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9131 TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS IN SIX MONTHS

Secretary of State Kozer Analyzes Causes of Auto Mishaps

MANY ARE AVOIDABLE Fines for Law Violations in Half Year Total \$21,300; Stolen Cars Recovered, \$21,000

SALEM, Aug. 1.—Out of a total of 9131 traffic accidents reported to the state motor vehicle department during the period January 1 to June 30, 1924, approximately 6455 resulted from carelessness on the part of the operators. This was set out in a letter prepared here today by Sam A. Kozer, secretary of state, for the consideration of all district judges, justices of the peace and other officials.

Included in the list of accidents charged to carelessness on the part of operators were 183 cases of speeding; failure to give right of way, 1381; reckless driving, 260; cutting corners, 372; double at intersections, 155; driving while intoxicated, 123; failure to give signal, 290; driving on wrong side of pavement, 64; improper parking, 79; reverse direction in middle of block, 40; passing to left of streetcars while discharging passengers, 31; inexperience, 24; and jockeying on bridges, 21.

98 Per Cent Avoidable The letter indicated that approximately 93 per cent of the traffic accidents were preventable had the drivers complied with the traffic regulations. A total of 140 accidents reported were due to skidding. Accidents due to wet, icy or slippery pavements numbered 59.

The statistics prepared by the secretary of state showed that only a small per cent of the accidents reported during the six months were due to violation of the light regulations. Thirty-six accidents resulted from machines having no lights, 26 from improper lights and 9 from parking without lights.

Accident Causes Classified Fog caused five accidents, while defective equipment contributed to 40 accidents. A total of 70 accidents were due to faulty brakes. Jaywalking resulted in 53 casualties and loss of control of vehicles by the operators was responsible for 42 accidents. Obstructed view caused 23 accidents and obstructions on the highways not properly lighted resulted in six accidents. Insufficient clearing caused 30 accidents, while five accidents were due to drivers falling asleep while on the highways. One accident was caused by a runaway team. One car caught fire and 104 accidents were listed from causes not known to the persons filing the reports.

Reviewing these offenses against the motor vehicle laws, with which the courts have had to deal, said the letter, "it was found that out of 1232 cases, 680 were for speeding. Seventy-eight cases were due to switched licenses, while on 48 cars there were no license. In 42 cases penalties were imposed for reckless driving. There were 47 cases of failure to dim lights.

Fines Total \$21,300. "Forty-one cases had to do with overloading trucks and 41 actions which resulted in penalties being imposed by the courts were due to failure to comply with the regulations for for-hire cars under the jurisdiction of the public service commission.

There were 1232 arrests made by state inspectors, and in all cases the courts imposed jail sentences. "The total fines imposed by the courts for traffic violations reported was \$21,318.25, and the license fees collected through the activities of the state inspectors aggregated \$49,642.64. The value of stolen cars recovered by the state officers was \$21,270."

JACKSONVILLE RESIDENT ACQUITTED BY JURY

E. G. Peach of Jacksonville was acquitted by the jury in the local court in a trial this morning of State vs. Peach, charging Peach with transporting passengers for pay without a permit from the public service corporation. The complaint arose from charges of Peach carrying passengers in his car to and from Jacksonville for hire. The jury consisted of B. H. Lee, E. W. Lillejogren, R. B. Beeson, J. H. Henselman, William Ulrich and M. G. Mordoff.—Mail Tribune.

WILLAMETTE UNFIT EVEN TO SWIM IN

PORTLAND, Aug. 1.—Because infection and pollution have been found in Willamette river along its entire course through this city, all bathing resorts in Portland have voluntarily closed and George Parrish, city health officer, announced that he will recommend to the city council that no bathing or swimming be allowed in the river within the city limits.

Dr. Parrish declared that the impurity of the water is due to low water and an increased amount of sewage.

WOMEN ATTEMPT TO KIDNAP YOUNG MAN

"We're Going To Take You Home To Your Wife," Say Girls, Seizing Bachelor

BEND, Aug. 1.—"We're going to take you home to your wife," said two young women as they seized J. A. Graham, 18-year-old Bend youth on a downtown street here yesterday. Graham was seized by two athletic young women, strangers to him, and would have been helpless against them, he declares, but for the timely arrival of a friend, N. E. Jacobs, who after much struggling was able to free the boy from his captors.

