### SPEED TRAPS BANE **AUTO TOURIST**

Washington Rural Districts Over-Enforce Law.

#### **DRIVERS TABOO SECTIONS**

Club Official Says Officers in Country Drive Away Travel by Motorcycle Banditry.

SEATTLE, Wash., Nov. 25 .- One thing that serves more than any other to "take the joy out of life" for the automobile tourist in Wash-ington today is the so-called 'speed trap,' which is found in so many rural communities and small cities," writes Douglas A. Shelor, manager of the Automobile Club of Western Washington, in a report just submitted to his body. The report con-

"The use of the 'speed trap' club for exacting money from motorists has grown to such proportions that some of the smaller villages in Washington are able to pay prac-tically all their municipal expenses with money obtained by holding up motorists. In other sections constables and justices of the peace are waxing rich on Ill-gotten gains, which are obtained in true Jesse James style, the only difference bepannes style, the only difference be-ing that the modern motorcycle bandit works with some faint sindow of legal authority to back up his actions.

Original Purpose Worthy.

'Speed traps' were originally de-"Speed traps' were originally de-signed for a very worthy purpose, that of catching the real speed demon and bringing him to book, thus making the highways more safe for the ordinary automobile driver. When the speed cases grow fewer, or so it appears on the sur-face of things, the officials who handle these cases and who make their living from the so-called 'costs' in the case, were loath to give up the fat incomes that had been accu-mulating to them through this spoils system and began to very carefully and in many instances unfairly check up on the motorist who gets up close to legal limit or perhaps a mile or so beyond. The consequence is that the real speeder now gets away and the conscientious, law-abiding motorist, who in a moment of abstraction allows his machine to travel a mile or two more than the exact speed limit, is summarily arrested and made to put up a socalled 'bond' for his appearance a
week or so later. The result is
just what these officers expect; the
motorist forfelts his 'bond.'

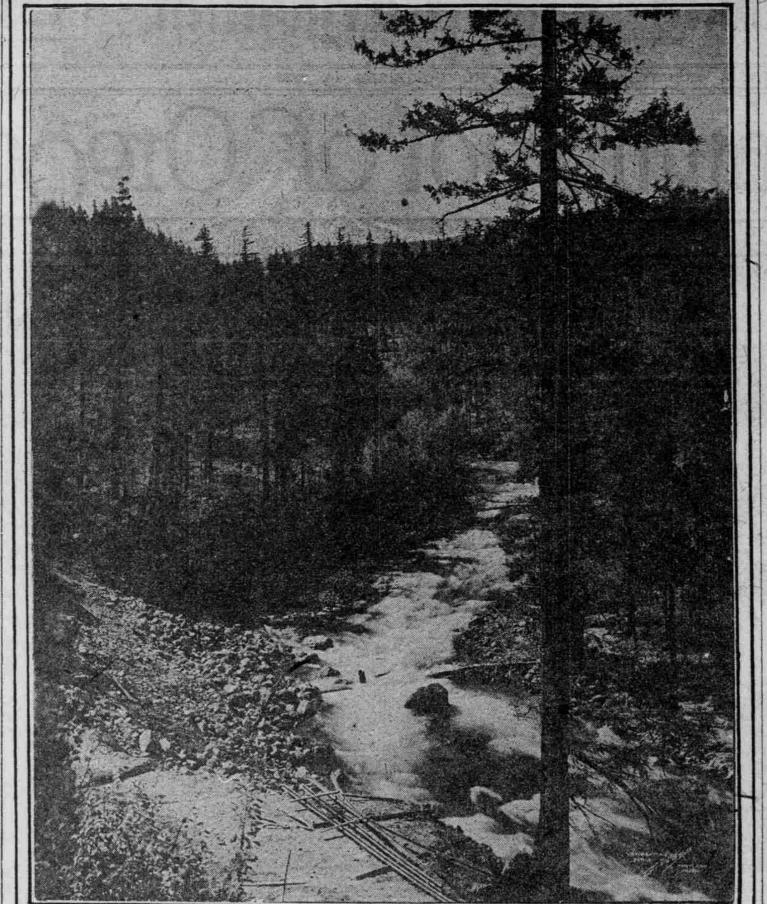
Notorious Trap Broken Up. "The oustanding offenders in this state during the past year were the speed traps operated at Silver Lake, just south of Everett, which was completely broken up through the efforts of this club and splendid co-operation of the state highway patrol. Clallam county officials have carried the speed trap offense to a point that has kept hundreds of tourists from their county during the past season. A very unnecessary and officious trap was operated in Lincoin county between Harrington and Davenport. A new 10-mile strip of highway through the sage brush, without a house or barn in sight, was need by the officials in that was used by the officials in that county and has caused much traffic to be routed away from that sec-

