

MOTORISTS SAVE ENORMOUS SUMS

Legislature Votes Down Many Taxing Bills

A light bill which would have cost Illinois motorists plenty of grief, was killed in the hectic hours marking the close of the 54th general assembly, according to the legislative department of the Chicago Motor Club.

This bill, which was opposed by the club, provides that head lamps should not glare, but the word glare was not defined, and so the enforcement of the law would depend upon the individual construction given by every constable, J. P., and police officer in the state. "This is one of the most vicious pieces of legislation introduced at the session just passed," said Charles M. Hayes, president of the Chicago Motor Club.

A bill providing for an increase of license fees of 33 1-3 percent was also killed. This bill would have cost motorists of the state \$4,000,000.

The old controller bill which has made its appearance regularly for the past three sessions, was another bill opposed by the club. This bill provided that all cars must be equipped with speed governors, costing motorists about \$15.00. The killing of this bill saved the motorists of Illinois \$15,000,000.

A bill which will militate against speed traps passed House and Senate, and will become a law with the governor's signature. This bill provides that the department of public works has the right to regulate traffic on state roads in cities or villages, and can pass ordinances or revoke local ordinances where the local ordinance is in conflict with the regulations of the department of public works. The legislative department of the Chicago Motor Club sees in this bill a decided step toward eliminating speed traps.

Automobiles must come to a full stop at all state highways, according to the provisions of a bill also awaiting the governor's signature.

Manufacturers of devices showing red and green lights forward, were hit by a bill prohibiting automobiles other than those used by the fire departments, from showing red or green lights in a forward position. This bill was fostered by the various fire departments.

The pedestrian who wanders on concrete highways walking with the traffic instead of against it, is saved from his own careless act by a bill which provides that all pedestrians on concrete highways must walk on the left hand side of the roadway.

For many years safety advocates have endeavored to pass a law forcing horse drawn vehicles to carry lights. Motorists who have had smashups, or near smashups, with buggies and wagons at night will appreciate the bill that compels horse drawn vehicles to carry lights at night.

The road hog was given a jolt in the bill which compels the driver on the wider shoulder to give the right of way. The department of public works, according to the provisions of a bill awaiting signature, is authorized to designate certain streets through towns, to connect with state highways, and to erect proper signs on these highways.

Counties have been given the authority to condemn property for rights-of-way, according to the provisions of another bill passed at this session.

"The big victory for motorists, however, is the defeat of the various gas tax measures," says Mr. Hayes. "This victory has saved Illinois motorists \$12,000,000."

C. M. T. Camp Quota Now Oversubscribed

Major. Gen. Harry C. Hale, commanding general, Sixth Corps Area headquarters, 1819 West Pershing road, Chicago, announced this week the quota for the Sixth Corps Area C. M. T. camps has been over-subscribed, and that all applications received in the future will be accepted as alternates only until all vacancies are filled that may occur among the principals now selected to attend the C. M. T. camp at Jefferson Barracks, Mo., and Camp Custer, Mich., from July 23 to August 21.

In addition to the information about the completed quota for the Sixth Corps Area, General Hale stated that "the quota for the entire United States for the C. M. T. C. was 99.83 filled on June 20, and, with approximately 30 days yet until the principal C. M. T. camps open, a heavy over-subscription for this year's C. M. T. C. was assured."

As an indication of the popularity of the C. M. T. C. this year it can be stated that Sixth Corps Area headquarters has received two applications from young men to attend the 1926 C. M. T. camp they being too young to be accepted for the 1925 camps.

Read This and Check Your Car at Crossings

Crossing gates are an unmistakable sign of danger beyond, a barrier to death, with highest possible degree of visibility, and yet the accident prevention department of the Chicago Motor Club says that last year on a single New England railroad 390 gates were demolished because 390 drivers were in control of neither themselves nor their cars drove through the gates in the face of approaching trains. This is an average of every gate on this railroad being broken 1.7 times.

"If motorists would associate the sight of a grade crossing and its advance notices with the sight of a traffic policeman and control their cars accordingly, accidents would cease", continues the statement. "Remember that the speed of a train is very deceptive to those accustomed to judging only the speed of automobiles. Here are some interesting facts to remember in this connection. A motor car moving at 15 miles an hour travels 22 feet per second; at 20 miles an hour 29 feet per second; at 25 miles an hour 37 feet per second; at 30 miles an hour 44 feet per second; at 40 miles an hour 59 feet per second; at 50 miles an hour 73 feet per second.