But Graham is not married—never has been, in fact—and was alarmed. He tried to slip away from the women, but they were unusually strong and active, and in a moment he realized that his efforts would be futile, then help came.

The attack may have been due to a mistaken identity, and a misguided attempt on the part of the young women to reunite a broken home, but Graham doesn't think so. He believes that he is too youthful to be mistaken for a neglectful or wandering husband, and is inclined to the theory that his attackers may have been inspired to their act by news accounts of the Franks case.

SALVATION ARMY MAN HAS SERIOUS CHARGE

Albert Hill, the Klamath Falls captain of the Salvation Army who was arrested here and taken back to Klamath Falls on Wednesday was wanted on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a 15-year-old girl. It was learned today. Authorities withheld the name of the girl.

When arrested by Ashland police, Hill was heading for the northern part of Oregon. Complete investigations of the alleged attentions of Captain Hill to the girl have not yet been completed.

"The case arose within the past week, and we have enough evidence to arrest Captain Hill," said District Attorney Brower, of Klamath County yesterday. "I am not prepared at this time to say whether or not there will be an investigation concerning other possible charges along the same line against the Captain."

WALLA WALLA GROWS HEAVE PRODUCE CROP

WALLA WALLA, Wash., Aug. 1.—Produce of the Walla Walla valley for an average year would fill 13,000 freight cars, which, if placed in a train would reach 110 miles, according to a productivity table compiled by F. C. Hagie, secretary of the Chamber of Commerce. The largest single item is wheat, the normal yield being 7,000,000 bushels, or enough to fill 5000 cars. Apples and alfalfa hay would fill another 5000. Prune shipments amount to 1442 cars, onions 850, mixed vegetables 800 cars, mixed fruit 200 cars and cherries 100 cars. The value of the products is estimated at \$16,600,000.

BODY OF WILLIAM BUCKHOLTZ RECOVERED

LEWISTON, Ida., Aug. 1.—The body of William Bucholtz, 30, who was drowned in the Salmon river near Whitebird, Monday afternoon, has been sent to Spokane for burial. Bucholtz was believed to have been seized with cramps while swimming. He was connected with the Spokane & Eastern Trust company of Spokane and in charge of the Salmon River State bank at Whitebird, while E. J. Behrens was on his vacation.

MAY CLOSE ORE. FORESTS TO HUNTERS

Forestry Board, Governor And Game Commission Will Meet Aug. 8

Unless Rain Falls Action Sure to Result; California Counties Closed

SALEM, Aug. 1.—Unless sufficient rain intervenes to stay the progress of disastrous fires now raging and prevent other blazes, the forests now under the supervision of the Oregon State Forestry Board may be closed to hunting during the coming deer season.

The State Board of Forestry will meet August 8 to discuss conditions and at that time Governor Walter M. Pierce and the State Game Commission will be invited to confer with the board with a view to closing hunting entirely in Oregon as a precaution against further disastrous losses.

Hints at Action That the State Board of Forestry is not alone in considering the matter of closing the hunting season entirely was hinted yesterday by J. W. Maloney, of Pendleton and a member of the State Game Commission.

Commissioner Maloney stated that it was his personal belief that the season would be declared closed unless forest fires are checked and sufficient rain falls to insure protection to the forests. Maloney explained that his prediction was not official, but personal, which indicates, however, that very likely the majority of the members of the State Game Commission have in mind the closing of the season.

Commission Reversed The State Game Commission sought to lessen the danger from forest fires during the coming season by issuing an order shortening the open season, but the matter was carried to the circuit court of Lane County, which ruled adversely to the commission, and the decision was sustained by the state supreme court.

California Closes Season

SAN FRANCISCO, Aug. 1.—Thousands of California hunters were sorely disappointed today, which marks the opening of the deer season, when officials announced that due to menace of forest fires choice hunting areas in nineteen California counties would be closed indefinitely.

LOCAL MAN ACCUSED OF HAVING LIQUOR

T. B. Le Masters to Face Trial Monday; Booze Found By Raiding Officers

Out on \$1000 bail, T. B. Le Masters, accused of unlawful possession of liquor, will face trial Monday.

