

DRUNK DRIVERS BEAT LAW REPORT SHOWS

How about the remaining... One person, arrested on June 1, has paid no penalty, whatever, according to police records.

These are the facts set forth in the official police report. They will be treated in more detail later. Combined with point blank statements of administration officials that advice of Fred Williams, hired by the city to furnish reliable legal information, has been found unreliable in several concrete instances, the present city attorney will find himself asked for public explanations in the future, as he did on the night of the last council meeting.

Two ordinances, drawn by Fred A. Williams, were vetoed yesterday by Mayor John Giesy on the grounds that they were faulty. They included one assessing the cost of the improvement of River street, and one accepting dedication of a strip of property for alley purposes in block 43, North Salem, from Oscar Redfield and wife. In this veto message, the Mayor declares:

"Ordinance bill No. 2347 was passed by your honorable body on June 6, 1926, and referred to the mayor for approval. It purports to assess the actual cost of improving River street from the west line of the alleys in block 6 and block 17, in Riverside addition to the City of Salem, Marion county, Oregon, to the west line of Water street, against the abutting and adjacent property.

"The bill sets forth that the said street was improved with a hard surface pavement when, in fact, the street was improved with macadam.

"I therefore, return the bill to your honorable body with my veto."

"Ordinance bill No. 2345 intended to accept the dedication of a parcel of land by Oscar Redfield and wife, and M. Redfield, his wife, for the laying out of an alley for highway purposes, was passed by your honorable body on July 6, 1926, and referred to the mayor for approval.

"The wording of the bill, especially Section No. 2, is meaningless and I therefore, return the bill to your honorable body with my veto."

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NAVAL AUTHORITIES ARE APPRISED OF EXPLOSION

falling from nearby naval depots and all persons were keeping clear of the army magazines for fear explosions would occur.

General Ruggles was informed that considerable damage had been done to buildings on the army reservation, some of them having been wrecked. He also was told that no estimate could be made on the loss of life or property damage as no one could get near the danger zone.

The navy department experienced difficulty in getting accurate information from the scene of the disaster. It was also attempted to get up a list of the personnel at the depot but up to late tonight had given out only a few names.

Captain Dowling in a telephone message late tonight to the navy department from Pictinnary arsenal, reported that Lieutenant Commander Brown, Lieut. Schradner and Captain Clarke were missing. This did not mean that they had been killed, he said, as it was impossible to check up the personnel.

Dowling said that the naval arsenal was on fire from end to end and had been demolished and that Pictinnary arsenal also was apparently demolished.

At 10 o'clock the navy department was advised that explosions were still occurring at the depot and that the fire department was unable to cope with the situation.

A check-up of the personnel at the navy depot revealed that 59 men, one captain of marine, 14 officers, four men of the naval hospital unit and 20 to 30 civilians were on duty there.

Considerable high explosives were in storage, part of it in a "growth charge" form.

Late tonight the navy department was advised that Lieutenant Commander Brown, previously reported killed, was alive, although it was not established whether he had been injured.

REFUGEES SWARM OUT OF SHELL STRICKEN AREA

from each other and are small communities in themselves. Residents of Mount Hope and the adjoining town of Rockaway evacuated their homes before their lives were threatened.

Shells were manufactured and stored at the arsenals and it was said that they were placed at sufficient distance from each other so that the explosion of one would not affect others.

The lightning struck at the naval reservation shortly after 5 o'clock and that was followed almost instantly by a major explosion. At approximately half hour intervals after that three other major explosions occurred at the arsenal.

A powder factory and store house were maintained at the army arsenal. A series of explosions began there within 45 minutes of the first explosion at the naval plant. About 50 persons were reported in general hospital here and one woman died. Most of the refugees pouring in from Mount Hope and Rockaway were taken care of by residents here.

At 9 o'clock the explosions were still heard and the corps of ambulances were still held outside of the danger zone by marine guards.

Refugees arriving from Mount Hope reported that the entire town had been destroyed by shells from the navy arsenal.

