NEW BUICK STYLE MEETS WITH WIDE PUBLIC APPROVAL

The 1930 Buick, introduced in Roseburg two weeks ago in the show rooms of Gordon's garage, has been enthusiastically viewed by many ever since. The new cars, it is revealed, embody sensational advancements in both appearance and performance.

The 1930 Buick line embodies three series and fourteen distinct models. Wheelbases in all three series have been lengthened and horsepower has been markedly increased.

The wheelbase of the six models in the 40 series has been increased from 116 inches to 118 inches; in the two models of the 50 series from 121 to 124 inches, and on the six models in the 60 series from 129 to 132 inches. The Buick valve-in-head motor on the 40 models has been stepped up to 80½ horsepower and the larger engine in the 50 and 60 series has been increased to 99 horsepower.

All the new Buick models have been built lower; body lines and contours have been refined, the shape of the radiator revised, the margin of the radiator shell diminished and thermostatically operated shutters added to the front. Bodies are Fisher built.

Among the mechanical advances embodied in the new Buick is a steering wheel road shock eliminating device, which coupled with a fully adjustable worm and roller type steering assembly makes the car singularly easy to steer and handle under all conditions. Semi-elliptic springs and double acting shock absorbers are used, together with a redesigned transmission and clutch. A sloping non-glare windshield is another advancement incorporated in the new Buick.

CHARGED WITH ATTACKING WOMAN IN DRESSING ROOM

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 14.—Charged with attacking a woman in a dressing room in a downtown building, Oscar Fuller, 21, was under arrest here today. The woman, Mrs. J. H. Smith, said Fuller entered the room carrying a roll of music and a book of poems under his arm and started hitting her with his fists.

Her screams were heard by her husband on the floor above. Smith ran down in time to see Fuller running through the halls. Chase through downtown streets resulted in Fuller's capture.

Fuller was held under $500 bail. He could not explain how he happened to enter the dressing room, and told police he had gone to the building to take a music lesson.

DARING DIVER MEETS WITH TERRIBLE DEATH

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

DAMARISCOTTA, Maine, Aug. 14.—The attempt of Loring Burnham, 32, of Damariscotta Mills, to thrill a crowd of spectators cost him his life.

After making several dives from the top of an iron bridge here into the river, Burnham, although warned, started to strip off insulation on a high tension line running the length of the span. He lost his balance and grabbed the almost bare wire. The force of the current held him until the high voltage, short circuiting through his body melted one of the strands and he dropped into the river 30 feet below.

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VEEDOL SHARES IN THIRD VICTORY OF GERMAN AIRCAFT

Sharing in the glory of the Graf Zeppelin's third successful crossing of the Atlantic ocean when the great German ship landed at Lakehurst, New Jersey, after a trip of 95 hours from Friederichshafen, Germany, Veedol motor oil once more scored a signal triumph in lubricating the motors of a history-making airship.

"The Graf, designed by a German, made in Germany, built with German money, with German metal, fabric, motors, flies on all her cruises with an American motor oil, the same new Veedol which is used by thousands of American motorists lubricating her five Maybach motors," W. C. Pettingell, western regional manager for the Tide Water Oil Sales Corporation, said in commenting upon the Zeppelin's epic flight.

"Out of all the motor oils in the world, the same genius of engineering that designed and built the Graf Zeppelin also dictated the choice of the ship's motor oil, and Veedol was selected. Already Veedol had made a perfect record on the first voyage of the Graf Zeppelin to the United States—the longest, hardest battle in the history of aviation. Since that conclusive proof of its quality, no other oil has been considered.

"Since the making of its latest record of flawless performance in lubricating the Zeppelin's five powerful Maybach motors, Veedol now has to its credit four Atlantic crossings—three trips of the Graf Zeppelin and one by the Pathfinder, recently flown from Old Orchard, Maine, to Rome by Lieutenant Roger Q. Williams and Captain Lewis V. Yancey.

"And when the Graf sailed on her trip around the world, starting from Lakehorst, Veedol again was used. At Lakehurst, Minesfield, Los Angeles, Friederichshafen, and Tokio, Tide Water has already placed large stores of oil for the huge ship.

"The oil used in the Zeppelin and in all the history-making flights in which Veedol has participated, is exactly the same Veedol that any motorist may buy at any one of thousands of service stations throughout the country."

SAN FRANCISCO BAY BRIDGE PLAN BOARD TO BE APPOINTED

WASHINGTON, Aug. 13—Agreement to appoint a commission of federal and state representatives to work out problems presented by the proposed construction of a bridge across San Francisco bay has been reached by President Hoover and Governor Young of California.