Le Masters, who has a large family, and who carries produce between here and Klamath Falls, was arrested yesterday when he returned from Klamath Falls.

Wednesday, Sam Sandifer, county prohibition officer, with Clay Walker, the Rev. Sannett, of Medford and Dr. I. M. Hargett, who is here with the Epworth League, raided Le Masters' home at 126 Van Ness Avenue, and found a quantity of liquor, a dismantled still, and several barrels, filled with water, but smelling of liquor.

Alex Hall was arrested, and yesterday pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 90 days in the county jail and fined \$250. Le Masters is believed by officers to have been Hall's accomplice in the possession of liquor.

On Monday, Le Masters will face trial in Judge Gowdy's court. Although he was in court yesterday, he did not enter a formal plea, although he is said to have claimed that he knew nothing of the presence of the still and the liquor.

KLAMATH INDIANS GET \$6,000,000 FOR TIMBER

WASHINGTON, Aug. 1.—The Indians of the Klamath reservation will receive \$6,000,000, the interior department announced today, from sales of ripe timber made during the last three months.

UP-TO-THE-MINUTE BULLETINS

TWO TRUSTIES ESCAPE FROM PRISON

SALEM, Aug. 1.—Davis Penwell and Fred Howard, trustees employed in handling flax at the state prison, escaped this morning. Penwell was serving a five year sentence for forgery and was sent us from Marion county. Howard was serving three years for burglary committed in Multnomah county.

ENDORSEMENT OF INDEPENDENTS RECOMMENDED

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 1.—Endorsement of the Independent party's presidential candidates, Senator La Follette and American Federation of Labor by the federation special, non-partisan political campaign committee. Samuel Gompers, veteran president of the federation, headed the committee that urged support for the La Follette ticket. The committee reported that the Republican and Democratic platforms failed to include planks which the federation desired, particularly along domestic lines.

REPORT OREGON FUGITIVE IN GERMANY

OREGON CITY, Aug. 1.—A report has reached here from reliable sources that Grant B. Dimick, former judge, banker and has been located in a seaport town of Germany. It is said certain Portland men have known for some time that Dimick was in Germany but kept quiet while the search for his direct location was underway with the hope of finding some way to get the alleged fugitive out of Europe. He is said to have taken the savings of the war as well as thousands from the rich who trusted him. Dimick was a well known and popular man and enjoyed the confidence of hundreds of people in Oregon City and throughout the state up until the time of the discovery of his embezzlement operations.

WORK STARTED ON EXHIBIT BUILDING

Construction Under Way On Merchants Building At Fair Grounds

Construction work on the new merchants' building at the Jackson County Fair grounds commenced this morning and will be completed in about thirty days, says the Mail Tribune. This will be the largest house the exhibits of merchants for which all of them are making preparations. The ground dimensions of the building are fifty-six feet wide and one hundred and fifty feet long. It will be located immediately east of the women's building and the intervening space will be used for additional exhibit space for women's exhibits.

The cost of the building will be \$7500 and is being financed by the merchants who have taken space in same. They will pay four years of rent in advance, all of which will be invested in building cost. There will be forty booths, ranging six by ten, ten by ten and ten by twelve feet in size. In the center of the building there will be a raised platform twelve by thirty-two feet which will be used for style shows. There will be a dressing room underneath.

The building will conform in architectural design to others now on the grounds. The roof will be high to permit the very best of ventilation. There will be ten thousand two hundred and thirty-five square feet of cement flooring. The windows are so arranged to give perfect lighting, there being seven hundred fifty lights of glass used. Sixty thousand feet of lumber will be necessary and it will require a ton of nails.

DAVIS HAS SPEECH OF ACCEPTANCE PREPARED

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—John W. Davis, Democratic nominee, returned here with practically his entire speech of acceptance prepared except one point, that which deals with the Klan. It is reported that Davis will confer first with leaders to determine if his denunciation is to differ from the party plank.

Davis issued a formal statement saying his views of mobilization day were exactly in accord with Governor Bryan, his running mate. Davis said he believed no necessity exists for citizens leaving their occupations for a mobilization test.

