robert Holmes to new three-year terms on the Oregon Dairy Products Commission. . . . their terms expire on June 30, 1961.

Three members of the Oregon Fryer Commission, Robert Margardt of Springfield, David St. John of Gervais and Mrs. E. F. Conzelmann of Oregon City, have also been reappointed for three-year terms.

Optimism in the future of the lumber market and active competition for timber stumpage distinguished bidding on 22 sales of Rogue River National Forest timber during June, according to C. E. Brown, forest supervisor. . . . 64,160,000 board feet of timber were sold for approximately \$1,959,000, the bid price being 92 per cent above the Forest Service appraised price for the timber.

## State PUC Head Schedules Meet

Brown said. . . . at the oral auction held June 27 for 20 million board feet, 313 oral bids were recorded. . . . bidding started at 3 p.m. and continued without recess until 7:45 p.m., with Ross Lumber Co. as high bidder at \$44 per M on Douglas fir, \$54.05 per M on pine species and \$16 per M for white fir.

Stewart H. Holbrook, dean of Pacific Northwest writers, will give a public lecture on "The Indignant Reader: Poiled" on the evening of Aug. 13 in Portland, as the highlight of the first writers' conference scheduled by Portland Summer Session of the general extension division, Oregon State System of Higher Education. . . . the conference runs from Aug. 4-15. . . . most of the sessions will meet in the buildings of Portland State College.

## Job Claims Show 101,000 Hike

WASHINGTON (AP) — Summer layoffs in the auto industry are held largely to blame for a sudden spurt in new claims for unemployment benefits.

The government reported yesterday that new claims rose by 100,000 during the week ended July 5 to a total of 467,200. The rise is smaller than the 103,600 for the corresponding week a year ago, when the total went to 339,300.

Unemployment among workers insured for jobless benefits reached another 1953 low for the week ended June 28. The report said the total declined by 59,200 to 2,351,700. It was the 11th straight weekly drop.

Trout are found in all but seven states of the Union.

## 30 TRIES

PASADENA, Calif. (AP)—A U. S. space scientist says it took the Russians 30 tries to get their three satellites in orbit. Dr. Samuel Benesh said the figure "filtered out of intelligence circles." He is research group supervisor at the California Institute of Technology's jet propulsion laboratory, where the Army's two Explorer satellites were made.

The Public Utility Commissioner of Oregon has scheduled a hearing for Thursday, August 7, at 9:30 a.m. in the city council chambers for the review of a request by the Oregon, California and Eastern Railway to abandon its agency at Sprague River station.

The company proposes to transfer accounting and services presently rendered at Sprague River station to its station at Klamath Falls, and continue maintenance of Sprague River station as a non-agency station.

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