

THE MOTORISTS PAGE

Good Roads and Safety Linked

Highway Engineers Bring to Bear Knowledge of Accident Prevention.

"There is a real connection between good roads and safety," says Charles M. Hayes, president of the Chicago Motor Club. "When a new road is built, it is generally the practice to see that it is properly marked; that the curves are gentle or that they are super-elevated; that as many railroad crossings as possible are avoided. In other words, the highway engineers of today bring to bear knowledge of accident prevention upon their work."

"It does not matter what kind of road the new road is; if it is merely changing a cowpath into a country lane, the builders of the lane will eliminate some of the hazards that existed on the cowpath. Roads have a close relation to economy of time, and time is related to safety."

"If the road from the motorist's home to his office is bad in places, he tries to make up the time lost on the bad stretches by going faster than he should where the road is good. If the road were all good, he would most likely travel at an even and moderate rate of speed. Bad roads urge drivers to extra speed; they damage cars; they injure brakes and steering mechanism; and are indirectly responsible for many accidents."

"The menace of the glaring headlight is more deadly on the unimproved road. The element of danger that is present in hill climbing is almost entirely eliminated on the improved road. The danger of skidding on improved roads is not nearly so great as it is on the unimproved."

"Many old roads, built in the horse and carriage days, crossed railroad tracks diagonally; this is, of course, dangerous. On the new roads, crossings are constructed at right angles with the railroad wherever possible. Where expensive roads are built, maintenance must be carried on. Maintenance eliminates washout and other dangers frequently met with on unimproved roads."

NUMEROUS AUTO THEFTS WHEN CAR IS UNPROTECTED

Theft articles from unguarded automobiles is one of the greatest problems of police authorities, especially in the larger cities, and motorists annually lose through their own carelessness baggage and valuable packages which in many instances cannot be replaced.

This statement was issued by national headquarters of the American Automobile Association in the form of an appeal to the car owners of the nation to aid in the campaign against this form of larceny.

Unguarded automobiles on streets in business areas offer a better opportunity for the "sneak thief" than one parked several blocks away, says the A. A. A., because in the "bustle and hustle" the thief has a better opportunity to make away with his ill-gotten gain.

Where Road Dollar Comes From.
Missouri's Road dollar comes from five different sources, according to an exhibit made by the state highway department which was given prominent display at the State Fair at Sedalia recently. Both its origin and its expenditure were shown by the use of the large "advertising dollar" showing the proportional parts cut out in their respective sizes.

Where the road dollar comes from is as follows: license fees, 46.4 cents; gas tax, 36.3 cents; Federal aid, 13.8 cents; corporation filing fees, 0.7 cents; and incidentals, 2.8 cents.

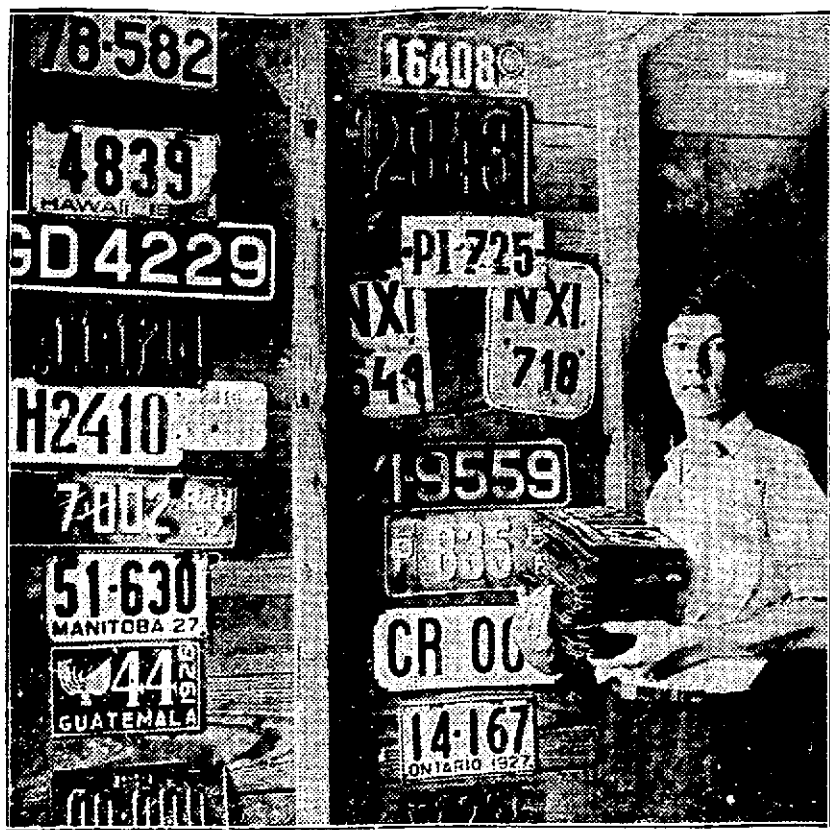
Where the road dollar goes is as follows: maintenance, 6.2 cents; collection, 1.1 cents; administration, 3.2; bond interest, 4.1 cents; construction, 79.5 cents; and miscellaneous, 0.4 cents.

Good brakes also may save you from making a "bad break" when in the downtown traffic congestion.

And yet the man who preaches "duty" to his employees howls like other people when the speed cop gets him.

The motorist who saves time at a crossing may lose it at the hospital.