The personnel of the commission, the president announced today, will be two representatives of the navy department, two from the war department, one representing San Francisco, one representing Alameda, at the opposite end of the proposed bridge, and one westerner representing the federal government at large, who Mr. Hoover said would be Mark L. Requa.

The purpose of the commission, Mr. Hoover explained, would be to determine a proper site for the bridge and to obtain the consent of interested federal departments for the location of the span there.

The construction of this bridge has been the subject of considerable controversy in recent years in congressional committees hearings at the war department.

RACKETS AND BOMBS COST CHICAGO 186 MILLION IN 1928

CHICAGO, Aug. 13.—The bomb and the racket, twin terrors to small merchants and tradesmen, have shown a sharp gain this year over last, the employers' association has found out.

Rackets cost the city $186,000,000 in 1928, according to computations by Joseph Neilsen, assistant secretary of the association. This represents an average cost of $36 for every man, woman and child in Chicago. Figures for 1929 indicate that the final total for the year will be even higher.

The bomb, which serves racketeers as a lash to whip racket victims into line, is more dangerous than the bomb of a year ago. The average damage of each bomb in 1928 was $1214. The 71st bomb of 1929 was thrown Sunday night, 46 days earlier than bomb No. 71 was set off last year.

NEWCOMER TAKES POSITION AS CHEF AT LOCAL GRILL

Lester Nerbas and wife, formerly of Portland, who came to Roseburg a week ago to visit with Mr. Nerbas' uncle, Dr. H. R. Nerbas, have decided to remain in this city, and have accepted positions at the Silvernook Grill. Mr. Nerbas is an experienced chef, having been employed for several years at the Davenport hotel in Spokane and at the New Arlington in Portland. He has taken the position as chef at the local grill and Mrs. Nerbas is serving as waitress.

COUNTY GRANGE FAVORS PLANS FOR MARKET AGENCY

The Douglas county grange council met Monday evening, with a good attendance, and considerable discussion was given to the menace of the fire blight, a disease fatal to pear trees if not controlled. The fire blight also attacks Spitzenberg apples.

The discussion brought out the fact that the cars operated by the county agent and county fruit inspector were both about complete wrecks, just at the time when these officials should be in the field watching the development of this disease. The council adopted a resolution urging the county court to see that either new cars were provided for these officials or the old ones placed in good mechanical condition.

The county deputy, Fred A. Goff, was appointed a committee to correspond with the agricultural committees of the subordinate granges of the county to see if some plan could not be worked out whereby the products of the county could be marketed in a uniform manner through some central selling agency, and a resolution was adopted endorsing the plan of having the state grange develop the exchange of surplus products between counties. Each grange was urged to have appointed a correspondent for its local newspaper and for the Grange Bulletin.

The legislative committees of the subordinate granges were requested to make a study of the high school tuition fund law and also to investigate the measure adopted by the last legislative assembly relative to school busses.

A resolution was adopted thanking Mr. Ott of the Ott Music store for the use of a piano at the recent Pomona Grange and Kiwanis picnic, and some details for the next meeting of the Pomona Grange, which meets with Riddle grange August 31, were worked out.

As prune harvesting will be at its height when the next meeting of the council would be held, the second Monday, it was decided not to hold a meeting in the month of September.

JUDGE TARGET FOR EDITOR'S JEST IN SUIT FOR LIBEL

SAN JOSE, Calif., Aug. 13.—Taking the stand in his own behalf, Hyland A. Baggerly, Los Gatos publisher, testified this morning concerning articles he published on Judge Percy O'Connor's handling of the reckless driving case against Miss Josephine Grant, San Francisco heiress.

The articles resulted in a criminal libel suit against Baggerly, on which a preliminary hearing is being held.

Asked about O'Connor's reputation in dealing with reckless driving and liquor cases, Baggerly said:

"He is usually hard-boiled in these cases, but this time he was evidently soft-boiled."

The courtroom, filled with spectators, was kept in almost continual laughter by the sallies of the editor on action of O'Connor in dismissing two counts of drunken charges, a liquor possession charge and suspending a $50 fine for reckless driving against Miss Grant.

GEORGE GODFREY LOSSES TO HAWKINS IN DIRTY BATTLE

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

LOS ANGELES, Aug. 14.—Long Tom Hawkins, elongated San Diego, Cal., negro heavyweight, today added the name of George Godfrey, another negro, Leiperville, Pa., behemoth, to his list of fistic conquests with the phrase "won on a foul" after it.

