

Make Labor Day Safety Day

General Petroleum Official Predicts Record Holiday Traffic—"Guard the Precious Cargo"



Packing up the family car is today's most popular pastime, judging by this picture from General Petroleum photographs.

The biggest Labor Day motor travel in history, possibly bigger than at any time since the invention of the automobile. Literally millions of cars traversing the wonderful highways of California, Oregon, Washington, Arizona, and Nevada.

This is the prediction voiced by the officials of General Petroleum Corporation, as the result of interviews with auto clubs, travel information bureaus, hotels, seaside, mountain and desert resorts, motor courts and other places where record-breaking lists of inquiries have been piling up during the past few weeks. So says Don Dawson, Southern division general manager for this major oil company of the west.

"Heaviest gains in recent years in the consumption of gasoline and oil," declares this executive of the company marketing Mobilgas and Mobiloil, "are further indications that add strength to the prediction."

The need for careful driving during this gala holiday period, when so many cars will fill the roads, is a timely suggestion. Hundreds of thousands of care-free and happy persons will leave home for a few days in the great open spaces. Let drivers determine that these vacations shall be unmarred by mishaps.

Harry Lauder once said to an auto driver: "Remember, Mom, you've got a precious cargo aboard. That precious cargo must be returned free of accident and benefited by the trip. Every driver has a responsibility to exercise caution. Make Labor Day 'Safety Day.'"

Jean Smith Sails For Rumania

Miss Jean Smith, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Smith, of Carson street, sailed last Saturday from New York to join her parents in Rumania, where Mr. Smith is on business for the National Supply Company.

Miss Smith recently completed a post graduate course in library work at the Library College in Riverside, following her graduation from University of California at Los Angeles.

Cormorants Foster Mothers
SEWARD, Alaska (U.P.)—After successfully employing cormorants as incubators for chicks H. A. Anderson, naturalist and seed grower, is experimenting with cormorant-hatched goose eggs.

Mark 66th Wedding Date
UPPER SANDUSKY, O. (U. P.)—Mr. and Mrs. Peter Beldschies have celebrated their 66th wedding anniversary.

Blinded By Insect
VICTORIA, Kans. (U.P.)—A grasshopper flying into her eye permanently blinded Mrs. Anna M. Joy, farm woman.

Stars can't afford Big Pay

The rumor that the motion picture stars intend to refuse high-salaried contracts due to the new income tax bracket system which cuts so heavily into their incomes as to make it impossible to take the salaries offered and still feel fairly paid has become a fact.

Walter Huston, Samuel Goldwyn star, steadfastly refuses to accept numerous flattering proposals and is only one of the highly-paid artists who have signified intentions.

Huston explained that if he were to sign the proposed agreement which increases his present salary considerably, he would actually receive less than he does at the present time. "Why should we remove this money from the use of the studios who need it to make the pictures in which we work if it isn't going to do anyone any good?"

"The government forgets," Huston continued, "that we actors spend years of our lives working at starvation wages to get anywhere in our profession. And again, once we reach the point at which we can command a reasonable reward for our efforts there are but few years remaining during which we can hope to continue at such salaries. The period when a star holds the top is surprisingly short, the average being only three years."

"It isn't that I desire great wealth or an extravagant plane of living; it is only that I want to be able to feel secure and to provide a comfortable living for both myself and family in the years to come."

"When it is taken into consideration that the more we are paid the less we actually have left to use; that the period during which we draw a good salary is extremely limited; and that, as the public knows, there is no profession so heavily drained for all forms of charities, much of which cannot be subtracted from income tax reports; it is little wonder that the artists are at the point of refusing further high-salaried contracts."

Studio executives explain that the actors, when they work, provide employment for a great number of other people, but even so, could not afford to work at such high cost to themselves.

Pigs Stunned to Death
SYDNEY, N. S. W. (U.P.)—A new and more humane way of slaughtering has been evolved in Australia, where pigs are now killed for market by the aid of an electric "stunner."

Stalin Best Sellers
MOSCOW (U.P.)—Stalin is one of the most widely translated authors in the world. The State Publishing House here has issued his writings in 75 different languages.

Waters Dwindle
FERGUS FALLS, Mont. (U. P.)—Creeks and lakes in this vicinity were the lowest today since the first white man arrived three-quarters of a century ago.

Coals to Newcastle
DURBAN, (U.P.)—Anthracite coal is being mined by Chinese labor in Indo-China and sent to Montreal, 14,000 away, to compete with the British product.

Village Blacksmith Quits
GERVAIS, Ore., (U.P.)—For the first time since Gervais was founded 70 years ago, this town boasts no blacksmith shop. William Allsup sold his shop to a junk man.

