

### COURT'S IRE IS UP

Motor-Car Drivers Are Too Poor to Pay Fines.

ALL CLASSES HAVE AUTOS

Police Blame Installation-Purchased

Jitneys for Majority of Traffic Violations—Danger to Public Is Cited.

Are motor cars largely in the hands of the wealthy? "They are not," exclaimed Municipal Judge Stevenson after roasting in court yesterday morning two motor car drivers who pleaded that they could not pay their fines and who both had back fines due on the installment plan for previous offenses.

"The idea that the rich only have automobiles is wrong, wholly wrong," continued the judge. "Far more than half of the drivers of cars who come into this court for violations of the traffic ordinance are fellows who drive machines, for hire, drivers of delivery wagons, owners of jitneys purchased on the installment plan, all of whom are supporting wives and families at the smallest of wages. That was the reason I started the installment system of paying fines, to give some of these motorists a chance."

"It seems to me that automobile drivers as a class are harder up than any others. Generally they don't own their cars, but most of those who do spend like stock pigs when fined, all pleading poverty."

The installment-plan-purchased jitney has furnished a source of the greatest amount of trouble.

"You can get a machine if you pay a dollar down and a dollar a week," added the judge, "I guess the disposal of lots of second-hand cars this way."

"But, a few months ago Greeks came in here, running their four distinct misleading passengers. I'd ask them why, and they'd say they couldn't stop."

The first case that aroused the ire of Judge Stevenson this morning was that of W. T. James, who crashed through the gates at the Southern Pacific crossing on Morrison street a few days ago, carrying his passengers past the nose of an oncoming train.

The judge fined him \$10 and gave him until 2 o'clock in which to pay it. James already had a fine of \$10 assessed on August 27, and \$10 on a fine assessed in September, both for violations of the traffic ordinance. The judge ordered that he be thrown in jail if he did not pay by 2 o'clock. He failed to produce the money at the time specified and the police were ordered to bring him in.

Two Ex-Convicts Are Accused of Four Burglaries and One Not True Bill Is Returned.

One Japanese was indicted for manslaughter and two men with criminal records were indicted for burglary charges, in the report of the January grand jury yesterday, when 15 indictments and one not true bill were returned.

Alonzo Nakano must stand trial for the murder of Hisako Kobitaka, a fellow countryman, in Arion Hall on December 6.

John Raymond and John Ryan, both ex-convicts, were indicted for burglary of the home of W. P. Richardson, N. A. Coleman, C. E. Haddy and R. H. Jones, early in December. Valuable jewelry was taken in these robberies.

In the case of Attorney Richardson diamonds valued by nearly \$2000 were stolen. Most of the loot was recovered.

The hall of the men was fixed at \$100 for each indictment, or \$4000 each.

Ernest P. (Fred) Wagner, who fought with Patrolman J. P. Johnson December 12, in the possession of the officer's revolver, after threatening the policeman with his own pistol, was indicted for assault and being armed with a dangerous weapon.

Other indictments returned were as follows: C. A. Poe, assault; Lillian Harrow and Bertha Minns, larceny from the person (accused of robbing Lee L. York, Chinaman, of \$225 on December 29); Al Dawson, burglary; Edward Sugar and Thomas Lettison, larceny; Nicholas Jacobovich and John Doe, assault with a deadly weapon; H. G. Wyatt, obtaining money under false pretenses; Joseph Hauer, larceny; and Charles H. Smith, forgery. A not true bill was returned against Thomas S. Moffatt and Gordon Smith, who were held for attempted extortion from an elderly woman. They have been taken to Walla Walla to stand trial in that city on a forgery charge.

507 MORE IN SCHOOLS Registration, Including Merged Cities, Now Is 24,195.

According to figures compiled by the School Clerk of this district there were 247 more pupils registered in the Portland schools at the beginning of the Christmas vacation of 1915 than there were at the corresponding time in 1914. These figures are based on the territory that was included in the district last year, but with the addition of 90, Johns and Lincoln, there are today 1237 more pupils in the district this year than last.

