

DEALERS DROP FIGHT ON LAW

Petition with 17,000 Names for Repeal of Title Ruling Will Be Withheld.

PORTLAND, Ore., July 2.—The attempt to repeal the automobile certificate of title law is to be withheld following a meeting of the directors of the Automobile Dealers' association of Portland.

The move to repeal the certificate law was sponsored by and authorized by the Oregon automotive conference but at the request of the automotive trade of the state who had become the principal victims of the law now on the books.

Many Sign Petition. More than 17,000 names had been secured on the petitions which would have placed the measure on the November ballot, about 14,500 having been the number required by statute to place this law before the voters.

The present Oregon law was prepared by Joe Keller, representative of the Pacific Coast Board of Automobile Underwriters.

ence. "Keller neglected to follow either the nationally approved form of title law or any of the existing satisfactory laws now in use in California and Michigan. The present Oregon law has no 'teeth'—in fact, is a copy of the Michigan law with all the 'teeth' very carefully pulled out," he said.

Plan Worked Out. "The national automobile chamber of commerce has labored for several weeks with the national board of underwriters and a satisfactory arrangement has been worked out where the national insurance authorities will co-operate with the Oregon automotive trade to bring about the correction of the existing law at the next legislature, thus making certain that Oregon will not be without some form of title legislation.

"J. H. Doyle, national representative of the underwriters, is authorized for the statement that the national and coast board of underwriters will interest itself to help bring about the points which the dealers insist upon, namely, to require an affidavit for an application for a title, to make a false statement in an application a felony and providing for the positive indication of all liens filed against cars, as well as corrections which will make possible the more effective administration of the act."

Decision to withhold the repeal will also save the investment which the state has made in equipment to enforce the law.

Present Action Doubtful. Just what will be done about the present tangle of certificates will depend largely on the disposition of Sam Koser, secretary of state.

While practically every car had a certificate at the first of the year or shortly after, it being necessary to procure a license, many were secured by passing up some of the steps in the chain of title. Now the same conditions exist again. Dealers who went through the experience once are careful to see that every car turned in to them has indicated the proper succession of title. Individuals and used-car dealers are not using the same steps—some of the used-car dealers frankly telling the public that the certificate is of no value, and using in its stead chattel mortgages and sworn bills of sale to effect deals.

Many such cars will go through three and four ownerships before to bring about the correction of them when the owner attempts to trace title since the last registra-

OLD PHONOGRAPH BRINGS MEMORIES OF SEAMAN START

No automobile manufacturer in America has a more inspiring history than the Seaman Body corporation of Milwaukee, exclusive builders of Nash enclosed bodies and owned in half by the Nash Motors company. It is said by A. R. Trachsel, local dealer. Back beyond the memory of the present generation—over 75 years ago—the house of Seaman was founded. A photograph of an ox-drawn cart bearing the inscription, A. D. Seaman & Co., taken in 1871 and recently unearthed by Mrs. Christ Behrens, of Milwaukee, is a picturesque testimonial to the years of service that have been experienced by the Seaman organization.

Mrs. Behrens, whose husband was the driver of the ox-cart, explains that during the year 1871 a severe epidemic of influenza among horses made it necessary to replace those animals by oxen which were still, however, in fairly general use. The photograph, taken on East Water street, Milwaukee, near the city hall, shows a background of buildings long since replaced by modern sky-scrapers. But even at that time the house of Seaman was 23 years old.

Back in the days prior to the civil war, A. D. Seaman, grandfather of the present heads of the business, engaged in the building of fine furniture. In later years as the automobile industry grew to major importance and the demand arose for automobile bodies that would forthly represent the woodworking art Seaman turned his specialized ability to this field. Today the immense Seaman shops are entirely utilized by Nash enclosed body production and as indicating the growth of this organization, founded back in the days of the prairie schooner and the ox-cart, the Seaman Body corporation in 1922 produced 3,125 enclosed bodies for Nash Motors, in 1923 the production was 19,383, in 1924 the figure was 27,000, in 1925 it was 78,599, while in the first six months of 1926, Seaman built 71,060 Nash enclosed bodies.

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Monthly Traffic Tip. Officer (to couple in parked auto)—"Don't you see that sign, 'Fine for Parking?'" Driver—"Yes, officer, I see it and heartily agree with it."—Stevens Stone Mill.

According to experts of the U. S. bureau of standards, it is internal friction rather than the compression of the car's weight that wears out most automobile tires. When the car is driven over a bump, the squaring of the tire causes the layers of the materials of which the shoes are made to rub over one another. This rubbing action makes the tires hot and is largely accountable for the shortness of their serviceability.

How much per hour does it cost you to motor? If you've never figured it out you'd be surprised to see what a good argument it is for moderation. Slow traveling increases the cost per hour; fast traveling likewise, through increasing the possibility of accidents and fines. There is a happy medium at which the cost per hour lowers to meet the highest point of the enjoyment curve.

tion for the purpose of getting his new license, he may be stopped entirely through inability to find some of the owners who had the car for some period of the year. If the state decides to enforce the law to the letter, it will be extremely another license year comes around, of the cars that have been bought and sold in this manner.

