

TRANSPORTATION NEWS

Ford Six Back In Production

DETROIT, April 1 (AP)—The Ford Motor company announced today that its deluxe six-cylinder, three-passenger business coupe was being restored to production at a price \$20 below the listing that prevailed at the time the model was temporarily discontinued.

J. R. Davis, vice president and director of sales and advertising, said this cut with reduction in price previously announced "gives Ford the lowest priced coupe and tudor sedan in its field."

Ford reduced prices from \$15 to \$50 on passenger cars last January 15.

Davis said retail orders with Ford dealers today total more than 1,500,000 or 62 per cent more than were on their books a year ago. He said he believed not more than 20 per cent of these orders are duplications. Production currently is at the

rate of approximately 4000 units daily.

The Ford sales chief said "running changes" are being made in Ford cars without interfering with production. The changes chiefly are in styling. Those already made or in preparation include new upholstery combinations and heavier door panels in the interiors. Exterior changes include relocation of parking lights, heavier bumper guards, lowered fender mouldings and the extension of the rub-moulding strip the full length of the front fenders.

A report from Dunsmuir states that Norman Green, the legislative representative for the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen in the Shasta division, has been in Sacramento during the past two weeks in connection with legislative matters.

He plans to remain in the California capital until the end of the session and while there plans to take an active part in supporting or opposing bills that may come up, that are of interest to northern California.

Another Dunsmuir report announced that the members of the Grand International Auxiliary to the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers are going to give an Easter dinner in the Maple room of the Masonic temple in Dunsmuir at 5:30 p. m. Saturday, April 12. Baked ham is to hold the spotlight as the main course for the evening. The auxiliary is inviting families as well as the brotherhood and their families.

The B. of L. E. will furnish the program of entertainment and prizes have been arranged for the card players.

Southern Pacific is making another plea to motorists for closer observation of traffic regulations and warning signals at railroad crossings. It was pointed out that more than three grade crossing accidents per day occurred last year on SP lines. One-third of these accidents resulted from automobiles and trucks being driven into the side of cars or locomotives, and more than half of them occurred in daylight, according to the statistics. It was added that of the total of 647 casualties, there were 131 deaths.

Both of the local railroads seem to be out of the hole insofar as the refrigerator car shortage is concerned. Lloyd Stitt, district agent for Southern Pacific, reports that his men are filling their orders about 70 per cent, mostly on a day-to-day basis. Frank Sexton at Great Northern reported that his company, which was the hardest hit during the shortage, is once more filling orders regularly.

E. V. Bolger, yard clerk at G.N., is seriously ill and planning to make a trip back to St. Paul, Minn., for treatment. Lloyd Stitt of SP spent the latter part of last week in Portland on business.

U. S. Attaches Still Prisoners
NANKING, April 1 (AP)—Brig. Gen. Robert Soule, American military attache, said today that steady pressure on Chinese communist leaders for the release of two assistant attaches seized one month ago had been without result.

Maj. Robert Rigg of Chicago and Capt. J. W. Collins of Evanston, Ill., were seized by communists north of Changchun, Manchurian capital, March 1. The American embassy and military officials have been unable to establish direct contact with them.

Big Nine Track Meet To Resume
LOS ANGELES, April 1 (AP)—Commissioner Victor O. Schmidt of the Pacific coast conference has announced that the dual track meet with the Big Nine conference will be resumed next June 28 at the University of California in Berkeley. This meet was abandoned in 1942, but will be resumed after the national collegiate championships at Salt Lake City, June 21-22.

HUSKIES ON FIELD
SEATTLE, April 1 (AP)—The largest spring turnout in Washington history greeted Coach Ralph (Pest) Welch yesterday as the Huskies took the field for the opening of their 30-session grind. Thirty of last year's varsity were in uniform.

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Ace Clemens must like fresh air at 9 o'clock in the morning, for here he is high in the air doing his job on a platform for the Telephone company. High altitude doesn't seem to bother him, but it did worry the 9 o'clock picture-snatcher some — our photog fell off his perch atop a car after taking the shot.

2 Firms Get Building OK

Two Klamath firms today received official approval from the Portland office of the civilian production administration to go ahead with plans for construction and remodeling work.

The Rose Motor company got the go-ahead on remodeling its present plant and building additional facilities, and Metler brothers were granted an okay to build a new store and warehouse.

