

NEW ORDINANCE FOR HANDLING OF TRAFFIC WHIPPED INTO SHAPE

Measure Is Expected to Be Passed by the City Council in Two Weeks.

MANY RULES REVERSED

Cars to Stop on "Near" Side of Paved Street Intersections; Parking of Cars Is Regulated.

Streets will stop on the "near" side of paved street intersections, under the new traffic ordinance which was whipped into shape by the city council yesterday, and which is expected to be passed in two weeks.

This street stop clause is the reverse of the present regulation, and there are other important changes.

The following are provisions of the new ordinance:

Persons less than 17 years old prohibited from driving autos.

Hitching of sleds or wagons to vehicles prohibited.

Autos must have headlights casting light at least 150 feet, but the beam must not be more than 42 inches above the ground 50 feet ahead.

Posting of signs directing traffic, except by city, prohibited.

Parking Rule Is Reversed.

Parked vehicles shall have front right-hand wheel against curb, and rear left wheel not more than 12 feet from curb. This reverses the present rule.

No vehicle shall pass another going in the same direction at a street intersection, and cars and vehicles must slow down when passing at intersections.

No vehicle shall pass a streetcar at either side when car is stopped for passengers.

No vehicle shall reverse its direction except at street intersections.

Congested District Defined.

Vehicles may not be parked between 9 a. m. and 7 p. m. in the district including Washington street from Third to Tenth, Myrtle street from First to Fifth, and north half of Yamhill from Fifth to Broadway, west half of Fifth from Washington to Stark, Sixth street from Washington to Stark, Broadway from Washington to Stark, Park from Yamhill to Stark, West Park from Yamhill to Stark.

Within this prohibited district, there is a restricted district embracing West side downtown streets in which vehicles must not stand longer than 30 minutes unless with driver.

Transparencies or signs larger than 26 inches square are excluded from this downtown "prohibited district."

EARTH FILLS TO BE PAVED

To Improve Ends of Viaduct to Interstate Bridge Approach.

The city council yesterday decided to pave earth fills at the two ends of the viaduct on the extension of Union avenue from Bryant street to the approach to the Interstate bridge. It was necessary either to plank or pave the fills, and Commissioner Deek told the council it would be cheaper to pave than to plank in planking temporarily and pave later.

English Labor Makes Sweeping Proposals

Compulsory Union Membership, 8 Hour Day for All Trades, and Minimum Wages for Adults to Be Considered.

London, Aug. 12.—(U. N. S.)—Sweeping proposals are to be submitted to the trade union congress which will meet in September. They include compulsory trade union membership, compulsory eight hour day for all trades, minimum wages of 30 shillings for all adult workers and universal state unemployment pay.

To meet the cost of war the following proposals will be advanced:

Heavier graduated tax on large incomes, a special tax on land values, increased taxation on estates of Dutch residents, graduated taxation of capital, nationalization of railways, mines, shipping, banking, insurance, conscription and wealth.

Morgan Makes Big Deposit of Gold Bars

Shipment Valued at \$10,000,000 Received Direct From England by Way of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

New York, Aug. 12.—(U. N. S.)—J. P. Morgan & Co. yesterday deposited at the assay office \$10,000,000 in gold bars.

This shipment did not come from the British treasury's depository at Ottawa, Canada, as recent shipments have come. It was sent direct from England via Halifax, N. S.

Since the beginning of shipments early in the year, a total of \$212,000,000 in gold has been received from Britain.

Walk Into Bar, Order Whiskey, Drop Dead

Chicago, Aug. 12.—(U. N. S.)—Tony Schreck, 25, and Herman Polz, 67, walked into a saloon here today, ordered whiskey and drank it.

The bartender was startled a moment later when they both toppled over and died. Police are investigating.

