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GIVES RULING UPON CHAUFFEUR LICENSE

SALESMEN NOT IN CLASS

Attorney General's Opinion Is That Traveling Men Using Cars Need Not Obtain Drivers' Permits

A salesman who, as incident to his business, makes use of his employer's automobile, is not classed as a chauffeur and need not possess a chauffeur's license. Attorney General Edward J. Brundage has held in an opinion given to Secretary of State Emmerson.

Text of Opinion

"You state in substance," Mr. Brundage said answering Mr. Emmerson's query, "that your department, in its application of the law as provided in Motor Vehicle Act, Section 27, construes the term 'chauffeurs' as including a salesman who, as incident to his business, makes use of a motor vehicle owned by his employer. You ask to be advised whether the construction given said section by your department agrees with the construction thereof by this office.

Paid as Chauffeur

"In reply I will say, that the section defines 'chauffeurs' to mean any persons operating a motor vehicle as a mechanic or employe or who directly receives pay or any compensation for any work or services in connection with the operation of a motor vehicle, or the transportation of passengers or merchandise with a motor vehicle for hire or pecuniary profit.

"The act of 1923 amending said section made no change or modification of the provision therein defining chauffeurs. While the provision is not free from ambiguity, it would seem to apply to and include, first, any person who operates a motor vehicle as a mechanic or employe and who receives pay or compensation for such services; second, any person who directly or indirectly receives pay or compensation in connection with operating a motor vehicle for the transportation of passengers or merchandise for hire or for profit.

Eliminates Others

It is the opinion of the attorney general's office, Mr. Brundage said that the term "chauffeur" as defined in the section would mean "not to apply to and include a salesman who as an incident to his employment as such, makes use of a motor vehicle furnished or supplied by his employer."

Y. W. C. A.

The T. N. T. club is having a penny fair at the Y. W. C. A. Friday evening, beginning at 6:30. There will be plenty to see, eat and do.

The Sunshine club invited their boy friends to a sleigh ride party Wednesday, Jan. 23, from 5:30 to 8:00. Refreshments were served after the ride.

The play, "Two Ghosts in White," given by the Busy Bees Saturday evening, was very successful. There was evidence of hard, faithful practice and the little girls did very well for amateurs.

The return on sale of tickets was all that had been anticipated, so the \$25 made, will more than cover their pledge to the association.

Mrs. John Russell, the chairman of the membership committee gave a luncheon, Wednesday noon, at the headquarters, for her committee. There were fourteen guests.

This is a new committee and from the enthusiasm manifested, bids fair to be one of our best.

Following the luncheon, an hour was spent studying problems of the community, and how this committee could best aid the girls and women of our city.

The Freshmen-Sophomore club gave a taffy pull at their regular meeting Wednesday for some prospective members.

The annual meeting of the Y. W. C. A. was held at Elm Place auditorium Monday evening, Jan. 28. Mrs. W. A. Alexander presided in her usual lovely manner.

The program was as follows:
Group of Songs—Miss Eva Emmett Wycoff.
Group of dances—Junior members of the Y. W. C. A. dancing classes directed by Mrs. Scott.
Reports as follows:
Mothers' club—Mrs. Charles Sanborn.
Friendship club—Lena Klettke.
Aster club—Mary Lester Krueger.
B.Y.—Catherine Radcliffe.
Representative of the Americanization classes—Anna Duschanc.
T. N. F.—Delphine Lantz.
Freshman - Sophomore — Alice Jacobs.
Sunshine—Florence Larson.
Busy Bees—Margaret Sprengle.
General Secretary—Miss Brown.
Associate Secretary—Colene Poynter.

The Mothers' club has its monthly meeting next Tuesday, Feb. 5. Miss Moore, dean of the High school, will talk to the mothers. We are sure that her message will be a means of better understanding between mothers and daughters.

Claimed that civilization is in danger, and one would think so by the warwhooops of the neighborhood kids playing Indian.

WINTER AVERAGE OF COLD NOT ALTERED

METEOROLOGIST DECLARES

Scouts The Popular Idea That This Season Is Becom- ing Warmer; Reasonable

The popular belief that winters in the United States are growing milder is a fallacy, according to Clarence J. Root, government meteorologist in the Springfield weather bureau, who says no permanent change has taken place in temperature of climate for at least 140 years.

Mr. Root also denies snobs are becoming scarcer and assigns the light snowfalls of the last few years to the fact that the heaviest precipitation of recent winters has happened to come during comparatively warm periods.

Quotes Reports

To illustrate his statements Mr. Root quoted government reports which show that January in 1918 was the most severe winter in the climatological history of Illinois.

"The low temperature in that month and the heavy snows," he said "combined with strong winds were most unusual. As far back, at least, as 1878 there has been no month of any name as cold as January, 1918, and the local weather records at Peoria, which extends back 68 years, shows this month to have been the coldest month and the combined temperature of December and January to have been lower than any two previous consecutive months.

