

Gives Auto Advice On Motoring In Winter

By R. A. Armstrong, Director of Service, Oakland Motor Car Co. With the tremendous increase in the number of closed cars sold and the nation-wide good roads development, winter driving in all climates is more universal today than ever before.

in the history of the motor car. It is at this time of the year that it behooves every motorist to make those preparations for winter driving which afford more comfort and eliminate the wear on the car incident to cold weather and even the repairs which will be necessary if they are neglected. It will repay the motorist many times over to drive to the service station conducted by the concern which sold the car and have an inspection made, as each individual car is likely to present a different problem. There is, however, a general procedure which covers preparations of all cars for winter driving. In the first place, both cooling system and battery should be prepared for freezing weather. In the case of the cooling system, all connections on the radiator should be tightened before placing anti-freeze solutions, either glycerine or alcohol in the car. When alcohol is used, the solution should be added from time to time, as alcohol evaporates, but when a glycerine solution is used, no further attention is required for the remainder of the winter with full safety. The battery should be inspected regularly every two weeks and if found below full charge should be re-charged. A low battery quickly freezes. Have battery terminals and all wiring inspected. Every terminal should be clean and tight to permit the full flow of current. A cold engine always is slow to start, and everything should be done to make starting easy. The motor should be tuned, and if found necessary, the carbon removed and valves ground. The choke and carburetor should be thoroughly inspected, spark plugs and distributor breaker points cleaned and adjusted and when necessary, replaced with new ones. The crankcase, rear axle and transmission lubricants should be replaced with winter grade oil and grease. These winter grades are lighter and will not congeal so readily in cold weather. Have all nuts and bolts tightened and the chassis thoroughly lubricated to prevent rust from forming.

WINTER STARTING
Always push out clutch before starting engine; use the choke intelligently so as not to flood cylinders with raw gasoline; let the engine run a short time before starting the car, and do not attempt to drive fast until the engine is warm. Change crank case oil at least once every 1000 miles. It is advisable to watch oil closely during the winter as excessive use of choke is likely to cause considerable dilution. There is an advantage in the use of a radiator shutter. This permits a longer carburetor adjustment, and decreases the crankcase oil dilution by approximating summer temperature conditions in the engine. To provide future comfort to occupants, the hood louvers may be closed by a strip of cardboard which forces warm air from the engine through the floor boards. The following out of all these suggestions is not expensive and will prove economical through greater comfort, less wear and tear on the car, and a saving of gasoline.

"Covered Wagon" Is Supplanted By Auto
The drama of American transportation has been enacted within the 90-year life span of Captain Joel Mulcy Hoback, one of the few surviving links between the romantic day of the covered wagon and the modern automobile. Captain Hoback who formerly drove a covered wagon now is an enthusiastic motorist. In 1848 when only 10 years old he drove four yoke of oxen as they plodded slowly westward with a creaking prairie schooner in which he and his parents migrated 150 miles to Winnemac, Indiana, then a frontier town. In crossing the Wabash river the eight oxen became frightened, got beyond control of the child driver and lunged away through shoulder-deep water. They nearly upset the wagon but finally returned to the east bank of the river at the battle ground near Lafayette, Indiana, where Harrison a few years before had defeated a large band of hostile Indians. Hoback, erect, alert and with the clear eye of the frontiersman, is enjoying transportation of a far different type. After waiting for 12 years "to tackle the now-fangled gasoline rigs," he has purchased a Chevrolet touring car. "Goes like a scart rabbit," said Captain Hoback. "Easy to drive too. I thought a horse had to be pretty good with machinery to handle a car! Maybe that was true way back when I first started to handle after a car—when I was only 80 years old—but it shorley ain't true now. I missed a lot of fun by waiting so long."

Captain Hoback drives frequently in the vicinity of Britton, Oklahoma, where he now resides. He has built a garage for the car. The Captain rents out the large farm which he homesteaded after joining the land rush from Oklahoma City in 1889. "I had been prosperous and successful in Indiana and later Arkansas," he explained. "I owned two saw mills and a planing mill, but lost them during the Cleveland administration. I went to Fort Smith, Arkansas. Learning of the proclamation opening land in Oklahoma, I walked from Fort Smith to Oklahoma City. My dog, Old Pal, went with me. I was broke, but that didn't matter to Old Pal. It took us nearly 10 days. We lived off the country. Antelope and deer were as thick as crows in a cornfield. During the excitement of the land rush I lost my Old Pal. A man offered me a ride in a wagon. Old Pal was standing nearby when the whistle blew a signal that the rush was on. Guns were fired, everybody mounted and lashed their horses. The long savor of the ride was over. I was selling. I staked one of the most valuable farms in the state but I lost Old Pal."

"That was long ago and of course he's dead now," the old man added wistfully. But I would give the whole farm to have him back with me now." After living 16 years on the farm, Captain Hoback moved in 1905 to Dixon, Oklahoma, where he was postmaster, railroad agent, marshal and mayor. He came to Britton in 1902. He has been married twice. His second wife died in 1923. During the Civil War he answered Lincoln's first call and served five years as a captain of Company H, 5th Indiana Volunteers. He was reported dead at the Battle of Shiloh. The captain still has the sword which he carried through the war.

