

Insurance Break for Drivers Who Are Accident-Free

BOSTON (UPI) — Accident-free Massachusetts motorists, who have suffered financially because of careless drivers for 34 years, will finally get a break under a new merit plan.

The plan was disclosed by state Insurance Commissioner Otis M. Whitney Monday night and according to the present schedule would become effective Aug. 1. The first benefits for safe drivers would be reflected in the 1963 insurance payments.

The plan works this way?

For every year of accident free driving the motorist would receive a 2 per cent cut in his insurance payment. For each accident the driver will pay an additional 10 per cent over the basic premium.

No One Is Inside—

Station Wagon Is Found Submerged

A stolen car was found early this morning sunk on the edge of the main channel in Annisquam River off the municipal boat ramp behind Gloucester High School.

THE 1957 BUICK station wagon, owned by Mrs. Mary Ann Favallora, 35 Granite Street, was reportedly taken from in front of her house sometime after 9 p.m. Monday.

Shortly before 6:30 this morning, the submerged car was noted by Henry Gillie, 54 Centennial Avenue.

Gillie, a Gloucester grocery store owner, saw the car as he was taking his dog for an early-morning walk along the riverbank.

The car was about 40 feet offshore, under at least three feet of water, police said. Gillie notified police at 6:35 a.m.

car out with a small pick-up truck.

Later in the morning, the car was taken from the stream with a crane from Julian Construction Co., Essex Avenue.

A Coast Guard skindiver, Richard Walsh of the Dolliver's Neck Lifeboat Station, inspected the submerged car and reported that no one was inside.

POLICE theorize the car must have been driven at a high rate of speed to have it so far into the stream.

When Gillie discovered the car, it was pointed in the direction of the Blynman Bridge.

The six mile current in the river tipped the car from time to time but did not move it too far from where it landed in the water.

Prickly Blue Law Problem— Up to Legislature, Says Atty. Sadly

ROCKPORT — Town Attorney H. Lawrence Jodrey, Jr., in an opinion prepared for the Board of Selectmen, declares, "Action by the Legislature is the only valid and adequate way of dealing with the Blue Law situation."

Jodrey's opinion is for the granting of such licenses would serve public convenience and not be out of keeping with the character of Sunday as a day apart for religious services, recreation, rest and relaxation," Jodrey declares. "However, I believe that Section 9 can reasonably apply in only a very limited class of matters, and is no solution to the overall complaint respecting the burden of the Blue Laws."

Jodrey's opinion was received at the selectmen's office this morning. A copy was sent to Chief of Police Jacob H. Perko, Jr. Local shops have closed for two Sundays because of new emphasis on Blue Law enforcement.

THE TOWN attorney's opinion in full is as follows: You have requested my opinion concerning the "Blue Laws," so-called, which are collected in General Laws, Chapter 136, under

the title of "Observance of the Lord's Day." These statutes are of ancient origin, dating back to the days of the Pilgrims, but have been amended and liberalized from time to time. Interpretation of them is not so much a matter of deciding what activities conducted on Sunday are, under the circumstances, reasonable and a public convenience, but rather a matter of noting what

At State House Hearing—

Lots of Sympathy, Little Relief

By PAUL KENYON
Rockport people complaining about blue law closing of shops on Sunday found plenty of sympathy but little indication of early relief in developments in Boston yesterday and at home today.

ROCKPORT had the largest group from any community at yesterday's public hearing in the State House. But the nearest approach to action favorable to Rockport was announcement from the House chairman of the Committee on Mercantile Affairs that

he would seek permission from Gov. John A. Volpe for the Mercantile Affairs Committee to sit in with a "blue ribbon" committee named last week by Volpe to study the situation.

And back at home, hopes that the town attorney might find a way in the complicated Sunday observance law to authorize the issuing of more local Sunday licenses were dashed when H. Lawrence Jodrey, Jr., filed his requested opinion with the selectmen. See HEARING Page 14

Decision Must Wait— Volpe Stands Fast on Bessette

BOSTON (UPI) — Gov. Volpe, post, was held by a Democratic Party candidate today that his candidate for state Public Safety Commissioner, Robert H. Beaudreau of Marlboro, may be withdrawn.