YOU COLLECT AUTO PLATES AS HOBBY



Something absolutely new in collections has been inaugurated by Jack Ermerin of Washington, who has acquired a most remarkable variety of automobile license plates from various parts of the world. Odd-looking plates of Ceecho-slovakia are neighbors of those from Finland and Haiti and the more familiar tags of Canada and Hawaii. His prize specimen is an Irish Free State tag.

OIL VISCOSITIES DIFFER VERY MUCH IN QUALITY

Oils marketed under different trade names are of different viscosities, and the car owner who keeps this in mind will forestall the possibility of damage to vital engine parts by using too light or too heavy a lubricant. The service station employee usually can apprise the motorist of any differences, and when changing from one brand of oil to another it is the part of wisdom to make inquiry. Lubrication is one thing; upon which no chances can be taken, regardless of oil filters, rectifiers and other valuable additions to the car.

SOMETHING EASILY MADE IS USEFUL CAMP TABLE

This camp table is easily made by driving four forked sticks into the ground for legs and laying cross sticks in the forks. The sticks are cut from a tree, and should be as thick as your arm. Measure the height you want your table to be, allow nine inches longer to drive into the ground; sharpen each and fix them into position—lay the cross sticks in the forks and fasten them firmly with string or wire. The table may be covered with flat sheets of bark, but this may be difficult to procure, so four flat boards, wide enough to cover the table, will not take up much room in the camp outfit, and these will do instead of the bark.

Try a Constitution-Tribune Wantad.

ENGLAND DEBATES SPEED LIMIT FOR AUTOMOBILES

What is to be done with the speed limit? Raise, leave it as it is or abolish it? That is the question that is causing a great deal of discussion in England at the present time. The present limit is 20 miles per hour, and many motorists think that a set speed limit should be abolished altogether; and the law against driving "to the public danger" be restored. Proponents of this law point to the fact that five miles per hour is dangerous under some circumstances.

RUSSIA WILL COOPERATE WITH GERMAN DIRIGIBLE

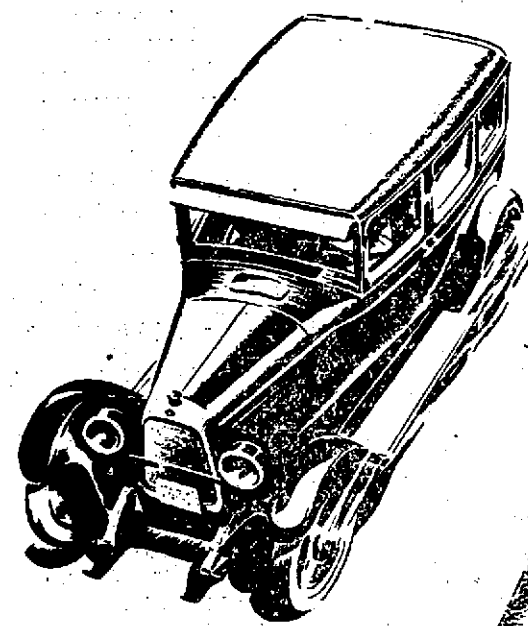
LENINGRAD, Sept. 28.—(AP)—Under official auspices a committee has been formed to aid the forthcoming flight around the world of the German Zeppelin, LC-127.

The date of the flight has not been fixed but a considerable section of the route, according to present plans, lies through Soviet territory. The committee will include members of the Russian academy of sciences, the Aero-astric society and representatives of several governmental scientific bureaus.

ST. LOUIS—The board of election commissioners, beset by complaints from women who objected to telling their ages, has decided that an "approximate" statement of the age of women voters would do.

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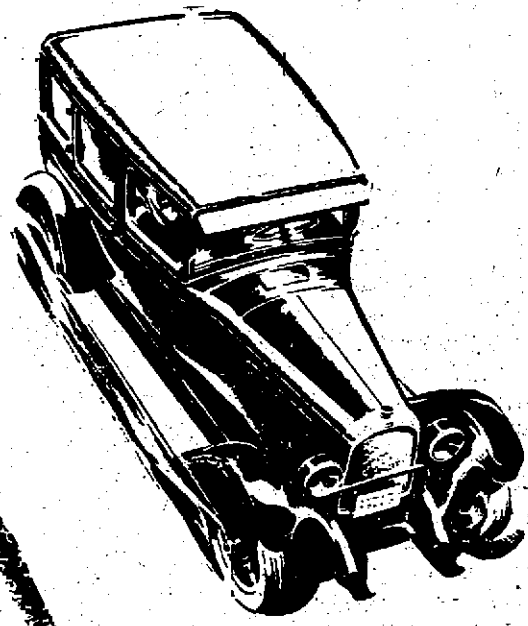
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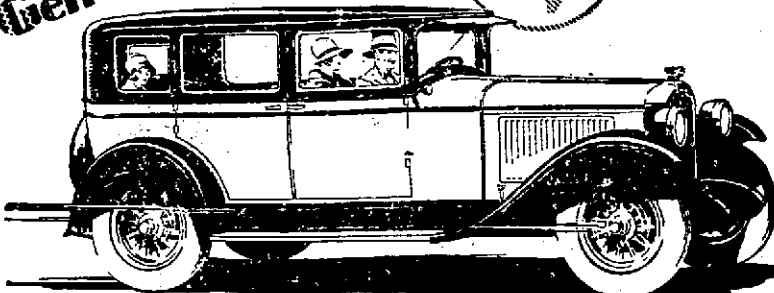
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