

44 LEGISLATURES TO ENACT LAWS TO CURB SPEEDER

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 13.—With forty-four legislatures scheduled to convene early in 1931, enactment of the safety-responsibility law for the control of the reckless and irresponsible driver, now in effect in twelve states, will be the outstanding national issue from the standpoint of motorist legislation.

In making this announcement today, the American Automobile association, which sponsored the safety-responsibility law, declared that the demands for copies of the law in its newly revised form disclose a nationwide interest and that it would be introduced in whole or in part in the majority of the legislatures where it has not already been enacted, while it is expected that congress will put it into effect for the District of Columbia.

Among the states where it is now definitely planned to push the legislation are the following: Arkansas, Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Texas, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia.

The safety-responsibility law is now in effect in whole or in part in New York, Rhode Island, Connecticut, California, Iowa, Maine, North Dakota, Wisconsin, Vermont, New Jersey, New Hampshire, Minnesota and the Provinces of Ontario and Manitoba, Canada, which means, according to the A. A. A., that one-third of the drivers in the United States and one-half of those in Canada are operating under one or more of its essential provisions.

"Officials in charge of the enforcement of the law in these states are confident that it is fulfilling its major object, namely, the control of the reckless and irresponsible driver," said Thomas P. Henry of Detroit, Mich., who outlined the four cardinal principles of the safety-responsibility law as follows:

"First, a universal drivers' license law with mandatory examination for all applicants as a prerequisite to the right to drive.

"Second, a mandatory suspension of the driving privileges of all persons convicted of serious violations of the motor vehicle laws, until proof of future responsibility has been established. This is in addition to penalties now provided under state motor laws.

"Third, it provides for the suspension of the driving privileges of all persons against whom a final judgment establishing negligence has been legally rendered, the suspension to remain in effect until the judgment is satisfied and future responsibility established.

"Fourth, it provides for the drivers' license laws of every state to include a clause to prevent the issuance of a permit to any person whose right to drive is under suspension in another state."

STATE TAX MESS CONTINUES UPSTATE EDITORIAL SUBJECT

(Salem Statesman)

The state tax commission has prepared a statement on the state's tax situation which is a lucid presentation of the problems which confront that body in its task of administering the tax laws and providing the state with revenues for meeting its expenses. On the basis of this statement of facts the commission urges the governor to call a special session of the legislature very soon to enact corrective legislation. The Statesman does not agree with the conclusions of the commission as to the desirability of calling a special session. We believe if the matter is handled with administrative directness and simplicity there will be no need for a special session. Moreover we think it very doubtful if the legislature would agree on a tax program in a reasonable time; and there is the further question as to which group of legislators is competent now to serve—the old or the newly elected legislature.

Let us examine the individual problems which have presented themselves. Looking at them clearly we believe the Chinese puzzle will resolve itself rather easily.

First, the major problem is the fixing of the general property tax levy which must be done in December. That seems a simple matter. The income tax law and excise tax law are in effect. The intangibles tax law is not in effect. The commission therefore should proceed to fix the levy on property after making a fair estimate of what the proceeds will be from these two special taxes. That is precisely the way it acted a year ago when it fixed the property levy; it allowed no credit for proceeds of the income tax because that tax was held up by referendum. This would make the property tax levy about the same as a year ago because the income tax will produce about as much as the intangibles tax.

Second, there is the problem of the intangibles tax. The people paid this tax on 1929 intangibles, and the tax commission repeatedly stated that the money would be refunded if the law was held unconstitutional. Nine hundred thousand dollars was collected under this law since the law was declared unconstitutional, the money should be refunded. This will call for an act of the legislature, but this law may be passed as well early in January as in December.

The legislature in its regular session may then reenact an intangibles law making it applicable to 1930 intangibles. This would then be paid in regular course during 1931.



Van Fleet-Durkee and Goodyear Join Forces in Merchandising Tie-up



Rosita Moreno, Paramount Featured Player, who played with Clara Bow in "Her Wedding Night," discovers that Goodyear Tires, her favorite brand of motor rubber, can now be purchased at Van Fleet-Durkee stations throughout the Pacific Coast. As there are nearly 1,000 stations in the V & D System, which extends from Mexico to Canada, this merchandising tie-up is hailed as one of the most important ever effected between a rubber manufacturing concern and an automotive service chain.

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living rabbits were killed and trees were planted.

Bird Population Reaches Million

The survey of the island that has just been completed disclosed that with the rabbits out of the way the trees have thrived, grasses and other plants are covering the island and the bird inhabitants have increased to approximately a million. Laysan thus becomes the most important bird breeding ground in the central Pacific.

