## KLICKITAT WILDS ATTRACT TOURISTS

Good Highways, Good Fishing and Accommodations Are Afforded.

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Many Points of Interest Along Route Are Worthy of Few Minutes' Stop and Afford Many Interesting Snapshots.

BY C. C. HUTCHINS. WHITE SALMON, Wash., June 23 .-(Special.)—Good highways, well signed, good accommodations and camping sites, good fishing streams, scenic stretches and points of interest; these are the lure that attracts and holds the are the lure that attracts and holds the tourist and these, Klickitat County, Washington, on the north side of the Columbia River, opposite Hood River and The Dalles, claims to furnish. By auto from Portland this district may he reached over the Columbia River Highway to Hood River and via auto ferry (\$1 per car and four passengers) to White Salmon From Seattle and other points via Yakima Valley by either the Satus Creek or Mabton roads to Goldendale.

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The first mile and a half of the White almon-Trout Lake Valley run of 25 miles, over good roads and grades, is by way of the hard-surfaced "Hood View road," which closely follows the high bluffs above the Columbia River. At Scenic Point sign post, one mile out, stop and drink in the broadest and possibly the grandest panoramic view of the Columbia River Basin; to the south one has spread before him the entire Hood River Valley and its snow-capped sentinel. Mount Hood, 11,225 feet elevation; to the west and past Mount Defiance the gaze follows for miles down the Columbia, flanked by miles down the Columbia, flanked by foothills into the divide of the Cascade Range—the only water level pass in this great mountain range; to the north of the river is seen a beautiful view of the Underwood orchard homes Almost in the immediate foreground is "The Eyrie" resort on the high bluffs above the confluence of the Columbia and White Salmon rivers. Continuing for some 10 miles, you travel through a rich orchard and strawberry section, with many modern bungalow homes; then a few miles of heavily timbered stretches, broken here and there by charming vistas of the swift-running charming vistas of the swift-running White Salmon River in its box canyons, finally emerging into the well-famed and popular Trout Lake Valley—a gem and popular from Lake valley—a gen act in the mountains, with grand Mount Adams, 12,307 feet elevation, close at hand, as the masterpiece, Here will be found two pleasing resorts. While here one should visit the extensive and most interesting lava and ice caves; have pointed out the Sleeping Beauty, which is one of the clearest and most beautiful definitions formed by a mountain range known, and take a try at the gamy trout. Camping spots are in

abundance.

En route the following points of interest will be worthy a few minutes' stop and afford lasting souvenirs via the kodak route: Short detour at 4.9 to high dam and power plant of the Northwestern Electric Company, furnishing light and power to Portland. As this property at present is under strict guard, a pass from Portland headquarters will be necessary. At 7.1 a determination of the strict guard, a pass from Portland headquarters will be necessary. ters will be necessary. At 7.1 a de-touring road to the west reaches the Northwestern Lake by a half mile run. This is a famous fishing spot for the steelheads and rainbow trout, also an ideal camping site. At 7.4, Husum, will be found fine fishing, Husum Falls, Pacific Power and Light plant and a beautifully set free auto camping ground. At 9.4 extensive orchards of the Mordecai Jones estate, of England. walk down to the drive) and view the river box canyons. At 18.5 a short detouring road brings you again onto the main road and provides another glorious view of the river rushing through a deep and nar-At 17.9, on the west side of the road, a small but interesting lave cave lies but a few feet off the road.

Returning from Trout Lake, take the river road back to the main White Salmon road; this road is picked up at the Trout Lake postoffice corner and af fords a delightful series of pasto and river views. The Trout Lake Val several Swiss families, attiracted by its similarity to their former moun-tain homes in the land of the Alps and

#### TIRE IS STILL GOOD AFTER TRAVEL FROM FLORIDA TO MOUNT ST. HELENS.

One of the front wheels on the Mitchell car which carried Robert C. Bruce, head scenic director of the Educational Film Corporation, of New York, on his trip from Portland to Mount St. Helens a week ago is equipped with a Firestone tire which has done 6800 miles of all managers. done 6800 miles of all manner of road between St. Augustine, Fla., and its present stopping place, yet it still contains Florida air and has not suffered either puncture or blow-out in the entire time.

