New Regulations for Auto Traffic Become Effective

Now, and until June 12, the motorist entering the intersection first has the right of way, but after that date the driver on the right will take the honor. This was pointed out by the Oregon State Motor association, which warned that the change probabaly will catch many automobile operators unaware.

The new right of way law was passed at the last session of the Oregon state legislature. The old rule, it was contended, was found confusing to many motorists and made traffic court squabbles difficult to settle. After June 12 the law will be similar to that contained in the old "rules of the road."

"Drivers when approaching highway intersections shall look out for and give right of way to vehicles on the right, simultaneously approaching a given point, whether such vehicle first enter and reach the intersection or not," the new law reads. This provision does not apply at an intersection where and when traffic is controlled by traffic signals or police officers.

A further important feature, the motor association explained, provides that "any driver entering an intersection at any unlawful speed shall forfeit any right of way which he would otherwise have under this subdivision." All other provisions regulating the movement of vehicles at intersections remain the same.

One danger attendant to the change has been called to the attention of motorists. Some drivers may believe that the rule entitles them when on the right to take the right of way at any time, ignoring the traffic on the left, according to the motor association.

All motorists have been warned to look both ways, and drive slowly, when approaching intersection. The association stressed the importance of the speed feature of the law, declaring that it is easy to drive through an intersection at an illegal speed and be in the wrong even though on the right.

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(From The Gold Hill News July 30, 1910)

Eighteen miles in true hobo style on top of a fast passenger train was Marshal Hammersley's experience Thursday night. Just before the north bound train arrived Mr. Hammersley received a telegram from Central Point telling him to search three men who would be found riding on top and to hold the man with a certain Elgin watch stolen in Central Point. When the train arrived Hammersley told the conductor to hold it while he went on top. Marshal Hammersley frisked the men but they did not have the watch. They were put off the train, however. Thinking everyone was off the car, the conductor signalled to the engineer to leave the station and Marshal Hammersley was forced to hang on for dear life, riding on top all the way to Grants Grants Pass.

C. W. Martin, traveling representative of the Rogue River Electric company, was in town several days this week on company business—also on a game leg, the result of a collision while running bases with the "fats" when they trimmed the regular ball team two weeks ago.

A line of pleasure boats plying on Rogue river between the pond below the S. P. railroad bridge and a point about a half mile down the river is an enterprise which G. H. Patrick proposes to put in operation soon. A gasoline launch was received this week but was not put in commission as the engine was not powerful enough for the strong current.

(August 6, 1910)

A. E. Kellogg this week painted a big sign for the Del Rio orchard. The letters are large enough that he who runs may read, whether from the waon road or from a Southern Pacific limited. The Del Rio comprises 700 acres, all of which has been or will be set to fruit.

Raphael Messner left Wednesday for Portland where he will be a delegate to the socialist state convention.

Fire of unknown origin burned over about a thousand acres in the Kanes creek district Saturday and Sunday.

The Gold Hill cigar factory is swamped with orders.

(August 13, 1910)

Mr. and Mrs. J. U. Smith returned Monday to their home on Sardine creek from a trip to Crescent City, where Mr. Smith's parents reside. They found the weather on the coast disagreeably chilly and were glad to get back to the finest climate this side of the pearly gates of the new Jerusalem, as Ed Cooper would put it.

Earl Pankey is home from Applegate where he has been working with Stickle Bros., on the kiln in which they will burn the brick for the new Applegate school house.

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ARMY RECRUITING PARTY SEEK APPLICANTS HERE

An Army recruiting party consisting of Second Lieutenant Raymond W. Sellers, 7th Infantry, Sergeant Eldon E. Zinn, Company K, 7th Infantry; Corporal Ignatius D. Kubiak, company L, 7th Infantry, and Private First Class Albert DiLaurenzo, Service Company, 7th Infantry, was in Gold Hill, Tuesday, August 20, for the purpose of securing applicants for the United States Army. This party, one of two, is touring Oregon and southern Washington one-half day in each town and city with a population of five hundred or over.

Accepted applicants are given government transportation to Portland and Vancouver Barracks, Washington, if they are enlisting for service in that area or Alaska, or to Medford and San Francisco if they are enlisting for service in the Philippines, Hawaiian Islands, or China. If the applicants pass their final examination and are qualified for enlistment, they are then sent to the station of their choice without unnecessary delay.

At the present time applicants are choosing duty in the Philippine Islands with the Coast Artillery; with the Infantry, the Field Artillery, the Coast Artillery, the Engineers or the Chemical Warfare Service in the Hawaiian Islands, with the Infantry in Alaska; with the Coast Artillery, the Medical Department, the Quartermaster Corps or the 29th Engineers at Fort Stevens, Oregon; or with the 7th Infantry, the Quartermaster Corps, or the Medical Department at Vancouver Barracks, Washington. Prior service men discharged with excellent character rating may choose duty with the Infantry in China.

