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BULLETINS ROAD CONDITIONS GIVEN

Special Service for Motorists Inaugurated by The Oregonian Today.

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Condensed Reports From Correspondents Will Give Frank and Unbiased Information—Cooperation Is Invited.

In recognition of the tremendous demand for accurate, impartial information on road conditions in all parts of the state and in neighboring districts, The Oregonian inaugurates today a new department in the form of a condensed bulletin detailing road conditions as they are reported from all parts of the state by the regular Oregonian correspondents.

The responsibilities of the task are too broad for anyone to hope that the bulletin will be entirely free from inaccuracies at all times, but constant effort will be exerted to make such revisions and corrections as changes in the weather and the development of road construction and improvement may from time to time warrant.

It will, of course, be impossible to reflect the impressions of everyone as to the existing condition of this and that roadway, for the reason that no two motorists ever see the same road through the same pair of goggles. Opinions as to road conditions vary as widely as the specifications of the various makes of automobiles and as widely as the dispositions of the individual motorists.

The experienced road tourist, for instance, doesn't expect to find a paved boulevard through the rural districts, and consequently seldom wears a machine providing the roads are in fairly good shape, weather and the turn of the calendar.

In framing their reports to be included in the Sunday road bulletin The Oregonian correspondents will aim to report conditions as they appear, fair, frank and impartial and not prejudiced by local pride or sectional feeling.

Providing the motorists of Oregon and the public generally will be good enough to give their co-operation, the bulletin feature will be made exceedingly valuable to the motoring public.

When you make your next road trip carry The Oregonian road report along with you and if you discover any detail, either as to distances or road conditions which you believe to be inaccurate or in need of revision, your kindness will be appreciated if you will at once notify Chester Moores, automobile editor, who will make it a special point to be at his desk, 815 Oregonian building, between the hours of 9 and 12 o'clock on the morning of each week day and between 5 and 6 o'clock in the evenings.

HOOD RIVER HIGHWAY FINE

Motorists Cautioned to Have Brakes in Good Condition.

HOOD RIVER, Or., June 23.—(Special.)—The Columbia River Highway from Cascade to Hood River, according to recent motorists over the stretch, is now in better condition than at any time since it has been opened. However, the automobilist, accustomed to city paved streets, is going to have an unpleasant experience and certain cautions are advised in preparation for the journey. It must be remembered that the stretch of road is very narrow at many points. It is crooked, and many steep grades will be met.

The motorist expecting to make the journey from Portland all the way to Hood River should have his brakes in the best of condition. For the Rutherford hill grade he should have his tank well filled with gas. A gas supply station is being put in at the foot of just west of the Mitchell's Point grade. By stopping there, in case your tank is not full, will save you the trouble of backtracking to some other station.