On His Way



Albert Tanswell, 15, lives in Iowa City, Ia., and his mother lives in England. For two months she has been very sick but Albert had no money to pay his way across the Atlantic. Finally a rich Iowa City man—heard of his plight and advanced him the money. Now Albert is on his way to see her.

LAKE OILING WORK HALTED

Protests Filed Against Surfacing Near Crater Lake, Alleging Traffic Discouraged.

SALEM, Ore., July 3. (AP)—The state highway commission has announced that road oiling operation on Crater Lake highway have been discontinued for this year. The highway is said to be dry and in good condition now.

Oiling operations on the McMinnville - Tillamook highway, Mount Hood Loop and Old Oregon Trail will be discontinued over the July 4 holidays.

"All oiled sections on these highways will be dry by today, and motorists will suffer no inconvenience from road oil between the above dates," says a statement by the department.

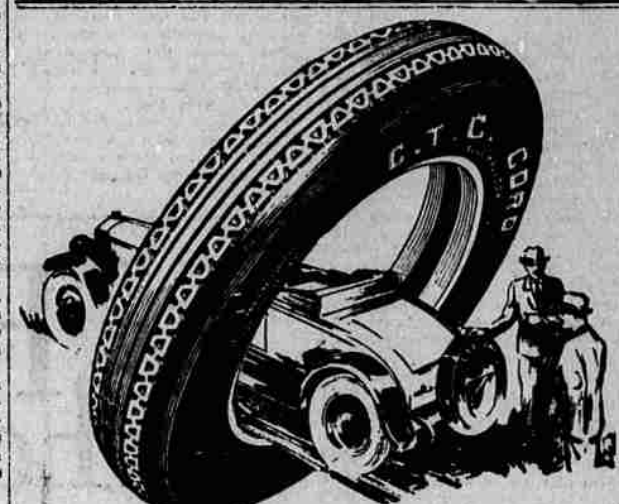
MEDFORD, Ore., July 3. (AP)—The oiling operations on the Crater Lake highway were discontinued Thursday upon instructions from the state highway commis-

Auto Licenses May Be Obtained at Half Price

SALEM, Ore., July 3. (AP)—The mid year rush for automobile licenses became acute at the state house Wednesday due to the fact that licenses purchased after June 30 cost only half the yearly rate. About 1500 new applications were in the hands of the automobile department. A total of 195,884 licenses were issued for the first half of the year, which is a gain of 15,833 over the first half of last year.

In driving through water interferes seriously with the operation of the brakes, it indicates that the bands need to be adjusted for less clearance. The temporary remedy is to hold the brakes partly on when running through the water puddle. This takes up the clearance and prevents water from logging the brakes.

The oiling was ordered to continue Tuesday, and again discontinued Thursday. Local protests were filed against the oiling on the grounds that it would curb traffic to Crater Lake.



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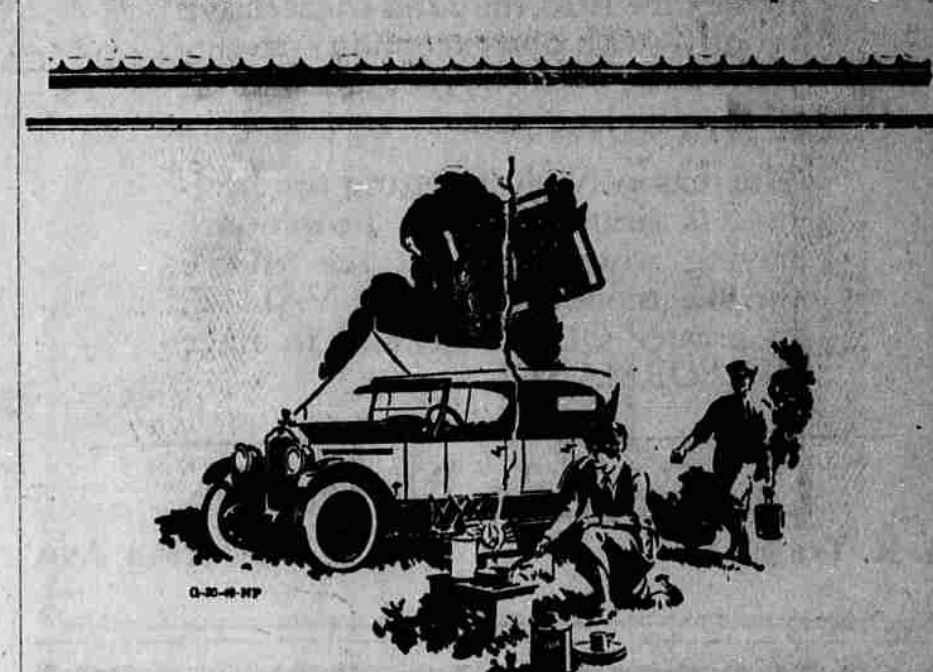
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