BANKERS PLAN BIG CAPITAL MEETING

Thousands to Gather in Washington at Convention of Bankers' Association.

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WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The banking brains of the country will be assembled in Washington on Oct. 18 to 22, when the 46th annual convention of the American Bankers' association will be held. It is expected that about 5,000 bankers will attend the convention, which is expected to be the most important in the history of the organization. Small town bankers will rub elbows with the financial giants of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and Boston, while Secretary of the Treasury Houston, Comptroller of the Currency Williams and members of the federal reserve board will be on hand to tell the delegates all about Uncle Sam's finances.

Realizing that future prosperity is closely allied with transportational development, the association has placed the question of transportation foremost on the program. John J. Pulleyn, of New York, will discuss "Transportation and Its Effects on Credit," and there will be other discussions on this important topic. H. M. Robinson, of Los Angeles, Cal., will address the convention on "Commodity Financing." Par clearance, one of the most widely discussed and interesting questions that has stirred banking circles in America in the last decade, will be a feature of the state bank section of the convention. O. Howard Wolfe, of Philadelphia, will speak in favor of par clearance, while Charles deB. Claiborne, of New Orleans, president of the National and State Bank Protective association, which was recently formed to oppose the par collection system, will present arguments against the federal reserve system plan. These addresses will be followed by open discussion of the subject. Almost every bank, big or little, in the country, is both affected and interested in this problem and for that reason great interest is being expressed by bankers all over the country in this feature of the forthcoming convention. Other subjects to be discussed at the state bank section meeting will be "State Banks and Their Supervision," "Farm Mortgage Finance" and "Blue Sky Legislation."

These are only a few of the many topics of vital interest to the banking profession that will be discussed at the forthcoming convention.

Washington bankers are preparing to entertain their visiting brethren on a lavish scale. One of the events will be the water trip to Mount Vernon, home and tomb of George Washington.

Golf matches at the various country clubs adjacent to Washington, theater parties, receptions and more formal entertainments are also being planned for the visiting bankers.

Illinois has the largest membership of any state in the American Bankers' association, and has sent word that it will open that Washington headquarters during convention week with about 1,200 members.

NEW FIELD IN MEXICO.

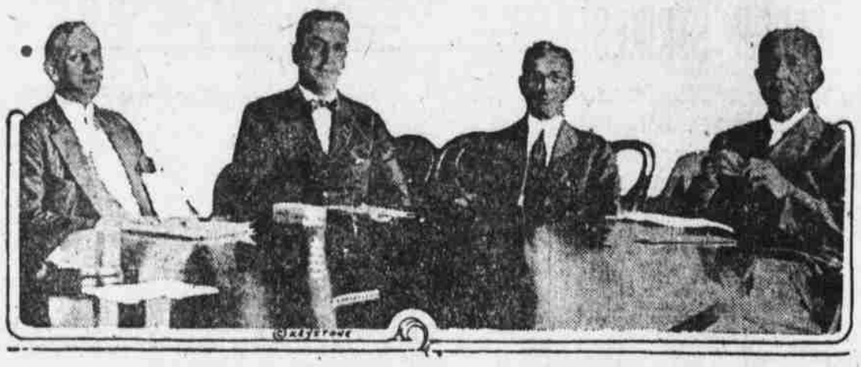
Authorities on the subject are looking forward to huge success for automotive operation in Mexico. Along with the probable development of automobile business will come a great increase in the sale of gasoline and lubricating oils.

Many of the larger American companies that are engaged in the marketing of petroleum products are already preparing to build filling stations in all of the larger cities of Mexico. There seems to be a great need for them.

A number of new automobile agencies have also been established and now that industrial and commercial conditions have a good opportunity to obtain the right of way, there probably will be fewer second-hand cars shipped to Mexico with a large market for new models.—Motor Life.

Motorcyclists—don't try cleaning your electric horns with gasoline. A New York motorcyclist tried it recently with indifferent success. After flushing out his horn, he replaced the cover and started off. His first attempt to use the horn resulted in a terrific explosion which shot the cover into the driver's ribs. The gasoline had vaporized and was exploded by the spark.—Goodrich.

NATIONAL WATERPOWER COMMISSION IN FIRST SESSION DISCUSSES CONSERVATION OF WATER



The commission in session. Left to right: C. C. Merrell, Secretary of Agriculture Meredith, Secretary of War Baker and Secretary of Interior Payne.