When the registration was counted in December, 1914, there were enrolled in all schools 23,978 children. The registration of December 22, 1915, shows a total of 24,195.

G. C. HARBOLT ARRESTED Man Wanted in Portland Is Held in Los Angeles.

Word reached Sheriff Harbolt here last night from the Los Angeles police that G. C. Harbolt, wanted here on a charge of receiving money under false pretenses, had been arrested there, and the sheriff immediately took steps to procure extradition papers and will send a deputy south for Harbolt.

Harbolt has been indicted here for the alleged illegal sale of a piano for \$200. The sale was made when he and a house and lot at 989 Clinton street. It is alleged Harbolt did not own the piano.

SMALLEST HORSE IN THE WORLD—"LITTLE LUEU"—TODAY ON BASEMENT BALCONY

## YOUR MAIL ORDERS WILL RECEIVE PROMPT AND EXPERT ATTENTION! NOTE WE ARE

### Continuing Our Great Annual White Sale of Undermuslins, Embroideries, Etc., and First Annual Sale of Odds & Ends & Surplus Stock

125 Suits at 89 Coats at \$14.85



—And they're smart, well-tailored garments, too!  
—Broken lines of many of our most popular models—now deeply underpriced for quick clearance!  
—You must see them to appreciate the true importance of this sale!

#### The Coats

—are in a number of attractive styles and materials. Some pretty corduroys, with high collars, others in mixtures and novelty cloths fur trimmed, and a number of practical "all-year-round" coats, too—All specially priced at \$14.85.

#### The Suits

—include smart velveteens, gabardines, serges, broadcloths and mixtures, some quite plain and others fur trimmed.  
—Russian blouses, semi-fitted and box models—in all the wanted shades. Special now at \$14.85.  
—Fourth Floor, Fifth Street.

TODAY ON THE MAIN FLOOR 500 Dozen Pairs

## Men's Hose

8c

12 1/2c and 25c Qualities 4800 Pairs of 12 1/2c Quality 1200 Pairs of 25c Quality

—Cotton and lisle. Broken lines and odds and ends of such makes as Onyx, Park Mill, Marathon. Black, tan, gray, navy, split foot. All have double heels, soles and toes. While any of 6000 pairs remain, pair, 8c.  
—Main Floor

\$1.98 for White Gowns in "Out" Sizes

—Daintily made with square neck, finished with feather-stitching and pretty laces. Others with fine tucks and pretty embroidery and laces—now at these savings—  
Regularly low priced at 69c, \$1.59 to \$6.00  
White Sale special at 59c, \$1.09 to \$3.95

#### Women's Out Size Drawers

—soft and sheer, of fine nainsook and cambric, trimmed with lace, fine tucks and embroidery—underpriced!  
—Regularly 59c, 79c, 94c, \$1.59.  
—Special at 49c, 64c, 87c, \$1.47.

## Hand-Made Undermuslins Underpriced in This Sale

—The sheerest of nainsook daintily hand embroidered and sewed—just received from the Philippine Islands—and underpriced for this Annual White Event.  
Gowns, \$1.95 to \$7.95.  
Vests, \$1.49 to \$1.69.  
Envelope Chemise, \$2.59 to \$4.95  
Skirts from \$2.95 to \$5.95.  
—Other muslinwear at deepest reductions—from corset covers at 22c to gowns and petticoats at \$4.98.  
—Third Floor, Sixth Street.

98c for \$1.50 Chiffon Cloth, 40 Inches Wide

—All the beautiful and delicate shades for evening wear, as well as black, white and navy.  
—The price on this beautiful material has advanced so much that we decided to include what we have on hand in this big sale, rather than "fill out" at the present increased rate. It will, therefore, pay you to plan party frocks and blouses now—the savings are big! Yard 98c.  
—Chiffon for Skirts accordion pleated for \$1.00.

