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### SPEED MANIACS AND THE LAW.

**T**HE ACCIDENT resulting in the death of Charley Underwood Saturday night, or rather Sunday morning, was the result of criminal carelessness on the part of the man driving the machine, though the dead man himself was not blameless. Had the law been observed, the accident would not have happened, and it seems the law was violated in about as many other ways as it could possibly be, in such a case. It was first violated when the machine was taken without the consent of the owner; it was again violated when the auto was run without proper lights, and the speed law was certainly getting a pretty bad kink in it when the end came.

We Americans pass numberless laws, but we enforce but few of them strictly and for this reason they do not command the respect they should. Especially is this true of that certain class of laws such as speed limits, riding bicycles on the sidewalks, lighting autos or motorcycles, etc. These laws are suggested by conditions, and are almost invariably necessary. Yet they are looked upon with contempt by a large portion of those against whom they are aimed. The law limiting the speed of autos and motorcycles is a necessary one and should be rigidly enforced, for they protect the general public against reckless drivers, and are calculated to protect a certain kind of speed maniacs against themselves. Most auto owners are careful, considerate of others, and obey the laws, but these are forced to share the ill feeling the public has against the reckless driver, for that public tooted off the street, made to watch and dodge for their lives by the reckless, naturally fail to distinguish between autoists and so a large portion just damn all autoists on general principles. This is wrong, of course, but it is natural. It is because of this, though, that the law should be enforced, and reckless driving, and the exceeding of speed limits stopped.

Few of the reckless ones realize that they are taking chances of a term in the penitentiary, when they exceed the speed limits, but they are certainly doing just this thing. When a person is doing an unlawful thing, they are supposed to assume all the consequences following from that unlawful act, and a speed maniac, exceeding the speed limit, who accidentally kills some one while doing so, can and should be prosecuted for manslaughter and sent up for ten years. Under strict construction of the law Clymer, now in the hospital as the result of his own foolishness, is liable to prosecution for the killing of Charley Underwood. Of course, he had no intention of doing so, any more than he had of knocking his own teeth out, but he took the chances of killing him while doing two unlawful things, violating the speed limit, and driving an auto in the night without lights. He assumed all results following his unlawful act. There are a number of autoists and motorcycleists, too, here in Salem, as they are in all cities, who think nothing of violating the speed ordinances. Their attention is called to the risk they run, for it is pretty certain with public sentiment as it is against speeding, that if one of them should accidentally kill some one, they will have to face a manslaughter charge with the chances ten to one in favor of doing time in the prison as the result.

Another thing that many autoists are careless about is in passing street cars. As at present arranged a passenger on the Salem street cars is forced to get off on the right side of all cars. If he desires to reach the left side of the street, he passes behind the car, and

with an auto coming from the direction to meet the car, he is liable to step right in front of it as he steps from behind the car. This is about as deadly a trap as could well be arranged, and autoists in meeting and passing street cars, when they have stopped at crossings, if they care anything for human life, will slow down or stop until the car pulls up, so they can avoid running over any one stepping from behind it. The auto is here to stay, is a great convenience and affords its owner, no doubt, much pleasure, but it should be used sanely, and those found guilty of speeding should be forbidden by law, the privilege of driving a car. This should be done in the interest of both the public and the safe and sane auto owners or drivers.

### THE RECALL ORDINANCE PASSED

**T**HE city council last night passed the recall ordinance, and it is now up to the mayor, who will undoubtedly sign it, as it passed the council just as The Capital Journal predicted it would, by a unanimous vote. All the councilmen were in favor of it, yet most of them were not entirely pleased with the shape it was in, and there was some talk of putting it over for another week. Councilman Rigdon, whose main objection was that, with the recall in force, the city could be kept in a turmoil of perpetual election, as any little bunch disgruntled at any councilman could use the recall, and, as there were fourteen councilmen, we could have a recall election going all the time. This was the principal objection made to the ordinance, and it is not a serious one. Anyway, the people have made the law, and the council cannot be blamed for any of its consequences, as it simply provided for making the law operative.

