

SAFE OREGON. TRAFFIC CALL

State Traffic Inspector Tells of Methods of Enforcing Laws in State

RESULT SURE OBTAINED

Taking Away of Drivers' Licenses Produces Desired Effect Usually

'Make Oregon safe to drive in.' slogan of the traffic enforcement department of the state, according to T. A. Rafferty, chief state traffic inspector.

No Puss-footing. The two statements mean exactly the same thing. They're not slouching around the state, cat-footing with a dark lantern and masks and bloodhounds trained to follow every little puss-footing—not at all. They're trying to make more people understand that the law is the law, and that 30 miles an hour is a reasonable speed even on a good road, and that there are careless drivers and inexperienced drivers whom the better drivers may have to nurse along, and pedestrians who get out of the way of two roaring, whooping cars at the same time.

Overlanders Target. The department is going after the truck overlanders with blood in their eyes. The legislature passed a law limiting the speed of trucks according to their tonnage and tire equipment. A 3 1/2-ton truck, which is a standard size of freight machine, loaded to its full limit, will weigh up to 15,000 pounds, and the legal limit is 24 miles an hour for solid tires and 15 for pneumatic tires. As there is hardly one pneumatic-tired truck of this size operating on the Willamette valley roads, this limits the legal speed of these machines to 15 miles an hour.

Weighting Jacks Come. The new loadometer, or weight-testing jack, being used for the traffic department is a new kind of a detector of crime. The machine weighs 49 pounds per unit. It is built with an aluminum frame, on a circular base about a foot in diameter, and is in an official case, with a screw pump, with a ratchet handle, and an oil plunger registers the weight on a dial plate. The department is to try out the machines in a day or two. If they satisfy the officers as to their accuracy, they will go out to the highways and check a few of the suspicious-looking machines—and it isn't likely to be easy with the offender. The story is told of one man who bought a two-ton truck, loaded it with seven tons of pig iron, drove across an unpaved spring, and when he kicked to the truck company that the machine was not good. Any such offenders as this, are to be fair game for the traffic squad; there's no closed season for 'em.

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Licenses Taken Away. There is nothing that will stop ignorant driving; though the taking away of driving licenses is having a powerful effect on the ignorant and careless chauffeur.

Heavy Fines Imposed. One fine of \$150 was imposed for speeding, and another of \$100; they don't usually get that much, but sometimes the judge finds the conditions so flagrant that he soaks 'em the limit. A \$150 fine ought to give almost any man pause—especially as another offense might mean the revocation of his license.

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answered. "If any man would be happy if his wife said to him that she was going to leave him this morning. She said that I was a model husband. Isn't that something to make a man cheerful?" "Oh I don't know," replied the partner. "It depends altogether on what she really means." He took a dictionary from the shelf and, after a moment's search, read out: "Model—a small imitation of the real thing."—Edinburgh Scotsman.

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RAILWAY PLAN TO CONGRESS

President Will Submit Administration Program Early Next Week

UNDERSTANDING REACHED

After Three Weeks of Negotiations Atmosphere Begins to Clear

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