Hawkins, who entered the ring with the ponderous Godfrey on the small end of one-sided odds, was awarded a foul verdict over the 224-pound Pennsylvania fighter in the third round of a scheduled 10-round bout here last night. Ringsiders described the affair a "battle of low blows with Hawkins coming out ahead."

Some of the ringsiders said Hawkins started the rackus in the second round when he hit Godfrey with punches that were questionable. Godfrey, apparently in retaliation, struck Hawkins low in the same round.

In the third, Godfrey complained of another low blow, which ringsiders did not see. The referee waved them into action, with Godfrey landing several questionable blows under cover of heavy milling. His final punch, a hard one to the groin, sent Hawkins writing in pain, to the canvas. He was carried to his corner, where, after an examination, he was awarded the fight, such as it was.

Hawkins scaled 225 pounds.

ONE CRIMINAL SLATED TO EXECUTE ANOTHER

(Associated Press Leased Wire)

HAVANA, Aug. 14.—Two partners in crime may meet early next year on the garrote platform in the Cuban federal penitentiary, one as executioner; the other to die for the murder of a 64-year-old woman, Emilia Munoz.

A ruling today by the supreme court said that Enrique Pineda, sentenced to life term as accomplice in the Munoz slaying and last year named official executioner, must twist the garrote handle in the execution of Zoila Rodriguez, admitted slayer of the old woman.

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The Skyscraper Murder

by SAMUEL SPEWACK

CHAPTER XXXII

The bedroom door opened slowly. To Marx's amazement, the doctor came forward silently and advanced to Slater. Then he seized his smooth, sleek, black hair and tugged. The black wig came off.

"Say, what the——" shouted Marx.

"Allow me to present to you Mr. Oliver Sewell!" the doctor bowed mockingly and then to the prisoner: "We thought you were murdered!"

* * *

My name is Oliver Sewell, resident of New York City, and this is my free, frank and full confession. I am dictating this to a stenographer in a Paris hotel room. I realize that everything I say will be used against me, but all my life I've been a gambler, and when I've lost I've never whined.

A French doctor who examined me said I'm not quite sane. I like his qualification—"not quite sane." Perhaps he's right. I won't plead insanity, however. I'd rather go to the chair and have it over with, now that I've played my last card—and lost. But if I'm not quite sane it's because of that diamond.

It started in Russia. A girl I had been playing around with got hold of it. I took it away from her. I fell in love with that diamond. I loved it as I've never loved a human being. Merely to know it was mine would give me happiness. To hold it, to look at it. It was a flame of white. There was more passion in it than any woman I've known.

If I had been content to keep it, I would be free today. But that devilish stone had the power of driving you, somehow. It gave me thoughts of great wealth. If I sold that diamond, I would be tremendously rich. I could have anything in the wide world—millions. But as a gambler, when I've been on the verge of great wealth, I always backslide. A gambler rarely wins or loses if he keeps on playing steadily, and has the money to go right on. He's bound to win back what he's lost, and to lose what he's won.

This diamond seemed to open new life for me. But I was in no hurry to sell it. I merely dreamt of wat I would do with the money when I had it, how I would spend it, where I would go.

Then came the Russian. I suspected he was sent by the girl, but I was never sure. And when he came I couldn't get rid of him. He insisted I keep him. He insisted I give him some of the proceeds of the diamond.

The first day he came I conceived the project of getting rid of him—forever. I planned very carefully, very deliberately. I realized immediately that if I were to carry this off at all, I must have the physical arrangement that would permit me to get rid of him, and pass him off as myself.

I figured out everything in detail. To begin with—and this is what first gave me the idea—we were enough of a similar build to permit the deception. Every one knew I wore a wig, a red wig. With care and caution and luck, my plan was feasible.

But first I must hide him where no one could see him. I conceived the idea of hiring the apartment next door and then creating a corridor connecting the rooms. This Russian was something of a mechanic and he did the work himself. It was not hard. When I first moved into the apartment I had mirrors lined on the four walls. There was a sort of alcove on one wall, and this served as the corridor. The mirror became a door.

Having arranged my apartment, I next set to work in planning the actual murder.

Probably where I went wrong was that I had mixed motives. One must have a single-track mind in murder. I realize this sounds cold-blooded. But I have no regret for what I've done. It was inevitable.

