TRIP IN DEATH VALLEY A HARD TEST ON TIRES

Fred Lehnherr Tells of Grilling Trip Through Hot Sands in Famous Valley.

Bud Bodell, the well-known racing driver, now acting as service manager for the Fairchild Motor Sales company, Reno, Nev., and M. Quilici of the same company, in a Durant "four," have just completed one of the most strenuous service trips in the annals of the West, Fred Lehnhers of Lehnhers-Rose, local coast tire distributors, said.

"These two men left the Durant agency at Reno, July 4, in a Durant stock car, equipped with Coast cord tires, for the purpose of visting all Durant dealers in the state of Nevada and part of Utah and also for the purpose of making a thorough test of Coast cord tires," he said. "The route traversed on this trip took them away from the regular highways and for days at a time they broke their own trails through the desert and open country.

"Over 15,000 miles were registered on the speedometer. Six days were spent in Death valley, the car going to places where an automobile had never been before. This was also the first and only car to go over the famous Funeral range, at Mozasipi.

"In sections of the country in Death valley the roads were so hot that a man could not stand on them without burning his feet. They covered over 100 miles of lava beds and hot sands and at times it was necessary to let part of the air out of the tires in order to get traction through the sands.

"Writing to John I. Pankratz, vice president and general sales manager of the Coast Tire & Rubber company at Oakland, Bodell stated that they met several cars on the desert with all four tires flat, due to the extreme heat. At Skullville there was one car with three tires flat and one with four, laid up three days at a water hole.

"Bodell's letter says: 'During the entire trip the Coast cords on our car were subjected to the most severe treatment that I have ever known tires to withstand. For four days we covered sections of Nevada where we were continually on rough, sharp, jagged rocks and in the Death valley region the heat was simply terrific. The four Coast tires remained sound throughout the entire trip and today the tread is only worn half through.

"'I have driven racing cars for the past 12 years and have used numerous kinds of tires on the road and track. I won the national road race from Memphis, Tenn, to St. Louis, Mo., and in all my experience with all makes of tires have never found a tire that stood up in the manner that the Coast cords have on this trip.

"'At Ely, Nev., we jumped a 14-foot embankment with the Durant car, where there was no bridge, at a speed of 55 miles per hour. The car landed sidewise and skidded about 30 feet without any apparent damage to the tires or tubes.'"

TO LET CONTRACT SOON

Wenatchee, Wash., Aug. 12.—County Engineer Duff announces that on August 14 the contract for the building of about six miles of the Sunset highway through Blewett Pass from Peshastin creek will be let. It will be expensive construction, he said, facilities for drainage being a large item. There are 36 miles of Sunset highway in Chelan county.

ORGANISTS ENJOYS MOTOR MUSIC

Well known in Portland musical circles, Henri C. Le Bel shows an appreciation of the motor music of the new model Columbia Light Six, distributed by the Lawson Auto company.

Brich Is Found Barricaded Spike Manages to Get Home

Aug. 12-1922.

mister Fillup O'TOOLE,
care of the JOURNAL paper at
PORTLAND, OREGUM, U. States Am.
deer FILL—

1st. thing I must tell U I have now went away frum PORTLAND which is the home town of my bomb companyon the mare mister BAKER & the HAZELWOOD which has all the classy members of the heart aching sex & mister Edward Cook which has himself a swell Mrs. which is about 4 times 2 classy for that bird & I am new being entertained mostly as a guest by all those which I meat in the golden STATE (meaning Cal). Since I have seen you I have been detouring in Cal. They call it touring here like they do in Oreg. & Wash. & other states of the U. S. America but with all the outdoor sports I ever seen it is the bunk this detouring.

& FILL old kid I had a hard time getting out of OREG. They liked me so much they wanted to keep me up there and when I got to the brich across tthe Umpqua river which is a good trout stream if you can get any trout to bite on the end of the hook, they was a bird there putting on a new hardwood pine floor on the brich & they was a sign which tolt everybody the brich was open for crossing at 10 a. m. noontime also at 3 P. M. & 6 P. M. It was hard luck for me when I read that sign which was signed by some bird named Co. Com. I got there at 5 min. after 3 and had to wait till 6. 1st I trie to pull a April phool and started 2 go across the brich and when that big bird which is the boss said what the HELL was I doing I says 2 him I was going to California to meet sen JOHNSON and help CM Steves parley about some of the japs which lives there. He says 2 me could I read & I says not Japanese & he says I was a fresh bird because I never read the sign on the brich. Well he never hit me or nothing but I just slowly backed up & waited till 6 o'clock like about 2 hundred other poor boobs. Of course I could of busted right over & he would not never of done nothing 2 me, but I felt sory for this bird sitting out on the brich & I think he is the bird which rote that poem which goes something like this (I sat on the brich at midnight when the clock was sounding the alarm. Some bird shook the brich with a Ford & I fell off & busted my arm.)