Yakima Worst Piace. Without doubt, the most offensive speed trap has been that at Union Gap, four miles south of Yakima. Every effort has been made by the directors of this club to have the officials at Union Gap at least use discretion and courtesy with the visting motorists, but all to no avail. Signs were placed at each end of the Signs were placed at each end of the town by the club, calling, attention to the fact that the speed limit was strictly enforced. These signs seemed inadequate to accomplish the purpose and recently new billboards 6x4 with black background and white lettering have been placed at each side of Union Gap reading. Danger, speed cop ahead. Do not exceed 20 miles per hour." This warning should be sufficient to attention of every first the attention of the first the first the every first the attention of every first the each thing first the first the first the would appear to me that the intelligent the first the money spent on billiboards, which constitute an affront in the eyes of most intellision to highly would transfer the money spent on billiboards, which constitute an affront in the eyes of most intellision that the first the would appear to the attention of the first and would transfer the money spent on billiboards, which consti We would like the public to know that these speed traps are not oper-ated with the sanction of the state highway patrol, but are the handl-work of the local justices and con-stables.

No Defense for Motorist.

for guilty' verdict in such a case. In many instances, especially in Washington, the motorcycle officer, who has replaced the old chinwhiskered constable with his shiny badge, lies in walt behind a house or hedge until the motorist gats. badge, lies in wait behind a house or hedge until the motorist gets several hundred yards ahead and then, speeding his motorcycle to overtake the motorist, reads the speed figures on the motorcycle speedometer and ignorantly speedometer and ignorantly con-cludes that the automobile ahead is making the same rate of speed. This making the same rate of speed. This enables the more or less conscientious officer to swear that the motorist was making 35 miles an hour instead of the legal 30, when as a matter of fact the automobile was making less than 30 miles an hour, while the motorcycle was traveling 25 miles on hours. 35 miles an hour in order to catch up with the automobile. And the bewhiskered magistrate holding court in an outhouse or in kitchen or on the front porch, as the case may be, utterly ignores the protestations of the motorist that he was within the limit and imposes fine and costs of \$10 to \$15

Bail Usually Forfeited. "In many instances, which are on file at the Automobile Club of Western Washington headquarters. motorists have been deliberately held up by these officials and after being told that they would have to make bond for their appearance one or two weeks later, have been given or two weeks later, have been given an opportunity to 'settle.' Naturally the motorist, rather than lose all this time from his trip or to return later for trial, will put up the necessary amount to 'settle' and drive on. Whether any part of this constable - collected 'fine' ever reaches the municipal, county, or state treasury is a question that enly the officer can answer, but the motorist who has been mulcted of his money through this illegal prohis money through this illegal pro-cedure is careful to pass the word to other motorists whom he meets. warning them against visiting that town or section, and thus the ga-rages, the hotels and the general stores lose much more money



Beautiful view of Oregon's mountain and the west fork of the Hood river, taken from the new road from the city of Hood River to Lost lake.

This famous mountain lake, on the north slope of Mount Hood, has long been a favorite spot with nature lovers, but has been very difficult of access. Last summer it had been expected a new road clear to the lake would be completed, but unexpected obstacles arose, and the lake continued practically inaccessible to motor travel. However, during the summer of 1923 motorists should be able to got clear to the lake with ease,

FIRST AUTO CRASH REVIVED

Accident in California Town 20 Years Ago Duly Recorded.

Danger, speed cop ahead. Do not about six feet from the ground, in every part of the country.

Exceed 20 miles per hour." This while Penick struck the sidewalk warning should be sufficient to attract the attention of every driver and we hope to accomplish the purpose for which the signs were placed.

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KALAMAZOO, Mich., Nov. 25.— the motorist by attracting his at-The Barley Motor Car company of Kalamazoo, makers of a high priced often causing a more or less serious KALAMAZOO, Mich., Nov. 25 .-No Defense for Motorist.

"The automobilist who is caught in one of these iniquitous traps has no defense. The justice of the peace or other magistrate before whom he is taken presumes him guilty in advance and no amount of evidence has ever proven sufficient to obtain \$d\$ and the provent of the peace of the provent sufficient to obtain \$d\$ and the provent sufficient to obtain \$d\$ and the provent of the present expenses the pres

DEFACEMENT OF HIGHWAYS COUNTRYWIDE ISSUE.

Protests From All Parts of Land Against Signs Received at Na-

first automobile accident in Chico." purchase any articles so advertised.

