

RECALLS AUTO RACE OF 1905

One of Cars to Participate Now in Wallowa County—Driver in La Grande

This publishing of a story in the Portland Oregonian a few days ago relative to an automobile speed contest from New York to Portland, the trip being made in 44 days, was of particular interest to several people in Union and Wallowa counties.

One of the cars that took part in the race is now in Wallowa county, still in running order, although it is used only on special occasions. One of the most recent was the automobile parade in La Grande last spring, when the ancient vehicle putted and chugged down Adams avenue driven by Charles A. McCarry. The car, however, was not driven from Enterprise to La Grande—it occupied the back of a truck, saving its running ability for the parade.

Stopped in Harney County The two cars, on their mad rush across the continent in 1905, stopped overnight in Harney county at the home of Mr. Buchanan's father.

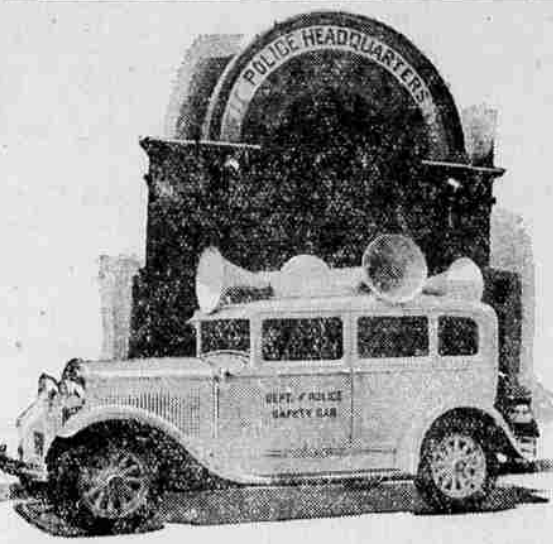
The Oregonian story follows: "Hey! Hey! What's this? The first transcontinental automobile race, run in 1905 between New York city and Portland, Or. When Elizabeth M. McCarry of Portland was hunting up data for another Oregonian article the other day, she ran across the following items in old-time issues of The Oregonian.

First Transcontinental Auto Race From The Oregonian May 9, 1905. Two little seven-horsepower runabouts, one named by Dwight H. Huss and the other by Percy Megargle, started from Harold's Motor Car company headquarters here New York at 9:30 o'clock this morning on a 3,500-mile race to Portland, Or., the winner to get \$1,000 and the loser the car he drives (for consolation).

Both the contesting cars were stock Oldsmobile runabouts. Huss' mount is named "Old Scout" and Megargle's "Old Steady." With the former was Milford Weigle, of the Detroit factory, and with Megargle, Barton Stanfield, of Lansing, Mich. Between the two shops there is said to be bitter rivalry and the race will be "for blood."

It is the first transcontinental race ever attempted. It is also the first time automobiles have started from the Atlantic for the Pacific. It is, however, by no means the first ocean-to-ocean run to be made by a runabout, for in 1911, L. Whitman drove one from San Francisco to New York in 72 days. This time the drivers are out for speed and expert to reach the Lewis and Clark exposition in 42 days. To make possible travel by night, over rough roads, each auto carries two exceptionally powerful acety-

The World Listens When This Dodge Talks



Police in Buffalo, New York are using this novel way of promoting safety in the city's streets. A Dodge Brothers New Six Sedan has been fitted up with four loud speakers which amplify the voices of officers with the car. As the car moves through traffic warnings to motorists and pedestrians can be heard a block away -- and it's the last and loudest word. No one can talk back.

tene lamps. Each has enough gas compressed in its tank to burn 72 hours. The gas tanks hold only 7 gallons so they will recharge every 510 miles. They will carry additional tanks crossing the desert. Total baggage including tools is 200 pounds. They carry one extra tire.

The race is the result of a conference in which J. E. Abbott, special agent in charge of public road trustees of the United States department of agriculture, had with H. G. Reubin, the chairman of the good roads committee of the National Association of Automobile Manufacturers. It is undertaken to call the attention of the public to the necessity of good roads.