Hay Takes Notion to Catch Afire, and Overheating Cause

* Fred and Pete Pagano cut * some hay on their property on the east side recently. They * feared that summer was past * and that the hay would never * have opportunity to dry in the * sun. They decided to put it * under a roof. Now they are * sorry. * The hay went up in smoke * shortly after 3 o'clock this * morning. The hay was wet and * overheating caused a fire, which * destroyed the hay and did about * \$30 damage to the barn at 524 * East Sixteenth street, where * it was stored. *

LIQUOR CONSUMPTION FOR JULY SHOWS AN INCREASE OVER JUNE

During Month 14,089 Affidavits for Liquor Were Filed in the County.

The amount of liquor consumed in Multnomah county during July shows a large increase over June, according to the figures given out this morning by the county clerk's office. Not only more whiskey and beer have been used, but alcohol for external use, such as cologne, has increased.

During July, 14,089 affidavits for liquor and 11,303 for alcohol have been filed. The increase in liquor affidavits over June is 222 and in alcohol is 2602. Affidavits for liquor have quadrupled since February and for alcohol doubled.

The report follows:

Month	Liquor	Alcohol
January	1,284	1,284
February	1,284	1,284
March	1,284	1,284
April	1,284	1,284
May	1,284	1,284
June	1,284	1,284
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NORTH BANK ISSUES NEW TARIFFS BASED ON ASTORIA DECISION

Loose Leaf Principle Is Employed to Permit Corrections Without Reprint.

IS EFFECTIVE ON SEPT. 15

Tariff to Be Forwarded to Interstate Commerce Commission Monday or Tuesday to Comply With Law.

The new tariffs issued by the North Bank embodying the new rates based on the Astoria common point decision, are unique in that they are made in the loose leaf principle, allowing corrections to be made without a complete reissue of the book. The tariff has been forwarded to the Interstate commerce commission to reach Washington either Monday or Tuesday to allow the 30-day advance notice required by law before the rates go into effect on September 15.

NORTH BANK MAN HONORED

H. K. Relf Elected President of Pacific Claim Agents' Ass'n.

H. K. Relf, general claim agent for the North Bank road, was elected president of the Pacific Claim Agents' association at Tacoma. The session closed yesterday. The next convention will be held in Portland, some time in July or August of 1917, the exact date to be decided later.

B. F. Boynton, claim agent at the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, was elected secretary-treasurer, and H. G. Winsor of the Tacoma Railway & Power company was made vice president.

The chief topic of discussion was the question of regulation of motor vehicle traffic in city and country.

H. R. Coffin, public safety commissioner of Portland, led a discussion on safety work with the public.

DISCOUNTS ARE PAID NOW

P. R. L. & P. Co. Inform Commission Penalties Abolished.

No longer will the Portland Railway, Light & Power company attempt to enforce a five per cent penalty on electric light bills which are not paid before a certain date. Notice to this effect has been given by H. G. Winsor, commissioner of public utilities, who had tried for three years to get the light company to abolish its penalty plan.

Under the new arrangements electric light consumers who pay their bills before a certain date will be allowed a discount and if not paid before this date the full amount is to be collected.

The penalty plan was abolished July 1, according to the notice to commissioners.

Seaboard Officials Coming.

A. Davies Warfield, chairman of the board of directors of the Seaboard Air Line, will be in Portland some time next week on an investigation of Pacific coast business conditions.

Warfield will be accompanied by H. H. Hines, general manager of Maryland, B. H. Innes, general manager of the railroad, who will be a member of the party. It is probable that the officials will remain a couple of days.

Fee to Go to Coos Bay Jollification.

Charles S. Fee, passenger traffic manager of the Southern Pacific company, who is visiting in Washington, is expected to remain in the city until after the Coos Bay jollification late this month. Mr. Fee, accompanied by General Passenger Agent John M. Scott, has recently toured most of western Washington and British Columbia. Mr. Scott has returned him at Tacoma for a continuation of the trip.

Transportation Club Extension.

The Portland Transportation club will hold a moonlight excursion next Thursday evening on board the "Seaboard." The excursion will leave at 8:15 p. m. and will return about midnight. The club's orchestra will furnish the music for dancing and other amusements will be provided.

Portland Men Are Chosen by Agents

Kerbert B. Relf Elected President and B. F. Boynton, Secretary-Treasurer of Pacific Claim Agents Association.

