



AUTOMOBILE NEWS



CRATER LAKE IS IN TOURIST EYE

Annual Visitors Grow from 4,000 in 1909 to 10,000 Last Year

BOX LIST

Table showing annual visitors to Crater Lake National Park from 1909 to 1926.

Year	Visitors
1909	4,177
1910	2,800
1911	4,509
1912	4,257
1913	6,253
1914	7,096
1915	11,371
1916	12,365
1917	11,642
1918	12,251
1919	14,645
1920	20,125
1921	24,817
1922	22,916
1923	22,617
1924	64,312
1925	65,919
1926	66,919

MEMPHIS, Jan. 29.—Crater Lake National Park in 1926, the most popular national park in the Pacific coast.

from Medford and Klamath Falls. Most of the travel enters by the Medford entrance, as the main highway from all parts of the country comes to Oregon via the Pacific highway, in which Medford is the principal station in Southern Oregon. In fact, less than one per cent of the visitors to Crater Lake come in by train.

Ten years ago a motor trip to Crater Lake was a hard day's work and the tourist was generally obliged to spend the night at the lake. But today, with five marooned roads running from Medford to the lake, the round trip can easily be made in one day with several hours stop at Crater Lake inn, a modern up-to-date hotel, with 25 rooms, many with bath and an excellent table.

There are larger parks and more diversified parks but no national park in this country is as unique as Crater Lake park.

OUT OUR WAY



By Williams

I WONDERED WHY TH' DUMP LOOKED SO VACANT WHEN I PASSED IT THIS MORNIN'. IT'S THAT NEW ORDER ABOUT NO EXPECTORATIN' ON TH' FLOOR.

YES, THIS CLEAN UP CAMPAIGN IS BRINGIN' RESULTS—IT'S CLEANED OUT TH' DUMP! TH' NEXT ORDER WILL BE—CAN TH' CANS! I THINK TEN RETRYIN' TO MAKE TH' A DRY SHOP!

THE NON SKID FLOOR.

ANNOUNCEMENT

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2:00 P. M. Tuesday and Friday

White Line Freight and Express

Direct Service to Following Points On

Wallowa Branch Line

Imbler, Elgin, Minam, Wallowa, Lostine and Enterprise

Auto Freight Terminal—Main 673

That Hidden Tax of \$420,000,000

Of which you periodically are paying your share

OVER four hundred millions of dollars! This is the burden carried this past twelve months by owners of poppet-valve cars for one cause alone—to remedy the engine-havoc wrought by carbon.

That this tremendous tax is entirely unnecessary is being demonstrated every day by the scores of thousands whose foresight and good business judgment led them to avoid the poppet-valve type of car and ensure for themselves complete immunity from all carbon troubles in the purchase of sleeve-valve Willys-Knights.



WILLYS-KNIGHT Sixes

GETTINGS & HANKS
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That today this objection has been largely removed, for most of the highway is all-weather macadam or crushed rock, and this coming year even the rim road will be surfaced with rock and gravel, making the entire trip a delight for the motorist.

That motor boats run on the lake. Row boats and fishing tackle are also available, while the trout fishing is splendid. Few apartment restaurants without these or four "lounges" for their lunch or dinner.

Crater Lake is very popular with Medford people during the summer. High up in the mountains it is beautifully cool. It can be reached in three hours' time, with a stop midway at Jim Griever's popular resort at Prospect. There are unimproved camping places all about the route; gas and oil stations are placed at convenient intervals.

It is like a mighty shield hole of a war of worlds! Seven thousand feet above the sea, it is the deepest body of fresh water known. Its weird beauty, unexcelled, remains with one forever and it has lived for many years in Indian legends. The lake itself and lofty cliffs were peopled by mysterious gods and according to traditions of the redmen, the great god Ilm, has ruled over it since the time when mighty Mt. Mazama collapsed and mid clouds of smoke and steamling lava.

Rim Road Trips Popular
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The other island is called the Phantom ship. It was formed from the rim of the crater by erosion before the lake had reached its present level.

Crater Lake has no visible inlet or outlet. There is only one way to reach the water's edge—down a well built trail. How boats and swimming machines operate on the lake, which abounds with rainbow trout and it is usually no trouble to catch the fish in the season.

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terials, camp supplies may be purchased at many stopping places. And there is a fine free auto camp at the rim of the lake for those who prefer the out of doors.

Aspect Is Grand
"The Sea of Sapphire," "The Sea of Silence," "The Lake of Mystery"—these are some of the phrases popularly used in describing Crater Lake. Yet words cannot describe the grandeur of its mighty spectacle—words cannot picture the rainbow-like lake in the very heart of a cone-cliant volcano. The English language has not adjectives sufficient to describe the lofty, perpendicular cliffs surrounding the lake and the water itself, of wondrous blue, six miles across and two thousand feet deep.

