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## Give the Kids a "Break"!

You must stop for school busses. This is the way the Oregon school bus stop law works. On a two lane highway all traffic must stop when meeting or overtaking a school bus which has halted to load or unload children. On highways having three or more lanes vehicles must stop only if they are traveling in the same direction as the bus.

After having stopped, you must not proceed as long as any children are loading or unloading. You must remain stopped as long as any children are crossing the highway. All school buses are equipped with red stop arms. These stop signal arms assist in holding traffic until all children are safely across the road. Flashing red stop signal lights indicate that the bus is loading or unloading children. Traffic must stop for the bus whether or not the stop arm is displayed if the signals are flashing.

The use of either of these signals by the bus driver indicates that traffic must remain stopped. This law applies equally to city streets, rural roads, and highways. Since the widening of streets in North Brookings many traffic violations involving school busses have been noted. It is hoped that the above explanation will prevent further violations from occurring. If there are any other questions relating to the Oregon school bus stop law, call Supt. of Schools D. D. Williams, or contact Chief of Police Bud Cross.

## Doesn't 'Hasta be Shasta'

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As prominent as the signs saying such slogans as "We want a highway, not a corkscrew" and "It hasta be Shasta" were the broad grins on the face of the Curry county secessionists in the photo from Brookings this paper printed the other day. There wasn't a single Tommy gun in sight, either.

Apparently the new state of Shasta, which eight counties of northern California propose to form from and which Curry county people say they will join, is to be organized peacefully. There's no need yet for Governors Elmo Smith and Goodwin Knight to call out the National Guard.

Actually, of course, few if any of the Californians and Oregonians who are talking secession are really serious about it. As in 1941, when they announced they were of similar mind—Jefferson or Wonderland was then suggested as the name for the 49th state—they are simply calling attention to their "orphan" status. Northern California and Oregon's Curry county sometimes feel neglected by their state governments. The Californians are additionally perturbed by the view that too much of their water is being siphoned off for the benefit of Central and Southern California.

This page has spoken on several occasions about the crookedness of U. S. Highway 101 in southwestern Oregon, a condition which reduces one of the most scenic drives in the world to a form of torture. The Highway Department has taken some steps to remedy the situation. Before too long, one hopes, the good Oregonians of Curry county will have only one kind of corkscrew left, the type essential to proper celebration of the completion of a new straight route to Wonderland.

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## Christmas 1956

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Again let us dedicate our lives to the service of our Heavenly Father. As we pray, let us give thanks to Him for our priceless heritage to worship and live as free people.

Let us remember to pray for those who bear the burden of tyranny and for those who are ill and depressed, that they may soon be blessed with lighter hearts.

Let us pray for His guidance of our chosen leaders that they may work wisely and unceasingly for amity among nations.

Let us with thankful hearts, spread the age old message of the Christmas angel, "Glory to God in the Highest, and on Earth, Peace to Men of Good Will."

## Letter to the Editor:

Dear Sirs:  
I am a subscriber to your newspaper and enjoy reading it very much. We are property owners in your nice little town of Brookings and, of course, we are interested in the progress of the town.

We noticed a letter written to the editor of THE BROOKINGS HARBOR PILOT in the September 13, 1956 issue of the paper concerning need for a hospital in the town of Brookings. (The letter was signed Mrs. Albert Panesi, Santa Rosa, California.)

The town of Brookings is in the same situation as our little town of Nyssa, Oregon used to be. All hospital cases had to go to the Holy Rosary Hospital in Ontario, Oregon and many of them to Boise, Idaho. The Boise hospitals had to care for ALL the polio cases. This was really asking too much of the hospitals in another state, which had a load of their own to carry.

I am enclosing a write-up, on our Nyssa Hospital, which appeared in the IDAHO STATESMAN newspaper in its August 19, 1956 issue. Thought it might help your town if it ever gets to seriously thinking about building its own hospital.

We have a hospital in the little town of Nyssa that we all can be proud of because we all helped to build it and we all keep it going. "Where there's a Will there's a Way"

Best wishes for a progressive Brookings.

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Lynn Hurst,  
Rt. No. 1,  
Nyssa, Oregon.

## SAFETY FIRST

This will be a week of office parties and holiday get-togethers but from experience traffic officials know it may also be a week of increasing accidents, injuries and deaths.

Last year, when Christmas provided a three-day weekend, Oregon drivers were involved in 633 accidents in which 203 people were injured and seven were killed.

There were 40 traffic deaths during all December, and at least seven of those deaths were attributed to a drinking driver or pedestrian.

National, state and many local traffic officials have launched a campaign to curb this year's holiday toll—Back the Attack on Traffic Accidents—but the "big job of accident prevention will depend on each individual", according to H. G. Maison, Superintendent of State Police and member of the Oregon Traffic Safety Commission.

Maison warned those planning to attend parties where the "liquid type of holiday spirit" will be dispensed that even a few drinks seriously affect a driver's ability.

"If you must drink at these parties," he said, "use public transportation or ask a non-drinking friend to provide a ride home."

## Grange Christmas Party Friday Night

The annual Grange Christmas Party is scheduled for 8:30 p.m. Friday night. A program of local talent is planned with gift exchanges to follow. The evening will be concluded with a dessert potluck.

## Not His Day

Everett Jagers must have got up on the wrong side of bed recently. He went to work, got hit in the head with a plank. Rushed by private plane to a Portland specialist the plane crashed in the fog, fracturing four ribs. Taken to Portland by another plane he arrived, and enroute up stairs, the elevator fell four floors. Jagers survived.



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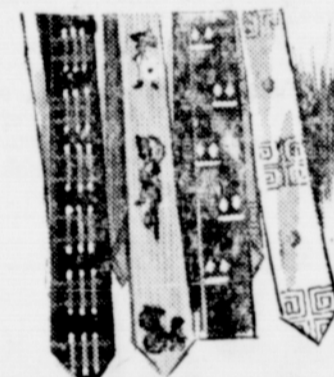
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