PEDESTRIANS MUST HELP TO PREVENT ACCIDENTS—PROPER REGULATION OF TRAFFIC ESSENTIAL ALSO

Trouble Now Is That State Laws Conflict With Community Ordinances, Making It Impossible For Motorists And Those Using "Shank's Mare" To Know "What's What."

Proper regulation of traffic and education of pedestrians are the two most needed requirements for reduction of the number of traffic accidents, according to A. B. C. Hardy, president of Olds Motor Works and a member of the traffic and safety committee of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce. He declared that every automobile association, dealer and owner should bring pressure on their city and State officials until progressive plans of traffic regulation and education were accomplished facts.

In the regulation of traffic Mr. Hardy advocates the following salient ideas:

National co-ordination of traffic laws so that automobile drivers will be governed by but one set of rules.

Designating certain streets that have no street car traffic in large cities for automobile use.

Discouraging driving of automobiles on principal city thoroughfares that carry heavy street car traffic. This can be done by eliminating right and left hand turns at each corner.

Detailing traffic policemen at all important intersections in the city and at important State and county road crossings out of the cities on week-ends and holidays when traffic is heavy.

Strict enforcement of the old rule now almost forgotten that slow moving vehicles must keep to right of the road. This to apply both in and outside cities.

"The very multiplicity of traffic laws and ordinances in the various States, and, in fact, adjoining municipalities, mitigates against their proper enforcement," said Mr. Hardy. "It is no impossible task for the 48 States to codify their laws so that all will be the same, and there is no reason why every municipality should not adapt their ordinances to the State law. If they must differ, let them differ as to the penalty to be inflicted.

"One of the great problems in all cities is that of congestion, which also tends to increase the accident hazard. The tendency in the more progressive municipalities is to do everything possible to separate automobile and street car traffic. This is proving a boon to the pedestrians, street car riders an dautomobile operators, and should be inaugurated more extensively in every closely populated center in the country. The quickness and ease with which automobile traffic is handled on Fifth avenue, New York; Second boulevard, Deetroit, and Michigan boulevard, Chicago, are but three instances that prove the feasibility of this plan.

"As to the need of more traffic policemen at important intersections, including main traveled roads outside cities, this is so well recognized that comment is unnecessary."

2 BRITISH PLANES LIKELY TO ENTER SCHNEIDER RACE.

Entry of two British seaplanes in the Jaques Schneider international seaplane race to be held along the Baltimore county water front next October has been decided upon tentatively, according to a dispatch from London. The entry will be made, it is believed, by the Royal Aero Club of London.

The British Air Ministry has offered to purchase the British machine for £3,000, without the engine, if it wins the race. The 1922 contest for the Schneider cup was won by a British flyer at Naples.

Three Italian hydroplanes will compete in the race, it has been announced. Plans now are being made to house the competing planes at Bay Shore Park, where the contest will be held.

BURGLARS IN CATONSVILLE.

Thieves entered the home of Louis Ruff, Franklin and Johnnycake road, Catonsville Manor, recently. No articles of value are missing.

AVIATOR'S WIDOW GIVEN $12,500 VERDICT BY JURY.

A verdict of $12,500 was given Mrs. Dorothy K. Phillips, widow of Lieut. Wendell K. Phillips, well known flyer of Logan Field, Dundalk, who was killed in an airplane crash at Aberdeen June 5 of last year, by a jury.

Mrs. Phillips asked $20,000 damages from the Fidelity Storage and Trust Company as the result of an automobile accident last June 6, on the Belair road at Overlea. At the time Mrs. Phillips was on her way from Aberdeen to Washington, after making arrangements for the removal of her husband's body. The plaintiff alleged that she had been unable to sleep properly since the accident. Attorney Robert R. Carman appeared for Mrs. Phillips.

HEALTH OFFICIAL URGES VACCINATION FOR EVERYONE.

As a preventative measure against smallpox, a number of cases of which have bee discovered in this community, everyone in the county should be successfully vaccinated, says Dr. Walter S. Carswell, secretary to the Health Department of Baltimore County.

"There is no necessity to become alarmed over the smallpox situation, but as a means of blocking what might easily develop into an epidemic everyone in Baltimore county shoud be successfully vaccinated."

FLAMES FROM INCUBATOR DAMAGE SUBURBAN HOME.

Fire, which started from an incubator in the home of John Maag, Stonewall Park, west of Catonsville, caused $500 damage to the dwelling. No one was at home at the time and the blaze was discovered by neighbors.

BOY'S ARM IS CRUSHED AS HE LEAPS ON BOX CAR.

A boyish attempt to swing upon a moving freight train just as he had seen brakemen do cost Peter Tarpthesky, eight, of Lansdowne, his right arm. Missing his hold upon the freight car the boy fell under its wheels and one of his arms was so badly crushed that doctors at South Baltimore General Hispital found it necessary to amputate the member.

GIRL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO MAKE OWN GRADUATION DRESSES.

Young ladies of the class of 1924 of the Towson High School will themselves make the dresses which they will wear at the graduation exercises in June.