Costing an estimated \$16,000, the Rose Motor company job will include remodeling quarters at 4th and Klamath, adding a showroom, and construction of a body and truck shop with a customer parking lot on the property to the rear of its present location. Pinniger and Watkins are contractors. Work will begin immediately.

Metler brothers will build a new warehouse, store and office structure at the west end of their present lumber shed on Altamont and S. 6th. Of brick with a concrete and steel foundation, and completely modern, the new, larger building will cost an estimated \$15,100. Construction will begin as soon as final details are worked out.

5000 Marines Out Of China, In Guam

SHANGHAI, April 1 (AP) — Five thousand American marines have been withdrawn from north China to Guam since February 1, Adm. Charles M. Cooke Jr., commander of U. S. naval forces in the western Pacific, said today.

U. S. forces began to withdraw after the state department announced January 29 that the United States had decided to end its connection with executive (truce) headquarters at Peiping.



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New Garage Being Built

TULELAKE, April 1 — Concrete has already been poured for the new truck repair garage to be operated here by Floyd B. Stone and Crate McElfresh.

A steel quonset-type structure, obtained through Kandra and Noggle, Tulelake distributors, will be used for the 40 by 100 feet building which will have a pumice tile front.

Both Stone and McElfresh are formerly of Klamath Falls. Stone has been in Tulelake since November, 1946, with the Lepley Motor company. McElfresh was with the OK Transfer company and with the city of Klamath Falls before coming to Tulelake.

The new business, located in the new addition at the south end of town on Main, is expected to start operation by the middle of May.

City Delivery Service. Ph. 8417.

The WINNER!
Mrs. Bill Bronson, 2639 Turnage, wins the two theatre passes, and the product she mentioned was National Water Heater.

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Chamber To Hold Recreation Forum

Recreation for Klamath county will be discussed from all angles at the chamber of commerce forum luncheon Wednesday noon at the Willard.

William Rutherford of Sacramento, instrumental in launching a workable recreational program there will be the main speaker, using as his subject,

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"Can Klamath County Afford an Adequate Recreational Program?" Paul Lee will give a brief outline on "What Seems to Constitute an Adequate Program for Klamath County."

Before the close of the meeting an open question and answer session will be held.

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Company Offers Arbitration Why Talk of a Strike?

Telephone Employees Get Good Wages

Employees of The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company are well paid and their wages compare favorably with those paid by other concerns in the community for work requiring similar skill and training.

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph company is still trying in every way to avoid a telephone strike.

We have offered to renew our present liberal contracts.

But the unions have made demands for large increases in wages.

In recognition that the public interest comes first and to eliminate any reason for a telephone work stoppage which would be a disaster for the public, the company has offered to submit to arbitration the question of wages which is the fundamental issue in dispute.

Telephone Wage Rates Have Been Increased 58 Per Cent

Telephone wage rates are now the highest in history. They have been increased on an average 58 per cent since 1941. The largest increases have been in recent years.

Since 1941 increases in wage levels totaling \$69,000,000 on an annual basis have been put in effect by this company.

These increases are in addition to millions of dollars in regularly scheduled raises given our employees. Thousands of our employees receive wage increases as often as every three months. Other thousands receive increases every six months or every year.

Many Advantages to Telephone Job

These include steady work. Regular wage increases. Good working conditions. Holidays with pay. Vacations with pay for one, two and three weeks depending on length of service. Sickness and death benefits, and pensions.

Union demands total about \$100,000,000 a year. This is equivalent to an increase of . . .

\$45 per year per telephone subscriber.

40 per cent increase in all telephone rates.

The demands of the unions would increase the cost of providing telephone service by about \$100,000,000 a year. This comes to more than 60 per cent of this company's wage payments in 1946. It is five times our total earnings in 1946. It would make our total payroll more than all of the money we took in last year.

In terms of the average telephone bill, it amounts to \$45.00 a year for every one of 2,300,000 telephone subscribers or a 40 per cent increase in all telephone rates.

We have been bargaining co-operatively for years with the unions representing our employees—we have been doing it over recent weeks—and we are keeping the door open for whatever further meetings are necessary.

We want our employees to be well paid.

Wages that are too low are not fair to employees—who do the work.

Wages that are too high are not fair to the public—who buy the service.

We believe that our offer of arbitration would be fair to everyone. There is no excuse for a telephone strike.

The Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co.