

Winter Presents Motor Hazards

Winter presents special driving hazards which motorists should know and guard against, the Oregon State Motor association advises as part of its campaign of safety education to help Oregon reduce its vehicle accident toll.

Unsafe highways, due to frost, snow and mud, are the season's most obvious hazards, but these are supplemented by danger of skids due to wet leaves on the road and the danger of blowouts from rock which dislodges and rolls onto the paving. The association reports further:

"The motorist who is concerned about safety will inspect his car, prior to fall, to see that every safety device is functioning properly. He will check tire treads and replace smooth or worn casings; he will install new blades on worn windshield wipers; he will be certain that his lights, especially fog lights, are operating perfectly; he will check his car heater and be certain that gases are not leaking into the car; he will have a good horn; he will check steering mechanisms, tailights and any signaling devices on the vehicle.

"Further, he will be sure that his motor is in condition so that mechanical failures may be minimized during inclement weather. He also will be sure that his special equipment includes good chains, a jack, a small shovel and a strong tow rope."

Lodges Plan Visit

Independence—A number of the members of the local Odd Fellows and Rebecca lodges are planning to attend a meeting of the Polk County Odd Fellows Visiting association in Pais City Friday evening, November 15. The meeting will be an open meeting and all Odd Fellows, Rebeccas and encampment members are invited to attend.

Monmouth—Mr. and Mrs. U. J. Stockholm are on a five weeks vacation trip to Mr. Stockholm's boyhood home in Montrose, Pa. They are traveling by train over the Northern Pacific through Spokane and Minneapolis to Chicago. They don't like plan to return by the Southern Pacific through southern California.



Car Of The Future To Show Here—Creating a sensation wherever it has been shown, the aerodynamically styled Chrysler New-Port model will be on display here Friday, November 15, from 9 a. m. to 10 p. m., according to Clifford J. Taylor of the Salem Automobile company, local Chrysler-Plymouth dealer. Pictured with this car of the future at the start of its tour to principal Pacific coast towns and cities are, left to right, designer Ralph Roberts and S. W. Munroe, assistant general sales manager for Chrysler.

British Fire on Liner by Mistake

New York, Nov. 13. (AP)—The American export liner Exeter was fired on twice by a British patrol which failed to recognize her November 3, twelve miles off Lisbon, the Exeter's captain, S. F. Ransome, said Tuesday when the ship docked.

The patrol vessel was a former French trawler, and the second shot landed a quarter of a mile off the Exeter's port side.

Later, after Capt. Ransome put his ship about, went back five miles and hoisted a signal saying his vessel was bound for Bermuda, four men from the trawler came aboard and examined the ship's papers.

Check Brakes

Checking the conditions of brakes at reasonable intervals helps to prevent scoring of brake drums and avoid expensive repairs, according to the emergency road service of the Oregon State Motor association. A good plan is to have the brakes examined as soon as there is any indication of inefficient operations.

Gold mining is increasing in Nicaragua.

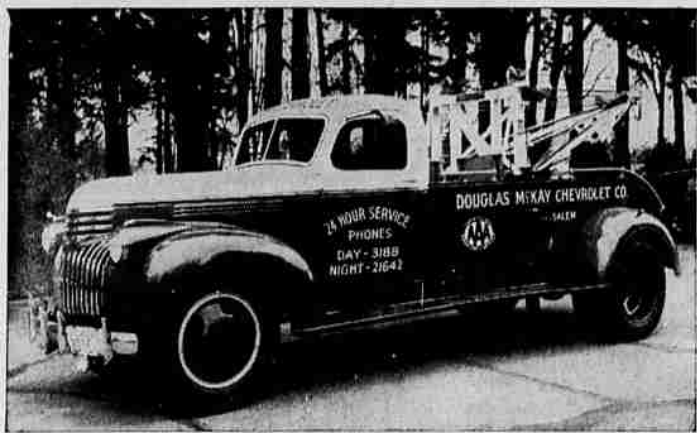


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Publisher Hotly Replies to Ickes

Rochester, N. Y., Nov. 13. (AP)—Frank E. Tripp, general manager of the Gannett newspapers, believes "if ever a last word must be spoken for the freedom and independence of the American people that word will come from the last gasping issue of a newspaper."

Accepting the invitation of Secretary of the Interior Harold Ickes to comment on the cabinet member's assertion that "the press is not free," Tripp in a lengthy open letter read last night before Gannett executives declared:

"You observe that about 80 percent of the press opposed Mr. Roosevelt and that still he was elected. That very fact defeats your argument that the press is not free. Can it be that your idea of a free press, one that you should like, is a press that the government could control as it does your pal the radio?"

"Now you know that radio is licensed by the government... You know it is restricted by rules from expressing any opinion. Newspapers can have opinions, so far anyway; can express them, and do."

"What you mean is that you don't like the kind of opinions they express. That's OK. They don't like yours either and they are independent enough to say so."

What is recognized as the most modern equipment recently developed in the field of auto wrecker service cars has just been added to the garage facilities of the Douglas McKay Chevrolet company. The new equipment features numerous new mechanical developments which have tended to increase the efficiency with which wrecked automobiles and trucks may be handled and moved to garages.

A swinging crane type of car, this new mechanical retriever is able to pull a car out of a deep ditch or canyon with little effort. A dual crane unit permits the counter-balancing of the wrecker by fastening a tight line to a tree or any other bulky obstacle at hand. This cross-balance on the towing line relieves the strain from the wrecker which

heretofore has been a problem with pulls from deep places.

