

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA HAS FREAK AUTO

Imagine a Car With no Chassis, Six Wheels, 10 Gear Shift Speeds!

CLEVELAND, Mar. 14 (AP)—Imagine an automobile with three gear shift levers, 10 gear shift speeds, two differentials, five axles, six wheels and no chassis.

It sounds impossible, but it is very much a fact and within a few years some of its most important features of design may be widely adopted on standard American cars.

The freak automobile is the Tatra, made in Czechoslovakia. It was displayed here at a meeting of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

German engineers designed the Tatra for military use during the World war. It will travel over ground rough enough to wreck any ordinary automobile, and does it with comparative ease.

Eliminates Chassis For peace time purposes, however, the principal interest in the Tatra is found in that part of its design which eliminates the chassis and which keeps it "unsprung" weight to a minimum.

Engineers say that these factors increase riding comfort and reduce body squeaks and distortions. Instead of the usual two steel channel bars—the chassis which is the foundation of most automobiles—the Tatra has a single strong steel tub in the center beneath it. This, the engineers said, reduces or eliminates twisting of the body and the resultant strains and squeaks.

Maximum Speed 28 Miles Riding comfort in the Tatra is increased, the engineers claim, by keeping to a minimum the weight of its weight which beneath its springs.

Because of its gear ratio, the Tatra has a maximum speed of only 28 miles per hour, but it would be possible to use its idea in a car built for higher speeds. It has a four cylinder air-cooled motor and runs 40 miles on a gallon of gasoline. Power is transmitted to all of its four rear wheels.

NORTH POWDER PERSONALS

By Mrs. C. J. Law (Observer Correspondent)

NORTH POWDER, Ore. (Special).—Mrs. John Hinkle, of Harper, is visiting this week with her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Rothler.

Mrs. Albert Carlson, of Carlson and Son store, left Thursday for Portland where she will spend several weeks receiving medical treatment.

Dora Elle, six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alma Jones, underwent an appendectomy operation at the St. Elizabeth hospital in Baker a few days ago. She is getting along nicely.

Homer Pearson and Mrs. Ned Pearson motored to Enterprise on a business trip Saturday. Willie Pearson of Island City, accompanied them to Enterprise.

Bel Gibson has moved his family to the Sanders ranch near the city limits. Mr. Gibson will work for Chris Peterson, who has the Sanders ranch rented.

Mrs. Della Greenwood, of Athena, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Alex Shaw.

Leo Rice, son of Mrs. Lyle Van Orsdall, broke his arm while trying to crank a car. He was taken to Baker where he received medical attention. One bone was broken squarely and the other one split.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Hollinger, of Burnt River section, have moved to Powder where they expect to remain. The children entered school Monday.

Billie Patterson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Sam Patterson, who has been a patient at Hot Lake for some time, was able to come home Tuesday. He is getting along nicely. Billie was suffering from a release of chicken pox.

The Clinton McConnell family moved from Telecast to Durkee Tuesday. Mr. McConnell works on the railroad.

Mr. and Mrs. George Craighead spent the weekend at Huntington with Mr. and Mrs. Jack Newell. They were accompanied home by Mercedes Newell, who will visit here for several days.

Mrs. W. A. Hudson spent the weekend in La Grande with her daughter, Lucile, who attends normal school.

Mrs. Orville Miller, who recently returned from Garden Valley, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Clyde McPherson.

Harry Avery, county agent of Union county, and J. A. Rice, of Wolf Creek, are making plans to organize a livestock club in Powder Monday.

Mr. Rice has been active in club work in the Wolf Creek district for several years and is very anxious to start a club in Powder.

Mrs. H. P. Riggs and Clarence Riggs were transacting business in Baker Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Garrett spent the weekend in Pendleton visiting relatives.

Judge E. J. Sencerbox and sons, Wayne and Tom, were business visitors in La Grande Wednesday.

Dora Lucas, who has been absent from school for several months because of illness, is receiving medical attention at Hot Lake.

Herman White, manager of the P. F. E. is confined to his home due to flu.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Taylor, of Sheridan, Ark., have left for Portland after visiting here for some time with W. H. Taylor. Lee and W. H. Taylor are brothers and this is the first time they have met for 25 years. Lee will visit his daughter in Portland and then he expects to look for a location in Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. L. McGregor and Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Parker were transacting business in La Grande Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Ferguson and son, Wayne, drove to Union Sunday and spent the day with Mrs. Ferguson's mother, Mrs. John Ferguson, who was celebrating her 74th birthday anniversary.

