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School Bus Passenger Safer, Report Reveals

An Oregon school bus passenger is over six times as safe as a rider in a private car, according to Jack Sperr, State Department of Education coordinator of pupil transportation.

Citing figures recorded during the 1971-72 school year, Sperr said Oregon school buses traveled over 2,600,000 miles per injury, while an injury involving a private car occured every 400,000 miles.

There were 11 injuries in school bus related accidents during the 1971-72 school year. "This is the fewest injuries since 1963-64 and the second year in a row injuries have been reduced," Sperr said. "One injury is too many, but school bus drivers must be commended on their diligent safety efforts," he said.

JOY THEATER
Fri.-Sat. Jan. 12-13
FLIGHT OF THE DOVES
(Rated G)

DATES To Remember

THURSDAY, JANUARY 11
Immunization Clinic - West Ore. Elec. Bldg. - 9:30-11:30 a.m.
Boy Scouts - Hawkins Park Cabin-7 p.m.
Surplus Foods-Co. Road Shop - 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
School Board - Administration Office - 8 p.m.
Rebekahs - IOOF Hall - 8 p.m.
SATURDAY, JANUARY 13
Vernonia Grange - Grange Hall - 8 p.m.
MONDAY, JANUARY 15
City Council - City Hall - 8 p.m.
Lions Club - Pine Cone - 6:30 p.m.
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16
Sea Scouts - Hawkins Park Cabin-7:30 p.m.
THURSDAY, JANUARY 18
Boy Scouts - Hawkins Park Cabin-7 p.m.
Surplus Foods - Co. Road Shop - 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Ike Waltons - West Ore. Elec. Bldg. - 7 :30 p.m.
Vernonia Extension Unit - West Ore. Elec. Bldg. - 10:30 a.m. (noon potluck)
FRIDAY, JANUARY 19
Senior Citizens - Community Center 12:30 potluck (social)

Recorder's Court . . .

Recorder/Judge
Wm. E. Nelson

1089-Carol Hilda Evans-Failure to yield to oncoming traffic. Plea: guilty, fined $17, suspended.

1090-Victoria Harriet Townsend. Disobeyed stop sign. Plea: guilty, fine $11.

1093-Ronald William Queen. Uniform citation No. 1799. Plea: guilty, fine $11.

1094-Donald Francis Larson-Uniform citation No. 1757. Plea: guilty, fine $11.

1096-James Alexander Koch-No taillights. Plea: guilty, fine $11. $5 suspended.

1097-John Vincent Thompson-No vehicle license. Plea: guilty, fine $11.

2000-Craig Allen Bergerson-More noise than necessary. Plea: guilty, fine $11.

2001-Ronald Douglas Meyers-More noise than necessary. Plea: guilty, fine $11.

2002-Joe Byron Gray-No vehicle license. Plea: guilty, fine $11, suspended $5.

2003-David Dean Siedelman-Improper passing. Plea: guilty, fine $6.

CAN'T USE IT? WHY KEEP IT? SELL IT WITH A WANT AD.

TOPICS OF THE TOWN

Guests Sunday for Carl Christianson's 80th birthday were Mr. and Mrs. Alan Christianson, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Christianson, Mr. and Mrs. Don Falk, all of Portland; and Mr. and Mrs. Elroy Minor and family. A nice surprise in the evening was a call from Carl's son, Dr. Walter Christianson of Fergus Falls, Minnesota.

Christmas weekend guests at the Levi Vinson residence were the Howard Buzzini family of Portland. Drop in guests were Miss Ferring of Knappa, the Edward Yeager family of Portland, cousins of Mrs. Vinson. During the holiday week, the Vinsons drove to Portland, Beaverton, Hillsboro and Forest Grove, visiting friends and relatives. The Buzzini family returned to spend the New Year's weekend at the Vinson home. The Thomas Dorr family of Medford also visited, staying one day and night.

