

Free Wheeling

By Bill Crowell

SOCK EM—When the General Assembly convenes next month the Motor Vehicles Department will seek to reinforce the existing statute against highway racing, comparable in a way, but not so drastic, as the kind of frontier law that put killers and assassins at the end of a rope. Possibly the clearest-cut recommendation to be presented to the lawmakers, it will call for a beefing-up of racing penalties, now carried on the books as a mere misdemeanor.

It will be presented with no frills, in hard language the racing lunatics can understand. If passed, open highway racing will become a felony, with the disturbing possibility of a jail sentence for convicted offenders.

I can imagine no creditable opposition to such a proposal although, having a long memory, the same thing might be said of the electric speed detector battle that raged in legislature halls last time around.

That was the "whammy" campaign, remember? But despite bitter argument against apprehending speeders scientifically, the "whammy" remained with us unaltered, concealed and effective. Effective enough at any rate to help save some 60 lives last year through unyielding efforts of the State Highway Patrol to cut down speeding.

And, in my opinion, any poetic allusions to "democracy and infringement of rights" will sound doubly absurd applied in opposition to the racing amendment.

Not that I can't see both sides of a question, but to save our skins from the halfwits who frolic on the roads at 100 miles an hour, Old Free Wheeling feels anything short of enactment would be an outrage.

Anyone differ?
HIGHWAY ZOO — Anybody here from your town? LION — The individualist who thinks he

always has the right of way; BULL—the quick-tempered type who sees red at a traffic light and charges on; ELEPHANT—the big, stalwart, unpassable type who sticks to the middle of the road; CHIMPANEZE—the character, who hangs to the roof of the car with one hand while he drives with the other; RABBIT—the scabbuck type that zigs and zags through traffic like a frightened bunny; JACKASS—the most versatile type of all, the show-off who risks his own neck and everybody else's by speeding and weaving.

EAST, WEST—State Highway Patrolman Paul C. West is stationed in Jacksonville and Patrolman Robert East works in Raleigh which, of course, puts West east of East vice versa with West and which, of course, proves nothing except maybe that the twain could meet.

SUDDEN THAWT—A woolen overcoat costs \$40, a wooden one \$40!



GETS LONDON POST... Sportsman-finance John Hay Whitney, 52, was named U. S. ambassador to Britain by Pres. Eisenhower.

JAN. 31 DEADLINE FOR FILING TAX REPORTS FOR AGRICULTURAL LABOR

Have you paid as much as \$100 to a farm hand during 1956? Farm operators who have paid as much as \$100 in cash wages to any farm employee in 1956 should file an employer's tax and information return for agricultural employees, Edward C. Felder, Internal Revenue Agent, announced today. This tax return must be filed with the District Director of Internal Revenue at Greensboro, North Carolina, accompanied by payment of the social security tax.

Deadline for filing this annual report of wages paid for agricultural labor in January 31, 1957. The return must show the name, social security number, and wages paid every employee whose cash wages amounted to \$100 or more.

Tax return forms are mailed out about January 1 to those who have previously registered with the District Director as agricultural employers. Farmers who must make these tax returns and have not written for the proper forms should write immediately to the District Director of Internal Revenue at Greensboro, North Carolina in order to be sure of getting the report filed before the January 31 deadline.

The Bedouin of the deserts give water to each other and to travelers, not as a gift, but as a sacred duty.

A record king crab caught near Kodiak Island, Alaska, had a leg span of seven feet.



NOTICE OF SALE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, COUNTY OF YANCEY

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain Deed of Trust executed by WALTER J. BELTZ and wife, ALTHEA M. BELTZ dated 29 September 1951 and recorded in Yancey County Mortgage Deed Book 36, page 377, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured and said Deed of Trust being by the terms thereof subject to foreclosure, the undersigned Trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash at the door of the Courthouse in Burnsville, North Carolina, at Noon, on the 4th day of February 1957, the property conveyed in said Deed of Trust, the same lying and being in the Town of Burnsville, Burnsville Township, Yancey County, North Carolina and more particularly described as follows:

BEING Lot No. 7 of the division of the lands described in a Deed dated 6 March 1951 from Sam R. McIntosh and wife, Sue B. McIntosh to John W. Brown, which deed is recorded in Yancey County Deed Book 107, page 489, a Map of which division appears of record in Yancey County Deed Book 108, page 262, and said Lot No. 7 is bounded as follows:

BEGINNING at the Northeast corner of Lot No. 6 of the above-mentioned division and runs thence South 79 degrees West 121 feet to the Eastern margin of Cosmos Street (as widened) thence with the Eastern margin of said street North 6 degrees 45 minutes West 27 feet; North 0 degrees 15 minutes East 38.4 feet to a stake in the line of said Lot No. 8; thence North 31 degrees East 115.5 feet to the Southeast corner of Lot No. 8; thence South 6 degrees 45 minutes East 61 feet to the BEGINNING.

EXCEPT from said Lot a 10-ft. alley on the back thereof, running next and parallel with the Eastern boundary line of said Lot.

AND BEING the same lands as described in a deed dated 29 September 1951 from John W. Brown and wife, Lucille G. Brown to Walter J. Beltz and wife, Althea M. Beltz, which deed is recorded in Yancey County Deed Book 108, page 461.

This sale will be made subject to all outstanding and unpaid Town and County ad valorem taxes.

This 2nd day of January, 1957. W. E. ANGLIN, Trustee January 10, 17, 24 and 31

NOTICE OF SERVICE PRESNELLS TRAINING

Before D. Presnell, 17, son of Mrs. Lyda Presnell, Rt. 1, Burnsville, N. C., has completed the basic military training at the "ROSE" gateway to the Air Force, Lackland AFB, San Antonio, Tex.

He is now taking part in the advanced basic training course here, following which he will qualify for assignment in one of the Air Force's 43 major career fields.

While at Lackland the new enlistee completes the transition from civilian to airman through a program which includes processing, aptitude testing, physical conditioning, survival and weapons training, and varied classroom studies ranging from citizenship to military customs and courtesies.

Like the USAF Officer Candidate and Pre-Flight schools, also located at Lackland, basic military training prepares graduates for specialized training and on-the-job assignment.

MRS. E. L. BEESON RESIGNS FROM HARRIS HIGH

Mrs. Edward L. Beeson of Burnsville, who has been an instructor in social studies and other courses at Harris High School, Spruce Pine, resigned her position on Jan. 14. She and her husband both taught at Tipton Hill High School, Tipton Hill, until Mr. Beeson retired at the end of the 1955-56 school year.

Mrs. Beeson, a native of Henderson, Ky., was reared in Los Angeles, Calif., and St. Louis, Mo. She majored in English at Florida State University, Tallahassee, and minored in Latin and Sociology. Mrs. Beeson holds a B. A. degree from Florida State U., and has done graduate work at the University of Chicago and the University of North Carolina.

A. D., 1956. Lowe Th... erior Court North Carolina January 3, 10, 17.

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