

AUTOMOBILE NEWS OF WEEK

3 BILLION TO BE SPENT ON ROADS

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One hundred and ten nations and national subdivisions of the world will spend at least \$3,000,000,000 on roads and road construction during 1931, according to an estimate made by the automotive division of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. World-wide investigations disclose the fact that in the majority of the countries of the world road building has been stimulated as a measure of unemployment relief, and as a consequence, world highway budgets were larger in 1930 than in 1929, and are expected, in 1931, to be larger than ever before.

That history repeats itself in this respect, at least, is attested to by recent findings in India, Asia and other places where ancient roads have come to light. Many of these roads, by way of providing employment for their people, many of these ancient roads are in use today, indicating the high quality of construction.

It is gratifying to note that the United States leads the parade of highway construction, with expenditures, which according to the best estimates, will reach \$2,000,000,000 during the year.

Though not in as large quantities, many other countries are proportionately increasing their highway budgets to relieve unemployment. From Japan comes the news of a special and additional \$40,000,000 yen (\$20,000,000 dollars) for 1931 roads; in Canada expenditures are expected to be increased by about \$20,000,000. Mexico is pushing its great trunk highway system to give Mexico City modern highway connection with Vera Cruz on the Gulf and Laredo and the United States on the north. Argentina in the closing days of 1930 issued a decree calling for bids for the construction of some 800 miles of paved highways with an outlay estimated at \$200,000,000 or more. Algeria, the Sudan, Czechoslovakia and Greece, all have increased their 1930 budgets.

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Thus we see all over the world stimulated activity in highway construction and greatly increased expenditures during 1930 and 1931. Although this is being undertaken at the present time as a direct measure of relief for unemployment, the permanent character of the works will, of course, bring lasting benefits to the countries concerned and should not accordingly, not only as a temporary relief for the unemployed, but as a permanent investment against future depression by stimulating economic development and accordingly economic health in the world over.

PUPILS TAUGHT POLITENESS
MUNICH (AP)—School children of Bavaria are to be given a daily hour on "foreign tourist travel" to teach them how to answer sensibly and politely questions of strangers from abroad.

Long Pipelines Will Soon Cut Gasoline Cost

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TULSA, Okla. (AP)—A new era is dawning in the transportation and distribution of gasoline, the petroleum industry's principal money product.

Shipment of gasoline through pipelines built specially for the purpose is about to be inaugurated. By the first of February the Great Lakes Pipeline company expects to be conveying gasoline from Oklahoma refineries to Kansas City through a new underground carrier.

Work on a second gasoline pipeline from Berger, Tex., to St. Louis is being rushed by the Phillips Petroleum company, a subsidiary of the Phillips Petroleum company.

These are the first pipelines built expressly to carry gasoline, although the fuel previously has been shipped through Pennsylvania pipelines originally built for crude oil.

Material lessening of distribution costs and delivery of greater quantities are advantages claimed for the new form of transportation.

The Great Lakes company estimates its line, which is to be extended as far north as Minneapolis and as far east as Chicago, will carry the refined product as a cost of about one cent a gallon for the long haul, as compared with 2.38 cents by rail.

Bulk stations at 50-mile intervals along the lines will serve adjacent territory.

Dangers Minimized
Engineers say the operating problems or dangers in transporting gasoline by pipeline do not vary greatly from those involved in the transportation of crude oil.

The Great Lakes Pipeline company was organized by the Barfield Oil corporation and the Continental Oil company, but other companies have completed negotiations for use of the line.

The Phillips line will run from the company's Berger, Texas, refinery to Kansas City and across Missouri to St. Louis. At the latter point docking facilities will be available for shipping by barge up the Mississippi to the Twin Cities, southward to Memphis and New Orleans, and eastward via the Ohio waterway to Louisville, Cincinnati and Pittsburgh.

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REWARD FOR FIGHTING REDS
NANKING (AP)—As a reward for suppressing communist rebels while the army was fighting the northern rebels, the nationalist government has voted a bonus to every man on the Nanjing police force. The cops kept the Chinese capital free from red by using plenty of muscle on agitators.

Five States Discuss Uniform Motor Laws

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SALEM, Jan. 31 (AP)—Uniform motor legislation will be considered by legislative committees from five states at a meeting in Portland February 7. It was announced by the secretary of state. The states sending committees include Washington, California, Arizona, Montana and Oregon.

Proceeding the hearing in Portland, the committees will meet with the joint roads and highways committee of the Oregon legislature in Salem. Preliminary meetings were held in California and Washington last December when tentative drafts of proposed laws were drawn.

Klamath Falls Will Vote on Bond Issue

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Jan. 31 (AP)—The city council this week took steps to place a general bond issue before the voters of Klamath Falls to obtain funds for construction of an underground crossing where the Southern Pacific main line tracks cross Main street, and to provide for new bridges to take the place of condemned spans over the government irrigation canal running through the city.

