

Traffic Crashes Keep City Police Busy on Week End

Five traffic accidents were reported to city police Saturday and Sunday, three of them within a half hour of each other. No injuries were reported, police said.

At 11:26 a.m. Sunday an accident occurred at North River side ave. and East Mc Andrews rd. Velda Jean Negles, 794 Garfield st. was cited by city police for following too close, after the car she was driving ran into the rear of a car driven by Max-paula Louise Weston, 1102 North Riverside ave.

An accident at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, involved cars operated by William Marvin Sloan, 331 Haven st., and Robert Lemuel Madden, 2060 Table Rock rd., according to police. They said the accident occurred as one vehicle was backing out a driveway at 1104 North Central ave., and the other vehicle was entering.

Damage was negligible, police said, and no citations were issued.

Another Saturday morning accident occurred at 11:47 o'clock at the intersection of Jackson and Hawthorne sts., police said. Robert Eli Norcross, 633 Pine st., was cited by city police for failure to yield the right of way, when his vehicle was involved in an accident with a car driven by Gary Lee Beach, 1328 East Jackson st.

Towed From Scene

One car had to be towed away after an accident at the intersection of South Central ave. and 12 st., at 5:09 p.m. Saturday, according to city police. The cars involved in the accident were operated by John Buel Johnson, Box 1532, Medford, and Eugene Albert Irwin, Butte Falls, according to city police. No citations were issued.

Walter Michael Luder, 1853 Delta Waters rd., told city police that someone drove off the road in front of his house and hit his fence Sunday at 3 a.m. He said the car then backed off and left. He was not able to get a good look at the car he told police.

TROOPS KILL SEVEN

Macao—UPI—Chinese Communist troops on Lappa Island riddled with gunfire a sampan carrying seven persons seeking refuge in Portuguese Macao Sunday, it was reported today. All seven persons, including three children were killed or drowned.



NOT INTERESTED—Indian children, too young to care much about international politics, snooze while President Eisenhower speaks at the American Embassy in New Delhi. The speech was part of Eisenhower's 11-nation good will tour.—(UPI Telephoto)

Salem Armory Financing Approved

Salem—UPI—In an opinion today, Attorney General Robert Y. Thornton gave the go-ahead to plans for financing the new Salem National Guard armory-auditorium.

The state treasurer asked for the opinion. Thornton said the approval by voters of \$175,000 in bonds together with \$15,000 provided by Marion county and a letter of credit of \$60,000 from private citizens meet the legal requirements that the city of Salem and the county provide the minimum sum of \$250,000 toward cost of the new structure.

Grange News...

Central Point Grange
The annual Christmas party of Central Point Grange will be held following a short business meeting Friday, Dec. 18. There will be a special Christmas program presented by the lecturer. Members are asked to bring candy, popcorn balls, nuts or apples. A silver offering will be taken to purchase a food or clothing certificate for some needy family. The HEC club will meet at the home of Mrs. Edwin Gebhard, Wednesday, Dec. 16, at 1:30 p.m.

The new Grange officers are to be installed at the Phoenix Grange on the evening of Dec. 16. Anyone not able to attend then may attend the installation on Sunday, Dec. 20, at the Eagle Point Grange.

Oyster Bay, N.Y.—UPI—John Gerdes, 73, senior partner in the Wall Street law firm of Gerdes, Montgomery & Miller and an expert in corporate law, died here Sunday.

Quotes From the News

By United Press International

San Quentin, Calif.—UPI—Convict-author Caryl Chessman, vowing to keep up his 11½ year fight against execution despite the U. S. Supreme Court's refusal to hear his latest appeal:

"I guess we will make the rounds again, unless I feel I've had enough and I don't think I've had it yet... This is the merry-go-round again."

* Amherst, Mass.—Pianist Steven Lacy, of New York, forfeiting \$25 bond on a malicious damage charge but explaining in a letter to Amherst police why he hit the keys of a night-spot piano so hard they shattered:

"It's a crime to expect a professional musician to play on it. It's three half-steps out of tune."