According to Lieutenant Sellers, all applicants must be between the ages of 18 and 35 years, be unmarried with no one dependent upon them for support, be in good physical condition, and furnish two references as to good character.

Applicants may contact any member of the party calling every four weeks or call at the recruiting office in Medford.

149 F.H.A. LOANS MADE IN JACKSON COUNTY IN TWO WEEKS

Insured loans for the repair and modernization of homes and business properties, and purchase of eligible equipment, under the modernization credit plan of the Federal Housing Administration, showed substantial increase in number and volume in Jackson county during the two weeks ending August 10. The report comes from the FHA headquarters office in Portland.

Jackson county banks and other lending institutions reported a total of 149 insured loans, an increase of 32 during the two weeks preceding that date. Total amount of loans was approximately $44,490.

These figures include only loans reported by banks and building and loan associations. Finance companies, it is estimated, are lending about 20 per cent of the money borrowed in Oregon under the modernization credit plan. A check of modernization projects in Multnomah has disclosed that about $8 has been expended in cash for such projects for every $1 of insured loans. That would bring the total of loans to 175 or more and the total outlay for improvements to around $475,000 for the county.

Medford banks and lending associations have reported 139 insured loans for a total of approximately $43,000, as of August 10.

Tourist Business in Oregon Best Since 1929

The tourists are coming to Oregon in greater numbers than at any time since the prosperous year of 1929, according to figures from Salem. A total of 20,995 cars registered in the state during July, most of them coming from California. Registrations of out-of-state cars for the first seven months of this years exceed those of the same period in 1934 by more than 4,000.

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On Oregon Farms

Smoke Screen for Frost Tried

KLAMATH FALLS—An experiment to test the effectiveness of a smoke screen in preventing frost damage to large acreages of grain during June and July when grain is in the blossom or milk stage and particularly subject to freezing was made here this year on the fields of Long and Shuck Brothers, reports C. A. Henderson, county agent. The smoke was distributed from an airplane. Results showed, however, that considerably more smoke would be necessary before it would aid materially in increasing temperatures.

New Ceresan Gives Smut Control

LAKEVIEW—Lake county farmers are reporting excellent control of smut on oats and barley by use of the new improved Ceresan, says County Agent Victor W. Johnson. Charles Abramson of the Idaho district, obtained badly smutted hannchen barley seed in May of this year and treated it with the new improved Ceresan dust four times as strong as recommended by the company manufacturing the material. He then sowed 8½ acres with the treated seed, and now has an excellent, uniform stand of barley with no smut anywhere in the field, according to Mr. Johnson who recently inspected the planting. Jim Ozamis of the Dry Creek district reports excellent control of smut on 47 acres of barley treated with the improved Ceresan, and many similar reports have been received, Johnson says.

Value of Certification Seen

ALBANY — Growers of English rye grass in Linn county are rapidly realizing the advantages of having this crop certified, County Agent F. C. Mullen reports. Certified seed on the local market is commanding a premium of 2 cents a pound over the uncertified seed, Mullen says. Eleven growers, representing more than 700 acres, requested certification for this year, and 973 bags of seed have been sampled and the samples sent to the seed laboratory at O.S.C. English rye grass differs from common rye grass in that it is perennial.

Mrs. Mollie Harrison of Central Point was a caller at the Neil Doty home Friday.

No Auto Fatalities in County During July

Of the 26 automobile accident fatalities in Oregon during July, which brought the 1935 total up to 140, none were in Jackson county, according to the Oregon Motor association, a leader in state safety work for nearly a year.

At the end of July, traffic records for the state revealed a decrease of 18 per cent, fatalities during the same period a year ago having numbered 171. A decrease also was shown in accidents, but the number of injuries was slightly higher.

In Jackson county, during July, accidents decreased from 54 to 13, and injuries decreased from 19 to one, the motor association reported. One death was reported in July a year ago. Figures were based on records compiled by the secretary of state.

"Oregon started out this year with a good traffic record," said a statement by Dr. E. B. McDaniel, president of the motor club. "At the end of May we had the lowest number of fatalities for any similar period in the past five years.

"It is necessary that every motor vehicle operator keep constantly in mind the tremendous destructive powers of an automobile and that he be constantly alert and cautious.

"The motor association will continue its safety work, for that is something which must be carried on indefinitely. Traffic negligence is something that can not be cured in a short time. We have taken a long forward step in legislation by enacting the safety responsibility bill. It is possible, too, that we may soon have a safety glass law, designed to eliminate the broken glass hazard."

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