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A Practical Answer

Now come Secretary of Agriculture Jardine, Senator Sackett and other government authorities with a program for the settlement of the Muscle Shoals question.

In substance, their suggestion is for the government to lease the power and, with the \$2,500,000 or more annual rental derived therefrom, to construct modern nitrate plants at Muscle Shoals and other suitable locations for experimental production of high-grade fertilizers on a commercial scale, and to conduct practical experiments in its use for different crops on different soils.

No one can deny that the public and congress desire to utilize Muscle Shoals to benefit agriculture without tying the properties up for a long period of years to a doubtful program of fertilizer manufacture.

During the period of ten years since the Muscle Shoals plants were built scientific progress in nitrogen fixation has developed processes which require but small amount of power. They have rendered the present Muscle Shoals nitrate plants obsolete, and now dominate the world nitrogen situation. These changed conditions would seem to point the way to legislation that will secure cheaper fertilizer ingredients at Muscle Shoals and at the same time permit public use of surplus power for the domestic and industrial needs of a large and growing section of the south.

A Factor of Progress

The invention and extensive use of the track-type tractor has given tremendous impetus to good roads movement. Where old methods of "carrying" a road are expensive and long drawn out, the tractor is able to do the same job more efficiently and at a minimum of time and cost. It is safe to say that now no highway or road of any importance is built without the aid of these machines.

Today the formidable Everglades of Florida are being conquered by a road, and it is symbolical of progress that every contractor employed owns track-type tractors. In Cuba, one of the greatest highway projects ever attempted, 700 miles long, is under construction; and tractors are being used extensively and with great success. And in Brazil they are an important agency in the building of San Paulo's great new pipe and aqueduct line. At the same time, the city of Amarillo, Texas, one of the fastest growing towns in the United States has purchased a number of caterpillar tractors for street expansion and improvement, in common with numberless cities throughout the country.

It is difficult to say what would happen were we forced to go back to old-style methods in road building. Certainly, it would mean greatly decreased efficiency, and increased time and cost. The track-type tractor has proved itself a factor of progress.

New Ford Car is a Dandy

Priced Wonderfully Low and is in a Class all to Itself

The full story of the new Ford automobile, described by Henry Ford as being "superior in design and performance to any now available in the low price light car field," was told in Moro on Thursday of this week at the Fred Pickett Motor company with the aid of a Tudor sedan of the new model on display.

The new car came to Moro about noon on Thursday from Maupin, where it had been on display the previous day after a trip to Bend and other interior central Oregon points where the Ford company has dealer connection. After arrival here the doors of the Pickett Motor company place of business was locked, then the car was washed and later placed on view in the main saleroom of the company.

A large crowd was present all day to see the new car, which was a surprise to many because of its classy appearance, roominess, and evidence of ability to hold the road exceptionally well at high speed.

The new Ford automobile is equipped with a 40-horse power motor, easily capable of driving the car at a sustained road speed of between 55 to 65 miles an hour. It is said to have exceeded this speed in a number of road tests.

It is remarkably quick on acceleration. The same car that was on exhibition at Moro has accelerated from five miles to twenty five miles in 8 1/2 seconds with two passengers in the car.

Road shocks are practically unknown to passengers in the new car, say those who have ridden in the new Ford. This is achieved through hydraulic shock absorbers and the new transverse springs, each model having springs built specially for the model on which they are to be used.

The new Ford car has an irreversible steering gear, making it as easy to steer as any other car on the market; is equipped with a standard selective-sliding gear shift with three speeds forward and one reverse; multiple dry-disc clutch; three, quarter floating rear axle; and it is a quiet car on the road, every precaution in its designing and building was taken to make it free from squeaks, rattles and drumming sounds.

When considering speed in automobile driving, the breaking power on the car must be considered to make such speed safe. Here the new Ford car is in a class by itself, having four wheel brakes of the mechanical, internal expanding shoe type and which are self centering. No special tools are needed to make uniform, correct adjustments on each wheel and all such adjustments are made from the outside without removal of any parts. The brake pedal and the hand lever each operate all four brakes.

Two features that especially mark the new car are the unique Ford designed steel spoke wheels. Each wheel is assembled by welding and becomes one piece of metal when finished. Each spoke has a tensile strength of four thousand pounds and cannot work loose. There are thirty spokes in each wheel and the outside spokes do not cross, making easy work of cleaning the wheels.

