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Highway Police "Try Courtesy" Says Inspector

Like Doctors, Their Jib is to Prevent As Well as Cure

LAUDS DRIVE

To "try courtesy" is just as important an item in the duties of a highway motorcycle patrol officer, generally but erroneously known as a "speed cop," as it is to every one of the 800,000 people who operate motor vehicles on the streets and highways of Ontario.

This is the firm conviction of Staff Inspector J. A. Grant, in charge of the motorcycle patrol branch of the Ontario Provincial Police Force, and is a conviction which he insists every one of his officers puts into practice while on duty, and that means 24 hours a day.

"To a great many drivers," stated Inspector Grant in an interview Monday, "it seems the sole duty of a motorcycle patrol officer is to arrest or summon speeders and reckless drivers and haul them into court. Unquestionably, that is one of their important functions. In that way, they are often called on to perform their duty of enforcing the various sections of the Highway Traffic Act and making the roads of this province safe arteries of transportation and travel.

"You might term that the 'curative' side of their job. But just like doctors, they have another and perhaps more important function, and that is their 'preventive' work. Mr. McQuesten, the Minister of Highways, urges all drivers to 'Try Courtesy,' and his campaign undoubtedly prevents a great many traffic accidents and fatalities.

"But we insist that the members of our force be courteous at all times. That doesn't mean, of course, that they are expected to salute, tip their hat, or bow from the waist when they issue a summons. That isn't our conception of real courtesy.

"What we do demand is that they prevent drivers and pedestrians from making hazardous use of the highways, and by courteous and friendly advice and direction, do everything they can to prevent infractions of the Highway Traffic Act which might result in prosecution and point out bad driving or walking technique which might result in an accident."

Inspector Grant enumerated a few of the ways in which motorcycle officers carry out this policy of the force:

1. By preventing unreasonably slow drivers from holding up a long line of traffic, with a request to increase their speed or use secondary roads where the burden of traffic is lighter.

2. By drawing attention to "minor infractions" which might, under other circumstances, cause an accident—such as entering a main highway without coming to a full stop, even though there is no on-coming traffic; making turns or stopping, without giving proper hand signals; driving with glaring headlights or with no tail-light.

3. Warning pedestrians to walk facing traffic on the highway or on the shoulder of the road, and at night to wear a light-colored garment to make the pedestrian more visible to motorists.

4. Teaching safe highway habits to children on their way to and from school, and generally demonstrating to motorists and pedestrians that highway courtesy and care are basic factors in highway safety.

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HOLLAND CENTRE

Miss Carrie Crowthers of Toronto is visiting with her father, Mr. James Crowthers and sister Mrs. Legarde.

Misses Rhoda and Gladys Shute of Toronto are holidaying with their mother and sister here.

Miss Annie Telford of Oshawa and Mrs. Alex. Telford and daughters of Orangeville spent the week-end with friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Campbell and family of Sarnia are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Foster and daughters of Toronto spent a few days with Mr. and Mrs. George Crowthers.

Mrs. Daniel Telford and daughter Euphemia accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Telford and daughter of Orangeville, also Miss Annie Telford of Oshawa left on Monday morning for Muskoka where they will spend two weeks' vacation.

Mr. John Minnion and Miss Ella Minnion of Toronto are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Minnion.

Mrs. McPhee and daughter of Toronto spent the holiday at the Price home.

Mrs. Coleman of Toronto spent the holiday with her daughter, Mrs. I. Elder and family.

Mrs. Robt. Slade and Mrs. Robt. Rutledge returned home last week after a month's vacation to the West Coast.

Mr. and Mrs. George Maher and daughter Geraldine left on Monday for their holidays at Bala.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnston of Toronto spent the holiday with the latter's parents here.

WODEHOUSE

The grain is ripening very fast in this locality and looks like an early harvest.

Mr. Elmer Wiley and little son, Donald of Toronto have been holidaying with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wiley, and other members of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wiley jr., accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cherry visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Wiley jr., at Griersville.

Miss Mary Wiley of Markdale spent last week-end with her sister, Mrs. Jno. Morrison.

Mr. and Mrs. John Cherry and daughters, Ruth and Freda, of Clarksburg were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Cherry.

The ice cream social on Thursday evening proved to be a success with a good attendance. The ice cream was the best and the program, which consisted of one number from each family, was much enjoyed. Miss Margaret Love carried off the best number prize by playing, very sweetly, two numbers with encores on her Celesta harp. Proceeds were almost \$15.00.

Mr. and Mrs. Alwyn Fawcett are over from Detroit holidaying with friends and are guests of the former's mother and brother, Mrs. T. I. Fawcett and Edgar.

Miss Mavis Thompson of Markdale spent last week with Miss Helen Wiley.

Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ward and children from near Ravena visited on Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Wilcox and Helen.

Mrs. Smith and little daughter Joyce of Owen Sound are visiting the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Wiley.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Fawcett and family visited with Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Waring at Vandeleur.

Miss Elsie Wiley returned home last week from Markdale, where she has been working for some time. With friends she enjoyed a motor trip to Bala and Parry Sound over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Elford and Billie visited with friends at Heathcote. Miss Edna Vamplew returned with them and will visit with her sister for a while.

Miss Belle McKillop is assisting Mrs. Clarke at Riverdale.

Miss Helen Wiley is holidaying this week with her cousin, Miss Catharine Cairns, at Flesherston.

Mr. R. Fawcett and Lorne took in the holiday sports at Flesherston on Monday.

