

How Fast Will It Stop, is The Big Question

The vital question in the operation of an automobile today is not how fast will it go, but how fast will it stop, declares L. M. Dreyer, Pacific regional manager of the Oakland Motor Car company.

Dreyer pointed out that although each year Oakland has built larger reserves of power and speed into the Oakland and Pontiac sixes, the engineers have always given equal or even greater attention to the important matter of brake control. This effort has continued ever since the autumn of 1923, when the company attracted national-wide interest by sending on a tour to all parts of the United States a half dozen Oakland equipped with four-wheel brakes. The four-year several manufacturers adopted four-wheel brakes, while some others widely advertised their conviction that

four-wheel brakes were unnecessary, said Dreyer, but the public verdict favored the greater measure of safety provided by the new type brakes.

"After a series of exhaustive tests and experiments with different designs of four-wheel brakes, Oakland engineers placed their approval on a new type brake for the 1929 models of Oakland and Pontiac. This brake, utilizing the principle of mechanical internal expansion now appears in different sizes of identical design on both the All-American and the Pontiac big six," stated Dreyer.

"Each brake shoe really is composed of two shoes, one comparatively rigid section comprising about one-half of the braking surface, and the other a flexible band, securely riveted to the rigid portion. Moving slightly with the rotation of the drum, the flexible part of the shoe 'wraps' outward and forces the rigid shoe section against the brake drum. The wrapping action relieves the driver of about 60 per cent of the effort necessary to apply the brakes.

Simplicity, ease of adjustment, long life and complete protection from water and dust were other factors that dictated Oakland's choice of this brake design."

Another feature of the Oakland and Pontiac brakes is the steel cable and conduit, according to Dreyer. The cable connection eliminates interference with the steering control, while the cable and conduit are covered with a water-proof boot seal for graphite grease, with which the unit is packed. This sealed lubrication is said to require no further attention for the life of the car after the initial greasing at the factory.

The present brakes on the Oakland All-American six are highly efficient, Dreyer contends, bringing the car from 20 miles an hour to a dead stop in only 16.5 feet, or slightly over a car-length. This stop is attained easily and without jarring the passengers.

Stockings Century Old

A pair of one-hundred-year-old stockings was exhibited at Biddeford, Maine. They were contributed by an Ogunquit woman and she said that the stockings had been given to a little girl 100 years ago by her grandmother for the child to wear at her first party. The stockings are of English knit and are of exquisite quality and beauty. They are in excellent condition in spite of their age.

Old Fort Preserved

Fort McHenry of "Star-Spangled Banner" fame is still standing and is open to the public. Many of the fortifications remain and the drives and walks are lined with magnificent trees. Two memorials to Francis Scott Key have been erected on the grounds, one overlooking the river and the other at the entrance. It is to be a national park.

Learns Nothing From History

"Almost every man thinks he could conduct a government," said H. H. the sage of Chinatown. "In spite of the historic fact that all who rise to power sooner or later fall in the attempt."—Washington Star.

Bootlegger Again Nabbed in Capital

Five new Chevrolet cars have been purchased recently from the Larson Chevrolet garage. One Chevrolet Imperial sedan has been sold to the Oregon Trail Trading company at Meacham, and a sport coupe went to Jesse Hargreaves, H. B. McQuigley, of Union, is the owner of a new Chevrolet sport coupe. A ton and one-half truck was purchased by R. B. Chaffin, Theodore Koster has bought a new sedan.



Apparently no official inquiry is to be made into the activities of George L. Cassidy, above, who was arrested the other day at the senate office building in Washington with liquor in his possession. Police pounded on him before he had a chance to lead them to the person for whom the package was intended. Several years ago the same man dropped a brief case containing liquor on the marble floor of the same building. Cassidy also ran, but was arrested.

Praises Dodge Performance



Frances Gentry, Hollywood film star, is proud of her Dodge Brothers sport coupe, and by this simple demonstration, she can prove the car's low sweeping lines. Miss Gentry, who appeared in the musical comedy, "Good News", praises the "thrill" performance of her car as the last word in automotive luxury.

GARAGE GOSSIP

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Purchases '75.—Hert Shelton, of Hilgard, has purchased a Chrysler '75 sedan from the Chrysler garage.

Business Trip.—W. D. Hanks went to Enterprise this week on business. He expects to go again the first of the week.

New Studebaker.—J. Dublin has purchased a new President Studebaker from M. J. Goss.

Business and Pleasure.—Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Harrison returned this week from several days business and pleasure trip to Portland.

Why Open.—According to an announcement from the A. A. An office in La Grande as far as the local representative knows the roads are still open all the way through east. Of course this may be changed at any time by storm.

To Wallawa.—Mr. Buchanan, of Buchanan and Minhall, is in Wallawa county this week on business.

Passed Through.—Charles Gentry passed through La Grande on his way to Baker last week. He is manager of the membership department of A. A. A.

British Soldiers In Jamaica Mutiny

LONDON, Nov. 15 (AP)—Revelation in the house of commons yesterday that there had been a mutiny of British troops in Jamaica has aroused considerable mystification and curiosity here.

