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tarottle governing is much superior to "bil or miss" governing, as it allows some mixture to be drawn into the cylinder on every suction stroke, which results in an impulse on every power stroke. The "throttle" governor, by varying the amount of mixture, prevents the filling of the cylinder under full pressure at all loads; consequently, less compression is obtained under light loads than under full loads. High economy is dependent upon high compression, so that lower economy will be obtained at light loads than with a "hit or miss" governor.

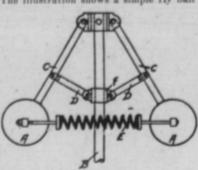
"Throttle" governing is much superior to "hit or miss" governing for engines burning the heavier fuels, such as kerosene or distillate. To successfully burn these heavier fuels, the temperature of the cylinder must be kept quite high. With a "hit or miss" governor, the temperature is lowered every time the engine is governed. This is especially true at light loads, where the engine may miss ten or twelve impulses between power strokes. During all this time the exhaust valve is held open, and if ten impulses were missed, it would mean that the piston drew in air through the open exhaust twenty times and exhausted air twenty times. Filling the cylinder twenty times with cold air would certainly lower the temperature to such an extent that kerosene or distillate entering the cylinder would not be readily vaporized. If a governor is to maintain constant engine speed, its various parts must work freely, and there must be no lost motion in any of the connections.

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governor, which makes use of centrifugal force to control the speed of the engine. The weights A are suspended from the shaft B by means of the arms C. The shaft B is generally gear driven from the cam shaft or crank shaft of the engine, but is sometimes belt driven. The speed, therefore, will vary with the speed of the engine. The weights A rotate with the shaft, and a centrifugal force is set up, which has a tendency to throw the weight away from the shaft. The weights are generally held together by two springs one of which is shown at E. As the tension of the springs is increased, more centrifugal force is required to throw out the weights; that is, they have to be rotated at a higher rate of speed. The outward motion of the weights is transmitted to the collar F through the links D. As speed increases, the weights fly out and the collar is pushed down. For a "hit or miss" governor an arrangement is made whereby the exhaust valve is held open by a detent arm when the governor weights fly out a certain distance, and the valve is released when the weights drop back. For a "throttle" governor, the upward and downward motion of the collar F closes and opens a valve between the carbureter and the engine, thereby regulating the amount of mixture entering the cylinder at each suction or intake stroke.—From The Gas Engine, by A. C. Campbell, Manitoba Agricultural College.

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