While in the act of taking moving pictures here, there and everywhere on his trip across the southern border of the country and north to the local field. Mr. Bruce's car and its tires have been forced to submit to all sorts of treatment. of treatment and to have a fre-mendous load, but that one tire on the right front wheel seems to defy all handicaps. Unless it "blows" before he leaves the Mount St. Helens country, Mr. Bruce says he intends to tap it with an ax and replace air from with an ax and replace air from the extreme southeastern part of the United States with air from the northwestern section of the

affording their former pursuits of dairying, stockraising and production

of hay and grain

Free auto camps will be found at 5.3,

Cottage Grove-Drain Roads Clear.

COTTAGE GROVE, Or., June 23 .-(Special.) -The roads between here and Drain have greatly improved during the past week of sunshine. All mud has disappeared, but the riding is rather rough despite the fact that most of the chuckholes have been filled in. About an hour and a half is required to make the trip with competitive. to make the trip with comfort. The roads between here and Eugene are in shape and fairly Much work has been done on them this Spring. The 22 miles can be made in 50 minutes with comfort.

### SPIRIT LAKE COUNTRY, AT BASE OF MOUNT ST. HELENS, IS DESCRIBED AS SUMMER PLAYGROUND OF SURPASSING BEAUTY FOR THOSE WHO LOVE EXTENDED JOURNEYS

Few Portland Autoists Are Aware That This Delightful Outing Spot Is Easily Accessible by Motor Car-Road by Way of Castle Rock Better Than Highway From Gresham to Mount Hood-Recent Trip Is Described.



BY CHESTER A. MOORES.

THERE is a wonderful playground at the base of a great mountain in the Northwest which, by all the laws of nature and geography, belongs o Portland, yet surprisingly few Portlanders appreciate that it is easily ac-

It is the wild, peaceful, refreshing Spirit Lake country at the threshold of Mount St. Helens, 45 miles out of Castle Rock, Southern Washington.

The way from Portland to this ma-jestic peak, so lightly likened to a jestic peak, so lightly likened to a dish of ice cream, was blazed a week ago by H. S. Rodebaugh, sales manager of the Mitchell, Lewis & Staver Company, distributors of the Mitchell car, in a new Mitchell, and by Robert C. Bruce, head scenic director of the Educational Films Corporation, of New York, in his Mitchell, which has during recent months carried Mr. Bruce and his moving-picture staff along the Eastern, Southern and Western shores Eastern, Southern and Western shot of the United States, Mr. Bruce, together with his co Southern and Western shores

pany's star camera man, Jesse G. Sill formerly of Portland, and H. G. Humphreys, of White Salmon, Wash, are now camped at the base of Mount St. Helens for a fortnight's period, catch-ing moving pictures on and about the

rectly to the edge of Spirit Lake, which is at the very doormat of the snow-capped peak.

Deep Snow Is Found.

7.1 and 16.5. Touring maps of the district may be obtained at rooms of the White Salmon Commercial Club, on ferry and at garages. The new system of county road and scenic point signs will be found in place over the entire run.

Cottage Grove-Drain Roads Clear.

Deep Snow is Found.

Mr. Rodebaugh's Mitchell was the first car this year to make the trip from Castle Rock through Sliver Lake, from Castle Rock through Sliver Lake, outle, St. Helens and on to the Spirit Lake country. At the upper end of the Found.

Cottage Grove-Drain Roads Clear. road, when within some five miles of Spirit Lake, there was picuty of deep, heavily packed snow for the powerful Mitchell to buck and there were dozens of trees, both large and small, that had fallen across the road here and there, but it would have taken far greater handicaps than these to checkmate the two Mitchell cars and their frisky, good-natured crews a week ago. As a result the road is opened up for the season and those motorists who enjoy camping out along roaring mountain streams populated with trout in great numbers now have the opportunity of their lives.