The government, while admitting the mutiny occurred, is unable to state when, or the circumstances.

ENGINEER KILLED

WILMAB, Minn., Nov. 16 (AP)—George Rothwell, 62, of Sioux City, Iowa, engineer, was killed today when two Great Northern passenger trains derailed at an intersection here he was crushed under his locomotive, which left the rail and turned over.

GUILTY OF MANSLAUGHTER

HUGBONE, Ore., Nov. 15 (AP)—Ivan Brent, Eugene, was found guilty by a circuit court jury late yesterday on a charge of involuntary manslaughter in connection with the death of Kenneth Dillard, another Eugene youth.

Cars driven by them collided last August. The jury recommended leniency and sentence will be pronounced Tuesday.

LOCKWOOD ATTACKED

PORTLAND, Ore., Nov. 15 (AP)—C. M. Lockwood, accountant, in charge of auditing the books of S. G. Herlinger, discharged city water bureau clerk who is in jail charged with embezzling more than \$10,000 of bureau funds, told police today an unidentified person buried a three-pound rock through the water bureau office window last night narrowly missing his head.

GAS PRICE RANGES

The price of gasoline throughout the world ranges from an average of 15.3 cents per gallon in the United States to 65 cents per gallon in Bolivia, reports the Oregon State Motor association.

Is Old Expression

The expression "ship of state" was first used by Machiavelli in his political treatise, "The Prince." It was used by Longfellow in his "Building of the Ship."

Scribner Buys Ford Business At Ontario, Ore.

ONTARIO, Ore., Nov. 16—One of the largest business deals in Ontario's recent history was consummated Tuesday of this week when H. E. Scribner of La Grande and A. O. Adams of Weston purchased the Ford agency from V. H. Staples. The consideration was not announced.

Scribner and Adams have each been in the automobile business for years and are well acquainted throughout eastern Oregon. Mr. Scribner has been with a wholesale automobile firm in Portland for several years, making his headquarters in La Grande, while Mr. Adams has for many years been the Ford agent at Weston, in Umatilla county. The new owners declared they came to Ontario confident that in this city they were selecting one of the growing communities of Oregon. They have arranged to move their families here immediately.

Mr. Staples, who is selling his interests, leaves a business he purchased from Ebbie Hayes in July, 1919, declares he has no definite plans for the future, but will continue to live here in Ontario.

The Ford agency is the oldest automobile business in Ontario, and its growth may be gained from the statement made by Thos. Coward, who sold to Mr. Hayes, that he, Mr. Coward, bought the agency and business in 1913 from A. A. Wright and W. M. Townsend for but \$140. He sold to Mr. Hayes in 1918.

ECONOMY PLUS

Here's a brand new Coolidge story which a friend of ours dug out of Vermont; it is typical of our former president's well-known urge for economy.

It seems that a few years ago a party of tourists visited the Coolidge homestead and talked with Calvin's father, and on leaving one of them proffered a cigar.

"No, thanks," replied the Grand old state farmer, "I don't smoke."

"But your son smokes the weed, doesn't he?" countered the caller pleasantly.

"Yes," replied Coolidge senior, "Cal smokes all right; he used to buy himself Pittsburg stogies at three for a nickel, but when the war came on he couldn't get but two of 'em."

"Well, that was tough, wasn't it?" said the tourist sympathetically.

"Yes," drawled the old gentleman seriously, "twas one of the things about the war that Cal didn't like."

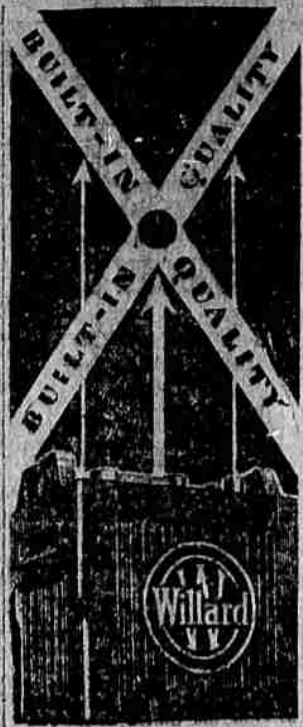
SAVING THE RESERVES

"Did you sell that man a car?" asked the manager.

"No," replied the salesman, "I saved my breath."

"Why?"

"He said he was going to bring his wife in 19 look at the box"—



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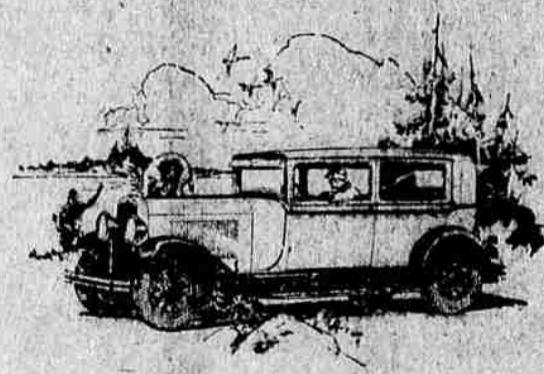
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