The governor said at his news conference there was a possibility that Beaudreau would request that his name be removed from consideration for the \$12,000-a-year

position, a Democratic holdover. Beaudreau's name has been before the Executive Council since last Feb. 16. The council's nominations committee has refused to bring it to the floor for a vote.

The governor was asked to comment on speculation that he would seek to remove state Waterways Division Director Rodolphe Bessette because of the current investigation into "sweetheart deals."

Bessette's removal was demanded by Rep. Francis W. Perry, Roxbury, who has been conducting a one-man investigation of the Waterways Division.

"I believe Rep. Perry is a sincere and conscientious individual," Volpe said, "but I remind him and others that you don't interrupt an investigation and institute removal proceedings against a man from his job by an act of the legislature."

"There will be no removal proceeding until we have all the information and I expect that within the week," he said.

The governor said he had high hopes that the Hartnett Tanning Company in Ayer, leveled by a fire there, would be rebuilt. He said he discussed the subject Monday in Washington at a meeting with Rep. F. Bradford Morse, R-Mass., and Sens. Leverett Saltonstall, R-Mass., and Benjamin A. Smith II, D-Mass.

The plant employed 3,400 persons and only 25 thus far have found new jobs.

Volpe said a Small Business Administration loan up to \$3 million at 3 per cent interest for 20 years was available to the Hartnett firm. However, he added, that such an obligation would still be a major one for the firm to assume.

Volpe said he was investigating the possibility of another type of loan. Such a loan probably would be made directly to the town of Ayer which would in turn make some financial arrangement with the tannery, he said.

Redistricting Bd. 10-3 Democratic

BOSTON (UPI) — House Speaker John F. Thompson named himself vice chairman of a Congressional redistricting commission and appointed 10 fellow Democrats and three Republicans.

Thompson made the appointments Monday night to the Reapportionment Commission which must report to the legislature by Dec. 27. The districts must be cut from the present 14 to 12 due to population shifts which will cost Massachusetts two seats in Congress.

President Decides to Rest— Bad Back Cancels JFK Speech

By MERRIMAN SMITH
WASHINGTON (UPI) — President Kennedy today cancelled a scheduled luncheon speech before the U.S. Conference of Mayors

here because of his back ailment. Democratic congressional leaders reported after a breakfast conference with Kennedy, however, that he showed no evidence of fatigue or pain and told them he felt "just fine."

Kennedy had been scheduled to address the mayors at the nearby Statler Hotel. Shortly after the President's weekly meeting with Democratic congressional leaders, Press Secretary Pierre Salinger announced that Vice President Lyndon B. Johnson would make the talk instead.

Salinger said the President decided to pass up the trip to the hotel "in an effort to give his back a chance to continue to improve."

3rd Suspended Sentence

NEWBURYPORT — A 19-year-old Gloucester youth, on probation from Superior Court for two other crimes, was given a third suspended sentence and placed on probation again here Monday.

Norman C. Allen, 151 Maplewood Avenue, pleaded guilty and was found guilty of using a car without authority.

Superior Court Judge David A. Rose imposed a six month suspended sentence and placed Allen on probation for two years. Allen was released in the custody of the probation officer after the court session.

ALLEN was represented in court yesterday by Salem attorney Philip Strome.

The only witness at yesterday's trial was Gloucester police officer John J. Cronin.

Allen was charged with taking a car without authority in Gloucester on March 25 in connection with an alleged speeding incident on Thacher Road with other Gloucester and Beverly youths.

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Yacht Reported Sinking Off Cape—Air-Sea Search Is On

By JIM CLARK
Two Coast Guard helicopters, an amphibian airplane, four patrol craft and a cutter searched today for a 48-foot power boat reported sinking off Thacher's Island.

