

Highway and Auto Dope

Traffic and Tourist News

AUTOMOBILE NEWS

RUNABOUT IS WIDELY USED

College Men Prefer the Roadster Type Cars in Making Summer Vacation Trips.

With schools and colleges closed and vacation time here, young folk are getting out onto the road and to all appearances they seem to be going in for motoring more than

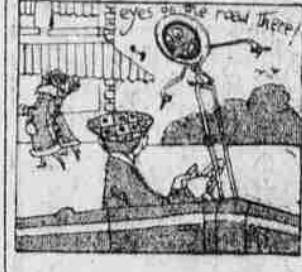
ever before. Any observing person can see it in the traffic along the streets and on the country highways—at the picnics in the parks, at the summer resorts. The number of young men and women driving cars is everywhere showing a surprising increase. Among these youthful motorists the small, light open car seems to have the preference by a wide margin and the Ford runabout is by far the most popular of all, judging from the number seen on the streets. These are, of course, a number of reasons for this Ford popularity. First of all, the price is low. This gives those in modest circumstances an opportunity to enjoy a car, while those of more means only easily provide the younger members of the family with a runabout of their own at a

small outlay and thus retain the higher priced cars for use of others in the family. Even before the vacation season arrived there were indications that Ford runabouts had come into increased favor, for more of them have appeared on the streets during the early spring months this year than in previous years. It is just about impossible now to turn onto any street or road without meeting the familiar Ford runabout with top down, more than likely in a khaki colored coat, with windings on the windshield and other accessories according to the owner's individual taste. Now with the hosts of young men and women home for vacation the number of Ford runabout drivers promises to take a decided increase, judging at least from the early season popularity of the car.

Your Tires

(By T. S. Lindsey)

Good, rugged, non-skid tires, a dry road surface, and effective brakes are not the only things necessary to bring a car to a stop quickly. Coordination between mind and muscle is essential. Ask any good driver if he can come to a stop within fifty feet when traveling at twenty-five miles an hour. "Sure," he will say, and then will demonstrate by applying his brakes at a signal, and measuring the distance from the point of brake application to the point of full stop. The distance may be twenty-five, thirty or even fifty feet, but whatever it is, it will not be accurate. The real distance is from the point at which the sig-



nal to stop was given to the point of full stop. It may be twice the distance of the first measurement, because the mind must tell the foot to apply the brake, which takes time, and the car is moving during this time. You may not agree with this statement. You may say that the shift of foot from accelerator to brake pedal is nearly instantaneous. A half a second may seem "nearly instantaneous," yet at 30 miles an hour your car will travel twenty-two feet in this half second. Few drivers can shift from gas to brake in half a second. If the driver is watching the scenery or turning to look at a pretty girl, he may drive fifty feet before he begins to apply the brakes and another twenty-five feet before stopping.

The Bureau of Standards at Washington has made some interesting tests, which will be described in future articles.

Tips For Motorists

Frequently, the most serious engine trouble, leading to overheating, may have such a simple origin that it seems scarcely necessary to call it to the attention of either experienced or inexperienced motorists. Such is the case, however, to fill the radiator with water. How many times has the carefree motorist started on an automobile trip, and after proceeding for a short distance, observed steam emanating from the radiator? A great many, of course, with consequent "pit-tin" language and vituperation of the manufacturers of the car. The usual sequence of events is as follows: The motorist gets out of his car, raises the hood and looks suspiciously at the engine. The engine looks all right. He then studies the rear axle, and, finding nothing wrong there, feverishly examines the running board. After half an hour or so of such investigation it occurs to him to remove the

radiator cap and he makes the astounding discovery that there is no water in the radiator. The cure, of course, is very simple—but the danger is that the cure, applied too late, may not be a complete one. For, deprived of the circulation of the water which is an essential feature of the design of most gasoline engines, a considerable injury may happen to the motor. Low water means a rapid rise in engine temperature, and the only sure way to prevent this, short of remembering to fill the radiator, is to keep an eye on the heat indicator on the radiator cap and stop and examine when this indicator registers above the danger line.

