

Course Announced For Big '55 Mobile Economy Run; Colorado Springs Is Goal

By Harry Elliott News Service

The 1955 Mobilgas Economy Run course — 1,323 miles — will follow a rugged new route through the southwest with overnight stops at Tucson, Ariz., and Albuquerque, N.M. Starting point is Los Angeles; destination is Colorado Springs, Col.

The route, selected by the Southern California Automobile Club, provides all the rigors of high and low altitude and city and country driving that the average driver encounters in a year of motoring. On the first day the 22 cars that have been entered will travel the 519 miles from Los Angeles to Tucson in an allotted time of 12

hours and 50 minutes. They will go by way of Palm Springs, Brawley and Yuma to Tucson.

The second day will take the entrants an additional 445 miles to Albuquerque in 11 hours and 20 minutes. On the final day, March 16, the drivers, all of whom are driving cars with automatic transmissions for the first time in the run's history, must travel the remaining 348 miles to the base of Pikes Peak at Colorado Springs, within the time limit of 8 hours and 40 minutes.

Drivers must maintain an average speed of 40 miles per hour, but at all times stay within city and highway speed limits.

Racing Honors

Winner of the Grand National 160-mile Stock Car Race during NASCAR Speed Week was Chrysler, also winner of the National Speed Trial Championship at the same event held in Daytona Beach, Florida.

Tim Flock, driver of a Chrysler 300, edged out 60 competitors with an average speed of 92.05 miles per hour. This broke all previous records.

Can You Afford It

In answer to the question "Who can afford a new car?" the American Finance Corporation gives this answer to automobile dealers: Anyone who can furnish at least one-third down and pay off the balance without strain within a maximum of 24 months.

GM Wins Safety Award

In recognition of outstanding safety performance in 1954, General Motors won its tenth award of

honor from the National Safety Council.

The company-wide accident frequency rate (number of disabling injuries per million man-hours worked), in 1954 was 1.53, an improvement of seven per cent over

1953. The 1954 severity rate (number of days lost per 100,000 hours worked) was .28, an improvement of 20 per cent over 1953.

Save Your Tire Hints

If the tread seems to disappear from your tires, more attention to

these hints from the National Automobile Club may help:

1. Keep your wheels aligned.
2. Don't let your brakes get out of adjustment.
3. Make sure your tires are always properly inflated.

4. Check valves and caps on the valves.
5. Keep your spare properly inflated and rotate your tires.
6. Don't let oil accumulate on your garage floor — it coats your tires and rots the rubber.
7. Avoid sudden starts and stops.
8. Whenever possible drive on good roads.
9. Drive carefully at all times.
10. Attend to a cut or leak immediately.

Then And Now

Sixty years ago there were four passenger cars in the United States, according to the National Automobile Club.

This year, Harlow H. Currice, president of General Motors, says the automobile industry "may well produce and the domestic market absorb approximately seven and one-half million passenger cars and trucks in 1955."

Detroit Notes

Old records continue to topple. The end of March is almost certain to see a record established for highest new-car sales during the first quarter of the year. — AUTOMOTIVE NEWS estimates new-car sales now running at the rate of 21,800 daily. If this rate continues, March will be the all-time high month, with just a little below 600,000 sales. In 1951, when the old record was set, new-car sales for March totaled 512,500. — Car production for this month is record high, too. Production totaled 171,588 cars the first week, second only to the 173,457 all-time record which was set during the week that ended February 19 of this year. — Chevrolet leads the new car registration lists for last year, now complete except for two states for December. — General Motors earnings of nearly \$800 million in 1954 topped all previous years except 1950. Harlow H. Currice, president, and Alfred P. Sloan, Jr., chairman of the board, said last week. Sales would have set a record had it not been for a 29 per cent decline in defense business. — Ford has risen to second place in farm tractor production.

Although modern irrigation works in the arid portions of the United States date from 1947, many large irrigation systems that date from periods before recorded history have their remains in the same areas.



"FIRE-EATING" HERE TO STAY—Prince Uluato Tavui, a Samoan fire-eater, is putting his talent to work for American industry. Uluato (pronounced oo-loo-ah-low, with as few accents as possible) is shown above helping a Chicago, Ill., bindery company solve a problem. The company had to deliver 200,000 advertising pamphlets that had to look like centuries-old folios. The prince's talents did the trick. He does it by mouthing a swig of kerosene and blowing it into a torch.



TIED TO WORK—Germany's safest truck driver, Martin Elcher, 63, and his wife celebrate award given to him for driving 1,860,000 accident-free miles in 41 years.

New Grandstand Will Rise At Happy Canyon

PENDLETON (AP)—Happy Canyon Co. will award Tuesday an \$82,290 contract for construction of a grandstand with 4,000 capacity seating adjacent to the new Pendleton Armory site.

The grandstand will seat spectators at the Happy Canyon Festival held annually with the Pendleton Round-Up.

The contract will go to A. Young & Co., Portland, which was low of six bidders.

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Poisoner Of Her Four Husbands Ruled Insane

TULSA, Okla. (AP)—Psychiatrists Monday declared Grandma Nannie Doss to be insane and recommended the confessed poisoner of four husbands be recommitted.

The recommendation came from psychiatrists at Eastern State Hospital, Vinita, where the much-married grandmother underwent 90 days' mental observation.

The effect of the ruling is to prevent her trial, at this time, on murder charges in the death of her last husband, Samuel Doss, a highway department employee here.

Mrs. Doss, who captured headlines late last year with her cheerful confessions of feeding rat poison to four husbands, has been charged with their deaths and that of her own mother. She denied killing her mother.

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