

MOTORCYCLISTS IN ENDURANCE RUN DUE BACK TODAY

Contestants Who Started Thursday Are on Run From Portland to Spokane and Return.

The first riders due back from the long grid over the endurance trail for motorcycles are expected at The Journal building this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The contestants in what is considered one of the most grueling tests for rider and man ever held in the history of the Rose City Motorcycle club left The Journal building last Thursday morning and spent the night in Pendleton. Last night was spent in Seattle and Friday night in Spokane.

Ridings received so far from stations along the road indicate that the riders are staying with the schedule and making an excellent showing over the rough roads and tough going found at some parts of the way. The rules this year are such, however, and the time is so carefully cut down to a minimum, that it is doubtful if more than a small percentage of riders will finish with a perfect score, and some wisecracks about the prospect of a single man coming in with a score as high as 1000, the high mark for the run.

Of the 32 entries three riders beat the light machines and five were with sidecar entries. Last year the light Cleveland made an excellent showing along the route, but only one sidecar was able to finish. Riding a sidecar is looked upon as a forlorn hope by solo enthusiasts, who figure it to be a tremendously improbable that the five will be able to finish within the allotted time.

Pathfinder Visits Roseburg on Park To Park Tour Route

A. L. Westgard, field representative of the American Automobile association, visited Roseburg last week to arrange for the big caravan of "Park to Park" visitors, which is scheduled to leave Denver on August 25, and which will stop over night here. The trip is being made with a view of securing data for the federal government as to which route is being used the most in the "park to park" tours, and as soon as this is ascertained for the government only a short time until that road is taken over by the government and made the permanent highway.

"If we can link up a large number of roads, tapping and connecting the national parks and at the same time serving to accommodate the farmers and growers of all communities, then there is no doubt but that when the federal highway bill is passed the roads will be taken over and made permanent by the government. We are making data for the roads as we go along and will use it on our return trip," said Mr. Westgard. The caravan will be composed mainly of representative business men.

95,365 Gallons of Gasoline Sold in June, Says Report

The statement of the Dealers' Motor Car association's gasoline committee of the number of gallons of motor vehicle fuel sold in Oregon during June was received by the secretary of state's office. This statement showed the sale of 95,365 gallons of gasoline by such association, upon which the tax imposed amounted to \$953.65.

This is the first statement of monthly sales of motor vehicle fuel filed with the secretary of state by this company, pursuant to the provisions of chapter 159 enacting this requirement.

Increased Gasoline Supply for Tourists

Ability to secure sufficient gasoline in Roseburg has resulted in a great increase in the volume of tourist travel through that city. During the shortage there were practically no cars but at the present time travel is greater than ever before and the past week, says that there is every indication that there will be an easier market for cars and trucks within the near future, and declares that investigations carried on by himself point to a more healthy credit situation along the coast as well as nationally, in a few months. Miner was in Portland in the interests of the Western Electric company, distributors of Titan batteries for the Northwest, and for the country at large.