"The island is a mile and three-quarters long and a mile wide. It is a relatively low sand island with an elevated rim rising somewhat abruptly from the beach to a height of 20 to 40 feet. In the center is a lagoon with water concentrated by evaporation until it is more saline than the sea.

"Best known of the islands, that with Laysan make up the northern western extension of the Hawaiian group, is Midway, which lies near the 180th meridian. It is under the jurisdiction of the navy department and is leased to a cable company to serve as its mid-ocean relay station. About 30 people, half whites and half orientals, dwell on the island in a little hamlet community whose materials have been brought from the United States and Hawaii, even to the soil in which grow the little patches of lawn and the tiny vegetable gardens.

"Only one island of the Leeward group lies west of Midway. It is Ocean Island, about 50 miles away. It consists of an irregular circle of coral four miles or so in diameter, with a semi-circular fragment known as Green Island, 1800 yards long by 300 yards wide, at its eastern side. On its beaches the Hawaiian monk seal breeds in great numbers.

Islets Once Inhabited

"The nearest of the 'Bird Islands' to the main Hawaiian group is Nihoa. It is a small rock island with steep slopes and cliffs rising more than 500 feet above the sea. Its caves and terraces give evidence that Polynesians once had a colony of several hundred persons there.

"Necker Island, nearly 200 miles to the west, is an isolated rock rising from the sea. There, too, temple platforms show the former occupancy by ancient, more or less primitive man.

"A hundred miles farther west are the 13 little sand islands and the pinnacle rock that mark French Frigate shoals, and 200 miles farther lies Gardner Island, a rock only 200 yards long. Beyond Gardner lie Dowsett and Maro reefs, mere coral rings marked by breakers and with no visible land. It is barely 75 miles from these reefs to Laysan Island.

"Between Laysan and Midway the only dry land is Lisianski Island. It is a rough parallelogram a mile long and less than a mile wide. A ridge rising 40 feet above the sea marks its highest point. Like Laysan it was denuded by rabbits introduced from that island. Since the creatures starved to death vegetation has come back to the island and it is again an important bird refuge."

The government of Argentina will increase its public works activities.

French unemployment bureaus are finding work for 30,000 persons a month.

Nearly 600,000 acres in North Sumatra were devoted to rubber this season.

Europeans have gained control of 320,000 acres in north Sumatra.

South Tipperary County, Ireland, is considering the appointment of a commissioner to rule

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Scanning New Books

By Richard Massock

NEW YORK—Christmas should be very merry this year for Hockwell Kent, painter and illustrator. Two books containing work of his, one written by him as well as drawn, are December selections of two book clubs.

"By the Sea" is Kent's own volume, a record of his expedition last year to Greenland, a personal record of an insatiable voyager.

With two companions, Capt. Arthur S. Allen Jr. and a mate whom he calls only Cupid, Kent set out in July, 1928, in a 33-foot sailboat. Kent was cook and deck-hand.

From New York they touched Labrador, then crossed the Atlantic in 10 days.

It was a dangerous trip and they finally were shipwrecked on the coast of Greenland, after which Kent settled down to a summer of painting.

An Island Out of Place

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—One Sam has just discovered that one of his many thousands of islands has been living for years under false pretenses.

On the charts of the world Laysan Island, largest member of the Leeward group of islets that extends for 1300 miles northwest from Hawaii, is shown in a position where in reality the waves of the Pacific roll unbroken. The island actually lies four miles north of the charted position, and will be moved to its proper situation on future maps.

Rabbits Make Island a Desert

Laysan furnishes a striking example of the unforeseen effects that flow from tampering even in a minor degree with nature's balanced forces," says a bulletin from the Washington, D. C., headquarters of the National Geographic society. "When the island was discovered and for many years afterward it was covered with green vegetation and was the nesting place of myriads of sea birds and the home of thousands of land varieties. Then the guano deposits were exploited and headquarters for the workers was established.

"By 1909 the fertilizer deposits were exhausted. Laysan and its neighboring islets were made into a bird reservation that year and the human inhabitants of the island departed. But they left behind them an apparently innocuous pair of domestic rabbits whose descendants made a veritable desert out of the island.

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its way from New York to Liverpool and remained on the vessel until it reached port.

Miss Betty Nuthall, British tennis star, is becoming an ardent horsewoman.

American materials are being used in the construction of the new library and school building in Canton, China.

Automobile polishers exported from the United States this year had a total value of nearly \$400,000.

West Lothian, Scotland, will serve free a half a pint of milk daily to pupils in lower grades of public schools.

Because railways cannot handle will build many miles of automobile highways.

France will give \$400,000 to the national tourist office, organized to induce outsiders to visit the country.

A movement has been started in Ireland to supply radios to farmers who are snowbound in winter.

