

SAYS ILLINOIS HAS NO SPEED LAW

Waukegan Attorney in Defending Client Claims Statute Fixes No Limit

"Illinois has no speeding law for passenger vehicles," declared Attorney J. A. Miller in police court in Waukegan, last week, when he appeared before Magistrate Clarence L. Brown to defend J. A. Dolson, Minneapolis business man, who was arrested for speeding on North Sheridan road.

In defending his client, Miller cited a decision of the appellate court where it was found that a motorist is not speeding when he is not interfering with traffic or endangering the lives of persons on the highway. He also cited the state statute which says in effect that passenger vehicles are not speeding when on a street or highway which

is clear of traffic and no human lives are being endangered.

Calls City Laws Void

According to the statute and the decision of the court the state actually does not have a speed law, according to Attorney Miller, and city speed laws are void.

"I agree that the speed laws are faulty," stated Magistrate Brown, "but are police officers to have no control over the rate of passenger automobiles through the city?"

Miller continued his argument stating that police officers do not submit sufficient evidence in speeding cases to warrant the penalizing of alleged violators.

Takes \$3 Fine

Mr. Dolson, who was on his way to attend a convention in Chicago pleaded that he was in a hurry and Attorney Miller pleaded guilty for his client. Magistrate Brown assessed a fine of \$3 and costs and the case was dismissed.

Attorney Miller and his client asserted that visiting motorists were

not shown proper courtesies in Waukegan in closing the case and the attorney stated that he would appeal the case were it not for the fact that his client was from out of the state.

Montreal Newspaper Commends Hoover for Strategic Moves

President Hoover is once more revealing himself as the great engineer in public life, says the Montreal Star. He does not seem to feel the showman's urge to be always on exhibition. This differentiates him from the ordinary run of politician. But when circumstances demand it, Hoover of the Belgian Relief and Hoover of the post-war activities in Europe steps into the limelight.

His dramatic announcement of a year's moratorium for war debts—an act of incalculable intrepidity—was a swift stroke by a practical man who does things and dares the

consequences. Most of its expected benefit to humanity was cancelled by the hesitations of France. But it was an admirably conceived and boldly executed "coup," much in the nature of his equally sudden decision to reverse the Coolidge policy of sulking over the failure of the Geneva naval conference.

Now the practical and efficient Mr. Hoover once more steps into the breach. Since the tragic collapse of sterling in Great Britain, the world has been moving in a fog, not quite certain what might happen at any moment. It is this lack of confidence that is the root evil. President Hoover grasps this fact clearly and firmly and immediately calls in to counsel the leaders of his own people who can help him arrive at decisions and then support him in carrying them out.

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