

They'll Do It Every Time

By Jimmy Hatlo



2-Car Accidents Reported to City Police Recently

Three two-car traffic accidents were reported to Medford police during the week end, none of them resulting in any reported injuries.

Saturday at 7:57 p.m., police received a report of cars operated by Harold Richard Adams, 35, of 420 South Grape st., and Sally Leigh McKemie, 29, of 847 West 13th st., colliding at the intersection of Main and Fir sts.

Damage to both vehicles was described as extensive. Police cited Adams for failure to stop at a red light.

A second Saturday accident occurred at 8:50 p.m., when a stationwagon operated by Mary Augusta Coss, 32, of 1325 Beekman Extension, hit the rear of a pickup truck driven by Harold Peter Lumsden, 36, of 817 1/2 Niantic st., on Grape st. between Melrose and O'Gara sts.

Police said the pickup truck spun off the road after the collision. Damage to both vehicles was described as moderate. Police cited Mary Coss for following too close.

The third accident occurred Sunday at 12:40 p.m., at the junction of North Riverside ave. and Highway 82. Police said a pickup truck operated by Ira Hardenburger, 74, Eagle Point, collided with a car operated by Violet Marie Granstad, 38, Portland.

Both Hardenburger and Violet Granstad claimed the green light was in their favor and each had a witness to back them up so no citations were issued, police said.

Police said damage to both vehicles was extensive and the pickup truck was moved by wrecker. Hardenburger complained to police that his legs hurt after the accident, but he was taken care of by a private party according to police.

Ashland Students Cited by Foundation

Ashland — Four Ashland High school students have received letters of commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Foundation.

The letters are the result of Merit Scholarship Qualifying tests the four seniors took last spring, Stanley Jobe, superintendent of schools, said.

Although the students didn't reach the semifinals of Merit scholarship competition, the foundation felt that the high abilities of the four should be recognized.

Jobe said the students are eligible for other scholarships offered by the Merit foundation.

The students are: Jerry Burns, son of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Burns, 121 Bush st.; Duane Hall, son of the Rev. and Mrs. H. W. Hall, of Springfield; Sidney DeBoer, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter DeBoer, 760 Clay st., and Betty MacDonald, daughter of Mrs. Richard Neill, 820 Glenwood dr.

Fossil Man Named Wheeler County DA
Salem—George A. Duke, Fossil attorney, was appointed Wheeler county district attorney Monday by Gov. Mark Hatfield.

He succeeds Grant Mumpower who resigned to take a federal post in Seattle. Duke, a former district attorney, has practiced law in Wheeler county since 1935. Both men are Republicans.



Small Worlds Around Us

By Lynn M. Watkins

So He Piled Up The Car. He Missed The Black Cat!

The car was nearly a total loss. The car's owner, somewhat jarred by the impact with the far side of the ditch, dismounted from the wreck with a bumped forehead but with a satisfied look on his face.

He had purposely turned his car into the ditch to keep from allowing a black cat to cross in front of him. In his own mind he was happy in spite of the fact he had wrecked his car. Such a dedication to a silly superstition must be a very compelling force.

Investigation revealed that the man was not afraid of cats; either did he ever hesitate from walking under a ladder, but he did have a horror of black cats and what they could mean to his future life and happiness. He firmly believed that if one of these black felines crossed in front of him if he were walking or driving, he would have "seven years of bad luck."

It is peculiar that the "black-cat superstition" should still be a part of so many peoples' lives. In fact, it is surprising that this old myth should affect to a greater or lesser degree the thinking of so many intelligent people. Once they have installed in their minds by some uninformed person that black cats are a bad omen, the idea sticks.

Some even will pretend the idea is ridiculous and silly, but secretly they still are watchful that they do not come in very close contact with one of these animals.

Probably the black-cat myth started away back in the Dark Ages; or perhaps somewhat later and right here in our own country when witchcraft was suspect. Cats, to the non-cat-owner, have always been a little bit strange and somewhat mysterious. Because the cat was always aloof, haughty and independent, she gave the impression that she "knew something that was not common knowledge."

She prowled in the dark, when things of a supernatural

nature were suspected to be abroad. The fact that someone said she possessed nine lives and could fall from a great height without injury, proved that she was misunderstood. People suspect what they do not understand. The time was when any black cat entering or leaving a house was supposed to indicate a "witch lived there," and the cat was sent out to discover mysterious "goings on." Those were dark days, both for the black cats and the women that owned them. Peculiar that these animals, so unfortunate as to be born with black fur, were supposed to be helpers of Satan. Today we accept the black cat as a symbol for Halloween, implying that the animal represents the supernatural. But the poor cat has no mystic power for either good or bad luck. She hasn't even a charmed life, a fast-traveling motor car can cancel out all nine of her lives in a hundredth of a second. (Released by The Register and Tribune Syndicate, 1960)

Australia Kidnap Suspect Arrested

Colombo, Ceylon—Stephen Leslie Bradley, 34, today was charged with the kidnaping and murder of Graeme Thorne, 6, in Sydney, Australia, and jailed until a further hearing of his case.

