

# TAKE CARE AND PREVENT FIRES

## MOTORIST CAUSE OF WORRY.

Forest Officials Urge Care—Cigar and Cigarette Stub May Start Conflagration—Forethought Will Prevent Damage.

The season of motoring is at its height. So too, is the season of forest fires. Reports of the last two weeks show locally that a number of fires are traceable to the carelessness of tourists and campers.

The forest officials are ever vigilant to detect the slightest indications. Every effort is being made to caution the public against carelessness in the use of fire while in the forest.

Thousands of motorists all over Central Oregon are starting out on camping trips now, and many others are planning trips to made before the summer is over.

America has set aside millions of acres of some of the most wonderful scenic country in the world for the enjoyment of everyone who cares to enter the reserves, and the only thing the nation asks is that each and every man, woman and child, who camps in the forest, be careful of fires, report fires, if already started, and take pains to prevent them.

In no other country in the world is such scenery available free of cost, practically without restriction and no limits provided. In Europe, with its great population crowded into small spaces, every forest is reserved for some one or other. In England the great landed estates of the nobles is still a problem that remains unsolved.

Hunting and fishing are forbidden in most of the forests abroad. Huge tracts of land were set aside for private use and no outsider is even allowed to enter the preserves.

**Contrasting Systems.**  
Contrast this ancient system with the freedom allowed every citizen of the United States in the enjoyment

## BEAUTIFUL AMPHITHEATER IS DENVER'S BOAST



Boy scouts drilling in the new amphitheater recently finished at Denver, Colo. The amphitheater is the civic center, and events of all kinds are staged there.

of the natural beauties of this great country. Here is a case where the comparison is surely odious.

One of the greatest and most prevalent causes of fires in the mountains is just plain, ordinary carelessness. Men who smoke must get the habit of extinguishing their cigar or cigarettes before they are to throw them away. Cigarettes, especially, cause a great many fires. The motorist carelessly tosses them out of the car and they burn for a long time and may set dry grass on fire.

Throw the remains of the smoke on the floor of the car and stamp out the fire and then throw it out. This is the safe way.

Another cause of fire is carelessness with camp fires. Many campers build large fires when they need only small ones. The larger the fire the harder it is to control it. Build only enough fire to cook with and then carefully put out every spark and cover the hot ashes with earth. In this way there will be no chance of hot coals smoldering and setting grass or brush on fire.

When building a camp fire be sure that you scrape the grass and trash away so that the blaze will not spread out and catch grass or the nearby brush. It is easy to be careful. All it takes is a short time and some inclination to leave the forests

as you find them, so that you can go back next year and not find charred trunks where stately trees grew the year previous.

### GET ALL YOU CAN OUT OF OLD TIRES

The motorist has from time to time been approached through solicitation or through advertisements in the press about the advisability of using certain tire accessories to get more mileage out of their tires. It is, of course, a most desirable thing to get the very last foot of wear out of a tire, but the owner often mistakes a tire wearing device for a tire saving device. In the first place, let it be said that the very maximum of tire mileage is had from the tire when the following two simple rules are followed:

Maintain proper pressure always. Keep the tread always like new, that is, uncut or unbroken.

Both are easy to do but unfortunately they are not observed by the average run of automobile owners. The tire itself is composed of two parts, the tread and the carcass. The latter is the inner part of the tire composed of canvas or cords.

The tread is merely a means of protection for the fabric underneath, hence if the tread is cut or

worn through it no longer protects. Natural wear, of course, will cause the carcass to show through, and once it shows at any point the tire is on the road to quick and total destruction.

When the tread of a tire is worn through at one point for a short distance, a retread job should immediately be done. A retread job consists of applying a new tread over the carcass. The damage is not always detected at a glance at the inside of the tire or by feeling. A retread saves many dollars in tire wear. Mileage is no indication of the condition of a carcass.

### WAR MAKES MOTOR PROBLEMS GREATER

Half Million Trucks Were in Service—Farmers Were Greatly Aided in Marketing.

Those who are familiar with the great achievements credited to motor vehicles during the war, both in the business over here and in the fighting over there, says Walter Coombs of the Bend garage, local dealer in Chevrolet passenger cars and trucks, "can appreciate the aid which they are contributing to the problems of the business activities of the day. But to those who are far less familiar with these records it may be surprising to learn that at the present time there are more than 500,000 motor trucks in operation in the United States, in active service. These, together with the six million passenger cars, represent a material addition to the transportation facilities of the country, that is now being called upon to assume a major share of the work entailed in setting our business in order.