The W.I. meeting will be held this Thursday at the home of Mrs. Clifford Risk.

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ORANGE VALLEY

Recent visitors with Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Mathewson were: Mr. W. Lush of Rocklyn; Mr. and Mrs. G. Mathewson of Ceylon; Mr. Allen Love of Vandeleur.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stafford called on the former's parents recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Miller and family visited with friends in Collingwood.

Visitors during the week at the Alex homes were: Mr. and Mrs. Percy Barton, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Rogers, Mrs. Jane Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kelly, Mr. A. Britton, Mrs. Sadie Kemble and four children, Mr. Wm. Yeomond, all of Toronto, also Mr. Wm. Rose and son of Nobleton.

Mr. McFadden has threshed his wheat and reports an excellent crop.

CEYLON

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver Smith of Toronto are visiting Mrs. John Gibson. Misses Olga and Ella Stewart of Owen Sound were callers last week at Mr. Archie Sinclair's.

Misses Jean and Sybil Collinson are visiting relatives in Wiarton.

Miss Mary Muir and Miss Peggy Evans of Toronto spent several days last week with Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Muir.

Miss Marion Hill of Toronto is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Collinson.

Mrs. A. C. Muir accompanied by Mrs. Gordon Stuart, Mrs. John McWilliam and Miss Laura White spent Saturday in Owen Sound.

Miss Margaret Farr of Dorchester, Misses Jean and Jessie Grant of Durham were callers Saturday at Mr. A. S. Muir's.

Miss Emma Oliver, who is attending summer school at Huttonville was home last Wednesday for the funeral of her aunt, the late Mrs. Jas. Turner. Mr. F. Oliver, M.P.P. motored his sister to Barrie when returning.

Miss Marion Collinson is home from a holiday spent at Southampton.

Rev. Dingwall of Mono Mills was a caller at his home here last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Clarke of Rock Mills, Mr. and Mrs. W. Phillips and family of Toronto were visitors the first of the week at Mr. W. Gibson's.

Mr. Cameron Smith and Mr. Joe Stubbs were in Thessalon recently.

Mrs. John Kennedy entertained the Ladies' Aid for their regular monthly meeting last Wednesday. The Aid quilted two beautiful quilts last week at Mrs. Harry Pipers.

Holiday and week-end visitors in the community were: Mr. Stanley Hunt of Toronto at Mr. G. Arrow-smith's; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley White and Edna of Toronto at Mrs. W. White's; Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Rutledge and family of Holland Centre at Mr. Fred Marshall's; Mr. and Mrs. Harry Huston and family of Oshawa, Mr. Pearson and Miss Crawford of Peterboro at Mr. Peter Muir's; Mr. Snowden McLeod and Mr. G. Patterson of Toronto at Mr. Donald McLeod's; Mrs. Mitchell and Miss Jeanette McLeod of Toronto at Mr. J. D. McLeod's; Dr. and Mrs. West and family of Angus, and Mr. T. Kow of Wingham at Mr. I. B. Whittakers; Mr. B. Brodie of Toronto at Mr. B. McKenzie's; Mr. Lyle Mathewson of Toronto at Mr. W. Mathewson's; Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Wright and children at Mr. P. Hemphill's; Mr. and Mrs. Brock Grant and babe of Welland at Mr. A. S. Muir's; Mr. and Mrs. John Eckert and family of Topcliffe at Mr. Harold Rundall's; Miss Susie McKinnon of Toronto at Mr. Jim Oliver's; Mr. Martin McLeod of Tillbury at Mr. Neil Cameron's; Mr. J. C. McMullen of Toronto at Mr. A. McMullen's; Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tory of Lauriston at Mrs. H. Piper's; Mr. and Mrs. M. Rainy and Jean of Southampton and Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bailey and daughters of Shrigley at Mrs. D. Macphail's; Miss Bessie Cairns and Miss Isobel McDonald of Weston at Mr. G. Cairns'; Mr. Alex. McKinnon of Toronto at Mrs. W. White's; Dr. and Mrs. G. H. Holmes of Owen Sound at Mrs. Anna McMillan's.

Jack and Bruce Knox of Toronto are visiting their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Sherwood.

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WALTERS FALLS

Mr. and Mrs. A. Menary returned home on Sunday from a two weeks' motor outing.

Miss Stella Deleree of Owen Sound and mother returned to Mrs. Cathrae's last week after a three week's vacation at Wasaga Beach. Miss Deleree remained for a few days with her mother and sister.

Mr. and Mrs. Perry sr., of Windsor are guests of their son, Rev. and Mrs. Perry at the Rectory.

Mr. Ralph Burry of Otter Lake visited his parents at the parsonage last week.

Mr. T. Hopkins of Saskatchewan spent a few days last week with his son, Mr. Wilbert Hopkins.

Dr. Thompson has a Fresh Air family from Toronto for a few weeks.

Miss Jennie Lemon of Toronto spent the holiday week-end with her sisters and brothers.

Mr. S. Caswell spent several days of last week in Detroit.

Master Tuck of Sydenham is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Alex. Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. Webster and daughter of Toronto are visiting his cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Shepherdson.

Mrs. Brown has returned to her home at Mrs. Olmstead's after spending some time in Welland.

The Agricultural Society held a concert by the Shields family and a dance in the hall on Monday night, Aug. 2nd.

We understand that Mr. V. Wales has obtained the position of township clerk for Holland. Congratulations.

The work of installing the new weigh scales is well advanced and in a few days the new outfit will be in place. Several men are employed on the job.

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