

HUGE SUM TAKEN IN MOTOR TAXES

Gasoline Revenue Collected Since 1919 Amounts to \$17,354,739.24

SALEM, Ore., Nov. 5 (AP)—Secretary of State Koser states that a total of \$17,354,739.24 in motor vehicle fuel taxes have been collected by the state of Oregon since the fuel tax was enacted in 1919. Of this amount, \$13,575,739.24 has been turned over to the state treasurer for purposes other than transportation. Refunds for gasoline bought for purposes other than transportation have totaled \$734,871.43. Administrative expenses \$26,295.63 and \$5000 was retained for emergency uses. During the first nine months of this year the fuel tax acts returned to the state \$2,569,812.92 an increase of \$279,787.97 over the corresponding period of last year.

5281 Tourist Cars
During the month of October 5281 motor vehicles from other states were registered in Oregon as compared with 5365 tourist cars for the same month last year. The total registration of outside cars for this year is \$5,129, while for the same period last year the number was \$6,363.

The decrease is taken to indicate that more tourists than formerly are availing themselves of the improved hotel facilities in the state, for the hotels report a better tourist trade this year than last.

Erskine Sedan Averages 54.1 Miles Per Hour

After fighting a 55-mile gale that swept in off the ocean for most of the night and traveling at mile-a-minute speeds over slippery water-soaked roads through a 14-hour downpour of rain, a fully equipped stock Erskine sedan completed a 24-hour run on the Atlantic City speedway, Oct. 13, after turning in the amazing average of 54.1 miles per hour for a total distance of 1298.4 miles.

Such a performance has never been equaled by any car listing under \$1000.

Close behind the sedan followed another Erskine—a coupe—also fighting the wind and rain to complete the 24-hour run at an average speed of 53.2 miles per hour.

At the end of the run, the Erskine sedan was an additional five miles at an average speed of better than 61 miles per hour to prove just all doubt the fine mechanical condition of the car at the finish.

These remarkable performances were made under the sanction and observation of the American Automobile association and upon their completion the American Automobile association technical committee examined both of the cars and pronounced them strictly stock models in all respects.

GARAGE GOSSIP

In Wallowa County—
W. E. Buchanan is in Wallowa county today on business.

Drove to Boise—
W. D. Hanks went to Boise Wednesday night, returning Thursday with a Whippet landau for delivery. Whippet-Overland district headquarters are located in Boise.

Home Front Meeting—
Harry Wagner, Packard dealer, has returned home from Portland where he attended a district meeting of Packard dealers.

Accepts Position—
Joe Sayre has accepted a position with the Perkins Motor company service station. Sayre, who is a high school student works an afternoon and evening shift.

Here on Business—
William Bucknell, of Pendleton representative for the Hamilton Wright accessory company, was a caller at several local garages during the week.

In Wallowa—
J. P. Morelock, of the Morelock-Service Motor company is spending a few days in Wallowa on business.

Delivered Oakland—
Vern Jennings and Elmer Shumate, local Oakland-Pontiac dealers, made a business trip to Wallowa county this week. They delivered an Oakland sedan to Earl Miller, of Enterprise. Mr. Miller is connected with the Wallowa National Bank at Enterprise.

Chevrolet Plant At Oakland Has Public Inspection

Open house at the big Chevrolet factory in Oakland, Cal., brought many thousands of visitors for three nights last week to see how motor cars are made. Delegations from the schools and colleges in the San Francisco bay district and from civic organizations attended the affair and were conducted through the long assembly lanes where the automobile grows from a thing of steel frames and wood into a beautiful product to take its place in the field of transportation for business or pleasure of motorists of the Pacific coast.

The Chevrolet factory was built in 1916, the original plans calling for a production of 75 cars daily. In the last 11 years consistently steady and increasing demands for the line on the Pacific coast and in Rocky mountain territory have necessitated a considerable enlargement of production facilities and the employment of additional forces of employees.

Now the factory covers an area of more than 27 acres, with 629,398 square feet of floor space. The plant has a daily capacity of 525 cars, and a daily average of 216 cars is maintained. Production in the single month has reached a total of 8132 cars, and this year 63,500 units have been turned out at the Oakland factory.