Car Market Will Be Easier, Says Miner

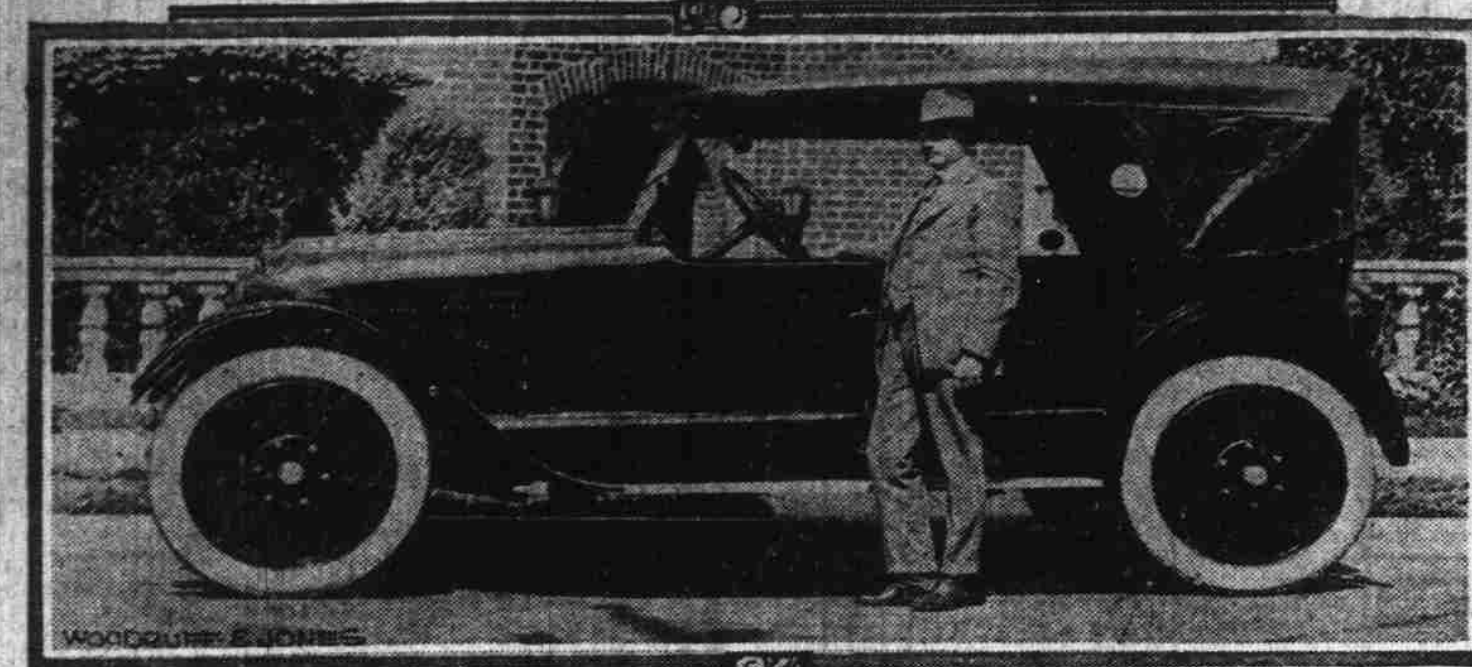
Some Things Every
Autoist Should Know

What every motorist of 16 years of age or over should know is contained in the answers to the following questions:

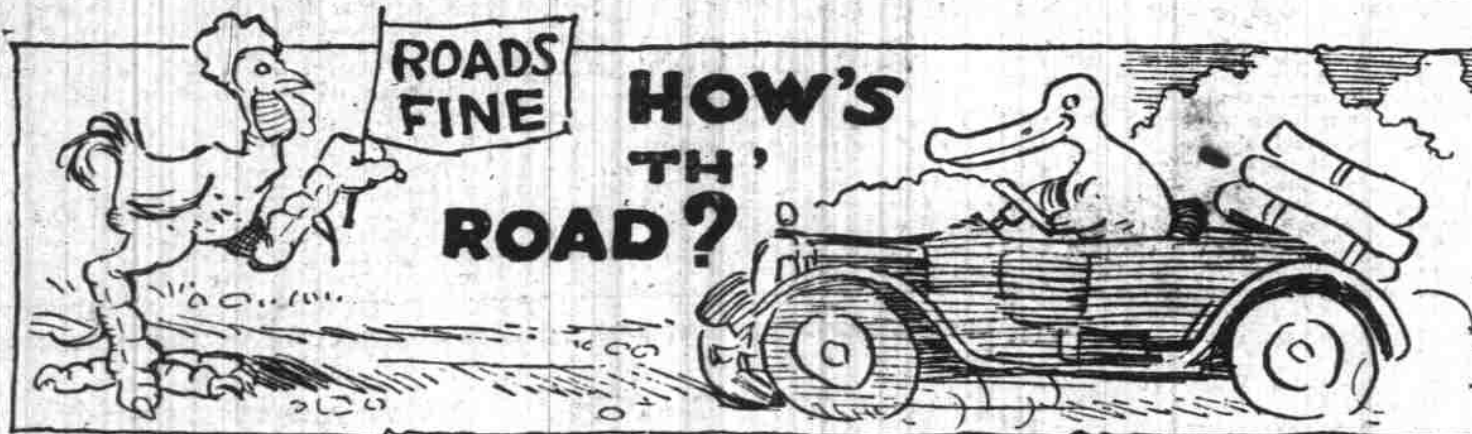
- 1.—What is the make of your car?
- 2.—What horsepower?
- 3.—How many cylinders?
- 4.—What kind of tire on each wheel?
- 5.—What brand can you make?
- 6.—How much mileage to a gallon of gasoline?
- 7.—In what distance can you stop your car without skidding?
- 8.—What kind of brake lining do you use?

