

The Oregon Statesman

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SEVENTY-FIFTH YEAR

PRICE FIVE CENTS

1926 AUTO TAG NOW REQUIRED

State Officers Ordered to Demand License or Application Proof

ARREST TARDY DRIVERS

Congestion Over Plates Now Being Issued Day Application Is Received; Law to Disregard Excuses

If you haven't your 1926 automobile license clamped on light to your car, better leave it home this morning unless you carry in your pocket proof that your application has been made.

State traffic officers were instructed yesterday afternoon to start work on Friday, February 5, and to take court action against all motorists found operating their cars without license for the current year, or who are without conclusive evidence in their possession indicating that application has been forwarded to the secretary of state for license.

Official notice was mailed yesterday to all sheriffs, chiefs of police and marshals, constables, magistrates and district attorneys to the effect that 1926 licenses were being issued in all cases, except where returned on account of defect, on the day of receipt of the application for the license, and to govern themselves accordingly in the enforcement of the provisions of the motor vehicle laws.

From now on, no excuses will prevail. Show your little 1926 tag, or proof of application if you meet state officers.

Rigid clamping of teeth follows the statement, published yesterday, that the period of grace would again be lengthened by the Portland police department, bringing the following statement:

"It has always been the custom of the state traffic division to cooperate with the police departments of the numerous cities and towns, including the Portland department, in the enforcement of all state laws relative to the operation of motor vehicles over and upon the streets of the cities of the state, assuming, of course, that if in need of assistance in the city or town, the chief of police or the captain of the city traffic division would advise the chief of the state traffic division of their wishes in the matter.

"It appears, however, that this former spirit of cooperation is not in evidence as in other years, and, as a result, there are a number of Portland residents who operate their motor vehicles without having made any effort to secure 1926 license therefor. The reason for this condition is without doubt caused by the announced intention of the Portland Police department from time to time to stay the execution of the law and set the time for its enforcement several days ahead.

"At this time the license situation in the department is well cleared up; therefore, the traffic force deems it necessary to proceed with the work within the city of Portland as well as continue its work throughout the state generally without waiting for further action by the Portland city police officials with reference to that city."

WALL CRASHES, 7 DEAD

WEIGHT OF SNOW CAUSES FACTORY TO COLLAPSE

NEW BRITAIN, Conn., Feb. 4.—(By A.P.)—The collapse of a brick wall at the foundry of the North & Judd Manufacturing company today brought down at least seven workmen. Eleven others are in the New Britain general hospital, some in a serious condition. Six men are unaccounted for. The accident was a direct result of the blizzard which swept this section last night and today, snow gathering on the roof of the one-story building causing the wall to buckle. It fell in the street and the roof of the structure dropped on the workers below, crushing a pile of bricks. It was from under this mass of debris that the bodies of the workers were brought.

DIES AT AGE OF 138

RUSSIAN PRISONER'S ELDEST DAUGHTER NOW 101 ROSTOV, Russia, Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—Ivan Tretya, reputed to be the oldest peasant in Russia, died near here today at the age of 138. Ivan was married three times, taking his third wife in his 100th year. He had 24 children, the eldest of whom, a daughter, is now 101. He never left the soil, was never ill and retained his hair and teeth to the end. He claimed to have fought in every war in which Russia engaged for the last 118 years.

Statesman Prize Awards Attracting Contestants

Candidates Should Be as Numerous as List of Gifts Which Will Be Given to Those Who See the Opportunity, Get in, and Stay Till Victory Comes

When the management determined to give away over \$3,000 in automobiles and prizes in The Statesman's big contest, it was thought that the prize list was so liberal that scores of candidates would get in and carry on. The fact that one stands to win \$1115 and that "Everybody Wins Something" ought to have been enough to "knock everyone cold." Really, that may be the case. Maybe you are "knocked so cold" you haven't yet fully recovered.

PROHIBITION QUESTION IS DEBATED OVER RADIO

SENATORS DISCUSS PROPOSAL TO MODIFY STATUTES

Edge and Dill Address National Wide Audience on Liquor Law Question

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—Coinciding with interest aroused by the announcement in favor of light wines and beers by the Episcopal church temperance society, the prohibition question was debated tonight on the air by two members of the senate.

