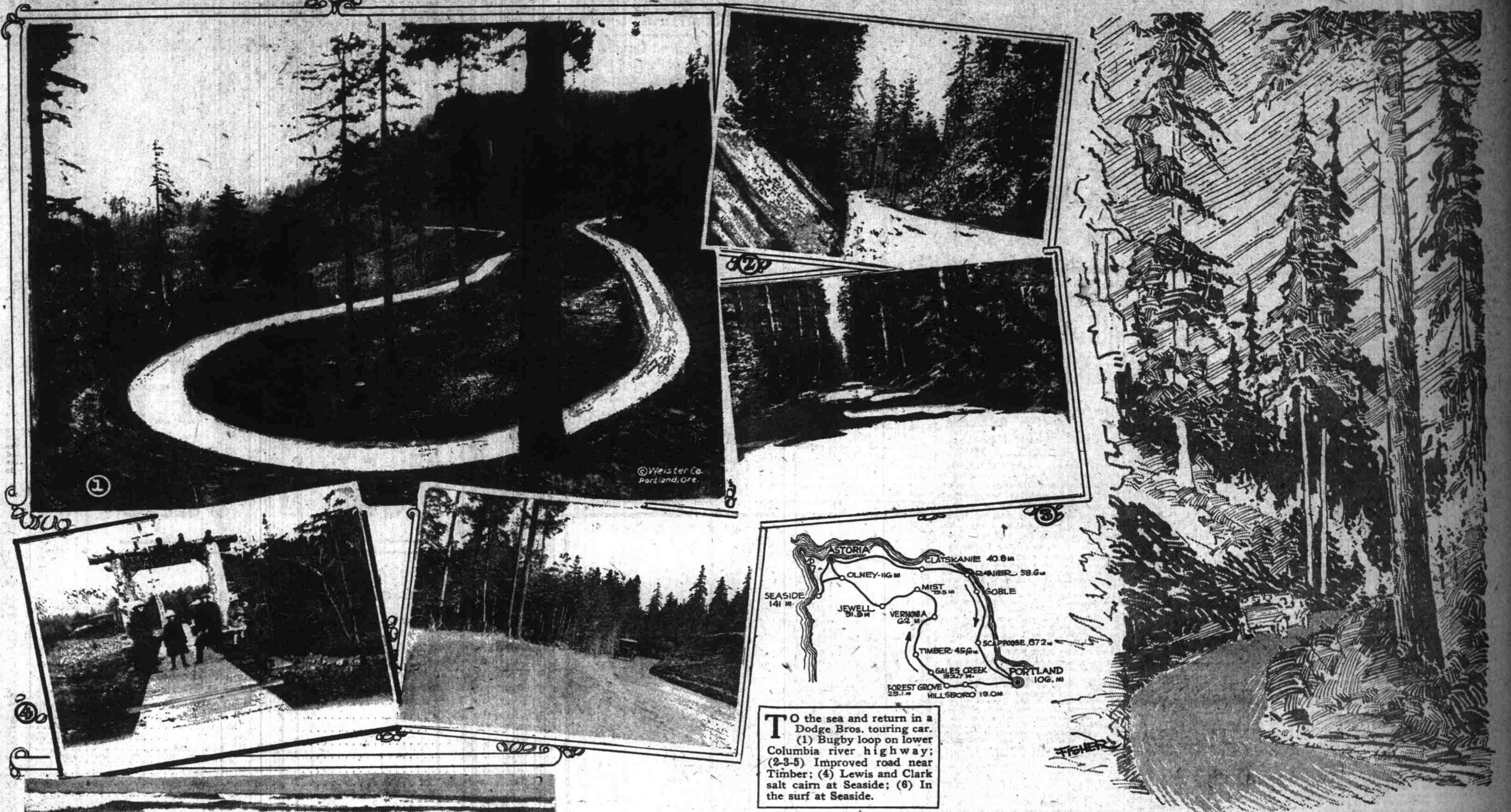


INSIDE ROUTE TO ASTORIA PREFERABLE TO HIGHWAY THIS SEASON



TO the sea and return in a Dodge Bros. touring car.
 (1) Bugly loop on lower Columbia river highway;
 (2-3) Improved road near Timber; (4) Lewis and Clark salt cairn at Seaside; (5) In the surf at Seaside.

