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OVERHAUL AUTO AT EARLY DATE

Spring Is Time to Get Car Into Shape for Use During Entire Summer Season.

SOME TIMELY SUGGESTIONS

First Question to Be Decided Is Whether There Is Any Part of Mechanism Needing Repair That Owner Cannot Give.

It used to be the fashion for village debating societies to discuss at need-length the thrilling question of whether the pleasures of anticipation are greater than those of realization. We need not enter into this now, but certainly the present season, with its anticipations of the joyous time just ahead, is not the least pleasurable of the motorcar owner's year.

But if the full enjoyment of these coming days of spring is to be realized the car owner must give his vehicle some careful attention at the present moment.

The first question that must be decided in undertaking the spring overhaul is whether there is any vital part of the mechanism that requires attention which the owner does not feel able to give. Does the rear axle need overhauling? Is the transmission good for another season? Do the engine bearings require adjustment? If the car must go to the service station for some replacement or repair, take it today.

As a beginning of the work that you intend to do yourself make a careful list of all parts and equipment that you are going to need. Gather the various things you expect to use, cotter pins, nuts, bolts, valve-grinding compound, patches, cement, waste, gaskets, grease, graphite, oils, kerosene, valve spring, lifter, etc.

Cleaning Comes First.
With the materials all gathered and ready to hand, the first step in overhauling is a thorough cleaning. This should include not only the body, but the upholstery and the running gear underneath the vehicle. The engine should be thoroughly cleaned, all gummy deposits being removed with kerosene. All oil compartments, crankcase, gearset, differential, etc., must be drained of their old oil, and after being flushed out with kerosene should be refilled with fresh lubricant.

It is best to begin with the engine and gradually work back through the mechanism. Unless the cylinders have recently had carbon removed this is the first step.

The carbon having been removed, the next step is to grind the valves. For this operation a valve spring lifter is needed and some good grinding compound. A grinding tool is extremely handy for the work, but a screw driver may be used.

Put Back Cylinder Head.

With this work done the cylinder head should be put back. It is not advisable to use the old gasket in re-assembling. A new gasket should be ready to install. The seat should be perfectly clean and the gasket should be covered with a little shellac and then be put in place. After applying the cylinder head tighten the nuts, drawing down first one a little and then the opposite one. Do not draw one nut down all the way and so on around, as this may spring the cylinder head.

The inlet manifold will next require a little attention. The gasket here will probably need replacement and sheet asbestos will be used, liberally covered with graphite. Finally give the engine a general tightening up. Use the wrench on all nuts; tighten the pump packing nut if a pump is used. Give the fan any adjustment it may need. Tighten all the ignition wire terminals. See that the magnet, if one is used, is tightly bolted down. Do the same for the generator.

SECRETARY POLK



Frank L. Polk, under secretary of state, whose resignation was accepted by President Wilson.

POPULATION OF NEW YORK NOW 5,621,151

Washington.—New York City had a population of 5,621,151 on January 2, an increase of 854,268, or 17.9 per cent, over 1910, the census bureau has announced. The rate of growth was smaller than ever before in the city's history, except in the decade ending in 1870, while the increase was smaller than either of the two decades preceding 1910.

The total includes the following boroughs:

Manhattan 2,284,103, decrease 47,439 or 2 per cent; Bronx 732,018, increase 301,036 or 69.8 per cent; Brooklyn 2,022,262, increase 357,911 or 23.7 per cent; Queens 466,811, increase 182,770 or 63.3 per cent; Richmond 115,359, increase 29,390 or 34.9 per cent.

The small increase in the growth of the city of New York during the past decade is attributed by census officials to the almost complete stoppage during the war of immigration and to the heavy emigration of foreign-born residents.

PROSECUTION IS ADVISED

Action Proposed to Curb Alleged Newspaper Profiteers.

Washington.—Prosecution under the Sherman anti-trust and Clayton acts of print paper manufacture suspected of profiteering was recommended by the senate manufactures subcommittee, which conducted an investigation of the paper situation.

The committee furthermore recommended that should government efforts to maintain a reasonable price meet with failure a federal news print board be established "to supervise the manufacture and distribution of print paper."

Cow Sells for \$30,000.

St. Paul.—A world's record price of \$30,000 for a Holstein cow was paid at the Minnesota Holstein-Friesian sale. The price was paid for Pabst Korndyke Cornflower, purchased from Fred Pabst, Oconomowoc, Wis. The previous record price was \$18,400.

American Share of Bonds Half Billion.

Paris.—The share of the United States in the first 20,000,000,000 marks gold of reparation bonds which Germany is required to issue under the Versailles treaty will be about \$500,000,000, it was stated here.

THE MARKETS

Portland.

Oats—No. 3 white feed, \$63.50 ton.
Corn—Whole, \$82@83; cracked, \$84@85.

Hay—Willamette valley timothy, \$34 per ton; alfalfa, \$36.

Potatoes—Oregon, 7½¢ per pound;

Gems, 8½¢ f. o. b. station.