An Ahluene, Kan., farm woman barely escaped death recently when lightning killed five cows in a dairy herd, one of which she was milking.

The Gwyn Vanydd gold mine, in Merioneth, Wales, which produced nearly \$1,250,000 in gold in the 10 years just before it was closed down in 1916, is to be operated again.

While driving his automobile home from a funeral G. A. K. Porter, of Magh, Ireland, found an injured man beside the road, and took him to a hospital in the hearse.

MOTORISTS TO SEE NEW RISE ON TAX LEVY

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"The constant increases and the fear of further raids on their pocketbooks by the forthcoming sessions of the legislatures has caused the organized motorists in many sections to start agitation in favor of the adoption of the Missouri plan which limits the gas tax and license fees, through a constitutional amendment passed in 1928, to the present rate for a period of ten years."

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Medford, Oregon, Nov. 10, 1930.

To Whom It May Concern:

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I am very glad to recommend the herb treatment of Chan and Kong to any one.

(Signed) W. M. LUSK,
Route 2, Box 67, Medford, Oregon.

Stomach and Lung Trouble

To Whom It May Concern:

Our little boy Marvin, age 4 years, was sick for five months with stomach and lung trouble. We had three doctors and none did him any good. As we were just about giving up hopes, we read about Mr. Chan and his wonderful herbs, and before taking the boy to the hospital, we decided to give Mr. Chan a trial, and in a week's time he was out of bed. He has taken five weeks' herbs and is feeling strong and has a good color and doesn't cough at all now. We think Mr. Chan a mighty fine herbalist and cannot thank him enough for what he did for our boy.

Yours very truly,
(Signed) MRS. J. F. DAVIS,
717 Madison St., Oakland, Cal.

Stomach Trouble, Indigestion, Blood Disorder and Appendicitis

July, 1928.

To Whom It May Concern:

I take this method of expressing my sentiments of appreciation to Chan & Kong for their wonderful cure. I was afflicted with stomach trouble, indigestion, blood disorder and appendicitis for over two years from which I have suffered very much.

I now desire to be the means of guiding anyone who is in need of medical advice, as you will find Chan & Kong to be thoroughly reliable health specialists and are absolutely conscientious. Through my experience I am convinced that their herbs will affect a complete cure and I thank them for their treatment for accepting my case.

Yours very truly,
MR. NICK BAVARO,
609 Eighth Street, Oakland, Calif.

Severe Rheumatism

Dear Sirs:

You may well believe that after inability to walk for a long time, as a result of rheumatism in my foot, I gladly express my gratitude to you for curing my trouble.

It was quite impossible for me to get up and down stairs without assistance until I had come to you, and that difficulty passed off within three days.

I read your announcement as herb specialists and concluded to give you a trial, and am very happy in consequence.

The treatment covered only four weeks and apparently the cause has been entirely wiped out of my system for which I am indebted solely to your method.

Yours truly,
C. H. MITCHELL,
238 Eddy Street, San Francisco, Cal.

Kidney and Bladder Troubles

February 4, 1930

To Whom It May Concern:

This is to express my sincere thanks to Chan & Kong for curing me of kidney and bladder troubles of which I suffered very much until I took their herb treatment. I am feeling fine now, and wish to say I can highly recommend their treatment to anyone suffering from the same.

Very truly yours,
JOHN H. JAPP,
9527 East Fourteenth St., Oakland, Calif.

Liver and Kidney Trouble

Alameda, Cal., May, 1929.

To Whom It May Concern:

After doctoring with the other doctors for over a year for Liver, Kidney and Lung troubles I began to take Mr. Chan's herb treatments. After three weeks' treatment I am happy to state I am well and feel better than in years. For 20 years Mr. Chan has treated numbers of our family with success.

It is with deep appreciation I recommend him to anyone that is ill and discouraged.

Sincerely yours,
MRS. A. M. SOUTHWORTH,
476 Central Ave., Alameda, Calif.

Rheumatism Cured in Two Weeks

Medford, Ore., Nov. 21, 1930.

To Whom It May Concern:

After I have been troubled with my back and feet and hands for almost one year and couldn't find any relief, I have taken two weeks treatment with the Chinese herb specialists, Chan & Kong. I am now completely cured.

O. J. McKEE,
129 South Laurel Street, Medford, Ore.

Rheumatism Trouble

Bella Vista, Cal., March 11, 1930.

To Whom It May Concern:

I was afflicted with rheumatism in my knee and suffered a lot of misery, could hardly walk. I took one week's treatment of Chan & Kong's Herb Tea and inside of a week I could walk without pain. I think their treatments are great and hope others may be benefited by this testimonial.

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