

AT A SCRATCH IN 12 YEARS

Safety Awards Made

Transit Lines drivers during the year of 1953 made them an impressive safety record. One of the 28 drivers in the Springfield area won National Safety Council awards for driving.

R. Shank topped the list with a record of 12 years without an accident and was followed by T. E. Miller and A. Manley with 10 years each.

Qualify for awards, drivers go through their first three years without an accident. During this three-year period, an accident loses all three years and driver must start over. After big three, the driver loses a calendar year if his bus is involved in an accident. The drivers also operate under more stringent rules than others—for instance, if a bus is involved in a mishap inside an intersection, that's a "chargeable accident" regardless of liability.

The 23 drivers in the local area drove 654,820 accident-free miles in city traffic during 1953.

Two drivers have not had an accident during the full period of their employment. C. L. Rathbun has never had an accident during his eight years of driving, and L. C. Black has the same record for his five years.

Drivers and their records are: E. R. Shank, 12 years; T. E. Miller, 10 years; A. J. Manley, 10 years; H. C. Bockes, 9 years; J. B. Okeson, 9 years; C. L. Rathbun, 8 years; E. L. Wright, 8 years; E. F. Deardorff, 7 years; E. G. Keefe, 7 years; B. A. Redmond, 6 years; L. C. Black, 5 years; V. F. Loose, 5 years; V. F. Mathews, 5 years; H. E. Starr, 5 years; R. L. Bruce, 4 years; K. W. Carney, 4 years; H. A. Harms, 3 years; H. A. Norris, 3 years; L. W. Anderson, 2 years; C. Decker, 1 year; F. K. Morley, 1 year; C. M. Rankins, 1 year; H. E. Riley, 1 year.

The drivers were honored by City Transit Lines last week at a dinner. Carl Wendt, company manager, was host and other guests were from Eugene and Springfield city administrations and the Eugene Chamber of Commerce.



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A. J. MANLEY, City Transit Lines bus driver, shows watch he won for safe driving to Tom Miller. Both Miller and Manley amassed a record of 10 years driving without an accident and were honored at a dinner this week. Miller received a similar award. The National Safety Council makes the awards.

Velde to Open Seattle Probe

WASHINGTON (AP)—A six-man House Un-American Activities Subcommittee will open an investigation of Communist activity in the Pacific Northwest at Seattle, Monday.

The group will be headed by Rep. Harold H. Velde (R-Ill.), chairman of the full committee. Other members scheduled to attend the four-day Seattle hearings are Reps. Donald L. Jackson (R-Calif.), Kit Clardy (R-Mich.), Gordon Scherer (R-O.), James B. Frazier Jr. (D-Tenn.), and Clyde Doyle (D-Calif.).

Among the 45 witnesses to be called to testify in Seattle is Barbara Hartle, who left the Communist Party recently after 21 years of party activity.

Committee members said the investigation will be "a general investigation of Communism in the Northwest," with many of the witnesses to be drawn from fields of labor and education.

The subcommittee will hold a two-day hearing in Portland, Ore., next Friday and Saturday.

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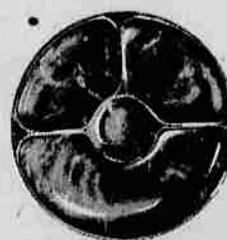
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