MISS MARSTERS TO TEACH IN EUGENE

After two years in charge of the Department of Music at Ashland high school, and at the Ashland branch of the Oregon National, Miss Leona Marsters left Ashland yesterday for Roseburg, where she will spend a short vacation before going into the Department of Music at Eugene high school.

While here, Miss Marsters made a remarkable record with her orchestra and glee clubs at the local high school, and at the normal school. She intended to stay in Ashland next year, but Eugene made so good a financial offer that she accepted a position in the northern city.

Miss Marsters will spend her vacation in her home city, Roseburg.

LITHIANS WILL NOT HOLD WEEKLY DANCE

No Lithian dance will be held at the pavilion in the park Saturday night, it was announced today. As the Lithians have given the pavilion to the Epworth League Institute to use during its session here, there is no place to hold the dance, and the popular weekly event is postponed until Saturday, August 9.

ALBANY-LINN COUNTY TO HAVE MODERN FISH HATCHERY

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DEATH WINS OVER COURT AND SCIENCE

Wroblewski Dies 24 Hours After Being Liberated From Prison

Case Is Remarkable

KINGMAN, Ariz., Aug. 1.—Death triumphed today over science and the courts when its hand claimed Antone Wroblewski, World War veteran who was restored to sanity and freed of criminal tendencies at a Napa, California, hospital.

While speeding home to Detroit, after being given his freedom 24 hours before, the veteran died suddenly on the train near here.

Wroblewski was arrested for robbery, and the former soldier was taken to a Napa hospital, where the operation was performed, which it is said removed his criminal tendencies. He enjoyed but a day of his new found freedom, and was robbed of a visit to his home in Detroit.

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OAKLAND, July 31.—In one of the most remarkable cases in American medical and crime history, Antone Wroblewski, veteran of the World War, was liberated today a free man. He owes his liberty to the skill of a surgeon.

Wroblewski was considered one of the most dangerous criminals ever booked in the local court and was charged with burglary. His capture was effected after a running fight in 1923, escaped and was recaptured in Portland soon after. In the early part of this year he was committed to the state hospital at Napa as insane. There surgeons found he was suffering from a mental condition which they believed could be relieved, if not cured, by an operation, which was performed six months ago.

An assistant district attorney yesterday informed the court in which the charges against Wroblewski were recorded that the former soldier was sane as the result of a surgeon's work. The charges were dismissed and the court ordered a ticket purchased to take Wroblewski back to his home at Detroit.

NEARING GOAL FOR NEW BOX FACTORY

Over \$16,000 Preferred Stock Is Subscribed, Assuring New Industry

The Chamber of Commerce reports that the committee in charge of the box factory project has disposed of over \$16,000 of the \$20,000 issue of preferred stock and it will be a matter of only a few days until the amount will have been subscribed.

The fact that more than three fourths of the amount of preferred stock has been subscribed makes the proposed industry and assured fact that the work of forming a corporation will be under way at an early date.

The committee in charge of the sale of the preferred stock has been working faithfully, and particular credit is due J. N. Dennis, who has given many days to the work. Members state that they now have assurance of placing a portion of the remaining stock and are confident that the entire issue will be disposed of without delay.

Arthur Coggins, the original promoter of the factory, and who is engaged in the lumber business near here and in Siskiyou county, was in Ashland yesterday, and expressed satisfaction over the support accorded by Ashland citizens. He is enthusiastic for the future of the proposed new industry here.

The committee announces for the benefit of those who may not have been acquainted with the character of the stock being sold, that the issue consists of \$20,000 of preferred stock on which eight per cent dividends will be guaranteed the entire issue being backed by assets of sufficient value to make the guarantee secure. Mr. Coggins will hold common stock only, taking no profits until after preferred stockholders have received their dividends.

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SOLDIERS TO HOLD ENCAMPMENT HERE

It was today announced that the Southern Oregon Soldiers' and Sailors' Association would hold its annual encampment at Ashland from September 2 to September 6.

The program, as announced today is: Monday, Assembly day; Tuesday, Ashland and Legion day; Wednesday, Medford day; Thursday, Grants Pass day; Friday, Central Point and Gold Hill day; Saturday, Everybody's day. The encampment will be attended by veterans from all of southern Oregon, and will be held in Lithia Park.