Big Cut Made
A big cut on the Pacific highway north of Clatskanie has been completed, as has a concrete bridge adjoining it. From Clatskanie north heavy cuts and fills are being made by the General Construction company. The highway between Kelso and Clatskanie is now being graveled.

POSE INDICATES PRIDE OF OWNER



There is something in the pose of the man beside this Elgin Six scout model that indicates prideful possession, and W. H. Brwell says he couldn't help taking the pose. Gravel is the Northwest representative for the Mark Motor company, of Seattle, Elgin distributors for this territory. Weller Motor company of Portland has the local distribution.



Washington-Idaho-Montana-Canada

The National Parks Highway road bulletin, just issued, starts off with a special notice to tourists traveling through Washington, Idaho, Oregon and Montana that the temporary shortage of gasoline, which recently prevailed, has been relieved. Tourists have not been held up for lack of gasoline and reports of shortage should be contradicted.

Road conditions on all highways leading out of Spokane are very good and traffic is exceedingly heavy and growing each day. Tourists should carry chains for use on natural earth roads if wet.

The roads between Billings and Livingston, Mont., are generally good, and from Livingston to Gardiner, Mont., to the northern entrance to the national park excellent, and the roads in the park are reported in fine condition. From Livingston to Bozeman, Mont., roads reported excellent. The highway from Bozeman via Gallatin Way to the western entrance to the Yellowstone national park will be closed all season on account of construction work.

Bozeman-Anaconda-Missoula—Roads very good to Anaconda and Missoula. Wonderful scenery via Phillipsburg between Bozeman and Drummond. Detour between Bozeman and Belgrade over fair road.

Missoula-Spokane—Road in excellent condition, with heavy grades between Superior and Mullan, Idaho. New road through Fourth of July canyon in very good condition. Roads via Sandpoint, Idaho, and Thompson Falls, Mont., fair with rough section from Ravalli to Plaines, Mont.

Highways via Kallispell, Mont., Glacier national park and Sandpoint, Idaho, reported in excellent condition. Rough for few miles from Bonners Ferry to Sandpoint. Kallispell to Belton (west entrance to Glacier park) excellent.

Spokane-Wenatchee-Seattle—Spokane to Coulee City, Wash., good gravel road. Ten miles of bad going through Moses coulee. Detour to the north to avoid part of Moses coulee. Excellent gravel road to Wenatchee and Wenatchee. Detour out of Wenatchee account of paving. Blewett pass in excellent condition with very light grades. Snoqualmie pass and over the Cascade mountains excellent gravel road and very easy grades. The roads from Seattle to Tacoma and the Rainier national park are in excellent condition. In the past week, says that there is every indication that there will be an easier market for cars and trucks within the near future, and declares that investigations carried on by himself point to a more healthy credit situation along the coast as well as nationally, in a few months. Miner was in Portland in the interests of the Western Electric company, distributors of Titan batteries for the Northwest, and for the country at large.

Highways leading out of Spokane into British Columbia and Alberta are being extensively traveled and the going is reported good. Many tourists are bound for the Canadian Rockies and Banff.

All records for travel in Yellowstone national park were broken on July 21, when 1281 persons and 241 private automobiles were admitted. More than 26,000 persons have visited the park this season, which is about 20 per cent more than during the same period of last year. The new and more suitable location of

National Park Tour

Portland-Boise-Yellowstone-Glacier-Spokane. The roads to Yellowstone park are in excellent condition for touring, reports E. I. Karr, who has just returned from a three weeks' motor tour of the Inland Empire.

Mr. Karr was accompanied by his family and made the trip in a Cole Aero-sight. The route was by way of the Columbia river highway through Hood River, The Dalles, Pendleton, Boise, Hailey Springs and Idaho Falls. The only bad road on the outgoing journey was a stretch of about 20 miles over the Blue mountains, east of Pendleton. It is over a very rough, hard road over steep grades, but is the only stretch that can be complained of on the Park road.

