

COURT IS SPEEDERS' JOKE, SAYS ERVIN

Traffic Offenders' Punishment Held Insufficient.

MONTH HAS 622 ACCIDENTS

Police Sergeant Declares Motorcycle Squad Becoming Discouraged at Failure to Get Results.

"Under present conditions the Portland police court is a joke, and unless the court begins to mete out sufficient punishment to all traffic law offenders, we cannot expect to decrease the present alarming number of automobile and motorcycle accidents."

This is the indictment hurled at the present municipal court procedure in a statement issued yesterday by Frank Ervin, police sergeant in charge of the motorcycle squad.

Records in the traffic bureau showed that during the present month, 622 traffic accidents have occurred within the Portland city limits. This is 100 more accidents than have occurred in any other one month since the advent of the automobile and motorcycle.

Blame Placed on Court.

"The entire blame for these ever-increasing traffic accidents should be laid at the door of this court," charged Sergeant Ervin. "His system of fines is a joke. Speed maniacs have no fear of the police court. They laugh at the police and pay the small fines which are invariably levied by the court."

Sergeant Ervin further declared that unless his squad of motorcycle police receive better treatment when they bring offenders into police court he will be unable to keep them on the force.

"One of our men brought in a speeder 10 days ago," he continued. "Evidence showed plainly that the man was guilty of speeding, but the court permitted him to go his way without the payment of a fine. This man was arrested by the same officer for the same offense again this week, but in court today he was allowed to go again without the payment of a fine, although the judge found him guilty."

Headlight Policy Assailed.

The speeder referred to was C. F. Reid, who was arrested by Motorcycle Patrolman K. J. The officer testified he timed Reid's machine going between 23 and 34 miles an hour.

"The traffic squad also is incensed at the court's policy in handling traffic offenders who are arrested for having glaring headlights. It is charged that out of 150 cases of this nature which have been brought into police court recently, not one fine has been administered."

Police records show that traffic conditions within the city last summer were much better than at present. The fact that more than 600 accidents have occurred within the past month is sufficient, say the officers, to awaken the city's judicial department to the seriousness of the situation. They further assert that the only way in which deplorable traffic conditions can be avoided is through the medium of heavy fines.

Seldom, if ever, speeders are fined more than \$12.50 in police court, say the prosecuting officers, although in the district courts fines from \$25 to \$50 are the rule, rather than the exception.

"The motorcycle patrolmen risk their lives day and night in their efforts to curb reckless driving, but they are quickly become discouraged after having the offenders released without fines, or with penalties of \$5 and \$10, when merited sentences should be imposed," said Sergeant Ervin.

PARK SING IS TONIGHT

FIRST COMMUNITY EVENT TO BE HELD AT LAURELHURST.

Meier & Frank Orchestra Will Play Popular and Old-Fashioned Songs.

Walter R. Jenkins to Lead.

The first big community park sing will be held tonight at 7:15 under the direction of the War Camp Community Service at Laurelhurst park. The ten-piece Meier & Frank orchestra, under the leadership of George H. Hastings, will play old-fashioned and popular songs.

The victory chorus will sing, led by Mrs. Jane Burns Albert. Walter R. Jenkins, song leader of the War Camp Community Service, will conduct the community singing. The co-operation of all Portlanders is urged to make the sing a success.

The first community sing to be held in Vancouver, Wash., will be given Monday night in the city park, with Mr. Jenkins as leader. Mr. Jenkins has been directing the victory chorus in Vancouver and Wednesday night had an enrollment of 750. The chorus is practicing for a home-coming celebration for the soldiers to be given in Vancouver August 30 and 31. Elaborate plans are being made and singing will be featured.

Mrs. Jenkins will start next week to hold all the playgrounds in the city at the story hour and will coach the children in the songs which they will sing in the big pageant to be put on by the War Camp Community Service in August with the co-operation of the park board of the city. The children will sing patriotic songs and the official songs for the past two Rose Festivals.

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WOMEN'S NEWS

ONE of the most successful of the many benefits being given for the University of Oregon women's building fund was the bridge tea yesterday at the home of Mrs. T. H. Beverly, 544 Elizabeth street. Mrs. Ernest Willard was a joint hostess with Mrs. Beverly. Eight tables were made up for bridge and about 50 more women called at the tea hour. An informal musical programme was given by Albert Gillette, baritone, accompanied by Miss Mayme Helen Flynn. Mr. Gillette was soloist for the University of Oregon men's glee club at Eugene when he was in college.

Some confusion has been caused by the announcement in another paper that the Her and the girls' party, instead of yesterday. Many other affairs are being planned for the popular cause, but no such tea is scheduled on today's social calendar.

Mr. and Mrs. Polger Johnson and Mr. and Mrs. Preston Smith returned Tuesday from a trip to Rainier National park. Major Seton Taylor entertained them at Camp Lewis.

Miss Elizabeth Creadick, who has been in France for 18 months with the Red Cross, has just arrived in New York. According to word received by her friends here, her mother, Mrs. Samuel Creadick, went to New York to meet her and they will return to the east for several months. They will visit Dr. Nowell Creadick at Yale and will probably come to the coast about Christmas time. Miss Creadick has been at the front and has had some wonderful experiences in connection with her Red Cross work.

