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Seat Belt Requirement Approved By Traffic Safety Commission

A proposal to require seat belts in front seats of vehicles sold to Oregon residents commencing with 1964 models has been approved by the Oregon Traffic Safety Commission.

The bill, which also would require seat belt attachments for all rear seats, will be co-sponsored by the state board of health.

The commission also approved a motion of Vern L. Hill, director of the Department of Motor Vehicles, to endorse a move by the Automotive Wholesalers association to seek adoption of periodic motor vehicle inspection in Oregon.

The proposal was presented by a six-man delegation from the wholesalers association.

K. R. Crookham, Portland, spokesman for the group, said an inspection program would result in saving of lives and would also reduce insurance rates in the state.

He cited successful inspection programs in other states as proof that such programs can help improve a state's safety record.

Commission members also concerned themselves with driver education in their final

session before the 1963 legislature convened.

Members voted to recommend increasing reimbursement to schools offering driver education and to provide reimbursement to districts for programs outside the normal school day, even if a fee is charged.

Reimbursement would be increased to 90% of the cost of the course, up to a maximum of \$50 per pupil.

The present level is 75%, up to a maximum of \$30. Funds to cover the proposed increase are currently available.

The commission also rescinded its previous position in support of placing the minimum licensing age at 18, except that those who had completed driver education could be licensed at 16.

The action places the commission in support of the state's current driver license minimum age.

Members expressed the hope that if the increased reimbursement figure wins legislative approval, the driver education program would expand without the 16-18 proviso.

The reimbursement program in the state already has brought about a 93% increase in the number of schools offering the course, from 68 in 1956-1957, the year before reimbursement, to 131 in the current school year.

This is about 60% of the state's public high schools.

Blood Program

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to contact a walking donor, unless a large amount of a rare type is needed.

It was agreed that the only practical way for the program to work would be with the co-operation of the whole of Curry County, with the Bloodmobile visiting Port Orford, Gold Beach and Brookings on three different days on a twice yearly basis. A quota for goal purposes would be set on the basis of population, but no set amount is required. There is only a moral obligation to donate a fair share, Bird pointed out.

Dr. Robert Schmitt of Brookings stated that both the walking donor and the Red Cross program would serve a need, and agreed that doctors in general felt much safer when backed by a Red Cross blood source.

"Everyone in the United States should participate in the program," O'Dwyer said, and Curry County "should not sit here isolated" without the benefits that the Red Cross blood program offers. Only Curry County, Lakeview and Wheeler are without the advantages of the program, with Lakeview and Wheeler to hold meetings on the matter within 30 days, according to Bird.

It is first necessary to determine the wishes of the residents of the county, and confirm the want and the need of the Bloodmobile visitations before taking further steps, it was decided. Three persons will be appointed to each community, with Mrs. Bordwell as over-all county chairman, for the purpose of informing the residents of the facts and to report back to the Blood Program committee on the opinions of residents of the entire county. If it is then decided that the people want the program, further action will be taken and the Red Cross Blood Program will be instituted.

If the plan is to be put into effect O'Dwyer stated that he would be happy to come into Curry County to assist with the organization and give the local group the benefits of what he has learned from the Coos County organization.

JUSTICE COURT

Cases appearing before Justice Arthur F. Niemann in Justice Court since last report were: Gustave Kohler, Jan. 7, VBR \$20; Leslie C. Ringer, Jan. 10, Overload, \$370, \$296 suspended, \$74; James Alvin-Martin, Jan. 11, four in front seat, \$5; Ezra Everett Cooke, Jan. 14, VBR, \$25; Arthur Raymond Shore, Jan. 14, improper lane change, \$10; Thomas Andrew Dykes, Jan. 14, overwidth, \$10.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

Many times in the past I have read letters published in your paper and they "sparked" my interest in whatever subject was being discussed. That, then is my purpose in writing this—not just to air my "gripe" but to interest someone in the subject who can go ahead and do something about it.

Surely every citizen in this town has noticed the work being done by city crews to clear the debris from the October 12th storm. This work is being done through Federal funds issued for this purpose. The majority of the work being done is located in the undeveloped street property of the city where most of our trees fell. The trouble is—"where does private property end and city property begin?"—There lies the rub!

There is abroad in our town a loud strong voice—not of the turtle, but of "Fraud"! "Misuse of Funds"! In truth, these funds are being used to clear debris from city street property which do have downed timber and debris which constitute a fire hazard to each of us as property owners. Some say that this thing is being used as a means to log all the trees for a profit—whose profit—they want to know. The trees belong to you and I and it is very likely that our city officials, which we all know and have placed our trust in, would attempt such an open robbery of municipal funds?