The assembling of the Chevrolet motor car from the frame to the finished product is an interesting process. Visitors were also entertained by motion pictures of General Motors proving ground, which has been set aside by the giant corporation for the use of its engineers in testing and developing the modern motor car.

Visiting Ledbetter Garage—
J. C. Forstrom, business man of North Powder, was a business visitor during the week at the Ledbetter garage.

Wasco Meeting Sunday—
The Blue Mountain Wasco club will meet tomorrow at Pendleton, according to R. E. Wilcock, local manager. The Pendleton store will be in charge of the program.

Displaying Velle—
W. R. Delany, Velle distributor for Oregon, is in the city this week displaying a new model Velle.

In Portland—
E. L. Ledbetter is expected home this evening from Portland where he has been since Thursday on business. Mr. Ledbetter is Nash dealer here.

Back at Work—
Charles Smith, welder at Leighton's Welding and Machine shop, who has been ill for a week or so is now able to be around although he has not recovered sufficiently to resume active duties.

Accepts Position—
Arliech Jennings has accepted a position as salesman at the Jennings & Shumate garage. Mr. Jennings began work this week.

Boys Chrysler—
Lula B. Mayo is the owner of a Chrysler "52" sedan which was purchased from the local Chrysler garage, owned by L. W. Weeks and W. E. Buchanan.

Boys Whippet—
Bill Tiffany is driving a Whippet coach purchased through the local dealers, Gettings & Hanks.

In Wallowa County—
W. E. Buchanan, of the Weeks & Buchanan garage, made a business trip earlier in the week to Wallowa county.

Boys Whippet Landau—
Miss Mordie Fisher, of Union, purchased a Whippet Landau this week from W. D. Hanks, of the firm, Gettings & Hanks.

Drove to Wallowa County—
E. C. Gettings and W. D. Hanks made a business trip to Enterprise Wednesday.

Working Temporarily—
Miss Lillian Waller is employed at the Perkins Motor company for a week or so during the absence of L. L. Russey. Miss Waller is doing menial work. She is a recent graduate of the Blue Mountain Business college.

Trip to Elgin—
Elmer Shumate and Arliech Jennings made a trip to Elgin Friday morning on Oakland-Pontiac business.

Makes Offer—
An offer that will appeal to the cautious buyer of automobile equipment is being made this week by the Western Auto Supply company stores. According to local manager, Mr. Wilcox, Hassler stabilizers will be offered to car owners on ten days free trial at all Western Auto stores.

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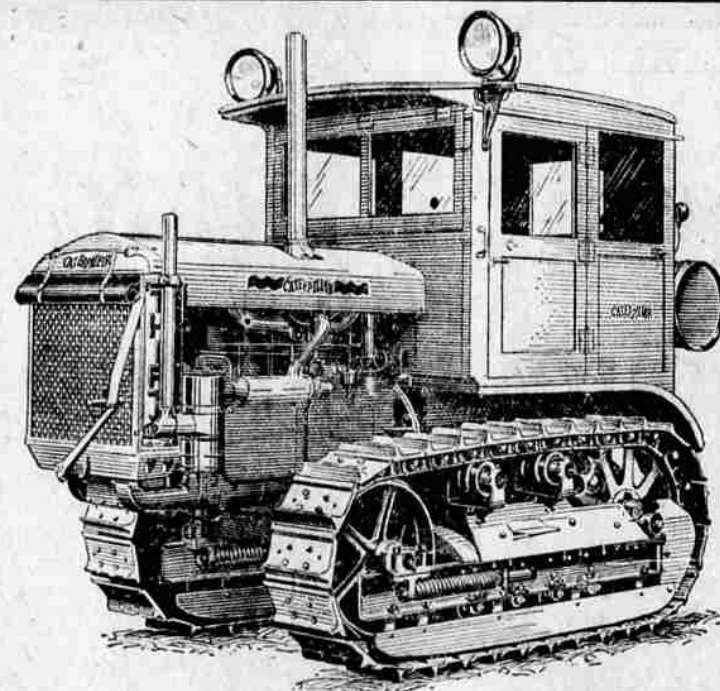
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