

Country traffic deaths down

Only two of Oregon's 36 counties — Sherman and Wheeler — completed 1971 without recording a single traffic death, according to tentative figures released by the Oregon Motor Vehicles Division.

Eighteen of the counties recorded fewer traffic deaths than in 1970, one recorded the same number, and 17 others had higher death tolls. The agency said fewer deaths were reported in Clackamas, Clatsop, Columbia, Coos, Curry, Hood River, Josephine, Klamath, Lake, Lane, Linn, Multnomah, Sherman, Tillamook, Umatilla, Washington, Wheeler and Yamhill counties.

Lane county, with 43 deaths recorded its lowest death toll since 1962 when 30 deaths were reported. That figure is 20 below 1970.

Counties which recorded increases last year were Baker, Benton, Deschutes, Douglas, Gilliam, Grant, Harney, Jackson, Jefferson, Lincoln, Malheur, Marion, Morrow, Polk, Union and Wasco.

The tentative state toll has been set at 685. In Clackamas county the total was 43 down from 52 deaths in 1970.

Parsons tables popular

"Simple, yet elegant, at home in any setting, functional, versatile," these terms used to describe the Parsons table, one of the hottest items on the furniture market today, observes Mrs. Helen McDowall, Clackamas County Extension Agent.

The Parsons table is recognized by its distinctive design. The legs are set flush and in equal proportion with the apron, or table top. It is sometimes known as a "T-square" table, and one a home carpenter can make more easily than other styles.

The table's name comes not from a minister-type parson but from the Parsons School of Design, which espoused clean, simple lines. Tables of this type have been around for a long time—in fact, some ancient Chinese tables have this characteristic shape. The ones in vogue today actually date back to the 1970's, when they

were popularized by a French designer.

Parsons tables come in all sizes, and can serve a multiplicity of purposes, says Mrs. McDowall. Some are large enough for dining; others are suitable for sewing; games; writing; tea; or just as an end table. In colors or wood tones; they have shiny, easy-to-clean lacquer surfaces.

If you want an accent piece for a room—whether the decorative style is contemporary or period—consider a Parsons table, advises Mrs. McDowall. These sleek, sophisticated pieces are not only timely, but timeless, and are attractive in nearly any setting.

Ideal time to rogue Tansy Ragwort

Since alfalfa fields and pastures are more or less dormant right now, it is an ideal time to rogue Tansy Ragwort plants out of these plantings, states Extension Agent Clive Cook.

Tansy Ragwort is showing up in alfalfa plantings and pasture fields to an alarming degree. The continuous feeding of hay with Tansy Ragwort in it has been found to cause livestock to die, even months after consuming the feed, because Tansy Ragwort poison builds up in the animals body.

The alfalfa fields will need to be hand rogued, since it is not practical to spray the Tansy Ragwort because the spray would likely kill out the alfalfa.

Spraying of the pasture fields is practical, since the spray does not kill the grass. The spray, however, will kill the clover in the pasture field. If there is only a small amount of Tansy Ragwort in the pasture field, spot spraying would be more desirable to avoid killing out all of the clover.

For further information on timing and kind of spray to use to kill out the Tansy Ragwort, contact the County Agents Office at 256 Warner-Milne Road, Oregon City.



COME DOWN, COME DOWN—Centennial's George Goben (51) and teammate (second from right) wait with Sandy Pioneers for ball to come within grabbing distance, during Eagles' jamboree Tuesday night. Pioneers stopped Eagles 13-10 in their quarter "game."

Trailer, boat show Jan. 15

The 1972 Portland Boat, Trailer and Sport Show will open at 1 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15, in the Memorial Coliseum with balloon races, a panorama of mountain climbing thrills and demonstrations of camping know-how high on its all-the-family program.

Nightly balloon races in the Coliseum arena will be the show's most unusual feature. The balloons will be piloted by ex-airline stewardesses and radio personalities. In past year the Boat Show has come up with such specials as a wrestling tiger, a wrestling alligator and an affectionate killer whale. Indoor balloon racing may be another "world's first."

All aspects of outdoor recreation will be stressed in three acres of exhibits and demonstrations. Boats ranging

from \$50,000 luxury cruisers to sailing dinghies are central in the exhibition, but do not dominate it. Landlubbers have equal space in extensive showings of vacation trailers, campers and other recreational vehicles, fishing and hunting gear and the equipment of a dozen other outdoor fun pursuits.

Mike Suyderhoud, the world water skiing champion, and Luther Jerstad, one of the conquerors of Mt. Everest, will both participate in the show. So will Harold McCallum with his complete collection of all Winchester rifle models since 1866. George Galicz, the Canadian falconer, will show his unique collection of live eagles, falcons and other birds of prey. "Sourdough Jack" Maybee, author of a best selling book on sourdough cookery, will hold campfire instruction sessions as part of a "camping college."

Country nurses hold meet

The Clackamas County Unit of Oregon Registered Nurses Association will meet in the cafeteria of Oregon City Hospital on Washington St. at 7:30 p.m. on Monday Jan. 24. John R. Hewitt, Public Health Educator from Emergency Health Services will speak on the question of "What is Emergency Health services?" All area nurses are cordially invited.

Browne seeks state office

Elizabeth W. (Betty) Browne, state senator from Lane County, announced Monday that she will seek the Democratic nomination for attorney general of Oregon in the May primary.

Senator Browne, an Oakridge attorney, made the announcement at press conferences in Portland and Eugene.

Mrs. Browne said she was prompted to run for the office after becoming aware of the widespread discontent with the present administrative practices of the attorney general's office expressed by state agencies and departments during the last legislative session.

"Representatives of many of these agencies feel that they are not receiving the quantity and quality of legal services which they need for efficient,

economical operation," she said. "In the present period of financial difficulty, the state cannot afford the waste that results from a lack of adequate legal counsel."

In urging Oregonians to work with her "in restoring confidence in the office of attorney general," Senator Browne said that "the people of Oregon deserve a Department of Justice in which opinions are based on an even-handed interpretation of the law and a concern for the public good without regard for special interests or political expediency."

"Oregonians have a right to good government at every level, and certainly have every reason to expect the highest degree of competence and integrity in their chief legal officer. I am sure that in the coming elections they are going to assert this right," she said.

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