Stock shipped to the Portland market Saturday was for L. M. Clement, one car cattle, W. A. Coughanour, one car cattle, and Mrs. Violet Parker, one car cattle.

John Lacey and Earl Burton had charge of the stock on the road.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Pearson, L. M. Clement and W. A. Coughanour, left Sunday for Portland on a business and pleasure trip.

John Lacey and Earl Burton returned Saturday night from a business trip to Central Oregon.

William E. Krait and Robert H. Wakefield attended the meeting of the Schoolmasters club at Elgin Monday night.

Lyle Van Orsdall moved his family to Meander Sunday. Mr. Van Orsdall is employed by the O. W. R. & N. Mr. Reynolds, who is traveling through the country showing slides of the Yellowstone park, presented a show for the school children Tuesday morning. This was an educational program.

The high school students are giving a dance March 20. Music will be furnished by an orchestra from the North Powder band.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stringham, of Elgin, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Ferguson Sunday evening.

The Messrs. Gentry and Genevieve Willis and Mrs. Will Henderson attended the wedding dinner of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Best at Poshonoma Sunday.

The dinner was given at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ora Best. The Boy Scouts under their leader, Mr. Wakefield, met at the school house Tuesday evening. Judge E. J. Sencerbox and W. E. Krait were guests of the scouts.

The scouts are making plans for their court of honor which will be held the latter part of April. They are now planning for a long hike March 21.

Mrs. Walter McGraty and Mrs. W. A. Hudson were La Grande visitors Thursday.

Mrs. Laura Shaw, of Walla Walla, is here visiting her mother, Mrs. Susan Davis, who is ill of pneumonia.

A heavy downpour of rain swept through this section Wednesday afternoon. Country roads that are not graded are nearly impassable.

Oey Lee is nearly through lambing. He has 1000 ewes and has now 1500 lambs. He has 800 pairs of twins.

Rick Jones, who has 1100 ewes, has 1300 lambs and he will be through lambing in a few days.

L. L. Garrett attended a meeting of Standard Oil managers in Baker Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Belvill drove over from Pendleton Wednesday to visit their daughter, Mrs. L. L. Garrett. Mr. Belvill returned to Pendleton Thursday and Mrs. Belvill will visit here for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. Dave Cook and Mrs. Jim Wilson left Thursday for Condon where they will visit for several days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Mercer. Mrs. Mercer is a daughter of Mrs. Wilson and a sister of Mrs. Cook.

Mrs. Christ Johnson Sr., entertained the bridge club Wednesday afternoon. Three tables of bridge were played. Mrs. Dave Cook made high score and Mrs. W. T. Lampkin low score. Members present were Mesdames Volney Lee, Walter McGrath, W. A. Coughanour, Elmer Jacobs, George Bullard, W. A. Hudson, Will Riordan, Dave Cook, Chris E. Johnson and W. T. Lampkin. Mrs. Bill Davis was a guest. Refreshments were served at the close of the games.

Women of Cove Studying Facts About Oregon

By Mrs. Leona Price (Observer Correspondent)

COVE, Ore. (Special).—Mrs. L. E. Anderson entertained the members of the Women's club with a paper on "The Flower of Oregon", at her home Thursday afternoon. This is the third Oregon program presented by members of the club. Mrs. Anderson is a true lover of flowers as is proven by her yard which is one of great beauty during the summer months.

Mrs. Anderson presented a wealth of detail about the habits, beauty and uses of countless flower families which are represented in Oregon ranging from the despoiled wild pansies and thistles to the exotic orchids. A very delightful part of the discourse was the folk lore and legends about the names, colors and shapes of various flowers. After the program Mrs. Anderson also served tea and shamrock wafers. The next Oregon program will be on the geography and topography of Oregon by Mrs. A. G. Conklin, and "Women's Rights in Oregon", by Mrs. T. C. Hefty. A number of visitors have attended each of these programs and everyone is invited to attend.

Mrs. Christ Bertsch returned Thursday from a visit to Caldwell, Idaho. She left Monday morning with her brother-in-law, Mr. Klopferstein, of La Grande. Mrs. Bertsch visited her nephew, Mr. Mueller. She also spent one day in Boise while away.

