

New Travel Record Combines With Lowest Death Rate in State

A new Oregon record for travel mileage in August was accompanied by the lowest death rate in the state's automotive history, the secretary of state's office announced Tuesday.

The estimated 580,000,000 miles of auto travel, based on gasoline sales of 48,996,891 gallons during the month, resulted in only 27 traffic deaths, according to current figures. The resultant death rate is 4.6 per hundred million miles of travel.

Each of the figures established a new record.

Although the rate may be revised due to subsequent deaths caused by August accidents, it is considerably below the nearest figure of 5.0 set in May, 1947, and far below the national average of 8.6 deaths per hundred million miles.

The state's complete figures on gasoline sales and mileage go back to 1936, the year that the legislature established the traffic safety division of the secretary of state's office. Since that time the increasing travel has been accompanied, except during World War II, by a steady decrease in the death rate.

Taxes on August's gallonage grossed \$2,449,844.57, of which approximately 13 per cent will be refunded to non-highway users.

Marion County Predominates At PI Judging

It must have seemed just like a Marion county fall show to Howard Watts, 12, Central Howell 4-H hog club member, when he brought his seven-month-old Chester White gilt, Rainbow Beauty, back into the judging ring from which he left with the grand championship hog showmanship ribbon Monday at the Pacific International Livestock exposition in Portland.

Competing against him for the purple ribbon were Robert Beutler, 17, Middle Grove community, with his champion Duroc; and Jerry Jeskey, 15, Aurora, other breeds champion.

Just to make it seem more like home from nearby Linn county, Robin McKinley of Shedd, with his Berkshire, was another Willamette valley competitor.

Others competing were two Deschutes county club members and one from Union county.

Injured Salem Hunters Said 'Improving'

Three Salem deer hunters, injured slightly in an auto accident near Waldport Sunday night, were reported in improved condition Tuesday.

They are Herbert Barker, Salem route 3, executive secretary of the Salem Trades and Labor council; Howard Conklin, Salem route 3, and Alton Smith, Salem route 4, Elwood Smith, 386 E. Lincoln st., whose name was inadvertently included in the accident report Monday, was not involved in the wreck.

The trio incurred minor injuries when their car plunged over an embankment on the Alsea highway. None required hospitalization and expect to return to their jobs today or Thursday.

3 Valley Boys' Calves Win

Three Willamette valley 4-H club boys showing their 1947 "scramble calves" placed in the judging at the Pacific International Livestock exhibition this week.

Fred Pantle, Woodburn, received second for his Hereford and Harvey Elser of Turner placed fifth with his calf, also a Hereford. Melvin Lehman, 15, Dayton, received fourth place for his Aberdeen Angus steer won in last year's scramble.

Betty Wintermantel of Jefferson was runner-up for the best canning record at the Pacific International, Margaret Schafer of Milwaukie taking first place.

Miss Wintermantel had blue ribbons for three canning exhibits, chicken, beans and carrots.

Phyllis Mallory of Yamhill won a red ribbon for her fruit; Sally Klein, Aumsville, three green ribbons; Joan Light, Yamhill, green ribbon for her vegetables as did Dona Zehner of Jefferson.



James McDowell (Kennell-Ellis photo)

McDowell Wins Two Awards

James McDowell, 1948 Salem High school graduate, recently announced as the winner of the Oregon Bankers award for winning the state shop contest, has also been named Willamette district winner of the Kiwanis club state better farmers contest. The Kiwanis club award is \$20 cash.

McDowell is a son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy McDowell of the Popcorn district in Polk county, four miles west of Salem. While in school young McDowell carried a Holstein project and has raised sheep. He and his father are now in partnership.

Jurist Urges Renovation of State Bar Exam

A prominent Oregon jurist here Tuesday said the state's system of bar examinations was outmoded and suggested a change in the test.

The present system, he said, results in hardships on the students and sometimes causes brilliant students to fail in the tests.

It was pointed out that approximately 40 per cent of the applicants who wrote in this year's bar examinations were unsuccessful. A number of these students who failed were young men with outstanding records in law schools.

One was an editor of the University of Chicago law review and another an advisory editor of the Columbia university law review. Two others previously had passed bar examinations in Iowa and Oklahoma.

"There is something radically wrong when men of this type fail to pass the Oregon bar examinations," the jurist said.

He declared that in the Oregon bar examinations each applicant is asked the same 32 questions and, each question requires a treatise to be written. These questions, the jurist said, cannot cover half the courses given in the law schools.