EIGHT PERSONS were said to be aboard.

At noon today there was no sign of the missing yacht, the Golden Eagle of Washington, D.C.

In the area, the Coast Guard said the sea was calm, but a fog and visibility of less than a mile, hampered early morning search operations.

FIRST WORD that the craft was in distress was received by the petty officer in charge of the Merrimack Coast Guard Lifeboat Station, Plum Island, Newburyport at 7:40 this morning.

A spokesman at the station told the Gloucester Daily Times, that he heard on the station radio at 7:40, a voice say excitedly: "We are taking in water. We need assistance."

The Coast Guard spokesman said the yacht reported her radio batteries were going dead, and she was unable to give the name of the owner.

The radio operator said his yacht was light blue.

COAST GUARD headquarters in Boston said it had talked by radio with the Golden Eagle just before 8 a.m. and that the radio reported the owner was a Kenneth Andrews, of 119 River Street, Washington, D.C.

The Coast Guard found, however, there was no such street in the capital.

The yacht's radio reported its position was vague because of a faulty compass, however, its estimated position was about 10 to 15 miles east southeast of Thacher's Light.

The Coast Guard radioman assured the Golden Eagle that help would be on the way shortly. He

kept radio contact with the boat for 15 minutes. Then at 7:55 a.m., contact was lost.

THE MERRIMACK station reported the distress call to the Acting Group Commander, Earl Gard at Dolliver's Neck Lifeboat Station. See YACHT Page 14

Firemen Comment On Tartas Stand

Gloucester fire-fighters today said that City Manager Philip Tartas has questioned the "integrity" of the Fire Department in commenting on a current dispute over the method of paying hospital and medical bills.

Tartas plans to see if Blue Cross-Blue Shield will pay for treatment of injuries incurred in line of duty.

Fire-fighters contend that payment should be made under Chapter 41, Section 100 of the General Laws and that Tartas is meddling in a private contract by asking Blue Cross to pay.

An announcement signed by Harold C. Cooney, president of Local 762, says the men plan to bring the dispute to the attention of the City Council.

Here is the complete text of the fire-fighters' statement: "Fire-fighters Claim Blue Cross-Blue Shield Not Issue at Hand. WE THE MEMBERS of the Gloucester Fire Department Local 762 International Association of Fire-Fighters take issue with the article appearing in the Gloucester Daily Times June 12, 1961, in that it gives the im-

pression that the issue is between Blue Cross-Blue Shield and the City of Gloucester. It is rather our contention that the issue is between the fire-fighters and the City of Gloucester.

The city has always lived up to its obligation in the indemnification of fire-fighters injured in the line of duty, under Chapter 41, Section 100, General Laws of Massachusetts. This statute has been in effect since 1888 and most all cities have lived up to their obligations in this regard. We feel this is a change in the policy of the City of Gloucester. We feel the city has a moral legal obligation. See FIREMEN Page 14

School Transport Topic Tonight

The Gloucester School Committee meeting this evening, will consider policy-making in connection with transportation of pupils.

A SPECIAL COMMITTEE on transportation consisting of David B. Murray, chairman, and Edward A. Hagstrom will present recommendations.

The present three-year contract with the Gloucester Auto Bus Company expires next March.

Naming of athletic coaches will be considered, under the report of the Sub-Committee on Athletics and Military Affairs.

The Sub-Committee on Salaries will recommend action with reference to placing Vocational School salaries on the school system schedule.

AGENDA for the meeting, to be held in the Dale Avenue committee room, is as follows:

1. Roll Call
2. Introduction of Guests
3. Verification of minutes
4. Financial Reports
5. Communications
6. Committee Reports:

a. Athletics and Military Affairs Committee.

b. New Buildings

c. Sub-Committee on Salaries

d. Recommendations of this Committee attached.

e. Special Committee on School Transportation

f. Recommendations of this Committee attached.

g. Unfinished Business

h. Report on Building Security Measures at the High School.

i. New Business

j. Sawyer Medals

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1st Vessel in 2 1/2 Months— Skipper Is Happy to Be Back

The 56-year-old skipper of the first cargo vessel to land here in two and one half months was happy to be back in Gloucester today.