The federal waterpower commission, recently brought into being by act of congress, held its first meeting last week in Washington. The subject discussed was the conservation of water supply of the great falls of the Potomac above the national capital. The commission's personnel includes the secretaries of war, agriculture and interior. Its secretary is C. C. Merrell.

WHISKY BROUGHT TO MAINE BY SEA

Smugglers Run Valuable Cargoes of Liquors Through Revenue Lines.

PORTLAND, Me., Sept. 25. (By International News Service.)—New England's "best families" in the old days are said to have built up and bolstered up big fortunes by smuggling, in which which Western Indian rum played a major part. Today other "leading families"—leading the United States prohibition officers in many a chase—are acquiring the foundation of wealth by smuggling drinks with forbidden alcoholic content across the Canadian border.

Those who travel by land are commonly called mere "rum runners," but the sea smugglers are in a class by themselves, a class fitted to inspire new Clark Russells and up-to-date writers of sea tales. Until prohibition came the Canadian fleet of small lumber schoners plying New England waters was large. Many of these bring lumber no more.

Instead they carry more profitable cargoes of whisky, cognac, etc., which they take not the least chance in delivering. They can not be checked, for they keep outside the three-mile limit. Just how close this is to shore may be illustrated by the fact that small motor launches regularly ply between Portsmouth, N. H., and the Isles of Shoals, nine miles off the Maine-New Hampshire coast.

And so motor launches are run out to the liquor-laden craft, according to fishermen, and purchase their cargo "across the bar," a bar not of mahogany, but fitted up my Neptune with the finest grade of oceanic sands. Sometimes the motor launches are detected returning with their forbidden cargo but a good-sized navy would be required to keep them entirely in check.

GROUND FLYING.

Germany has developed a machine very similar to our Ruggles Orienator, for simplifying the training of airmen. It consists of a swing or see-saw on which both instructor and pupil sit and is worked by an electric motor, which is controlled entirely according to the desire of the instructor. Being worked by a lever it can, at will, turn, dip on one side or the other, swing, or be brought out of balance. If one practices with bandaged eyes, the conditions of flying in fog, through clouds or in darkness can be produced.—Motor Life.

A Michigander, in the Detroit Free Press, has a used car for sale—"only got delivery this spring and has had the care of a baby ever since."—Motor Life.

SUBSTITUTE FOR A JACK.

One of those special jacks with wheels on it to enable cars to be maneuvered without trouble in close quarters is a handy thing to have, especially in the garage where several cars are kept, and where it is necessary to run them pretty close together in order to get them all in. Such a jack merely raises the front or the back end of the car, and then the vehicle may be swung around to the desired point, doing away with a great deal of backing and turning and wheel twisting where the car must be worked around to the desired position under its own power.

But it appears that a car may be swung around in emergencies without the aid of a jack of the kind mentioned, providing one of those shallow oil pans, such as is often slid under a car to catch any oil or grease drip from the motor or chassis, is at hand. We had stored our car in a garage where the space for turning and maneuvering was very small indeed, and in the absence of a jack with wheels on it, the garage attendant merely backed the car onto the oil pan, which, by the way, had a slight film of oil and greasy material in it. With the rear tires standing on the pan, he merely pushed the car sideways, and the tires slid across the oiled surface of the pan, accomplishing the swinging process in a unique manner. And while it is not advocated that such a use be habitually made of the pan, since it is none too good for the tires to get them in oil, nevertheless, it is a kink worth knowing for emergencies.—Motor Life.

I like the policeman,
His words are so warm,
And if he can't catch me,
He'll do me no harm.

So when he is angry,
For fear of restraint,
I'll step on the throttle
For parts where he ain't.
—Motor Life.

Action of British auto manufacturers in advocating legislation to prohibit the use of left-hand drive cars in England is arousing the ire of American manufacturers who have a large export trade. The American manufacturers say that the British public likes left-hand drives and that the British manufacturers are pushing the legislation for their own selfish ends.—Goodrich.

Put Up Her Babe As Security For A Diamond Ring

CHICAGO, Sept. 25. (By International News Service.)—A heart-breaking struggle to obtain money for her baby's ransom—the desperate expedient of forged checks—then arrest and jail. These are the principal features in the case of Mrs. Clara Walters, pretty young stenographer under arrest here, and therefrom developed an amazing story of mother love.

