

## Few Chronic Road Violators in Michigan

LANSING—Less than one per cent of Michigan's estimated 300,000 so-called "problem drivers" fit the category of "chronic violators" with 10 or more traffic convictions on their records, and only six per cent pile up 15 or more convictions.

Secretary of State James M. Hare said a projection of a computer study of 108,500 drivers in the "problem driver" files reveals that the average number of convictions in this group averages out to just over seven per driver.

A total of 784,000 conviction violations were involved, some dating as far back as 10 years ago.

"A survey of all types of drivers in Michigan would drop the average appreciably," Hare emphasized. "A large percentage of persons don't have any conviction violations on their records. The survey does reveal that not all persons convicted of driving violations are repeat violators."

"The term 'problem driver' is used to describe any person with seven or more violation points. This is the level at which we begin sending out warning letters. Many drivers in this study have been suspended or revoked

at various times during their driving careers. However, there are those whose infractions were spread out over a period of years and at no time had sufficient points for our Department to take strong action under the point system. Here said the "problem driver" should not be confused with the "incorrigible driver."

"As problem drivers constitute only a small minority of the driving population, the 'incorrigible' number about 60,000 in the entire state, just over one per cent of Michigan's total driving population of 4.2-million. These are generally the persons who flaunt the law and drive while suspended or revoked."



A CHRISTMAS TAKE was in store for Mr. and Mrs. Jake Alred of Curtice, Ohio, on their first airplane flight. United Air Lines arranged to have their granddaughter, Sandy Schultz of Farmington, assigned to the flights when a spokesman for the Alreds' 11 grandchildren expressed concern over the couple's first flight "jitters."

## Airline Arranges Christmas Surprise for Grandparents

A 76-year-old Ohio couple had a "surprise" traveling companion on a Christmas trip to Los Angeles, thanks to the efforts of 11 grandchildren and the president of the world's largest airline.

Mr. and Mrs. Jake Alred, of Curtice, Ohio, were passengers aboard United Air Lines' flight 87, non-stop from Detroit to Los Angeles, and are spending the holidays with their children on the West Coast. They are the parents of six and have 11 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

About three weeks ago, grandchild number two, Mrs. James A. Isom, of Whittier, Calif., wrote George E. Reck, president of United Air Lines on behalf of all the grandchildren.

Like some first-time flyers, the Alreds were experiencing some early first-flight jitters.

"This flight is a tremendous undertaking for them, especially for our grandfather who has never flown

before. He tries to be 'tough' about it; however we all promise that he is scared trip to Los Angeles, thanks to the efforts of 11 grandchildren and the president of the world's largest airline.

Sandy is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph F. Schultz, 28323 Green Willow, Farmington. She is based at Daley's Office, International Airport.

"I realize this request may be a difficult one," Mrs. Isom wrote, "Could you possibly arrange to have Sandy fly as stewardess on the 'grandparents' flight?"

"If this request could be granted, you would have the gratitude of all of us and it would be one of the biggest events in the lives of the grandparents; second only

to their 50th wedding anniversary celebrated two-and-half years ago," she wrote.

The Alreds' qualms about flying were eased considerably when they were greeted by their pilot, Capt. Vernon Stora, of Denver, who briefed them on their approaching flight and reminisced about his experiences as a pilot.

When they boarded their jetliner, who should appear but granddaughter Sandy, who'd flown in just to be near. Grandpa Alred relaxed.

Four-and-a-half hours later, Mrs. Alred reported, "It was one of the nicest Christmas presents having our granddaughter serve and travel with us on the flight."

Grandpa Alred commented, "It was smoother than riding in the car... and a lot more fun!"

The U.S. Public Health Service monitors the nation's air, water, soil and foods throughout the year for traces of pesticide poisoning.

## Area Scouts And Leaders Plan Dinner

Over 400 Detroit area Scouts and leaders will attend the 1966 Order of the Arrow banquet Thursday evening at Philip Murray High School in Detroit.