Of all the causes of motor heating set forth in the first eight articles on this subject, perhaps the most obscure and insidious cause is that of the clogged strainer. The ordinary driver or motorist, or even the one with a long record of satisfactory performance, often does not know that hidden deep under the vault-like steel covering of the engine, is a strainer with a very fine mesh, the purpose of which is to strain all the impurity from the oil that is circulating through the motor. This strainer covers the suction pipe of the oil pump, and gradually becomes filled with the sediment that accumulates in the very best grades of lubricating oil. When this occurs, the oil cannot flow through the suction pipe to the parts needing lubrication, and friction starts in. Frictional heat, combined with the high cylinder heat, is given off far too rapidly to be adequately cooled by the water circulating around the water cycle. As the heat generates, the red line in the heat indicating instrument goes toward the top, thus warning the driver that something is wrong. If all other ordinary causes for heat generation seem to be working properly, have your mechanic look for this defect.

The heat indicator is placed on the radiator cap of the car so that the driver does not have to take his eyes from the road, a fact which adds to the safety of his and passing cars.

JUST BE PATIENT

Though Greenland's icy mountains
Evermore distant are,
And Aetna's murmuring fountains
Lie—so to speak—afar,
Though one must widely travel
Through many scattered lands
To view the golden gravel
"Round India's coral strands,
A patient person I am
And never sit and smile—
For Henry Ford will buy 'em
If just I wait a while.

No land of milk and honey,
No land of pearls and gold,
But many he had for money
As often we are told,
And not a king or duke or
A rajah ever known,
Has half the store of lucre
That Henry soon will own.
He does things circumspectly,
He's shrewd, but never fear—
He'll buy these things directly,
And bring 'em over here.
Just now the other munders
Our planet from the stars
We've never seen the wonders
Of Jupiter or Mars.
We can't observe a comet
Upon its heavenly raid,
We're far too distant from it
To know how it is made.
But maybe by next autumn
We'll view them close aboard
For Henry may have bought 'em
And painted on 'em "FORD."

GARAGE GOSSIP

At Union—
W. D. Hanks of Gettings and Hanks was at Union yesterday on a business trip.

Spent Fourth—
J. B. Hollingsworth, service man at the Standard Oil filling station, with his family spent the Fourth of July in Baker.

At Conference—
E. L. Ledbetter, local Hudson and Essex dealer left for Portland Thursday to attend a sales conference of Hudson and Essex dealers. Harry Moore, sales promotion manager from Detroit will be there to show a motion picture of the big Detroit factory.

On Trip—
Eldon Parsons, of the maintenance department of the Perkins Motor company, is on a fishing trip on the Minam river this week in company with Harry Mohr of La Grande. The trip was made from Cove by pack horse.

Here Yesterday—
N. W. Barnes of the auditing department of the Standard Oil company was in La Grande yesterday en route to Yellowstone park for his vacation. Mrs. Barnes accompanied him.

On Vacation—
Coleman George, service man at the La Grande Filling company station on Jefferson street, accompanied by Mrs. George is spending his vacation on the coast. The trip is being made in an Essex coach, purchased recently from E. L. Ledbetter.

At the Lake—
The Standard Oil company was well represented at Wallawa lake

over the Fourth of July vacation. Among the members of the company there were, H. W. McCallum, assistant sales manager of the Walla Walla district; E. A. Seagren, district credit manager; W. G. Archibald, head auditor of the Walla Walla office; R. G. Alberts, assistant special agent and G. G. Griffith, special agent from La Grande. Their families accompanied them on the trip.



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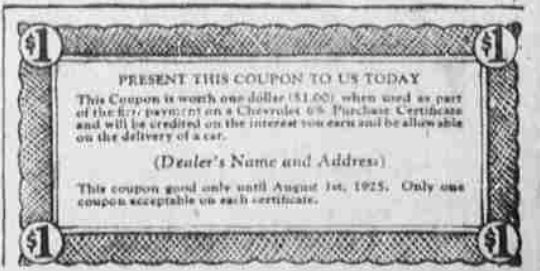
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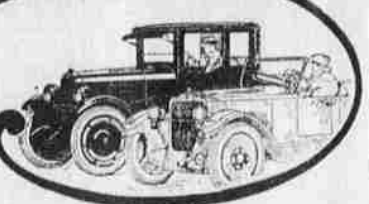
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