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Sunday Drivers

Many autoists who have occasion to use the highways to a large extent express a lack of confidence in what they term the "Sunday driver."

There may be something in this, but it is doubtful if there is very much. It is not always the inexperienced driver who causes the accidents—it is often the careless, booze-soaked speed maniac or possibly the irresponsible youth who is trying to show how smart he is by spectacular driving.

There are many accidents in which families out for a Sunday drive figure because probably 90 per cent of the Sunday traffic consists of this type of driver, but the percentage is all against the reckless driver rather than the unskilled pilot.

When you drive along the highway you will observe that a majority of the folks you meet are driving just as you are—at a moderate rate and with care, but about every so often some machine tears by in and out of traffic and perhaps you will meet a dozen of these fellows while hundreds of others are passed.

Yet this small percentage of autoists furnishes probably half or more of the accidents.

Lack of skill and practice in driving are not of themselves a great menace—it is only when coupled with recklessness or heedlessness that they become dangerous.

Of course Sunday brings out all kinds of drivers and the number of irresponsibles is increased as well as the number of family cars. The ratio of accidents increases also with the increase in number of cars on the road.

Vote

Tomorrow a special election is to be held at which voters of Oregon and Oregon counties will be called upon to pass judgment on the merits of various proposed laws, levies, changes suggested for the common good.

For weeks these questions have been before the people of the state and the counties. They have been ample opportunity to study them, weigh their merits and decide on the thing they believe to be right—for the good of their state and community.

It is to be hoped that they have done this duty well—that they have really studied every question on which they may pass judgment tomorrow.

They have their right of suffrage and tomorrow they should complete their duty of citizenship by going to the polls and voting. Regardless of what their sentiment on the various matters may be—it is the duty of every citizen of the state to go to the polls tomorrow and pass judgment on the questions.

The right of suffrage, the right of representation in government, is a right for which our forefathers fought and it is a poor example of that idea of citizenship who does not go to the polls tomorrow and vote.

Give Them A Chance

Equality of opportunity in educational advantages is one of the rights of American childhood. It should be one of the rights assured every boy and girl. Through adoption of the county unit system voters of Jackson county can do their part in bringing to the boys and girls of this county at least, the opportunities of advancing standards in all schools in the county rather than advancing standards of some school in the county. Vote "Yes" on the County Unit.

Protect Natural Assets

One of Oregon's important assets is the pleasure of outdoor life. To protect these assets it is necessary to conserve the fish in our streams. The Nestucca River is one of the most easily accessible and popular streams in the northwestern part of the state, but use of it threatens to exterminate salmon and steelhead trout. To secure this protection sportsmen of the state are backing Bill 322 which provides closing the stream to nets. Their efforts deserve support. "Vote 'Yes' on this measure.

Medford recently passed a city ordinance providing that all unlicensed dogs should be asphyxiated but made no provisions to start yowling cats to pawing on heavenly harps.

OUT OUR WAY By Williams



THE FORUM

Articles of timely interest are welcomed under this head. Communications must bear the signature of the author.

Much is being said by a few who are opposed to the County Unit measure to the effect that the cities of Ashland and Medford are not included in the county district, and should not exercise their franchise in the matter. This is the worn out argument of provincialism. It is on a par with that other argument advanced by a few that a man who has no children should not be taxed for education.

In our Civil War days there were those who argued that the South should be permitted to go her way in peace—that secession and slavery was no business of the North. In our more recent contest for the establishment of prohibition, there were to be found those who claimed that the liquor business was a local issue and that one community or state had no right to vote another one dry; but in the end the larger view obtained as it always has because the social, civic and educational conditions in each state or local unit is of concern to every other in the nation. No informed person longer disputes this principle.

A few years ago our country was divided into a number of road districts. In each there was appointed a road supervisor, and the people of each district either voted or refused to vote a road tax for the improvement of their own roads as they saw fit. Likewise in those days there were those who held that it was of no concern to another district or to the country how poor the roads were in their own district because it was THEIR road and THEIR business.

Even within the memory of young people still in school, there were loud walls on the part of many of our citizens when the supervision and upkeep of the roads began to pass to county and state control. Today, there is probably no one who would advocate a return to the old system—or who would attempt to defend the theory that the kind of roads the rural communities maintained was no business of Medford and Ashland.

In the same way, education is not wholly a community affair, but it is county, state and nation wide. This principle has been recognized for years in the financial support of the schools. It is nothing new.

Is there any informed man who after taking a moment's thought would attempt to defend the proposition that the kind of schools the county maintains is of no concern to Medford and Ashland? Even from a narrower view than that of citizenship interest, namely that of the instruction and administration of our city schools, Medford and Ashland cannot fail to be concerned about one standard of work in the rural schools and the amount of it, because there is constantly an interchange of pupils between the school systems. The amount and extent of work which pupils are doing in corresponding grades in two schools is just as important in facilitating exchange of pupils as uniform text books and courses of study which have already been provided.

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SOCIETY NOTES MISS DOROTHY REID, Editor

Monday, June 27.—Ladies Art club picnic in Lithia Park at 6 o'clock.