After spending a couple of days in Yellowstone park, the party drove to Glacier national park, taking the route through Livingston, Butte and Missoula. On this portion of the tour the going was good with the exception of a few miles on either side of Butte, which was very muddy owing to recent rains. With a few days of warm sunshine, however, the road will be in good condition, and the most timid motorist need have no fear of any kind in attempting the tour.

From Glacier the route was taken through Wallace, Spokane, Walla Walla, Pasco, Prosser, Goldendale, Centerville and crossing the river again to The Dalles. This part of the tour covers exceptionally good roads. There is one steep grade from Centerville to The Dalles ferry, about eight miles long. It is one of the most picturesque spots on the whole journey, the view from the crest of the hill offering a panorama of the Columbia river that is unsurpassed from any other point.

Karr says he met hundreds of touring parties. In Idaho and Montana the roads seemed to be lined with tourists, but all were keeping shy of Oregon.

Work has been resumed on the Apple Way highway, from the Liberty Lake junction to the Idaho state line. When these three sections of hard-surfaced highway are opened to the public in the early fall there will be a complete paved highway extending from the Idaho state line to the west Spokane county line.

The tourist camp near the high bridge on Hangman creek, a suburb of Spokane, will probably be equipped with electricity and possibly other electrical fixtures for cooking and washing purposes in the near future if recommendations to be made by Frank W. Guilbert, head of the Good Roads association, by the city council materialize. Members of the city council and other city officials visited the camp Friday and were told of the need of such facilities. The placing of proper signs directing tourists to and from the camp, and in and out of the city will also be asked by the commission.

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The gasoline shortage here has meant a tremendous loss through the number of tourists who are changing their original plans of coming to the coast. There is no shortage in either Idaho or Montana, and on reaching points in those states and hearing of the conditions here eastern parties start on their return journey.

The total mileage of the entire national park trip from Portland and return was 2488 miles.

Centralia-Long Beach

According to reports of tourists, the road to Long Beach is in fine condition. Drivers will find the road good from Centralia to Spokane, with the exception of a short stretch of slightly rough road about four miles this side of McCormick. After leaving South Bend the road to the left should be taken, which leads over a long covered bridge, Willapa bay must be ferried from Nantah to Nacotah, which is on Long Beach. About 20 miles of excellent road stretches along the beach.

Pacific Highway

The overhead crossing at Tolo, midway between Gold Hill and Central Point on the Pacific highway, over the Southern Pacific tracks has been paved and is now open to traffic. The Clark and Henry construction crew is still busy on the bridge, trimming the edges and preparing to fence the dangerous part of the grade so strangers will not take a 40 foot plunge at the sharp turn at the top of the south approach.

The completion of this overhead and the 2300 foot of pavement connecting it with the finished surface of the Blackwell hill pavement making a continuous trip of paved highway from well south of Ashland clear through Jackson county to Gold Hill, leaving a comparatively short piece of uncompleted hard surface in both extreme ends of the county.

Mars of La Grande Gets Rock Contract

J. L. Mars, a contractor of this city, has closed a contract with the Security Construction company, successful bidders for the Elgin-Minam paved road project, to furnish this firm 20,000 yards of crushed rock to be used in construction work on that part of the Union-Wallowa counties highway. To be nearer the scene of operations Mars will move part of his crushing plant to a location near the project, which is about 40 miles from La Grande, and crush the rock right on the ground. That actual and real work on this part of the highway is to be commenced at an early date will be good news to citizens of the two counties, as this thoroughfare is practically the only one connecting the two communities.

Easy on the Wheel

Truck drivers should be taught not to move the steering wheel when the car is standing still. This practice strains the joints between the wheel and the front road wheels. Of course, there may be times when it is necessary to move the wheels when the car is at rest, but, as a practice, it is bad and should be avoided.

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CAR THEFT LIST PUTS PORTLAND IN SIXTH PLACE

More Than 31,349 Automobiles Stolen in 19 U. S. Cities in Calendar Year of 1919.