Speaking from the studio of WRC, the station here of Radi Corporation of America, Senator Edge, republican, New Jersey, took the side of those advocating modification of the Volstead act, while Senator Dill, democrat of Washington, made the rejoinder on behalf of those opposing any change in that law.

The addresses reached an audience over the country through a series of linked up stations. The speakers agreed that corruption of public officials and a widespread illicit traffic in liquor had followed enactment of the Volstead law, but they were far apart as to the means of correcting these conditions.

Senator Edge contended that modification of the Volstead act "within the clear terms of the constitution would partly subvert the spirit of protest and challenge now so apparent."

"Would it not be better for their orals of the nation to have a temperate condition," he asked, "than to have a nation that does not prohibit, but rather breeds defiance and in addition leaves in its wake a rapidly broadening trail of misery and corruption."

Declaring that "the bootleggers and the extreme drys are together resisting all efforts for modification," Senator Edge said: "Public opinion, as now daily expressed from the pulpit and the forum is demanding action and freely admitting the error we have made."

Senator Dill told his audience that to legalize the sale of beer and light wines would be to return to conditions in pre-prohibition days, which he contended were far worse than those existing for six years of legal prohibition.

"There is only one course to follow if we are to remedy the evils that confront us," he said. "That is the straightforward, honest course of obeying and enforcing the law."

"We have never had real law enforcement since the 18th amendment was adopted, but poor as enforcement has been, the benefits are greater than have ever flowed from any reform in the United States unless it be the abolition of slavery."

Although the radio debate was arranged before the announcement of the Episcopal church temperance society, Senator Edge referred to that announcement as another announcement that the friends of temperance favor a change in the dry law so as to make it workable.

GAS TAX RECEIPTS UP

INCREASE OF 17 PER CENT OVER PREVIOUS YEAR

The state license on gasoline and distillate used in Oregon during 1925 aggregated \$3,127,198.27, a gain of 17 per cent over the revenue from the same source in 1924, according to a statement prepared by Secretary of State Koser. Collections of state taxes on motor fuel oils for 1924 are shown in the statement as \$2,673,481.98.

The 1925 taxes were paid on a total of 191,202,768 gallons of gasoline and 3,577,553 gallons of distillate. To date the state has collected a total of \$10,852,300.44 as a result of the operation of the motor fuel oil tax law, all of which except for rebates and administrative expenses, is credited to the state's road fund.

THE DABLES MAN CHOSEN

LONGVIEW, Wash., Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—Rev. W. J. Eck of The Dables, was elected secretary of the Pacific synod of the Lutheran church at the annual convention in session here today. Rev. Lutna S. Bek of Vancouver was elected treasurer.

RURAL SECTION TALKS BERRIES

Prof. C. E. Schuster Addresses Enthusiastic Meeting of Growers

CULTIVATION DISCUSSED

W. G. Allen, of Hunt Brothers, Predicts Unprecedented Strawberry Pack Totalling 1,000,000 Cases

At a meeting held last evening of the rural department of the Chamber of Commerce, called to discuss the interests of strawberry growers, two important facts were brought out.

The first was the statement of Prof. C. E. Schuster, assistant professor of pomology, OAC, that shallow cultivation of strawberries is more beneficial than deep cultivation.

Of equal importance to the growers was the statements of canning and barreling interests of Salem that the strawberries that will find a constant and assured market are the Etersburg 121, the Oregon and the Marshall.

In referring to cultivation, Prof. Schuster said that deep cultivation cut the roots of the berry and thereby lessened the strength of the plant and its production. He recommended cultivation to a depth of only one and one-half to two and one-half inches.

Referring to topping of plants, Prof. Schuster said that this was practiced by 90 per cent of the growers, but he was not quite sure whether this was the right practice. In some districts adapted to strawberry growing, where the crops had been small, Prof. Schuster attributed it to too deep cultivation, thereby cutting roots of the plant.

W. G. Allen, manager of Hunt Brothers Packing company, said that the Etersburg 121 was preferred by canning interests and that during the past season fully 75 per cent of strawberries canned in Salem were the Etersburg.

