



FLEMMING TESTIFIES - The Senate finance committee opened crucial public hearings Wednesday on the politically hot issue of medical care for the aged, with Welfare Secretary Arthur S. Flemming, shown as he began his testimony, as the first witness. Flemming presented to the committee the administration's views on five or six rival proposals pending before the group.

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Capitol Memo

Uniform Traffic Ticket Effective In State on Friday

By DOUGLAS GRIPP
Salem -UPI - If a policeman stops your car Friday and hands you a freshly-printed, gold-colored piece of paper instead of the usual citation, take it. It's the new Oregon uniform traffic ticket.

Effective July 1 and hailed as a major step forward by law enforcement officers and the courts, the five-by-eight-inch ticket is expected to make citing for traffic more convenient for all concerned - including the offender.

The ticket will be issued at all levels - city, county, and state - doing away with old multi-sized tickets, and setting a uniform bail schedule for traffic offenses.

State Police Captain Farley Mogan, head of the traffic division, believes the latter will mean the end of so-called "speed traps," communities where traffic arrests are frequent and bail often very high.

Major Offenders Hit
The new bail schedule, however, will hit major offenders harder in some areas. The minimum bail for a felony

involving traffic is \$1,000 and driving while intoxicated \$300.

Entry of the required bail on the ticket by the arresting officer is a new feature. This lets the violator know what to expect before he gets to court.

The new ticket will do away with long complaint forms filled out in district attorney offices by arresting officers and also with long police arrest reports.

But the police aren't the only ones who benefit.

Also unique is the provision that a person arrested in one county may be taken to district court in another county to answer the charge if the latter is closer by car. Also, you can clear yourself of a minor offense in most instances by simply mailing the fine.

In both cases, there is a saving in time and miles.

Appearance Required
The six charges which require a court appearance are any felony, negligent homicide, reckless driving, driving under the influence of intoxicants or narcotics, leaving the scene of an accident, and operating a car with a suspended or revoked driver's license.

Each ticket is in quadruplicate. One copy goes to the violator and others to police files, the local court and the State Motor Vehicle Department.

The initial printing provided 300,000 tickets to the League of Oregon Cities for state-wide distribution; 100,000 each to state police and the city of Portland; 40,000 to Multnomah county and lesser shipments to other agencies.

Parking tickets will continue to be issued independently and in varied forms by all police agencies.

Car Whacks Thumb; Hiker Catches Bus

Rochester, N.Y. - Bert Ambrose, trying to hitch-hike to his home in Buffalo, stood a bit too close to the highway, he told officers.

A car came along and whacked his outstretched thumb, bruising it so severely he had to have it treated. He caught the next bus home.

Oregon Supreme Court Decisions

Salem -UPI - Although a small child is too young to be capable of taking an oath as a witness, this does not exclude a youngster's testimony from being admissible as evidence in a trial.

In so ruling Wednesday, the State Supreme Court upheld the conviction of William Roy Hutchinson, Klamath Falls, on a charge of contributing to the delinquency of a minor.

The opinion by Justice

George Rossman affirmed Klamath County Circuit Judge David R. Vandenberg. Hutchinson was charged in connection with a five-year-old boy.

Parents Testified
Although the boy did not testify at the trial, his parents were permitted to testify as to what the boy told them immediately after the youngster emerged from Hutchinson's trailer house. Hutchinson asserted this testimony was objectionable as hearsay.

The court said the issue was whether the boy's statements were spontaneous or impulsive rather than "the product of reflection and deliberation," and held the parents' testimony was admissible.

In a Multnomah county case, the high court affirmed a \$9,000 judgment for Sammy Vaughn, 13, recovered after being hit by a truck in a crosswalk. The defendant was Ann Palmer Bakeries, Inc., and Eugene Bax.

Jackson County Case
Other decisions: Douglas E. Kerby vs. State Industrial Accident Commission, appellant; appeal from Jackson county; opinion by Justice George Rossman; Judge James M. Main reversed; judgment against the commission reversed in an industrial accident case.

John M. Boyle, appellant vs. George W. Cottrell, et al; appeal from Multnomah county; opinion by Justice Pro Tem Orval Millard; Judge Martin W. Hawkins affirmed; judgment for the defendants in a rear end car collision case affirmed.

Ella A. Furrer, widow of Joseph J. Furrer, appellant vs. State Industrial Accident Commission; appeal from Multnomah county; opinion by Justice Pro Tem Ralph Holman; Judge Pro Tem Edward Murphy affirmed; judgment for the commission affirmed.

Judgment Affirmed
Charles Hazard Sr. vs. William Sallies, et al, appellants; appeal from Linn county; opinion by Justice Pro Tem Ralph Holman; Judge Victor Olliver affirmed; judgment of \$5,054 for hazard for personal injuries in a highway accident affirmed.