It also was suggested that a student might specialize in labor law, but in the examinations there are no questions on labor law. In such case, the jurist said, the student is forced to try to answer questions on other courses which he had to omit in order to take labor law.

"This means," the jurist continued, "that if a man takes a specialized course in order to earn more money he penalizes himself when he takes the bar examinations in Oregon."

Appeal to Court

A number of the 40 applicants who failed in this year's examinations have appealed to the supreme court to review their examination papers. The papers for this year already have been graded by the state board of bar examiners.

"Once an applicant fails it is always a black mark against his name in the profession regardless of whether he passes on re-examination," the jurist said.

Proposed solution is that the students questions cover only the courses they have taken.

25 Years Out of Date

One attorney said the supreme court's rules on bar examinations are 25 years out of date.

The attorney added that while the rules list common law pleadings as a subject to be covered in the examinations it has been 25 years since a question has been asked on that subject.

YM to Revive Leaders Corps, Girls Classes

Reestablishment of the junior leaders corps and beginning of gymnasium classes for girls at Salem YMCA were announced Tuesday by Fred Corda, physical director. The physical department committee, headed jointly by C. A. Page and Carlton Greider, will meet at the YM tonight at 8 o'clock for program planning.

The junior leaders, starting with six or eight boys between 11 and 14 years of age, will assist in supervision and instruction of grade and junior high age gymnasium classes at the YM. The corps will meet Saturdays at 11:15 for an instruction session in leadership.

The girls' classes, for those of grade and junior high school age, will be Tuesdays and Fridays from 4 to 4:45 p.m., followed by 45 minutes of swimming. Instruction will be Jean Carriero, Willamette university student from Calgary, Canada. To be enrolled, the girls must be able to swim, since the beginning swimming class is conducted at the same time.

Store Displays, Talks Feature NEPH Week

Speaking tours, window displays and other publicity are featuring the local observance this week of National Employ the Physically Handicapped week.

Carl Greider, veterans employment representative at the Salem office of the state employment service, is on a state-wide speaking tour this week in behalf of NEPH week. Greider will speak in southern Oregon, Portland and other cities on the theme—Ability, Not Disability, Counts.

Brief announcements and talks are also being made at Salem service, civic and church groups and on radio programs. In addition to the employment service the program is being sponsored here by veterans, Red Cross, civic, labor, church and state rehabilitation agencies.

Purpose of the fourth annual observance is to focus public attention on the "employability" of physically handicapped veterans and civilians. Of the present national labor force, about 10 per cent are handicapped, it was reported.

PORTLAND TRAFFIC DEATH

PORTLAND, Oct. 5 (AP)—Carl A. Wigen, 53, died in a hospital here today of injuries suffered Sept. 24, when his car collided with a truck. His death was Portland's 35th traffic fatality of the year.

Public Records

DISTRICT COURT

Jefferson Stanley Turenne Ogg, Portland, charged with driving while intoxicated and with having no driver's license, continued for plea on each charge to October 6; posted total bail of \$375.

PROBATE COURT

George W. Davison estate: Order appoints Bertha Davison as executrix and James A. Brown, Tom Penwright and Jerry Foote as appraisers.

Christine Severson estate: Order cancels previous hearing date on final account and resets hearing for November 8.

Emanuel Olivetti estate: Final decree closes estate.

Ina Edna LaFollette estate: Final decree settles estate.

CIRCUIT COURT

Lillian Lee Ott vs. Felix Ott: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment asks for custody of a minor child, \$50 per month support money and certain personal property. Married Oct. 9, 1943, at Corvallis.

Harry Benton vs. Fred T. Crites and James H. McEwen: Suit seeks to collect \$15,350 for damages and injuries allegedly received in an auto accident in Salem on Jan. 1, 1947.

Palma Anderson vs. H. B. Anderson: Plaintiff files reply of complete denial.

Janet May Bulen vs. James L. Bulen: Suit for divorce charging cruel and inhuman treatment asks for restoration plaintiff's former name of Janet May Dement. Married Dec. 22, 1946, at Salem.

Marion county vs. Paulus Brothers Packing Co. and others: Default of certain defendants entered.

MUNICIPAL COURT

William Gaibrath, 754 Ferry st., illegal reverse turn, fined \$2.50.

MARRIAGE LICENSE APPLICATIONS

Roy H. Pease, presser, 1350 N. 15th st., and Gladys A. Bonge, domestic, 1735 Baker st., both of Salem.

Leo Giles, 18, student, and Constance Carter, 18, student, both of Corvallis.