Gas From Tar At 4 Cents a Gallon?

SLOUGH, England (AP)—A process for extracting gasoline from tar at a cost of four cents a gallon is claimed by Robert E. Goldborough, an oil research worker.

Kerosene, oil lubricants, ethylene gas and pitch also can be made from tar by the same means, he said. Tar and steam are mixed at high temperatures and pressure, and the mixture expands into retort chambers.

It comes out of the chambers as a white vapor, which at various stages of condensation gives gasoline and the other products, Goldborough explained.

RESUMPTION OF LOGGING WORK IS TO BEGIN MAR. 1

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have averaged 14.19 per cent over production, due to the low levels of cutting and fair though low volume buying, the association reported.

LUMBER MEN URGED
TACOMA, Jan. 31 (AP)—Formation of physical mergers on a large scale in the lumber industry, or at least formation of selling organizations in an effort to eliminate destructive competitive methods, was urged at a meeting of 200 leading lumbermen here by Colonel W. H. Greeley, managing secretary of the West Coast Lumbermen's association. The meeting concluded last night.

Col. Greeley was supported in his views for immediate steps in this direction by J. D. Tennant of Longview, president of the association. Optimism was introduced in the discussions despite the disastrous showing of the industry for 1930, and the voiced expectation that 1931 will not see any very great improvement.

The opinion was expressed that an up-turn in business is to be expected, however, to balance the past depression period.

A C Dixon of Eugene, Ore., expressed the belief that the largest and most promising field for lumber sales extension today is on the American farm.

MOMENTOUS ERRORS



A CLAW-LIKE HAND WAS LAID ON HIS SHOULDER

Triangle Station Opens This Week

TRIANGLE auto dope
The Triangle station, located at Island and Cove avenues in the city, recently erected, was opened this week by John Quinlan and Sons, proprietors.

The station, carefully planned and attractively equipped, is a decided improvement to this section. Not so many months ago neighbors complained of morning glories and other pests on this location, now improved with the erection of a modern structure.

PORTLAND MASSEUR CONVICTED

VANCOUVER, Wash., Jan. 31 (AP)—Facing a minimum sentence of ten years in state prison, Waino B. Maki, Portland masseur, was convicted last night in superior court here of second degree murder. He was tried for the killing of Andrew Hendrickson, aged resident of the Hood River district near here. Hendrickson was beaten to death. The jury was out five hours.

GIRLS ESCAPE FROM FIRE

HASTINGS, Eng., Jan. 31 (AP)—One hundred twenty girls of the exclusive Battle Abbey school fled before dawn today from a dormitory which was destroyed by fire. No one was injured but the historic Battle Abbey, part of Battle Abbey, dating back to William the Conqueror, was destroyed.

The hall stood at the reputed spot where Harold was slain by the troops of William the Conqueror during the invasion of 1066.

CIVIL WAR VET DIES

NAPEVILLE, Ill., Jan. 31 (AP)—An 83-year-old veteran of the Civil war, Joseph A. Koehly, died yesterday leaving his widow, 43 years younger than he, and an 8-year-old son as survivors. Koehly enlisted in 1863 when he was 15.

Violets Bloom At Union; Spring Not Far Distant

By Mrs. L. Z. Terrill
(Observer Correspondent)
UNION, Ore. (Special)—Spring can not be far off when numerous little growing things begin to obey the impulse to seek the sunshine. Reports come from several flower lovers in Union that tulips and other bulbs are pushing their way through the ground. One may report violets in bloom and another snowdrops almost ready to open. Squirrels have been seen in the valley and one lone robin sat huddled on a limb yesterday as if he were not real sure of himself about this spring business.

The Commercial club has been showing a weakness for home economics cooking lately. Convinced of the efficiency of this popular department in the high school when the Cove home economics class served them a fine dinner Friday night, the club assembled at the high school dining room Wednesday, and sampled the cooking of the home economics girls. The three-course dinner served by the girls under the direction of Miss Helen Hulac was pronounced a real banquet. There were 37 members out for the dinner. During the meal the seven-piece high school orchestra, under the leadership of Miss Ella Clark, gave several entertaining selections that added to the enjoyment of the occasion. The members of the home economics class and the musicians were introduced to the club members by their president, O. L. Hays.

Mrs. Vernon Underwood, who has been in poor health for sometime, was taken to Hot Lake this week for treatment. She received quite a shock Tuesday morning, when she awakened to find her room filling with smoke. Her husband had built the fire early and left for his work. She broke a window and made her escape. The fire department was called and the fire extinguished but not before it had done considerable damage to the furniture and interior of the house. And as if that were not enough, someone later in the week stole their flock of chickens and a set of dishes.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman White were business visitors in Union on Monday.