Mrs. Bertsch reports the grass and flowers in Cove are far advanced as any seen on her trip. She has daffodils and crocuses blooming in her own yard.

Rev. William Platt was taken to Hot Lake Friday morning for an appendicitis operation. Glenn Kinsley, Mrs. Neil Kight and Mrs. O. B. Robison all underwent operations Thursday and Mrs. Eva Hartley who underwent an operation Monday, is reported to be getting along very well.

A number of people are suffering from an epidemic of sore throats. They become severe during the night but do not cause much pain during the day. Among those suffering from this ailment are Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Peterman and Mrs. J. R. Fletcher.

Miss Madeline Larsen, physical education instructor at the E. O. N. and head of the Camp Fire Circle of La Grande, gave a talk on cleanliness and good posture to the high school girls Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Wesley Smith gave a birthday dinner honoring Mrs. B. White Wednesday evening. Other guests besides the guest of honor and the hostess were Mrs. Mary Ellen Breshears, Mrs. Minnie McDermott, Mildred Hillard, Bertha and Ruth White and Ada Breshears.

The Eastern Star members were entertained after their regular business meeting by Mrs. B. E. Peterson at whose home they met. Mrs. John Dean assisted her. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Lulu Goyette March 24.

Mrs. J. R. Fletcher and Mrs. J. R. Price were luncheon guests of Mrs. Hugh McCall at Haines Tuesday.

J. E. Anderson has been suffering from rheumatism for about three days. He has been unable to get relief for more than an hour or two a day during that time.

Red Cross Aid Given Two Million Persons In Drouth-Stricken Area

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 14 (Special).—A summary of Red Cross relief operations in the drouth area as of February 29 shows that approximately 2,000,000 persons in 650 counties of twenty-two states were being fed or otherwise aided by the organization on that date. This is an increase of more than 400,000 over the number being aided as of January 31, and is believed by officials to represent the peak load.

While some chapters have been able to cut down the number of families being helped because of government loans becoming operative, some employment opening up, and financing of farmers and planters being resumed in the plantation country, other chapters in more northerly states were meeting an increased burden of relief because many families who had been able to carry on now found their resources exhausted.

The number of families receiving aid during February was 400,240, as against 255,737 families in January.

Aid by states was given as follows: Alabama, 22,752 families; Georgia, 1,122 families; Indiana, 2,356 families; Kentucky, 40,993; Louisiana, 51,251; Maryland, 567; Mississippi, 31,389; North Carolina, 2,120; Ohio, 3,045; Pennsylvania, 549; Tennessee, 16,467; Virginia, 9,176; West Virginia, 5,099; Arkansas, 161,114; Illinois, 4,795; Kansas, 20; Missouri, 22,620; Montana, 569; North Dakota, 280; Oklahoma, 52,616; Texas, 28,519. New Mexico was able to meet its own relief needs during the month. Pennsylvania was the only state meeting demands with local funds.

A partial report of types of relief given shows that food was distributed to 347,340 families; clothing to 38,309 families; fuel to 3,330; medical aid to 8,333. School lunches have been served to 149,293 children in 2,772 schools. School attendance everywhere in the drouth sections improved when the Red Cross school lunch program was instituted in the rural schools and warm clothing was distributed to the children. The distribution of garden seed is now under way. Fifty carloads of seeds, comprising over eight million packets, are being distributed in the drouth states for spring planting, as part of the relief program.

Foodstuff Distributed More than 800 freight carloads of.

Foodstuffs donated to the Red Cross for the drouth sufferers have been distributed in the most badly affected regions. Citrus fruits and fresh vegetables from Florida and California, and potatoes, cabbage and other vegetables from northern, central and western states have aided materially in maintaining health standards. Contrary to the expectations of health officers, no reports have thus far reached the national headquarters of the Red Cross of serious impairment of health because of malnutrition, either among adults or children.

Fellagra, a disease due to an incomplete diet, which is always present in some southern sections, was shown not to be more prevalent than usual in Red Cross reports. Early in the relief operations, prescribing of powdered yeast was arranged by the Red Cross through local doctors to combat the disease, and several thousand people have received this additional relief.

One type of relief given extensively by the Red Cross, touched upon in the monthly summary is the giving of feed for stock. Thousands of head of cattle, horses, hogs and chickens have been saved to the farmers by the distribution of stock feed. It is estimated that in Arkansas alone 21,000 farmers have received free stock feed from the Red Cross. It was necessary to make distribution of feed in all but six of the 22 affected states, and reports show that at least 26,580 farmers have been helped in this way.