Tuesday, June 28.—W. C. T. U. will hold a social meeting at the home of Mrs. C. W. Fraley on Mountain avenue. Mrs. Elmer Sanderlin will assist her in entertaining.

Wednesday, June 29.—Alpha Chapter No. 1, O. E. S., will have a covered-dish picnic in Lithia Park at 6 p. m.

Thursday, June 30.—Merley Circle of the Baptist church will have a social afternoon in Lithia Park at 2:30 p. m. Mrs. Harry DeArmond and Mrs. V. O. N. Smith, hostesses.

A SUMMER SIESTA A wee little lad, and a wee little pig One warm summer day found a pile of clean sand Beneath an old tree, near the murmuring sea, Where soft little breezes the shining leaves fanned.

The wee little lad, and the wee little pig Grew weary at last of their rollicking play, So they sat down to rest on the sand—pile's warm crest Since no one was near to say "Nay, Dearie, nay."

The wee little lad laid his wee tired head Upon the fat ribs of the wee little pig While they dreamed for an hour, held fast in sleep's power, Sweet dreams that were neither too wise nor too big.

The sun looking down veiled a withering frown For fear he might waken the lad and the pig. But the gay little crowd of green leaves laughed aloud And danced o'er the sleepers a wild little jig. Effie Wells Loucks, San Diego, Calif.

Important Books Reviewed.—"Kinks," anonymous. There are stock characters—journalists, actors, lawyers, the hero Howard Kirk and the heroine, a beautiful girl actress. This stirring piece of fiction carries the trinity of love, money and romance. Kinks is a new character in fiction, leading along a trail of mystery without the usual murdered nobleman, miser, politician or bootlegger. You move in a world never presented before in the covers of a modern novel. In a literary style that is altogether good. "The Golden Lotus," by G. E. Locke. Can be classed as a real mystery tale. Sir Jarvis Walredon, a big heavy built man about sixty, killed by a subtle poison, unknown to the Orient—mystery tale unfathomed in substantial volume. And impulsive young or daughter decides to avenge his death. This is the fifth volume by this author. All having substantial qualities that should belong to high class fiction that is really worth one's time reading it and the termination is perfectly satisfactory.

Judge Hartsell's Daughter Married.—Miss Josephine Virginia Hartsell, daughter of County Judge and Mrs. W. J. Hartsell, was married to Charles E. Blaginn of Cayucos, California, Thursday morning, June 23, at the Hartsell's orchard home, just outside of Medford, the wedding being an out-of-door affair attended by a small number of friends of the bride and her parents. The home was most beautifully decorated with spring blossoms and the ceremony was performed outdoors under a bower of sweet peas. The bride was charming in a pretty gown of cream chiffon and

carried a shower bouquet of Cecil Bruner roses and lilies of the valley. The bridesmaid wore an attractive gown of powder blue georgette and carried a bouquet of sweet peas and delphinium. The wedding march was played by Betty Moore, and as the bride walked to the altar the scene was indeed an unusually beautiful one.

At eight o'clock a wedding breakfast was served at the Blue Flower Inn lodge, where covers were laid for 20 guests, the decorations being sweet peas and delphinium. Mrs. W. W. Hartsell, who is a sister of the groom, attended the bride as maid of honor. The bride is the daughter of Judge and Mrs. W. J. Hartsell of Three Oaks orchard, and was graduated from the Medford high school and the Oregon Agricultural college at Corvallis, where she was a member of the Phi Beta Phi sorority. Mr. Blaginn, the groom, was graduated from the California Polytechnic school, and is in the cattle business, with headquarters at San Luis Obispo, California. After a honeymoon trip to Alaska, Mr. and Mrs. Blaginn will return to a new home awaiting them, which has been built on the seashore at Cayucos.

Camp Fire Girls Enjoy Hike.—The Cheschamoy Camp Fire girls enjoyed another event when Friday evening, June 24, with their bedding on their backs and something to eat in their hands, they hiked to the Camp Fire cabin to spend the night. After partaking of a delicious supper, the girls went for another short hike and when they returned, spent an hour or two playing games. In the morning they returned to their homes, a tired but happy group. Those making the trip were the following named: Ruth Peebler, Melba Putnam, Nella Putnam, Harriet Gooding, Ruth Hale, Maxine Miller, Leona Evans, Kathryn McGarry and Miss Beulah Hussey, who is guardian of the Camp.

Missionary Society Meets at Adams Home.—The Young Women's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist Episcopal church met Tuesday evening, June 21, at the home of Mrs. J. Q. Adams on Grant street. After the regular business meeting a short and interesting program was given. The rest of the time was spent in sewing and at a late hour, refreshments were served. Those present to enjoy this pleasant affair were: Misses Hazel Bruner, Minnie Beaver, Isabella Wattenberger, Virginia Whittle, Cora Mason, Beulah Hussey, Mesdames E. B. Hunt, Roy Frazier, Homer Billings and the hostess, Mrs. J. Q. Adams.

