

Corvallis, Pendleton Top Drunk Sentences; Medford Convicts 55

Salem—(U.P.)—Corvallis and Pendleton lead Oregon cities in percentage of convictions stemming from arrests for driving while intoxicated, according to reports of the National Safety Council's committee on tests for intoxication.

Both cities batted 1,000 in convictions for the period studied. Twenty-two drivers in Corvallis were given chemical tests for intoxication, all of whom were arrested and convicted. Three other persons arrested for whom no chemical tests were given were also convicted.

14 In Pendleton
In Pendleton, 14 drivers who received chemical tests were convicted. Thirty-nine drivers were arrested and convicted without chemical tests.

Eugene Woman Finds New Hope Son Still Alive

Eugene—(U.P.)—Yesterday's announcement by Red China of the sentencing 13 Americans to prison terms for "espionage" has brought new hope to a Eugene, Ore., woman whose son was reported missing in the Sea of Japan nearly two years ago.

Mrs. Myrtle E. Snoddy said her son, Robert Charles Snoddy, disappeared Nov. 26, 1952, while piloting a Civil Air Transport plane from Korea to Miho, Japan.

Broadcast Renews Hopes
The Eugene woman said her hopes for her son's safety were renewed by accounts of the Red China radio broadcast, which listed among the 13 Americans two men who were passengers on Snoddy's plane.

The men were John Thomas Downey, 24, New Britain, Conn., and Richard George Fecteau, 27, formerly of Lynn, Mass. Peiping Radio reported the men were given sentences of life imprisonment and 20 years for being "special agents of the Central Intelligence Agency, a U.S. espionage organization."

"When I saw that Robert's two passengers were still alive it made me wonder if he was alive," Mrs. Snoddy said.

Hopes for Information
Mrs. Snoddy said she hoped to learn more about how Downey and Fecteau were captured by the Reds and thus uncover information about the disappearance of her son's C-47.

Capt. Snoddy's wife, Myrtle, and their young son, live at Roseburg, Ore. Snoddy was a Navy pilot in the Southwest Pacific in World War II.

Four other Oregon cities took part in the 1953 study.

Portland reported 214 arrests for driving while drunk as result of chemical tests, and at least 48 per cent of those arrested were convicted, preliminary reports indicated.

Albany tested 13 drivers, 14 of whom were arrested and 12 convicted.

Medford Convicts 55
Astoria tested 12 drivers, all of whom were arrested and convicted. Driving while intoxicated arrests made without benefit of chemical tests totaled 31 and 30 were convicted.

Medford arrested 55 drivers after giving blood tests and all 55 were convicted. Three of five drivers without chemical tests were convicted. The committee noted a 26 per cent increase during 1953 in number of cities using some form of chemical testing for intoxication.

Fog Gets Blame In Car Accidents

Three county vehicle accidents were reported yesterday and early today. State police said that at least two of them occurred because of foggy conditions.

A car driven by Mary Ann Hill, Canoga Park, Calif., was struck from the rear by a car driven by Robert M. Yocom, 57, route 3, box 86B, Medford, at about 3:15 a.m. today, police said. The first car was going slowly in the fog, trying to find signposts to show the driver where she was. The other car was going about 20 miles per hour, officers were told. The accident resulted in considerable damage to both cars, but no injuries were reported. Neither driver was cited.

A car driven by Laurel Elmer Crause, 32, went off Barnett rd. near radio station KYJC at about 2 o'clock this morning, when the driver lost sight of the road in the fog, police said. He suffered minor cuts and bruises, and the car was slightly damaged.

Yesterday morning, cars driven by Cecil V. Searey, route 1, box 434B, Medford, and Myrtle C. Herman, route 1, box 316, Talent, collided at the intersection of Pioneer and Colver rds., Phoenix Police Chief Jim Perry reported to state police. Minor damage resulted, and there were no injuries, Perry said.

STREET NAME CHANGED
Los Angeles—(U.P.)—Residents of nearby Playadel Rey won approval of the Los Angeles City Council today to change the name of Moscow street to Sandpiper street for "obvious reasons."

Prospect People Praised for Work; Disease Disappears

No new cases of infectious hepatitis have been reported in the Prospect area for the past several months, it was reported today by Dr. A. E. Merkel, county health officer.

"It now appears that through the cooperation of the people in the community of Prospect, the disease, which was reaching epidemic proportions, has been halted," he stated. However, there have been 21 new cases reported from other areas of the county, more recently.

Area Residents Praised
The county health department and officers of the Jackson County Health association voiced appreciation and admiration for the manner in which the citizens of Prospect and surrounding communities cooperated and initiated measures to prevent the spread of the disease.

Dr. Merkel explained that about a year ago a number of cases of this disease, which is highly infectious and which attacks the liver, began to be reported from Prospect. The State Board of Health reported that the number of cases throughout the state had risen 104 per cent and suggested measures for its control. Most of these control measures covered sanitary conditions.

Program Launched
The matter was brought to the attention of the public health association during a study of health problems in the county. Through the volunteers of this organization, an educational program was launched.

Residents of Prospect held a well-attended open meeting to discuss methods of control and voluntarily agreed not to hold public gatherings at which food was served until all danger was over. They also agreed to take necessary sanitary measures, stressing extra precaution in cleanliness.

