



CRASH SETS STREET ABLAZE—Firemen's helmets lie on sidewalk where they fell in spectacular intersection crash in Newburgh, N. Y., involving this fire engine and fuel tank truck. Blazing oil from the tanker set fire to seven parked cars. The truck driver was killed and six firemen were injured. The firemen were on their way to another fire.

City-Financed Parking Facilities One Way To Solve Traffic Problem

Editor's note: This is the third in a series on how American cities are meeting their staggering postwar traffic problems.

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New York—(U.P.)—Every city from Boston to Los Angeles is bursting at the seams with automobiles, and next to keeping them all moving the big problem is what to do with them when they're parked.

The City of Pittsburgh needs 27,000 parking spaces to accommodate the number of motorists who drive into the business district every day.

Right now there are about half that many available. **Two Bitter Pills**

All major U.S. cities are in the throes of a postwar traffic jam. It is more acute in some than in others. But a 20-city survey by United Press indicates car owners may have to swallow two bitter pills before the parking dilemma is cleared up:

1. More motorists will have to leave their cars at home and ride buses, trains and trolleys downtown.

2. The era of pulling over to the curb and parking is ending in crowded business districts. Even the parking meter has outlived its usefulness on streets where every foot of space is needed for moving traffic.

Can't Handle Demand
Since the end of World War II city planners have realized that curbside parking and privately owned parking lots and garages cannot begin to handle the tremendous demand for city parking space. City financed parking facilities are the only way out.

Chicago has approved a \$50,000,000 bond issue to finance parking lot construction. Cleveland has authorized \$3,000,000 for off-street parking facilities and the mayor is asking for \$4,000,000 more.

Detroit is considering a \$15,540,000 municipal parking system involving seven garages and six lots. Boston is spending \$10,000,000 on municipal parking facilities and officials say this will "pretty nearly" fill the demand.

Pittsburgh set up a "public

parking authority" five years ago to try to increase storage capacity in its "golden triangle" downtown area. Two garages were opened two years ago, a third as just completed, and a six-story underground garage will open soon.

Parking engineers also recognize that part of their job lies in diverting cars to parking spaces outside the main business areas. Detroit's Department of

Street Railways recently opened a 600-car parking lot near the edge of the city to "intercept" motorists from the suburbs who might want to ride part way downtown by bus.

In some cities laws are being considered that would prohibit motorists from "feeding" nickels into parking meters every hour so they can leave their cars in one spot all day. Cleveland already has such a law.

A Nichol's Worth of . . .

Comment On This and That

By **HARMAN W. NICHOLS**
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Washington—(U.P.)—A man in California was found guilty of "litterbugging." That is, throwing things out of his car and messing up the country's side.

In his case, it was empty beer cans. The untidy character was sentenced to (1) pick up all beer cans along a quarter mile of highway and (2) sit in the jailhouse for 28 days.

That is the sort of thing that prompted a lot of folks, including the American Automobile Association, state legislatures, and officials to form Keep America Beautiful, Inc.

Boy Scouts have gotten into the act. They have adopted a creed: "I will treat the great outdoors as a heritage to be improved for our greater enjoyment."

Waterproof Sacks
The Girl Scouts have gone along with this, too, and pledge themselves to keep trash and garbage out of America's waters, fields, woods and roadways.

The "litterbug" thus came into being and is being distributed around the country. It is a waterproof little sack, distributed by the AAA and others. The first

one I saw came from the Inland Automobile Association, which distributed it in cooperation with the Spokane Daily Chronicle.

There is a big sign on the outside of the waxed bag. It says: "This is your trash bag. Please use it as a container for your waste paper, tin cans, bottles and other debris."

Where To Put It
There is some other literature. It suggests that if you are traveling you can deposit the bag in garbage cans when you stop for lunch along the highways. Or find a can where it can be dumped at motels, or gas stations.

Never on the highway. A lot of communities already have joined the drive. Newspapers, like the Los Angeles Mirror and others have printed editorials charging that "litterbugs are messing up the roads again."

The New York Herald Tribune titled its piece "For a Cleaner America."

Tour of Redwoods
My first tangle with the anti-litterbuggers came a little while back when I took a motor trip across the country with Mike Frome and Jerry Fisher, a couple of much traveled gents who work of the AAA.

Neither of them had any license to tell me what to do, but they were all over me from coast to coast.

Going through the redwood

DAs, Sheriffs Pick New Officers, Ask Law Clarification

Portland—(U.P.)—M. Keith Wilson of Walla Walla county was elected president of the Oregon State District Attorneys Association and Allen E. Birch of Tillamook county was named head of the Oregon State Sheriffs Association Friday at final sessions of their annual conventions here.