### LET US HELP OURSELVES.

**E**VERY man in Salem should take an interest in getting the growing of flax started in this neighborhood. And every property owner should never rest until this is accomplished. With the industry once established here, property values will increase 20 per cent a year for the next ten years, and then some. They more than any others are interested in this work, and, with a unanimous effort, the expense to each would be trifling. There is seed here for 90 acres. Let every property owner interview some farmer friend and induce him to plant an acre, or, better still, there are more than 90 men living in Salem who own farms, why not, in their own interest, and that of the community, plant an acre on their own land. Get busy, and do it at once.

### X-RAYS.

One hundred and twenty-five delegates from Epworth Leagues, between Salem and Eugene, met at Corvallis in the fifth annual convention of the Eugene district Friday night. Lebanon gets the convention next year.

The Lane county court has appropriated \$2500 to aid fairs to be held in the county this year.

Lane county will construct at least eight miles of permanent macadam road this year, and bids for the work will be called for in a few days.

Two young men, who refuse to give their names, were arrested in Medford and taken to Roseburg Saturday to stand trial for burglarizing a store.

They wore shoes taken from the store when caught, and confess their guilt.

The fortieth annual session of the state grange opened at Albany today.

The Brooking Lumber Co., of Missouri, has filed a mortgage on its timber holdings in Curry county for \$50,000. It expects to spend more than a million dollars in building a mill and other improvements in Curry county.

When you see the conductors on the street car lines reaching out of the back windows, do not get alarmed. They are only doing a little automatic stunt on the switches. Some day one of them will get a fall out of the back window and it will take the coroner and a jury some time to get the remains sorted out so the relatives and friends can tell "which is switch."

Seven rainy Sundays since Easter. This is great for the fellow whose wife insists on having a garden for him to exercise in, as it gives him one day of rest and permits the woman who promised to share his labors and wash his socks, a chance to brag on her garden that she "rix" herself.

Beef is about the highest right now that it has been since the time the frisky old cow jumped over the moon, and the press bid fair to make that famous bovine's feat seem the veriest calf play.

Fifty-four candidates for commissioner had filed their petitions in Portland up to noon yesterday. As petitions could be filed up to 6 o'clock that evening it is probable most of the other citizens will be among the also rans.

The invasion of the coast by Australian meat men will not cause any sorrow among consumers, unless, indeed, the cattle growers can persuade "our George and Harry," and the others of the Oregon gang that they need "protection."

### THE ROUND-UP.

Jasper Newton Miller, aged 72, is attending business college in Medford, walking six miles every day to school. He is a school teacher and says to keep up with the times, in his profession, he must understand bookkeeping.

The Rogue River Fruit and Produce Association will build a \$40,000 cold and dry storage plant at Medford. It is claimed it is a business necessity, and it will be built at once.

Monday was the last day for filing candidates' petitions in the June election in Portland. Only a few have neglected to file, and these might have filed yesterday.

In Portland 3500 children from 28 schools are taking part in the garden contest.

Oregon lumber men are planning to make an exhibit of their products at the San Diego fair.

Walter Martin was arrested in Portland Sunday for burglarizing a jewelry store in Hillsboro Saturday night. He had 50 stolen watches with him when arrested.

### What Kind of Bait Do You Use?

One of the large Chicago paper houses publishes a breezy little magazine which they call the "Rolling Stone."

The chief thing about the Rolling Stone is that it smashes the law of compensation. It is one case where you get something for nothing that is really worth more than you pay for it. In an issue just come to hand, there appears the following poem in prose by Jim Kanuck, whoever he may be:

"He tramped along the sandy shore with pole and line and bait galore, where many a man had tramped before. He found at last a quiet nook, unreeled his line, spit on his hook, and squatted on the mossy shore. He watched his cork for signs of bite from noontime 'till the shades of night came stealing o'er the brook. Then he pulled up his bamboo pole, a cussing the old fishing hole—he'd failed to bait his shifty hook."

