

## Deputy Tells Results Of First Year Of Litterbug Campaign

The first annual report on the county "litterbug" control program was turned over to Sheriff W. P. (Bud) Hendrick today by Deputy Larry Rawson.

Since he was assigned to formulate an active litter control program last March, Rawson, with the aid of county and state departments, has made definite progress in ridding the county of dumping grounds and apprehending flagrant violators.

In the last year 53 cases of dumping have been reported. All were investigated with the result that many held no evidence for further action.

Six went into court and were given fines ranging from \$15 to \$100. In 11 instances the persons cited appeared at the district attorney's office, pleaded guilty and agreed to clean up the mess.

Warrants are out for two offenders with bail set at \$100 each. Four violators have moved out of local jurisdiction.

Four cases are pending in the DA's office as a result of recent investigation made of a large dump just off Highway 9 above Boulder Creek.

In his report Rawson said he received full cooperation from the board of supervisors, health department, road department,

poundmaster, the California divisions of highways and forestry and franchised scavengers.

The Boy Scouts of America came in for praise through their efforts connected with cleaning up over 105 miles of roadside. This litter was hauled away by city, county and private trucks.

According to Rawson, the purpose of his program is three-fold. First education; second arrest and conviction of violators; and third the deputy feels that the offender is more impressed when he voluntarily cleans up an area than by a fine.

Serving as a desk officer on regular duty, Rawson spends his days-off patrolling areas where both residents and tourists might dump unwanted trash.

In concluding his report the deputy said he looks forward to continuing and expanding his program with the continued interest of the board of supervisors and the above mentioned departments.

He believes the combined effort is well worth while and will result in a cleaner and more inviting atmosphere throughout the county.

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