There is nothing about the motor trip from Portland to the Mount St. Helens

Snow Bank that should inspire hesitance in the heart of the experienced or average, motorist, unless it be that at least one night must be passed in a mountainous country that doesn't boast of a hotel or roadhouse. True, there is some rough road, notably five miles of old-fashioned corduroy going over Green Mountain, and there are one or two sharp grades on this mountain that might prove dangerous to a nerv-ous, new driver who is prone to be-come rattled when changing gears on come rattled when changing gears on a hill, but the writer would like to wager a handful of sweet pickles that the road from Castle Rock to Spirit Lake 45 miles, averages up into a bet-ter proposition than the road from Gresham to Mount Hood, about a like

As a matter of fact the road from Castle Rock to Spirit Lake strikes the average driver about as pleasantly as the regular Pacific Highway from Cas-tic Rock, via Kelso, Kalama, Woodland and Vancouver to Portland. And the Castle Rock-to-Portland road isn't such In grant the same hour in the evening.

now camped at the base of Mount St. Helens for a formight's period, catching moving pictures on and about the mountain that are to be shown ultimately in film houses all over the country.

Most Oregonians no doubt have a faint idea where Mount St. Helens is located on the map: many, perhaps, know that it may be approached by some sort of road from Castle Rock. but probably not more than a couple or three out of every thousand realize that a good mountain road leads directly to the edge of Spirit Lake, which is at the very doormat of the snow-fern and wild flowers galore, the pre-

This is the country where the boys' division of the Young Men's Christian Association of Portland hold their annual Summer camp, under the direction of J. C. Meehan. Next month these boys will again go on the train to Castle Rock and there hire automobiles to carry them into the breat

and Vancouver to Portland And the Castle Rock-to-Portland road isn't such as a bad article as some folks would have us believe.

Trip Is Test to Autolsts.

The trip from Portland to Spirit Lake and Mount St. Helens offers a great treat to the motosist who loves the open country where he can breath a million dollar worth of pure, inviting and in every minute, where the care pienty of friendly wild birds to keep him company, where the more sight of charging rivers, streams and circles is enough to draw exclasmations from the throat of any fisherman, and where everything in sight general the throat of any fisherman, and where everything in sight green and beautiful.

Directly along the curving roadway stand immense stalks of yellow fir, of big hemiock, spruce, cedar, aider, cottonwood. There is every variety of from means tane, even alongside the curving roadway division of the Young Man's Christian, Association of Portland hold their as null Summer camp, under the direction of J. C. Meehan, Next month these boys will again so on the train to Castle Rock and there him again the Mitchell car is rightly famed for springs that let the tonneau passengers down gradually and easily town the the even follow. It is might be well to mention the fact that the well to mention the fact that the senior beautiful that the sunding including principally "grub" and camera apparatus, in addition to the bulk of Mr. Bruce and principally and springs also can "make" or "break" a disposition that is perfectly and springs also can "make" or break" a disposition that is perfectly and springs also can "make" or break" a disposition that is perfectly and springs also can "make" or break" a disposition that is perfectly and springs also can "make" or break" a disposition that is perfectly and principally "grub" and camera apparatus, in addition to the bulk of Mr. Bruce Am. The minute were a number of cans of desicated eggs and power the springs and principally "grub" and camera apparatus, in addition to the bulk of Mr. Bruce Am. The minute

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the community informed us, however, that Jane is a trifle early for the fish to bite in the Toutie but that the creeks, including Alder, Houffstead, Wine, Studebaker, and Outlet Creek now offer adequate rewards in the shape of trout. All expert fishermen will testify that the Toutle River and Spirit Lake, a little later on, afford fine fishing.

house. There is nearly a solid stretch of cordury for about five miles going ever the mountains.