Little Rock, Ark.—Gov. Orval Faubus, commenting on the U. S. Supreme Court's upholding a lower court that struck down the two laws he used to close Little Rock public high schools last year:

"They usually rule on things without knowing what it's about."

New York—The Columbia Broadcasting System's new announcement to be used when canned laughter is utilized on comedy shows:

"Audience reaction is technically produced."

Hatfield, Mediator Discuss Newspaper Strike at Portland

Salem—UPI—Federal Mediator Elmer Williams conferred with Gov. Mark Hatfield here for two hours Monday and the Portland newspaper strike was discussed. Details of the conference were not released.

A spokesman for the governor said the session provided Hatfield with "up to the minute" background on the stereotypical strike.

The strike, against the Oregonian and Oregon Journal, began its sixth week today. Neuberger Not To Appeal

Sen. Richard L. Neuberger (D-Ore.), said he had decided not to carry to Labor Secretary James P. Mitchell his appeal for a fact-finding panel to look into the newspaper strike. He had indicated he might do so if Hatfield did not act on the suggestion.

Neuberger said Monday that "no beneficial purpose would be served in taking the busy time of the secretary of labor to consider my request if one of the parties to the present labor controversy is flatly opposed to this kind of undertaking."

'Fact-Finding' Proposed
William W. Knight, publisher of the Journal, and M. J. Frey, publisher of the Oregonian, said earlier in reply to Neuberger's suggestion that they had proposed "fact-finding" under fair, impartial and binding arbitration of all unresolved issues before the strike began Nov. 10. They said they did not feel it would serve a useful purpose to "permit this dispute to be dragged into the political arena."

Cuba Orders Firing Squad Executions For Opposition Men

Havana—UPI—A Cuban revolutionary tribunal today ordered firing squad executions for two men accused of forming an armed opposition to Premier Fidel Castro's government.

The executions, if carried out, would be the first by firing squads since midsummer. During the first half of the year, more than 500 persons were executed by firing squads.

Today's death sentences were meted out in Pinar del Rio to former army Cpl. Luis Lara Crespo and Jose Antonio Vincente Morfitt Reyes. Others Sentenced

Another 28 persons, all Cubans, received sentences ranging from 10 to 30 years imprisonment.

In Havana, another military tribunal was considering government demands for death to one of the heroes of the revolution, Maj. Hubert Matos.

Castro himself appeared before the tribunal Monday night and denounced Matos and conducted a general debate on the aims of the revolutionary regime.

Matos, undaunted, bitterly denounced Castro, his brother, Raul, who is commander of the armed forces, and the government attorney, Maj. Jorge Segura. Rights Said Violated

He said they had submitted him to "unnecessary vexations and moral torture" during the trial and that he was the subject of a "flagrant violation of the declaration of human rights and the republic's constitution regarding individual rights."



Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

Many Myths Seem True— But Don't You Believe Them

The fact you may have believed a thing all your life is, of course, no reason why it is true; it could be an over balanced fact so out of line it's fictitious. Tradition has kept alive, over many generations, many myths that almost seem like truisms. Some of these old myths are of purely local character; but they are persistent, in restricted areas, and often become a part of the folk-lore of a people. These legends are handed down from father to son.

The ostrich legend was a dandy. Have you seen an ostrich lately, with its silly head buried in the sand? Of course you haven't; neither has anyone else, for these large, flightless birds just don't live up to the fable we have fabricated about them.

Not That Stupid

Even an ostrich with a head smaller than a creature of its size should have, still isn't stupid enough to believe it could hide from its enemies by any such silly stunt as burying its head in the sand while its huge body was exposed to view.

Another "foolish fact" is the story regarding the sled-dogs that haul their loads across snowy wastes; as well as the household dog who, when death of a human is imminent, points his muzzle toward the cold, glittering stars, and howls. This howling causes shivers of apprehension and dread to run up and down the spines of the timid who believe the silly tale. About the best logical explanation is that when the dog howled, it was "simply his night to howl." It didn't mean someone very near was going to die.