Tacoma, Wash., Aug. 12.—Forty members of the Pacific Claim Agents' association, followed by the president, left Tacoma today for Mount Rainier to remain until Sunday evening.

In the election of officers yesterday afternoon, Kerbert B. Relf, Portland claim agent of the Spokane, Portland & Seattle railway, with offices at Portland, was elected president to succeed Thomas G. Aston of Spokane. H. G. Winsor of Tacoma, retiring secretary-treasurer, was elected first vice president. W. H. Moore of San Diego, third vice president, Thomas H. Gole, third vice president, H. P. Bushton, Portland, secretary-treasurer.

The executive committee elected includes J. H. Handon, San Francisco; A. M. Lew, Seattle; F. M. Hamilton, Seattle; D. C. Davis, Tacoma; Charles A. Blackburn, Butte, and Thomas G. Aston, Spokane.

Wilson and Hughes May Address Women

Support May Be Sought at Convention of National American Woman Suffrage Association at Atlantic City.

New York, Aug. 12.—(U. N. S.)—Both President Wilson and Mr. Hughes may appeal for support to the convention of the National American Woman Suffrage association to be held at Atlantic City next month. Mr. Hughes has been invited to speak and the suffragists hope he will accept. Mrs. Carrie Chapman Catt, president of the association, has received a letter from President Wilson saying he hoped to be able to make an address to the suffragists.

22 Lepers Are Loose.

Washington, Aug. 12.—(U. N. S.)—Twenty-two lepers are now roving in freedom in the United States, the United States public health service bureau announced here today. Most of the lepers are in California.

John F. Gillies Is in the State Prison

Looting Claim Agent of the Washington Industrial Insurance Commission Who Escaped Once, Is Captured.

Walla Walla, Wash., Aug. 12.—After a chase that lasted for three days, the northwestern states to the extreme southern, John F. Gillies, defaulting claim agent of the industrial insurance company, was brought back to the Washington state penitentiary here last night, and began at once serving his sentences of four and a half years and one year, respectively.

Gillies was arrested in Key West, Fla., after he had won an Olympia girl for money. Immediately following his arrest in the south, traveling guards from the local institution were sent to the southern state and the man wanted was brought back.

Gillies escaped from the Thurston county jail in Olympia, after having been sentenced for industrial insurance claim frauds.

CONTRACT DELAYED BY THREE CORNERED FIGHT BY BIDDERS

Question as to Kind of Stone to Be Used Means Much to the Northwest.

The awarding of the contract for Portland's million-dollar postoffice building is being held up at Washington, pending the outcome of a three-cornered fight that is being waged between the various interests throughout the country represented by the lowest bidders.

The final outcome of the fight depends essentially on whether the government authorities at Washington decide to use Bedford, Ind. limestone, for which Grant Fee, of San Francisco, submitted the lowest bid, or ordinary granite from Peninsular, Boise, for which Norman Kerr company, of New York, bid lowest, or, finally, whether or not it will be decided to use the Wilkeson sandstone of the local product.

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Commercial bodies of the Pacific northwest have instructed their delegates to take action immediately on getting the contract for the local product. The Portland Chamber of Commerce is joining in the fight for the interests of the northwest.

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'FOR-HIRE' DRIVERS ASK COURT TO CURB 'HARSH' ORDINANCE

Attack on Daily Regulatory Measure, Effective Soon, to Prevent Enforcement.

TERMS CALLED "SILLY"

Swarm of Inspectors Would Crop Up to Harass, With No Public Demand Requiring Legislation.

A temporary restraining order against the enforcement of the motor vehicle for-hire ordinance, prepared by Commissioner Daly and recently passed by the city council, is asked in a suit filed in the circuit court against Mayor H. R. Allen yesterday by Barry Barr and 26 other drivers of public machines.

The ordinance is scheduled to go into effect August 17 and the injunction is asked on the ground that its enforcement will irreparably injure and ultimately destroy the business of taxicab drivers, chauffeurs of motors for hire and drivers of sightseeing cars.