ROADS ROUGH NEA RALBANY

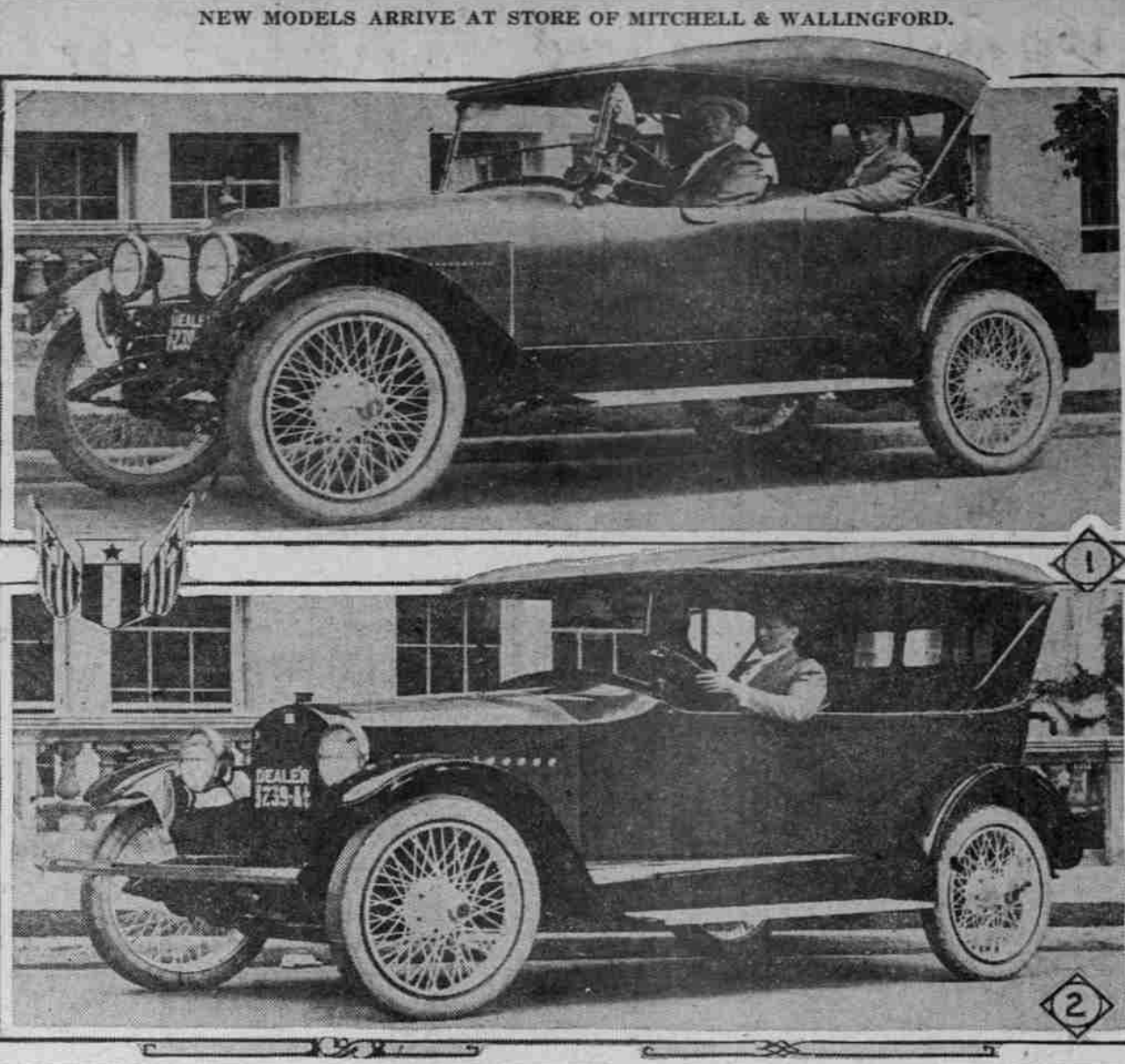
Gravel Placed on Highway in Wet Months Well Worked In.

ALBANY, Or., June 23.—Roads generally in the section of the state adjacent to Albany are in good condition. Some roads are rough in places, but wherever a drag was used or other work done they are fine.

The Albany-Corvallis road is good practically all of the way. From Albany to Harrisburg the road is in good condition. A great deal of work has been done on this road in the past few days.

VALLEY ROADS BEING WORKED

Some Traffic Follows Hill Route Between Salem and Independence.



1—PREMIER CAR WITH W. H. WALLINGFORD AT WHEEL. 2—LIBERTY CAR, E. A. MITCHELL AT WHEEL.

north of Jefferson, and then there is a stretch of road for four miles which is very bad. There are big ruts and chucks, and the road is so rough that it is almost impossible to get over. After that stretch is passed the roads are fairly good, but there are still some rough spots. The Albany-Jefferson road is in almost perfect condition and from the end of that road they are good for some distance and then fairly good until the bad stretch north of Jefferson is encountered.

ROAD TO COAST EXCELLENT

Poorest Highway Is Between Portland and McMinnville.

McMINNVILLE, Or., June 23.—(Special.)—Considering the shortage of labor and the unfavorable season up to the early part of the month the roads throughout Yamhill County are said to be in excellent shape at the present time, although the usual oiling of the main roads has not yet been given.

SNOW FILLS M'KENZIE PASS

Road May Not Be Open to Autos for More Than Month.

EUGENE, Or., June 23.—(Special.)—According to reports given out by the United States Forest Service in Eugene there is now ten feet of snow in the McKenzie Pass and the road will probably not be open to automobile traffic for some time.

ROADS FROM THE DALLES FINE

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THE DALLES, Or., June 23.—(Special.)—All roads from The Dalles are in better condition by July. Two miles of steep grade.

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county south from Independence which will do away with heavy grades passing the I. O. O. F. Cemetery. It is expected that this road will be completed for Fall use.

Between Independence and Monmouth there is a good gravel road which needs some grading in places to smooth it up, but is fairly good. A number of the visitors here have made the side trip to the Normal School, which is two miles from Independence to the west. Leading north from the city of Independence in the direction of Salem there is a hard surface road for about two miles which is very tempting to the motorist. This passes through a very rich farming and dairy section.

On account of the absence of a bridge at Salem, much of the traffic has turned aside from Independence and has crossed the Willamette River by ferry at this point and followed the Oregon Electric line to Salem on the Marion County side. While much work has been done on that road, yet it is quite passable and shortens the distance. It is a hill road.