ST. MARY'S Thrift Shop open first and third Friday of every month. 5tfc

Mr. and Mrs. J.J. Thoenes entertained their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. V.O. Wintermute of Seattle, Wash.; another daughter and her family, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Albert and granddaughters of Beaverton; and a granddaughter Billie Dee Albert over New Year's weekend where she was invited to a New Year's party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Black.

Visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Sharar over the New Year's weekend were his folks, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Sharar of Modesto, California; his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Hudon of Yakima; and a niece, Shirley Dawn Boreg of Portland. A January 3 event at the Sharar home was a dinner in honor of Mrs. Linnie Scott's 87th birthday. She is Jerry's grandmother.

Visitors during the holiday week at the Bob Andrew's home were: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Hacksma of Madison Ave., and Mrs. Hacksma's sister, Mrs. Mae Gibson of Eugene; Bob's nephews, Wendell Andrews of Roseburg and Jerry Claymeir of Keasey Route; Mr. and Mrs. Tom Merritt of Laguna Hills, California, (Mrs. Merritt is Mrs. Andrews' daughter); Mr. and Mrs. Donald Andrews (Bob's son) and two children of Gold Beach; and Mrs. Gene Woodcock of Rainier, a sister-in-law of Mrs. Andrews.

Vandalism at All-Time Low

Vandalism reached an all-time low on Crown Zellerbach Managed Forests in Oregon and Washington this past hunting season, according to C.W. Richen, vice-president.

"Reports from our divisions representing some 770,000 acres of forestland indicate no major incidents of damage or theft to equipment and property," Richen said.

Richen commended sportsmen and other outdoor organizations for their anti-vandalism educational campaigns.

"As far as Crown Zellerbach is concerned," he said, "these efforts are beginning to bring positive results."

In meeting the threat of vandalism Crown Zellerbach has retained an experienced investigator to educate persons within the company to operate in a fashion that will reduce the number of opportunities for vandals to act. The company tries to take away the temptation by not leaving tools where they may be taken.

Also, the company has increased surveillance on its property and developed closer working relationships with local law enforcement authorities.

Police Report Given Monday

The December report of the Vernonia Police Department given to the city council at the first meeting of the year, under the signature of Chief of Police John Cunningham listed the following activities:

Traffic violations showed 4 warnings and 8 citations issued; 1 warning for driving while intoxicated; 1 warning and 6 citations for parking violations; 8 traffic accidents investigated; and 38 abandoned vehicles reported.

Under misdeameanor and felonious offenses there was 1 burglary; 1 theft (misdeameanor) and 2 auto thefts. Criminal mischief offenses totaled 6 with one cleared; carrying concealed weapons, 1, cleared; arrests for other agencies, 1 (OSP); criminal investigations, 10; juvenile referrals, 2.

There was one disorderly conduct; 6 vacation home checks, 4 fire call assists; 17 business houses found open; 4 missing persons reports, cleared; 8 juvenile contacts; 6 assists to other departments; 1 prowler; 11 public service calls; 2 dog violations; 1 ambulance assist; and 8 miscellaneous complaints.

Reserve officers contributed 260 man hours of non-paid time and total mileage for the police car showed 4,562 miles traveled.

You can't make footprints in the sands of time sitting down.

AROUND THE FARM - - -

By Don Coin Walrod
County Extension Agent

NEW WINTER OAT RELEASED

"Amity" is the name given to a new winter oat released this fall for seed increase to Willamette Valley growers.

The new oat was developed from a cross of grey winter oats and a numbered selection made by the Oregon State University experiment station in 1952. Following numerous head selections and testing over a period of time, the variety was judged meritorious for increase an as oat having superior yields, greater stiffness of straw, and a white kernel.

In yield trials conducted since 1967, the new Amity oat has outyielded all commercial varieties, and particularly Powys, the only other white winter oat in commercial production. Not only has the new oat shown superior yield characteristics but bushel weight exceeds that of other winter varieites with the possible exception of powys when compared with grey winter, Crater, Powys, and Lane.

In addition to stiffer straw, the variety tends to be shorter than all of the others except possibly for Lane. The oat heads a few days earlier than grey winter or about June 3 for the Corvallis area.