The snowfall for that month was nearly double that of any previous month and the average temperature for the month was only 12.6.

Oldest Records

The meteorological records at New Haven, Conn., according to Mr. Root, are the oldest in existence in this country, extending back to 1780. These records, averaged in ten-year periods by Mr. Root, show that in that time the averages for the various ten-year periods have varied only three degrees. The coldest ten years in the record occurred between 1810 and 1820, when the average was 47.5 degrees above zero.

The warmest ten year period came between 1910 and 1920, when the average was 50.5 degrees above zero. But to show that this high average in recent years does not indicate any permanent change Mr. Root points out the fact that the average for 1900 and 1910, the ten year period, was 50.4, one-tenth of one degree colder than the average between 1910 and 1920.

Coldest January, 1857

This report further shows the coldest January on record came in 1857, or 77 years after the record was started. The coldest February in the 140-year period came eight years after the warmest February and the coldest March on record came in 1885. On the other hand, no June in the past 134 years has been warmer than was June in 1879.

"The idea that winters are warmer than formerly is possibly due," Mr. Root said, "to the fact that people are better equipped for cold weather now than they were 20 years ago. Warmly dressed and provided with modern furnaces and hot water systems people do not suffer the inconvenience and pain from the cold they once endured.

"In addition to this our cities have become so well built up that there are plenty of buildings to break the force of the wind and make weather milder."

WHAT A PENNY WILL DO ELECTRICALLY

A penny invested in electric current at the average rate, will:
Run a vacuum cleaner approximately 40 minutes.
Operate a washing machine approximately 50 minutes.
Heat a six-pound flat iron approximately 25 minutes.
Heat a toaster long enough to toast 16 slices of bread.
Brew 5 cups of coffee in a percolator.

Heat a waffle iron long enough to cook 20 waffles.
Keep warm a heating pad from 3 to 6 hours.
Run a sewing machine approximately 3 hours.
Heat a curling iron once a day for 3 weeks.
Operate a vibrator, 20-minute treatments daily, for 11 days.

Many people seem to be troubled with defective memory when they come to listing their income for the tax return.

ADJUDICATION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Subscriber executrix of the Last Will and Testament of Ira J. Geer, deceased will attend the Probate Court of Lake County, at a term thereof to be held at the Court House in Waukegan, in said County, on the first Monday of April next, 1924, when and where all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to present the same to said Court for adjudication. Clara G. Geer, Executrix.
Waukegan, Ill., January 23, 1924.
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TOTAL BUILDING IN ILLINOIS IN 1923

SHOWS A LARGE INCREASE

Aggregate Is \$373,755,000, or Gain of Twenty-Seven Per Cent Over 1922, Says Special Report

Chicago's building contracts in 1923 amounted to \$223,631,000, according to F. W. Dodge corporation. This was an increase of 21 per cent over the total for the year 1922. Big increases were evident in mercantile, industrial and residential buildings; there were declines in educational buildings and public works and utilities. The 1923 record included \$126,625,000, or 57 per cent for residential buildings; \$45,943,600, or 21 per cent for mercantile buildings; \$22,652,000, or 10 per cent, for industrial plants; \$6,507,700, or 3 per cent, for public works and utilities; and \$5,679,200, or 3 per cent, for educational buildings. The month of December showed an increase of 17 per cent over November and of 27 per cent over the previous December.

State as Whole

The state of Illinois (including Chicago) had a total construction volume in 1923 of \$373,755,000 an increase of 27 per cent over 1922. The increase appeared in mercantile, industrial and residential buildings; and public works and utilities remained about the same as in 1922. Last year's record included: \$174,658,900, or 47 per cent, for residential buildings; \$58,377,000, or 16 per cent, for mercantile buildings; \$53,502,400, or 14 per cent, for public works and utilities; \$43,837,000, or 12 per cent, for industrial buildings; and \$16,662,900, or 4 per cent, for educational buildings. The December total of contracts awarded although 11 per cent under the November figure, showed an increase of 27 per cent over the previous December.

WASTE MOTION NOT SIGN OF SUCCESS

So-Called Hustlers Often Only Running in Circle; Much Dust, No Goal.

"We sometimes make mistakes in judging men," an employer once told me, says a writer in the Nation's Business, "because of a seeming superficial merit. Lots of men are regarded as incipient empire-builders because they give evidence of being hustlers. Now, the trouble with a great many of these hustlers is that they simply have a knack of being physically busy. They do a lot of hustling and busting about, often to no purpose, and are full of lost motion; but their physical activity is apt to fool us.

"We are equally often misled, too, by men who are showy in some other way. I was conducting a big public service plant in a western city, and industrial managers from other places often came to visit the plant. It frequently happened that a visitor would take a fancy to one of our men and hire him away from us. To do so under the circumstances was a breach of business ethics; but here was the joke: The men that the visitors hired from us were almost invariably men whom we had been tempted to discharge, anyhow. It was never the quiet fellow who went on with his work without saying much that the visiting employers wished to hire away. They were attracted rather to some talkative chap whose abilities were largely concentrated along conversational lines. The metely gabby person, however, is soon found out, and if he has nothing with which to back up his vocative talents, his downfall may be even sudden than that of the man who has neither talk nor ability; for an employer is likely to feel resentful toward the man whose inadequacy is proof of the employer's poor judgment in hiring him."

