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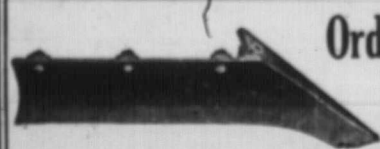
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Women and their Gas Wagons

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could not drive our car. I think it is very necessary that every farm woman should learn to drive her own car."

Mrs. Parrott, of Grandview, finds many uses for her car. She says: "We have a small touring car here and use it for almost everything that we would use a driver or a team and wagon. The town is more than ten miles distant and the car goes in and out in one-third the time a team would take. On such a trip the cost of the gasoline is very little more than would pay for our horses in the livery barn. Besides the car can go in almost any weather, sometimes when it would be a cruelty to take horses out. I bring out all kinds of freight and groceries from town. The mailbox is four miles distant and that is a favorite run. I often have to go to town for repairs for machinery that the men need in the busy time."

"Some farmer's wives take their cream to the express office every other day, saying that the creameries pay such good prices for butter fat that it does not pay to churn during the hot days. "I would not like to be without a car because they are always ready to go with so little trouble. I just go into the garage and see that the radiator is full of water, usually put a quart of oil in the crank pit if needed, see that the tires are pumped and I am ready to start. Just before leaving town I make the same examination because the gasoline stations have free air for cars with much less exertion than hand-pumping."

Break-downs Hold No Terror

Mrs. Parrott gives us some interesting side-lights on her management of her car when things go wrong. The woman who hesitates to drive her car "for fear something will happen" should read carefully this part of Mrs. Parrott's experience. She writes: "My experience with break-downs have been few. One reason is that I never drive very fast, usually between 15 and 20 miles an hour. Of all the motor accidents we hear the cars are usually travelling at a high rate of speed. When one is going at a moderate rate and something does happen the car can soon be stopped or righted. Quite often I have been out with the car when a tire becomes punctured. I simply stop the engine, get out and jack up the wheel, and take off the punctured tire and carry it home or to the garage in town. We have a tool box on the side of the car and

carry a small lifting jack, wrenches, tire-chains, a vulcanizer or tire-mender with rubber patches. There is another kind of leaking tire that I have had. The air does not go out with a bang but slowly leaks out until the rim of the wheel strikes the road. The car will not steer so well and the rim bumps along like a wagon wheel. In either case, I take off the tire and go slowly on the rim until I arrive at some place where I can get a fresh one put on, or someone to help me."



The Girls Take the Cream Can to the Station in the Car.

"At first when I started to drive a car the gasoline tank went dry several times. I took the emergency tank and walked to the nearest place where I knew they had a car. It was never very far as nearly all the farmers around here have cars. Some buy gasoline by the barrel, others buy four or five gallons at a time. Anyway, when I arrived at one place I had to show the man how to get under the car and turn the screw that drains the gasoline tank. He remarked that he was that much wiser because he didn't know the thing was there before. I had seen our own men get gasoline out that way to clean their clothes."

"Several times I have been out in the car and caught in the rain, when I would have to get out and put the lifting jack under each wheel and put the chains on. I have seen others putting on chains by laying the chain on the ground and pushing the wheel on the chain and fasten it. I can always put up the top and put on the side-curtains as well as any man. We usually travel with the top down so long as the weather is dry."

"I always drive with my foot over the brake pedal and averted one accident by doing so. One day I was riding calmly along the road when the car headed straight for the fence to my right. In less than 30 seconds I had the gasoline shut off and the brake on and the car standing in front of a barbed wire fence. I backed it into the road again, but it was hard work to keep it there. It simply wouldn't steer right, but by going slowly I got to town, where they told me that one of the radius rods underneath was badly bent."

"But I should say something about my experience with mud holes. Along the country road there are usually at some time or other mud holes. It is some time now since I have been stuck in one because I can handle the engine better now. At first I used to kill it, but now I can drive the car through quite deep mud when there is no turning out, or backing up and going some



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other way. Several times stopped in mud and had to move. I got sticks and one in a strong position I wheels, or which ever around without going for lifting jack on the pole wheel until more sticks be pushed under the more in front. Stones or anything that would the wheels does very wood country and any stick I have never had sticks or poles.

"The spring of the year as culverts seem to get the water lodges on the slowly and getting the walk and push the car to need to stop I have traveled places. Any woman a little judgment, get a pleasure out of her car."

Precaution Ne

One writer tells us this depends on seeing that right before one starts is that if the radiator water, and there is plenty of oil and gasoline there is anything going wrong. "Just before leaving town similar examination because line stations have free which means much less hand pumping. Some women, have difficulty cars. My husband purchased batteries, and are the self-starter in a Ford yet. The batteries sit under the back seat and sort them with the first starting the car I open the gasoline slightly switch key to the opposite engine usually starts turn of the crank, and nicely I turn the switch per place."

"The men at home are fixing the car and men They take the whole car a thorough cleaning a year. Then there is a town where we are able at a moderate price. towns I have passed the trips there are some where one can get repairs."

The Baby and

Some women feel that must take a baby with go they cannot manage after the baby. Mrs. baby, but managing the car at the one time do any embarrassment, as he gets restless on long how she does it: "A friend here is to Lake Dauphin forty-five miles. My brother usually takes long a trip. When goes trips my baby gets rest someone else to drive town or down to motor site quiet beside me. I have taken him out me ever since he was When he was an infant seat with his head in kept my elbow across



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