Columbia County has been allocated 416 pounds of foundation seed of the new oat variety with the understanding that the seed must be grown under certification rules and at least 50 percent of the resulting production must be sold.

Graduate Total Drops for State

The number of Oregon public high school graduates dropped for the first time in six years in 1972, State Superintendent Dale Parnell has reported, but he predicted the number will increase in 1973 and hit a new high in 1974.

Parnell said 31,882 graduated last spring, 875 less than in 1971 when a record 32,757 received their diplomas. He estimates about 32,400 will graduate in 1973 and close to 33,000 in 1974.

David Douglas High School in Portland graduated 679 in 1972, replacing Medford as the state's largest graduating class. Following David Douglas were Medford, 627, McNary 606, South Salem 558, Grants Pass 544, North Salem 525, Corvallis 519, Beaverton 501, Hillsboro 490, and Grant 486.

Graduates in Columbia County, with 1971 figures listed in parenthesis, totaled Columbia 594 (624).

SPEAKING TO THE CONSUMER

Alberta Johnston
Extension Family Finance Specialist
Oregon State University

"Wheeling and Dealing". Before making the final "deal" on a new car, the wise consumer will have the following information in hand: (1) the approximate value of the trade-in car, (2) the suggested retail price of several similar autos and their optional equipment, and (3) the cost of financing through at least two sources. Banks, credit unions, finance companies, and magazines specializing in automobile reporting can help the consumer gather this information. With it, the new car buyer is better able to made dollar judgements when the dealer says, "I can offer you a trade of..."

Investigative Consumer Reports. Under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, insurance companies—like financing companies—must inform you that an "investigative consumer report" may be prepared in connection with your policy application. They must tell you that the information will be obtained through personal interviews with your friends, neighbors and associates and will report such items as your character, general reputation, personal characteristics and mode of living.

As a consumer, you have a right to know that the investigation will take place and that you can learn what is included in the "investigative consumer report" by making a written request to the insurance company involved.

Mail-Order Health Insurance. If you are thinking of buying or have bought a mail-order health insurance plan, be sure you know what you are buying. Insurance commissioners across the country are concerned because, as they put it, "The people who have other coverage don't need the mail-order policy, and the people who buy it as their only health insurance are not being adequately protected."

Since mail-order policies do not have local agents whom the consumer can question, the consumer must rely on available information and his own good judgment when deciding whether or not to buy mail-order insurance.

Customer Beware. Summer—the season when homeowners visualize swimming pools and other home improvements, and salesmen move in with "special deals" to help them make their dreams come true? But it's also the season to be alert to shady selling techniques. One is the "Bait and switch."

For example, you may see an ad offering an exceptionally low-cost swimming pool installation. That's the bait. The salesman arrives, probably persuades you to sign a contract immediately to take advantage of the special deal. But after the contract is signed, the salesman starts to downgrade the low-cost product and tries to sell you a more expensive installation. That's the switch.

This kind of selling is illegal in Oregon. If someone tries it on you, report it to the Consumer Protection Division, Department of Justice, State Office Building, Portland.

"Bait and switch" selling is flexible. It can be used in any home-improvement area, and for any product. Don't let anyone use it on you.

Getting to Know Them. Look for grades and styles as you shop for canned and frozen fruits—they indicate the quality that best suits your needs. They clue you in to the most economical selection for the use you will make of them

For example, you might buy lower-cost U.S. Grade C peaches for an upside-down cake, but choose Grade A halves for a cottage cheese salad. For pie, you could select canned apples, sliced or chunk-style, packed in water—or already prepared as pie filling mix. If planning a meal for guests, you might want a more expensive specialty pack containing whole, cored apples, or spiced rings.

Help for the homemaker in understanding grades and styles of canned and frozen fruits and how to use them is available in an attractive new federal publication. Send your request for "How to Buy Canned and Frozen Fruits" (G-191) to Office of Information, U.S.D.A., Washington, D.C. 20250.