From The Oregonian June 22, 1905. "Old Scout" arrived June 23, 1905 minutes before 11:00 good roads convention started, (44 days and 6 hours). Reported the Cascade range road the most impassable. After passing the summit after a tedious climb, they found it necessary coming down the steep incline to cut the reverse brake and action one man behind with a rope attached to the axle. They feared they might go over a precipice any moment, but not off the mountain without mishap. Won the \$1,000. At Salem the day before, successful hunters picked out of the machine twice of sagebrush caught in the box and carried across the mountain from eastern Oregon. "Old Scout" traveled from New York to Salem and has not caused a single accident to a horse-drawn vehicle. Two accidents—broken springs, causing two hours' delay.

Women Drivers Are Chatterers, Claim

READING, England, (AP)—It's a strange and sometimes tragic cast of characters that hurries up and down the highways of England on bicycles, tricycles, motorcycles, limousines and coaches. J. Lancelot Martin, the Reading coroner, has classified them rather caustically as follows:

Women motorists — Simply disgraceful. They chatter like maniacs while driving.

Bicyclists — They ride three abreast and dare you to pass them. Motorcyclists — Maniacs with no idea but speed.

Owners of limousines — Almost indispensable. They are boss. Motor-coach drivers — Splendid. I take off my hat to them. What he thinks of pedestrians Mr. Martin didn't say.

Girl friend: Charlie, what do you think of the Community Drive? Charlie: Oh, I know a much better place to park than that.

MORE CARS USED IN SMALL CITIES

Fifty-Five Per Cent of all Automobiles Are in Towns Under 10,000.

PORTLAND, Sept. 14.—That the small town motorist outnumbers his big city cousins is the outcome of a recent investigation by the American Automobile association. Motoring services are more essential to the small community than to the metropolis and this is clearly seen from the fact that 55% of all automobiles are found in towns with a population under 10,000, according to A. B. Robertson, director of the Oregon State Motor association, which is affiliated with the American Automobile association.

Mr. Robertson pointed out that more than one-fourth of all automobiles are in rural sections or in towns with less than 1,000 population.

"The importance of adequate motoring facilities in these smaller cities and towns," he said, "can be seen from the fact that the majority of car owners in metropolitan centers head for the suburbs and rural areas on holidays and for vacation periods."

"At the same time, these sections supporting A. A. A. motor clubs have the advantage of affiliation with more than a thousand others and it gives them a definite place in the eyes of the nation's touring army."

Citing the distribution of automobiles in the cities and towns throughout the United States, the A. A. A. club executive gave the following figures, showing the percentage of cars according to population:

Towns under 1,000 includ-	28.1
ing rural	
Towns 1,000 to 2,500	11.5
Towns 2,500 to 5,000	8.5
Towns 5,000 to 10,000	7.5
Towns 10,000 to 25,000	5.5
Towns 25,000 to 50,000	6.4
Towns 50,000 to 100,000	6.0
Towns 100,000 to 500,000	11.7
Towns 500,000 and over	11.4

"Sandy, I dinna like the way ye drive so close to the car ahead, An' it's naught too."

"Widht ye, Woman, Dinna ye ken that I can turn off my headlights that way an' save the battery?"

CADILLAC WILL ANNOUNCE NEW LINE OF CARS

For its 25th annual presentation of new models, the Cadillac Motor Car company will announce tomorrow a new line of Cadillacs, La Salles and Fleetwoods. These new models are newly styled throughout, are faster, roomier, and more comfortable than ever before, are powered by enlarged and refined V-type eight-cylinder engines, and are vastly improved in flexibility, handling ease and security.

Lawrence P. Fisher, president and general manager, in a statement issued in connection with the announcement, says:

"The traditional excellence of Cadillac is in these new cars in further measure than ever before. It is an excellence brought fully up to the minute, improved in every detail of styling, powering, luxury, and control. These are the finest cars Cadillac has ever built."

modern cars, measuring fully up to the exacting expectations of the most critical buyers. Their built-in value is greater than any other cars we have ever produced. In them, Cadillac has fully met its tremendous responsibility as the standard by which all other motor cars are judged."

WESTERN AUTO SHOWS LATEST BALLOON TIRE

A new, improved tire, the Western Giant double duty balloon, which is said to be the crowning achievement of their many years in the retail tire business, is being displayed by the Western Auto Supply company stores.