Ask Law Clarification
The district attorneys adopted resolutions calling for strengthening and clarifying certain laws and amending the statute governing district court judges and justices of the peace so they can levy penalties and fines over the present maximum.

The sheriffs recommended a law licensing and regulating second-hand dealers, junk dealers and auction operators doing business outside city limits. The law officers also want an amendment to the law concerning writing a check without sufficient funds.

McMillin Elected
Other officers named by the district attorneys were Max L. McMillin of Josephine county, vice-president; James K. Gardner of Washington county, secretary-treasurer, and Kenneth Abraham of Hood River county, executive board member.

The sheriffs elected Tom Elliott of Lake county, vice-president, and Richard Busch of Washington county, secretary-treasurer.

BPA To Double Power Output

Seattle—(U.P.)—The Bonneville Power Administration will market double the present kilowatt output within the next six years, BPA Administrator William A. Pearl said here Friday.

Pearl, addressing 80 members of the Washington Public Utility Districts association at their annual meeting said 6,200,000 kilowatts of federal power will be distributed in the Northwest by 1960.

He said power from existing federal dams and those under construction should meet normal load growths of public agencies through 1965.

"If the government's power supply seems to be insufficient to meet all requirements of preference customers, we will notify them five years in advance, giving the public agencies time to find other sources of generation," Pearl said.

groves of California, both jumped on me for flicking cigarette ashes out of the window of the car.

"Might set a forest on fire," came the chorus.

Once I pitched the butt end of a hot dog out of the window and had to fight it out with my friends.

I had to admit that maybe I was cluttering up the scenery.

Housewife Tackles Escaping Burglar

Portland—(U.P.)—Cecil Madison Meyers, 46, was in jail under \$3000 bond Saturday on a burglary charge after a housewife stopped his getaway with a flying tackle.

Police said the Richard Sloops returned to their apartment Friday night to find Meyers prowling their rooms. He fled through a bedroom window, ran across the yard, but stumbled after taking a four-foot drop from the yard to the sidewalk. It was then that Mrs. Sloop threw her flying tackle, dropping Meyers in his tracks.

Sloop told police radios, clocks and jewelry had been gathered near a rear door. Personal articles worth about \$58 were found on Meyers by police.

Secretary of Navy Says Blockade of Red China Possible

Washington—(U.P.)—Navy Secretary Charles S. Thomas said Saturday in answer to questions about blockading Communist China that the U. S. Navy can carry out "any assignment that is given to it."

He repeated that statement six times when asked on the CBS radio program "Capitol Cloakroom" if the Navy could carry out an "effective blockade" of Red China.

Up To President

Thomas emphasized that any decision to blockade China would be up to President Eisenhower and Secretary of State John Foster Dulles.

Senate Republican Leader William F. Knowland has urged such a blockade in an effort to force China to free 13 Americans sentenced to prison on what the State department called "trumped-up" spy charges.

Mr. Eisenhower, however, said earlier this week a blockade would be an act of war and he was not ready to give up efforts to settle any differences with the Reds by peaceful means.

Could Be Combination
Thomas said he thought any blockade, if ordered, would be a "combination Navy and air" blockade—whether it applied to China or another area. He added "it could be Naval and Naval-Air."

Asked if a China blockade would stop trade with China completely, he said the question of stopping "everything" was "pretty technical" and "I don't think you could stop everything on a very large coast line."

But he reiterated that "as I think the Navy is in such condition that it can carry out any assignment that is given to it."

WEATHER
By United Press.
Northern California: Morning fog in valleys; rain spreading southward into central California Sunday.

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MEDFORD (OREGON) MAIL TRIBUNE—FIVE

Medford Rural Fire District Election Slated Tomorrow

The annual election for the Medford Rural Fire Protection district will be held Monday, with a poll open from 2 to 8 p.m. at the Oak Grove school.

Two vacancies on the board of directors will be filled. Harper K. Hamilton is the only candidate for a one-year unexpired term. He is now serving under appointment. Mrs. Charlotte E. Fogelquist is a candidate for election to a five year term. She also has been serving under appointment.

Also to be decided is a proposal to include Hillcrest orchard within the boundaries of the district.

Other Members
Holdover members of the board are V. O. Walker, J. A. Neff and Carl W. Norris. G. W. Kellington is attorney for the district.

The district has a contract with the Medford fire department for protection within its boundaries.

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A newly-prepared map showing the boundaries of the district, and roads, fire hydrants and other water sources is now available for purchase. They can be obtained from Mrs. Fogelquist, whose telephone number is 2-4367. The map is drawn to scale and is valuable for residents of the district in determining insurance rates, board members said.

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