23.5 Resch banks of north fork of Toutle River.

24.2 Beautiful creek, soon after which take left fork where sign reads 22 miles to Spirit Lake.

25.0 Take right fork Toutle Rivag.

25.1 St. Heiens posteffice above road at left; keep to right, coming soon to Houffstedd Creek; most beautiful camping spot along entire road; hunting and fishing good; sign says 21 miles to Spirit Lake.

25.5 Arrived at Elk Creek posteffice, the Gould, situated delightfully between Toutle River and Elk Creek, which comes out of Elk Prairie, in Columbia National Forest, three miles away.

37.3 Sign at side of road points to branch trail leading to Starkney.

29.1 First snow on road a week ago. ago,
38.3 First snow on road a week ago,
38.5 First big tree obstructing road a week
ago; this and dozens of others ahead
were cut down by Mitchell-Bruce-Oregonian crew, leaving road open,
40.5 Snow drifts that were next to impassable a week ago,
45.0 Edge of Spirit Lake,

SPIRIT LAKE

MT. ST. HELENS

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CASTLE ROCK

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detective to pick the correct roads to
be followed at immarked junctures in
the trip from Castle Rock to Spirit
Lake, and for that reason the following log, with brief notations, is given
for the guidance of motorists.

Miles, Places.

On Castle Rock; proceed north over Pacific
Highway out of town.

On Keep to right instead of dropping down
to railroad track, Road fine; pretty
stretch through wooded trant.

Take right fork; some good road, some
smooth, plank.

Take right fork; road still good with
more plank.

Take right fork; road still good with more plank. Silver Lake, located on rim of Silver Lake; more good plank. End of plank after crossing bridge. Take left fork where there is big tree in road; fine road. Keep straight ahead. Brive along south fork of Toutle River. Take left fork over bridge.

# BEACH LOOP TRIP

Roads for Entire Distance Are Found to Be in Good Condition.

TRIP TO BECOME POPULAR

Route From Portland to Astoria and Seaside, Thence to Tillamook and Back by Way of McMinnville, Described.

Good news for the motorist!

The famous beach loop trip from Portland to Astoria and Seaside, down the coast to the Tillamook resorts and the return by way of McMinnville is now open to automobile travel and will remain so for the remainder of the season, barring heavy rains.

The course of the entire loop, which is to be followed by the Portland automobile dealers on their annual "honk honk" tour next month, was driven a week age by Charles M. Menzies, sales manager of the Northwest Auto Company, in a Cole Eight. The party included Mrs. Menzies, Donald Menzies, Harry G. Lytie, of the Northwest Auto Company, who handled the wheel for part of the distance; Miss Edith Pettygrew and Joe H. Jordan, a local newspaperman.

Reads Around Loop Fine.

Mr. Mennies reported upon his return that the roads around the loop were in fine shape for the entire distance and that he didn't encounter any mud or bad roads. He made the run from Portland to Astoria by way of the Nehalem Valley, or inland route, in about six and one-half hours, and the run from Sesside along the new road to Neah-Kah-Nie Tavern, near Nehalem, in Tillamoek County, in less than two and a half hours. The roads from Neah-Kah-Nie via Bay City and Tillamook City to Portland are said to be in elegant shape for a great share of the distance.

Mr. Menzies says there is great activity in road building in Tillamook and Clatsop counties and that the roads along the loop should be in splendid condition at the time the motorcar dealers stage their run July 14, 15 and 16. Mr. Menzies and his party spent three days for the entire trip, stopping nights at Astoria and at Neah-Kah-Nie.

"On leaving Portland by way of the Roads Around Loop Fine.

"On leaving Portland by way of the Cornell road we found the highway in fair shape to Hillsboro and Forest Grove," related Mr. Menzles upon his return to Portland. "From Forest Grove, related Mr. Mengles upon his return to Portland. "From Forest Grove to Timber, a point high in the mountains, the roads were good. With the exception of about two miles of rough, but passable road, the going was also good on from Timber to Vergeria.

