

Licenses Suspended By State For Chronic Offenders

The fact that driving a car is a privilege, and not a right, has been brought home forcefully to 4 Oregon drivers so far this year, Secretary of State Earl T. Newbry commented Friday.

The 49 drivers to which he referred had licenses suspended for varying periods of time because of what Newbry called "an unsavory collection of traffic violation convictions and accidents".

Most such drivers, he said, are found to have faulty attitudes toward driving which lead them to accident involvement. When letters and interviews fail to bring an improved record, licenses are suspended.

Newbry said the basic difficulty stems from the mistaken idea that "anyone, by virtue of his citizenship, is entitled to drive a car." "This is not true, and if we have to suspend a license to prove it we intend to do so".

Records in Oregon and elsewhere indicate that driver mistakes stemming from bad driving attitudes are basic causes of traffic collisions and that 95 per cent of all accidents involve a driver violation of law. "This violation of law," Newbry concluded, "occurs when drivers fail to realize the responsibility driving places in their hands, and to appreciate the privilege they have in operating a motor vehicle."

RETURN FROM VACATION

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Breuer have returned from a week's vacation in California.

MRS. ROBINSON AWAY

Mrs. Priscilla Robinson left Sunday to visit her aunt in San Diego. She'll be gone for some time.

Driving Too Slow Illegal, Too

Pleasure driving isn't pleasant when you hold up the normal flow of traffic by driving too slow.

In fact it's unlawful, the Secretary of State's traffic safety division pointed out this week. Oregon motor vehicle law says it's a violation for "any person to drive at such a slow speed as to impede or block the normal and reasonable movement of traffic." Exceptions are trucks and trailers or other vehicles that cannot go any faster.

Safety men say the traffic poke makes for trouble by irritating following drivers into passing when there is not enough clearance to do so safely. Your clue that you may be out of bound comes when you find yourself at the head of a long parade of traffic and the man behind is edging out to the centerline waiting for a chance to pass.

A savvy driver in such a spot pulls off on the shoulder at the first opportunity to let the rest of the parade feed by, the office advised.

St. Timothy's Guild Bazaar Thursday

Members of St. Timothy's guild, St. Timothy's Episcopal church, will hold a bazaar on Thursday, December 3, at the VFW hall. The bazaar will be open from two p.m. through the evening.

Receipts from the bazaar will go into the building fund for St. Timothy's church, which the parish plans to begin building soon.

Livestock Men to Meet at Gold Beach

The Curry County Livestock Association will hold their annual meeting Friday, Dec. 4, in the courthouse at Gold Beach. The meeting will start at 10 a.m. with committee meetings on taxation, feed control, predatory animal control, and auditing committee. A committee on theft and control of night hunters or spotlighters as they are more commonly known, will also meet at the same time.

The afternoon session will start at 1:30 in the courtroom with committee reports; at 2:30 discussions will be held on the livestock marketing conference to be held at Corvallis in January and the annual meeting of the Western Livestock Association to be held in Salem.

Another item of discussion will be the 1955 annual meeting of the Western Livestock Association which is an invitational affair and we hope, may be held in Gold Beach.

The meeting will adjourn at 3:30 p.m.

Business to be discussed both by committees and in open sessions will be of prime importance to all livestock men in Curry County. Consequently, this annual meeting is open not only to the livestock members but to any livestock producer in the county.

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School Proposed For Miners

Chrome miners who wish to learn more about their business are advised to watch for the next issue of this paper when a meeting time and place will be announced by Mrs. Charles Young, secretary of the local "Rockhounds." This should be applicable to miners both sides of the line.

The idea is, Dr. Samuel N. Dicken, dean of geology at the University of Oregon, has advised they might set up a short term course in chrome mining, especially, should there be enough interest shown and the proposed meeting will be to find out how many are interested and what, especially, they have in mind. It is probable the course would be on a vocational basis and not delve into too much technicality.

It would probably be set up at Eugene, and be for a month or so during the winter when most of the miners are idle.

Here's How To Get City Police

If you feel like you'll be wanting to call the police at any time in the near future, you'd better clip this. Telephone number of Bud Cross, police chief, is 3193.

The number of the city hall is 2854. A message can be left there. If they don't work, and it's an emergency, call the Del Norte sheriff, Crescent City 1031. They can radio the Brookings police.

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