And Capt. Sverre Klokk, of the Aalesund, said he "prefers (the port) of Gloucester" to New Bedford which he has been using since the lumpers' strike began 70 days ago.

CAPT. KLÖKK, also a native of Aalesund, Norway, brought his 153-foot motor vessel into Gloucester at 1.15 p. m. yesterday.

Capt. Klokk, like many others here, is hoping that the 70-day-old strike of 65 union lumpers or stevedores, against three stevedoring companies will be ended today so he can discharge his cargo.

An offer, which has been agreed to by management and labor negotiators, will be presented to the union body at 3 p. m. today in a

meeting at union headquarters on Pearce Street.

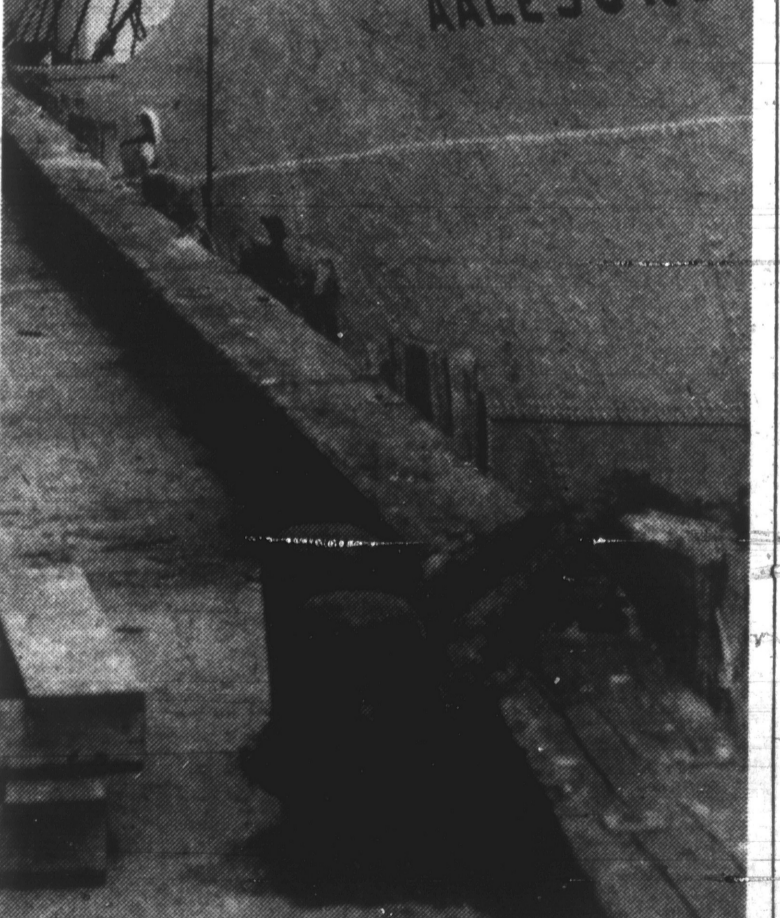
Capt. Klokk said this morning he has 635,000 pounds of frozen fish blocks aboard from Newfoundland and Nova Scotia.

SINCE HIS LAST trip here in March, the Aalesund has taken cargoes into Rockland, Maine, and New Bedford.

In reply to questions the skipper said that "lumpers could work quickly in New Bedford, but they are paid by the hour. It is hard to say if they are quicker in Gloucester, but Gloucester lumpers are more used to this cargo."

The skipper said that New Bedford harbor was about the same as Gloucester's, but, he added, "Gloucester harbor is kind of shallow. It is all right for us because we only draw 14 feet."

Capt. Klokk said he expected his



FIRST CARGO VESSEL here in 2 1/2 months, is the Norwegian M.V. Aalesund. The ship has 635,000 pounds of frozen fish aboard.

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