

A BIG SENSATION

The Weier-Smith Truck at the Big Detroit Auto Show Attracts Much Attention This Year.

Under many difficulties for the past four years the Weier-Smith Truck has been tried and tested under every possible road and load condition. Hauling of every description has been done on the roads, fields and hills of Birmingham and Pontiac—summer and winter—and the record is written thus: "It gets there—every time." The reason is this—the Weier-Smith Truck has ample power properly applied. It is built to stand the wear and tear of heavy work—day in and day out.

Every part made outside our shops has been accepted by the highest standard. Every special part is designed to overcome some everyday problem of trucking and shows an actual increase of ease of operation, economy and efficiency.

The four wheel drive is used because equal distribution of power means greater capacity and less strain.

Timken Worm Drive Axles, front and rear, are used because the worm gears assume a complete cycle of power at all speeds with no loss or waste motion. In actual use, it stands up against the wear and tear of years.

The Weir Internal Universal is used on the front axle because it gives us a turn of 37 1/2 degrees with full power as against 7 1/2 degrees of the generally used universal joint. It permits the placing of our swinging pivot but 4 1/2 inches inside the center of the tire. It allows us to pitch our wheels, in both at the bottom and at the front. These features together, result in an easy steering control, superior to any other truck on the market.

The Weir Power Unit, with its 2 to 1 reduction, doubles the regular transmission speeds, giving eight speeds forward and two reverse—with a reduction on low of 75 to 1. It affords the greatest flexibility found in any truck on the market.

The following from the Detroit News tells of this wonderful and successful truck at the big auto show in Detroit last week.

Uncle Sam has shown a preference for four wheel drive trucks. The departments of the army transportation system, because of the ability of this type of traction where a conventional truck would not be as effective. The types adopted by the government to date have been those turned out in Wisconsin plants.

Michigan has a four wheel drive truck which was exhibited for the first time at the Detroit automobile show. The truck in question is the Weier-Smith, manufactured by the company of the same name in Birmingham. The truck will be shown here by James V. Bayley the Detroit distributor.

John Weier built his first truck five years ago. Since that time five have been constructed and operated, but they have not been exhibited, as the patents were pending. Nine claims were recently allowed on the truck by the patent office. The five trucks to date have been put through exhaustive tests. Two have been in operation hauling lumber for a Pontiac yard, while the remaining three have been operated by the company in a general cartage business out of Birmingham.

Engineer Weier claims that his truck operates on less gasoline, due to the direct drive to the four wheels, that it is the easiest of its type to steer and that more power is delivered to the driving wheels. The truck has eight speeds forward and two reverse. It has a speed of 24 miles per hour on high and a reduction of 75 to 1 on low gear. The truck has five types of standard parts mounts, a continental power plant and Timken worm drive axles, front and rear.

The officers of the Weier-Smith Truck Co. are: Charles Wright, Royal Oak, president; John Weier, Birmingham, vice-president and engineer; E. R. Smith, Birmingham, secretary-treasurer; Samuel Harrison, Birmingham, W. E. Smith, Birmingham; Bennett Donahue, Pontiac; and James V. Bayley, Detroit, directors.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH
REV. P. M. MACRAE, PASTOR.
10:30 Divine worship and communion.
11:45 Bible School. We have a class for every member of the family.
6:30 A good young people's meeting.
7:30 A people song service, sermon by the pastor, subject "Something to Seek."

We are very much gratified with the attendance at the various services during the extreme cold weather. The members had a splendid program and a large gathering at their monthly supper, and we feel confident that the next will be the best one yet.

Wednesday 7:45 is always prayer meeting night.
The Home-like Church with a welcome for all.

Morgan Rundle of New York City is visiting his father Julius Rundle on East Maple Avenue.

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Buy a card for yourself and your children and—DO IT NOW!

Our advice to you in this space last week regarding Tea and Coffee is becoming more strongly true every day. Anticipate your wants on these two staples and save money.

Our Prime Old New York Cheese has the ripe and nutty tang that appeals to the lovers of snappy Cheese.

Our stock is complete in every detail.

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PREPAREDNESS

Those Who Have Relatives in the Service, Should Urge Them to Take Out Insurance.

One million American soldiers and sailors are preparing to go over the top without taking care of their families. If they are killed or rendered helpless by wounds, their dependents must rely upon charity for daily bread.

The last day on which men in Federal service can take out the insurance that the Government provides is Tuesday, February 12. After that application are refused.

The Michigan War Preparedness Board estimates that there are fully 10,000 Michigan men with the colors who have been negligent in this respect. In a statement issued today the Board urges wives, mothers and children to write or even wire their relatives the service to take out an insurance policy before it is too late.

Premiums may be paid out of the man's wages monthly. The average cost is only 70 cents per \$1,000 per month. Policies are written from \$1,000 to \$10,000. In case of death or injury, policies are paid in monthly installments for 20 years.

"If my husband, father or son has not insured himself in your favor, urge him to do so says the Board.

If he does not do so, you may face starvation because of his carelessness. Should he come home a helpless cripple and be not insured, you must support yourself and him too.

Don't let false pride keep you silent. Remind him he has not done his duty."

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