The measure regulating for hire vehicles is asserted by the drivers to be arbitrary and unreasonable and not to have been enacted in response to a demand from either the public or owners of machines.

Among the reasons given as grounds for setting the ordinance aside by the courts are: That it provides for an unreasonable scheme of inspection; that it contains rules impossible of fulfillment; that drivers are made subject to arrest for trivial matters not wrong in themselves; that it provides for the revocation of licenses at the whim of various officials; that it gives arbitrary power to the police officers in the collection of fares.

Other grounds are given: That it calls for the imposition of unreasonable license fees; that it provides for a horde of inspectors and assistant inspectors to pursue, spy upon and harass drivers of vehicles for hire in the lawful pursuit of their business; that it gives arbitrary powers upon the commissioner of public utilities and the city council, and that it makes mandatory fare statements with a multitude of other provisions.

Lafferty is attorney for the drivers.

TEN EMPLOYERS ARE SUED

Ten Portland employers are made defendants in suits filed in the small claims department of the district court yesterday. They have been delinquent in contributing to the State Industrial Accident fund.

The actions are the first of many to be filed by the commission against the following companies: M. E. Orser company, 424 1/2 College street, \$18.94; J. J. Hawks, 1231 Sixth street, \$14.20; E. J. Fritz, postoffice, \$2.61; J. R. Lutten, 1222 Division street, \$18.22; David Kimmel, 509 Rodman avenue, \$40.11; M. Sander, 413 Park street, \$5.97; E. C. Hobbs, 1196 First street, \$2.22; W. M. Sullivan, 1196 Mississippi avenue, \$4.42; J. P. Brooks and George Brooks of Brooks Brothers, 401 to 403 Broadway, \$23.00; and A. M. Dea and George Reeves of Dea & Reeves, 236 Sherman street, \$2.22.

Fined \$100 in Federal Court.

On a plea of guilty to a charge of embezzlement of \$100, the defendant, Blumauer-Frank drug company was this morning fined \$100 in federal court. John J. Beckman, assistant city attorney, presented the case for the government. The offense was brand proclaimed the remedy as a "sure and speedy cure for coughs, bronchitis and anything that has a tendency to congest the throat, which government maintained was untrue."

Federal Official Visits.

H. P. Wright, special agent of the department of justice, was in Portland this morning on his way from Dallas, Texas, to Seattle, where he will take charge of the local office.

Wife Seeks Divorce.

Lillian Hales has filed suit for divorce against Laforest J. Childs on the ground of desertion. They were married at Olympia on May 31.

Waterhouse Sees Return of Shipping

Puget Sound Exporter Thinks Portland Will Resume Place When Freight Returns to Normal After War.

Frank Waterhouse, of the firm of Frank Waterhouse & Co., one of the leading sound exporting firms, is of the opinion that Portland will regain its position in the shipping world when freight rates become normal following the close of the war. Mr. Waterhouse stopped for a short time in the city this morning as he passed through on a motor trip. Mr. Waterhouse is a resident of Seattle, and is a member of the Puget Sound Exporters' association.

Famous Old Church Ruined by Shells

Santa Maria Formosa, Erected in Venice in 1473, Destroyed by Austrians During an Aerial Raid.

Rome, Aug. 12.—(U. N. S.)—An announcement was made here today that the famous old church of Santa Maria Formosa, erected in 1473, had been destroyed by an aerial raid.

Oregon Branch Is Formed.

An Oregon branch of the National Hughes alliance has been formed by the appointment of temporary officers with J. K. Gill at its head as temporary president. The other temporary officers are: Mrs. J. B. Hanley of Medford, first vice president; Frank B. Mitchell of Baker, second vice president; Mrs. Joseph E. Kelly of Portland, secretary; Walter L. Toose of Salem, who will be the state organizer for the alliance, and expects to make a tour of the state in the interest of his work. The appointments were made by a committee of the national alliance, which is touring the country for the organization of state branches of the alliance.

Walsh Not a Candidate.