As Jim says, fishing without bait is mighty discouraging, and it is pretty near the same in advertising—trying to get orders without any bait is even more discouraging.

About the best kind of bait that we know of for getting inquiries that a salesman can follow up and turn into sales is a series of bright, snappy mailing cards sent out in rapid-fire succession.

### The Latest Fashion Note

Says: "It is a wise precaution against getting holes in delicate hosiery to powder the shoes before putting them on." Many people sprinkle the famous antiseptic powder, Allen's Foot-Ease, into the shoes, and find that it saves its cost ten times over in keeping holes from hosiery, as well as lessening the friction and consequent smarting and aching of the feet.

The recording angel couldn't keep up with his job if men and women were credited with all their good intentions.

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**New Spring COATS and SUITS Priced Down**

to the lowest prices in Salem. Stylish garments offered at low prices.

**SUITS**  
\$6.90 \$9.90  
and \$12.50

**COATS**  
\$4.95 \$7.50  
and \$10.50

Every garment worth double



**DRESSES**

for Jun ebrides and fancy.

**LINGERIE**

Dainty, stylish garments now on sale. Silk, wool and fancy soil effects; stylish like the picture, offered at very low prices.

\$3.50  
\$4.50  
AND  
\$7.50

Wonderful Values.



### GLOVES

Come here for big bargains in gloves—lisle, silk and kid—in long and short. All the new shades shown. Sale price, pair.

25c 35c 49c 65c up

### DRESS GOODS and SILKS

The Chicago Store is Salem's headquarters for stylish dress goods and silks. Do your buying here, where you have such a mammoth stock to choose from. Foreign and domestic goods shown in great profusion. Prices very low.

Yard 25c, 35c, 49c, 65c, up



### BALKAN

And Lingerie  
Shirt Waists now opened up and ready for selling. Dainty Shirt Waists offered at the lowest prices in Salem.

SALE PRICE  
98c, \$1.35  
and \$1.49



### Stylish SPRING MILLINERY

Styles like the pictures offered at the lowest prices in Salem. If you want classy Hats at small prices, come here. Our variety is great to choose from. SALE PRICES.



\$1.49, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$3.50 Up

### DOMESTICS and WASH FABRICS

Of all kinds now placed on our counters for fast selling—20,000 yards of all classes and kinds to choose from. Dainty Dress Gingham, Novelty White Goods, P. K. S. Poplins, Batines, Natural Linens, Galateas and hundreds of other new spring wash goods. Low prices is our motto—yard:

4c, 5c, 6 1-4c, 8 1-3c, 10c, and up

### Dayton, Ohio,

Come here and see the bargains from the water city—all bought at 25c on the dollar.

\$15.00 Suits, ..... \$4.50, \$12.50  
Silk Dresses, ..... \$3.98  
Dress Skirts, ..... 65c and 98c



### Summer Underwear and Hosiery

For women, misses and children—now on sale. The greatest showing in Salem of knit underwear. Big bargains.

Knit Vests - 7c, 10c, 15c, Up  
Union Suits - 25c, 35c, Up



### New Spring Shapes

In Milans and all the other summer styles—offered at low prices.

98c, \$1.25, \$1.49

Bargains



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### Dress Skirts

We are offering big values in ladies' new Spring Dress Skirts. Only the latest shown in all the new materials—prices

\$2.95, \$3.50  
AND UP



### Wonderful Shoe Bargains

Don't buy until you get our prices on stylish up-to-date shoes. We can save you money—prices

\$1.49, \$1.98  
\$2.50  
AND UP

### Clothing

For men and boys—now on sale—all kinds are shown. Boys wash suits ..... 49c  
Wool suits now ..... \$1.98  
Men's suits—\$15 value

NOW  
\$7.50, \$9.50



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