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Let Us Use Reason

The contention has oft been made that in the matter of traffic laws Cottage Grove should not attempt to educate the world. The Sentinel does not agree with such a statement—Cottage Grove should have the traffic laws it needs regardless of what other cities are doing—but in view of the fact that such a statement has been frequently made in connection with the traffic law enforcement here, it may be of interest to read what other cities are doing. Here is a quotation from the Eugene Register:

"Margaret Martin, driving a California car, was fined \$10 in the city court yesterday for speeding over a street intersection. The judge said that the officers and his court are usually lenient with drivers of 'foreign' cars but that when they drive through the streets at an excessive speed they endanger the lives of others and ought to be punished. This car was being driven at the rate of about 30 miles an hour, said C. A. Cornell, traffic officer."

"Elmer Spencer was fined \$15 for speeding his car on the streets, G. M. Sprague was fined \$5 for going too fast over an intersection and

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"Mrs. Sid Woodhouse, who was arrested Monday on a charge of speeding her automobile on the street, will have to forego that pleasure until about the middle of September, as her drivers' license was suspended yesterday by Police Judge King for three months. Mrs. Woodhouse when arraigned in court Monday afternoon said she was not guilty of the offense, but yesterday concluded to change her plea. The police state that there has been considerable complaint about Mrs. Woodhouse's fast driving on the streets."

"J. Y. Maxwell was fined \$2 for parking his motorcycle on the sidewalk, and E. P. Walters the same amount for double parking his car on the street."

In the language of the classics, "Ain't that awful, Mabel!" Think of motorists being fined for incorrect parking! Certainly the tourists will do some terrible things to Eugene. Eugene certainly will get a black eye. We hear a great deal about what tourists who have no respect for traffic laws are saying about Cottage Grove. Isn't it rather strange that we hear so little about what the tourists are saying about Eugene, where the laws are enforced more stringently than they are here?

A few days ago three residents of Cottage Grove, of whom the editor was one, motored to Forest Grove and home by the west side highway. The editor rode in a Forest Grove car until the Masonic and Eastern Star home was reached.

As the car reached the outskirts of Hillsboro the driver remarked, "We'll have to slow down to 20 miles here; they grab 'em here sometimes for doing two miles over the limit."

As we reached the outskirts of Cornelius the remark was repeated.

We reached the home ahead of the Cottage Grove car which had been following. When it did not arrive after 20 minutes our driver, a Forest Grove resident, became convinced that the speed cop had gotten it and he started back to help get the Cottage Grove men out of trouble. Fortunately the delay was only occasioned by the fact that Sam Maekin had been attracted by a chautauqua tent and had prevailed upon his companion, M. H. Anderson, to stop a few moments for the afternoon performance, but the facts related show that so-called speed cops are active in that section, yet who has ever heard anything about tourists giving the black eye to Hillsboro and Cornelius?

As we left Forest Grove we were warned to watch out for the speed cop at Gaston, but who has heard anything about the tourists giving the black eye to Gaston? Down in California, we are informed, no attention is paid to traffic laws, the inference being that if California police officials permit reckless drivers to operate their cars to suit themselves we should do the same in Oregon. That is no argument whatsoever, but it may be interesting to know that at Long Beach, the Mecca of the tourist, they have become so touchy in enforcing traffic laws that the jails of that city have been

filled to overflowing and the police judges have no alternative but to impose fines which mean little to some drivers. The fines, however, run from \$150 to \$250.

Isn't it funny that we hear tourists say so little about the injustice of enforcing traffic laws at Long Beach and so much about enforcing traffic laws in Cottage Grove? A recent telegraphic dispatch from Oregon City, published in The Oregonian, related the fact that a Portlander had been sent to jail because he couldn't pay a fine imposed for transferring license plates and another Portlander was sent to jail because he couldn't pay all of the \$20 fine assessed for speeding, while a motorist from Dufur was fined \$10 for having only one headlight burning.

If anyone were sent to jail in Cottage Grove, or if anyone were fined for having one headlight, we presume the facts would be published from the southern boundaries of Mexico to the northern borders of Alaska.

We hear a great deal about the idiosyncy of keeping a traffic officer on permanently. "Keep him on for a few weeks to straighten out the reckless driver and then let him go," is a frequent remark.

A permanent traffic officer is too great an expense for the city to bear," or "It is pretty small to try to support the city by fining motorists for petty violations," are other remarks.

The fact that those who drive at a reckless speed on our streets pay the expense of an officer and that the fines are moderate enough so as to profit the city but little is beside the point. The reckless driver should pay a fine and he should be apprehended regardless of whether a traffic officer is a profitable proposition. Those who pay the taxes are entitled to feel that their lives and their property are safe from the motoring fool who has no regard for law except when he gets into the meshes of that law.

