

STATE AUTO COPS IN THREE MONTHS HAVE NABBED 137

Salem, Or., April 5.—A total of 137 arrests for violations of the state traffic regulations were made through the activities of the law enforcement division of the secretary of state's office during the first three months of this year, according to a report filed today by T. A. Rafferty, chief of the division, with Secretary of State Koser.

Of these arrests 11 were for speeding, four for reckless driving, two were for driving while intoxicated, 12 were drivers who had no operators' license, 21 were for defective lights, four for switching license plates, 77 were for operating without a license and six were chauffeurs who had no license.

License fees collected through the activities of the field deputies aggregated \$6997.75 for motor vehicle licenses, \$208 for chauffeur licenses and \$16 for operators' licenses. A total of 1337 automobiles operating on old license plates were "spotted" by the deputies and their owners ordered to procure new tags, and 23 cars operating without license plates were picked up during the quarter.

DEALERS IN TROUBLE
The report shows that 163 dealers were found who were using dealers' license plates for other than demonstration purposes on 53 "for hire" cars were operating without proper license. Forty-six cars were ordered to suspend operation until proper license plates were procured.

Twelve of Oregon's 36 counties have special officers assigned and giving particular attention to traffic regulations, according to the report. Multnomah county has eight such officers and there is one such officer in each of the following counties: Clatsop, Columbia, Washington, Tillamook, Umatilla, Jackson, Douglas, Lane, Marion, Hood River and Deschutes.

FLYING SQUADRON URGED
Twenty-one cities of the state maintain special traffic "cops." Portland heads the list with 41 and there is one such officer in each of the following cities: Astoria, St. Helens, Scappoose, Oregon City, Hillsboro, Hood River, McMinnville, Salem, Eugene, Roseburg, Medford, The Dalles, Dallas, Corvallis, Pendleton, Albany, Milwaukie, Baker and La Grande.

The report recommends that the four additional field men allowed the department under the new law, effective May 25, be equipped with motorcycles to be used as a flying squadron and shifted over the state as circumstances warrant.

Logan, Or., Man Is Given 6 Months in Naturalization Case

For perjurying himself at his recent naturalization hearing Olaf Hauge of Logan, Or., a station 12 miles from Oregon City, was sentenced to six months in the county jail and fined \$100 this morning by Federal Judge C. B. Wolverson. Hauge, who is a native Norwegian, claimed exemption during the war as a neutral alien. When he was naturalized he denied making such a claim. Counsel for Hauge asked the court for leniency, pointing to two babies who were present in the room when sentence was passed. Before sentence was pronounced Hauge filed an appeal to the circuit court of appeals and was liberated under \$2000 bond.

St. Davids Rector Resigns to Take Up Mission in Alaska

The Rev. Thomas Jenkins resigned as rector of St. Davids Episcopal church at a meeting of the vestry Monday night to enter missionary work in Alaska about July 1. The resignation was not a surprise, as the rector indicated about a month ago his intention of returning to the Northern field, where he was formerly associated in mission work with Bishop Rowe.

Drive Against Auto Law Violators Is On

Salem, Or., April 5.—More than a score of motorists were targeted for arrest in police court Monday in the first day of the drive against violators of traffic laws being waged by Chief of Police Moffitt and T. A. Rafferty, chief of the law enforcement division of the secretary of state's office. Most of the violations were faulty tail lights, although a few speeders and glaring headlights flared were included. The roundup will continue through the week in an effort to impress upon motorists of this section the provisions of the motor vehicle law.

Special Delivery Letters Increasing

Special delivery letters in Portland during March showed an increase of 1700 over those of March, 1920, said Postmaster John M. Jones this morning. A total of 18,262 pieces was handled special delivery in March against 16,562 for last year.

Unless Charges Are Made Wreck Causes To Remain Secret

Seattle, April 5.—(U. P.)—Unless charges are placed against some officer or member of the crews of the steamer West Hartland or ill-fated Governor, which the former rammed and sank last Friday morning, the public will never know what is transpiring behind the closed doors of the federal investigation now going on.

This was assured today by Captain Harry G. Lord, one of the investigators. The investigation was expected to end today.

If, in the opinion of the investigators, charges are warranted and someone blamed for the disaster is placed on trial in open court, then, and then only, will the facts become known, Lord said.

