BILL BUSINESS:

Just to refresh your memory: HB 2340 will repeal the mandatory requirement for helmets with no restrictions. SB 287 will still require the wearing of a helmet for operators or riders under 18 years of age.

Sen. Ted Hallock writes:
"degarding helmets, I am a co-sponsor of HB 2340 which will repeal the requirement that riders wear protective headgear. Motivation for the original law was undoubtedly well-intentioned, but I now feel the riders can decide for themselves whether to adopt this safety measure."

The same Senator writes:

I introduced SB 341, the motorcycle noise inspection program, because that is the source of noise which generates more complaints than any other. And it seemed to me an inspection program would provide greater don't know whether the bill will succeed, but I want the matter aired. I am still listening to arguments from the motorcycle industry, but if my mind is changed, I believe it will only be on the basis that adequate to take care of our concerns. I don't want to unfairly come down on moise than a loud (probably modified) bike, and it creates stress and hearing problems.

......here is a summary of SB 341:

OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY-1977 Regular Session

Senate Bill 341

Sponsored by Senator HALLOCK

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure as introduced.

Requires Environmental Quality Commission to establish motorcycle noise control inspection program. Requires motorcycles registered in state to comply with noise control standards adopted by commission. Prohibits Motor Vehicles Division from issuing registration or renewal of registration for motorcycle unless division receives certificate of compliance issued by Department of Environmental Quality indirecting motorcycle noise emissions have been tested and meet noise control standards. Provides penalties for falsifying certificates. Provides for licensing of equipment used in inspections and persons qualified to conduct inspections and issue certificates. Provides for bonding of licensed inspectors and remedies available to persons suffering damages from inspections. Authorizes inspection fee not to exceed \$5 and credits moneys from fees to newly created Department of Environmental Quality Motorcycle Noise Control Account. Continuously appropriates money in account to department for expenses incurred for motorcycle noise emission control. Continuously appropriates to department for implementing program.

AS YOU CAN JEE, this bill apparently singles out motorcycles as the only offending type of machinery. We'd better get the letters flying on this one also or we'll soon find ourselves being constantly hassled about "noise". Read the above bill again.....and see what they're doing to use Even though most autos are silent, can they boast 50-60 MILES PER GALLON AND NO PARKING OR POLLUTION PROBLEMS???????

Senate Bill 159 "Authorizes Motor Vehicle Division to issue to persons qualified to drive four wheeled motor vehicles instruction permits to operate motorcycles, subject to certain conditions." (Summary)

In other words, a program allowing instruction permits for motorcycle riders, seemingly a step in the direction of increased motorcycle education.

Senate Bill 160 allows the riders instruction permits under existing law pertaining to motorcycle endorsement.

SUPPORT BOTH OF THESE BILLS.

Senator Del Isham: "There are two bills dealing with the helmet repeal (SB 287 and HB 2340). I have not as yet decided which one I will support, but I definitely will support one."

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WASN'T THAT ANGIE JOHNSON who volunteered to head the Inspiration and Participation Committee here in Portland? (This was an original concept from our River City Chapter). Will the <u>real</u> I & P Chairperson stand up

EXCERPTS FROM LETTERS......this is what THEY say:

Sen. Wm. McDoy: "I do not know what the new safety figures are as of tris date (Jan 31) and what the Safety Council will recommend to this session so I cannot tell you at this time how I will vote with the new information." (Ed. note: When will they listen to the people?)

dick Gustafson, State Rep: "I have taken no position with regard to the bill to repeal the helmet law at this time. I am not sure it will reach the floor for a vote. If it does, I will certainly consider your view point. I have some concern about individuals who do not ride motorcycles all the time. If helmets are not required they (the occasional rider) may be tempted to ride motorcycles, thereby isopardizing their safety. I will consider your comment in making a determination."

Sen. Trow: "Senator E. Browne's proposal SB 287 (Helmet Law Repeal) sounds acceptable to me. You are certainly welcome to come in and talk about this and other bills in which you have interest."

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HAIL KNUCKLE HEAD

I'm a Harley ridin' human, Knucklehead is my bike. And if ya gather round, I'll tell ya the tale of the Knuckle head, Pan head fight.



