

RIGID REGULATION OF AUTOMOBILES

Secret Vigilance Committee
of Citizens Proposed.

WAR TO BE ON ACCIDENTS

Chairman of Safety First Commission Says National Convention Will Bring Results.

The establishment of a citizens' vigilance committee of 100 in the city of Portland in an effort to cut down the number of automobile traffic violators, inauguration of a campaign for the passage of a law by the state legislature of Oregon as well by that of all the other states to compel automobile drivers to pass an examination before being permitted to drive, and the working out of some scheme for the standardization of the traffic laws, road rules, traffic signals and danger signs of the country are some of the results of the convention of the national safety council just closed in Cleveland, according to Mr. Coffin, chairman of the safety first commission, who has just returned from that gathering.

Mr. Coffin predicted that the steps inaugurated at the Cleveland gathering would prove one of the big moves for cutting down the number of automobile accidents resulting from the fast automobile traffic of this country.

Plan Tried Out in East.
The plan for having citizens' committees for the surveillance of traffic, Mr. Coffin said, had been tried in a number of the eastern cities including St. Louis, Cleveland and Pittsburgh and had proved successful in cutting down accidents and traffic violations. The committee will be appointed among the prominent citizens of the city, he said, but the organization will be secret.

It will be the duty of the members of this committee to report all violations of traffic to the officer entitled to receive these reports, and in each case the violation will be investigated. It is hoped that a committee in operation in the city of Portland in the near future, Mr. Coffin said, and he predicted that operations would make for more careful driving on the part of the automobile owners and drivers of the city.

Examination for Drivers Urged.
The plan for compelling automobile drivers to pass an examination before being permitted to take a car out on the streets or highways, made international, including both the United States and Canada, Mr. Coffin said.

The National Safety Council will operate in each case through its state branches for the putting through of a state law to make this examination compulsory. The driver's certificate issued, following the examination, would be revocable in case the driver should prove to be incompetent, according to the plan.

"The council takes the attitude that it is the general public that suffers when an incompetent driver takes a car out on the streets," said Mr. Coffin. "If there is an accident it is usually some innocent person who is killed or injured. Consequently the public should be protected from irresponsible drivers."

Mr. Coffin Heads Committee.

The standardizing of traffic laws, road rules, traffic signals and danger signs as proposed by the national safety council has been put in the hands of two committees. Mr. Coffin is chairman of the committee which will endeavor to secure a programme standardizing the road signals and signs. Lieutenant Lewis of the Portland police bureau, who was at the convention, said he is a member of the committee having to do with the standardization of traffic laws and road rules.

If this programme can be put through by the National Safety Council it will do much to prevent infractions of laws, the result of strange drivers unfamiliar with the laws of a particular section, or city.

State Officials in Attendance.

C. H. Gram, state labor commissioner, and William A. Marshall, chairman of the Oregon industrial accident commission, were also in attendance at the Cleveland gathering.

W. P. Rasmussen of Chicago, field representative of the National Safety Council, will be in Portland Tuesday and during his stay here an active campaign will be made to obtain new members in the council, all corporations and similar organizations are eligible for membership, the National Safety Council having a membership of thousands of similar concerns all over the United States.

Officers of the Oregon branch of the council are: B. C. Ball of the Willamette Iron and Steel company, president; C. C. Colt, vice-president of the First National Bank of Portland; treasurer, H. H. Coffin, of the safety-first commission; manager, and the following vice-presidents:

H. P. Van Dusen, Inman-Poulsen Lumber company; A. Jacobs, Oregon City Woolen mills; H. J. Carman, Carman Manufacturing company; F. E. Krause, Tru-Blu Biscuit company; H. F. Boynton, Portland Railway, Light & Power company; Natt McDougall, A. Guthrie & Company; and B. T. McLean, manager of the Crown Willamette Paper company.

MAN'S BONES ARE FOUND

Dental Work Identifies Idaho Resident Missing Three Years.

BOISE, Idaho, Oct. 12.—(Special.)—The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Albert Harkelrode, an Idaho man, three years ago, appears to have been solved by the finding of human bones on an island in the Snake river. J. M. Rogers, a dentist who has identified dental work found on the skeleton as some he had done for Harkelrode. Before the disappearance it was generally known that Harkelrode was having trouble with his family and there had been frequent quarrels. Later he dropped out of sight.

That foul play was suspected at that time was evident from a cement floor that had been recently laid in a barn at the Harkelrode place was dug up and the ground under it examined. Whether or not there was foul play in connection with Harkelrode's disappearance has not as yet been definitely determined.