INCOME TAX LAW IS SAME AS LAST YEAR

Taxpayers Advised to Make Out Returns On Basis of The Act of 1921

Collectors of Internal Revenue are receiving returns of income for the year 1923 computed in accordance with the proposed amendment to the existing law to reduce the normal tax rate from 4 and 8 to 3 and 6 per cent, and embracing other proposed changes. The government's answer in such cases is that the tax on income for the year 1923 is being collected under the revenue act of 1921, which is still in effect, and which provides a normal tax rate of 4 per cent on the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the exemptions and credits and 8 per cent on the remaining net income.

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SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE No. 273

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the Council of the City of Highland Park, County of Lake and State of Illinois having ordered the construction of a connected system of vitrified, salt-glazed, hub and spigot tile pipe and cast iron pipe sanitary sewers, together with easements provided therefor, for that part of the southeast portion of Highland Park, bounded by Sheridan Road on the west, Lake Michigan on the east, the north line of Block 1, Lasker's subdivision on the north, and the south line of the N. E. ¼ of Sec. 36, T. 43 N., R. 12 E. of the 3rd P. M., and the south line of the N. W. ¼ of Frac. Sec. 31, T. 43 N. R. 13 E. of the 3rd P. M., on the south. Also that part bounded by the west corporate limits of said city on the west, Lake Michigan on the east, the north line of the S. E. ¼ of said section 36, and the north line of the S. W. ¼ of said Frac. Sec. 31 on the north, and the south corporate limits of said city on the south, (excepting therefrom Lots 1, 2, 3, and 4, First Addition to Ravinia Forest, Lots 26 to 29 inclusive, and 31 to 48 inclusive, of Ravinia Forest, and Lots 10, 11, and 12, R. Clarence Brown's subdivision of Lots 6 to 10 inclusive, and 21 to 25 inclusive of said Ravinia Forest, and Lots 2 to 5 inclusive of Lakeside Manor), all in the City of Highland Park, Lake County, Illinois the ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the City Clerk of said city and having applied to the County Court of Lake County for an assessment of the costs of said improvement according to benefits, and an assessment thereof having been made and returned to said court, the final hearing thereon will be had on the 15th day of February A. D. 1924 or as soon thereafter as the business of the court will permit.

Said assessment is payable in Ten (10) installments, with interest at the rate of six (6) per centum per annum on all installments from and after date of issue of first voucher. All persons desiring to file objections in said court before said day and may appear on the hearing and make their defense.

FRED SCHAEFER
EDMUND H. EITEL
Commissioners appointed by the County Court of Lake County, Illinois, to make said assessment.
Dated at Highland Park, Ill. January 31st, A. D. 1924.
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SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE Special Warrant Number 265

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the County Court of Lake County, Illinois, has rendered judgment for a special assessment upon property benefited by the following improvement: For the construction of a connected system of water mains in St. Johns Avenue from Cedar Avenue to Comstock Place and in Comstock Place from St. Johns Avenue to Kincaid Street, all in the City of Highland Park, County of Lake and State of Illinois, as will more fully appear from the certified copy of the judgment on file in my office. That the warrant for collection of such assessment is in the hands of the undersigned.

All persons interested are hereby notified to call and pay the amount assessed at the Collector's Office, City Hall, corner Green Bay Road and Central Avenue, Highland Park, Illinois, within thirty (30) days from the date thereof.

Notice is further given that the said assessment is divided in ten (10) installments. That the amount of the first installment is \$1918.00 and that each of the remaining installments is \$1000.00. That all installments draw interest at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from December 28th, 1923. The first installment is payable on the 2nd day of January, A. D. 1924. The second installment one year thereafter and so on annually until all installments are paid.

FRED W. RUBLEY,
City Collector.
Dated at Highland Park, Illinois, this 31st day of January, 1924.
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Sealed bids will be received by the Council at its office in the City Hall, Highland Park, Illinois, until 5:00 o'clock P. M. Friday, the 15th day of February, 1924, for the furnishing of all labor and material required in the construction of a garbage burner in the present Incinerator Plant in accordance with the plans and specifications on file in the office of the City Clerk in the City Hall.

All proposals must be accompanied by a certified check made payable to the President of the Council of the City of Highland Park for the sum of not less than ten (10) per cent of the aggregate of the proposal.

The Council reserves the right to

reject any or all bids if they deem it best for the public good.
By order of the Council of the City of Highland Park, January 25th 1924.
E. A. WARREN,
City Clerk.
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So far the sportsmen have not induced the government to let them deduct from this income the value of the fish that got away.

There is talk in California of a law taxing bachelors over 28 years old. It seems hardly likely that the women will oppose it.

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