This huge relief task, Red Cross officials pointed out, has been borne almost entirely by volunteer workers. Only 340 workers from the National Red Cross staff, or recruited from other agencies, have been used in the twenty-two states. These included stenographic and clerical help in state headquarters and the permanent field representatives in those states, as well as officials for supervision. Twenty-five thousand men

and women volunteers, residents of the affected communities, have carried on the relief work in their communities.

Direct Descendant Of John Alden Dies

PENDLETON, Mar. 14 (AP)—Sister Bonosa, 66, for many years teacher in the Catholic academy here, and seventh direct descendant of John Alden, died here Thursday after a long illness.

She was born in Monroton, Fein, the daughter of Philip Alden. She embraced the Catholic faith in 1896, and came west soon afterwards, and taught in Pendleton. Six years ago she went to Klamath Falls to teach in the school there. She returned to Pendleton last August because of ill health.

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Klamath River Dam To Be Started Soon

KLAMATH FALLS, Ore., Mar. 14 (AP).—Mr. Brewster, general manager of the California-Oregon Power company, announced yesterday work will start at once on the Keno dam regulating the waters of the Klamath river.

The dam will be located about 800 feet below the state highway bridge at Keno and will cost approximately \$100,000.

The new dam will be constructed for the purpose of river regulation only and will be eight feet high and two hundred feet long, including embankments on both ends. It is to be of the "peddle" type. A timber operating bridge will extend its entire length. Local labor will be used.

Medford Planing Mill Is Burned

MEDFORD, Ore., Mar. 14 (AP).—The planing mill and equipment, a lumber shed of the Moon Lumber company, near Ashland, was destroyed by fire early yesterday. The origin of the blaze had not been determined. Firemen saved the main sawmill plant. The planing mill will be rebuilt and spring operations are expected to start April 15.

JAPANESE BABE CHRISTENED

TOKYO, March 13 (AP).—Japan's tiniest bit of royalty was christened Yori Atsuko today on the seventh day after the princess' birth and shortly thereafter, in strict accordance with time-honored rites, Emperor Hirohito had duly reported the name of the imperial ancestor.

The name was chosen from the ancient Japanese scriptures, Hori meaning obedience to heaven and Atsuko meaning generosity to those in earth.

Over Night News

(By The Associated Press)

Point Barrow, Alaska.—Joe Crosson, aviator, arrives with 500,000 units of antitoxin to combat diphtheria epidemic.

Mattapoisett, Mass.—Mrs. William Chester Allison pushes her three children from a dock, then jumps in; one son, 10, saves himself.

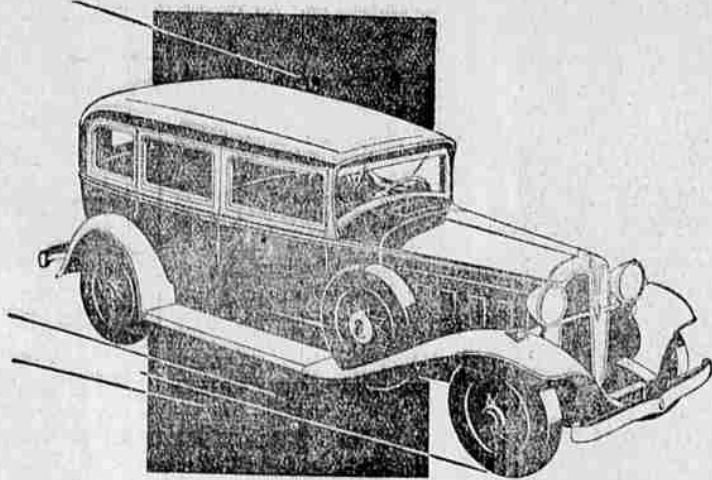
Akron, Ohio.—Miss Frankie Renner claims women's altitude record with flight of 33,000 feet.

Washington.—Tilson says Archais senate rules on failure of copyright, immigration and maternity aid bills.

San Francisco.—Process for the manufacture of sugar from grapes is announced by Pierre Philippe, of the International Sugar corporation.

Foreign

Madrid.—King Alfonso departs for London to visit Princess Beatrice, his mother-in-law.



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