I'm cruizin' down the highway with my head up in the clouds, all of a sudden I hear a sound, and that sound was gettin' loud.

That sound was oh-so familiar, it was a 'nother Harley, man. When he came up 'long-side I was lookin' at a 1948 Pan.

Well, he was checkin' me out, while I was sizin' him up.
We nutted along side-by-side then he dropped a gear and twisted his wrist: I knew we was in for a ride.

I said "Two can play at that old game, this Knuckle head's got crust," and as I passed him up I yelled across:
"Hey Pan head, EAT MY DUST!!!!"

BY: SCOOTIN SCOOTER

"One member of the Georgia Motorcycle Rights Organization plans to use her political connections in an uncoming lobbying effort for repeal of motorcycle safety laws. Gloria Spann, 50, sister of President-elect Jimmy Carter, announced that she would contact "local legislators, speaking freely with members of the Carter Administration and with my brother, especially, on the rights of riders." She and her husband, Walter, a peanut farmer in Plains, GA, own five motorcycles."

"She has 'sense enough to put on a helmet' when she rides her motorcycle, ays Gloria Spann, but she is against a mandatory requirement for helmets. Mrs. Spann, 49, one of President-elect Jimmy Carter's sisters, and her hisband, Walter, both ride motorcycles and she is actively lobbying against a timotorcycle legislation. She said in Plains, GA., that regulations be decided "by those who ride".

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Have some spaghetti...

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Bake sale to be included at the Spaghetti Feed.

Bring all your bake goods to the Spaghetti Feed and help ABATE Help You.

This is your ORGANIZATION so lets all hop in with both feet and make this a big success.

ELECTIONS

Election for state officers of ABATE of Oregon were held at the Feb 8th meeting with the following results:

Chairman- Luke Metcalfe Secretary- Dennise Forsman Sandra Strasburg

Treasuer- Vic Wright

Safety Director- Ken Hammon

Education Director- Scooter Faria

In addition a newsletter staff was elected, selected, volunteered and conscripted as follows:

Editor- Rusty Mayall Sugar Kane Barton Dennise Forsman David Thierolf Greg Schab Vic Wright

A big THANKS to Nancy Christopher, ABATE membership card holder #2 for nearly 2 years of dedicated, hard work as ABATE Secretary.

OUR REPS WORKING IN SALEM.....

Portland member George Dowling & Salem member "Doc" Laffcon have been putting in many hours of thier time making contacts and educating our law makers about ABATE and our purpose. They have been doing an outstanding job in our capitol and have been recieving good response. Don't leave them hanging there alone-- Support them with your letters. It's but a little to ask and the very least we can ALL do.

GOOD WORK FELLAS

BIG YARD BIKE SHOW!!!!! May 29: 1977....snonsored by the Washington State Penitentiary Motorcycle Association. Time: 8 am to 3:30 pm, located at the Washington State Penitentiary, Walla Walla Washington. Donation of \$15.00 includes: a Chance at the Door Prize: a 1971 125cc Yamaha Enduro....Big Yard Bike Show Motorcycle Association School's T-shirt and RUN PIN....prizes for the Most Members Present will be awarded....also for the individual traveling the longest distance... FIRST, SECOND and THIRD PLACE awards will be presented: (a) Best Custom Motorcycle (b) Best Street Motorcycle (c) The Rattiest Motorcycle. Send all donations to: Washington State Penitentiary Motorcycle Assoc. c/o Mr. B. J. Rhay, Superintendent, c/o Mike Abrams, President. Address: Box 520 Walla Walla, WA 99362.

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE VISIT

On Thursday Feb. 24th. The House Committee on Transportation will be doing a tour of Portland Transportation facilities, which will include the Transit Mall, Tri-Met Bus Garage and Union Station, We plan a welcoming and education committee to greet them.at Union Station. We'll report on this in next months newsletter....

as you can, and send a donation to help our (ABATE's) attorney, DON CHAMBERS. Don has been very instrumental in metting our helmet repeal bill introduced and has given us a great deal of his time and knowledge. He is seriously ill and needs all the support possible. Let's show him our THANX!!!!!!! Let's write letters and please include money. Send to ABATE's Post Office Box. We take care of our own, DON'T WE.

THIS NEWSLETTER IS YOUR VOICE....and a chance to be heard. Don't set home and whisper. Let's betogether and make our whispers one BIG VOICE.