In the old days when the patient ox did the heavy pulling on early American farms, the animal, unable to sweat like a horse, became terribly over-heated. It had to be allowed a rest period. Of course this loss of time was considered a waste by the plowman, so he was supposed to have

devised a sort of remedy.

'Bullfrog Cooling'
Whether it worked or not, no one today seems too sure, but on those occasions the man hunted up a big bullfrog and, opening the ox's mouth, crammed the frog down the throat. This was supposed to cool off the ox and the heavy pull could once more be pulled through the ground.

The idea was, the frog being cold blooded would cool the animal. It is doubtful if such a stunt would work, so this, too, although it was said to be common practice, was mostly superstition.

Perhaps it is fortunate that the modern day farmer, when faced with over-heating in the motive power, would just add another quart of water to the farm tractor. Besides, it's going to be a little difficult to build up very many seemingly logical superstitions around a tractor. The old order changest; giving place to new and possibly sillier ideas. (Released by The Register and Tribune Syndicate, 1959)

Corvallis Girl, 14, Held for Robbery

Corvallis—UPI—A 14-year-old girl was in custody of juvenile authorities after she held up a service station with a butcher knife Monday.

Harold Denning, 29, attendant at the station, said the blonde girl came in and asked if she could warm herself by the stove. Moments later he said she pulled the knife and asked for the money in the cash register. He gave her \$40.

Denning notified the police and the girl was apprehended 1½ hours later in a downtown alley.

UNDERGOES SURGERY

London—UPI—The Duchess of Windsor underwent a minor operation for the removal of an inflammatory tumor from her hand at a London clinic Monday. She arrived in London last week with the Duke.

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Obscene Book Ordinance Illegal, High Court Says

Washington—UPI—The Supreme Court Monday struck down a Los Angeles city ordinance which makes it a crime for a bookseller to have an obscene book in his possession.

Justice William J. Brennan Jr., speaking for the court, said the ordinance "though aimed at obscene matter, has such a tendency to inhibit constitutionally protected expression" that it cannot stand.

Justice John M. Harlan agreed with part of the opinion and disagreed with part. The seven other justices agreed with Brennan.

Served 30 Days
The case was brought to the high court by Eleazar Smith, 73, proprietor of a Los Angeles book store. Smith was sentenced to 30 days in the city jail for having on the premises a book about lesbianism entitled "Sweeter Than Life."

Brennan noted that the court has held that obscene speech and writings are not

protected by the Constitution's guarantee of free speech.

But he said the ordinance in question would tend to penalize booksellers "even though they had not the slightest notice of the character of the books they sold."

"If the bookseller is criminally liable without knowledge of the contents, and the ordinance fulfills its purpose," he added, "he will tend to restrict the books he sells to those he has inspected. And thus the State will have imposed a restriction upon the distribution of constitutionally protected as well as obscene literature."

Self-Censorship
Brennan said the court was not now establishing what requirements are necessary for a proper prosecution of a bookseller in Smith's situation.

"Doubtless any form of criminal obscenity statute applicable to a bookseller will induce some tendency to self-censorship and have some in-

Older Worker Law Director Named

Salem—UPI—Ray A. Ziegler of Oswego was named today as director of the older worker division of the State Labor Bureau. The division is a new one.

Oregon Labor Commissioner Norman Nilsen said Ziegler will administer the law prohibiting discrimination in employment solely because of age, enacted by the 1959 Legislature.

Ziegler is a retired Army officer of the adjutant general corps. He graduated from Lewis and Clark college.

Nilsen said the Labor Bureau will conduct hearings on rules and regulations for administration of the older worker law next month or early in February.

hibitory effect on the dissemination of material not obscene," he said. "But we consider today only one which goes to the extent of eliminating all mental elements from the crime."

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