"In many of the states the rural motor truck express lines are proving the salvation of the farmers, enabling them to reach their markets with dependable promptness, thus insuring a steady supply of food products and minimizing the fluctuations in prices due to irregular supply; while all of the public utilities telephone companies, who are among the first to bear the burden involved in this work of reconstruction, would find it utterly impossible to maintain any where near their adequate service without their fleets of fast moving motor trucks.

"New York leads the nation in the number of motor vehicles with 462,289 trucks and cars. Ohio is second on the list with 415,000, California third with 407,761, Pennsylvania fourth with 394,076, Illinois fifth with 389,721.

The aggregate registration of these five states, is about one-third of the numbered registered in the entire nation.

"And so when we consider the inestimable value of motor vehicles and the great aid they have contributed, it is easy to understand why they are steadily increasing."

**DONOVAN'S ON TRIP.**  
Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Donovan Forded all up and down the Oregon coast during the past week and report a good trip with no mishaps, save slight difficulties in crossing the McKenzie Pass, which Mr. Donovan says is in bad condition. The west side of the mountain is particularly cut up on account of the water in the roads caused by the melting snows.

**GETS BIG GUARANTEE.**  
G. P. Smith of Smith's Tire shop this week received a new guarantee for mileage on the Pennsylvania Vacuum Cup tires. The cord tires are now guaranteed for 9,000 miles. Mr. Smith reports that the sale of these tires in this field is steadily increasing.

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### DON'T DO IT

For the man who wants to get maximum mileage from his tires, the habit of using a spare tire to afford regular changes, beginning at the right front and progressing around the car, is a valuable one to form.

It is poor practice to try to iron out dents in the fenders by hammering them with a block of wood without taking them from the chassis, as so many motorists do. Inevitably this treatment leaves the fenders battered in appearance, and it may cause more extensive damage. The only safe method is to remove the fender from the car, place it on the bench and hammer out the dents with a block of wood.

If your tires show undue wear don't blame it to the tires, but find out the cause. Usually you will find that your wheels are out of line with the result that your tires are dragging.

Don't leave your car in front of theater or hospital entrances.

Don't start on a trip without attention to lubricating oil, water and gasoline.

Don't depend upon your horn to clear the path.

It is generally hard to find just where a leak in the gasoline tank lies because the fluid, after escaping, spreads all around on the surface of the tank. When you encounter this difficulty, wipe off all the surplus gasoline and cover the surface with black gudgeon grease. The gasoline, eating out of the hole, will wash away the grease and make detection very simple.

Don't depend upon other drivers to prevent accidents. They may be just as reckless as you are and just as ignorant of the traffic rules.

Wet rubber cuts much easier than dry rubber. For this reason fast travel over rough roads and surfaces, particularly broken stones, is very destructive to the tires when they are wet. This is especially so as regards solids on a heavy truck.

Storage batteries should be examined every fifteen days and distilled water added. This applies to cars laid up for the winter as well as those in use, and the batteries should be recharged every month. If this is not done the plates are apt to buckle and an overhauling will be made necessary.

Don't race the engine. You cannot hurt the engine more than by allowing it to race at high speed without a load.

**How a Crab Grows.**  
The crab's equivalent to the internal bones of animals is its tough outer shell, which does not grow. The baby crab is forced to get rid of this tough confining person. So it breaks itself loose internally and then splits its old protecting home across the extreme back ridge, creeping out in that way.

**Sepoy Preparedness.**  
In the Madras presidency in the first half of the last century recruit boys—sons of old soldiers—were kept with each Sepoy regiment, clothed, drilled and fed and enlisted as soldiers when they attained the age of sixteen. The system had something to recommend it, as the state got a trained youth as a soldier instead of a country bumpkin who had all his training to learn.

**A Comparison.**  
One of the largest squares in London, the open space called Lincoln's Inn fields, is said to be the same size as the base of the Great Pyramid at Gizeh.

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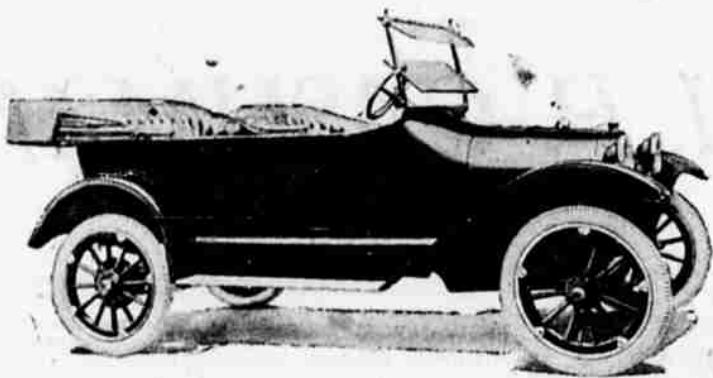
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