Rabbit Picnic Huge Success.—The Southern Oregon Mutual Rabbit Breeders' association picnic, which was held last week at the forks of Wagner creek, was a huge success. Approximately fifty people attended. After a ball game in the afternoon, a talk was given by president T. E. Orr of Medford on the County Unit plan and other measures to be voted on at the special election, Tuesday, June 28. Mrs. Woods of Ashland, Mrs. Stevens of Medford and Mrs. Estes of Talent were appointed to take charge of the entertainment at the next regular meeting at the city hall in Talent Friday evening, July 1. Another picnic will be held at Casey's camp July 10.

Dinner Guests at Billings Home.—Miss Eva L. White of the Southern Oregon Normal school faculty and her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. Ellena White of Boise, Idaho, were dinner guests Friday evening, June 24, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Billings on North Main street.

Try This One

CURRENT EVENTS

- 1. Where is President Coolidge spending the summer? 2. What important international conference is now in session? Where is it meeting? 3. What drastic parliamentary reorganization is proposed by the British Government? 4. What is generally regarded as the greatest task awaiting the return of Congress? 5. What two Balkan nations severed diplomatic relations early this month? 6. In what southern city recently was a lynching mob attempting to storm a jail repulsed three nights in succession with a loss of several killed and many wounded? 7. The president of what important country recently paid a formal visit to England? 8. By what nations was Lindbergh officially entertained during his stay in Europe? 9. Name the owner of the world's most valuable private library who died last month. 10. What noted American colonial administrator is now in this country?

ANSWERS

- 1. "La Traviata" by Verdi. 2. All are operatic baritones.

SAP AND SALT BERBERT MOSES

Love can't make much headway with decayed teeth.

Life is the simplest of all things—until you try to explain it.

The popular way of hiding facts is to issue an official statement.

In a majority of cases, the end of a life means the beginning of a lawsuit.

Statistics are used to bolster up lies as often as to bolster up facts.

Her Heck says: "Next to singing in the choir, nothin' starts more quarrels than pickin' out a site for a golf course."

- 3. Frits Kreisler's brother, Hugo. 4. "Natoma." 5. American poet and author of the libretto of "The King's Henchman." 6. (a) Ghida. (b) Elsa. (c) Marguerite. 7. In Scotland. 8. Alberich.

TOM SIMS SAYS

There was an item in the papers the other day about a man named John Pershing being on his way home from Europe. Doubtless the ship news reporters will find out who he is. That's not to mention the terrible setback Mr. Lindbergh gave the Chaplin divorce trial, either. The few American cities that haven't Chambers of Commerce to welcome Lindbergh certainly are in a hard way.

Field Marshal Earl Haig of Great Britain says England would have won the war without the United States. What war do you suppose he means?

Man is fighting the insects for domination, according to a magazine writer. Mr. Ford is making a larger car now, however.

Now is the time when you find the sap in the water.

Speaking of wars, we wonder who's going to win the legion convention in Paris? Profanity is forbidden in Italy. No blue talk from the Black Shirts.

TURNING THE PAGES BACK

ASHLAND 10 Years Ago

That Ashland and Medford may well lay claim to the title of "Automobile Cities" was shown Friday evening by the assortment of cars lined up for two blocks along Main street in front of the Vining Theatre. Over a score of makes were represented among them being Fords by the dozens, Hupmobiles, Maxwells, Buicks, Chalmers, Everett, Stoddard Dayton, Packard, Overland, Reo, Winton, Peugeot, Simplex, Alco, Mercer, Peerless, Orient, Brush, Metz, Dodge and many others.

Mrs. Earl Smith has been visiting her sister, Mrs. Clifford, at the Granite City hospital. She returned to her home at Hornbrook last Tuesday.

Mesdames J. E. Barrett, Josephine Barrett, S. E. Miller and W. H. Mowatt were visitors to Medford last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. McHenry are visiting in northern Oregon cities.

ASHLAND 20 Years Ago

Miss Mayme Smith, one of the Normal alumni, who is now head nurse in one of the San Francisco hospitals, is visiting friends and relatives in Ashland this week.

Lloyd Goodyear, who has been ill for some time past with inflammatory rheumatism, will recuperate for awhile at Santa Rosa, Cal., with his brother-in-law, Prof. J. S. Sweet and family whither he started yesterday.

Miss Jessie Wood has gone to Portland to visit her sister, Mrs. H. Reed, and to spend her vacation and summer there.

Mrs. Willbourne and daughter Miss Jessie Anderson have removed to Ashland to reside, from Henley, Cal.

ASHLAND 30 Years Ago

30 years ago John Ritter, a former Ashland boy, has been in town several days this week. He has been engaged in the buying and selling of cattle extensively, during the past few months and has a drove of stock cattle out in the Klamath lake country now.

J. E. Norris reached home last evening from his eastern trip, visiting his old home in Galena, Ill., as well as Chicago and other eastern points.

Rev. J. E. Smith of Antioch, Cal., formerly M. E. pastor at Ashland and the founder of the S. O. Chautauque, arrived last evening accompanied by his wife and daughter, to remain during the coming assembly and to visit friends and relatives here.

A. W. Storey, district deputy for the Odd Fellows, went down the valley Tuesday evening on official business.

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