Butter Fat—53c.

Eggs—Ranch, 36¢ per dozen.

Poultry—Hens, 18@28c.

Cattle—Best steers, \$11.75@12.25;

good to choice, \$10.50@11; medium to

good, \$9.50@10.50.

Hogs—Prime mixed, \$14.75@15;

medium mixed, \$14.25@14.75; pigs,

\$11@13.

Sheep—Lambs, \$12@12.50; year-

lings, \$7@9; wethers, \$6@8.

Seattle.

Hay—Eastern Washington timothy,

\$47 per ton; alfalfa, \$46.

Potatoes—Yakima Gems, \$175 per

ton; local \$150@160.

Butter Fat—55@57c.

Eggs—Ranch, 36@41c.

Hogs—Prime, \$14.75@15.25; me-

diu to choice, \$13.75@14.75; pigs,

\$12@13.

Poultry—Hens, dressed, heavy, 45c;

light, dressed, 40c; live, 31@39.

Cattle—Best steers, \$11.75@12.50;

medium to choice, \$9@11.

UNITED GENIUS AND BEAUTY

Many of America's Great Men Have Proved That the Two Can Exist Together.

While Socrates had the mind of a god and the form of a satyr, and many from that day on have said that beauty and genius do not go together, such is not the case in American history, according to Charles E. Corwin, writing in the Seattle Post-Intelligencer. With few striking exceptions good looking, well proportioned men have achieved fame. Washington was a handsome man, and Gen. Winfield Scott was considered fine looking. Gen. Lee, of Civil war fame, was attractive in form and feature. Daniel Webster, Edward Everett, Horace Greeley and Franklin were handsome types of their periods.

The writer declares there has been a distinct change in the type of the American countenance. In colonial days the typical face was full, rosy and reposeful. Today the average countenance is somewhat sharp, pallid and expressive of energy. Roosevelt had the sharpness of present-day features. President Wilson's chin radiates determination, and Bryan's smile is unique of its kind, but the features are like the present day type.

Among men of letters James Fenimore Cooper bore the palm for beauty. He was large and finely proportioned. His features were of leonine cast, and his clear, gray eyes were radiant with power. Washington Irving was a handsome man, as was also N. P. Willis.

NEW LINES SEEN ON MOON

British Astronomer Makes Public Recent Observations of Great Interest to Scientists.

A paper by T. L. MacDonald, read before the British Astronomical association, discusses the appearance of a bright border along the dark limb of the young moon. According to Mr. MacDonald this luminosity, which is not visible in all lunations, has a more or less line-like appearance, and is decidedly brighter than the ordinary earthshine, which always illuminates the darker part of the young moon.

The bright border varies in length, not always extending as far as the horns of the lunar crescent, and certain nearly circular swellings of intensified brightness have been noted. In general the border is most sharply defined when the moon is 2½ days old, and it begins to become diffuse the third day of the lunation. By the seventh day it is barely distinguishable. Commenting on these observations, Mr. Harold Thomson stated that he had observed the bright border with the naked eye, but it disappeared in the telescope.—Scientific American.

New York and Other Seaports.

As a result of the great war the population of France has decreased 7 per cent, but the population of some of the large cities of France has made a large increase. Lyons, Bordeaux and Marseilles are of special interest to American investors, who have paid many millions of dollars in purchasing bonds issued by these cities. Their gain in population has ranged from 15 to 36 per cent, the largest being that of Marseilles, and it is perhaps significant that Marseilles is the principal port of France on the Mediterranean, remarks the Boston Commercial Bulletin.

As the great seaport of America, New York has made enormous growth in recent years and the population has become so great that not only is New York the largest city in the world but English newspapers now admit that New York has nearly a million more inhabitants than London, which has been for over a century the world's greatest city.

Rare Plants in Demand.

In 1803 a scientific man named Drummond discovered one solitary aronia plant in the woods of St. Tammany parish in Louisiana, and it is cherished today at the Arnold arboretum. Now Harvard has written to New Orleans asking to have Louisiana searched again for the rare growth, and the New Orleans Garden society has offered a prize of \$5 for the discovery of another aronia plant. Harvard also wants Louisiana searched for a certain variety of ash, discovered near New Orleans about a century ago and never seen before or since.

United States Forests.

About one-fourth of the United States, or 550,000,000 acres, is in forests. Forests publicly owned contain about one-fifth of all the timber standing. The remaining four-fifths is privately owned. The original forests of the country covered an area of 850,000,000 acres, and contained a greater quantity and variety of timber than on any area of similar size in the world. The present rate of cutting for all purposes exceeds the annual growth of the forests.

His Version.

The seventh grade children were discussing the ways to bring down the cost of clothing. The teacher had told them about Irvin Cobb's desire to have trousers abbreviated into knickerbockers or "pants" as Irvin termed it. They all agreed that this would certainly be a saving of material and then little Jacob suggested a further abbreviation. "You might leave out of them most of the pockets," he said. "There ain't nothing to carry in them now since the country's gone dry."—Indianapolis News.

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