Mr. Allen referred to the wonderful growth of the canning industry in Salem. He said that in 1911, there was only one canning plant in Salem, with an output of

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JUDGE KANZLER RESIGNS

PORTLAND JURIST ELECTED TO BANKING POSITION

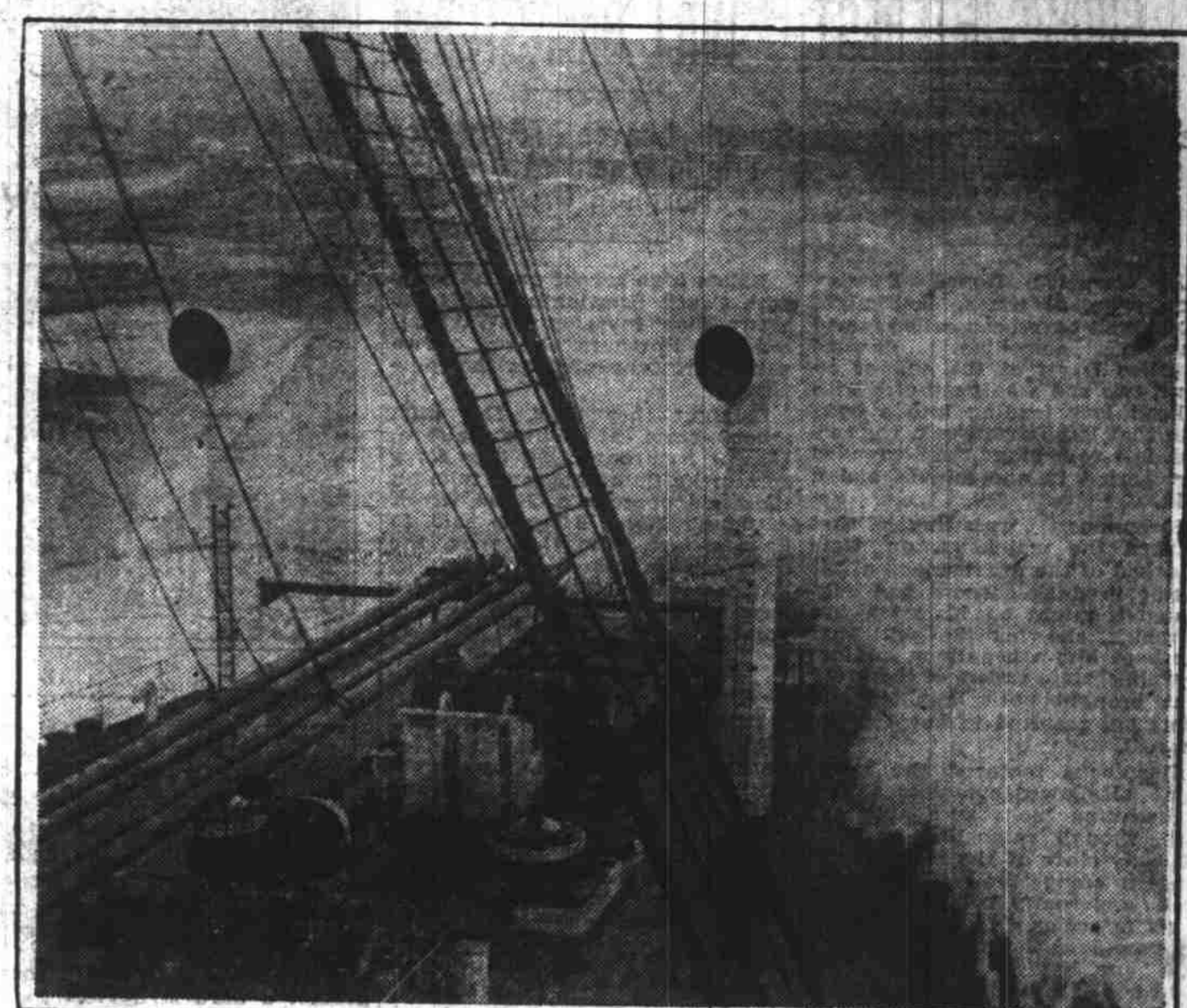
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—Judge Jacob Kanzler for the last seven years in charge of the court of domestic relations of Multnomah county, today submitted his resignation by letter to Governor Pierce. Closely following this word from the Multnomah county courthouse, came an announcement from Emory Olmstead, president, that Judge Kanzler had been elected assistant vice president of the Northwestern National bank, to assume his duties April 1.