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GAS TAX LEVIED IN MOST STATES

Two-Cent Figure Is Most Popular—Five-Cent Tax Is Highest

Reports from state highway commissions show that the gasoline tax has been adopted by 44 of the 48 states. The four states that have not adopted such a tax are New York, Illinois, Massachusetts and New Jersey, rely on their large automobile registrations for highway funds.

Kentucky and South Carolina have adopted the highest tax, 5 cents a gallon. The next highest tax is that in Virginia, 4 1/2 cents. Five states have a 4-cent tax and nine a 3-cent tax. By far the greatest number use the 2-cent per gallon tax.

In addition to the gas tax, every state reports a motor vehicle tax which ranges from \$2 for the average sized car in California to \$14 for the same type of car in Oregon.

The cost in dollars and cents of the motor vehicle for medium sized car, plus gas tax on 500 gallons of gasoline is as follows for each state:

- Alabama, 22.75; Arizona, \$20.00
- Arkansas, 41.75; California, 12.90
- Colorado, 14.00; Connecticut, 27.84
- Delaware, 22.10; District of Columbia, 11.80; Florida, 26.40
- Georgia, 31.50; Idaho, 35.00; Illinois, 8.00; Indiana, 21.00; Iowa, 27.20
- Kansas, 11.50; Kentucky, 44.20; Louisiana, 16.22
- Maine, 21.70; Maryland, 17.40
- Massachusetts, 18.00; Michigan, 24.80
- Minnesota, 21.22; Mississippi, 23.20
- Missouri, 26.50; Montana, 25.00; Nebraska, 24.50
- Nevada, 25.80; New Hampshire, 21.50
- New Jersey, 5.00; New Mexico, 25.10
- New York, 22.50; North Carolina, 32.50
- North Dakota, 21.00

Ohio, 14.00; Oklahoma, 22.00; Oregon, 43.00; Pennsylvania, 18.50; Rhode Island, 19.20

- South Carolina, 40.00; South Dakota, 22.70; Tennessee, 21.52
- Texas, 22.70; Utah, 22.50; Vermont, 22.95
- Virginia, 24.90; Washington, 21.20
- West Virginia, 22.70; Wisconsin, 24.00; Wyoming, 24.50

No Big Changes In Automobiles Tire Man Says

The New York show, where the industry's offerings for 1927 found their general display, brought out nothing revolutionary. Special stress was placed by makers on refinements, color schemes, and style, is the verdict of W. O'Neill, president of the General Tire & Rubber company, who looked over the display at the Grand Central palace.

"A year ago there were more powerful motors, greater braking power, etc., as elements of novelty. This year more makers have come into that line, but no revolutionary designs or policies were on exhibition. Cars generally seem to have reached a high place of excellence and durability, which speaks well for engineers and designers.

"To the tire man the big thing about the show was the evidence everywhere that the car maker has taken the balloon tire in his bosom. This is really the first year in which a big majority of cars have actually been designed for balloon equipment.

"The balloon tire has proved itself to be a logical advance and betterment of the motor transportation system. It did so remarkably well, even when applied to cars not designed for balloons, that the designers are now giving

Diaz' Airman



Bill Brooks, Blair (Neb.) aviator, has been appointed assistant air chief of Nebraska by President Diaz, according to reports, and is now en route to take up his new duties. Brooks was arrested in Omaha for reckless flying in 1926.

20.00; Ohio, 14.00; Oklahoma, 22.00; Oregon, 43.00; Pennsylvania, 18.50; Rhode Island, 19.20; South Carolina, 40.00; South Dakota, 22.70; Tennessee, 21.52; Texas, 22.70; Utah, 22.50; Vermont, 22.95; Virginia, 24.90; Washington, 21.20; West Virginia, 22.70; Wisconsin, 24.00; Wyoming, 24.50.

GOOD ROADS PAY FOR EXPENDITURE

Traffic on the state highways of California has increased 55 per cent in the past four years following an expenditure of \$100,000,000 for good roads, the state highway commissioner recently announced.

Nothing pleases a boy quite so well as to get his feet hurt and have to walk with crutches.

A QUESTION

After reading a few of Machiavelli's essays on chicanery, one wonders how long he would last as a modern used car dealer. It would give him a great laugh, we know, to see how conscientiously we recondition our Used Cars before offering them for sale. But the proof of a principle is in its success—and the laugh would be on him after all.

L. C. SMITH
Cor. 5th and Depot

A USED CAR IS ONLY AS DEPENDABLE AS THE DEALER WHO SELLS IT

Your Credit Is Good

You can now buy the good old G and J Tires on small down payment, balance on very convenient terms.

Why worry about your old worn out tires when with a small outlay of cash you can put on new trouble free tires.

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WHEN YOUR CREDIT IS GOOD!!

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