On the occasion of his ninetieth birthday recently, Captain Hoback entertained his friend M. E. Trapp, governor of Oklahoma, and 100 other guests including many pioneers and members of Grant Post No. 7, G. A. R. of which he is the only surviving charter member. In the near future Captain Hoback will test his newly-acquired skill as a motorist on a tour to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mattie Louisa Hale, at Heber Springs, Arkansas.

Every advertisement in the Eclectic is a message from the merchant to you, folks. When you want to go to a merchant you read the theater announcements to see if you'll like the show. You may read what local merchants have to offer. If each issue of the Eclectic in this way is the merchant's message brought to your very doorstep, advertise.

Ask Mother—
She Knows



BUY \$1000 On Easy Payments

THE feeling of "money in the bank" will make you a changed man. It will ease your mind in a hundred ways by ending your financial worries. \$1000 capital will enable you to develop yourself, make your whole life richer and fuller.

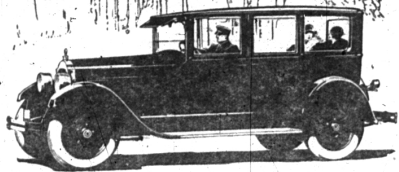
You probably have envied men who have good bank accounts. There is no reason why you should not be one of them. Our easy payment plan is so simple and convenient that you will have \$1000 before you realize it. Start buying your thousand today.

This Bank Will Be Closed Thursday, November 26th, Thanksgiving

First National Bank

Birmingham, Michigan

PACKARD



Four Out of Five Are Converts

FOUR out of five who have bought Packard Six cars since January first have given up some other make of car.

While 84 different makes have been taken in, nearly half of the total number, 41%, has been made up of four cars.

These four cars cost from more than \$1000 less than a Packard Six to nearly \$1000 more.

This is evidence that the Packard Six serves men of moderate means equally with those of wealth.

The beauty, comfort and distinction of the Packard Six and its economy, performance and long life are appreciated by every one who is using judgment in the spending of his motor car money.

The price of the Packard Six 5-passenger Sedan, including spare tire, delivered in Birmingham, is \$2,750.

Evans-Jackson Motor Co.
119 SOUTH WOODWARD AVE.
PHONE 301 Birmingham, Mich.

ASK THE MAN WHO OWNS ONE

Ford

TOURING CAR
\$290

- Touring - \$290
- Runabout - 260
- Coupe - 520
- Tudor Sedan 580
- Fordor Sedan 660
- Closed cars in color
- Demonstrable runs and starts
- open cars
- All prices f.o.b. Detroit

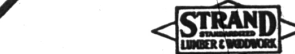
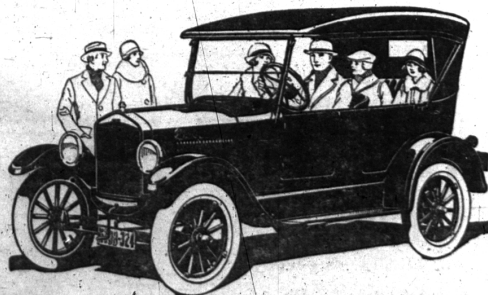
Every ounce of material used in building Ford cars must measure up to Ford standards of quality—reinforced by Ford standards of workmanship and inspection.

That is why Ford cars give such long and satisfactory service.

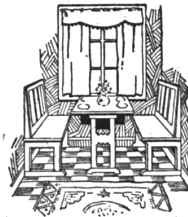
The Touring Car with added beauty and finer riding comforts, is representative of the unusual value available in Ford cars.

Ask the nearest Authorized Ford Dealer to show you this car.

Ford Motor Company
Detroit, Mich.



Start With Strand and You'll Stick



Curtis Dining Alcove C-742

The "breakfast nook" fills a definite need in small as well as large houses. It will pay for itself and the space it takes many times over in the steps it saves and the convenience it affords.

Occupying a space 4'6" deep and 5'6" to 6' wide, it seats four comfortably—five if desired.

Offered in white pine, ready to be assembled, complete with braces and screws at a price which is less than you would expect. Immediate delivery.

REAL QUALITY AT A REASONABLE PRICE

In producing woodwork in large quantities the Curtis Institution has been able to offer really fine woodwork at costs generally considered low for quality delivered. In addition to employing the best of construction practice, including many exclusive features, distinctive design characterizes every item. Curtis has pioneered in placing within the reach of all those woodwork forms needed in all housing construction.

Our service men are eager to make suggestions which mean quick sales for the builder and greater values for the buyer. If you can't drop in today, let us send one of our men to you.

WHEN YOU BUILD OR REMODEL, IT WILL PAY YOU TO INSIST THAT THE WOODWORK USED BEARS THIS TRADE MARK:

CURTIS WOODWORK

Distributed in the Greater Detroit Area by the

Strand Lumber Co.

Lumber, Sash, Doors and Woodwork

EAST YARD
7-1616 East 12th
Kliett, Phone Lincoln 6997.

MAIN YARD AND OFFICE
7-1616 East 12th
Eighth Boulevard at Lincoln
Phone Central 1226.

WEST YARD
Division Road, North of West
ren. Phone Walnut 2226.

DETROIT, MICHIGAN