

## STREET CAR CO. WENT TOO FAR, SO JITNEYS ARE USED

Bridgeport, Conn., Goes to and From Work in Motor Cars; Traction Head Frets.

Bridgeport, Conn., July 31.—(U. N.)—Jitney busses have temporarily at least driven the street car from the thoroughfare of Bridgeport. For the first time in 25 years a street car has wheeled its course through the city in a period of 26 hours. Over 500 motor vehicles, ranging from the humble two-seater to 80-passenger coaches, dominate traffic, while the 200 street cars, wont to rule the business and industrial districts, rest motionless in their barns. Unless there is a weakening in the decision of President L. B. Storrs of the Connecticut Railway company, there won't be any street car service for some time.

It all happened as a result of a fight by the corporation to preserve inviolate its long enjoyed prerogatives in the matter of transportation. Temporarily blocked by a young and agile adversary, the corporation issued orders at midnight Sunday to stop all car service. As a result all workers motored to and from their jobs Monday.

**BATTLE FOR MONTHS**  
Having battled for months for the right of even competing with the corporation, the bus line, finding itself suddenly in uncontested possession of the city's transportation, proceeded to prove it was not dismayed and functioned on an exactly-to-the-minute schedule. There was no disorder and people went to and from their work with ease and dispatch.

The fight between the street car company, personified by President Storrs, and the bus association, the president of which is Frank Schwartz, has many of the earmarks of fights waged in other cities of the country between similar institutions. The street car company, having a long franchise for exclusive transit routes through the city, decided to cut down service about five years ago.

Then came the jitney. At first its presence wasn't felt much by its larger transportation brother, but soon a bus association was organized which put into operation large carriers, capable of hauling from 20 to 80 people. As this grew, the receipts of the street car company began to fall off. Bigger and more buses were added to the jitney lines. A few weeks ago over 400 buses were operating and the street railway company was showing a net loss of several thousand dollars per week.

**ORDINANCE IS PASSED**  
That was too much. Storrs went before the mayor in common council with the draft of an ordinance, the effect of which was to abolish the bus competition. The council passed the ordinance.