Mrs. Grenville Vernon was hostess at an informal luncheon yesterday at a number of her friends.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 31.—On their way to Manila, Francis B. Harrison, governor-general of the Philippine islands, and his bride arrived here last night.

Mrs. L. Ward White entertained with a luncheon yesterday at her home, 441 East Twenty-first street North, honoring Mrs. Lockwood of Pasadena, who is visiting Mrs. Samuel P. Lockwood. Covers were placed for Mrs. P. E. Judd of Pendleton, Mrs. Jessie Stearns, Mrs. John Ross Dickson, Mrs. Samuel P. Lockwood, Mrs. Charles Chamberlain, Mrs. H. W. Dickson of Pendleton and Mrs. M. M. Moulde, the honor guest, and the hostess.

Mrs. Charles Beebe entertained at dinner Saturday at Log la Barre. Her guests were Mrs. A. Maxwell, Mrs. Maxwell Blake, Mrs. W. D. Wheelwright, Mrs. J. C. Cabell, Mrs. William Washburn, and the hostess.

Mrs. Morris H. Whittehouse was hostess at an informal bridge tea yesterday in honor of Miss Darlene Kimball of Salt Lake and San Francisco who is the house guest of Mrs. Max H. Houser.

Mrs. Edna A. Bell has as her guest for the summer Mrs. E. B. Plank of Sacramento. Mrs. Plank, who is 83 years of age, is one of California's earliest pioneers. She made almost the entire trip across the plains on the back of a favorite pony.

Miss Dorothy Louise Bliss, who is now in Canada with the Chautauques, will leave for Chicago August 14, where she will study with her former teacher, Sargent. She will return to Portland October 1. She will visit friends in St. Louis and Denver while on her trip.

Miss Lenna Marion Lewis will be married to William Maurice Hudson tonight at 8 o'clock at the Westminster Presbyterian church. The wedding will be a large one. Rev. Frank Meyers will read the service. Miss Lewis will be attended by her sister, Miss Kathleen Lewis and Harvey Hudson will attend his brother as best man. Little Louise Boyd will be flower girl. Mrs. Emma Schoen will play the wedding march, and Mrs. Clyde M. Van Vleet and Harry Schogal will sing a group of songs. The bride has recently lived in Spokane. Mr. Hudson is the son of Dr. S. Hudson of this city. The young couple will make their home in Portland.

Mrs. L. E. Chandler of Laramie, Wyo., accompanied by her daughter, Miss Lois Fitch, and son, Edwin Fitch, have been a house guest of Mrs. Roy Payne during the past week. Mrs. Chandler also visited Mrs. Frank Ira White at the home of her sister, Mrs. J. D. Dubois, 1814 G street, Vancouver, where Mrs. White is convalescing from a recent illness. Miss Fitch will enter Notre Dame in September.

Mrs. Mildred Fairbanks of Kansas City, Mo., is the house guest of Mrs. E. Muri Gordon of 1165 East Pine street. Mrs. Fairbanks has many friends in Portland, as she has visited here every summer for a number of years.

Miss Lorna Alice Gibbs of Weatherby, Or., and Cecil Thompson of Portland were married in Baker Friday. Rev. C. H. Helman of the Methodist church officiating. Mr. Thompson recently returned from France, where he served with the 34th engineers. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Gibbs of Weatherby.

Mrs. William Dunn and son Robert of Pendleton are visiting Mrs. Dunn's sister, Mrs. M. Powers, and are being extensively entertained. Mrs. Dunn recently lived here.

Miss Margaret Healy of Cour d'Alain, who has been visiting Mrs. Frank S. Healy at Seaview, Wash., will not return until the first of next week and will leave soon for her home. Her cousin, the Misses Charles R. Young, Irving street, have planned several informal affairs in her honor.

Mrs. W. L. Tooze received word yesterday that her son, Lieutenant Lamar Tooze, who has been at the Sorbonne for four months, has returned to the United States and is now at Camp Dix, being mustered out of the service. Lieutenant Tooze served with the 34th infantry, 81st division. After spending the summer in Oregon he will return to Harvard law school, where he will complete his course.

shortly. Mrs. Barker joined him in Vancouver upon his return from France. They will have with them at Camp Lewis Mrs. Jessie M. Honeyman of Portland, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall N. Dana of Portland are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Reynolds, who have a summer home on the shores of Puget sound. Mr. Dana also is attending the Portland rate case hearing in Seattle.

Women's Activities

LEUTENANT LAMAR TOOZE, an Oregon boy known widely throughout the state, who is now in the east on his way home from France, will give a lecture tour through Oregon as soon as he arrives for the benefit of the women's building fund of the University of Oregon. The lectures, which will be given under the auspices of various local clubs probably will be given in Portland, Roseburg, Eugene, Salem, Falls City, Dallas, McMinnville, Oregon City, Astoria, Seaside, Cottage Grove, Newport, Woodburn and Springfield.