That is about all of the real important news I have 2 tell you now about my trip only I am going out 4 a cruse with this bird Cliff DURANT on his new yacht which is the Black Swam. A swam is a graceful bird & a black swam is the tamest of them all. I seen the crew of the boat & I ast f a job & told the skipper, which is the boy which makes the SKIPPER SARDINES, that I had a recomendation frum FRED W. VOGLER, my buzum pal frum PORTLAND. That was enough & I got the job O. K., which is cook. In about 6 weaks we will come up to Poartland in the Black Swam via the COLUMBIA RIVER route (NOT HIGHWAY) & when we get there we will sent a call 2 this bird HOWARD M. COVEY & his straw boss, which is mister JACK CRITTENDEN, inviting them 2 roll down to the RIVER in one of the Chal. Cad. or Max. cars which he has on hand & help us drink some of that dry law observation fluid called grape jews. In case these birds have not got no cars on hand they can possibly maybe burrow a ride on a Lexington from mister R. A. SPillane which is a particular friend of mine which I never met yet but a swell dame says to me I would like him fine & I says hope he is the same.

B-4 this I shud of already mentioned my old pal which is C. L. Boss. THIS bird BOSS is a bear of a fellow which likes a lot of things which I like also.

Just ask BOSS if he is with us and tell him to lend us some HUDSON cars 4 the show when we put it on. Even a essex will help in the scheme which I am the promoter of. 4 further particulars write C. M. Steves. This Steves is the buzum pal of ROY FIELDS ate all. You probably remember him as the bird which put the Chevrolet on the map & is now the major DOMINO of the DURANT which by the way is just a real good car.

I already spoke of Vogler the chief de sello of the NORTHWEST AUTO CO. handling the DORT, COLE, REO. FRED is a bird 4 the boating fraternity & in the late unpleasantness with the late GERMAN defunct house of Hohenzollern he was a booster 4 the navy.

I now hear my old friend H. R. HOPKINS is in Portland with the agcy 4 the Marmon & Stephens. Tell him he shud give the Stevens line to A. C. STEVENS which is a swell fisherman & also a hunter only he dont hunt what I do.

How is CLAUDE McGEE of the HOWARD AUTO CO. distillers of the BUICK in our hole county and also Oreg and Cal.? How is his sweet cookie & all the BUICK records?

They tell me FILL that this bird L. A. Therkelson of the Braly Auto CO. which sells the Franklin car is a wizzard of a billiard player. How about a little game with this bird the next time I get up to our home town. I always did like the Franklin because it is named after Benj. Franklin which started the custom of kiting. He started flying kites & now us boys has been kiting checks ever since. It is the modern banking system Fillup.

How is Chas DUNHAM and Chas HARRELL the two sterling young shipping men which owns a boat but dont never sail it none? Is they still friendly 2 me after I copped their sweet cookies 4 them.

A. B. Manley of the Manley AUTO CO which is in your city is a pal of mine. We is old timers together in the auto bisiness but his salesmanager Harry MOUNTAIN is the bunk for publicity & should take a course frum you.

I told Freddy Fredrickson to get a job to the ship yards & he said he was not never no chambermaid to a Irish riveter because he was a landscape engineer like Frank Riggs mgr. of the Overland Pac. Co. That is no kid FILL. This Riggs bird is a gardener O. K. & he plays also a little golf sometime with Pat Blake a good A. O. H. bird like I and you and Jimmy MURPHY and the COHEN Bros. Eddie and Arnold (Not Benedict however) Riggs has a sales mgr which is a good bird his name is J. J. Miller & I wonder if he is the brother or papa of Sadie Miller the actorine or RUTH Miller the dancer. They is both queens Fill & if they ever come to PORTLAND when the Orpheum theatre playhouse is in operation you tell your Mrs. to see her mama & you take a look at these MILLER dames. You will thank me all your life if it don't cost you 2 much cash.

