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DODGE PRICE CUT IS GIVEN

The reductions in the prices of Dodge Brothers' cars, announced on December 16, as effective of that date, but withheld until Thursday, were announced here by L. C. Smith, local distributor. The reductions range from a cut of \$20 on the roadster to \$200 on the special A sedan.

Coincident with the cut in prices of the Dodge car and commercial equipment manufactured by the company, comes also an announcement, as a surprise, a cut in prices of the Graham Brothers' truck, also a product of the Dodge company.

The installation of \$10,000,000 in buildings and equipment, which enables the Dodge plant to practically double production, with consequent economies, is given in

Buick Expansion Move Now Well Under Way

As the first step in its \$2,000,000 expansion program, the Buick Motor company is now engaged in the construction of an addition to its engine plant to make possible a production of 1,200 engines a day, according to Jennings and Shumate, local automobile distributors.

The increase in production capacity has been made necessary by the demand for the new Buick models recently introduced. Work on the addition to the engine plant is being rushed to an early completion. The building, when finished, will be one of the largest manufacturing units in the world, covering 12 acres of ground. It will be 550 feet long and 350 feet wide. It is a one-story building with a roof of saw tooth construction, with an additional story at the south end housing the offices and dining room.

The published statement by the company as a reason for the price reductions.

FEDERAL AID DOLE IS SMALL

WASHINGTON, D. C.—Although they constitute 3.6 per cent of the total land area of the United States, the mountain and Pacific coast states received only 18.8 per cent of the federal aid extended by the government for road building during the fiscal year 1925, according to a statement broadcast by the American Automobile association today.

The A. A. A. statement is based on facts and figures presented in the annual report of the bureau of public roads of the department of agriculture. The figures declare that the A. A. A. show clearly that the road building in the public land states is not by any means the drain on the public treasury that many people have pictured it to be.

"An analysis of the figures of federal expenditures for the year," said President Henry, "show that the New England, Middle Atlantic and east north central states, which contain only 12.7 per cent of the land area of the country, received 28.2 per cent of the federal aid. It is clear, therefore, that the Pacific and mountain states received only a minor share in proportion to their land area."

The president of the A. A. A. called attention to the plea made by Secretary of Agriculture Jardine in his annual report, just submitted to President Coolidge in which he stressed the importance of government participation in the building of roads in the west and particularly in the public land states. The American Automobile association, said Mr. Henry, is 100 per cent in sympathy with the position of Secretary Jardine, who has this to say in his report:

Jardine Points Out Needs. "Occupying the crests of the mountain ranges, the forests cover all the more important highway passes. They practically surround and control access to the national parks, and they interpose between sections of all the western states virtually continuous bands of national land in which highways, if they are to be improved at all, must be improved by the federal government."

Mr. Henry also strongly endorsed the views expressed by Thomas H. MacDonald, chief of the public bureau of public roads, relative to federal aid in the west. In his annual report just made public, Chief MacDonald says:

"In the sparsely settled states of the west, the federal participation is a vital necessity and a definite obligation. The sections of the federal aid system in these states partake more of the character of interest in national roads than of roads for local traffic. The mileage to be improved is so great that without federal distribution, the work could not be done in a generation; and to this reason there is added the still more compelling one that is involved in the ownership of vast areas of land which are not taxable by the states."

In conclusion, the president of the A. A. A. pointed out that despite the sporadic agitation in the East against federal aid, the government funds, as revealed in the expenditures for the year, are as eagerly used in this section as in any other.

The seven states that received the largest individual share of federal aid during 1925 are as follows:

Texas	\$5,126,128.59
New York	4,512,477.81
Missouri	4,209,211.64
Pennsylvania	3,701,150.14
Michigan	3,609,501.49
California	3,346,816.24
Minnesota	3,223,206.77

An additional 5 per cent of the valuation has been added to the existing duty of 24 per cent on automobiles in Uruguay.

Great prosperity is predicted for 1926. But times promise to be fairly good in spite of this.

Dry Chief



L. C. Gunderson, of Madison, Wis., is the new federal prohibition director for Wisconsin. He succeeds Herman W. Sachten.

Gas Gargles

A proper adjustment of the carburetor will be no little help in keeping the gas bill within the bounds of reason. The adjustment should be such as to make the mixture as lean as possible and have it fire readily. One sure indication that the mixture is too rich is the presence of black smoke, one should avoid black smoke as he would a plague.

A wet windshield is dangerous, especially at night when light from approaching cars is magnified by rain drops blinding the driver. If your car is not equipped with an automatic windshield wiper apply a solution to the glass to clear the vision. One that has proven satisfactory contains mixture of two ounces of glycerin and one ounce of water and one drop of soft. Apply with a soft cloth, rubbing up and down.

To remove a pit from the face of a valve before grinding it, use either a valve facing grinder or put the valve in the lathe. Be careful to clean all carbon from the valve stem as a slight particle on the stem will throw it off center in the lathe. Pass the valve with a lathe tool or a tool post grinder.