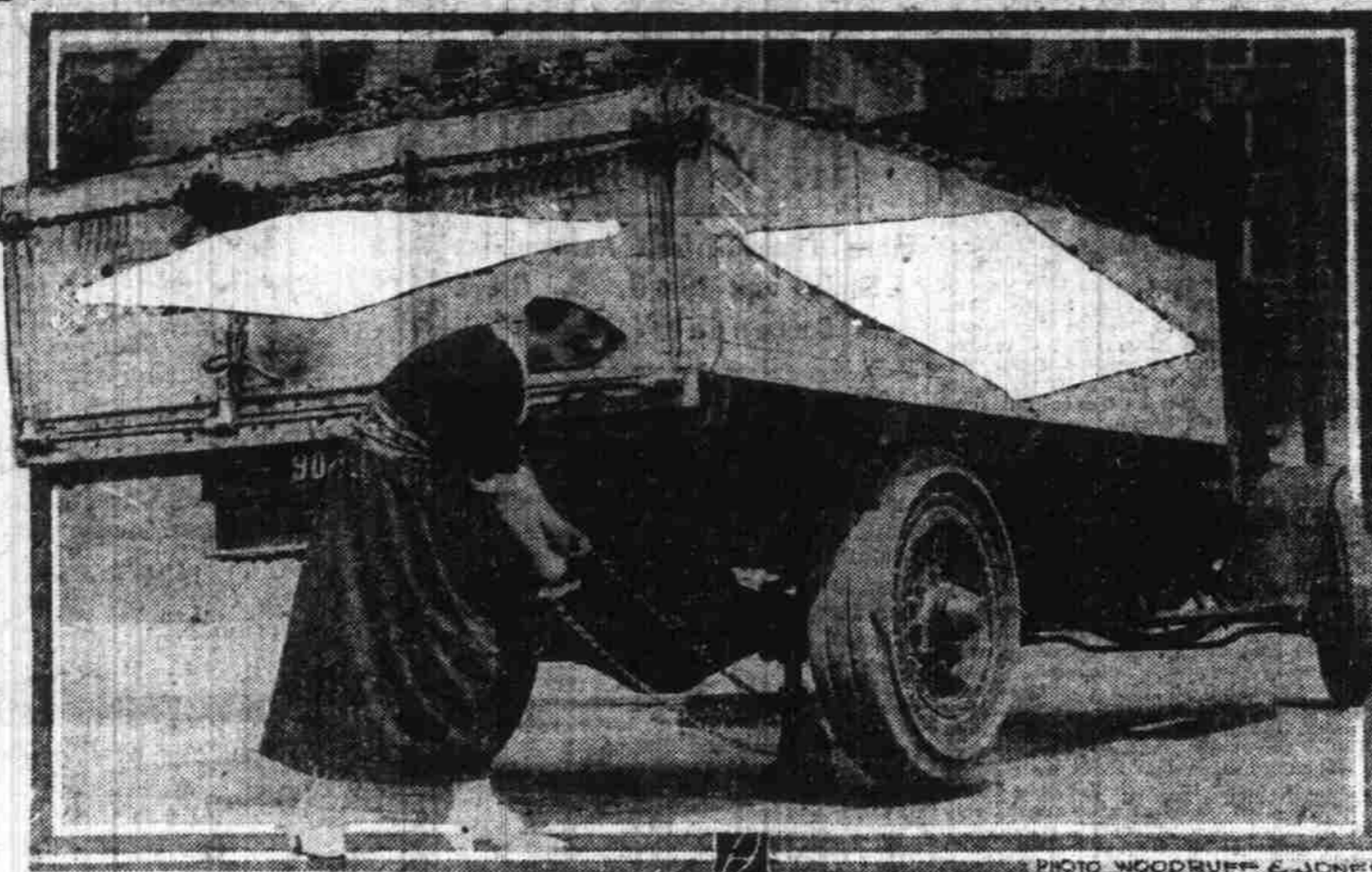
Then Schwartz went to court asking an injunction against enforcing the ordinance, and the court sustained Schwartz's contention, putting over until the September term any further discussion of the subject. Storrs then issued his order stopping all street car service.

Unless the court withdraws its decision upholding the injunction against the city or unless Storrs rescinds his order stopping service, there is no telling how long Bridgeport may continue to be a strictly motor traffic spot on the map. Storrs is considering drafting a new ordinance for the common council which would be upheld by the court.

## Periscope Used Now To Detect Speeders

A novel peace time use has been found for the periscope. Experiment recently made by the motorcycle speed squad of the Los Angeles police department, under supervision of Sergeant Frank Harlan, prove its availability for use in detecting speed law violations in tunnels. The value of the device is that only one motorcycle officer is necessary to operate it. If put into operation in Los Angeles, it will be used as part of a campaign to educate motorists in caution and "safety first."

## PICKING UP TRUCK SOME LITTLE STUNT



Here's a little stunt for my lady fair to do every morning—pick up a heavy truck. But you can do it with a jack, as is shown in the picture. The American Chain company is the manufacturer of the jack, which is listed as of five-ton capacity. Miss Mathilda Karol, of the local branch of the company, found that the Karavan truck, weighing 15,550 pounds with the load of coal, wasn't such a hard chestnut after all. About 45 per cent of the load is on the jack.

## GAS SHORTAGE IN ROSEBURG IS ACUTE

Motor Fuel for Essential Pursuits Only Available by Greatest Conservation.

What is apparently the nearest gasoline shortage Roseburg has ever experienced is now at hand. The Standard Oil company, the only service station in the city, delivered the last of an 8000 gallon tank last Monday, and gave notice that this must last until August 6. Every car owner was limited to two gallons, and tourists were using all kinds of mixtures from burning

straight kerosene to a mixture of crude oil, coal oil and gasoline.