Lieutenant Tooze with his twin brother, Lieutenant Leslie Tooze, died gallantly in battle, was graduated from the University of Oregon in 1916 and was in his first year in the Harvard law school when he entered the officers' training camp and won his commission. After going through active fighting at the front he was admitted to the Sorbonne after the armistice was signed and has just finished his course in law and French as one of the eight with highest honors. He has made a special study of the league of nations in Paris and will talk on this and military preparedness and kindred subjects from the returned soldier's point of view, and will deal also with a soldier's impressions and experiences during the war. Lieutenant Tooze's tour will be arranged by Arthur M. Geary and Sam Michel, both prominent in activities in connection with the University of Oregon, and also by those in charge of the campaign for the women's building fund, in the interest of which the tour will be given.

Central Women's Christian Temperance union held a social meeting on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. N. G. Patterson, 935 East Riverside street. After a business session an interesting programme was enjoyed. Mrs. Georgia Trimmer gave a reading, "The Prodigal Girl," and the popular Stedman read "The Cowboy's Prayer." Little Helen Binford gave two piano solos. The next meeting will be held in room A, central, library, Wednesday.

The president of George Wright Women's Relief corps wishes all members who can attend the Grand Army of the Republic picnic at the Oaks tomorrow. Luncheon will be served at 11:30. The badge will admit all Women's Relief corps members. The regular meeting will be held next Wednesday as usual.

LABOR TO PICNIC SUNDAY

7500 Expected to Attend Sports Day at Crystal Lake.

The seventh annual picnic of the Labor Temple association will be held at Crystal Lake Park next Sunday.

This picnic has attracted the popular outing of organized labor and its friends, gradually growing from an attendance of 1900 people in 1912 to 5000 in 1918. It is expected that the picnic will attend on Sunday next and the numerous committees are preparing to handle a vast crowd without congestion.

Arrangements have been carefully made with the street-car company to handle the vast crowd expected in the most expeditious manner. Supplies have been ordered in prodigious amounts so that none will suffer hunger or thirst should they appear without the old-fashioned picnic basket.

Speakers of national prominence will address the studios; baseball teams will play for the amusement of the fans and the finest dance orchestra in Portland will furnish music between addresses of the day will be delivered by William Short, president of the Washington State Federation of Labor and Thomas Barber of the United States department of labor.

The athletic programme will include tug-of-war contests between selected teams from the different sections, all of whom have been training and are said to be having long money on the result. The races will include all classes from stout ladies to 6-year-old tots and from granddads to tiny boys, with splendid prizes for the winners.

The members of the general committees are: Frank Hannan, chairman; E. J. Stack, secretary; Catherine Galvin, cashier; Arthur W. Jones, Sam P. Harris, Harry Anderson, L. C. Vincent, J. L. Lewis, W. H. Cayo, W. J. Brown and P. R. Pollock.

EUROPE'S LUMBER IS LOW

Commerce Official Asserts Foreign Demand Is Enormous.

TACOMA, July 31.—Axel H. Oxholm, who has just returned from a trip of two years in Europe for the United States department of commerce, told the West Coast Lumbermen's association and the Western Pine Manufacturers' association in joint meeting on Mount Rainier last night that the lumber demands of Europe will be enormous for the next few years. He said the Scandinavian countries will be unable to market any great amount of lumber for three or four years.

The joint meeting has brought together the largest lumber producers from the west. Charles S. Keith of Kansas City is on the programme today.

Embassy Counsellor Named.

WASHINGTON, July 31.—Primo Allata has been appointed counsellor of the Italian embassy here and is expected to sail for the United States August 2.

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PHONE RISE AUTHORIZED

McARTHUR'S MESSAGE TO BAKER CONFIRMS ORDER.

Mr. Tomlinson, However, Is Assigned to Carry on City's Fight Against New Increases.

Increased telephone rates placed into effect Tuesday throughout the state of Oregon by the Pacific Telephone & Telegraph company were authorized by orders issued by Postmaster-General Burton, according to a message received yesterday by Mayor Baker from Representative McArthur.

Copies of the orders have been requested by Representative McArthur and will be forwarded to Mayor Baker as soon as complete, the message said.

City Attorney LaRoche, in a telephone message from Seattle, where he is attending the Portland rate case hearing, assigned Assistant City Attorney Tomlinson to the telephone case, in the relieving him of all other duties, in the event that the business of preparing to fight the increased telephone rates requires his full time.

With the assurance from Washington that the increased rates have been placed into effect legally, the city has no choice in the fight against the rate. The fight must be waged through the public service commission.

TACOMA CARMEN MAY QUIT

Ultimatum Delivered Says Wages Must Not Be Reduced.

TACOMA, July 31.—With the present contract between the street car men and the company expiring at midnight tonight, the conductors and motormen today presented an ultimatum, declaring that a strike will be called if wages are decreased.

The men then agreed to a proposal some way will have to be found to continue work for a few days at the old scale. Efforts made to arrange a new contract have made little progress. The company asserts that the men then agreed to a proposal some way will have to be found to continue work for a few days at the old scale. Efforts made to arrange a new contract have made little progress. The company asserts that the men then agreed to a proposal some way will have to be found to continue work for a few days at the old scale.

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