Through the efforts of the citizens of Prospect, this is now probably one of the safest places in the county so far as infectious hepatitis is concerned, Dr. Merkel stated.

Proud Hunter Checks Big Deer Too Late

Minneapolis, Minn.—(U.P.)—Melvin Abel, 37, drove happily up to his home with a five-point buck strapped to his auto Tuesday and rushed inside to telephone his mother.

While he was talking to her, his mother jokingly said, "better look out, somebody might steal it."

Abel sent his wife out to watch the deer, but it was too late. Someone had stolen it.



REPLACEMENT—The Soviet Union ordered Diplomat Jacob Malik (above) to fly to New York from Soviet Embassy in London and assume leadership of the Soviet delegation at the United Nations.

Malik Arrives At United Nations As USSR Delegate

United Nations, N. Y.—(U.P.)—Jacob Malik, successor to Andrei Y. Vishinsky as Soviet delegate to the United Nations, arrived here today.

Malik, 48, now Soviet ambassador to London, was delayed when strong headwinds prevented his plane from arriving as scheduled.

Malik crossed the path somewhere over the Atlantic of a chartered Pan American Super Stratocruiser carrying the body of Andrei Vishinsky back to Europe. Vishinsky died Monday after a heart attack and Malik was named to replace him.

Seasoned Delegate
Malik, who also is reported to suffer from heart trouble, is a seasoned United Nations delegate. His broad poker face and his athletic build are familiar to millions of American television viewers who watched him perform for months as top Soviet delegate.

A Soviet Embassy spokesman in London said it was not known whether Malik would fill Vishinsky's post on a permanent basis. "Mr. Malik has not been informed whether he will continue as chief of the delegation after the General Assembly adjourns," the spokesman said.

Sheree North's Dances Approved

Hollywood—(U.P.)—Actress Sheree North's torrid dancing isn't any sexier than most modern dances would be if performed by a bathing beauty at the beach, according to Federal Judge Ernest A. Tolin.

Tolin yesterday turned down a Post Office request to deny mailing privileges to Joe Bonica, President of the movie of the month club, on charges Bonica mailed out "sexually suggestive" dances by Miss North.

It was the second time Miss North's dancing had been termed suggestive. A dance she did on a Big Crosby television show last year was the subject of a controversy for being "too revealing."

Tolin, after viewing the dances, said he found only "decency, purity and chastity" in them, adding: "To conclude that these films were sexually suggestive would be to classify the great bulk of modern dancing as such. The costumes, while considerably less than the usual street dress, are not materially less than the usual modern beach wear."

BOY SCOUTS

Griffin Creek
Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts of Pack 41, of the Griffin Creek district, will present a program Friday, Nov. 26, in the Griffin Creek school gymnasium, beginning at 7:30 p.m.

The purpose of the program is to better acquaint departments with the work done by scouts during weekly meetings and to create more interest in the district.

N. H. Gladfelter, Big Pines commissioner, will explain the organization of scouting, and a movie on scouting will be shown. Refreshments will be served. Everyone in the district who is interested is invited.

Mrs. Thomas Helman

Census Bureau Asks Farmers' Cooperation In Agriculture Count

The Federal Bureau of the Census has asked farmers of Jackson county for their cooperation in the taking of the 1954 farm census, which is now under way here.

Nationally, more than 5,000,000 farmers are being asked questions about their farms in the 16th of a series of nationwide farm canvasses since the first one on 1840.

Forms Mailed
In Oregon copies of the census questionnaire being used were mailed to farm operators in advance of the enumeration, which began early in October and will continue into December. The starting date for the census was set for the close of the normal

crop harvesting season. Questionnaires used in different areas were designed to cover the crops commonly produced in these areas, while a number of questions common to all farms will be included in each variation of the questionnaire.

With Letter
The mail questionnaire is accompanied by a letter from Director Robert W. Burgess of the Bureau of the Census. This letter requests each individual farm operator to fill in the answers and have the completed questionnaire ready for the census enumerator when he calls at the farm a few days later. The enumerator will assist the farmer in filling out the form, if he requires assistance.

The questionnaire is designed to collect information about the number and size of farms, tenure, acreage of land in various uses, crops harvested, livestock inventory and production, expenditures for selected items, inventory of selected facilities and equipment, irrigation, conservation practices, farm value, mortgage debt, and cash rent.

On an average, each farmer will be asked about 100 questions, many of which can be answered by checking "yes" or "no."

Mother To Pray For Son's Release

Portland—(U.P.)—Mrs. Ray Peters said today she believes that faith and daily prayers will save her son who was sentenced to four years in prison as an American spy by the Chinese Communists.

Mrs. Peters is the mother of Airman 2-c Daniel C. Schmidt, 22, one of 13 Americans listed by the Reds yesterday as receiving prison terms.

Mrs. Peters said she was sorry to hear of her son's sentencing but was "happy to know he has survived."

She had heard her son's B-29 was shot down in January of 1953.

"To this day I have prayed—and I have kept faith—and I know that some day soon he will be returned to me, his wife and year-old son," she said.

Schmidt's wife lives in Redding, Calif.

About 15,000 children between the ages 5 to 14 years die in the U. S. each year from various causes.

DR. SPOCK TALKS ABOUT Spoiled Babies

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