

1,299 LOSE LICENSE IN 11 MONTHS

A total of 1,299 persons lost their driver's licenses during the first eleven months of 1942 as a result of revocation and suspension proceedings following conviction for traffic violations in Oregon and out-of-state courts, it was announced today at the secretary of state's office.

Of the total, 1,151 were revocations and 148 were suspensions. Driving while intoxicated, hit-and-run cases, driving with license revoked or suspended and unsatisfied judgments arising from traffic accidents accounted for most of the cases, it was said.

During the month of November,

there were 165 suspensions and revocations, of which 65 cases were revocations. These actions are mandatory on the part of the secretary of state following convictions for traffic violations.

MISSIONARY BAPTIST CHURCH

E. M. Ayers, Pastor

At the American Legion hall Sunday at 2:30 p. m. Devotional service with sermon by the pastor.

This church has decided to hold only one service each Sunday at 2:30.

You are cordially invited to attend these Sunday afternoon services at the Legion hall. You will be warmly welcomed, and will find this a good place to spend Sunday afternoon.

Disillusioned Santa Reveals Everything In Last Appearance

PHILADELPHIA, PA.—"I'm tired now. In fact, every year around this time I'm very tired." That is what Santa Claus (a professional one though, for the real one doesn't ever get tired) had to say recently as he was taking off his red and white suit, preparatory to going home.

As he pulled off his white whiskers wearily, he continued: "Besides, this business of being a jolly old fellow is highly seasonal work. Just a couple of weeks' work in Decem-



ber, then something over 11 months' vacation. It is a good thing I am an electrician. I'd possibly starve to death." (The kids should have heard such heresy!)

A few seconds followed while he put on his dark green knit tie before he continued his slightly weary talk: "It was all right at first and the pay was good—\$4 for a party appearance or a club or a lodge. Or \$2 for a private home call. But I guess I can't take it anymore. Anyhow, the kids won't miss me. (Imagine that, the kids not missing Santa Claus!)

Comes next year there will be one ex-Santa who isn't filling stockings, and putting presents under trees, or telling pop to take it easy with son's electric train. That retired Santa will be just sitting in his own home—not, definitely not, at the North Pole—listening to the Christmas carols on the radio, and wiggling his toes. For his shoes will be off.

Christmas Stories Revealed by History

Fortunately, the "idea" in the minds of some to tell the truth to the kiddies—that there isn't a Santa Claus—isn't catching on as well as they hoped.

Everybody—and this includes the kids—enjoys a good story, especially around the Christmas season.

Down through the years have come many beautiful stories, jammed with the kindness of the best in humanity. It is from such stories that many of our Christmas customs have come. For the observance of such customs the United States is indebted to many lands. Palestine, Egypt, Turkey, Italy, Germany, England and Holland all have done their bit to contribute to our added enjoyment of Christmas customs and traditions. To the Holy Land, more than any other, all civilization is indebted for the matchless history of the Christ child.

One writer who has investigated the observance of the birth of the Christ Child has noticed one curious fact. That is, Christmas was not among the earliest festivals of the church. Irenaeus and Tertullian, early church fathers, omitted it from the list of feasts. According to what Origen noticed in the Bible, only sinners, not saints, celebrated their birthday.

It was in the year 200 A. D. that evidence of the feast of Christmas was first noted. This was in Egypt. And it wasn't until years afterwards that December 25 was decided upon as being the date for the celebration of Christ's birthday. During that time Christmas was celebrated on various days, one of the dates being as late as May 20. Eight hundred years after the first feast of Christmas, church authorities used the term Christes Maessi, from which comes the English word Christmas. This was in 1033.

Ancient Yule Customs Still Live in England

Many ancient customs prevail in England at Christmas, according to present day records. One custom that goes back to Saxon times is still observed at Okehampton, Devon. Here a "markie" is held the Sunday after Christmas at which a man may speak to or kiss any girl who takes his fancy. Mistake definitely is not necessary.

