



AUTOMOBILE NEWS



USE FOUR BILLION GALLONS OF GAS

Motorists Pay Nearly \$85,000,000 in Taxes in Half a Year

WASHINGTON, Oct. 15.—Motorists paid \$84,939,373 in gasoline taxes during the first six months of 1926, the United States bureau of public roads announced.

estimated an additional \$66,450,000 gallons were consumed in Illinois, Massachusetts, New Jersey and New York, the only states without a gas tax.

Since 19,678,322 automobiles were registered during the first six months of the year, the gasoline consumption per vehicle averaged 225 gallons.

Money collected by the tax will be divided—\$54,981,677 to state highway departments; \$19,338,978 for county and local roads; \$6,329,413 for state and county road bonds and \$4,140,998 for miscellaneous purposes.

When the cop's away the traffic gets gay.

Just a Kid and a Puppy



Little Billy isn't feeling so terribly playful right now, but Fido—or Sport or Buster or whatever his name is—wants to start something. Whatever he's suggesting doesn't seem to make much of a bit with his little master, anyhow.

Sheik of Sheiks Likes Charleston

LONDON, Oct. 16 (AP).—Even the Emir Faisal, the sheik of sheiks, son of the king of Hedjaz, has become westernized.

In spite of the fact that the Emir Faisal still wears a turban and the glorious robes and ivory-handled swords of the Arabian desert, he insists on eating his meals in the regular dining room of the Hyde Park hotel, where he can watch gay crowds doing the Charleston.

The attendants of the Arab potentate have done everything in

their power to keep their charge aloof from ordinary mankind. They insisted on having his servants quartered on a different floor from that occupied by the prince and also arranged a private dining room in his imperial highness' suite, but he balked and insisted on eating where he could see the merry throng.

Americanism: "Whatta I care 'bout your 2 cent tax? Fill 'er up." One motor company is boasting in advertisements that its automobiles will climb stairs. This seems but a modest boast when many other chug-buggies are climbing telephone poles.

Main Streets in Cove Given Good Coat of Gravel

COVE, Ore., Oct. 15 (Special).—The streets of Cove are now in fine condition since the main sections have received a generous supply of gravel. One especially good improvement has been made at the corner by the school house where a round turn has been made going up the canyon.

Failure to get through a flooded section of roadway often is due to lack of proper traction, which, in turn, is due to lack of weight in the rear of the car. The same applies to getting stuck in the mud. The more weight is on the rear wheels, the less they are likely to spin. When attempting to pass through a bad spot in the road it is worth while to load up the back of the car with rocks and have the other passengers sit back there.

Hundreds of pigeons, flocking in friendly intercourse with motorists on the steps of the New York Fifth Avenue library, make it look like a Venetian piazza.

The Garden

SPANISH IRIS FOR CUTTING

The Spanish iris seems to have been specially created for cutting. Its long wiry stems and brilliantly colored bloom are the most durable of the entire iris tribe and the only variety of the great genus that is ideal cutting material, lacking the frail texture of most of the tribe. The trick of growing Spanish irises consists of dry soil and late planting. They will make a fall growth if planted too early, which is often injured by winter thaws and frosts.

Planted during October they will not make sufficient growth to be in danger and will come on next June and give a delightful show of their graceful airy bloom in beautiful shades of deep blue, bronze yellow and white. This is an iris that grows from a bulb. They should be planted about two or three inches deep, according to the soil texture and given a mulch. They require excellent drainage and should be given the driest spot in the garden. After the foliage turns yellow take the bulbs up and hang them in a sack in a warm room to ripen until planting time.

Another curious iris, the mourning iris, Iris susiana, requires much the same treatment. It should be planted in October in soil which has been given a liberal quantity of lime and which is in a thoroughly drained position, the south and west side of a building is an excellent site. Give it a mulch of leaves, about 18 inches deep, to be removed as soon as it is safe in the spring. The huge black and gray blooms will appear in late May on stems 18 inches high. Its leaves will turn yellow and at this time take it up, shake the dirt from the roots and hang it up in a warm place taking care not to destroy the fine roots. This is one of the curiosities of the garden and a good stock of American-grown roots is now in the market.

Tires Wear Fast If Air Pressure Not at Normal

Four pounds of underinflation on a balloon tire for 4,000 mile of operation, will cause more tread wear of the underinflated rubber than 8,000 miles of operation of a fully-inflated tire will cause on the same car and over the same road, says P. J. Leyerle, service manager of the Franklin Automobile company of Syracuse, N. Y.

Mr. Leyerle speaks from demonstrated fact. A car equipped with balloon tires four pounds underinflated, was run for 4,000 miles over a smooth road; then the under-inflated tires were taken off and the same wheels equipped with balloons inflated to the pressure recommended by the manufacturer, were run over the same road for the same distance.

When on the properly inflated tires was practically negligible, whereas the tread on the under-inflated tires was worn smooth.

Motorist (as car goes over cliff): "Thank goodness I've got balloon tires!"



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