Sergeant to Visit in Toppensish.

TOPPENSH, Wash., Oct. 12.—(Special.)—Sergeant B. O. Crayne, whose wife is in the Toppensish postoffice, will pass a few days in Toppensish next on his way from Harkelrode, where he has been doing recruiting work to Spokane, Wash., where he will be stationed for a while.

MAJOR PICTURE NEWS



Scene from "Spot Light Sadie," vehicle which Mae Marsh has chosen for her return to screen and which will open at Majestic theater tomorrow.

TODAY'S FILM FEATURES.

Strand—William Farnum, "Wolves of the Night"; People's—Pauline Frederick, "The Fear Woman"; Liberty—Wallace Reid, "The Merry Widow"; Columbia—Olive Thomas, "The Follies Girl"; Star—William Desmond, "Bare-Fisted Gal"; Majestic—Tom Moore, "The City of Comrades"; Circle—Cecil De Mille's production, "For Better, For Worse"; Sunset—William S. Hart, "Blue Blazes Rawden".

"THE CITY OF COMRADES."

starring Tom Moore, will continue to show at the Majestic theater today until midnight. Tomorrow the Majestic feature picture will change to "Spotlight Sadie," a quiet story of penurious chorus girls, too rich men and a straight sense of honor mixed with Irish humor.

Who but Mae Marsh, with her shy and elfin humor, could do justice to a little scene that occurs in "Spotlight Sadie"? Simple in itself it is a delicious moment as played by the star.

Sadie Sullivan (Mae Marsh) leaves her home in Ireland to join her sister in America, brimful of illusions and expectations. She parts with the former once she sees the poverty and ugliness of her sister's married life and the last part of her husband. Finally when things come to such a pass that Sadie can bear them no longer, she declares that she will become a chorus girl and marry. Consequently she loses her illusions after all. So she leaves her sister's tenement home.

At the theater she is told to wait till she can be worth the protection of a mission overnight. She is befriended by Reverend John Page and when finally Sadie is given a home by one of the girls, she writes the minister a farewell note. This is the incident referred to. She thanks him for his kindness and encloses 50 cents, which she explains is for soap she "was after forgetting when she took it away with her." As Page reads it, his expression can be imagined when it is known that Alec B. France plays the part.

Screen Gossip.

It is announced that the Famous Players-Lasker company has secured the rights to "The Great Ruby," the Drury Lane melodrama by Cecil Raleigh and Henry Hamilton, authors of "Little Heather," recently shown at the Liberty. It is this play which proved one of Augustin Daly's greatest successes on Broadway several years ago. Plans for production have not yet been announced.

Thomas Meighan, Gloria Swanson,

UNION MEN DEFY COURT

PICKET CASE TO BE APPEALED TO HIGHER TRIBUNAL.

Boilermakers Would Challenge Circuit Court and Picket McDougall-Overmire Plant.

Just what course of action will be determined by the striking jewelry workers, in view of the circuit court decision prohibiting picketing, probably will be determined in a few days. The arrival from Bend today of the officers of the central labor council and other local labor leaders.

That organized labor will carry the picketing case to the highest courts of the state has already been announced, but it is not generally believed that the jewelry workers will defy the court order and attempt to picket retail jewelry stores until after the case has been finally determined.

The jewelry workers maintained pickets at the McDougall-Overmire plant, until the decision of the circuit court was handed down before Saturday. The union and the central labor council had not at that time received official notice of the court's decision.

In view of the fact that the decision of the local circuit judges prohibits all strike picketing, it will likewise affect other strikes now in progress, and especially the strike of boilermakers at the McDougall-Overmire plant.

At the central labor council meeting last Thursday night, members of the boilermakers' union boasted that they would continue to picket the McDougall-Overmire plant even though the courts should decree picketing to be illegal.

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Big Event of Week Is Trip of Portland Business Men to View Displays in Five Cities.

Oregon manufacturers long since have ceased to confine their selling efforts to the state or even to the northwest, and today, in view of the excellent quality of much of the goods produced in this state, Oregon-made products are sold in all states of the union and in many foreign countries. A number of the larger Oregon firms have entered the national advertising field in marketing their goods, and their advertisements may be seen in many of the best magazines of nationwide circulation.

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The booklet is the first of such magnitude ever gotten out here and while the first edition will be a large one in point of numbers it is planned to get out additional editions from time to time to correct any mistakes which may appear and to add names of any firms omitted and of new firms organized. It is requested that, after the appearance of the volume, any errors found be immediately reported to the director of the Associated Industries of Oregon, is now in the hands of the printer.

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