This property being cleared belongs to all of us and should be of concern to each of us, not as individuals, but as citizens. Let's stop this stupid, wasteful, quarreling and settle this thing fairly. By the way—the biggest part of my new rose garden belongs to the city of Port Orford—in truth.

As a result of all the "hue and cry", operations have been temporarily halted by city officials until their methods have been investigated by Federal Authorities. This has affected the incomes of five families in this area, not the least of these being my own.

Let's not be so quick to see evil in the work being done by our civil servants of the community. As my grandmother would say, "as coals are to burning coals, and wood to fire, so is a contentious man to kindle strife."

Emphatically Yours,
Dee Hansohn

To the Editor:

Just a few words of appreciation to our firemen for their prompt and efficient answer to our call for aid on Saturday, about 1 a.m.

They had the fire out within a few minutes with a minimum of damage.

We, the resident of this fair city, never really appreciate the firemen until we need them. We say thanks again, fellas, for your quick response and capable work. We will rest easier knowing we have a crew such as we have.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Muirhead
Port Orford

Morse Pledges Harbor Effort

January 9, 1963

Editor
Port Orford News
Port Orford, Oregon

Dear Sir:

Recently, I received a report from the Office of the Corps of Engineers, Washington, D. C., on the status of the Port Orford project. The Corps had this to say:

"Work on this study was initiated in Fiscal Year 1961 and the District Engineer's report is scheduled for completion early in 1963. The report will

then be reviewed by North Pacific Division, Board of Engineers for Rivers and Harbors, and Office, Chief of Engineers. Comments also will be requested of interested State and Federal agencies prior to submission of the report to Congress.

"You may be assured that every effort, consistent with the necessity for sound engineering analysis and thorough review and study, is being made to complete and submit the report to Congress at the earliest practicable date."

Sincerely yours,
WAYNE MORSE
WM:pn

Curry Voters Notified Of Their Registration Standings

Registration Notices were mailed to 1627 voters last week by Curry County Clerk B. I. Mather. Recipients of these cards are those who failed to vote in any county-wide election since the General Election of 1960. Unless the notified voter signs and returns his Registration Notice to the County Clerk by March 28, the law provides that his registration be cancelled, according to County Clerk Mather.

Any voter who wishes to remain on the registrar of electors and wants to be eligible to vote in any future election should return his card immediately. In all elections a voter must be registered 30 days before the election. This is one qualification of a voter in special district elections although the law may also state

that a voter must also be a resident of the district or that he must also be a property owner.

County Clerk Mather states that a few voters who moved to new precincts in the County without cancelling previous registrations may also receive registration notices. Unless the County Clerk is notified that the elector has been previously registered, it is only now that the dual registration is found. Any elector who is in this category should return his card and advise the County Clerk his new address, if any, and his new precinct so that the former registration may be cancelled.

Holiday Engagement Announced

The engagement of Miss Kay Robinson to Mr. A. C. Carlton was announced during the New Year's Holiday by the bride-elect's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer C. Robinson of Port Orford.

Miss Robinson is presently living in Glendale, Calif., where she is employed by an insurance company.

Her fiancé, of Tacoma, Wa. is the son of Mrs. D. L. St. Peter and Mrs. Stanley Carlton, both of Washington. He is serving with the Navy at Camp Pendleton, California.

A local wedding is planned for March 2.

SHOP HOME TOWN STORES FIRST

NEWLY installed queen Marilyn Rundberg, introduces past honored queens of Job's Daughters, Bethel No. 50, Port Orford, during recent installation ceremonies.

On platform, from left, past honored queens, Merrie Jo Jensen, Patty Ellis, Queen Marilyn, Linda Couch, Mary Kay Barklow and Sherry Dahrens.

Others at left, Cheryl Severns, marshall and Kathy Mills, senior custodian; far right is Judy Alborn, guide.

RECORDER'S COURT

Cases appearing in the recorder's court before City Judge Haines since last report were: Jan. 11th, Wallace Robbins, reckless driving fine, \$300.00; Jan. 11th, Wallace Robbins, minor in possession, \$50.00; Jan. 14th, Jerry Crum, VBR, \$15.00; Bob Reinke, improper passing, \$10.00.



LEAVES FOR PORTLAND

Mrs. Gloria Dearborn left Monday morning for Portland to enter the State Industrial Accident Commission Rehabilitation Center. She will receive therapy treatments for a back injury received several months ago. It was reported that she may be there for 2 to 6 weeks.

RETURNS TO SCHOOL

Gary David returned to school Monday after spending several days in bed with pneumonia.

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about our business communications planning service or to report a telephone problem, we want to be of help. Ours is a service business, and we are striving to bring you telephone service as fine as is available anywhere in the U.S.A. We are a part of this community, and we will share in its problems and its progress. So when you call us we'll answer with a fast, friendly and ever-ready—"May We Help You?"



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