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DUE JANUARY 1, 1969

Owner _____
Address _____
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Sex of dog Male Female Spayed Female
Breed _____ New License Renewal
Fee Enc. _____ Female \$3.00 Male or Spayed Female \$2.00. After March 1st add \$2.00.

Signed _____
Mail To: **T. HAROLD TOMLINSON**
County Clerk, Salem

Helsels Return from Trip to Hawaii

MEHAMA — Mr. and Mrs. Welsey Helsel returned home December 30 from a two-week vacation spent in Hawaii. They stayed with their daughter, Beverly, a student at the University of Hawaii in Honolulu. They had the pleasure of visiting with Wright Cowger, formerly of Stayton, who is Administrator of the Laboratory school for grades 1 through 12. His office is on the university campus.

The Helsels visited all four islands but their favorite was the big island, Hawaii, where most of the fruit and vegetables are grown, also most of the cattle. They reported that nearly all kinds of fruits were grown there, except apples which sold for 45c a pound.

Six Collisions Cause 24 Deaths

There was no single "worst traffic accident of the year" in Oregon last year, but there were six collisions which together accounted for 24 traffic deaths. Each killed four people.

The Department of Motor Vehicles, where traffic accident reports are filed by police and drivers, reported Thursday that the state recorded 67 other multiple-death crashes in 1968 in which 145 people were killed.

In all, about 26 per cent of the state's entire death toll occurred in just 73 accidents.

The first of the six most lethal crashes of 1968 occurred late in January when a car in Columbia county failed to

make a curve and struck a tree. In May a vehicle with four teen-aged occupants went into a river killing all four, and a three-car crash added four more deaths to the state's toll in little more than 24 hours. Both occurred in Lane county.

Another four deaths occurred in still another Lane county crash in June when one car crossed a median strip and hit a second vehicle head-on. In August, four died in a Coos county head-on crash. The last of the deadly six occurred on Christmas in Jackson county when a car left the road.

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An "Act of God"

The wind howled through the trees during the fall storm. Suddenly a bolt of lightning struck a big maple tree on Bob's lot and sent it crashing onto the roof of Bill's house. "Boy, that tree really punched a hole in your room, Bill," Bob noted. "But it's just one of those things. An 'act of God', as they say."

"Well, the lightning was only part of the problem, as I see it," Bill countered. "Take a good look at that tree. It's rotten inside. I told you last year the tree was dying and it should be removed. But, you ignored me. You'll have to pay for this damage."

"Wait a minute, Bill. I didn't

know that lightning bolt. That tree might have stood for many years except for that storm," Bob replied.

"But you could have prevented most of this damage. That tree split right where it's rotted," Bill asserted.

What is an "act of God" according to the Law? Basically it is simply a way of saying that it is not an act of man.

Often it excuses a man's liability. But here Bob's defense that the tree fell into Bill's roof because of an act of God may not be good enough. Negligence in allowing a diseased tree to remain standing may require Bob to pay the bill.

The defense of "an act of God" is usually not sufficient when the natural event is likely to occur. For example, in areas where a tornado or high winds may be expected to occur, a property owner has to prepare for them. However, in an area where no tornadoes have ever occurred, such a storm may be truly classed as an act of God and may excuse liability for damages.

(Oregon lawyers offer this column as a public service. No person should apply or interpret any law without the aid of an attorney who is completely advised of the facts involved. Even a slight variance in fact may change the application of the law.)

GATES

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Dale Bassett of Seattle, a great nephew, was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. Lang Stafford. Mr. and Mrs. Louie Myers of Elkhorn, brother and sister-in-law, were recent dinner guests of Mrs. Stafford. Mrs. Louise Case and daughters, Cindy and Terry of Salem, were recent Saturday evening guests of Mrs. Stafford. Nellie Allen and Charles Barnes were recent Sunday dinner guests at her home.

Last Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Allen Tourville and daughter, were dinner guests at the George Grant home. Gloria Poole was a guest of Colleen Grant on Monday and Tuesday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul X. Smith of Salem, recently spent two days visiting at the Virgil Lewis home.

Debra and Bryan Rush of Salem, spent a week visiting at the home of their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clare Rush. The parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lyle Rush, and Kathy came on Sunday and visited for the day and took Debra and Bryan back home with them. Mr. Ritchie of Salem, was also a Sunday afternoon visitor at the Rush home.

Mrs. Margaret Geston and Thordies Geston of Milwaukie spent Christmas and the weekend at the G. Geston home.

Mr. and Mrs. Crutcher of Gates were Saturday evening dinner guests at the G. Geston home.

Mr. and Mrs. John Barnhardt and family returned to their home in Huntsville, La., by jet Saturday night. They had been visiting here with his parents, the A. T. Barnhardts, over the holidays.

Recent weekend visitors at the Harold Wilson home were their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Wilson and four sons from Portland.

Mrs. Sarah Rains, a former Gates resident, has been visiting at the home of Mary Stafford, and is now visiting with her sister, Mrs. Daisy Blackburn, from there she will go to visit with her daughter, Mrs. Joe Toepfer at Fern Ridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Hentness visited with Glen's two sisters, Edna Ratzburg and Lillie Lake in Salem on Friday evening. Glen has returned back to the Coast area where he has been working.

Mrs. George Brasmer is entering the Salem General Hospital on Tuesday and is scheduled for surgery on Wednesday.

Weekend visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hancock were their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Hancock of Portland.

IDANHA DETROIT

By Boots Champion

Hosting the regular business meeting of the Detroit Woman's Civic Club Wednesday evening January 8th at Detroit City Hall were Mmes.; Wayne Crist, Edward Slayden, Earl Huber and Donald Ketchum.

The Board of Education will hold their January meeting Thursday, January 9th at 7:30 P. M. in the faculty room of the High School. A budget meeting, the first, of the new year was held Monday night.

John Cook of Detroit and Doris Doering of Portland flew to Las Vegas New Years day where they were united in marriage.

Mabel Poncia returned home Saturday after spending the holidays with relatives at Woodland, Wn.

Returning home Sunday following two months vacation in the Las Vegas area were Mr. and Mrs. Earl Layman. The Laymans, who purchased a trailer house last fall spent most of the vacation sight-seeing in the Las Vegas area. Leaving their trailer house at Las Vegas, they flew to San Antonio, Texas where they observed the Christmas holidays at the home of their son, S/Sgt. Robert L. Layman and family.

Mrs. Ada Tompkins was hospitalized last week at Santiam Memorial hospital for medical attention. She reportedly is suffering with pneumonia. Reports indicated her small son, Toni, was also admitted.

Sharon K. Taylor, small daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Taylor of Idanha, who was hospitalized New Year's Eve at Santiam Memorial hospital, was released Friday. Her mother said she was suffering with a severe case of tonsillitis.

Many folks in the upper North Santiam Canyon are on the sick list with either colds or the flu bug.

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