Dainty Laces and Embroideries Underpriced 25c for 35c to 85c Embroidery Edgings. 98c for \$1.50 and \$1.25 Embroidery Flouncings. 49c for 65c to 85c Embroidery Flouncings. 25c for 35c to 50c Embroideries. 15c for 25c Wash Laces. 10c for 12 1/2c to 20c Val. Laces. 5c for 8c to 15c Cotton and Linen Laces.  
—Main Floor, Fifth Street.

Scrim Curtains 99c The Regular \$1.25 Kind

—White or ecru scrim curtains, trimmed with lace insertions and edges. Particularly suitable for bedroom uses. All new in our stocks.

Nottingham Lace Curtains \$1.19 Regularly Sold at, Pair, \$2.50  
—A very special offering. Unusually effective patterns and quality.

Feather Sofa Pillows \$1.00, \$1.50, \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.50  
—A splendid line of sofa pillows. Rich brocades, velvets, damask and other lovely materials used for covers. All made in our own workrooms, allowing very special pricing.  
—Seventh Floor, Sixth Street.

Willamette Rotary Machines for \$32.50

—Come in and see these unusually fine machines—lightest running, easiest to operate of any machines on the market!



—The round bobbin does away with all vibration and lost motion—can be wound automatically while machine is in operation.  
—With drop cabinet and automatic lift, the Willamette Rotary is both convenient and sightly.

—Payable \$1 Down, 50c Weekly. Other Machines From \$15.75 to \$50.00  
—Fifth Floor, Sixth Street.

## FURS! FURS! FURS!

Buy Them Now at These Striking Reductions!  
—All our Red and Cross Fox Scarfs, Sets and separate Muffs share in this radical price-cutting. Fashionable shapes and most desirable qualities  
—and a very splendid assortment to select from. The list includes:

Scarfs or Muffs, were \$7.50, now \$5.63. Scarfs or Muffs, were \$35, now \$26.25. Cross Fox Muffs, were \$75, now \$56.25. Scarfs or Muffs, were \$10, now \$7.50. Scarfs or Muffs, were \$40, now \$30. Cross Fox Muffs, were \$98.50, now \$73.88. Scarfs or Muffs, were \$20, now \$15.00. Cross Fox Muffs, were \$45.00, now \$33.75. Scarfs or Muffs, were \$27.50, now \$20.63. Cross Fox Muffs, were \$62.50, now \$46.88. Red Fox Sets, that were \$65.00, now \$48.75.  
—Fourth Floor, Fifth Street.

## Homefurnishing Specials

"Lifetime" Furniture \$55 Fumed Dining Chairs \$31.50. \$48 "Lifetime" China Cabinet \$26.50. \$52.50 Fumed Oak Buffet, now \$29.50. \$30.00 Fumed Oak Serving Table \$15.00. Bedroom Furniture \$16.00 Oak Combination Dresser, now \$8. \$16.00 Circassian Walnut Dressing Table, \$8.25. \$54.00 Mahogany Beds, now at \$27.50. \$8.75 Imitation Mahogany Rocker, \$1.85. Dining Furniture \$12 Fumed Oak Dining Table, 5 ft., \$6.75. \$14.50 Fumed Oak Dining Table, 6 feet, \$8.20. \$16 Waxed Oak Dining Table, 6 feet, \$9.50. \$4.50 Full Box Oak Dining Chairs, each \$2.95.

SEMI-ANNUAL SALE OSTERMOOR MATTRESSES 50-lb. \$15.00 Ostermoors .....\$12.50 50-lb. \$16.50 Ostermoors .....\$13.50 60-lb. \$30.00 Ostermoors .....\$23.50  
—Eighth Floor.

28 GOOD STAPLE RUGS REDUCED! At \$12.50—5 extra-quality Axminsters, 6x9 size, regularly \$16.00. At \$12.50—4 extra-quality Axminsters, 6x9x3, regularly \$16.00. At \$18.00—6 fine Axminsters, size 8:3x10-6, regularly \$22.50. At \$11.75—3 Seamless Velvets, size 7:6x9, regularly \$16.00. At \$17.50—2 Seamless Velvets, size 8:3x10-6, regularly \$22.50. At \$11.50—8 Tapestry Rugs, size 9x12 feet, regularly \$14.00.  
—Seventh Floor, Fifth Street.