Ruth E. Williams, appellant vs. Stephen E. Donohoe; appeal from Multnomah county; opinion by Justice Pro Tem Ralph Holman; Judge James R. Bain reversed; judgment for Donohoe in an auto collision case reversed, case remanded for new trial.

Edna Holverson, appellant vs. John R. Holverson, cross-appellant; appeal from Klamath county; opinion per curiam; Judge David R. Vandenberg affirmed; divorce decree for the husband with a division of property affirmed.

Juanita Parker vs. George L. Faust, et al, appellants; appeal from Multnomah county; opinion by Justice Keith O'Connell; Judge James R. Bain affirmed; judgement of \$8,795 against Portland real estate brokers and their salesman affirmed.

First National Loans Reach High

Loans have reached an all-time high at First National Bank of Oregon, the bank's June 15 statement of condition figures showed.

Loans and discounts of \$507,107,549 were reported, which topped the previous mark of \$488,958,106 set Dec. 31, 1959. The current figure represents an increase of \$44,172,102 over the June 10, 1959, bank call and it is up \$26,790,826 since the early spring call, which reflects a continuing heavy demand for bank credit.

Deposits at the bank's 82 offices throughout the state were reported at \$833,014,742, down slightly from last June's \$840,804,145. The current figure is down \$3,493,802 from the March call figure.

The Medford branch of First National reported June 15 deposits of \$24,455,787 and loans totalling \$18,785,804, according to J. A. Moore, vice president and manager.

Figures at the Central Point branch show that on June 15 deposits at the branch were \$3,028,734 and loans were \$2,516,826, according to Francis C. Ayres, branch manager. Comparable totals at the branch for a year ago show deposits of \$2,952,927 and loans totaled \$2,130,123.

At the mid-year point, C. B. Stephenson, president of the state-wide banking system, noted that the institution will open a branch later this year at Phoenix. Completion of the new \$3 1/2 million Portland head office building is scheduled for October.

Boat Gas Price Must Include Tax
Salem -UPI - The price of gas sold for use in boats in Oregon must include the six cents per gallon state tax, the Oregon Motor Vehicles Department said Wednesday.

The department said it has had inquiries lately from marina operators and boat owners in all parts of the state asking if gas could be purchased less the tax.

This would eliminate the need to file a refund claim for gas used for non-highway purpose.

Department officials said the law does not permit this practice, and gas sold for all boats must be taxed.

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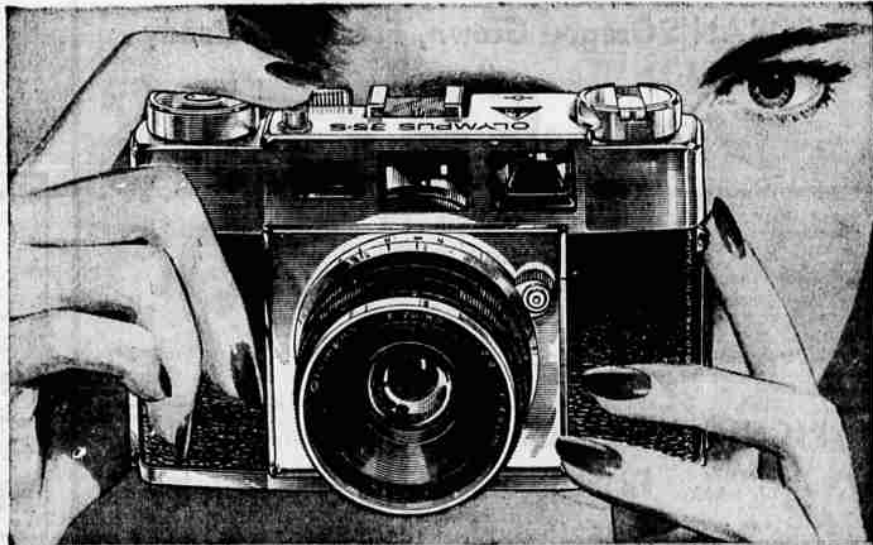
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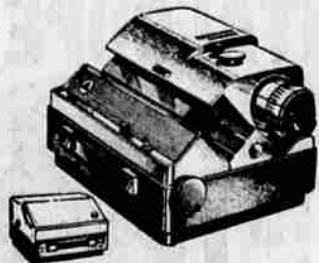
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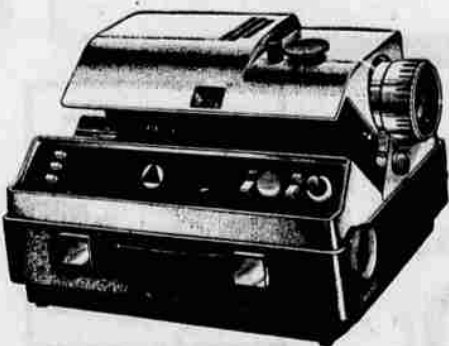
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