To begin with, I let myself be distracted by women. Mrs. Edison, who figured in the newspapers in this case, was an old flame of mine. I never took her very seriously, but she seemed to take me seriously, which was bad. I had a sort of affection for her, I guess, and I didn't want to hurt her more than I could help.

But perhaps it will be clearer if I tell my story chronologically:

About a week before the night I murdered this Russian, there were several things complicating my life. The first was the hatred of Major Preston, a partner of mine. I've always believed that he cheated me in several big deals I had with him. In any case, I never liked him, although he's a good gambler.

Major Preston has a niece who took my fancy. The Major got quite upset when he realized this and he talked wildly. It was then that I thought it would be devilishly funny if I got the Major into a little trouble.

For, I reasoned, if I murdered myself, so to speak, the police would hunt the murderer. They knew nothing of the Russian. Therefore I must give them a suspect. I decided to give them the Major.

Why?

For many reasons, as I have indicated. But primarily because he tried to cheat me out of my beloved diamond. We had put the diamond in the safe. I had half the combination, the Russian the other half. The Major knew the entire combination, having watched us. I, too, knew the entire combination. Only the simple-minded Russian held literally to the formula. The Russians are simple-minded even, or especially, when they engage in intrigue or crime.

Trusting neither the Russian nor the Major, I had an imitation made of the diamond, and put that in the safe. I waited patiently for one or the other to take it. It was the Major who took it, and I laughed delightedly for I knew he was crooked, and not to be trusted.

Having then gotten hold of the diamond, I still had to get rid of the Russian, for he got quite angry and threatened to expose the whole business. If he made any sort of a scandal, it would be extremely difficult to dispose of the stone.

His entire attitude convinced me that I must go through with my plans, however distasteful they might be, and however dangerous. And the Major's actions likewise convinced me that he was the one who deserved to be a suspect. I figured, and figured wisely, too, I think, that with some one arrested, and the case cleared, I would be safe for the rest of my life. With my supposed death a mystery, I could never feel safe.

Then I told the Major I was suffering from a strange fear and induced him to come and stay at the house. I told him to bring a revolver, because I intended using that revolver. This would plant a double suspicion on the Major.

The Major agreed to come. Meanwhile, however, Mrs. Edison was calling me up constantly. She'd just gotten a divorce from her husband, and fondly imagined that I would take her away with me. Mrs. Edison is a little too impulsive.

(To Be Continued)

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TRESPASS NOTICE

All persons warned against trespassing on premises of Elks Island in the Umpqua river below Oak street bridge. A guard is being maintained day and night. Violators will be prosecuted.

MAN-CAUSED FIRES DOUBLE ANY OTHER KIND, SAYS REPORT

With 500 to 600 fires started on the national forests of Oregon and Washington in the first week in August the fire season is now on, federal foresters in the Portland, Oregon office, report.

While the very large percentage of the August fires so far were caused by severe lightning storms of August 1 and 2 up to August 1, man-caused fires were over two and one-half times as numerous as lightning fires. Smokers led all man-causes, showing an increase over 1928 for the same period, forest service reports show. Up to August 1, a total of 368 forest fires had been reported on the twenty-two national forests of the north Pacific district, or 288 less than a year ago. This difference is said to be due largely to the delay in opening of the 1929 fire season which is about two weeks later this year than normally.

Dr. Nerbas wishes to inform his patients that his office will continue to be in the Masonic Building, Rooms 7, 8 and 9 as always.—Adv.

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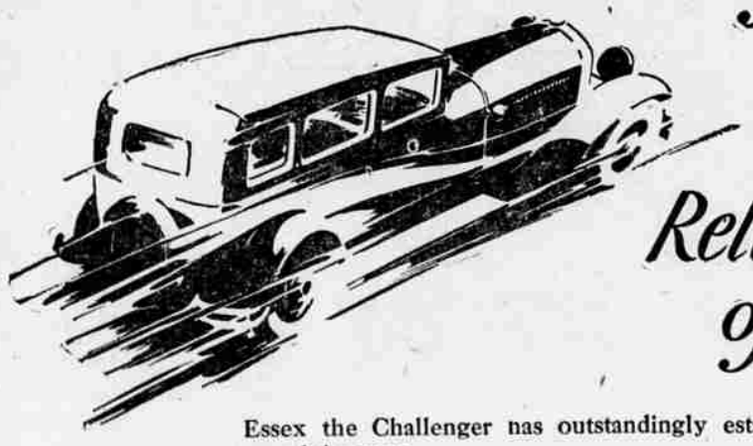

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