Leo Davis returned to the W. H. Hutchinson ranch to work after spending several weeks in Seattle.

George Ferguson was a business visitor in Union Thursday. He is optimistic about his drug store business in North Powder.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Perkins, better known as Glen Perkins, came in from San Francisco Thursday evening and are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rex Griggs. Fred Perkins, who has been in rather poor health, came over from Eagle valley to meet them and will accompany them back to California when they return. He is Glen's father.

Mr. and Mrs. George Winslip and Anna Mae were over from La Grande Thursday to spend the evening with the J. F. Hutchinson family.

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NOTICE TO CREDITORS
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Union County, as the administrator of the estate of O. F. Coolidge, deceased. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby directed to present them to the undersigned with proper vouchers every day in the forenoon of said day, from the date of this notice. H. E. COOLIDGE, Administrator of the Estate of O. F. Coolidge, Deceased. Dated January 24, 1931. H. E. DIXON, Attorney for Administrator, La Grande, Oregon. Jan. 24-31, Feb. 7-14-21.

NOTICE OF HEARING OF FINAL ACCOUNT
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Administrator of the estate of Alice Snook, deceased, has filed her final account herein and the County Court has fixed Monday the 2nd day of March, 1931, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said day as the time for the hearing of objections to such final account and the settlement thereof. JANE C. SNOOK, Administrator of the Estate of Alice Snook, Deceased. Jan. 31, Feb. 7, 14, 21, 28.

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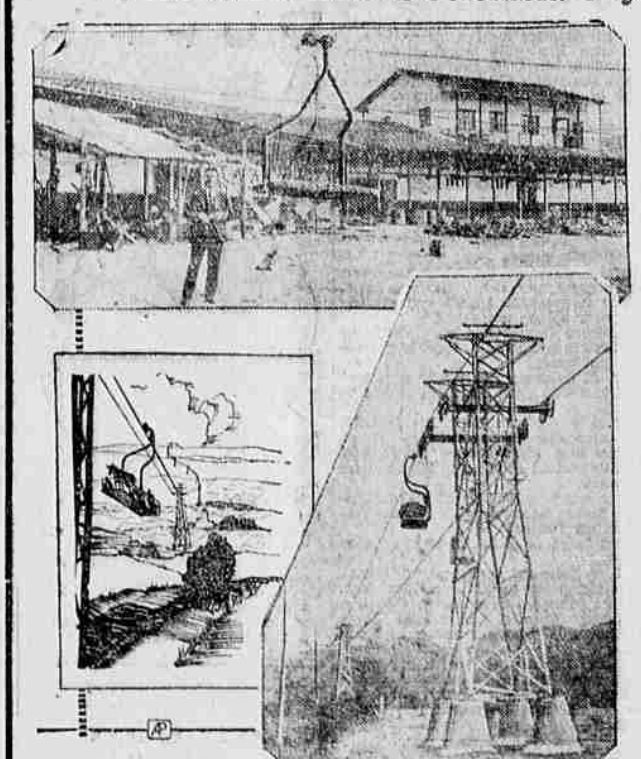
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Aerial Trolleys Give Trade Outlet To Mountain-Bound Colombia City



Cities in Colombia, shut off by mountain ranges or swampy jungles, depend upon aerial trolley lines (lower right) for freight and passenger communication. Above is the aerial trolley station in Mantuales, high in the Andes.

By Charles E. Harner
BOGOTA, Colombia (AP)—With its small, wealthy cities isolated by mountain and jungle barriers, Colombia has turned to the air to solve transportation problems.

Airplanes alone have not been sufficient although a German-Colombian line has operated with success for several years.

Mantuales, for example, is 7,000 feet above sea level and is the center of some of the finest coffee lands in the world. But the city is shut off by the jagged Andes and can safely be reached by plane only from the southwest, where there is a pass.

Her outlet in other directions is by aerial trolleys. Two of these, government owned, jump across space to the north and northwest for 12 and 13 miles each.

The third takes coffee and passengers eastward down to the Magdalena river.

This is one of the longest aerial trolley lines in the world. It extends for 43 miles and costs its British owners about \$2,000,000.

All three of these trolley outlets lead their tiny cars swinging from 13 to 250 feet above ground. Sometimes they go over areas so precipitous that coffee growers gravely tell newcomers that they can plant seed there only by shooting it out of guns.

Another lengthy "airway" runs 38 miles from Garmara on the Magdalena to Ocaña where there are American oil interests. The swinging cars on this line cross swampy jungles where road-building is next to impossible and prohibitive in cost.

The cars, whether carrying coffee, gold ore, livestock or passengers, make about four and a half miles an hour. That is plenty fast for the sections which they traverse for in an hour they cover as much ground as a man on foot could make in a day, up the heights or through the jungle.

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