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PRIDE GOETH BEFORE A FALL



WORST PACIFIC STORMS IN YEARS PUT SHIPS IN PERIL



The worst storm in years is raking the Pacific ocean from California to Bering sea. The Atlantic ocean, too, is in the grip of terrific gales. Liners, including the largest, are being tossed about like toys and several vessels are reported in distress.

TRAFFIC STOP PENALTY NETS \$85 OPENING DAY

"WILL SOON PAY COST OF SIGNS," SAYS VICTIM

Enforcement to Continue, Defendants Have Only Praise for Ordinance

Like sparrows gathered in a hedge, the first violators of the new stop street ordinance gathered in the office of City Judge Poulson yesterday. There were ten of them in all at one time.

As the first man paid his \$5 fine for failing to stop before entering a through street, nine others grinned sheepishly, and a general movement of hands was made toward the right pants pocket. Most men who appear before Judge Poulson carry their money in their right pants pockets.

As one man aptly put it, as he smilingly handed the five to the judge:

"Well, the city ought to have the posts and signs paid for in short order at this rate."

Another suggested that perhaps the city zoning and planning commission was to receive its \$300 emergency fund from this source.

"Don't you feel conscience-stricken, plucking those five so ruthlessly?" an onlooker asked Judge Poulson.

"I leave my conscience at home," was the laconic reply. "I was afraid some of the men would leave their lives at home, too."

CLARK ESTATE CLAIMED

WOMEN SAY SENATOR'S FIRST WIFE UNRECOGNIZED

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—Beyond the assertion that she and her sisters, who are suing for a portion of the \$50,000,000 estate of the late Senator W. A. Clark of Montana, will get "our rightful share," Mrs. Addie Clark Miller, who discovered living in a humble suburban residence today, remained silent tonight on the suit filed in Butte, Mont., several days ago. The women say they are Clark's legitimate daughters.

Earlier in the day, however, she admitted her identity to reporters and said her mother, whose maiden name was Kate Brooks, and Clark were married in St. Joseph, Mo., about 1869. Later he married Kate L. Stauffer, listed in Who's Who in America as his first wife. Mrs. Miller declared and added that Clark had refused to recognize his first wife and three daughters after he became wealthy.

Her statements, however, conflict also with those of the late copper king's Montana associates who say he was a resident of Montana in 1869 and in that year married Miss Stauffer.

HALL IS NOT ENTRANT

SENATOR IS NOT TO ENTER RACE FOR GOVERNOR

MARSHFIELD, Or., Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—State Senator Charles Hall said today he had decided not to enter the race for the republican nomination for governor. He declared he felt it his duty to devote his time to the enterprise in southwestern Oregon in which many persons had invested.

DOWNPOUR SWEEPS OVER COAST STATES

Bridges Washed Out and Roads Damaged; Willamette River Rising

Accompanied by high winds, a heavy rainstorm hit the Salem district yesterday, flooding ditches and in the farming sections and swelling the several streams in the city. During the 24-hour period 1.02 inches of rain fell, according to the weather department here. The Willamette river started to rise yesterday, due to the heavy rains south of here. More rain is forecast for today with diminishing south and southwest winds.

Portland, Or., Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—Warm rain poured down over the entire Pacific coast today as the result of a storm centered off British Columbia. From San Francisco to Prince Rupert the deluge was general. At least one bridge was washed out, several landslides occurred, trains were delayed and streets were flooded, streams overflowed and roads were damaged.

In Portland and the neighboring cities of Longview and Kelso, Wash., a brilliant electrical storm occurred. Damage was negligible. Astoria was cut off entirely from communication. For the benefit of Astoria newspapers, The Associated Press arranged to broadcast news from the Oregonian radio for 15 minutes.

More than two inches of rain

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DEATH IS YET UNSOLVED

BODY OF AGED RECLUSE IS FOUND IN FIRE RUINS

YAKIMA, Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—Death of O. W. Anderson, 80, a reclusive living near Kennewick, was due to a fractured skull received in an undetermined manner. This was the verdict of a coroner's jury in Kennewick today, according to telephone advices received here tonight. Anderson's body was found, badly burned and mutilated in his home last Friday. One leg had been consumed by the fire and other parts of the body had been seared and were still smoldering when the body was found.