COLUMBIA ROADS IMPROVED

Four Miles of Planking Near Delena Badly Broken.

RAINIER, Or., June 23.—(Special.)—The road from St. Helens to Gobie is in fair condition. It had been rocked last year, but is cut up some. Gobie to Rainier very rutty. Has been dragged this year, but is not in very good condition. The new highway road from Rainier to Delena Schoolhouse is partly rocked and the rest is dirt road, but it has been dragged and is fairly smooth. The worst place on this stretch is a sharp double turn in town, where the highway leaves the old county road to go onto the street leading to the highway. Cars with long wheel-bases have difficulty in negotiating this turn.

ROADS TO SOUTH ARE GOOD

Only Few Short Stretches Are Rough and Being Improved.

ROSEBURG, Or., June 23.—Tourists with road experience and local garage proprietors who have means for ascertaining the condition of the roads in this section of the state report the Pacific Highway in good condition between Roseburg and Drain. This is particularly true between Roseburg and Oakland, with the exception of short stretches, which are undergoing improvement. Automobilists say the Goodrich road from Oakland to Yonkers.

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calls is a trifle smoother than the Pacific Highway, although the latter road is in better condition than for many years past.

Going north from Drain through Pass Creek Canyon the road is good, with the exception of about three miles, which is somewhat rough in spots. There is no mud between Roseburg and the Lane County line, neither in there any dust. South of Roseburg the Pacific Highway is good as far as Cow Creek Canyon, which is dry but rough. The grade through the canyon is also quite steep and the road is narrow in places. An ordinary machine, however, should have no trouble in getting through the canyon at a 15-mile-an-hour clip. From the southern mouth of the canyon the road is fine as far as Wolf-Creek hill. The latter hill is smooth, and the grade ranges as high as 6 per cent. Good road again greets the traveler from the base of the Wolf-Creek hill to the town of Pass. The old Coos Bay wagon road, extending as far west as Marshfield, is in good condition as far as Renton, 15 miles east of Glandville. From there to Laird, 23 miles, grades are steep and the road is rough and narrow. The scenery is beautiful, however, and the road is in good condition. From Laird to the western termination of the road is planked, and fast time can be made.

The Roseburg-Myrtle Point road is in good condition, with the exception of a few rough spots in the Coquille Canyon. There are some heavy grades, but in most instances these are planked. This road is narrow in the canyon, but turn-outs make traveling secure. The automobile stages are now making the trip between Roseburg and Myrtle Point in six hours, and tourists pronounce the scenery almost equal to that found along the Columbia Highway. Little work is being done on the road at the present time, although a number of them will be improved later in the summer.

PACIFIC HIGHWAY SPOTS POOR

Going Is Rough Between Dunsuir and Redding.

ASHLAND, Or., June 23.—(Special.)—Pacific Highway road conditions between Dunsuir and Redding are reported to be very poor in places, particularly in the canyons, where the grades are in places steep and the road narrow and rough, owing to late drying out. Construction work is under way on the Pacific Highway. Tourist report conditions worst between San Francisco and Ashland.

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LIBERTY CONTROL IS EASY

Clutch Responds to Lightest Pressure, and Gear-Shift Lever Can Be Manipulated With Two Fingers.

To say that E. A. Mitchell and W. H. Wallingford, partners in the newly formed company that is to handle the Premier and Liberty motor cars in this territory, are pleased with the new models of those cars, both of which arrived in Portland a few days ago, would be stating the facts lightly. They are delighted as respects appearance, performance and general makeup.

The new Premier, famed as the "aluminum six with the magnetic gear shift" is simply itself, as a switchbox, which pre-selects the gear to be used, is located on the steering post. The speed having been selected, the clutch is depressed to its maximum. This engages a switch which energizes the solenoid controlling the desired gear. The change is made instantly—onethird of a second.

In place of the hand lever used to engage the three forward and reverse speed gears the Premier is equipped with the C-H magnetic gear shift manufactured and guaranteed by the Cutler-Hammer Manufacturing Company, the world's largest manufacturers of electrical controlling apparatus.

In design and operation this gear shift is simplicity itself. As a switchbox, which pre-selects the gear to be used, is located on the steering post. The speed having been selected, the clutch is depressed to its maximum. This engages a switch which energizes the solenoid controlling the desired gear. The change is made instantly—onethird of a second.

The popularity of the Liberty car in the sections in which it has been represented is said to rest on the unusual character of the car itself, on points which differentiate it from other cars. It is a remarkably graceful car, with a strong foreign influence in its long, low lines and, although it is a car of moderate size—18-inch wheel base—its general appearance of stability and power is that usually associated only with very much larger cars.