I now have got to go over to S. F. & see the mare Jim ROLPH & will rite you later if he buys me a drink or something. Till then my best regards to you mrs. and also Bob Robinson which sells a Ford car about every so ofter and did Billy HUGHSON find his diamond stud pin yet. Speaking of a stud pin that makes me think of a play which I seen last night. It is about a lawyer with a book and when he needs the book to get some notes out of it he finds it is last years book. That is like Harry McKnight thte friend of Phil MEACHAM. Harry brot last years book to Portland and it was no good. I had to burrow one from Chas McCABE which is a DURANT man also.

Till I see you in the senate or congress our resovoir—

SPIKE HENNESSEY

New Service Makes Specialty in Oils

With headquarters in the Fashion garage a new service known as the Jack Frost Service has come into existence during the past week. The service deals with correct lubrication of automobile motors and the cleaning of the working parts of the transmission. Jack Frost, who has had considerable experience in lubrication, is at the head of the new service. One of the features of the service is the use of a stethescope to ascertain what the exact trouble with the motor may be.

Indian Line Has New Police Model

One of the features of the new models of the Indian motorcycle that have been recently received by the Indian Motorcycle & Bicycle company. is the 74-inch "Chief." This, Fred Watt, proprietor of the store, says is designed especially for police work with a side car.

Last week Watt announced the reduction of prices on the three Indian models. The new prices are: Indian Scout, $330; Standard, $350, and the Indian Chief, $380. The Princess sidecar sells for $125. These prices are quoted for delivery in Portland.

WASHINGTON TO IMPROVE PACIFIC HIGHWAY IN 1923

Contracts for Work Will Be Let in September—Plan to Pave From Kalama to Toledo.

Olympia, Aug. 12.—State highway contracts to be awarded in September will include awards for supplying sand and gravel required for the paving of the Pacific highway between Toledo and Kalama during 1923. There has been a shortage of sand and gravel during the present year, and the state highway committee will arrange for the delivery of road-building materials during the coming winter so that actual paving can begin early in the spring, and the contractors who will do the work will be assured of plenty of materials.

It is proposed to divide the gap in the Pacific highway in Lewis and Cowlitz counties into seven jobs, so that each contractor next year will lay approximately five miles of paving. The engineering estimate probably will allow $1,400,000 for the paving in Cowlitz and Lewis counties, but if competition is as keen next spring as it has been this year, the state will expect to make a big saving under the estimate.

By the end of the present season the paving will be completed from Vancouver to Kalama. Contractors working between Tenino and Grand Mound will finish paving next month, and the highway will be opened to travel about the middle of September. By Fall the Toledo-Kalama section will be the only unpaved portion of the Pacific highway south of Seattle.

The Island School House section of the same highway in Snohomish county was thrown open to travel last week, and other new work will be finished this year. It is expected the 1923 program will provide for the completion of paving to the British Columbia line.

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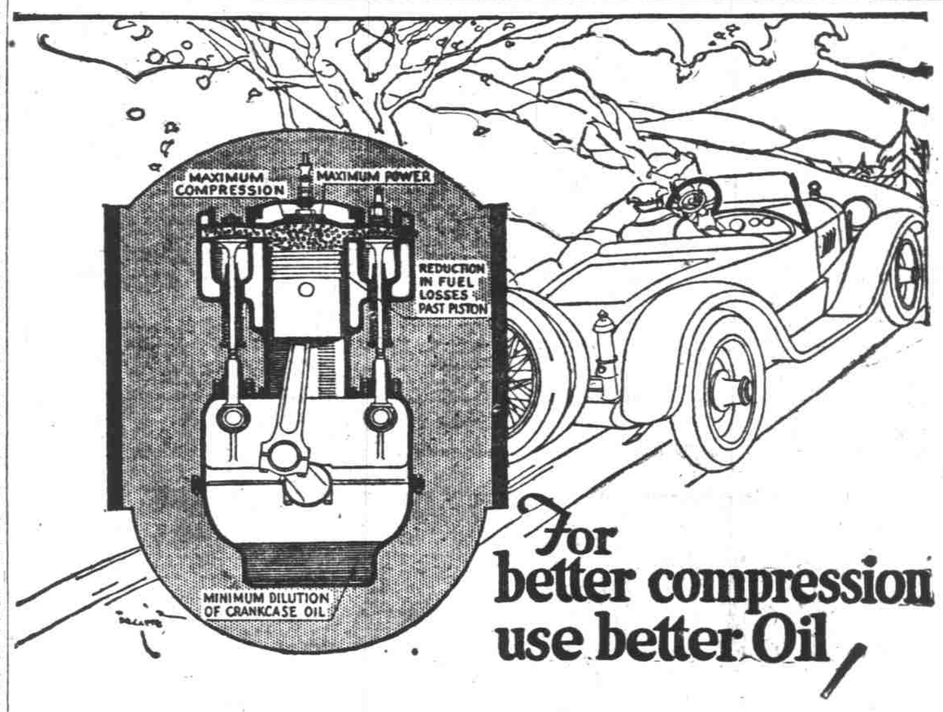