Our New Welworth Blouses at \$2

Here Exclusively —Another shipment of "Welworths" just in! Every waist just as stylish and desirable as any woman can possibly imagine—and only \$2.00.



—Nowhere else in town can you buy the "Welworth" waist—we are exclusive handlers of this splendid line that has given such satisfaction to our patrons. The new models are simply wonderful. —Come in and see these new Welworths—as always, \$2.00.  
—Fourth Floor, Central.

Middy Blouses Just Received—Underpriced

—Clever little middies—just unpacked and included in this great sale! Some pure white, others with little touches of blue or red in collar and lacings.  
\$1.45 for \$1.75 Middies —All white and with red and white striped collars or embroidery trimmed. Sizes 6 to 16, 36 to 44.  
\$1.10 for \$1.35 Middies —Prettiest new galatea novelty middies, many in Norfolk style. —Sizes 6 to 16, 36 to 44.  
98c for \$1.25 Middies —Regulation and novelty blouses—some smocked and others plain. Sizes 12 to 46.  
—Second Floor, Sixth Street.

## All "Indestructo" Trunks Reduced

—It's a fact! The reason is that room MUST be made for the new incoming 1916 merchandise. Therefore, these underprices are in effect. All "Indestructo" features embodied.

\$70-\$75 "Indestructo" Wardrobes \$60 —Only five of them. The trunk that wears indefinitely. Rawhide bound, with polished brass protections. At this radical reduction for quick disposal.

"Indestructo" Wardrobes. \$65, \$62.50, \$60 grades. \$52.50 "Indestructo" Wardrobes. \$57.50 and \$55.00 grades. \$46.50 50 of them, 10-ply boxes, fiber covered, lined. Well finished interiors. Three trunks at this price. 10-ply box, heavy duck covered, with Keratol linings. 7 "Indestructo" Wardrobes—regularly \$50.00 and \$47.50—same quality as \$57.50, except lining, now \$39.75. Plain Dress Trunks—regularly \$33, \$34 and \$36, splendid values, now at \$28.75. 5-Year Insurance Policy against fire, loss or damage with each "Indestructo" Trunk!  
—Basement, Sixth Street.



## A Special Sale Oregon City INDIAN ROBES

—The Indian Blankets and Auto Robes that won four Grand Prizes at the San Francisco Exposition and three other medals. —We've the largest assortment of Oregon City Robes in the city—more than 150 different patterns—all in authentic Indian designs. —Made of the finest quality pure Oregon wool—dyed in fast colors. Scotch plaids and Navajo patterns in charming color combinations.

\$ 5.00 Indian Blankets and Robes, 60x81 inches, \$4.35 \$ 7.00 to \$7.50 Robes, 60x81 inches, \$5.75 \$ 8.00 to \$9.00 Robes, large size, \$6.35 \$11.50 to \$13.50 Reversible Robes, \$10.00 \$15.00 to \$16.50 Scotch Plaid Robes, \$12.00 100 All-Wool Mackinaw Robes—showerproof—\$4.00  
A Genuine Backus Robe Lock With Every Robe Purchased, at 75c.  
—Basement, Sixth Street.

Yeloban Milk, 12 Cans, 75c

—An exceptional offering in view of the recent advance in canned milk. Case \$2.85. NO PHONE ORDERS ON MILK.  
Breakfast Bacon, Gem, 6 to 10-lb. strips, 1/2 strips, lb., 19 1/2c  
White Lily Butter, fancy Oregon creamery quality, roll 69c.  
Small Beans, California white, 5-pound cloth sacks 35c.  
Salt Pork, thoroughly cured, lb., 13 1/2c.  
Pettie Prunes, small, meaty, 6 lbs., 25c.  
Loganberries, latest pack, No. 2 cans, doz. \$1.10, can 10c.  
Baking Molasses, No. 5 cans for 20c.  
King Salmon, Rival No. 1 cans, 12 1/2c.  
—Ninth Floor, Fifth Street.

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