HOLIDAY JAUNT TAKES MOTORISTS TO BEACH AND BACK

H. G. Childs and E. A. Olsen of Covey Motor Car Company Find Road Via Gales Creek and Mist Far Superior to Lower Columbia River Highway.

A holiday jaunt of 250 miles to the seashore and return in a Dodge Bros. touring car was enjoyed by H. G. Childs and E. A. Olsen of the Covey Motor Car company who, accompanied by their families, left for Seaside at 1 o'clock p. m. on Thursday afternoon, July 2, via the inside route, arriving at Seaside at 9:50 o'clock p. m. after having motored a distance of 141 miles.

"I was more than pleased with the so-called inside route," declared Mr. Olsen upon his return. "I last traveled this road two or three years ago when it was in bad condition. This year I found it going infinitely better. Long stretches of what formerly was corduroy road, in the vicinity of Timber has been transformed into good dirt road and improvement is still on. It is probable that in wet weather difficulty would be encountered in some places.

"We found, however, that the inside road via Gales Creek and Jewel is the preferable route this season to the lower Columbia river highway by which we made the return trip."

Mr. Olsen stated that the worst road encountered on the entire trip was in that section of Washington county between Portland and Hillsboro, which was traveled via the Corvallis road. The stretch from Forest Grove to Gales Creek was found good even if a small amount of crushed rock was encountered. Evidences of new work between Gales Creek and Timber were noticed where a good dirt road replaces former pieces of corduroy and the improvement is still being carried on.

New work compelled a turn to the left at the edge of Olney which meets the Astoria-Seaside road west of Astoria at the Lewis and Clark power house. During their stay at the beach the

Tokeland-Aberdeen Stage Line Starts

South Bend, July 11.—A new stage line between Tokeland and Westport and Aberdeen has been established. The new line connects with the morning boat from South Bend at Tokeland and carries passengers to Grayland, Westport, Bay City, Ocoota, Markham and Aberdeen. The stage provides the quickest and most direct communication between Grays Harbor and Willapa Harbor.

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Cottage Grove Men Take Motor Journey To Eastern Oregon

Cottage Grove, July 12.—Earl Harkie, road, electrician, and Harry Tennis, his helper in the Main Street Electric shop of Cottage Grove, took a motor car trip to Eastern and Southern Oregon recently in a Chandler. They first went to the McKenzie pass, where they ran into 15 feet of soft snow. They then returned to Portland and went up the Columbia river highway to The Dalles and over to Bend, down to Klamath Falls, Ashland and Medford, returning home by way of Roseburg. They covered 1080 miles in 60 hours. Mr. Tennis says Lane county has the best roads they went over outside of Multnomah.

How is the Road?

[Herewith is presented current road information for the convenience of the motorist in the Oregon country. For additional information concerning routes, camping places, hotel accommodations and rates, readers are invited to call upon The Journal Information and Travel Bureau, Deane B. Smith, manager, in The Journal building. This service is without charge.]

WALDPORT-ALSEA—Open entire route for summer travel. In poor condition in many places the roadbed is rough and narrow, with many sharp turns, and is only for experienced drivers.

RIDDLE-TILLER—Open and in good condition for entire length. A Douglas county crew is cutting down some of the worst grades between Canyonville and Tiller.

FLORIE RIVERS—Open between Willamina and Tillamook. Very rough for six miles through the Grand Ronde Indian reservation, where it is practically impassable for several days after heavy rains. Construction work is in progress through Grand Ronde and between Dolph and H-bro. Detour down Little Nestucca.

BANDON-GOLD BEACH—Open and passable for light cars entire length.

SPARTA-EAST EAGLE—Open and in permanent summer condition for entire route.

