

**AVOID DOUBLE ACCIDENTS
BY USE OF LIGHT SIGNALS**

Of all worth-while precautions that should be taken by motorists in trouble at night, there are two that ought to be adopted generally throughout the country. Both pertain to the use of a blue light to notify other motorists of a danger that requires the offer of wide berth on their part.

First is the case of an accident which makes it necessary for an automobile to be towed in at night. The towing and the towed cars are from 10 to 25 feet apart. In the dark a pedestrian might mistake the space between the two cars as clear for a dash across, stumble over the towing rope, and another serious accident might occur. To avoid this a common signal ought to be generally adopted. A blue light on the windshield of the towing, and one on the towed machine might save many a life.

Another dangerous situation at night occurs when a motorist has to get out and repair his machine. He may have to work on the side toward the road, and if he has no light to show himself to an approaching driver, there is the liability of another serious accident. The oncoming motorist might think he was giving the stalled car wide enough berth, but it might not be wide enough to allow room for the man working beside the car.

To avoid this also a blue light signal should be generally adopted. It could be attached to a trouble line and hung from the top or windshield of the car on the roadside. In such a case the motorist coming along the road would know by the blue light that wide berth should be allowed to prevent further accident.

The blue light signal system is used in connection with railroad accidents and on the towing of barges on waterways. Its use by motorists at night would prevent many double accidents.

MACHINE HUSKS CORN

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PORTABLE AUTOMOBILE

With a wicker body and driven by an aerial propeller, an automobile built in England is light enough for two men to carry.

**DUNHAM STRONG
FOR AUTO SHOW
IN THIS CITY**

Like St. John of old, Ed Dunham of the Dunham Auto company, after being transplanted to another sphere and returned to his old stamping ground, declares to the world that "the eye hath not seen nor the ear heard" the like of the wonders he saw at the recent auto show in Portland. Mr. Dunham went to Portland on Sunday, and returned the next Monday, evidently concurring in the saying "the better the day the better the deed," and believes it is as applicable to auto shows as to anything else.

At any rate, Mr. Dunham who, by the way, was the only representative of the automobile business at the show from this county, is filled with enthusiasm regarding all he saw and heard.

The show was held in the big Portland auditorium, two floors being devoted to car displays, and one floor to auto accessories. There were 68 different models on exhibit, and there was no end to the accessories. It was noticeable, too, said Mr. Dunham, that the cars exhibited were those of the well-known standard makes, there being a refreshing absence of fly-by-night machines which have blossomed during the past year only to fade away and die an early, well deserved death.

Cars from the \$8,500 Locomobile to the somewhat maligned, but dependable lower priced cars were there. It was remarkable display, and the number of people who attended the show was one-fourth larger than the number who attended any previous show held in Portland. Mr. Dunham didn't count the people, but he took the word of the promoters of the show, and he states emphatically that when an automobile man tells you anything it is up to you to believe it, because they never tell anything but the truth.

The promoters of the show provided plenty of music, and on the last night the big crowd enjoyed a lively dance. The decorations, said Mr. Dunham, were more than ordinarily attractive.

There was a salesman for each car, and they knew their models inside and out and upside down. The Studebaker company showed a partly stripped chassis, but the Dort, Buick, and Nash agencies showed the chassis completely stripped, nude as it were and, as is customary where anything in the nude can be seen, they displayed more interest in these chassis than they did in the respectably dressed cars.

Mr. Dunham, quite naturally, was interested in the Studebaker and Franklin cars more than any of the others, and he says that the Studebaker special, automobile painted a bright canary yellow, with cravatette top and cravatette seat covers, transcended anything seen at the show.

The Studebaker with the California top attracted more interest than any other of the newer auto conveniences. In this top celluloid is eliminated altogether, glass taking its place, and is so placed in the top that it can be removed in pleasant weather, and replaced in wintry weather making in effect a very desirable closed car.

The Franklin car, according to the one displayed at the show, will be disposed of its slanting hood this year, and a hood resembling the hoods on water cooled cars will take its place. The Franklin, it must be remembered, is an air cooled car.

These and many other things were told by Mr. Dunham to The Herald but the substance of his story is that this year is going to be a great year for cars. The demand will overtop the supply by a whole lot, and prospective buyers should order now or stand a well developed chance of getting left when the shipments arrive here.

Incidentally, Mr. Dunham prophesies that the auto show planned for this city in the near future has a chance to make automobile history here. He is for it.

PREVENTS SLIPPING

Eighteen pointed spikes mounted on a circular frame, constitute a new anti-skid attachment for motor truck wheels and to help them climb grades on icy roadways.

MONTANA IS SLOW

Every state except Montana has a larger number of automobile registration than on July 1, 1919, the largest gain being in Ohio, which shows a gain of 102,174. Ohio is first in total registrations, having 567,000 cars and trucks registered.

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Says—**



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