



AUTOMOBILE NEWS



6 RECORDS SET BY STUDEBAKER

Harry Hartz Drives Commander 5000 Miles in 4909 Minutes

CULVER CITY, Cal., Apr. 16.—In one of the most remarkable and grueling tests ever made with an automobile, a Studebaker Commander has just established six new speed and endurance records for fully equipped American made stock cars. The contest board of the American Automobile association, whose representative checked and observed the entire test, today announced the result of the run which was completed April 5 at Culver City, Cal.

The Studebaker Commander covered 5000 miles in 4909 minutes, maintaining an average speed of 61.12 miles per hour. In establishing this record, The Commander also set four other records for American stock cars. A record for 2500 miles was set by the elapsed time of 40 hours, 12 minutes and 54 seconds, an average speed of 62.16 miles per hour. In 50 elapsed hours the car had covered 3102 1/2 miles, setting an average of 62.05 miles per hour. At 3500 miles, the elapsed time equaled 50 hours, 47 minutes, 32 seconds, an average speed of 61.62 miles per hour. At the end of 72 hours elapsed time, the car had

traveled 4414 miles at an average of 61.5 miles per hour. The completion of the run, 5000 miles, was made at 8:03 a. m., April 5. The elapsed time for this distance was 51 hours, 45 minutes, 22 seconds; the average speed, 61.12 miles per hour. No automobile or other vehicle in America has ever traveled so far, at such a terrific speed.

The total elapsed time included time for stopping for fuel, relief of drivers, etc. In view of this, the average speed of the car under actual running was far greater than a mile a minute. Except for one punctured tire, the replacement of a grease cup and two chassis lubrication cups damaged in quick greasing operations, no repairs were made on the car during the entire run.

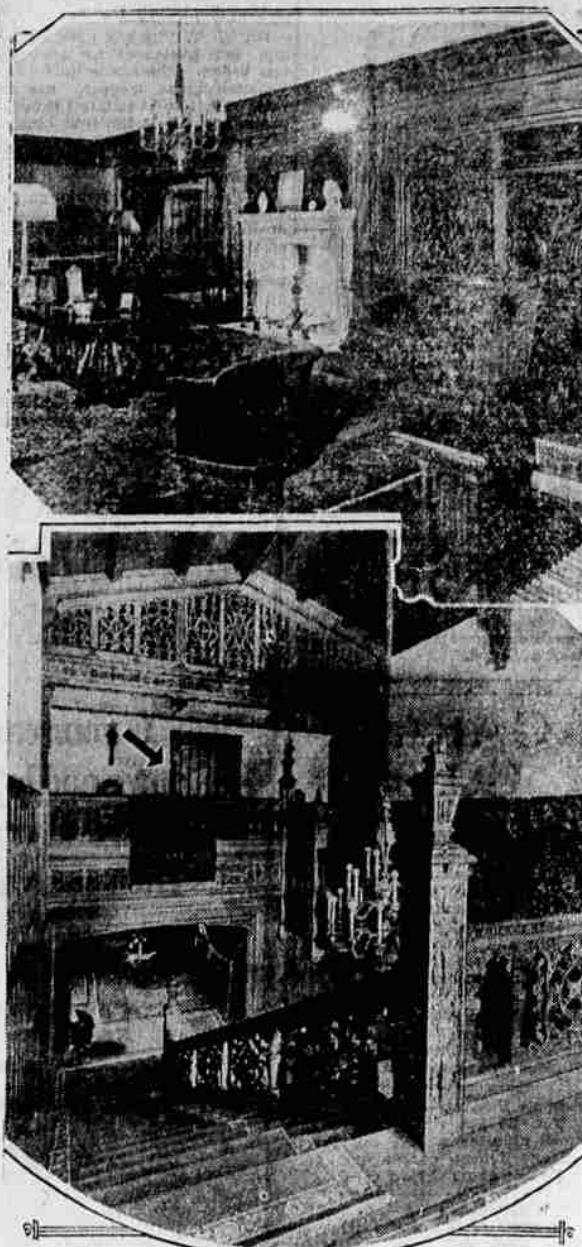
Harry Hartz, champion race driver, started and finished the run. He was relieved by Eddie Hearn, also one of America's great speed kings, Louis Wilson, another race driver, and Ab Jenkins, who smashed all previous records last June when he drove a Studebaker Sheriff from New York to San Francisco in 36 hours, 29 minutes.

According to observers, 5000 miles at more than a mile a minute is equivalent in strain and stress to 25,000 miles of ordinary driving.

We note that Mr. Shaw is going to meet Mr. Tunney. Where does Tex Rickard dig up all this heavy-weight timber?

If we love mystery and adventure we must love life for life is both of these.

INSIDE OF PALATIAL FORD HOME



These two exclusive pictures show scenes inside the palatial home of Henry Ford at Dearborn, Mich., where he is recuperating from injuries received when his Ford coupe went down an embankment and crashed into a tree. Doctors were able to keep Ford in his big hospital only three days, then insisted that he be taken home. Above is the drawing-room, with part of the pipe organ console visible at the extreme right. The pipes are concealed behind the beautiful wood carvings on the side wall. Below is the grand staircase and part of the second floor hallway. An arrow points to the door of Mr. Ford's suite.

Attention to Tires Means Big Saving

Many motorists now realize that just putting a tire on a car and not paying any further attention to it is much the same as operating an auto without a thought for grease or oil until serious trouble develops.