Quarters Are Leased For State School For Adult Sightless

Final negotiations were closed today for a two year lease on the Laro apartment house at 424 East Burnside street as temporary headquarters for the state school and employment bureau for the adult blind, following approval of the lease by the state board of control at Salem Monday afternoon.

Blossom Day to Be Week Late at Salem

Salem, Or., April 5.—The date for Salem's annual "Blossom day" has been changed from April 10 to April 17, according to announcement by the Christian organization sponsor for the event. The change was found necessary because of the late season, which has held back the prune blossoms longer than was at first anticipated. Practically the same route will be covered this year as last, visitors being taken by automobile on a tour of the prune orchard section of the Liberty and Rosedale districts and into Polk county for a glimpse of the cherry orchards.

First Death From Smallpox Reported

The city health office this morning received the report of the death from smallpox of Mrs. Cecil Clementine Kimbrough, 98 East Humboldt street. She died Monday after a few days' illness. This is the first death from smallpox in Portland this year. There were two such deaths last year and 11 cases of this disease are under quarantine.

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BIG DEALERS PLAN ACTION AS RESULT OF MILK PRICE CUT

Startled by the abrupt cut in the price of milk brought about by the Oregon Dairymen's Cooperative league, larger milk dealers were reported to be in conference this morning. At noon a statement was still being withheld as to whether they would meet the new price.

Eleven-cent milk is just what Portland people, long heavily burdened by H. C. L. want, according to the early reports today from the Oregon Dairymen's Cooperative league.

PEOPLE LIKE CUT
Four plant manager announced that 10 telephone lines would be necessary in order to handle all the calls coming in from grocers and local milk stations," said M. S. Shrook, organization manager of the Dairymen's Cooperative league.

The league announced Monday that it would sell first quality milk through grocery stores at 11 cents a quart, that the April price of 13 and 14 cents announced by the dealers is too high in view of the present milk supply, and that the dealers, instead of giving the people the advantage of the increased milk supply due to the "grass season," were charging more for delivering the milk than they were paying the dairymen for producing it.

MICKLE WILL EXPLAIN
"The initial supply of 10,000 quarts a day for 11 cents a quart will evidently be less than the demand, and we will increase the supply as the demand increases," said Shrook.

The dairymen are dealing direct with the consumers through grocery stores, they explain, because they lack the facilities for house-to-house delivery, although the members of the league in the vicinity of Portland produce nearly enough to supply the city's demand.

That the housewives of Portland may clearly understand the purpose of the dairymen in reducing the milk price, it was announced this morning that J. D. Mickle, former state dairy and food commissioner, now assistant organization manager of the league, would appear before a number of women's organizations of the city.

Butte Elects Mayor
Butte, Mont., April 5.—(U. P.)—James Coking, Republican, has been elected mayor of Butte, according to the count.

North Portland's Harbor May Not Be Opened, Says McCoy

Vancouver, Wash., April 5.—Improbability that the harbor of North Portland will be opened is expressed by George McCoy of the Vancouver port commission, following a conference with Major E. B. Parks of Portland.

Action detrimental to the interests of Vancouver is not expected. The closing of the harbor would virtually assure Vancouver's 30 foot channel, McCoy said, and this plan is favored by the port commission.

Bids for work on the first dock unit were rejected by the city council Monday evening and returned unopened. Property on the levee owned by the Emergency Fleet corporation has not been removed and, until action is taken by the government, construction work is impossible. Bids will be readvertised.

Marriage Licenses

Vancouver, Wash., April 5.—Eight Portland couples secured marriage licenses in Vancouver Monday. Licenses were issued to J. R. Thompson, 34, and Elizabeth Shook, 23; Frank M. Smith, legal, and Orpha H. Fuson, legal; Archie R. Amador, 22, and Marjorie Wirth, 19; Richard Ridenhouse, 21, and Delilah Gossage, 19; Albert L. Tice, 31, and Eva L. Bower, 26; James E. Curley, legal, and Hannah M. Koehler, legal; Edwin M. Kausho, legal, and Mary L. Stillman, legal; B. A. Aarob, 42, and Viola Bane, 36, Portland.

Deaf Graduates to Assemble at Reunion

Salem, April 5.—Graduates and former students of the state school for the deaf here are planning a reunion at the state institution early in July, it is said by Superintendent Tillingshat.