SEND YOUR IDEAS, views, and thoughts to us. Box 4504 Portland, OR 9720P
THIS IS YOUR NEWSLETTER......WHAT YOU SEE HERE......is what we get from you. If you want to see something special, say "hello" to a friend, "happy birthday", or just "I love you".....SAY IT HERE. Send stuff to ABATE Post Office Box. Poems, small drawings, etc. are welcome. OK? ok.

ABATE OF OREGON, RIVER CITY CHAPTER

February 20, 1977

Meeting called to order 8:15. Minutes read.

Present: 27

New members: none

Visitors: 5 from out of town

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ALC:

New patches are now available. The cost is 2,00. If you desire a patch please contact Secretary.

Treasurers Report: Currently \$67.11. Swap meet net was \$20,00

Bake Sale will be February 21. Volunteers Donni Williams, Teresa Hepker, Debbie and Dave. Committee to meet after adjournment.

Luke Metcalfe took floor. Mentiened of an excursion that the House Transportation Committee will be taking this coming Thursday, ending up in Portland at the Union Station. He would like to encourage any persons interested to meet at the Union Station 3:30 February 24, to discuss Abate with the Committee.

72 page Statistics Booklet "Hats Off in 1977" are available for a cost of \$3.00 each. Treasury could purchase copies, and have them available to members,

George Dowling gave report from Salem. Spoke to Rogetti who was very impressed with onslaught of mail from The Dalles. Mr. Rogetti is definitely on our side.

Senate Bill #159, learners permit for motorcycles, was passed by the committee.

Important letters to write: Phillip Lange, Speaker of House
Pat Whiting, Chairpan of House Transportation

Darrell Lafoon took floor: Passed out diagram of how the legislature works. Explained what stage we were in and outlined the critical stages of a Bill

A bill becomes a law 91 days after legislation session ends, UNLESS there is an emergency clause stating that as soon as the governor signs the bill, it will become law. In all correspondence to senators, etc., BE SURE TO MENTION EMERGENCY CLAUSE.

There is currently a bill in House to increase our gas tax 2¢ per gallon. House Bills #2140,2141, & 2142. Write letters asking them not to sponsor this bill.

A collection was taken up for the stamp fund. Net \$12.20

A collection was also taken up for Mr. Don Chambers, an attorney who has devoted alot of time to ABATE. Collection netted \$12.21. Secretary is to draft a letter to Mr. Chambers PO Box 17081, Pertland, OR, for all ABATE members to sign.

Dave Robertson gave a report on the Screaming Engles meeting at the Penitentiary. They are in need of panhead parts. If we can gather parts and get them to Portland, Sugar Bear can get an 8 hour pass to pick them up.

If any one is in Salem area, the Salem chapter holds their meetings

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On Feb 20,1977 a visiting committee from portland traveled to The Dalles to attend their ABATE meeting. Not only were we very warmly welcome but highly

empressed by that chapter endeavors.

This chapter is your largest voice to be heard so far in Salem by their letter writing on the Helmet Repeal. While there this very busy chapter, was in volved in a bake sale, canned goods drive, and also making plans for very near future activities.

The member attendance at this meeting was over whelming due to the fact its a small town and one wouldn't expect

a turn out of this number.

I hope all chapters in ABATE will take a lesson from this. Hats off and keep up the good work. You are appreciated.



NEXT ABATE MEETING: Will be held at P.P.A.A....along with the OMRA to hear Vern Cook speak on P.I.P. ("no-fault insurance") for motorcycles. STARTS at 8:00 pm.......618 S. E. Alder. See you there!!!!! (Portland)

HATS OFF IN '77

We have available to you copies off our "HATS OFF IN '77". are identical to the 74 page book of statistical information and other good anti-helmet literature that is being sent to your legislators. GET IN THE FIGHT! GET YOUR "HATS OFF IN '77" NOW! - ONLY \$3.00. No member should be without a copy - it's your ticket to freedom!

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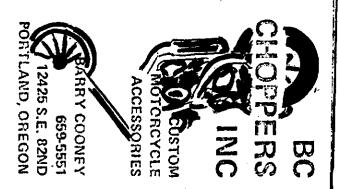
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