"Quick starting, greater power, higher speed, quick acceleration, sudden stops, and other demands of modern motoring call for a new and different tire," said Mr. Kendall, local manager of the company, in making the announcement. "Our company meets this

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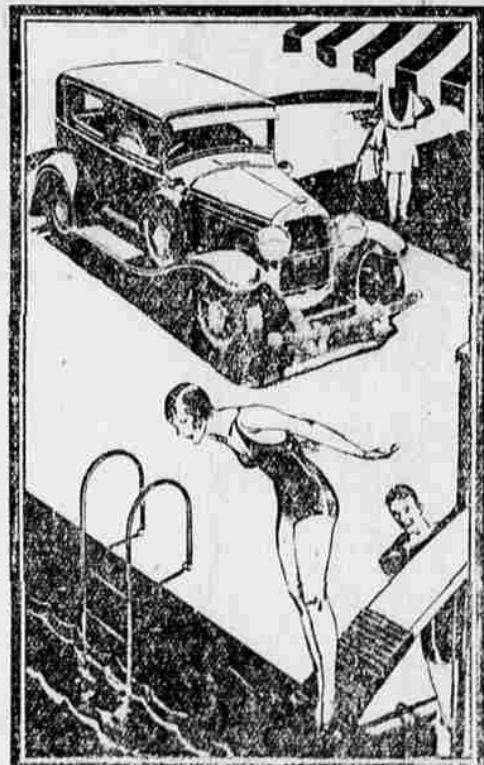
BEAUTY that testifies to the creative genius of the most eminent style specialists—performance that reflects the craftsmanship of leading engineers—are now available in two lines of superior cars.

The new style Willys-Knight "70-B" offers the smoothness and power of the patented double sleeve-valve engine at a record low price for so large and beautiful a car.

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Why Oakland is unrivaled in performance at its price

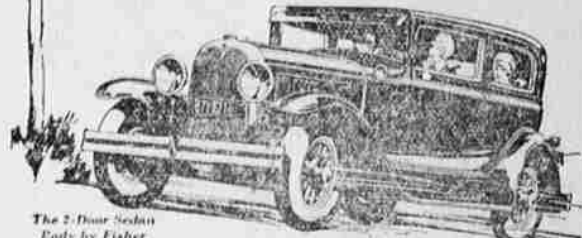
The following facts were obtained from a comparison of the Oakland All-American Six with 20 other medium-priced automobiles. All sold, 8/78 individual companies were made. Of these, Oakland proved to be distinctly superior in 451 of 513 per cent. The 20 cars combined were at least equal to Oakland on 382 or 43.50 per cent. And 11 of the 20 were higher priced than Oakland.

RUBBER ENGINE MOUNTING Only Oakland in the entire field employs rubber "biscuit" insulators. While others claim rubber mountings, none offers such resistance and permanent freedom from vibration as Oakland.

HARMONIC BALANCER Only Oakland and one other car in the field have the Harmonic Balancer. Of 11 cars using some other device, 11 are higher priced than Oakland. Oakland's crankshaft is fully counterweighted. The crankshafts in nine higher-priced cars are not counterweighted at all.

CRANKCASE VENTILATION While most cars in the field have crankcase ventilation, only Oakland and one other, according to available information, have any method for cleaning the air. Six have not, although three of the six are higher-priced than Oakland.

G-M-R CYLINDER HEAD Only Oakland and one other car in the field use the G-M-R cylinder head. Sixteen have no type of non-detonating cylinder head whatsoever, although 11 of the 16 are more expensive to buy than Oakland.



The 2-Door Sedan Body by Fisher

Oakland All-American Six, \$1145 to \$1275. F. O. B. Pontiac, Michigan, plus delivery charges. Spring covers and Lucas Hydraulic Shock Absorbers included in list prices. Bumpers and rear fender guards extra. General Motors Time Payment Plan available at individual rates.

Consider the delivered price as well as the list (f. o. b.) price when comparing automobiles. Oakland's Pontiac delivered prices include only authorized charges for freight and delivery and the charge for any additional accessories or financing desired.

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