The coroner's jury today declined to believe that Anderson had upset a lamp or in any way intentionally set fire to his clothing. None of the jurors, however, was of the opinion that he had been murdered, it was said.

It was said that he had amassed considerable wealth and was possessed of unusual business acumen.

FATHER SLAYS FAMILY

FOUR KILLED AND OWN LIFE IS TAKEN IN TRAGEDY

DOWAGIAC, Mich., Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—A mental breakdown caused by worry of a father over the birth of a child to his unwed daughter is believed by county officers here to have resulted in the deaths of William Wilkinson, his wife, a son, the daughter and the latter's three-day old child. The bodies of the victims were found early today in the ruins of the Wilkinson home in Silver Creek township near here.

Investigators said that marks on the bodies indicated the father had slain the four set fire to the house and then perished in the flames.

FURY OF GALE FELT IN EAST

Nearly Score of Deaths Are Claimed by Storm; Northeast Snow Blanketed

HEAVY SEAS TAKE TOLL

Nine Die When Barge Stakes; Two Ships in Distress; Six Killed When Roof Collapses in Storm

NEW YORK, Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—The northeastern section of the United States tonight was digging itself out from under the heaviest snowfall experienced this winter.

The storm after wreaking its fury for 18 hours upon the Atlantic seaboard from Georgia to Maine lifted this afternoon suddenly as it had descended and went whirling its way along the ship lanes toward Newfoundland. In its wake it left a snow blanket varying in depth from a few inches in the south to two feet in the Allegheny mountains.

Nearly a score of deaths, some property damage and partial disruption of transportation were recorded.

Shipping, harried by more than a week of severe storms, suffered new disasters. Thousands of passengers on coastwise liners were snowbound in Long Island sound where the steamers anchored to await clearing weather.

Two ships were reported in distress, and a third, the Dutch freighter Stad Zalt-Bommel, wireless that she was burning coal from her cargo to reach port at Providence, R. I. after her bunkers had been emptied by her long battle with the storm. The Furness freighter, Manchester Producer, bound from Halifax to Manchester, was drifting with a broken rudder about 500 miles from Halifax. The German steamer ship Hanover has gone to her aid. The collier Selwyn Eddy was reported standing by and a coast guard cutter was proceeding to the collier's aid from Cape May, N. J. Several lives were believed to have been lost in the sinking and grounding of three barges off the New Jersey coast. Three men were rescued from the barge Metropolitan No. 31, which had grounded off Asbury Park. Two of the barge men died from exposure after they were brought ashore. Six other barges broke loose from their tugs and were left to the mercy of the storm. Some of these were believed to have crews aboard.

Three men lost their lives in New York through the storm and several others were injured in traffic accidents.

At least six persons were killed at New Britain, Conn., when the wall of a brick factory building collapsed under the weight of tons of snow on the roof.

Other fatalities were reported from scattered points in the storm region.

In the larger cities armies of workmen and hundreds of tractors and motor snow sweepers were put to work to keep the main thoroughfares open. In New York this force numbered more than 19,000 men and it was estimated the cost of clearing the streets would total \$1,000,000.

REPORT ON ARMY BILL

APPROPRIATION MEASURE IN EXCESS OF BUDGET PASSED

WASHINGTON, Feb. 4.—(By Associated Press.)—Maintenance of the army and the various reserve organizations at their usual strength for the next fiscal year was provided for in the annual war department appropriation bill reported today to the house.

Carrying a total of \$326,934,000, the measure would authorize an increase in expenditures of \$5,045,000 over funds now available. This was an increase of \$1,939,000 above budget estimates and was the first time in the present congress that budget recommendations have been exceeded.

TICKLE TOE, FIDDLE

AND MR. WERE WILL, TONIGHT AT THE THEATRE

Capacity attendance at the Army tonight when the first part four of the new production will bring back the glory of the "good old days when..." dictated by advance sale of tickets for the Lena Bonnell party and dance.

Protestors in his possession of the project has received the hearty support of all police service clubs. Fully 100 musicians whose members are back into the days before the dance replaced the dance band will compete for a band contest prize.

Following the contest will be an orchestra with prominent will be featured and the music will be played on the main hall.

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