"When you sit comfortably in the deep Liberty driving seat you find, no matter what your size—100-pound man or 200-pound man—that all controls are within easy reach," remarked E. A. Mitchell as he guided one of the new cars up Alder street to his store the other day.

"The weight of your foot alone is almost sufficient to depress the clutch pedal. To motorists who have experienced the disagreeable incident upon pushing out the average clutch the Liberty clutch is a revelation—apparently that clutch needs about a four-pound pressure, as against the 40 they are used to."

"Easy Control Makes for Comfort." The ease of operation of this most used of all controls means infinitely greater comfort and much more in a day's motoring. As your foot lifts this clutch, apparently so gentle, engage at a pressure of over a ton.

"It is an easily operated, never failing clutch. It engages smoothly but surely."

"Your right hand, within easy reach, is the gear shift lever. The shift lever is manipulated with two fingers. The unusual ease with which this lever may be operated makes Liberty driving a real pleasure. You don't have to tug and strain to change speeds. The operation of the gear shift is smooth, silent, with rhythmic, easy motion, quickly becoming instinctive, the very antithesis of effort."

SAND MOTORISTS' ONLY WORRY

Roads of Southeastern Washington Excellent for Travel.

WALLA WALLA, Wash., June 23.—Road conditions in Southeastern Washington are as follows:

Walla Walla to Pendleton—Road macadamized most of the way. Macadam between Walla Walla and Milton breaking up so dirt road is best at present. From Milton and Pendleton in good condition. Many who know the country prefer the "preservation road" from Adams to Pendleton, but for the traveling public the macadam is the best.

No bad grades. Sandy on the grade to the ferry, but no trouble; 75-cent ferry toll. From Lyons Ferry to Ritzville good roads, some hills and sand. Ritzville to Davenport all right. Davenport to Spokane macadam.

Walla Walla to Spokane, via Central Ferry—Going via Dayton, Central Ferry, Colfax and on into Spokane. Long hills over hills, but can be made easily. Road is in good condition now and will be good until harvest.

Walla Walla to Dayton—Splendid roads. Macadam to Huntsville, then dirt road, partly gravelled to Dayton. No grades.

Walla Walla to North Yakima—Good road to near Walla Walla, then on some sand. Sand to near North Yakima. Can cross at Walla Walla Ferry or continue to Burbank, where ferry is maintained in daytime. Sandy on the other side of the river until near North Yakima country. Now is the best time to take this trip, though it can be made any time. On this trip all hills, but should carry sufficient water, as going is heavy a part of the way and water is scarce.

POLK ROAD CONDITIONS VARY

Some Routes in County Reported Good and Others Poor.

DALLAS, Or., June 23.—(Special.)—Dallas-Salem, good, some dust. Free ferry across Willamette River at Salem until 16 P. M. Ferry service, poor.

Dallas-Dayton, via Perrydale, fair. Via Rickreall and McCoy, good, mostly rolling country through rich farming section. An ideal trip.

Dallas-Blodgett, good to Lewisville. Lewisville to Blodgett, fair, some rough places.

Dallas-Newport, via Falls City and Sny's Bend, fair. Cars are new, rolling smooth and report the road as still

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rough in places, but practically all dry. Another week of sunshine and this road should prove an attractive trip.

Dallas-Independence, good. Dallas-Monmouth, good. Dallas-Sheridan, fair, rough in places.

NEW TRACTOR PUT ON MARKET Smith Motor Truck Company Aids in War Preparation.

Through its new tractor recently placed upon the market, the Smith Motor Truck Corporation is doing its share to aid the Nation in properly preparing for a long, vigorous war.

This machine which is an attachment that can be fitted to Ford, or other similar makes of machines, is adaptable either to small or large farms, and enables farm owners to accomplish far more than is possible by the old horse-drawn implements.

By attaching the tractor to the plow, cultivator or other piece of farm machinery, the farmer is able to cover his acres much quicker and to dispense with men and animals in so doing, he releases his former hired help into other lines of industry, and thus aids in the increasing of his Nation's production.

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Assistant Secretary, of Agriculture 389 Everett. Broadway 151

FORMER WHOLESALE REPRESENTATIVE ACCEPTS POST AS RETAILER OF STUDEBAKERS.



H. A. Clodfelter.

H. A. Clodfelter, who for the past three years has served as Western Oregon territory manager for the Studebaker Corporation of America and who prior to that time was connected with Mitchell, Lewis & Stayer in a similar capacity, last week "signed" with the Oregon Motor-car Company and will hereafter confine himself to the business of retailing Studebaker cars. As a result of his new connection, Mr. Clodfelter will make his home in Portland.