The reunion is expected to attract 150 or more deaf people to the school for three days, during which it is proposed to perfect a statewide organization through which to further the common interests of the members.

Pupils Miss School Because of Rabies

Rabies has developed so severely at Harney lake that many parents are refusing to allow their children to attend school. Stanley Jewett of the predatory animal division of the United States biological survey has been notified. Cattle and horses as well as dogs and coyotes have been affected, according to the report sent by the school teacher. The disease is in the Dog mountain section.

U. S. TO TAKE OVER TONGUE POINT BASE

Rear Admiral H. A. Field of Bremerton, commandant of the Thirteenth naval district and of the Puget Sound navy yard, has been ordered by the secretary of the navy to take full possession of the Tongue Point naval base near Astoria as soon as the title to all the land is definitely cleared up, according to information received Monday afternoon from Washington, D. C., by United States Attorney Lester W. Humphreys.

The federal attorney was notified that the government would accept the gift of the land from Oregon as soon as the title was made perfectly clear. Humphreys made a few suggestions to the attorney general in his recent report after a careful examination of all the abstracts, and the attorney general held that the questions Humphreys raised were proper objections and that these should be overcome before the land is taken. The government does not desire to have any trouble over the land after taking it. None of the matters involved is of a serious nature, so it is expected the navy department will take formal possession of the site within a short time.

Tongue Point is on the Columbia river a few miles above Astoria, the land grant running upstream from Tongue Point to near the mouth of the John Day river. The navy department, after accepting the site, expects to transform it into a complete naval and submarine base. The base was inspected and approved November 13, 1920, by the senate committee on naval affairs.

The Tongue Point base includes a narrow strip of land bordering along the Spokane, Portland & Seattle Railroad company right of way, several islands in the Columbia river and a large area of water suitable for anchoring the largest warships.

Postal Weight to Germany Increased

Maximum weight of parcel post packages to Germany has been increased from 11 pounds to 22 pounds, according to postal department rulings received by Postmaster John M. Jones. "Gift packages" are free of customs duty up to 11 pounds only.

Bull Jumps on Passing Machine From Road Bank

McMinnville, Or., April 5.—The families of Dr. J. A. Linville of Carlton and Sam Laughlin of Yamhill had a bully time while motoring on the Pacific highway. As their car passed a bank a bull jumped from the high ground, landing on the front of the machine and damaging the bumper and fender. No casualties resulted.

Freight Rate Cut On Grain Products Is Asked by Hardie

Washington, April 5.—(L. N. S.)—Reduction of freight rates on grain and grain products were tentatively suggested by W. V. Hardie, director of traffic of the interstate commerce commission, as a result of a conference at Chicago and New York recently between representatives of grain markets and carriers. Hardie proposes:

"Reduction of 3 cents in all export rates on grain and grain products."
"Reduction of 1 cent on grain and grain products from Missouri river points including Sioux City to Chicago, and Chicago rate points to apply to export traffic only."
"Reduction of 4 cents in export rates east of St. Louis."

Charged With Forgery
Walter Baer was arrested at Vancouver on Monday, charged with forging an indorsement on a \$50 Western Union draft. Baer is said to have stolen letters from Benjamin Kirschner's pocket and used the name to get money over the telegraph wire.

BEND-BURNS ROUTE TO COME UP AGAIN

Washington, April 5.—(WASHINGTON BUREAU OF THE JOURNAL)—Reconsideration of the proposed main route from Bend to Burns has been promised Representative Sinnott by the postoffice department. Establishment was refused under the last administration because of the alleged excessive cost. The case will be reviewed to obtain reversal of the previous action if possible.

Sinnott has been notified by the general land office that a refund of \$1.25 per acre will be made to those who paid \$2.50 per acre for land in even numbered as well as odd numbered sections in primary limits of the Northern Pacific railroad grant from Wallula Junction, Wash., to Portland, forfeited by congress in 1890. The supreme court two years earlier decided that a refund should be made to purchasers of the odd sections. The lands involved lie within a strip 40 miles wide along the proposed line of the Northern Pacific from Wallula Junction to Portland, which was forfeited because the railroad company failed to construct the road. Claimants will have until December 11 to file applications for repayments. Blanks may be obtained from Sinnott.

Urges High Tariff on Dyes
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