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BONESTEEL BACK FROM TRIP EAST

Meeting of Dodge Brothers Dealers and Entertainment Are Described

H. F. Bonesteel of the Bonesteel Motor company, has returned from a 60-day trip to the east. Mr. Bonesteel went east

to attend the annual meeting of Dodge Brothers dealers, which was held at the Pennsylvania hotel, New York City, January 10, 1921. He reports a successful meeting attended by about 600 dealers from all parts of the United States and Canada. This is said to have been the largest meeting of its kind ever held in the United States.

After the luncheon the dealers were entertained by a play written especially for the occasion by Montague Glass, famous as the creator of Potash and Perlmutter. The cast was composed of such celebrities as Barney Bernard, Julius Tannen, Edwin Mordant and Jennie Moscovitz. After the entertainment there was an ad-

dress given by F. J. Haynes, president of Dodge Brothers, followed by moving pictures of the factory and the recent price reduction was announced.

Mr. Bonesteel attended the New York Automobile show and says in addition to the complete line of all of the American makes of cars, there were seven foreign makes of large expensive cars, but no light cars of foreign makes.

The exhibition was crowded from 10 a. m. until 12 p. m. every day and the stripped chassis received a great deal of close inspection, and dealers reported a great many sales. Mr. Bonesteel also stopped at Rochester, N. Y., his former home and visited the Northeast Electric company's factory, where the starters and generators for Dodge Brothers cars are made. He was very much surprised to find this company operating such a large factory and equipped with over a million dollar's worth of the most modern machinery and employing several hundred men and women.

His next stop was at Detroit, Mich., where he spent three days at the Dodge Brothers factory. Here they were running full time and turning out about 500 cars per day. This factory contains some of the finest gear cutting, drop forging and pressing machines which can be made. One machine drills the four cylinders at one operation, another machine drills all of the other holes in the cylinder block in one operation, the drills working on all six sides at the same time. All gears and nearly all parts other than the cylinder block are drop-forged and machined, the cylinder blocks are cast and there were about two acres of them stocked up to season.

Sedan bodies are all made by hand and it was very gratifying to note the cars and parts that is taken to make a perfect body. During his visit there, the Dodge Brothers dealer from Grand Rapids, Mich., came and made a driveway of 35 cars. Mr. Bonesteel also stopped at Milwaukee

and Minneapolis and Helena, Mont., from which he reports that business in these cities in which he stopped as being good. But in the smaller towns and rural districts not so good.

There are two places of interest that every one visiting the east should see and those are the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York City and the congressional library at Washington. In the former there is a collection of jewelry made 500 B. C. which is much finer than any made at the present time. The latter building is said to have the most beautiful interior of any building of its kind in the world.

After all Mr. Bonesteel is happy to back and remarks that there is no place in comparison with Oregon.

Portland Application Granted by Commission

Application of the city of Portland, through its commission of public docks, is granted authority by an order of the public service commission Saturday to construct crossings over the tracks of the Troutdale branch of the Oregonian company and the tracks of

the city of Portland at municipal terminal No. 4 with the track of the municipal street car line extension to terminal No. 4.

The first is to be an overhead crossing at approximately municipal street railway station 01 plus 45 serving the terminal, and the second is to be a grade crossing serving grain elevator and pier No. 1 of the terminal, and will be located about 600 feet west of the

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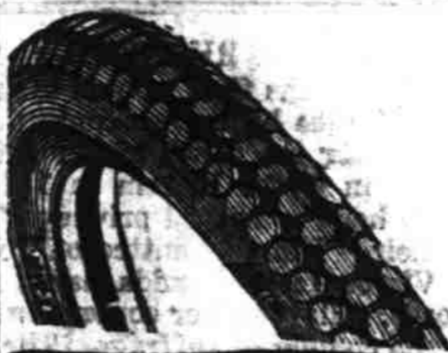
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