The local dealers, who have been shipping gasoline from the Fairfield company of Los Angeles, received word today that the price had been raised from 21c to 41c a gallon f. o. b. Los Angeles. This would compel the dealers to sell the gasoline here at 55c without profit, and the contract was cancelled. A carload ordered by the dealers two weeks, and which should have been in Roseburg July 24, has been lost track of, and should this car show up it will be the only salvation for local motor cars, as well as hundreds of tourists who arrive here out of gas every day. The State Dealers' association has a trainload of gasoline coming from Fort Worth, Texas, and Roseburg is promised a car out of this trainload.

The manager of the Roseburg Standard Oil plant, B. L. Hyland, foresaw the gasoline shortage early this spring, and attempted to put in a supply to tide the motorists over the "dry" season. This attempt had the effect of keeping the essential industries running so far.

A comparison of how the increased usage of gasoline is eating up the supply is made by the fact that three years ago the local plant was using an average

of 6000 gallons a month. There were only a few tractors in the county—now there are nearly 200 tractors in use, and the increased number of cars requires from 100,000 to 150,000 gallons of gasoline per month.

Even with the supply cut very low there is enough in reserve to keep trucks on road work going, and harvest machinery will get enough only by everybody conserving on gasoline to the limit. In spite of the shortage there has been no profiteering, and gasoline was sold at 20 cents that could have easily brought 20 cents.

## Chevrolet Agency Locates in Canby

Canby is to have a new automobile establishment in the opening of a Chevrolet agency by Bert F. Hall of Oregon City, who was, until quite recently, a member of the Hall & Son agency in the latter city. Hall, who will remove to Canby at once with his family, has taken a lease upon the Mrs. Anna M. Knight building. A gasoline, air and water service will be maintained on the curb on the main street.

## WALLA WALLANS PLANNING TOUR

Trip Will Take Motorists Into Canada and Back Again.

What is perhaps the most elaborate touring party which ever started from Walla Walla is one now being planned by Secretary W. S. Parks of the Tri-State Automobile club for a trip into the Canadian Rockies about the middle of this month.

The party will consist, according to the present plans, of as many motorists as can get away from their work at this time of the year and the number of cars expected to take the journey is from 12 to 20. Secretary Parks, who has had the idea of such a journey in mind all the spring and summer, already has assurances from several motorists that they are ready to be members of the party and the indications are that the trip of some 1200 to 1400 miles will be made.

Along with the motorists will go a service car taken with supplies for emergency repairs and at least two mechanics, who will render service to any of the motorists who may have trouble on the way. By this means it is hoped that all of the party will be kept together with the least possible delay and inconvenience.

The expenses for the service car are to be met on the cooperative plan, each motorist paying his share, pro rata.

The trip has been carefully outlined with distance which the party will make each day and the stopping places which will be made, stated. Allowance has been made for camping at such places as Windemere, Fernie and Elk Canyon, in the heart of the Rockies, where the advantages from the standpoint of scenic beauties, and camping and fishing are of the best.

The itinerary for the party as now planned follows:

- First day—Walla Walla to Spokane, 150 miles.
- Second day—Spokane to Cranbrook, 192 miles.
- Third day—Cranbrook to Golden, 180 miles.
- Fourth day—Golden to Invermere, 84 miles.
- Fifth day—Spokane to Lake Windemere camp.
- Sixth day—Invermere to Fernie, 146 miles.
- Seventh day—Spokane to Fernie.
- Eighth day—Fernie to Gateway, Mont., via Roseville, and return via Waldo and Vaynes, 104 miles.
- Ninth day—Fernie to Elk Canyon, 45 miles, and spend day there.
- Tenth day—Fernie to Hot Sulphur springs up the Elk valley, 90 miles.
- Eleventh day—Fernie to Cranbrook, 192 miles.
- Twelfth day—Cranbrook to Spokane, 190 miles.
- Thirteenth day—Spokane to Walla Walla, 160 miles.

