

Convictions Up In State

Oregon courts convicted more than 206,000 people of violating traffic laws during the first six months of this year. The figure is 17 percent higher than for the same period last year.

In a report covering the first half of the year, the Motor Vehicles Division suspended 27,069 driver licenses, all but 4,273 of them under mandatory provisions of the law.

Total suspensions issued for all causes increased more than 12 percent over the first half of 1972, but suspensions for driving while under the influence of liquor increased more than 24 percent. The report shows 6,610 licenses suspended as a result of court convictions on this charge.

The report also showed that the number of people refusing to submit to a breath test so far this year increased 54 percent -- from 837 for the first half of 1972 to 1,291 through June of this year.

The agency's driver improvement and control program showed increases in all areas of activity. Nearly 12,000 advisory letters were sent to drivers with too frequent entries of convictions or accidents on their records. More than 3,600 drivers were called in for interviews to discuss their driving records and 1,300 licenses were suspended when drivers failed to improve their records after all other steps had been exhausted.

NEW ONPA PRESIDENT



WALLACE COWEN

The publisher of the Independence Enterprise-Herald, Wallace Cowen, has been elected President of the Oregon Newspaper Publishers Association for the 1973-74 year.

A veteran of 20 years as a publicity representative for the motion picture industry, Mr. Cowen began working as an advertising manager for the Capitol Press in Salem in 1956.

He later joined in a partnership to purchase the Milton-Freewater Valley Herald, which he sold in December of 1972.

Mr. Cowen was named publisher of the Enterprise-Herald, part of the Blue Mountain Eagle Inc., Oregon weekly newspaper chain, March of 1973.

He was elected by delegates at the annual ONPA meeting held June 21-23 in Seaside.

Senator Ripper Reports

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The Oregon Legislature is taking on a new look in the interim period between sessions to achieve continuity in carrying on the necessary business of state government. For the first time, standing committees which functioned during the session will take an active role in seeing that the intent of the Legislature is carried through by the many agencies and departments that work for the state.

During the interim I will try to keep you informed on the work of the Emergency Board and the other committees on which I serve.

Looking back at the legislative session just completed, I feel we chalked up a high score of successes. It was a democratic session, both with a capital "D" and a small "d". In the four sessions I have now served, this was by far the most democratic so far as people involvement was concerned, and with the most people-oriented legislation being passed into law.

No group got everything they wanted, but every group got something they had been working for, in many cases, several years. Labor benefits, tax relief, increased school support, welfare reform, environmental protection, and the hundreds of other concerns which were acted on by the Legislature.

It was a particularly good

year for labor. Industrial accident compensation and widows benefits, which had been the nations lowest, were increased and tied into the cost-of-living index. Minimum wage was boosted from the present \$1.25 an hour to \$1.60 this year and \$1.75 next year; enacted collective bargaining for public employees, and set up a state program of industrial health and safety.

We had promised tax relief to low and middle income home owners, and for the first time in history allowed the voters to have a voice in formulating tax reform. As a result of the defeat of the McCall Plan we devised an immediate tax-relief program based on the home owner's ability to pay. Families earning less than \$15,000 will receive property tax refunds ranging from a minimum of \$100 to \$490 depending on their earnings, with the elderly on social security virtually paying no property tax at all.

Some of the most significant legislation ever passed in Oregon to protect the public's right to know about their government came from the Committee on Professional Responsibility, of which I was chairman. Even before the shadows of Watergate became so apparent, we were working on laws on opening meetings, conflict of interest, lobby disclosure, campaign spending, open records, and the shield law to protect news sources.

Of special concern to the coast was the establishment of

the 50-mile fisheries conservation zone giving the responsibility of management and regulating of off-shore fish resources to the State Fish Commission. Though not adequately funded, the bill, which was jointly sponsored by your three Coos-Curry legislators, gives the state of Oregon regulatory authority over fishing practices and designates our rights over our resources to the continental shelf.

The great push for a heavy-duty highway link with Interstate-5, though unsuccessful, brought attention to the drastic need for safe highways in Southwestern Oregon and loosened up funds for additional work on existing highways 42 and 38. A \$150 million dollar bond issue for secondary highways will help relieve the problems of the downstate areas.

Programs such as mental health, children's services, the deaf and blind schools received substantial increases in funding by Ways and Means, and passed by the Legislative assembly which had a deep concern for the needs of all of Oregon's citizens.

In retrospect, we can be proud of the record of the 1973 Legislature. There were disappointments, of course, caused in the most part by the different interests of the downstate legislators and those from the Willamette Valley and metropolitan Portland area, and the overwhelming strength

IRS Agents Investigate Food, Fuel Complaints

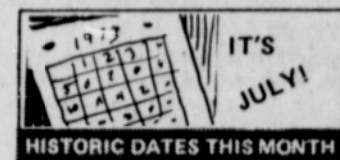
Internal Revenue Service agents in Oregon have completed 245 price freeze investigations since the freeze was imposed June 13, under the Economic Stabilization Act. This announcement was made by Jean Lewis, Acting IRS Stabilization Officer for Oregon.

Lewis said increased food prices were the subject of 104 investigations while 81 concerned gasoline prices. IRS agents found 174 of the firms checked were complying with the freeze regulations when contacted. The other 71 voluntarily rolled back prices after being contacted.

Lewis commended these firms for their cooperation, but pointed out, "IRS will continue spot-checking all firms. A clean bill of health now is no guarantee for the future."

In a related program, Lewis added, Stabilization Investigators were visiting firms with sales of between \$50 and \$250 million for an on-site spot check of their Forms CLC-2. This is a form all companies with sales in excess of \$50 million were required

to file with the Cost of Living Council by June 30. The IRS visits are being made between July 2 and 15. Lewis added that these firms may be audited in depth at a later date. Lewis encouraged the public to call IRS at 221-3960 if they have any questions on the freeze. The number may also be used to report complaints of suspected freeze violations. For those outside of Portland, the toll-free number is 1-800-452-1980 anywhere in Oregon.



HISTORIC DATES THIS MONTH

JULY 4. In 1836, on the 60th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, two of its principal signers, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, both died.

JULY 4. The Statue of Liberty was presented to the U.S. by the people of France, in 1884.

JULY 5. The Secret Service was established in 1865 as a division of the U.S. Treasury department. Their function was to protect the President, Vice-President and the President and Vice-President elect and their families, and curb forgery and fraudulent use of U.S. currency and treasury bills.

JULY 6. The Republican Party was founded in 1854. Their first national state officer John C. Fremont for President and William L. Dayton for Vice President. The first national victory occurred when Abraham Lincoln was elected President in 1860.

JULY 10. Telesat, the first, worldwide communication satellite, was launched in 1962.

JULY 14. The first world's fair was held in 1853 in New York. JULY 20. On this date in 1969, the first man walked on the moon.



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ECONOMY DINNERS 10 1/4 39¢

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FRENCH FRIES 1 LB 1 49¢

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