In addition to marring of highways, it is pointed out, the billboard constitutes an absolute manace to

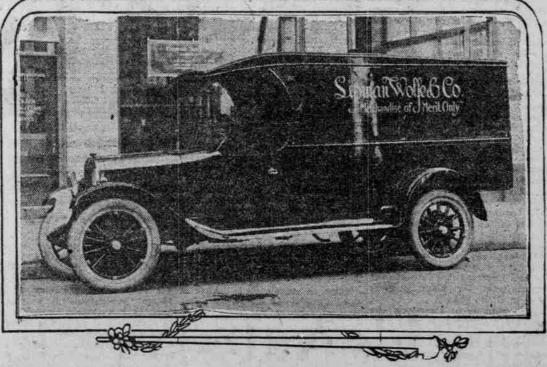
need of such methods of advertising is past. The class of people who use the highways and to whom such use the highways and to whom such signs presumably appeal are a class-that read the newspapers and maga-zines, and who are governed largely in their purchases by the advertise-ments of reliable products adver-tised in a reliable newspaper or magazine. It would appear to me that the intelligent advertiser would

but a question of time until the American public will take things into its own hands and find some means for the abatement of this

Tenition Wire Connections. To insure a firm contact and pre-

vent wires breaking off, every igni-tion wire should have a terminal soldered at each end. If the terminal breaks off, be very careful in fas-tening wires, as a single strand of wire touching another metal part may ground the current, thus pre-venting the ignition system from working or ruining the storage bat-tery.

ANOTHER DODGE BROTHERS DELIVERY CAR PURCHASED BY LOCAL FIRM.



pecial panel delivery recently delivered by Braicy, Graham & Child, Inc., local Dodge Bros, distributors, to Lipman, Wolfe & Co. The car has been designed specially to handle bulky and speedy deliveries. The londing space is 108 inches in length, 41 inches in width and 48 inches high, and the body is mounted on a special Dodge Bros, chassis of 144-inch wheelbase, and of three-quarter-tons capacity. Body construction and chassis extension was done locally under the personal supervision of Dick Call of the commercial car department of Braley, Graham & Child. The car is the tenth Dodge Bros, to take its place in the Lipman, Wolfe & Co., delivery fleet.

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other Los Angeles product The new trucks are adapted to quick city transportation, such as milk delivery and department store

Auto Bank Is Plan.

Frank B. Anstead, president of the Lexington Motor company, Conners-CHICAGO, Nov. 25 .- A \$500,000 ville, Ind., in an address here before a group of bankers, caused considerable surprise when he said:
institution unique in Chicago motor
"Few persons realize that the autocircles, is being projected in this mobile industry has grown to such city. If an injunction against the magnitude in a short time that to-property, brought for alleged violaday the capital invested in it is tion of the Volstead act, can be disday the capital invested in it is twice the capital of all the national banks in this country!"

Mr. Anstead took as the latest total of the capital of all the national banks the sum of \$1,276,177,-000. The amount of capital invested in the automobile industry is considerably in excess of \$2,000,000,-000.

Mr. Anstead predicted that the industry will build 2,500,000 cars in 1933.

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(which is not a manufacturing en-terprise), the automobile business is America's greatest business, he said. He gave the following figures on the value of the 1922 output:

Automobiles \$1,350,000,000
Tires \$75,900,000
Replacement parts \$550,000,000
Accessories \$150,000,000 LATIN AMERICAN MOTORCAR TRADE DECLARED STABLE.

"There are \$1,000 retail trade units responsible for the distribu-Conditions Held Assurance of automotive products," he of Increased Business. "This is exceeded only by the sale

of food products, cared for by 195,-000 retail grocery stores. "The number of dealers in other DETROIT, Nov. 25. - Automotive sales conditions in Latin America staple lines ranges from 47,000 drug sales conditions in Latin America stores down to 30,000 shoe stores, all are on the up grade, according to

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CARS SHIPPED BY EXPRESS

Makers of Oakland Rush Closed

Models to Fill Orders.

PONTIAC. Mich., Nov. 25.—In order to satisfy the demand for the 1923 Oakland sedan and five-passenger coupe in the New York territory, the Oakland Motor Car company of Pontiac, Mich., shipped several carloads of its models by express this week to the New York branch for distribution to consumers and Oakland dealers.

It is seldom that any automobile company sends automobiles by express and it is the first time in two years that the Oakland company has sent cars this way. The models were shipped to New York territory, where the cars were shown for the first time in two years that the Oakland company has sent cars this way. The models were shipped to New York territory, where the cars were shown for the first time in two years that the Oakland company has sent cars this way. The models were shipped to New York territory, where the cars were shown for the first time in two years that the Oakland company has sent cars this way. The models were shipped to New York territory, where the cars were shown for the first time in two years that the Oakland company has sent cars this way. The models were shipped to New York territory, where the cars were shown for the first time in two years have the cars were shown for the first time at the New York closed-car show.

NEW ELECTRIC TRUCK OUT

Los Angeles Company Announces

Addition to Line.

Los Angeles, Nov. 25.—The Moreland Motor Truck company, with plant at Burbank, near Los Angeles, and probably the largest the factories. Cars remaining on hand after the depression which began two years ago have mostly been sold and new life in the truck maker in the work.

America held the Cadillac According to the General Motors official. In the automotive industry conditions are being tracked in orders to the fact

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Other Moon Models: Six-40 five-passenger Touring, \$1295; Six-58 seven and five-passenger Touring, \$1785, and a Six-58 seven-passenger Sedan.

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