STATE GETS \$77,607 IN LIQUOR FINES

State Prohibition Director Files Report For Six Month Period

SALEM, Aug. 1.—Fines assessed in cases resulting from the activities of the state prohibition department during the six months ending July 1, 1924, aggregated \$77,607.49, while the expenses of conducting the department were \$15,451.37. This information was contained in a report prepared by George L. Cleaver, state prohibition director, which was filed in the offices of Governor Pierce today.

Of the expenses of the department during the six months, \$12,561.21 was paid from the state treasurer prohibition fund and \$2890.16 from the state treasurer narcotics fund.

The expenses of the department, as set out in the report, included wages and expenses, \$7421.63; salaries, \$5040; furniture and fixtures, \$115.75; printing and office expenses, \$252.49; premium on bonds, \$50; rent, \$360; telephone and telegraph, \$190.95; legal expenses, \$11,126.76; auto expense, \$263.69; automobiles, \$573.10; and motorboat \$57.

There were a total of 372 arrests and 24 stills were seized and destroyed. Automobiles confiscated numbered 13. A total of 8854 gallons of liquor was destroyed. Jail sentences imposed in the various cases aggregated 12,188 days.

Under the classification of results obtained by the department, which included the arrests, stills and confiscated, there was the following notation in Mr. Cleaver's report: "This included work done by the head office and special state agents working under my direction, some paid by this office and some by the counties."

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ASHES TURN RIVER FLOW MILKY WHITE

REDDING, Calif., Aug. 1.—For the past few days the Sacramento river at Redding has been something like a stream of milk. The water is ashy-colored, whereas at this time of the year, when there are no rains up the valley, the water is always as clear as crystal.

The discoloration at present is due to the heavy flow of ashes from the eastern slope of Mt. Shasta down the McCloud and Pit Rivers into the Sacramento.

In years past it has been common that the McCloud should become milky when the flow of ashes is started by the melting snows on Mt. Shasta, but the discoloration has seldom extended farther than Pit River. The milky McCloud would discolor the Pit for only a very short distance and then the water of the whole stream would be clear.

The "oldest inhabitant" cannot recall ever before having seen the Sacramento murky at Redding at this time of the year.

KILLING OF DANIELS IS HELD JUSTIFIED

SALMON, Ida., Aug. 1.—A coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide in the case of Dee Matlock, who was said to have killed William C. Daniels, a neighboring rancher near Tendoy, as the result of a feud. It was stated at the inquest that Daniels came upon Matlock armed, but that Matlock managed to fire first, killing Daniels with a bullet from a high powered rifle. The tragedy occurred July 16.

LOEB CALLED DREAM CHILD BY ALIENIST

Dr. White Testifies That Slayers Tried For 'Perfect Crime'

ALIENISTS ARE RAPPED

Crowe Bitter in Denunciation Of Psychiatrist's Testimony In Case

CHICAGO, Aug. 1.—Judge Caverly, sitting as sole judge of the fate of Nathan Leopold and Richard Loeb, today flung wide open the door for a dozen alienists to submit evidence of "mental disease, functional in character," which they declare is responsible in a large part for the two boys killing Bobby Franks.

Upon the testimony of this array of alienists, the defense hopes to save the slayers from the gallows, and to send them to prison for life. Although such a thing has not been said, it is the general opinion that if the defense is able to emulate the example of Harry Thaw's lawyers and secure freedom for their clients after many years have passed and another generation has forgotten the ghastly details of the crime.

Only after two days of argument between the State and the defense did Judge Caverly make a ruling admitting the evidence of the sanity experts. Dr. William White, psychiatrist of Washington D. C., and superintendent of the United States hospital for the insane in that city, was the first witness called.

Slayer "Dream Child" Dr. White testified that Loeb has been a "dream child and fantasy worshiper" since early childhood. With Leopold, his chum, he had an adolescent desire to commit a "perfect crime."

Together, the boys conceived and executed the plot, in the boyish belief that they would accomplish "a great intellectual feat," stamping them as the "master criminals of the century," Dr. White said.

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