"Trains moving from 25 to 40 miles an hour can, under ordinary circumstances, come to a stop in about 1200 feet; an automobile running 25 miles an hour can be stopped in 37 feet. A train travelling 60 miles an hour and a quarter of a mile away will reach the crossing in about 15 seconds."

MAIL FOR CAMPERS

The first U. S. Government branch post office in a municipal auto camp ground has been established at Overland Park, in Denver, for the special convenience of campers, and also that motorists may have their mail and parcels sent direct to the camp this summer.

N. U. PEOPLE EUROPE BOUND

Faculty and Students Well Represented Abroad

The lure of the old world and the desire to visit the educational institutions of Europe have conspired to attract many Northwestern university faculty members and students abroad this summer. Prof. Edward L. Schaub, head of the department of philosophy, is traveling on the continent with Mrs. Schaub. He planned to meet some of the leading German philosophers while away. Prof. William F. Bryan of the English department has been studying in Europe for several months. Mrs. Winifred G. Richardson, dean of women, sailed about 10 days ago for a visit of six weeks on the other side, while Director and Mrs. Harry F. Harrington, the former the head of the Medill School of Journalism, have started for Norway and Sweden. Mr. Harrington planned to meet leading Scandinavian editors.

Director Ralph Dennis of the School of Speech, Mrs. Dennis and son, Dan, are about to leave for a summer abroad. Prof. Isaac J. Cox of the history department has gone to Columbia university for the summer session but will later go West and will leave in Febru-

ary for South America to complete a special study for the Pan American Union. Prof. James L. Lardner, School of Speech, and family also are traveling in Europe on a vacation trip.

On the student side, E. Wight Bakke, the member of the junior class who recently won the national oratorical contest at Los Angeles, with a cash award of \$2,000, has sailed for Europe and will visit the principal universities both in England and on the mainland. John Tomlinson, who was just graduated from Northwestern after an excellent record as a student, has left for Hawaii for a summer trip and will participate in a Y. M. C. A. conference in Honolulu before returning to his home in Evanston. Many other students from Northwestern are now pointed Europe-wards, some finding their way across

on the big steamers by doing a bit of work and others traveling with their parents. About half a dozen Purple students who have been studying in Europe the last year have written friends that they will carry on until autumn.

ACROBATIC LIDS

There's a trick cave in the San Isabel National Forest in Colorado into which you drop your straw hat and a strong boomerang current of intermittent wind force from the ghostly caverns brings it back up again.

Mrs. Henry M. Lockwood has returned to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Band of 815 Oakwood avenue, after spending the winter in California.

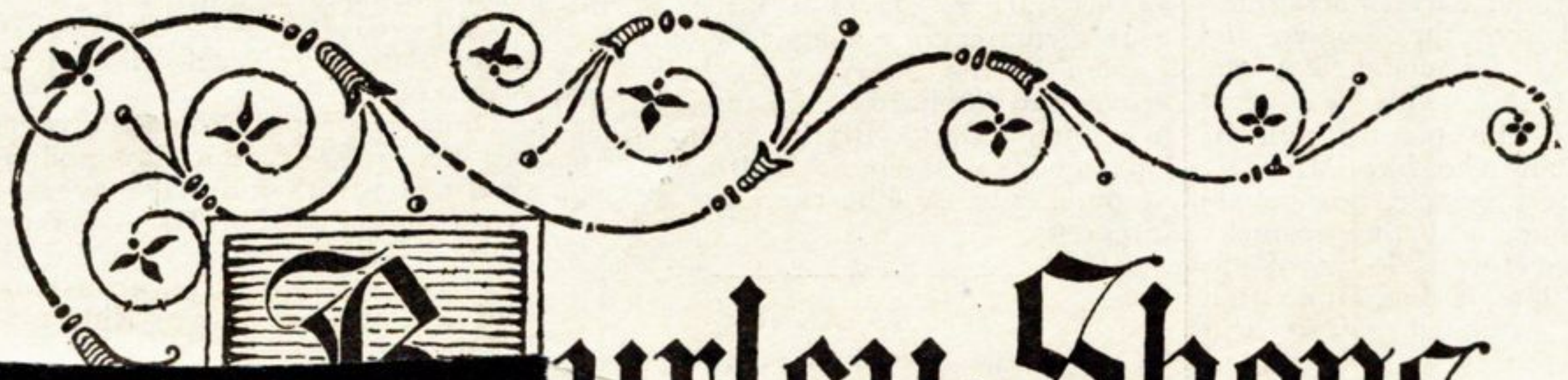


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