Fire Hazard. If you smoke in bed, be alert to the fact that present-day mattresses will ignite 50 percent of the time. Says the National Fire Prevention Association: 21 percent of all identified causes of single-fatality fires that are not caused by clothing are caused by bedding.

Now under consideration by the Department of Commerce is a standard requiring all mattresses manufactured after mid-1973 to resist ignition by cigarettes. If you feel this standard should be set, write the department in Washington, D.C. and let them know of your interest.

Noise Pollution. Do you value quiet in your home? If so, you may want to shop for quieter appliances. Some manufacturers are beginning to respond to consumer desires for less noise. One is a maker of washing machines, who uses additional rubber and other devices to keep noise at a lower level.

Like other pollution-control measures, this costs money. So when you're in the market for a new appliance, you may have to decide which is more important to you— money or quiet.

Tight Fit. Aspirin bottles take on a new look this year. The Food and Drug Administration on "child-resistant containers" is now in effect. The containers do not have to be child-proof—that would be difficult, as parents well know. But they do have to pass certain tests in order to be classed child-resistant.

The FDA also recognized that some adults, arthritics, for example, might not be able to open containers requiring finger dexterity. So one package size of each product may be made with the conventional lid. Not all stores will carry the conventional container, so if you need it you may have to shop around to find where it is available.

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LODGE AND CLUB NOTICES

VERNONIA JAYCEES
Meet the 2nd & 4th Tuesday of every month.
West Ore. Elec. Bldg., 7:30 p.m.
Bill Pringle, President
Bob Carson, Secy. 3-72

VERNONIA LIONS CLUB
MEETS AT PINE CONE
First Monday—7 a.m. Breakfast
Third Monday—6:30 p.m. Supper
Art Parrow, President
Ted Forbes, Secretary 3-73

A. F. & A. M.
Vernonia Lodge No. 106
A. F. & A. M. meets at Masonic Temple. Stated communication on first Thursday of each month at 8:00 p.m.
Cliff Norwood, W.M.
Walter E. Linn, Secy. 1-73

IWA Local 3-14
Meeting 1st Monday of each month.
A.F.L. — C.I.O. 7:30 p.m. 4-73

Vernonia Barracks
Veterans of World War I
Meets 4th Monday each month at the IOOF hall, 12 Noon
Noble Dunlap, Commander
L. H. Sargent, Adjutant

AUXILIARY
Meets 4th Mon., IOOF hall.
Jessie Andrews, President
Cora Lange, Secretary 8-72

PYTHIAN SISTERS
VERNONIA TEMPLE NO. 61
Meetings: I.O.O.F. Hall Second and Fourth Wednesdays of each month, 8 p.m.
Faye Davis, M.E.C.
Cora Lange, Secretary 3-73

NEHALEM VALLEY CHAPTER
IZAAK WALTON LEAGUE
Meets at West Ore. Elec. Bldg., third Thursday of each month, 7:30 p.m.
Robert K. King, President
Ralph Bergerson, Secy. 3-73

VERNONIA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Board of Directors report to members quarterly. Board meets the second Monday, 8:00 p.m., at West Oregon Electric office. Visitors invited.
Louise Hammett, President
Mrs. Evelyn Heath, Secy. 7-72

MT. HEART REBEKAH LODGE NO. 243
Meets 2nd and 4th Thursday evenings of each month in I.O.O.F. hall.
Florence Akers, Noble Grand
Evelyn Heath, Secy. 3-73

Vernonia Lodge No. 246
I.O.O.F.
First and Third Tuesday
7 p.m.
Albert H. Tandy, Noble Grand
Harry Culbertson, Secretary 1-73

Order of Eastern Star
Nehalem Chapter 153, O.E.S.
Regular communication the third Wed. each month at Masonic Temple. All visiting sisters and brothers welcome.
Edna Linn, W.M.
Irma Fisher, Secy. 1-73

AMERICAN LEGION
Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month.
VERNONIA POST 120
Wilber E. Wilson, Commander
Harry Culbertson, Adjutant
AUXILIARY
First and Third Tuesdays
Rosalie Horn, President
Gertrude Schalock, Secy. 1-73

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