In the village of Cam on the day after Christmas the poor are again remembered. For, according to the will of Margaret Traiman, one of Cam's former citizens, any parishioner is entitled to the gift of a loaf of bread. Also, the first 50 widows who apply are given money.

Chinese Copy Custom

Chinese children start Christmas day by folding their hands on arising and wishing each other a good day before opening a single gift. The Chinese have adopted American Christmas customs.

STICKERS NOW BEING ISSUED

Oregon's windshield stickers, to be used in lieu of new license plates for 1943, now are being issued from the secretary of state's office, it was announced.

The stickers, commemorating the centennial of the Old Oregon Trail, will be used to validate the 1943 motor vehicle registrations in Oregon. The 1942 plates will be retained by those whose cars were registered in this state that year and for those who are registering their cars for the

first time in the state in 1943 will receive a set of 1942 plates in addition to the stickers.

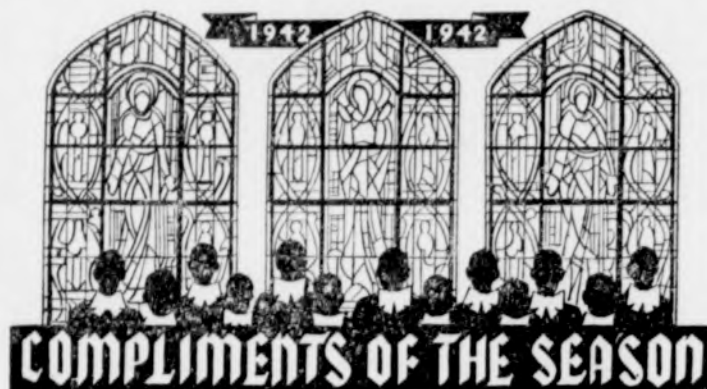
The stickers are to be attached to the top right center of the windshield, directly behind the rear-view mirror, according to Earl Snell, secretary of state.

The sticker must be soaked in water 30 seconds, preferably in a warm place. It then is smoothed on the inside of the windshield with the design facing the front. The back of the sticker may then be pulled off, leaving the design on the glass. Care should be used in attaching the sticker and it should be allowed a reasonable period to dry, it was said.

Bathless Groggins says—



Yep! I'm back at work agin. I figger on buyin' lots of War Bonds to help our boys. Don't forget—we're all supposed to be signed up for 10% by New Year's!



A Very Merry Christmas

So we say to you not just as our customers in 1942, but also as our friends and acquaintances which you have indeed become. We hope that you enjoy to the fullest all the happiness and goodness of this Christmas Season.

Inland Cooperative

Guy Shaw, Mgr.



W AY you be blessed
... with 365 happy,
healthy and prosperous
days during 1943

SAM MOORE & SON



W E are proud to have done our part in this community during 1942, and equally proud to have had the hearty support of so many of its citizens. We thank you, one and all, and wish you a very Prosperous New Year.

Farmers Supply Co.



W E have done our best to serve you in 1942. And we promise to do our best to serve you even better in 1943.

May the next twelve months bring you blessings beyond your most hopeful expectations.

A. W. Behrman and Employees



Merry Christmas



W HEN storekeeper Abe Lincoln discovered he had overcharged a customer 6c he walked 6 miles to return those pennies, and earned the nickname "Honest Abe."

Integrity in little things has helped us, too—has earned for us, we believe, the complete confidence of this community, not only in 1942, but in other years. At this time we want to thank you for this confidence, and to extend to you every good wish for a Merry Christmas.

Rohrman Motor Co.

James H. Boylen	"Jim"	Donald Wilson	"Don"
Fred Lightle	"Fritz"	Allen Langenwalter	"Al"
J. E. Anderson	"Andy"	Joseph Boczar	"Joe"
Elmer Lusk	"Elmer"	Eleonora Skoubo	"El"
Charles Houston	"Chuck"	A. F. Rohrman	"Rohr"