The windshield is another important feature of the new car, being made with two ply glass in such manner that in case of accident the glass will shatter, but will not fly about in chunks.

The price at which the new Ford car will sell is about \$109 higher than the f. o. b. price at Detroit. The exact price at any one delivery point on the west coast has not yet been worked out and will not be definitely known until shipments are made so that freight rates can be figured. These prices f. o. b. Detroit, Mich., for the different models are as follows: Phaeton, \$395; roadster, \$385; chassis, \$325; coupe, \$495; sport coupe, rumble seat standard, \$550; tudor sedan, \$495; fordor sedan, \$570; roadster pick-up, \$395; truck chassis, \$460.

All cars come equipped with five steel spoke wheels, speedometer, gasoline gauge, oil gauge, electric windshield wiper, and two-ply non-breakable windshield glass. Bumpers and extra tire optional; rumble seat on roadster, optional.

The truck comes with the same equipment as that for the new cars and with standard body. It has 30x5 tires all around, or 30x5 in front and 32x6 in the rear, or dual 2-tire wheels 32x6 in the rear. All trucks have closed cabs and the new standard selective gear shift. There is also a special Ford designed gear shift for trucks that will give six speeds ahead and two speeds in reverse, which is optional to truck buyers.

Cold storage of apples on November 1st amounted to 5,799,000 barrels, against 7,107,000 last year; of creamery butter 118,760,000 pounds against 100,871,000 pounds in 1926; of cheese, 77,480,000 pounds, against 89,785,000 last year. Stocks of case eggs were some 400,000 cases less than a year ago. From government report.

How It's Done

A real politician is a man who can, by the addition of a little salt, make a platitudinous sound like an idea.—Arkansas Democrat.

Make it Hard for Them

There is a whole lot of talk about the crime wave and how to reduce crime. A few practical suggestions have been made, but most of the publicity is given to proposals which would favor and pamper the criminal at the expense of the law abiding citizen.

If we want to stop crime, the surest way to make it unpopular is to make it more unpleasant for the criminal. A law to deny the private citizen the right to buy and own a pistol or revolver merely gives the criminal a safer field in which to operate. We already have regulatory laws regarding the sale of revolvers and the carrying of concealed weapons. These laws, in the past, have been effective when they were enforced.

The average man has no business carrying a concealed weapon. If he has occasion to, he can get a permit to do so. The crook has no business being a crook, but if he is a crook, still he has no business carrying a concealed weapon.

Therefore, if he is arrested in the act of lawbreaking and later convicted, he should be subjected to the penalty the law imposes. If he uses a gun in the commission of a crime, why not double the penalty?

This would punish the criminal who uses a gun unlawfully, rather than the private citizen who under the Constitution has a right to own and possess guns.

In other words, enforce our present laws, double the penalty for criminals where they use dangerous weapons, and uphold the law abiding citizen in his constitutional rights.

National Grazing Fees

Does the government charge the stockmen for grazing their cattle and sheep on the national forests? Explaining the government's policy of grazing permits, Will C. Barnes, assistant forester in charge of range management, United States Department of Agriculture, says that each settler or resident is entitled to graze ten head of his domestic stock, such as work or saddle horses, milk cows, and even hogs free of charge and without permit on national forest ranges. All other animals must be paid for at a rate which at present averages between ten and eleven cents per head per month for cattle and three cents per head per month for sheep. On January 1st, 1928, these rates will be slightly increased.

The stockmen are now paying into the United States Treasury annually about two and one quarter million dollars in grazing fees.

Not Subject to Regulation

The 1927 legislature of the state of Tennessee enacted a law which established a bureau empowered with authority to regulate the price and distribution of gasoline. This bureau was to function in much the same manner as the Oregon Public Service commission functions in relation to the furnishing of service and the charge on public utilities.

Information received by the State Motor association states that the Standard Oil company, and other interested oil companies obtained an injunction from the district court of the United States, Middle District of Tennessee, preventing the law from being enforced, the court holding that the sale of gasoline did not so affect public interest as to be a subject of price regulation.

Candy And Electricity

The entire electric bill of the nation is less than the bill of the nation for candy and tobacco. The cigarette bill alone is more than 50 per cent greater than that for electric service in all the homes of the country. The amount spent for perfumes, toilet soaps and chewing gum is much larger than the electric bill in all the homes.