When your car is being overhauled, examine the rollers and pins on the valve push rods. If there is a flat spot a distinct valve tap will be heard. This is often mistaken for a loose tappet. When the tappet is adjusted to quiet it, in such a case, the valve will not close with a result that compression is lost and the valves is burned.

Drainage hoses can frequently be equalized by marking adjustments at the bands. If satisfactory adjustment cannot be made, check at the pull back springs to see that the tension of both springs is equal. You should also disconnect the rods from the levers to see that they are not binding, as a rusty or dry brake lever will not release, causing the brakes to hold.

Non-skid tires that are worn smooth in the center of the tread will give additional service if run with less air, thus allowing the projections on the remaining tread to bear on the road. Care should be taken to have sufficient air to keep the tire from creeping on the rim or straining the side walls.

Even the far off and little heard of countries are becoming motorized. San Domingo City, Dominican republic, uses buses for the transportation of pupils to and from its public schools.

ENLARGE FACTORY TO ACCOMMODATE NEW DAY JEWETT

DETROIT (Special).—The Ford-Detroit Motor Car company is now running on full production schedule, following the recent introduction of its latest product, the New-Day Jewett, and for the first time the factory has placed in operation new buildings and machinery made necessary by the new car.

The factory had to be considerably enlarged, remodeled, and equipped with new machinery, to handle the New-Day line.

In the main assembly building, an additional motor conveyor for the new engines, with a capacity of 200 every eight hours, was installed. The motor-paint oven was enlarged 50 per cent, while the chassis assembly conveyor, a fifth of a mile long, also was increased in capacity.

The largest of the new buildings is for material storage. It is 350 x 70 feet two-stories of steel concrete throughout. Another new building, 250 x 60, is to be devoted exclusively to nickel plating.

Frames of the New-Day Jewett are riveted in a third new building, 110 x 60, equipped with a battery of heavy punch presses, powerful riveters, and gas rivet ligatures.

Other new construction necessary included an addition to the power house, with a large new boiler unit; and an air-compressor building, 50 x 30, housing four large compressors.

BAKER BONDS CALLED. BAKEL, Ore.—Baker school district No. 2 has called 12 bonds for a total of \$12,500, part of the \$125,000 issue sold in 1916 to finance the high school building. Mrs. Eliza M. Pearson, county treasurer, has just published notice of the sale. The funds will be sent to the National City bank in New York within a few days and the bonds will be paid on presentation there. Interest ceases on February 1.

The bonds called for February 1 are the first lot to be paid of the original \$125,000. One-tenth of them will be paid each year from now on.

The children may enjoy hearing scores of teachers lost all their money in a Chicago swindle.

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DAM NEAR COMPLETION.

PENDLETON, Ore.—The decrease in the appropriation for the Unadilla Irrigation project as proposed in the annual supply bill of the department of the interior which was presented to the house is due to the fact that the construction of McKay dam will be near completion at the end of the fiscal year and not so much money will be needed to apply on the cost of the dam in the new fiscal year which begins July 1, according to H. M. Schilling of Bendleton, superintendent of the project.

The proposed appropriation for the new fiscal year for the project is \$407,000, of which \$345,000 will be used on the old project. The

TIMBER CUT REPORTED

EUGENE, Ore.—During last year 28,625,536 feet of timber was cut in the Cascade national forest, valued at \$34,898,549, according to a report issued at the office of Nelson H. Macdonald, supervisor. Twenty-four per cent of this sum is turned into the treasury of Lane county. The cut is smaller than in 1924 when over 30,000,000 feet were cut. The report shows that 41 millions of pitch were sold from the forest. J. H. Bickley of Albany extracted the pitch from trees of Paul Creek. In the Simlaue forest there were

12 miles of timber with a total cut of 12,312,000 feet valued at \$16,237,575, according to a report made out at the office of H. E. Shelley, supervisor.

Dallas Fire Loss Small. DALLAS, Ore.—Fire losses in Dallas for 1925 were small, not a single building being destroyed. The few fires that occurred did but minor damage. The heaviest loss was in the Majestic theatre operating room, when a burning film damaged equipment to the value of a few hundred dollars.

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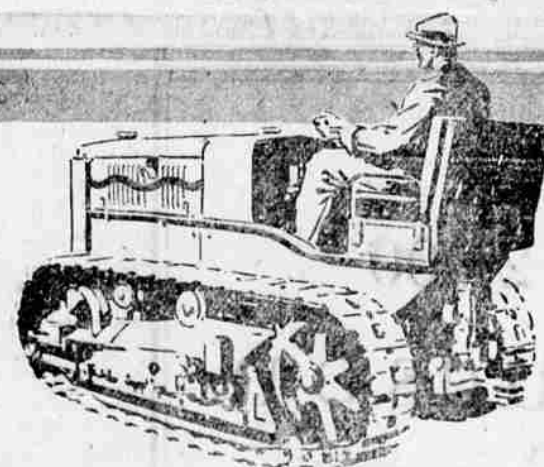
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