MITCHELL-DAVILLY—Open and in good condition for auto travel entire length. Shows remain so until heavy fall rains set in.

PAULINA-BURNS VIA BEAR VALLEY—Open and in fair condition for entire length.

PAULINA-BURNS VIA PINE—Open entire length, with the exception of a rough section between Grindstone creek and Buck mountain, is in fair condition.

FLORIE-ENTERPRISE—Open and in good condition for entire length. Construction work is going on but traffic is not delayed.

Other Eastern Oregon roads which are open and in permanent summer condition are Enterprise-Chico, Enterprise-Innaha, Willows-Fronies, Willows-Snowflake, Baker-Cornucopia, Baker-Prairie City, Prineville-Pauling, Pendleton-La Grande, and all roads in the vicinity of Fremont national forest.

Frineville-Mitchell—Open entire length with some rough places between Oshoco ranger station and Beaver ranger station.

HOOD RIVER, July 12.—With a number of crews at work on the Hood River county section of the highway between Cascade Locks and this city, the going is not so good as it was a few weeks ago. It was stated some weeks ago that the highway would be closed for at least two months, but arrangements have been made by the highway commission to permit the passage of automobiles over the highway while work is in progress. The section in the neighborhood of Ruthon hill is the roughest part of the highway, and motorists will do well to keep well within the speed limit while negotiating this section. There have been several accidents on the highway recently, and the great majority of them are directly due to speeding.

Users of the ferry between Hood River and White Salmon should bear in mind the fact that traffic has increased across the river to a very great

extent, and a number of motorists have been compelled to wait more than an hour before their turn for the ferry arrived. Since the North Bank highway was opened there has been a steady stream of cars across the river, many motorists from Portland taking the alternative route on the return journey.

Ocean Beach Highway
SOUTH BEND, July 12.—The county ferry between Nainocota and Nemaah, connecting the two ends of the Ocean Beach highway and bridging an uncompleted gap, was placed in commission this week. The ferry makes one round trip each day, varying its schedules daily to suit the tides. A fare of 50 cents for passengers and 12 for automobiles each way has been established and arrangements have been made to handle all autos offered by towing an additional scow. The schedule for the rest of July will be as follows: Leave Nainocota: July 12, 1:30 p. m.; July 13, 2 p. m.; July 14, 12:30 p. m.; July 15, 1:30 p. m.; July 16, 2:30 p. m.; July 17, 2:30 p. m.; July 18, no trip; July 19, 4:30 p. m.; July 20, 4:30 p. m.; July 21, 7 p. m.; July 22, 8 a. m.; July 23, 8:30 a. m.; July 24, 8:30 a. m.; July 25, no trip; July 26, 1:30 p. m.; July 27, 2:30 p. m.; July 28, 12:30 p. m.; July 29, 1:30 p. m.; July 30, 2:30 p. m.; July 31, 2 p. m.

KELSO-CASTLEROCK
CASTLEROCK, July 12.—The Pacific highway is open and in good condition from Kelso to Castlerock. As there has been work on the road for some time, tourists have been advised to take the lower road by crossing the

bridge at Kelso, which is farther and hills to climb. The road straight through over the Pacific highway from Kelso to Chehalis is good and the work finished. No detour is required, go straight through.

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Fishing in the valley streams is good at the higher levels, but in the lower valley irrigation has colored the streams to the extent that fly fishing is out of the question for a few weeks. The only exception is the West Fork, beyond Dee, and in the branch of Hood river, fly fishing is very good. This stream, however, is on the brushy side, but anyone who will make the effort will meet with good sport.

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29, 4 p. m.; July 30, 8 p. m.; July 31, 5 p. m.

McKenzie Pass
BEND, July 12.—According to reports of automobile parties who left Bend this week for Portland via the McKenzie pass, the summit is not yet cleared and automobile tourists are warned against using it for at least two weeks. Heavy snow drifts remain at the summit and the lava fields are in bad condition.

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