Mrs. Walters was staying at the apartment of Mrs. Maude Goodhue when she was accused of stealing a diamond ring. She admitted the theft, but between tears averred that she had stolen the jewel to buy clothes for her baby.

"Mrs. Goodhue told me that she would keep my baby until I reimbursed her for the ring, valued at $200 and gave me a paper to sign which I did," she told the police.

Then followed the struggle to obtain money for the veritable ransom. Driven to desperation, she finally passed several forged checks at local department stores. Her arrest followed.

Mrs. Goodhue has already filed a legal petition for the adoption of the baby, but civic organizations are expected to step in and endeavor to have the child returned to its mother.

Beware of the "gasoline economizers." The Associated Advertising clubs of the world, after a thorough investigation of the 'economizers," reports they are nothing more than colored moth balls and have no effect whatever upon gasoline efficiency. They are advertised under high sounding names and are accompanied by glowing testimonials, but are worthless, just the same.—Goodrich.

Everybody loves a lover—that is, everybody except residents near Wilmington, Del. The people there have appealed to authorities to stop spooners from parking their cars along the road and keeping them awake at night. The question is—what keeps the residents awake? Spooners usually are about as boisterous as graveyard mice.—Goodrich.

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REPORT MONSTER SERPENT DITCHES FLIVVERS ON ROAD

GREENSBURG, Ind., Sept. 25. (By International News Service.)—Prominent citizens in the southern part of Decatur county declare that stories regarding the depredations by a monster snake are not fables. They declare the reptile, reported to be from twenty-five to thirty-five feet long and proportionately large as to girth, has been seen several times in the community during the last few days.

Work has been virtually abandoned in some sections and men, armed with guns, are searching for the monster. A calf belonging to Robert Bishop is said to have been devoured by the snake and the entire community professed intense alarm.

Some residents advance the theory that the reptile escaped from some passing show. Others point to stories, emanating from Sullivan and Green counties, many miles distant, of a serpent of similar proportions which is declared to have ditched "flivvers" in encounters on the highways. The Sullivan-Green county reptile was reported at widely separated points within a space of a few hours and it received much publicity—some of it more than half serious—in the newspapers.

Now the Decaturites are wondering if this monster donned figurative seven league boots and emigrated to this county.

Note—It will be observed that in the foregoing dispatch no mention is made of "white mule."

OVERHEATING.

Don't always blame the cooling system when the engine overheats. The mixture supplied by the carburetor may be causing the trouble, perhaps being too rich. Possibly the spark is not advanced far enough, maybe the oiling system is clogged or for some oter reason is not properly lubricating the mechanism of the power plant. It might even be possible tha the fan belt is slipping, thus preventing the fan from doing its full duty. Then there are the brakes. They may be dragging because the bands are too tight, a condition which can only be discovered by jacking up the rear wheels and noting whether or not they turn freely.

Overheating is often chargeable to improper driving—using the low gear too long when the car should be running in high.—Motor Life.

TRACTOR ECONOMY.

Statistics regarding the use of tractors have been obtained by the bureau of farm management of the department of agriculture from 600 replies to a questionnaire sent to farms in Central Illinois. It has been proved that with a 28-inch horse-drawn plow one man accomplishes from 70 to 80 per cent more than with a single bottom plow. One man with a 28-inch plow drawn by a motor tractor covers 30 to 35 per cent more ground in a day than does a man using six horses on a horse-drawn plow of the same size. A three-bottom plow drawn by a suitable tractor enables one man to accomplish from 60 to 70 per cent more than does the two-bottom plow drawn by six horses.—Motor Life.

"Mary, Mary, quite contrary,
How does your motor go?"
"With fits and spells and 'damns' and 'hells'
And blasphemies all in a row."
—Motor Life.

SOCIETY FOLK PLAY BASEBALL AT NEWPORT; GOVERNOR IN GAME

Mrs. Vincent Astor and Gov. Beeckman, Photographed at the Game.

Leaders of American society of both sexes who are summering at Newport, R. I., recently chose up sides and had a regular ball game. Mrs. Vincent Astor, wife of America's richest young man, was umpire on bases. Gov. Livingston Beeckman of Rhode Island acted as right fielder on one of the teams.

