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Increased Deaths, Injuries On Oregon Highways Noted

A driver runs a stop sign and collides with another car. A few minutes later two people are dead and one seriously injured.

A man, later charged with drunk driving, reportedly careens down a hill striking two cars and a pedestrian. The pedestrian, an elderly woman, is thrown into the air and her body is "splattered all over." Seventy-four feet from the point of impact a witness picks up a leg which was torn from her body.

"Well," the driver was quoted as saying, "It was an accident, and that's it. I was only doing about 25 or 30."

These are scenes typical of what has been happening on Oregon highways during July and, safety officials Friday said.

"The callous indifference of drivers and the public toward these deaths is nothing short of barbaric."

From all sections of the state reports of increased deaths and injuries—the toll for 1952 had hit 204 by mid-July—are coming to

the state department's traffic safety division.

Too Much Speed

In southern Oregon a driver plowed into the rear of a car legally stopped at a stop sign. Witnesses estimated his speed at 70 miles an hour but, the driver insisted it was "maybe 25 or 30."

On the coast a driver rounded a curve, lost control of the car and traveled nearly 150 feet through roadside brush. He was thrown out and pinned under the vehicle where he died of a crushed chest. His passenger, still in the hospital, reported, "he was a very careful driver."

"Careful driving," grimly remarked Captain Walter Lansing, head of the safety division, "does not cause accidents but carelessness and indifference behind the wheel can and is killing more than one person a day in Oregon."

Remodeling Job Is Underway at CG Auto Supply Bldg.

A remodeling job underway at the Cottage Grove Auto Supply building at 711 Main street will make the structure into a new one. The remodeling is being continued from an interruption of last winter when concrete walls were built to a height of one story on three sides of the building. Concrete will replace the wooden structure to a height of a second story, running the full length of the lot back to the alley. The ceiling of the present building will be lowered about three feet. A remodeled front made of face brick and glass will adorn the front of the new building.

The front will have an entrance door to be made of glass in the front of the building. Another door leads to a stairway to the upper story. It is understood the second story will be occupied as a lodge hall.

DECORATIVE STICKERS BANNED ON WINDSHIELDS

"Don't make yours a label or sticker vacation!" This is the advice given by Merle Pugh, safety director of the Oregon State Motor Association, affiliated with the AAA.

"Decals and stickers," he said, "have their place on windshields of cars when they are required by law. Otherwise, there should be nothing on the windshield to obscure the vision of the driver or his passengers."

District Forester Conducts O&C Sale Of Windthrown Fir

Three tracts of windthrown timber totalling 4,645,000 board feet on O. & C. land in the Eugene forest district of the Bureau of Land Management were sold for \$101,204,000 in sales conducted by District Forester Otto C. F. Kreuger on July 25.

Hult Lumber Co. bid \$22.70 per 1,000 bd. ft. for Douglas fir on the largest tract which contains a total of 4,175 M of Douglas fir and minor species.

Coast Range Lumber Co. offered \$18.60 per M for Douglas fir on a tract containing 165 M bd. ft.

The third tract brought the highest bid when Cuddeback Logging Co. entered a bid of \$23.75 per M on 335 M bd. ft. of Douglas fir.

The district forester reminds all persons interested in purchasing O. & C. timber in 1953 to submit their suggestions of tracts in which they are interested to his office in Room 212, New Post Office building, Eugene, by August 15 which is the deadline for acceptance of the suggestions. Each suggestion will be given careful consideration in preparing the 1953 timber sale program. Forms on which to prepare the suggestions are available at the district office in Eugene.

Local SSA Benefits Will Be Increased

Nearly every family in the Eugene area, including Cottage Grove, now getting old-age and survivors insurance payments will receive more money beginning with the September payments due in October. If the increase does not show on a check when it arrives in October, and an increase is due, a later check will make up the difference. It is not necessary for people already receiving benefits to apply for the increased payments.

Claude E. Dawson, manager of the Eugene social security office, stated that the recent amendments to the law will mean monthly payment increases ranging from \$5 to \$8.60 for practically all of the 4,000 retired insured workers in Lane County. The average increase for retired workers will be about \$6. In general, benefit payments to wives, widows, children, or parents will be increased proportionately. Dawson pointed out, however, that the increases for dependents and survivors would be less than those for retired workers. In most cases, these increases will be about \$2 to \$5. In a few families the increase will go only to the retired insured worker.

