



BERT DAVIS  
New Clauss Service Manager

### New Service Manager Named at Clauss Firm

Bert Davis, former manager of his own garage in the midwest, has been named service manager at Clauss motors, it was announced last week. From 1937 to 1941 he was an associate Nash dealer in Chicago.

During World War II, Davis was senior automotive inspector and instructor at the Army's 8th service command motor pool. Before coming here he managed a large garage in the midwest, where he took advanced training in automatic transmissions, particularly in hydramatic, now featured in many Nash cars.

### New-Type Monorail May Revolutionize Railroad Industry

Mexico City (U.P.)—Axel Wenner-Gren, multi-millionaire Swedish industrialist whose business interests have ranged from munitions to milk pasteurization, has invested in a new-type monorail train which he says "could eventually revolutionize the rail industry."

Wenner-Gren pointed out, however, that the innovation is purely a long-range scheme, which if proved successful might take years of additional planning and construction.

The monorail-design train is in final engineering stages at a private plant in Cologne, Germany. A model of the ultra-modern streamliner, capable of attaining speeds as high as 20 miles per hour may be pre-viewed after tests expected in June or July. Until then, detailed aspects of construction and design will be kept under wraps.

**Radically Different**

The industrialist said the new model "is radically different" from existing trains and is an improved version of the "rail-plane" of John Hastings of New York. Hastings is one of several persons reported to be working with Wenner-Gren on the present project.

The train is designed to run on double-flanged wheels mounted on a single rail. It will be propelled by high-powered electrical units.

Construction costs would be high, but Wenner-Gren envisioned the train, if perfected, as "fast, safe and cheap." High speeds and low operating costs would be main advantages of the monorail train.

Safety would be another selling point. Wenner-Gren said, since the train would be elevated and mainly controlled by electronic devices.

Wenner-Gren, who lives in Mexico City part-time, has large business investments in the country, including milk pasteurization plants, and silver and furniture factories. He is also principal stockholder of the Mexican Telephone company.

Dead line on Classified Ads: 5:30 p.m. for following day; 10 a.m. Monday; noon Saturday for Sunday a.m.

### Prospect Service Club Fells Tree In Unique Fund Plan

Prospect — The Prospect Lions club last week reported success on a unique project, which they understood to raise funds for the purchase of a public address system for community events there.

The project was the buying of a fully matured Ponderosa pine tree from the forest service, felling it, bucking it, and selling it to a mill.

The idea originated with Howard Chriswell, former president of the club who recently was transferred to the northern part of the state. All the plans were laid before he left, and the work was done last Sunday.

**Scales 6,900 Feet**

The tree, originally estimated at 6,000 board feet, actually scaled out at 6,900 feet. It was purchased for \$200 for the forest service, and sold for \$520.50 to the Ross Lumber company, which paid No. 2 peeler price for the tree.

A number of the club's 45 members participated in the project, including Eugene Burril, who furnished both equipment and trained loggers for the project. Other members working on the job were Willard Huffman, a feller, and Dick Henthorne, Emory Nye, Wayne Downing, Harry Good, Paul Pearson, club president, and Jack Hollenbeak.

A committee is now engaged in purchasing the sound equipment, which will be available for a variety of community activities in Prospect.

### Way Being Cleared For Re-Development

Chicago (U.P.)—The way is being cleared for more cities to start urban re-development programs, according to the National Association of Housing Officials.

A growing number of state courts are upholding the constitutionality of urban re-development laws under which cities condemn slum or blighted areas and sell the land to private development agencies.

The association reports that of four state supreme court decisions handed down on such laws in the last year, three were favorable.

That brings to seven the number of states in which supreme courts have upheld the laws. Meanwhile, test cases are pending in five others—Illinois, Ohio, Rhode Island, Florida and Minnesota.

Michigan's supreme court was the most recent to approve the participation of cities in urban redevelopment. The court upheld the power of Detroit to condemn slum property and sell it to private builders.

Last year Tennessee's high court upheld on all counts the constitutionality of legislation empowering Tennessee housing authorities to condemn slum areas and, after clearance, to sell or lease them to private re-developers.

Other states where such laws have been upheld by the courts include Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Alabama, New York and Illinois. In Illinois, further court tests are pending, however.

**VIOLATION IS RIGHT**

Fall River, Mass. (U.P.)—When police arrested Charles Pelletier on a larceny charge, he was carrying a parking meter which registered "violation."



PROSPECT LIONS FELL TREE—Shown above is the big Ponderosa pine which members of the Prospect Lions club last Sunday felled, bucked and loaded, and sold to raise money for the purchase of a public sound system for use in Prospect. The unique project involved purchase of the tree from the forest service, and sale of the logs to the Ross Lumber company.—(Photo by Paul Pearson.)

### THEY PIONEERED

Shoreham, Vt. (U.P.)—Ephriam Doolittle and his followers founded this town in 1778 on a "share the profit" basis. It was one of the first co-operative ventures in America.

### FLIP AROUND CURVE

Ripley, Tenn. (U.P.)—When people here head for Dyersburg, Tenn., they say they're going Flippin, round the Curve, through Gates, into Halls to visit the Fowlkes at Dyersburg. All those are towns on the highway.

### NO WAY TO GO

Boston—(U.P.)—Safety with a touch of humor was observed in the rear of a truck in Boston. On the left and right rear respectively were painted "Yes" and "No" with appropriate arrows for passing. In the middle, with an arrow pointed downward, was painted "Never."

Memphis, Tenn. (U.P.)—W. L. Barron didn't have any trouble planting his cotton patch. It's only six feet square—in a city museum.

### Comparatively New Painting Technique Helping Veterans

Los Angeles—(U.P.)—A comparatively new art, cloissonal painting, is helping many hospitalized war veterans and other patients to regain the use of atrophied muscles.

Cloissonal painting was invented by Vera Arnold, a University of Southern California instructor and is a required course of study in the school's occupational therapy department.

It requires only a few ordinary tools, including a ball pen hammer, pliers, diagonal cutters and a few pieces of emery paper, but its value to semi-paralyzed patients is great.

The basis of the art is a soft, clay-like pan, plasti-glaze, which comes in colors and hardens quickly to a stone-like finish without firing.

Sketch Made First

First a sketch is made on a variety of materials, such as leather, glass, scrap metal, papermache, copper or silver. Then small wires are cut and shaped to fit the contour of the lines and fastened to the material.

The spaces are filled in with plasti-glaze and built up to the thickness of the wire. After the plasti-glaze dries, the finished piece is sanded to the smoothness of the glass.

Prof. Margaret Hood, head of USC's department of occupational therapy, said the new art is helping patients to learn co-ordination and strengthening of their weakened muscles, as well as giving new incentives to many bed-ridden patients.

Many veterans who would shy at painting are attracted to cloissonal art because it involves tools, she said. While they work,

### RUG TELLS STORY

Alto, Mich.—(U.P.)—When Mrs. John Brannan's children or grandchildren want to check the history of the family, all they have to do is to look down and follow a 21-foot hooked rug in her home. The 76-year-old grand-

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