The ease with which cars and trucks can be picked up and towed, on either a two or four-wheel carry, is an attraction. Specially controlled apparatus, operating from the rear of the wrecker permits the wrecker car operator to pick up the damaged vehicle while on hand to watch the operation, not having to enter the car's cab to operate the controls.

Carrying 400 feet of 3/4-inch steel cable the car is equipped to handle, with ease, almost any type of wrecking assignment, according to Fay Ready, operator of the wrecker. Cable extensions will permit a car to be retrieved from mountain slopes of more than 400 feet in depth.



Portrait of KENT COOPER—This painting of Kent Cooper, executive head of The Associated Press, has just been completed by the noted artist, Goode Davis, son of Norman H. Davis. The Associated Press Board of Directors ordered the portrait on the occasion of Mr. Cooper's 30 years of service with the organization, the last 15 of which he has been General Manager.

Wyoming People Leave

Waconda—Mr. and Mrs. M. Hixenbaugh and two children, of Meriden, Wyo., were called here recently due to the death of Mrs. Hixenbaugh's mother, and were house guests at the home of his sister and family, the Frank Thompsons. They left last week for their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Avin Throneberry accompanied them and will remain until the first of the year.

Stayton—Miss Jean Parrish of Vancouver, Wash., visited at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Kirsch over the week-end. Miss Parrish is in nurses' training in Vancouver.

Students Given Driving Aids

"Two unique better driving devices, the A.A.A. driving jerk recorder and the A.A.A. brake reaction detector are being widely used in high school driving training courses to develop the new generation into sportsmanlike automobile drivers," says Dr. E. B. McDaniel, president of the Oregon State Motor association.

"Opening of schools throughout the country saw thousands of students enrolled in driver education and training courses, many using dual-control driving training cars for actual behind-the-wheel training," he said. "This is one of the steps that national leaders believe will go far in making the nation's highways safer for all within the next few years. One prominent official of the U. S. public roads administration has declared that there is no better way to raise the driving standards of the motorized population than to embark on a systematic course of training in public schools."

"The driving jerk recorder has been designed to measure smoothness in driving. It is placed on the floor of the car and measures all jerks made in starting or stopping. It helps students to learn to drive more smoothly, to shift gears evenly and smoothly and not to come to jerky stops which throw their passengers off balance, by giving them an objective measure of driving."

"The A.A.A. brake reaction detector helps teachers demonstrate stopping distances. The student is shown that no matter how hard he tries, he just can't stop on a dime and, therefore, must anticipate conditions ahead. The detector fires a blank cartridge to make a mark on the pavement when the driver is given a signal to stop, and another mark when the brakes are applied. A third mark is made directly under the device when the car comes to a final stop. These marks make it possible to measure the individual's reaction time distance, and his braking and total stopping distance," the motor association president said.

Boy Scout Patrol Leaders Will Meet

Stayton—The patrol leaders' conference date has been changed from November 16 and 17 to November 22 and 23. It will be held in Stayton and will cover the entire Cascade area. A district meeting of the scout officials was held last week with R. R. Ruddiman, district executive of Salem, present. Finances and scouting were the main issues before the meeting.

Construction to Start in 30 Days

Spokane, Nov. 13. (AP)—The construction of operations buildings, barracks, oil storage tanks and other structures totaling \$1,500,000 at the Sunset Airport, now under construction west of Spokane, probably will be started in 30 days, it was indicated Tuesday.

Major F. D. Gore of the office of the chief of the air corps, after conferring with WPA engineers and others on the project, today approved location of the buildings and said that completion of the structures within 90 days would be sought.

Democrat Wins By Law of Chance

The Dalles, Ore., Nov. 13. (AP)—The democrats have won again Mace Fulton, democratic candidate for Wasco county commissioner and incumbent in that office, Tuesday was declared "elected by the laws of chance," following a drawing held in the circuit courtroom here. Fulton and John W. Adkins, republican candidate, had tied with 2573 votes each in the November 5 election.

The drawing was done by Ben R. Latta, local publisher, who was blindfolded and, reaching into a "gold fish" bowl modeled after the national conscription lottery, pulled out the capsule containing Fulton's name.

Henry Scherrer, Wasco county clerk, presided over the drawing. A committee of three citizens, R. A. Crooks, Kenneth Grossmiller and A. C. Holmes, arranged the capsules and attested the impartiality of the lottery.

Bomber Delivery Slated This Month

Washington, Nov. 13. (AP)—Thirteen of the improved type flying fortress bombers are scheduled for delivery to Great Britain this month, an informed source said Tuesday.

They will be the first of the flying fortress type plane made available to the British. They are Boeing B-17C, third in the series of the four-motored, long range craft which air corps officials believe to be the most potent bombers extant.

First of the B-17C's ordered by the army last spring was delivered to the air corps last month.

The British had sought to obtain some of the earlier models, known as the B-17B. Administration officials had agreed to make them

available after the election because later types were already on the production line.

However, with the announcement by President Roosevelt of a program to share armament production with the British, the latter decided to forego the B-17B's and wait for the later type. The production schedule this month, an official said, calls for the completion of 26B-17C's. Half will go to the British and half to the army air corps.

Always Face Traffic

Accident statistics prove the advisability of walking on the left side of the highway outside of a business or residence district as required by the state vehicle code. Reports received by the California State Automobile association indicate that a large percentage of pedestrians killed along rural highways were walking with their backs to approaching traffic.

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