## Remarkable Record Run Made Between Portland and Frisco

Reducing the best previous record by seven and one-half hours, a Cole Aero-Eight stock tourster, manned by P. J. Feeley, D. J. Conant and C. R. Chapman of San Francisco, on July 15 established a new non-stop record from Portland, Or., to San Francisco, negotiating the 822 miles in 31 hours and 30 minutes and averaging more than 12 miles per gallon of fuel consumed.

The distance which the car was required to negotiate was farther than that ordinarily calculated as the direct route between the two cities. This was occasioned by several detours which necessitated more than 100 miles of hazardous driving over bad roads and steep grades.

The car, in addition to the two passengers and driver, carried a large supply of gasoline and oil in addition to that carried in the regular tank. Outside of this, all the special equipment consisted of two spotlights.

The Aero-Eight was checked out at Portland 10 minutes after 9 on Monday, July 12, by the Western Union. It arrived in San Francisco at 7:40 o'clock Tuesday morning, being checked in by the Western Union there.

## Ford Company Has Bought Coal Mine

Ford Motor company of Detroit announces the recent purchase of the Banner Fork Coal company in Harlan county, Kentucky, for \$1,000,000 in cash and \$500,000 in notes. This company's output will be devoted to the use of Ford factories and allied manufacturing concerns, it is said.

## TRUCK OWNERS IN NEED OF SYSTEM

Business of Operating Trucks Needs Cost Accounting Just as Much as Any Other Kind.

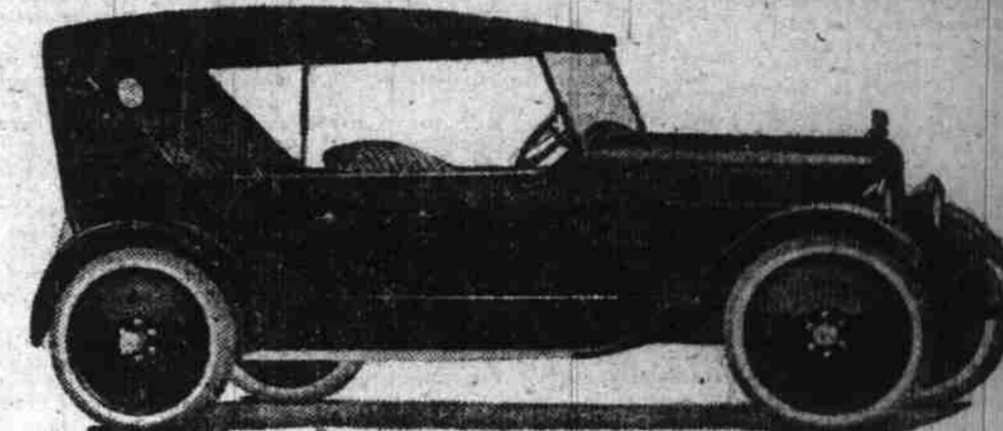
Running a business without cost accounting is one of the most dangerous pastimes the credit side of the ledger knows, and men who do that sort of thing frequently become acquainted with the sheriff before they know it. People don't do it who want their business to pay the grocer's bill.

Yet the men who have fleets of trucks quite frequently have no idea what sums they expend to keep the machines on the road. Not only should the man with a fleet take care of this phase of business, but the man with only one truck will find it decidedly to his advantage to know at the end of each day just what his truck has done, what expenses it has incurred in wear and tear, what fuel and oils have cost him and what profit he has made on the day's business. Ask the average truck man what he has done for the day and he will be unable to make a statement. He doesn't know. He figures by the month or by the truck. Any truck distributor knows this to be the reason why trucks are at times brought back because the purchaser was unable to make the machine show profitable operation.

**USE WITH CARE**  
Dust the inside of a casing with soapstone or talc before inserting a new tube. This prevents chafing and sticking of tube and casing. But do not use too much of either. Excessive use of either soapstone or talc will cause tube blisters.

**Drain Opens Tourist Park**  
The city of Drain Friday opened to tourists Oak Grove park. Drain's free camping grounds, free electric lights, free wood and free mountain stream water are supplied tourists.

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