Those who feel that we should not have a permanent traffic officer are invited to read the following quotation from a recent issue of the Eugene Register, in fact, the same issue from which the previous quotation from the same paper was made:

"We are interested not so much in the size of the fines as in the periodic off-again-on-again character of these enforcement 'drives' with which the people of every city in the country are familiar. We have an idea that they are responsible for a great deal of the lack of respect with which traffic laws and ordinances are everywhere regarded."

"Let us have it distinctly understood at the beginning that the speeder is entitled to no consideration. He knows the legal limit at which he can travel, and in most states it is a reasonable limit. Before his eyes is a gauge that tells him exactly how fast he is going, so that there is no doubt in his mind at any time as to whether he is violating the law or respecting it. When he passes the legal limit he becomes by his own deliberate act a law-breaker, and deserves such punishment as may be meted out to him."

"But, granting all this, let us examine for a moment the natural and altogether human results of the policy of periodic enforcement of traffic laws. Day after day, at those times when a special 'drive' is not on, the motorist sees other cars zipping past him at excessive speeds and observes that the drivers are not caught. In time his respect for the speed limit suffers. "Take also the case of minor traffic regulations, such as parking in restricted areas, leaving parking lights burning at night, etc. There is hardly a motorist anywhere who does not see regularly wholesale violations of these ordinances. Cars stand for hours in restricted areas, and a drive almost any evening will reveal cars by the dozens or hundreds—depending on the size of the community—parked without lights. Except at such times as there is a spasm of enforcement, minor traffic offenses such as these are legion in number and are moderately safe."

"Pursuing the subject to its logical conclusion, let us take heed now of the frame of mind of the man, who is arrested for speeding when a periodic campaign for curbing speed is on, or who is cited to appear in court because of some minor traffic offense. He has seen others speeding cheerfully without being caught, or he has seen hundreds of other cars safely parking in restricted areas or parking without lights or doing something else they should not and going unmolested because no special 'drive' happened to be on. So the victim gets mad and boils over and puts out the fire. Not only that, but his respect for the law suffers—which is infinitely more important."

"It must of course be granted in common fairness that with the police forces available in the average city or town it is impossible to detect and punish every violation of traffic laws, so the periodic 'drive' is resorted to as the nearest possible approximation of law enforcement. It is assumed that people will be impressed by the arrests on the days when a 'drive' is in progress and will refrain from breaking the law. As a matter of fact the result is exactly the contrary. The victims are angry and resentful, because they feel that they are being made to suffer for the sins of others. The natural consequence is loss of respect for traffic laws in general."

Has Cottage Grove educated Eugene or is Eugene evolving its own traffic enforcement policy? Here is another paper that dares support the city administration in the enforcement of the traffic laws, and yet we hear little that tourists say about Eugene. We hear little about them giving Eugene a black eye.

In the newspapers published in almost every city of any size there appear daily lists of those who have been fined for violating traffic regulations. The truth is that Cottage Grove is only doing what every city

is doing or is going to be doing in the immediate future.

Let it be repeated: The small percentage of motorists who have no respect for law are responsible for the fact that there are traffic officers.

Let it also be repeated: The motorist who uses reason in the manner in which he operates his car will get into no trouble while in Cottage Grove and probably nowhere else in Oregon.

Let us use reason—in the way we operate our cars—in the way we enforce traffic regulations—and in the way we talk about traffic law enforcement.

THE DOLICHOCEPHALOUS MILT

That fearless magazine, Oregon Voter, speaks of "our dolichocephalous friend, Milton A. Miller." Of course, it may be that the Voter had observed the Hon. Milt's sylvan physique before it hurried at him that jagged verbal brickbat.

Long have we sought a word that would accurately describe the Hon. Milt and always until now have we sought in vain. We have little idea what the word means, but this must be the one we long have sought. It

would not have to mean much to accurately and extravagantly describe the sage of Lebanon who now would ensoothe his frail body in the seat now so well filled by Senator C. L. McNary.

The dolichocephalous Milt always has thought of most of the things he wanted said about himself. No one has thought of more nice things to say about Milt than Milt himself, but even his search of the dictionaries of many tongues did not reveal this new one, this hydra-headed, many-jointed "centipedantic" adjective which the Voter has discovered for us. No doubt the Hon. Milt, so much beloved by Milt, will spend most of his spare time rolling its ravishing syllables about on his bourbon tongue, with grave danger of choking himself to death or tearing the lining out of his esophagus if a few syllables should happen to slide down his throat, which would be hard on the Hon. Milt but might cause little mourning among others.

We can think of but one good reason why the Hon. Milt should be sent to the United States senate. The honor might cause him to swell to proportions suited to his natural pomposity.

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