Provides Limits

"The reason for this," Dawson explained, "is that the law has always provided limits to the total of benefits which may be paid to any one family in a month. In some cases, the increased benefit of the retired worker alone will absorb all of the permissible increase. Under these circumstances the full increase will be given in the check to the retired worker and the benefits to the remaining members of his family will remain unchanged."

The 1952 amendments to the law also provide for larger payments to future beneficiaries, Dawson declared. Until now, the law has provided for payments to most such newly retired persons, equal to 50% of the first \$100 of his average monthly wage after 1950, plus 15% of the next \$200. The new law just passed provides for a benefit of 55% of the first \$100 of average monthly earnings, plus 15% of the next \$200. The effect is an increase of up to \$5 a month. Proportionate increases for dependents and survivors' benefits will be based on that of the worker. This revised formula will apply generally to most persons who will become eligible for benefit payments in the future, Dawson said.

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Portland Opera To Give 'Faust'

In the cool, green outdoor amphitheatre of Washington Park the City of Portland Park Bureau and the Portland Civic Opera association, August 1 to 24, will hold the "Third Annual Washington Park Summer Festival. The host city cordially invites all Oregon people to come and bring their summer-time guests for the colorful drama and music events. All are free.

Highlight of the festival will be presentation of Gounod's grand opera, "Faust," at 5 p.m. on Saturday, August 9, Sunday, August 10, and Saturday, August 16. Director is Ariel Rubenstein who so successfully produced "Aida" two years ago, and "Carmen" last summer. With "Faust" there will be a 65-piece orchestra and chorus of 100 voices.

Other Events

Other festival events will be "A Mighty Fortress," new play by Oregon's Jane Erickson, directed by Charles Gaupp, dramatizing Marcus and Narcissa Whitman, pioneer missionaries, August 11, the ballet "Pineapple," Tuesday and Wednesday, Aug. 12 and 13 and again Friday August 15, the International Folk Dancers, Sunday, August 17; the "Mikado," by the Portland Civic Theater and the Portland Symphonic Choir, Monday and Tuesday, August 18 and 19; summer band concert Thursday, August 14, and Wednesday, August 20. Except "Faust" which will be at 5 p.m., all other events scheduled for 8 p.m.

Overnight Campers Pack State Parks

Oregon State Parks have been almost bursting at their seams with overnight campers since the Highway Commission inaugurated its overnight camping program, according to a preliminary survey made by C. H. Armstrong, Park Superintendent. His records show that a total of better than 3,600 people took advantage of the overnight camping privileges during the month of June last as compared to some 1,545 in May.

Armstrong Park, on the McKenzie river, jumped its record from 2 cars containing 8 people in May to 22 cars and 106 in June. Emigrant Springs in Union county reported 79 campers in May with 414 in June. Humboldt Mountain Park on the Coast North of Port Orford had 146 overnight visitors in 43 cars in May; but entertained 222 cars with 737 campers in June.

Bonus Payments On Current Basis

The Department of Veterans' Affairs has announced that bonuses are now being paid on a "current" basis, which means that the backlog of claims which had been approved but for which checks had not been issued has been wiped out.

H. C. Saalfeld, bonus supervisor, said that by the end of last week more than 78,000 bonus checks had been paid to living Oregon veterans and to widows, children and parents of deceased ex-servicemen, in the amount of about \$32,000,000.

He said that there are quite a number of bonus claims with numbers lower than 78,000, however, still in process, and urged veterans not to write concerning these claims until requested.

1st National Bank Declares Dividend

Directors of the First National Bank of Portland at their regular monthly meeting July 23 declared a dividend of \$960,000. It has been announced by F. N. Belgrano, Jr., president.

The dividend constitutes 80c per share on the 1,200,000 outstanding shares of the bank. It is payable at two periods, 40c a share October 1, 1952, to shareholders of record at 1 p.m. of business September 18, 1952, and 40c a share payable January 1, 1953, to shareholders of record at the close of business December 20, 1952.

HAMILTON SELECTED CHEST GROUP HEAD

Nat Guistina, general campaign chairman and Dean Pape, associate campaign chairman for the 1953 Lane County Chest campaign, have announced the appointment of Charles C. Hamilton as chairman of the Industrial Division of the county Chest.

This division is responsible for the firms who are in the food, iron and steel, building and industry and transportation. Mr. Hamilton is associated with the Cummins Diesel Sales of Oregon, Inc. and has been in the diesel engine business for over 12 years. He served for five years in the Transportation corps of the army.



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