

MOTORS AND MOTORING:

A Page Full of Interest to the Owner or Prospective Owner of an Automobile.

MISS CECIL LEITCH



Driving in the Ladies' Golf Championship, at Sandwich, England. She played a wonderful game, winning every hole except one, which was halved.

GASKET MATERIAL

Different locations demand different types of gasket material, depending on whether they are to be subject to the action of water, oil or gas. Gaskets in the water line should generally be of graphite asbestos, cut from a sheet and then spread with shellac. Care must be taken not to get too much shellac, because where there is an excess some of the shellac may be squeezed into the water jackets and make trouble. For oil joints use paper and for gas copper covered asbestos.

SPRING FEVER

Not exactly lazy—
Yet I want to sit
In the mornin' hazy
An' jest dream a bit.
Haven't got ambition
Fer a single thing—
Regalar condition
Ev'ry bloomin' Spring.

Want to sleep at noontime
(Ought to work instead),
But along at noontime
Hate to go to bed,
Find myself a-stealin'—
Fer a sunny spot—
Jest that Springy feelin',
That is what I've got.

Like to set a-wishin'
Fer a pipe an' book,
Like to go a-fishin'
In a meadow-brook
With some fish deceiver,
Underneath a tree—
Jest the old Spring fever,
That's what's ailing me!

Douglas Malloch, The Lumberman Poet.

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THE KING'S HIGHWAY AND THE AUTO

The most dangerous place on earth, according to Mark Twain is bed, because most people die there, but the genial humorist never saw the king's highway in these days of automobiles or he would admit that the road is a close rival.

Every year since the autos began to run the King's Highway has become more and more dangerous to life and limb. Death and accident on the King's Highway is in most cases caused by reckless drivers and reckless driving, by men who are either ignorant or wilfully reckless in speeding.

These roadhogs out "at large" believe the pedestrian has no right on the street, or the road, he must walk on the sidewalk or the side of the road and even some of these have a hazy idea that the pedestrian or tram has some little right on the road, he must get out of the way of the auto or be run over. All wrong. One of the highest legal authorities in England says: "The pedestrian is the charted lifetime and free-holder of the road, and as a fact it is not his duty to avoid traffic. Traffic must look out for him and avoid him."

An English judge the other day in a case of appeal before him said:

"Many motor drivers seem to suffer under the heresy that an ordinary member of the public has no right in the middle of the roadway. It is a heresy of the worst type and one that has been responsible for many accidents."

No motor man or auto man can legally challenge the pedestrian's ancient right which is as old as the road itself.

The reckless type of auto drivers is even a greater peril to the community than is the ignorant driver. This type takes fiendish pleasure in careering along the roads on wheels like a kite in a gale of wind, killing poultry and dogs, terrifying men and women and children, and sometimes maiming and even killing any unfortunate person who happens to be in the way of their wild driving.

VASELINE FOR TERMINALS

The car owner should not forget that ordinary vaseline is perhaps the best medium available for coating battery terminals and connectors. The vaseline has the great advantage of preventing corrosion from acid or water that may have been spilled.

LITTLE DROPS OF GAS MAKE THE PISTONS FLY

How much "gas" does your car consume in travelling one mile? Or, to put the question in its most frequent form how many miles will it go on a gallon of "gas"?

Most any automobile owner can tell you—and does tell you, proudly—these statistics concerning his particular pet.

The amount of gasoline consumed by each explosion must naturally vary slightly with conditions, but the answer obtained by use of the figures is close enough to the correct one to answer the purpose. The example used is that a four-cylinder automobile with 34-inch wheels geared 3 to 1 and making fifteen miles to the wine gallon of gasoline.

34-inch equals 106.814 inches circumference.
One mile equals 5,280 feet, equals 63,360 inches.
60 x 128 x 8 equals 61,440 drops in one wine gallon.

61,440 drops in gallon equals 2.2 drops used at each one of the 2,669 revolutions of the engine; or about 1-25 teaspoonful to each explosion.

INTERESTING NOTES FOR AUTO CRANKS

Crank shaft end play causes a motor knock like a piston slap.

Tighten steering wheel mechanism. Do not neglect oiling the speedometer driving shaft.

Mix graphite with oil for spring lubrication.

Soak squeaky springs in gasoline before oiling them.

When a front tire wears rapidly it is because the wheels are out of alignment.

Half and half mixture of kerosene and engine oil is a good cleaner and lubricant for small exposed parts.

One gallon of gasoline of 64 test weighs half an ounce more than six pounds.

For ball bearing the best lubricant is a fluid oil no thicker than the heavier machine oils.

If white lead is used to stop gasoline leaks the gasoline will dissolve it.

A tool in the kit is worth thousands in the garage.

An ounce of attention is worth a pound of overhaul.

An oiling a day keeps the repair man away.

Look before you back.

SPRING FLATTENING

It has often been remarked facetiously that a certain car has an alterable wheel base. As a matter of fact, this is literally true of almost every car, especially of those which have Hotchkiss drive. When the springs flatten and remain so, even to a slight extent, the axles are further separated and the wheel base is changed perhaps an inch or two. Measuring the distance from wheel centre to wheel centre is a good check on spring condition.

There are over 12,000 autos already licensed in Nova Scotia this year, besides about 1500 auto trucks. This is 2,000 more than were registered last year, and so there will be that much more money to expend on the roads.

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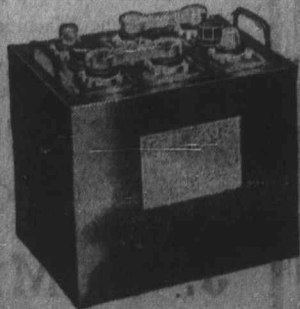
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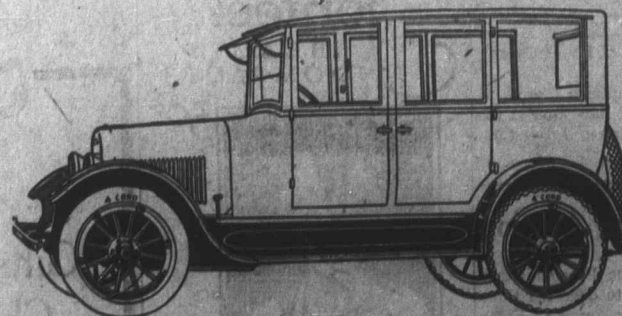
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