The Arrowmen, members of the local Scout council's Michigan O-Paw-Gon Lodge will be treated to an unusual program featuring a film narrated by noted cartoonist Milton Caniff, which depicts the development of a brand new car model and the opportunity to hear from two of the key men who had a hand in its creation.

David Holl, stylist, and Donald McPherson, engineer, from the General Motors Technical Center in Warren, will add remarks concerning the problems and challenges of designing and producing a new car in today's market.

Also on the program will be the election and installation of new officers for 1967, and presentation of the Robert B. Rutherford Awards given in recognition of outstanding service by chapter members in the Lodge.

Founded in Indian legends and customs, the Order of the Arrow promotes Scout camping by individual troops.

Its members visit troop meetings to talk with leaders and parents about the opportunities afforded by the local Scout council camps and, in many instances, assist in training the Scoutmaster in the skills and techniques of outdoor camp living.

Ancient Indian dances and ceremonial rituals have been perpetuated by the Scouts, and they appear at numerous community and civic affairs decked out in authentic handmade costumes.

The Amangi Chapter, from Cadillac Square, District, hosts for this year's annual meeting, will also have its dance team present the opening ceremony.

## Follow These Driving Tips On Snow, Ice and Sleet

As sure as winter follows autumn, summer, snow, ice and sleet are followed by crumpled fenders, traffic snarls and short tempers.

Gerald E. Montgomery, manager of the Greater Detroit Safety Council, a chapter of the National Safety Council, says motorists make more driving blunders in the winter than at any other time of the year.

This is because motorists do not adjust to winter's twin accident-producing conditions—reduced visibility and inadequate traction," Montgomery says.

Montgomery says persons driving during winter months can help themselves avoid trouble if they follow the advice of the National Safety Council's Committee on Winter Driving Hazards.

Before starting, clear snow from the windshield and side and back windows. Don't be satisfied with mere peep holes. Be sure the heater and defroster are capable of keeping the windshield clear and interior windows free from fog. Be sure the windshield wipers work and that blades are in good condition to wipe clearly without streaking.

Check all lights, to be sure they work. Never drive with parking lights instead of headlights. Parking lights, illegal for driving in many states, can cause an oncoming driver to think you are farther away than you are.

Get the feel of the road by accelerating carefully to see if the wheels spin, then brake to see if they skid. This should be done at low speed and away from other traffic. "Pump" your brakes when you see you have to stop or slow down, don't jam them on. Slamming on the brakes may cause you to lose control. To pump brakes properly, press and release the brake pedal rapidly once or

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1,200 EMPLOYEES of Sears Livonia Mall participated in the annual Christmas dinner and program at the store Saturday. This is a typical scene as workers gathered around the festive tables and then watched fellow employees put on an impromptu stage show. The 1,200 ate in shifts starting at 11:30 a.m. and continuing through 2 p.m. in the annual treat from the store management.

## Homes Entered

Four private residences and four businesses were broken into during the past week in Farmington Township according to the Township Police.

A \$25 in cash was taken from the Tom Witke home, 27911 Bayberry. Entry was gained by breaking a window in a rear door. Officer Ray Marchewitz took the report.

Two apartments at the Independence Green Development were broken into Dec. 20 and the Doyle Tippett residence at 28122 Wellington was entered on Dec. 21. Two guns and a coin collection was taken from the home. Cpl. Richard Krueger handled this report.

A number of rifles and a ring were taken from one of the apartments.

Homestead House on Grand River was broken into and a total of \$7 was taken. Cpl. Gordon Ross took this report and one of a B & E at the Standard Service Station on Orchard Lake. The cigarette machine was opened there and the change taken. Three SNO JETS and two trailers were taken from the display area of the Grand River Boat Store at 28928 Grand River on Dec. 17. Officer Al Haver took the report. Estimated value of the items taken was placed at \$3,243.

The safe was broken into at the Nelson Armature plant at 28315 Grand River on Dec. 21. More than \$50 in cash was taken along with a pistol. Officer Lynn Sonnenberg took the report.

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