Colombo Joint Magistrate's Court refused to grant the suspect bail, and set the hearing for Oct. 18.

Bradley, who was arrested Monday aboard the European-bound liner Himalaya, in port here, said that he knew of the charges against him. He was arrested by Ceylonese police on the basis of information made available by the Australian authorities in Colombo. They were taking steps for his extradition.

The Thorne kidnaping lasted July near Sydney sparked one of the biggest manhunts in Australian history. The boy was found murdered shortly thereafter. The case was the first kidnaping for ransom in the country's history.

The Family Council Homeless Children Are Helped Through UMC

Editor's Note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, three editors and a women's editor. Each article is a summary of an actual case history. The Council reports on problems that have been dealt with by responsible agencies and counselors.

Mrs. L.V.—My first husband and I were divorced 15 years ago. Since we were divorced my first husband has become extremely wealthy. He has money enough to burn. I, on the other hand, have had a struggle. I've been working for the past few years just to keep things going. My present husband has a low-paying civil service job.

Recently I had a serious operation and I'm in need of a long rest. It would mean nothing at all for my first husband to pay for this. However, I haven't spoken to him in years. It's up to my son to do it for me, but he doesn't want to do this. His selfish pride means too much to him.

Dan D.—I don't know whether it's selfishness or pride or what, but somehow I find I can't speak to Dad about Mother. He never speaks of her himself and I find myself tongue-tied whenever I try to approach him on this subject.

I have offered to give Mother the money myself, but she won't take it from me because she knows my wife and I are

trying to save for a home and family.

Mother is resentful because Dad was poor in the years she was married to him and his present wife has all the "gravy," but it's just one of those things. Dad more than fulfilled his obligations to me and he just isn't responsible for Mother any more. At least that is the attitude he seems to take as far as I can tell. I guess most men would feel the same way.

The Council: The one person who is really concerned in this situation is not even mentioned, much less consulted. He is Mrs. L.V.'s present husband.

Mrs. L.V. reveals a complete lack of respect for him and no sensitivity for his feelings when she considers taking money from another man without even discussing the matter with him.

Although Mrs. L.V. appears to feel she has some moral or legal claim on her first husband's pocketbook, the fact is that he is simply "another man" as far as her present husband is concerned. Her present husband loses status in his own eyes when she turns to another man for help in time of emergency. His self-respect as a man is deeply involved in his ability to provide for his wife.

Mr. V. is undoubtedly aware of his wife's attitude. She

"Homeless children" is the description of a situation no one wants to see happen. That is why the support of Catholic Services for Children, through the United Medford Crusade is important.

Every week children from Jackson county are served by this agency, and last year 734 days of care were given to children from this area.

Citing the case of Dorothy and her brother, Tom, ages 15 and 13, when they came under the agency's care, they had lost their father by death, then their mother died. During this period the children were shifted among neighbors and finally referred to Catholic Services for Children by the county court.

While some social security benefits were available, these were not sufficient to pay for

must show in many ways that she compares her lot with him to what "might have been" with her first husband. This is nothing less than sabotage of the present marriage.

Mrs. V. reveals that she sees marriage in terms of its convenience to her and thinks little about what she can and should contribute to her husband's well-being.

There is much she can do to make her present marriage happy and successful. First on the agenda is to recognize that she has only one husband and her happiness and his rests in the intimacy and exclusiveness of their relationship. (Copyright 1960, General Features Corp.)

board and room for the children in a foster home.

Tom, particularly, had been so neglected that he had little ability to get along with people and had never even learned personal hygiene. He had nightmares over the loss of his parents, and needed special psychiatric help.

Fortunately, the agency was able to find understanding foster parents to care for them and today they are doing well in school and making a very fine adjustment.

A large number of orphans are under the care of Catholic Services for Children, which

Polaris Given Short Range Test

Cape Canaveral, Fla.—UPP—A special short-range test Monday put the Navy's Polaris missile one step closer to the day when it will be equipped with a nuclear warhead and sent to sea aboard submarines.

The bottle-shaped rocket, although designed for a range of more than 1,300 statute miles, was fired less than 700 miles. The Navy said the dummy warhead landed in an instrumented target area.

Polaris officials explained the shot demonstrated the versatility of the rocket—its ability to hit targets at considerably less than maximum range.

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- We sincerely invite your participation in this series of articles. Send any questions you might have regarding funeral or burial services to the above address—or call if you wish. We will attempt to answer as many of your questions as possible in this column each week, however, if space does not permit this, we will send your answer by return mail or by phone at your request.

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