

### Some Odds And Ends Concerning Odd Notes In Motor Vehicle Laws

By BILL CROWELL  
They'll never make me believe that an ambulance isn't a motor vehicle. However, the law says, in some cases, it just isn't so.

An hour's browse through the State's 1951 copy of Motor Vehicle Laws, brought this startling bit of legislation into prominence along with several other items of more than passing interest. The colorful manual of automotive do's and don'ts, issued bi-annually by the Department of Motor Vehicles, says in the current edition that ambulances owned by municipalities are not classed as motor vehicles.

There follows a summary of other little known regulatory tidbits which are out-of-the-ordinary.

For instance, if you are driving any military vehicle—Army, Navy or Marine Corps—don't bother with a state operators permit. You won't need it.

For you other non-military drivers your license expires on your birthday four years after the year it was issued—not on the same issue date four years later.

Own a motorized wheelchair? Well, if it weighs less than 1,000 pounds you are eligible for a special operators permit and permanent registration plates. The P-tags will cost you one buck, but you'll have to prove that your conveyance is necessary to get around in and that you are qualified to operate it. Let someone else drive your special vehicle and you're guilty of a misdemeanor.

Members of the State Highway Patrol have police powers in enforcing motor vehicle laws and regulations. So does the top man of the Motor Vehicles Department. The Commissioner himself is authorized to make arrest for any motor vehicle violation covering the manual and committed in his presence.

Got a hankering to bust up the old jalopy for scrap? Better notify the Department of Motor Vehicles first then. Car owners or junk yard dealers are required to send the condemned vehicle's title certificate and registration card to the Department before applying the axe.

Are your license plates in an upright, horizontal position, fore and aft on your car? The book says they must be displayed in that manner. Fastening them upside down, laying flat or backwards will get you in trouble with Department officials.

Sure you bought and paid for your hack. But, don't grind off or otherwise alter your engine number. It's also a misdemeanor to stamp your car with any serial number other than one authorized by the Department.

Truckers hauling an overload on the highway can have their day spoiled quickly by any peace officer. The driver or his help can be required to shove off excess cargo, right on the spot, until the truck meets prescribed maximum weight limits.

Stickers, posters, etc., attached to any window of your car are frowned upon by the Department. The law says that nothing is to be stuck on the windshield, side wings or rear windows other than certificates or stickers required by regulations.

Don't install television in your car! Legally, it's O. K., but hardly worth the trouble since the receiver must be located behind the driver's seat.

Display of any association's emblem or insignia on your car is forbidden unless you are actually a member of the organization. Violation of this item could cost you \$50.

Overtake and pass another car without sounding your horn and you've broken the law. This doesn't count however in business or residential areas.

Dean James H. Hilton of State College's School of Agriculture has been selected by the American Feed Manufacturers Association to serve on a nation-wide committee which will appraise the current feed supply and need situation.

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### Tax Increase On Cigarettes

Edwin Gill, collector of internal revenue of Greensboro, has issued a directive relative to the tax increase on cigarettes which went into effect November 1.

The directive follows: "Section 421 of the Revenue Act of 1951 increases the rate of tax on small cigarettes (including standard and so-called 'King' sizes) from \$3.50 to \$4.00 per thousand, or 1c per package of 20 cigarettes. Section 422 of the Act imposes a floor stocks tax at the rate of 50 cents per thousand (or 1c per package of 20 cigarettes) on all such cigarettes held by any person for sale at the first moment of November 1, 1951, the day on which the increase in the tax on small cigarettes becomes effective. Persons liable for floor stocks tax: Manufacturers of, and wholesale and retail dealers in, small cigarettes; owners or operators of cigarette vending machines; post exchanges; and commissary stores for the armed forces. Every person liable of the floor stocks tax will be required to make a return and pay tax due on or before December 31, 1951, on all stamped (tax-paid) small cigarettes held by him for sale at the first moment of November 1, 1951.

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### Orderly Marketing Of Cotton Advised

If cotton prices are to remain steady, growers must continue to market their crop in an orderly way, D. H. Stancil, cotton marketing specialist for the State College Extension Service, declared this week.

So far this fall, Stancil said, cotton farmers have done an unusually good job of orderly marketing. Instead of dumping the entire crop on the market as fast as it was ginned, they have held enough of the market to enable the channels of trade to handle sales efficiently. As a result, prices have gone up.

"However," added the specialist, "the present higher prices are leading many farmers to change tactics and begin selling as rapidly as the crop is ginned. This is unfortunate and could easily cause prices to drop again."

The government loan, he pointed out, offers farmers necessary operating capital while holding their cotton off the market. By means of the loan program the grower can obtain a large percentage of the value of his cotton and still not sell it.

Stancil said farmers would do well to ask their ginners to sample the cotton.

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WITH DENTAL DEPARTMENT—Curtis K. Wright, DA, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kossie Wright, is now serving with the Dental Department at US Naval Station, Treasure Island, Calif., after graduating from the Dental Technician School in San Diego, Calif. Curtis joined the Navy in March of this year and took his recruit training at the Naval Training Center in San Diego.

### Membership Drive Launched At Meet

SHELBY — The Executive Board of the Piedmont Council, Boy Scouts of America, in a dinner meeting here Tuesday night Oct. 23, with representatives present from counties of Burke, Caldwell, Catawba, Cleveland, Gaston, Iredell, Lincoln, McDowell, Polk and Rutherford, adopted plans for an intensive membership Crusade which will get underway at once and run until December 31 as a part of the National "Round-Up" program of the Boy Scouts of America in an effort to carry the Scouting program to every possible boy and young man. The Crusade will include plans for each of the 249 Scout Troops and Cub Scout Packs of the Piedmont area to enroll at least five new members and for each of the eleven County District Committees to re-activate inactive units and to enlist all Churches not yet sponsoring Scout Units to make the Cub Scout and Boy Scout program of character building and citizenship training available to their boys and young men.

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### Heating Equipment Should Be Checked

With cold weather approaching, it's a good idea for farm families to check their heating equipment and make sure it's in good condition for safe winter service, says Howard Clapp, Cleveland County farm agent for the State College Extension Service.

Farm property fires always increase in both numbers and severity as the winter season approaches. A little attention to the problem now may save costly and tragic fires later in the season, says the county agent.

Winter also usually brings a toll of casualties from carbon monoxide. This deadly gas is colorless and odorless and gives no warning.

Defective chimneys rank high as a cause of farm fires during the heating season. All joints should be tight and a spark arrester installed when combustible roofs are nearby. All stove and furnace pipes should be put in good condition and located a safe distance from combustible walls, ceilings, curtains, and papers.

The National Safety Council makes these additional suggestions:

Repair cracks or other defects and replace rusted and burned-out stove and furnace pipes. Make sure that combustible materials are protected. Use a metal or asbestos floor covering under wood - or coal - burning stoves. Use double metal-ventilated chimneys where stove pipes pass through walls.

Never use petroleum products to start or hasten a fire. See that tank heaters, feed heaters, and other type of heating devices for 1952 will be elected.

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equipment around the farmstead are installed safely and kept in good repair. Make sure that dampers in stoves and furnaces are never closed enough to force carbon monoxide or other gases out into the room.

To prevent accidents with corn pickers, North Carolina farmers should wear close-fitting clothes or leave the arms bare. Always stop the picker to clean or lubricate it. Keep the power take-off shafts well shielded, and don't ride the back of the picker.

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