"A considerable amount of new plank has been placed on the road between Vernonia and Astoria, in addition to the 11 miles of smooth plank between Mist and Jewell, and the road authori-ties in this section are entitled to a great deal of credit. The road from Astoria to Seaside is paved.

New Road Follows River, New Road Fellows River,
"The new road leading from Seaside
to the Tiliamook country follows the
Necanicum River. It is a new clay road
and was slightly rough last Sunday,
but will pe passable so long as it is
dry. At Nehalem we branched off the
main highway and drove the three
miles over to S. G. Reed's famous seashore resort at the base of Neah-KahNie Mountain.
"Next morning we doubled back

Nie Mountain.

"Next morning we doubled back across the Nehalem River bridge and ran over fine roads to Tillamook City and from there branched off toward home again. A wonderful improvement has been effected in the new road over the mountains from Tillamook City to Grand Roade. The former climb from Hebe to Dobb and the hills on either

"Somewiere in Big
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Itt. St Helens."

Toule postoffice: good for short distance, then rough cordurey through restly woods.
Take left fork where sign says if miles to Spirit Lake, then rough cordurey through that is muddy during rains.
Take right fork at tree; rough road that is muddy during rains.
Take right fork; rough, was muddy a week ago. This is at base of hill known as Green Mountain, Keep direct road, avoiding right fork; corduroy; stiff climb.
Pretty view at right through trees.
Summit of hill at red brick school-house. There is nearly a soid stretch of corduroy for about five miles going over the mountains.

Reach banks of north fork of Toutle "From Grand Ronde to Willamina some of the road was rather rough, but not bothersome, and from Willamina to Newberg good. On the way through Rex and Tigard from Newberg to Portland there are some rough spots, as most Portland motorists know. This stretch is perhaps entitled to rank as the worst road we found on the entire loop of more than 300 miles. The new road from Astoria

## ROADS ARE FOUND GOOD

TRIP TO WILHOIT SPRINGS IS DE-CLARED DELIGHTFUL.

Route Through Oregon City and Molalia and Back by Woodburn Described by J. Fred Staver.

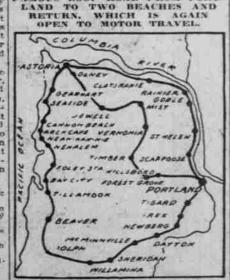
The roads leading from Portland through Oregon City and Molalla to Wilhoit Springs and the Scott's Mills country are in splendid condition, according to a Portland motorist, J. Fred Staver, a realty broker, who made the trip last Sunday on his weekly exploration over some new bit of rural road. Incidentally. Mr. Staver observed that speed "cops" were as thick as bees on the highways of Clackamas County. None of the officers caught his Chevrolet in the act of breaking the laws of the road, but he witnessed a number of

"In going to Oregon City I prefer the route through Sellwood and Mil-waukle." said Mr. Staver last week in reporting his trip. "From Oregon City I went straight out the Molalia road, I went straight out the Molalla road, finding the roads for the most part to be in fine shape. The last five miles running into Wilholt Springs were wonderfully good, as were the roads leading on to Scott's Mills, Mount Angel and Woodburn, except for a few short stretches just beyond Wilholt.

"The trip leads through the mountains and affords many ranch and forest scenes. I found the regular Pacific Highway route from Woodburn down to Portland to be in good shape. In fact, the entire loop of about 100 miles was delightful."

Gasoline Economy Reported.

Percy E. Taber, Winters, Cal., claims an economy record. On seven gailons of gasoline, averaging 29 4-19 miles per gallon, Taber drove a new Chevrolet "Four-Ninety" model touring car from Winters to Stockton and return. The distance is 207 miles, and turn. The distance is a continuous on the entire run less than one quart of oil was used.



FAMOUS LOOP ROAD FROM PORT

Map Showing Both Inland and Lower Columbia River Highway Routes From Portland to Astoria, the Road