According to W. C. Perkins, of Perkins Motor company, Firestone dealers in La Grande, the way to get the most mileage and best service from tires is to have them looked over regularly and frequently.

Like the old adage about a stitch in time, a little care will often prevent serious loss of tire mileage.

The treads should be inspected

for cuts and bruises, and any small repairs needed should be made promptly.

It is important to have the wheels aligned and the proper air pressure maintained. If the motorist is to get all the service he is entitled to from his tires.

Always use valve caps. Screw each one down tightly by hand. This will prevent air leakage and underinflation difficulties.

Here is something that happens rarely, yet it is a pretty good thing to know. It's about that gasoline gauge on the dash. Sometimes it might show up a little irregular and if it does it is probably due to a trifling condition that can easily be remedied. There is a little hole in the top of the gasoline tank filler cap that may have become clogged up. Dirt or soap or body polish may have jammed in there and caused a vacuum in the tank which would make the gauge read incorrectly. Keep it open at all times.

OREGON DIVORCE RECORD GAINING

Union, Wallowa and Baker Counties Follow General Trend

WASHINGTON, D. C., Apr. 16.—The department of commerce announces that, according to the returns received, there were 7,083 marriages performed in Oregon during the year 1926, as compared with 6,959 in 1925, representing an increase of 96, or 1.4 per cent. This increase, however, is slightly less than the estimated increase in the population.

During the year 1926 there were 3,086 divorces granted in the state, as compared with 2,886 in 1925, representing an increase of 200, or 6.9 per cent. There were 34 marriages annulled during the same period.

The estimated population of the state of Oregon on July 1, 1926, was \$77,000, and on July 1, 1925, \$75,000. On the basis of those estimates, the number of marriages per 1,000 of the population was

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8.97 in 1926, as against 8.09 in 1925; and the number of divorces per 1,000 of the population was 3.52 in 1926, as against 3.34 in 1925.

The number of marriages performed and the number of divorces granted were furnished by the state board of health. The figures for 1926 are preliminary and subject to correction.

Divorces Gaining
Union county, which in 1925 and 1924 showed a growth in marriages in proportion to divorces, failed to live up to past records and showed a decrease in marriages and an increase of divorces in 1926.

In 1925 a total of 154 couples were married and 54 divorces. Last year only 144 were married while 69 couples were divorced.

In Wallowa county the same trend was noticeable: 1925: marriages, 45; divorces, 31; 1926: marriages, 46; divorces, 31.

Umatilla county showed 59 divorces both years but an increase of marriages from 161 to 185 was recorded.

Baker county followed Union and Wallowa counties, showing 14 less marriages and 31 more divorces.

Smaller Piston Displacement Is Feature of Cars

Conspicuous among the changes which have been made in motor car construction during the past year is the decrease in average piston displacement.

The trend in this direction started early last year and was freely discussed at the time Whippet Overland appeared on the market with the Whippet which was a car with notably small piston displacement yet with the greatest developed horse power in the light car field.

The average displacement of all American built cars this year is 3 cubic inches smaller than last year.

This is not a marked reduction and yet it establishes the direction in which motor car engineers seem to be moving.

An interesting phase of this reduction in cylinder dimensions is the fact that it is the one American built light car in which the compression ratio and rate of piston travel per cylinder are equivalent to those of the modern six-cylinder motors.

an upward tendency. Motor car authorities are of the opinion that this establishes the American motor car engineer on the basis of going out after a fuel economy and a general motor efficiency which will result in more generally satisfactory operating costs.

Leading factors in developing increased power from decreased dimensions are the trend toward higher compressions and greater speed of piston travel. With modern forced feed lubrication, modern bearing construction, and the modern method of suspending the crankshaft in the motor with extra large bearing surfaces, the increase in piston travel becomes a feature of marked advantage so far as operating economy and efficiency are concerned.

A notable feature of the Whippet is the fact that it is the one American built light car in which the compression ratio and rate of piston travel per cylinder are equivalent to those of the modern six-cylinder motors.

Nobody would mind so much why girls leave home if only they would make an effort to get back a little earlier.



Quality Features of the world's most popular gear-shift truck

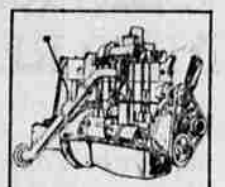
Chevrolet is the world's most popular gear-shift truck because it offers scores of quality features not found on any other haulage unit in the low price field.

Included in this list are numerous recent mechanical improvements of the utmost importance, such as—AC oil filter and AC air cleaner to protect the motor from excessive wear and to maintain at its peak efficiency the smooth, effortless power for which Chevrolet's motor has long been famous. Other new features are an improved transmission and new gear-shift lever; a new and more conveniently located emergency brake; crowned fenders; a new radiator of greater cooling capacity; a new 17-inch steering wheel—and even bullet-type headlamps to give a distinctive touch of smartness!

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TIRE SHOP

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Redhead Queen



—NEA, Kansas City Bureau
Last summer Miss Catherine Wallace won the title of Queen of Wichita (Kas.) Redheads. She recently was picked from among eight co-eds at the University of Wichita as the school's most beautiful girl. Cecil B. DeMille, film producer, being the final judge. She is to be offered a chance in the movies.

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COMMANDER SEDAN \$1585
Commander Victoria for four (beach cloth upholstery), \$1645; (mahogany upholstery), \$1795; Coupe for four, \$1845; Coupe for two, \$1945. Other Studebaker models from \$1160 to \$2245 f. o. b. factory

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[Seventy-five years young]