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U. S. ARMY BUYS DODGE FLEET

The record made by Dodge Brothers Motor cars as official transportation units of the United States Army in France and this country during the world war, is further recognized by the government in the purchase of 51 touring cars for country and hundreds are still on

use of the army in this country and of 21 units by the Panama Canal commission for use in the Canal Zone.

Approximately 20,000 Dodge Brothers cars were in the service during the war. These cars were often driven at night, up near the battle lines, when lights were forbidden, over terrain strewn with barbed wire, fallen trees, shell holes and other obstacles. Only a motor car of unusual sturdiness could withstand such usage it is said.

Many of the cars were also assigned to training camps in this country and hundreds are still on

Mitchell in Charge Of Chrysler Operations

Walter P. Chrysler, president and chairman of the board of the Chrysler corporation, has announced the promotion of W. L. Mitchell to vice president and general manager of operations of the Chrysler corporation.

Mr. Mitchell assumes direction of all Chrysler operations in the three main Detroit plants, in New Castle, Indiana, and Dayton, Ohio.

W. L. Mitchell entered the automobile industry in 1917 as president of the old Maxwell Motor Car company, with special jurisdiction over war contract production. In 1922 he became vice-president in charge of manufacturing under the present Chrysler administration. The rapid growth of the Chrysler corporation has placed an ever increasing burden on the shoulders of Walter P. Chrysler, and the extensive expansion plans for the future point the need for the present organization extension. With his appointment as general manager of Chrysler operations, Mr. Mitchell assumes leadership of one of the largest automotive manufacturing institutions in the country.

active duty. The recently purchased cars are additions to such fleets.

The purchase by the Panama Canal commission consists of seven Graham Brothers trucks, seven Dodge Brothers chassis, five Dodge Brothers touring cars and one each of the screen and panel type Dodge Brothers commercial cars.

"The purchase of additional Dodge Brothers motor cars indicates that the government has not forgotten the remarkable record these cars made during the war," declared L. C. Smith, local Dodge Brothers dealer.

Spring-fever yawns are the season's first sign of the great open spaces.

Do Hound's Noses Lie?



"SONNY" WHITE

By NEA Service
VANCOUVER, B. C. — Can bloodhounds lie? Should a man be hanged on the evidence of the dogs?

Upon the answers to the questions depends the life of Charles "Sonny" White, young beachcomber, sentenced to hang for the murder of Frank Hesso.

Police who found Hesso's body, put bloodhounds to work. The dogs sniffed and ran to a cabin nearby. Witnesses told of seeing White at the cabin on the day of the murder. Again the dogs sniffed. This time they ran to the water's edge. Witnesses told of seeing White out on the bay in a boat.

The jury convicted White, but his attorney appealed.

The dogs could not speak for themselves, he argued, and their actions had to be related by the policeman who had them in leash. Perhaps the policeman had directed the dogs.

After all, was not the whole story merely the impressions of the policeman—his solution of the crime?

The supreme court ordered a new trial which may answer the question: "Should a man be hanged on the evidence of bloodhounds?"

COLOR COMING TO THE FRONT

Color has attained a new importance in motor car building and this year the "color personality" of the aristocrats of motordom will be as authentic an index to character as design, according to automobile designers and builders. Development of color mediums which combine both a high resistance to the elements with depth of lustre and the appearance of warmth and life make possible the suggestion of speed and power, dignity or formality in color as well as body lines.

The loading dock of a builder of automobiles might seem a far cry from the fine car salons. Yet daily over the loading dock passes a review probably even more interesting than those seen with the velvet and marble background of the season's motor shows. In these unpretentious surroundings, may be seen a constant parade of the designs and colorings which will be most popular this year.

At the Lincoln Motor company's Detroit plant, where color tone and individuality in treatment have been encouraged and developed to a degree probably without parallel in the realm of fine cars, this review is particularly impressive. Even geography is a consideration in the selection of a Lincoln's finish and it is interesting to note how the car destined to be used in eternal sunshine differs from that which must be correct in either summer or winter.

A four passenger sedan, to be shipped into the great northwest is finished in the rich yet subdued tones duplicated from the plumage of the Chinese Jay. The body is in two tones of warm brown with a bright blue stripe for the required touch of brilliance.

Contrasting sharply with that family type of car is a sport phaeton consigned to Mexico City. The body below the moulding line is Royal Chariot Red with Jet upperworks, fenders and running gear and red wire wheels. A folding tonneau cowl and windshield suggest that the top will be folded most of the time. All metal is brightly nickel-plated.

Florida also demands striking shades in sport models. A sport phaeton for delivery in Jacksonville is finished in Buckskin Brown with Scotch gray stripe and upholstery in dualtone leather. Six

wire wheels with the two spares carried forward in fender wells, tonneau cowl and windshield, mahogany top bows and all metal in nickel add to its suggestion of fleetness.

To Hollywood go two club roadsters, one with Coronandul maroon body trimmed in Granada Maroon and Jet with a blue Maroon stripe and the other a combination of cream, black and orange chrome. Behind them follow a fully collapsible cabriolet in Cotina blue for Vermont and a Victoria Coupe in the light brown and red of the Red Chatterer, on its way to the nation's capital.

Day after day the kaleidoscope

procession moves down the loading dock, through the 177 minutes final inspection and into wash and weatherproofed freight cars. Finally, each Lincoln is encased in a heavy paper bag to protect it against dust, the compartment is sealed and the cars are on their way to the fashion centers of the world, according to W. C. Perkins, local dealer.

When the charging rate is raised above ten amperes the battery should be filled frequently with water, as considerable water may boil out due to increased electronic action.

He—Will you a Ford me the pleasure of taking a ride in my Buick?

She—If I did I'd find out how a Cadillac.

Oh, is Stutz so?

Fellow got hit by a car on the fourth of July and didn't come to until the middle of August. Long summer drive.

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