The navy arsenal is located on Lake Denmark, a small body of water about seven miles northwest of Dover, Mount Hope, with a population of close to 1,000, was about two miles southwest of the plant. The shells bombarded Mount Hope, a few landing in the army arsenal at Pictinnary and setting off the powder there.

Buildings in Rockaway, about five miles southwest of the arsenals, were damaged by the concussion of the explosions. No shells were reported to have landed there, but several houses crumbled when the major explosions occurred.

The men and officers reported missing made up the detachments stationed at the Lake Denmark plant. Laborers who worked at both places lived in Rockaway and Mount Hope. At 10 o'clock tonight, thirteen persons were in general hospital. It was said that great numbers had been treated. Only those seriously injured were allowed to remain.

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HEAT RECORDS FOR SALEM ARE SMASHED

last two days was general over the entire northwest.

PORTLAND, July 10.—(By Associated Press).—Heat records tumbled here today as the mercury ascended. Portland had the warmest day in the 52 years in which the government bureau has made observations.

At 4 o'clock the temperature was 104.5, just 2.4 degrees higher than the previous high mark. The weather bureau predicted relief for tomorrow.

BEND, Ore., July 10.—(By Associated Press).—The maximum temperature in Bend today was 94 which fell considerable short of the maximum for the season which was 100 degrees. Relative humidity was 22.

MEDFORD, July 10.—(By Associated Press).—Medford and the Rogue river valley today experienced a temperature of 106 degrees, with a humidity of 35. The air cooled in the late afternoon, with thunderstorms forming in the Siskiyou.

EUGENE, July 10.—(By Associated Press).—Eugene melted today under the hottest weather

ever experienced here in the recollection of old timers and weather observers. The mercury climbed steadily in the glass from early morning until it reached 104 in the shade this afternoon. By 6 o'clock a breeze had relieved the discomfort to some extent.

ALBANY, Ore., July 10.—(By Associated Press).—All known heat records for Albany were broken this afternoon when at 2:30 o'clock the official government thermometer recorded 104 degrees. The former high record was 103 degrees recorded June 29, 1925.

LONGVIEW, Wash., July 10.—(By Associated Press).—The highest temperature of the year was recorded here today when the mercury reached 98 degrees. The former high mark was 96 on June 24. The humidity today was 36.

MEDFORD, Ore., July 10.—(By Associated Press).—This torrid day came to a close with a thunderstorm in the foothills, and a breeze that swept the valley, moderating the heat. A forest fire started by lightning was reported on the Whiskey creek, west of Jacksonville.

ASTORIA, Ore., July 10.—(By Associated Press).—Astoria enjoyed cool temperatures today. A cool but gentle breeze from the ocean holding the mercury column to a maximum of 79 degrees.

C. F. Brethaupt, florist and decorator, 123 N. Liberty. Phone 380. Flowers, bulbs, floral designs for all occasions. Pioneer and leader in Salem. (*)

HYDRO-ELECTRIC BILL PROTEST TO BE FORCED

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state has not previously been passed on by the supreme court, and the decision of the court will settle for all time the number of signatures that are required to get an initiative measure on the ballot.

The attorney general arrived at his decision as to the number of signatures to petitions necessary to place an initiative measure on the ballot by taking the aggregate vote cast for the three candidates for justice of the supreme court at the last election and dividing the total by two. The constitution provides that eight per cent of the whole vote cast for supreme court justice at the preceding election is the basis for calculating the number of signatures required for the acceptance of initiative petitions.

ager, touched by accounts in the newspapers that the Indians were holding out for their money on reduced rations, offered them the use of his park in which to stage their own show and handle their own gate receipts, with no entangling obligations. The park manager also promised to furnish pasturage for 100 horses owned by the tribesmen.

The food shortage in the Indian camp was relieved today by generous donations from the pale-faces.

Chas. K. Spaulding Logging Co. lumber and building materials. The best costs no more than inferior grades. Go to the big Salem factory and save money. (*)

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