BRITISH STAND PAT.

It seems impossible to move the British authorities from the stand they have taken relative to the tax on cars imported by England. Ambassador Davis advised that the action of the committee of finance in providing for the continuation of the duty until May, 1921, would stand. This duty of 33⅓ per cent on American cars has set the American chamber of commerce in London in action. They have launched a movement antagonistic to it.—Motor Life.

"Please do not drive in the ruts." Signs carrying this message are posted along Michigan gravel roads and are aiding in keeping them in good condition. Motorists heed the injunction, and as a result the roads retain an even surface. Ruts made by one car are ironed out by the next. Thus both roads and tires are saved.—Goodrich.

INSIDE INFO FROM OUR POLITICAL BLUE BOOK

The route from Chicago, provided Mr. Harding's vehicle stands up, should not be difficult. When it is ready to drive away, the direction is southeast.

In Indiana the roads about Bluffton and Gas City are closed for repairs and the candidate would best detour to Waterloo.

In Pennsylvania the best roads are via Johnsonburg, Hoovers and Woodbury.

Maryland: Bellaire, Seat Pleasant and Laurel to Washington.—Motor Life.

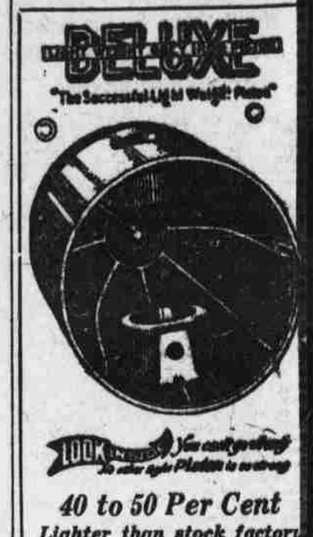
What sort of impression did your new coupe make when you drove home this spring?

Well, we were up to the hubs most of the time.—Motor Life.

They told the lawyer the best the could do for him was to deliver chassis of the car he wanted . . . without the body.

"I suppose," he said absently, "I have to get a writ of habeas corpus."—Motor Life.

If all the world was gasoline,
And the matches were taboo,
And distillate was all we ate
What would the smokers do?
—Motor Life.



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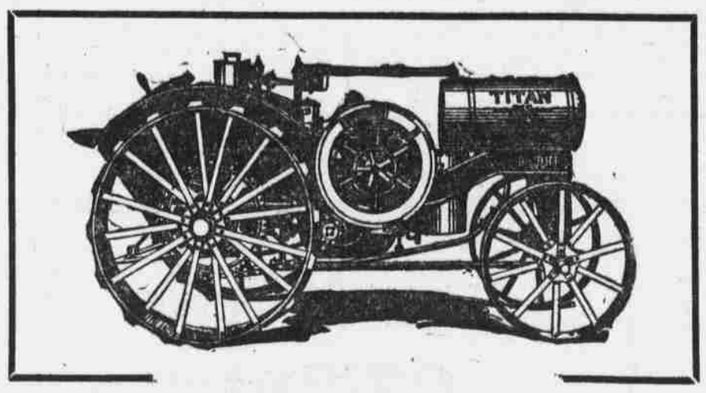

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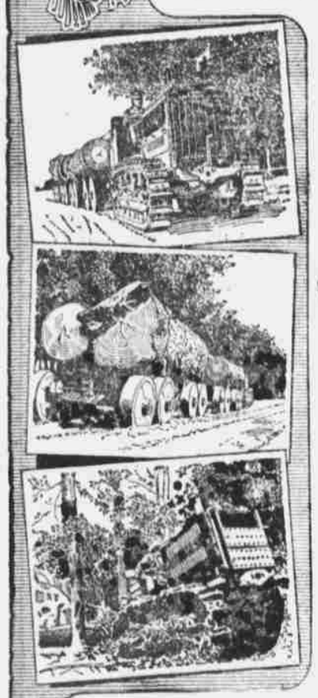

have replaced many hundreds of mules and oxen in the logging districts of the Mississippi Valley, and elsewhere; they have done work impossible for other methods and machines, and are every day saving money for the foremost manufacturers of *ties, dimension stock, handles, flooring, wagon stock, veneers, cooperage, timbers, boards, furniture stock, boxes, egg cases, laths, etc.*

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