There were 31,349 automobiles stolen in 19 "index" cities of the United States in 1919, compared to 25,613 in the same cities in 1918, according to figures compiled by the National Automobile Dealers' association headquarters in St. Louis. This is an increase of 22.4 per cent. The figures were obtained from the official reports of the chiefs of police.

Of the 31,349 stolen in 1919, 23,332 were recovered, 74.4 per cent. Of the 25,613 stolen in 1918, 20,293 were recovered, 78.8 per cent.

Cars stolen which were not recovered were valued at approximately \$5,410,000 in 1918 and \$5,658,360 in 1919. New York again led the cities in cars stolen with 5527 in 1919 against 3340 in 1918, an increase of 35.5 per cent. St. Louis was the only large city where the number was less than in 1918. This is accounted for by a vigorous law enforcement campaign against automobile thieves by the district attorney's office. Sentences up to 20 years have been assessed in St. Louis for the theft of an automobile.

The detailed list follows:

	1919	1918	Recovered	1919	1918
New York	5,527	3,340	3,124	2,578	1,934
Chicago	4,447	2,911	3,447	1,934	1,334
Detroit	3,481	2,639	2,529	1,934	1,334
Cleveland	2,538	2,076	1,786	1,816	1,334
Los Angeles	1,888	1,929	1,863	1,499	1,334
Kansas City	1,691	1,144	794	806	1,334
Portland, Or.	1,622	1,028	1,278	890	1,334
Denver	1,440	901	1,187	627	1,334
San Francisco	1,354	1,122	1,304	1,082	1,334
St. Louis	1,241	1,241	1,241	1,241	1,334
Seattle	1,122	1,451	1,398	1,376	1,334
Indianapolis	1,081	490	682	334	1,334
Boston	1,002	866	889	807	1,334
St. Lake City	776	797	788	790	1,334
Oakland, Cal.	768	599	599	599	1,334
Omaha	734	1,039	667	669	1,334
Columbus, Ohio	550	451	373	352	1,334
Cincinnati	520	348	323	291	1,334
Oklahoma City	149	571	70	484	1,334
Total	31,349	25,613	23,332	20,293	1,334

Examine Your Casings

Trouble and annoyance is saved the motorist if he will examine his casings prior to a puncture, before inserting a new tube. A nail, a fragment of glass, or a rough and broken fabric surface, remaining over from the first puncture, will often quickly run a new tube.

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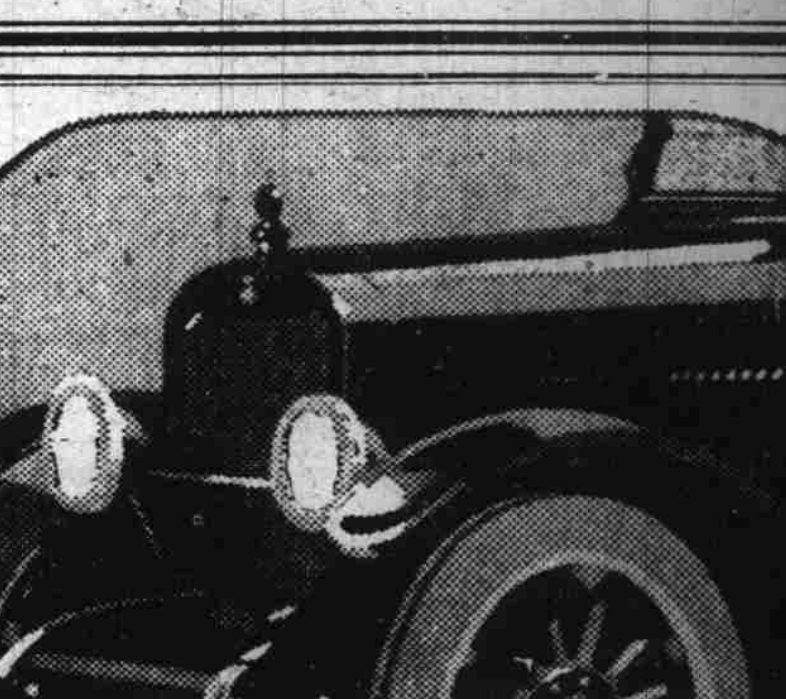
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