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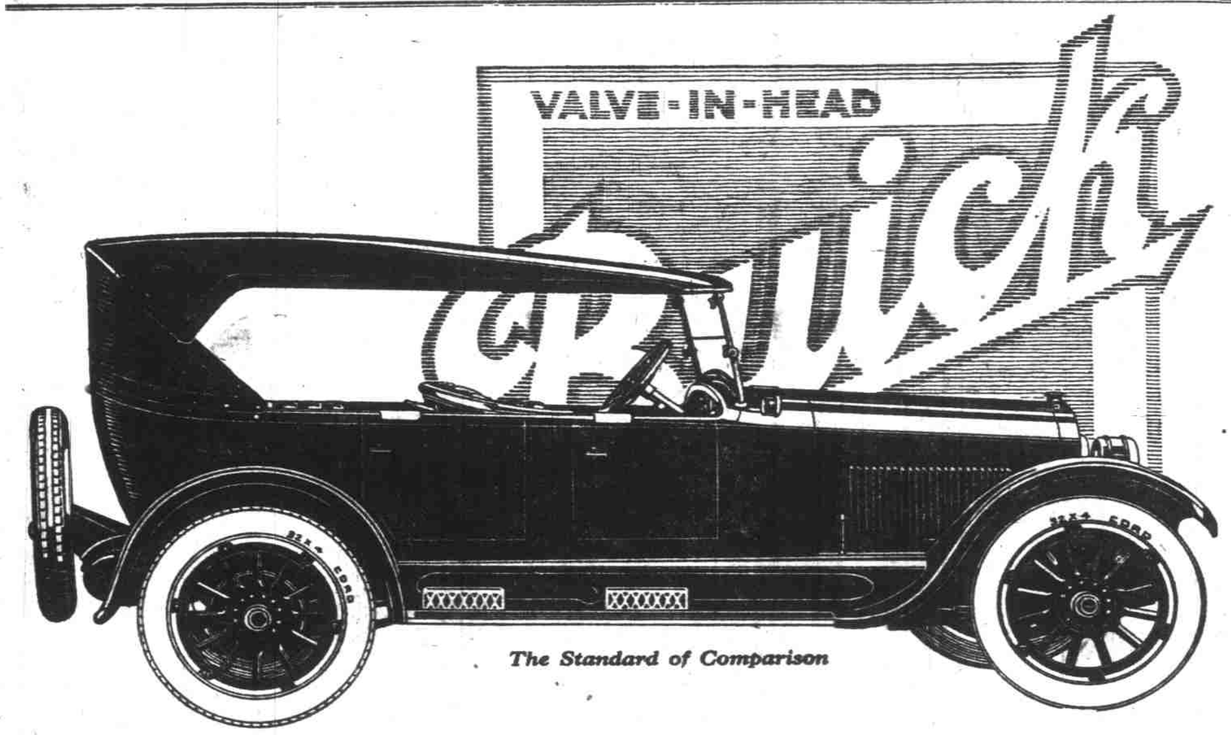

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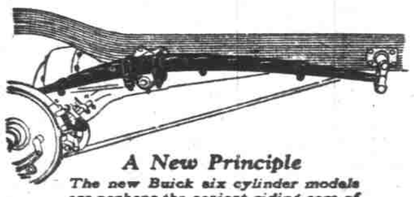

A New Principle

The new Buick six cylinder models are perhaps the easiest-riding cars of the day due to a distinctive development in cantilever spring construction

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And the chassis shows far-reaching improvements. Test the new rear cantilever springs—you will be amazed at the difference in riding comfort. Lock the handy transmission control and know that this feature, with others, gives Buick a low rating by insurance underwriters. Even the famous Buick Valve-in-Head motor shows important changes—higher cylinder block, larger connecting rods and pistons, larger crankshaft, with pressure feed to main bearings.

The Buick Line for 1923 Comprises 14 Models

The Pacific Coast Prices Including War Tax

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Touring, 5-passenger	$1075
Coupe, 3-passenger	$1385
Sedan, 5-passenger	$1625
Touring Sedan, 5-passenger	$1540

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