Boston, Aug. 12.—(U. N. S.)—Former Governor David Walsh of Massachusetts announced here today that he will not be a candidate for the Democratic nomination of United States senator.

Turks Take Offensive and Pursue Enemy Word of Bittis and Mush.

Constantinople, Aug. 12.—(U. N. S.)—The Russian forces in Persia are rapidly falling back on Hamadan and are being closely pursued by Turks, north of Bittis and Mush, an official statement issued by the war office here today says.

Charles Coopey of Portland Asks Water

Applies for Permit to Appropriately Stream From Multnomah Creek to Develop 400 Horsepower for Needs.

Salem, Or., Aug. 12.—Although the legislature of 1915 passed an act authorizing the appropriation of the waters of Multnomah creek and all streams along the Columbia river from the Big Sandy to Hood river, Charles Coopey, of Portland, made application to the state engineer Friday afternoon for a permit to appropriate water from Multnomah creek sufficient to develop 400 horsepower and supply domestic needs. Today Assistant Engineer Capper put the question of whether such a permit can be granted up to Attorney General Bowen.

Coopey claims that the act of 1915 was intended to prevent the appropriation of water in cases where it would effect scenic beauty and that the taking of water from Multnomah creek would not have an adverse effect.

TOM TAGGART SAILS INTO SENATE AFTER A BRIEF MEMBERSHIP

Old-Timers Stare at Presumption of Newcomer, Who Disturbs Fixed Habits

Washington, Aug. 12.—(U. N. S.)—Tom Taggart of Indiana told the senate today, after a membership of but a few weeks, just what he thought of it. Though giving it full credit for passage of legislation favored by President Wilson, he reprimanded its failure to sustain business economy, muckrakers, its rivers and harbors and public building bills as "pork" measures and declared for a budget system of national appropriations.

Old-time senators stared at the presumption of a newcomer tearing strenuously into fixed senatorial habits. Many of them left their seats. But none interrupted.

"Instead of squandering money in catching cattle ticks, killing coyotes, poisoning ground squirrels, doctoring wild ducks, treating goats suffering from foot and mouth disease, and other such things, let's get down to business and get some sense into this body," said Taggart.

"Or if congress has a fixed, determined purpose to increase appropriations, wouldn't it be better to apply this money to helping farmers get intensive agricultural training or city boys to learn good mechanical trades?"

Taggart read a list of towns where public building appropriations authorized in a bill now pending, averaged from \$12.12 to \$12.55 for each inhabitant. He said \$20,000,000 too much was appropriated this year for rivers and harbors. He declared for:

Tariff commission; dyestuffs tariff; United States aid to state roads; merchant marine; developing South American trade; flood control on the inland rivers; preparedness; a government nitrate plant and a bond issue to help preparedness.

The pluckers will go on the same train.

Civil Service Record Clear, Says Bryan

"Deserving Democrat" Letter Shown to Have Reference Only to Places in the Santo Domingo Service.

Kansas City, Aug. 12.—In reply to Charles E. Hughes' criticism of his attitude toward civil service, former Secretary of State W. J. Bryan, in a statement, says he had never received any letter from the "deserving Democrat" while in the cabinet.

In regard to a letter written to Receiver of Customs Vicks in Santo Domingo, inquiring as to what the civil service record of the receiver was, Bryan says: "I am not ashamed of it. The letter was written to an appointive officer whose office was not under the civil service, and the inquiry was made in regard to offices which were not under the civil service. There was nothing in the letter to indicate a desire or intention to advance to the civil service. On the contrary, inquiry is made as to 'what is requisite.'"

"As an official, I enforced the civil service law to the letter, and upon my resignation received from the employees in the state department, more than 90 per cent of whom were under the civil service, a watch, which I prize as a priceless treasure. But, while I obeyed the law, I felt myself free to aid in rewarding deserving Democrats wherever it could be done without detriment to the service. My regret is that I was able to reward so few of the multitude who are deserving, measured by their political service, by their capability and by their fitness for the work to be done."

"The 'deserving Democrat' is not to be despised—he is as much entitled to recognition as a 'deserving Republican.'"