Depopulating the Roads of Pests



Most drivers have had the feeling that they would like to run the careless driver right off the road, including the road hogs, the weaver, the snatcher of seconds at red lights, the speed demon, the driver who never signals—and also the horn blower.

Many a time a driver has been heard to say, "I wish I had a 10-ton truck to chase the pests off the road." But there is a better way to get rid of the pests. And that is to have a sufficient force of police on the main roads. A policeman patrolling the road can make almost a goody-goody out of the most dangerous driver.

Until people grow up in their use of motor vehicles, it seems to be necessary to provide many watchmen. Here's something funny about the "pests you'd like to swat." There are so many of them, at various times, that if all were driven from the highway, there would be practically no one left. Who are the pests of the road, anyway?

Princeton Buys Book
MONTREAL, (U.P.)—McGill University's famous East Chinese library, comprising 130,000 volumes, has been purchased by Princeton University, it is announced here.

Driverless Car Hits Man
DEFIANCE, O. (U.P.)—An automobile without a driver, backing suddenly from a garage, struck W. A. Snyder, 74, breaking his leg.

Back to the Farm
LAKIN, Kan. (U.P.)—Virgil Unruh believes in practicing what he preaches. He resigned as county agent to become a farmer.

Marrying Mayor
OGDEN, Utah (U.P.)—Mayor Harman W. Petty of Ogden offers to find anyone unmarried a mate, perform the marriage free and grant a recommendation for a free building permit.

Birds Ring Fire Alarm
WHITEHOUSE, O. (U.P.)—The fire alarm rang, but there was no fire. A bird's nest, built inside an electrical sign was found to have short-circuited the wires, causing the alarm to ring.

Boss Pushes Pedals
MILWAUKEE, (U.P.)—Henry L. Nunn, president of the Nunn-Bush shoe company here, rides a bicycle daily to and from his office. Most of Nunn's 800 employees use automobiles.

Poker Profits
LARNED, Kan. (U.P.)—The city was the only one profiting from a poker game here. Police arrested 11 men in a raid on a poker party and all pleaded guilty. They each paid a fine of \$10.

Safety In Marriage
BOSTON, (U.P.)—Single folk are more apt to become patients in mental hospitals than their married brethren, statistics of the state department of mental diseases disclose.

Plenty of Buggies
BELLEVILLE, Kan. (U.P.)—Mayor W. M. Slopansky wanted a second-hand buggy. He received 15 replies, with prices ranging from \$5 to \$25.

Snaked One Out
HOLTON, Kan. (U.P.)—Charles Perry, a road worker, reached into a hole to place some dynamite for blasting. He pulled out a six-foot bull snake.

TOWNSEND CLUB
Townsend clubs will hold a mass meeting Friday, Sept. 4, at 7:30 p. m., at the Olympic auditorium, 18th and Grand, Los Angeles. Dr. F. E. Townsend will speak.

Antique Canoe
INDENVILLE, Mich. (U.P.)—An Indian birch bark canoe believed to have been used as dispatch boat on Lake Erie during the War of 1812 has been found by Frank L. Wixom, local water power operator.

Didn't Swallow Pencil
SALT LAKE CITY, (U.P.)—A frantic effort to remove a pencil from the esophagus of Lee Bell, 3, proved fruitless. His mother later found it under a chair on the floor.

Neighborliness
MESSTON, Kan., (U.P.)—Mrs. Abram Zook has decided neighborliness is not a lost virtue. Neighbors with 12 tractors plowed 125 acres for her recently. Her husband died last April.

Long-Hiding Knife
PORTLAND, Ore. (U.P.)—A jackknife that E. Baker lost while repairing a tire took a 6,000 mile ride between the tube and the casing before it punctured the tube. The knife was open.

Tickets to Fair On Sale Here

A block of 100 pre-sale tickets to the Los Angeles County Fair to be held at Pomona, September 18 to October 4, has been received for sale at the Torrance Chamber of Commerce, and those planning to attend the fair may avoid confusion at the gate by buying their tickets here, it is announced by L. J. Gilmeister, secretary.

General admission tickets, good any day, sell at 50 cents each, tax exempt. They will be available at the chamber office to and including September 17.

Considerable local interest has been aroused in the Fair this year due to the appearance of the Torrance Municipal Band in the Fiesta Parade beginning at 10:30 a. m. on the opening day, September 18. The Torrance band will also give an hour's concert in the Fair Auditorium Sunday afternoon, September 20.

Can Is Hatchery
MORGANVILLE, Kan. (U.P.)—A coffee can proved an effective incubator here. Two eggs were taken from a nest, placed in a coffee can and forgotten. Three weeks later two chicks were removed from the can.

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