The average cost of electric service in the homes is only 8 cents a day, and represents but three fourth of 1 per cent of the average family budget.

TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS

Notice is hereby given that the county superintendent of Sherman County, Oregon, will hold the regular examination of applicants for state certificates at Moro, Oregon, as follows: Commencing Wednesday, December 21, 1927, at 9:00 a. m., and continuing until Saturday, December 24, 1927, at 4:00 p. m.

Wednesday Forenoon—U. S. History, Writing (Penmanship), Music, Drawing.
Wednesday Afternoon—Physiology, Reading, Manual Training, Composition, Domestic Science, Methods in Reading, Course of Study for Drawing, Methods in Arithmetic.

Thursday Forenoon—Arithmetic, History of Education, Psychology, Methods in Geography, Mechanical Drawing, Domestic Art, Course of Study for Domestic Art.
Thursday Afternoon—Grammar, Geography, Stenography, American Literature, Physics, Typewriting, Methods in Language, Thesis for Primary Certificate.

Friday Forenoon—Theory and Practice, Orthography (Spelling), Physical Geography, English Literature, Chemistry.

Friday Afternoon—School Law, Geology, Algebra, Civil Government.
Saturday Forenoon—Geometry, Botany.
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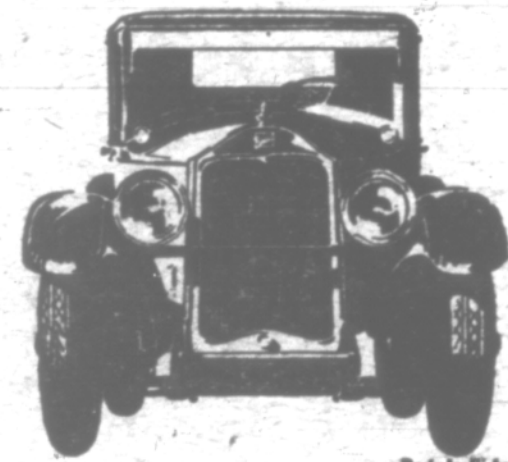
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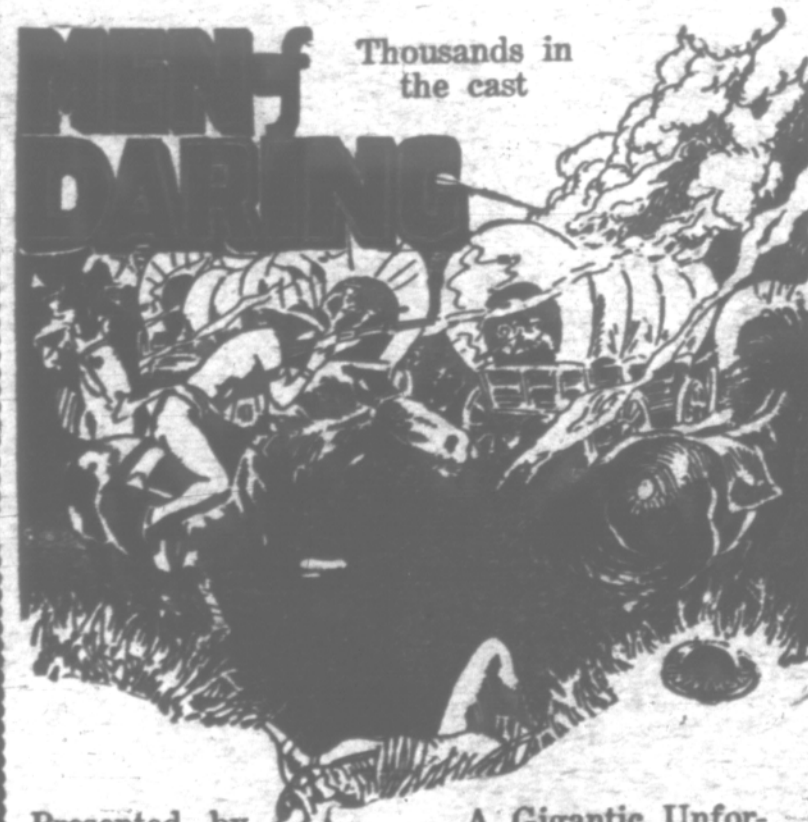
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