Victor Dale Blake, 21, lineman,

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Donald, and Shirley Jean Stolk, 18, domestic, Aurora route 1.

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Civic Leaders Organize?

FORM COMMITTEE, URGE 306 PASSAGE

Representative civic leaders from all sections of Oregon have formed a committee to support passage of referendum 306.

Heading the committee is E. C. Sammons, formerly vice-president of Iron Fireman Manufacturing Company, and now president of the United States National Bank of Portland.

Secretary is Robert F. Ball, secretary-manager of the Baker County Chamber of Commerce.

Key members of the committee include: Leonard Adams, Beaverton; Albert Bauer, Portland; Carl J. Bartlett, M.D., Baker; Frank N. Belgrano, Jr., Portland; Harry V. Carson, Silverton; Herbert Chandler, Baker; Arvil L. Child, Nyssa; J. C. Compton, McMinnville; C. H. Demaray, Grants Pass; Arthur L. Fields, Portland; Ben Fisher, Brownsville; Leonard N. Fisher, Mt. Angel; Ray J. Glatt, Woodburn; E. B. Hall, Klamath Falls; Robt. C. Hammond, Enterprise; Floyd Hart, Medford; Ben H. Hazen, Portland; Chas. R. Holloway, Jr., Portland; Grover Jameson, Burns; Frank Jenkins, Klamath Falls; Cliff Knodell, Albany; Edward E. Lage, Hood River; Scott Leavitt, Newberg; Hillman Luedemann, Portland; F. E. MacCallin, Portland; Dr. Ray F. Murphy, LaGrande; Herman Oliver, John Day; Christian Petersen, Salem; John T. Russell, Sweet Home; J. W. Seary, Hillsboro; Edgar W. Smith, Portland; Mrs. Lamar Toole, Portland; Peter T. Tweed, Lebanon; E. C. Van Patten, Ontario; Robert Warren, Forest Grove; C. R. Wheeler, Elgin; Sid Woodbury, Portland; Tom Wray, Medford.

VOTE 306 X YES

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NEW POWER DAM on Snake river is half-way finished. It is typical of the many hydroelectric projects private capital is building in other Western states. In Oregon such power dams are discouraged by a restrictive state law. Today Oregon has its worst power shortage in history.

OREGON LAGS BEHIND SISTER STATES

Power companies in all western states have been building power plants to take care of the growing population and new industries. Only exception is Oregon, which has had only one such power plant started and none completed in the past 17 years. Here is the record of power plant construction by power companies from 1931 to date:

State	Plants	Capacity (kilowatts)
Idaho	10	200,000
Washington	10	127,950
TOTAL	20	328,750
Oregon	0	40,000

(Above figures include plants now being built.)

To remove the restriction on electric companies building power plants in Oregon, a state-wide citizens committee urges people to vote 306 X yes on November 2.

NEED MORE DAMS NOW

Oregon is no longer the region of surplus hydroelectric power. For years the problem was to sell the output of Bonneville and Grand Coulee. During the war aluminum plants took all power available, and are still going at capacity. Additional new industries have moved here since the war. The result is that, instead of having excess power, Oregon today faces an actual shortage.

The Federal Government is building McNary Dam at Umatilla Rapids. But even at top speed this dam can't be finished until 1954. And when it is finished the increased power demands of this region will be more than McNary

LEGISLATURE REVISES POWER LAWS; VOTERS TO APPROVE

Passage Of "306" Will Provide More Power for Oregon Growth

Many industries in Oregon may have to curtail their use of power this winter. Even homes and farms may have to get along with less electricity. This is the prediction made, recently by officials of both public and private power systems in the state.

So many new people and industries have moved to Oregon, since the war that existing power facilities are taxed to capacity.

REFERENDUM 306 CORRECTS LAW AND PROVIDES POWER

Oregon's power laws will be modernized and construction of new power plants encouraged if voters approve measure 306 on the ballot.

When Oregon began to feel a power shortage, private capital was ready to build hydro plants but could not do so because of a restriction in state laws. The Oregon legislature amended the state law to make it conform to Federal power laws. This amendment is now referred to the people for approval, in the form of referendum 306.

At present, new industries cannot move to Oregon, especially if they are large users of power, because there isn't any power to spare.

Ready to Build Dam

Already one power company has announced plans for a \$30,000,000 dam and power house when the measure is approved and necessary licenses are obtained. Another company is making engineering plans and surveys for another large power project in Oregon.

Because it is so desperately needed, measure 306 seems sure to pass by a good majority.

Those who have studied the bill carefully recommend Oregon citizens vote yes on measure 306.



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