FIRE CAPTAIN INDISPOSED.

Captain Howard Bell of the Pikesville Fire Engine Company has been on sick leave and is confined to his home at Garrison by injury to his back, incurred while shoveling snow from the pavement.

DUTCH STEAMER ARRIVES TWO MONTHS BEHIND CARGO.

To load grain for Holland the Dutch steamship Peemsterdijk, Captain De Jonge, is lying off the Baltimore county water front, arriving nearly two months behind her schedule time. The cargo she was to bring here was shifted to another vessel in Halifax and reached here more than a month ago.

For two months the Beemsterdijk has been in Halifax getting a new propeller and sundry repairs, following a terrific battering she received after she left Rotterdam on January ninth.

ARCHBISHOP CONFIRMS 185 CHILDREN AT ST. LUKE'S.

Archbishop Curley administered the sacrament of confirmation to 185 children at St. Luke's Church, Sparrows Point, of which the Rev. John Gaynor is pastor. Sponsors for girls in the class were Mrs. Carroll E. Spiegelmire and Mrs. M. Connelly. The boys' sponsors were Michael Birmingham and William Dyer.

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FUNERAL RITES FOR GRANITE RESIDENT.

The funeral of John F. Creager of Granite, who died at Mercy Hospital, Baltimore City, took place at St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal Church. Burial was in the church cemetery.

Mr. Creager was forty-four and is survived by a widow, Mrs. Emma Creager.

ARGUMENT IN SCHMIDT CASE DELAYED.

Argument of the motion of Eugene ODunne, counsel, for a new trial in the case of Leon Schmidt, convicted of first-degree murder in the slaying of Patrolman Frank Latham, scheduled for Monday last before Judge T. S. Offutt and Judge Walter W. Preston in the Circuit Court at Towson, has been postponed until Monday next due to the illness of State's Attorney Herbert R. O'Connor, who was confined to his home this week with a severe cold.

VOLUNTEER FIREMEN GATHER AT LANSDOWNE.

On Wednesday last members of the Baltimore County Volunteer Firemen's Association met at Lansdowne as guests of the Lansdowne Company.

MRS. MARY J. KAHLER DEAD.

Funeral services for Mrs. Mary J. Kahler were held at the home of her son, Louis Kahler, Rosedale, Old Philadelphia road. Mrs. Kahler, who was seventy-four years old, was the widow of Jacob P. Kahler.

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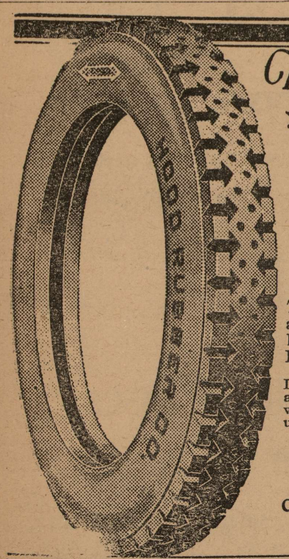

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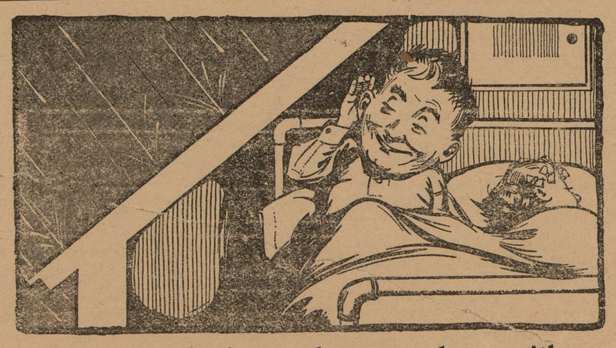

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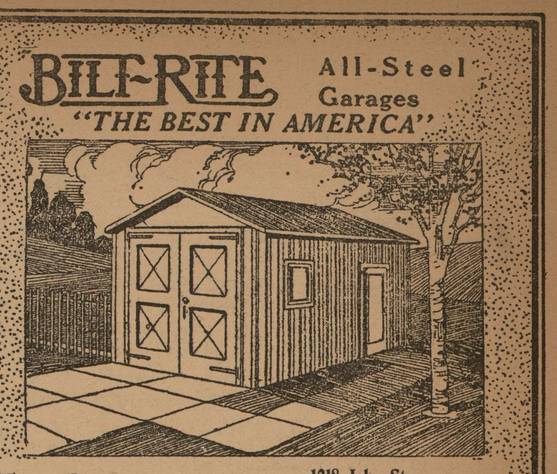

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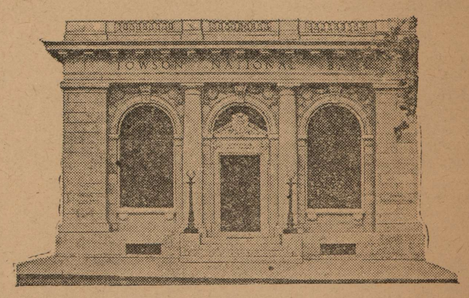

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