Group of Coast Men to Drill for Oil in Mexico

Blanket Concession Obtained by Los Angeles Operators on East Coast of Mexico.

Los Angeles, Dec. 23.—A group of Los Angeles men—manufacturers, bankers and oil operators—has obtained from the Mexican government "what amounts to a blanket concession on all government lands in the district of the east coast," according to announcement from the promoters, the Los Angeles Times reported today.

"It is by far the biggest oil transaction in Mexican history," the Times said, "and probably the most important deal of its kind in the world for it involves 11,000,000 acres of land adjoining rich worbings of the old established American companies in the Tampico and Tuxpam districts."

The paper further declared "the transaction also has important political significance coming as it does after the extended controversy between the Obregon government and the American oil companies, in which the United States government has been as yet an unsuccessful arbiter."

To Drill in Mexico.

It is announced the Los Angeles group will go into the Mexican oil district and operate according to the Mexican article 27 and under a federal concession on the same royalty basis which established companies have declared confiscatory. The concession, it is stated, permits them to drill on lands immediately adjoining the richest wells in Mexico.

The announcement came after the return here from Mexico City of W. W. Wilson, G. E. Moreland and George J. Bushmiller, who stated they obtained the concession after an interview with President Obregon who personally went into the details of the enterprise.

The concession, they stated, was made out under the direct supervision of M. Alesio Robles, secretary of industry, commerce and labor, in the Obregon cabinet. Mr. Wilson said the lands designated comprise virtually all federal oil lands extending along the gulf coast from a point north of Tampico to Tuxpam, close to holdings of the Standard Oil company, the Doheny interests and other prominent oil companies. The concession also includes the island of Juana Ramirez, said to have been long sought by American companies because of its important location in geological surveys.

Los Angeles Capital.

The concession provides that 40 per cent of the gross production go to the Mexican government; that the concessionaires pay 5 pesos a year a hectar for the lands they will exploit; that a deposit of 400,000 pesos be made, and that 200,000 pesos be invested in works and exploration within a year. Two years are given for exploration and the concession runs for 20 years, with provision for renewal.

The exploitation will be financed entirely by Los Angeles capital, it is announced, and plans already are well advanced for the selection of men for the active work of the undertaking.

Wilson and Moreland are both manufacturers of oil-drilling machinery, and Bushmiller is an oil operator. Other members of the syndicate, which is described as a close corporation, include Harry Lee Martin, capitalist; Austin O. Martin, banker; John H. Coverly, capitalist; Ferdinand J. Bushmiller, oil operator, and Dr. L. D. Jones, physician and capitalist.

Mr. Martin and Mrs. Moreland are expected to return to Mexico City to put the plan into operation as soon as possible, it is said.

Fireman's 3rd Oldsmobile

Captain George R. Simpson of engine house No. 4, one of Omaha's veteran fire fighters, is enthusiastic in his praise of his new Oldsmobile Four-California top job. This is Captain Simpson's third Oldsmobile.

Omaha Buick Branch to Open Accessory Department

The automotive equipment department of the Nebraska Buick Auto company will open a branch in Omaha January 1, in the Buick building, at Nineteenth and Howard streets. The Omaha house will be operated independently of the Lincoln business. Fifteen men will travel out of the Omaha branch and will cover northern Nebraska and western Iowa. This will give both the Lincoln and Omaha houses a sales force of 30 men.

C. L. Carper, general manager of this department, will divide his time between Omaha and Lincoln, but will continue his residence in Lincoln. J. W. Sherry, formerly sales manager of the Powell Supply company, will be resident manager, assisted by W. L. Barry, formerly of the U. S. Rubber company.

F. S. Dorsey Establishment Will Open Christmas Eve

F. S. Dorsey, who has served as steward during the last 36 years for the Omaha club, Balduff's, Seymour Lake club, Carter Lake club, and Happy Hollow club, and who had charge of the arrangements for the wedding of Dr. J. E. Summers 20 years ago and performed the same service for Dr. Summers' daughter, is opening a chicken dinner establishment at 5206 Center street. The formal opening will be held Christmas eve.

Grocery Store Robbed.

Burglars broke through a rear door at the Bernstein grocery store, 1801 St. Marys avenue at 3 a. m. yesterday and stole $24 in cash from the register, according to Central police headquarters report.

The safe was found to have been wrapped in sacks and the cracks were soaped, the report stated, but the yeggmen apparently had been frightened away before setting their explosives.

Speed Wagons Used by Bakers of Nation

More than 200 fleets of Speed Wagons now are used in the baking business in the United States. In addition, hundreds of smaller bakeries operate single Speed Wagons.

"The Speed Wagon is coming to be recognized as the leading car for the baking business," says J. M. Opper of the Jones-Opper company.

"The use of Speed Wagons is general because they haul a given amount of bread more cheaply and more quickly. A communication to the Reo factory from one of the largest baking companies in the land, operating 18 baking plants in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware says:

"'We have been using Speed Wagons in the Trenton plant, and previous to this had tried out all other makes of cars suitable to this class of work. This company now is installing Speed Wagons in all of its 18 plants. We find that the upkeep is less, mileage per gallon of gasoline is greater in comparison with other cars, and that the power of the Speed Wagon cannot be excelled.'"

Six Buicks Sold in a Day by Salesmen for H. Pelton

"Six cars sold represent the work of our sales force for last Wednesday," said H. Pelton, new local Buick dealer. "Our business has been moving rapidly," continued Mr. Pelton, "but the sale of six cars in one day is our record. It looks like the old days and from the general conditions we believe next year will be a big one for Buick. We are trying to give service here that automobile buyers are entitled to and that in a large measure accounts for the good business we are enjoying."

Maxwell Interests Take Over Chalmers Factory

Announcement is made from Detroit that the Maxwell interests are now in control of the Chalmers Motor Car company, but the production and sale of the Chalmers six will be continued.

Plans of the new owners provide for a development of the Chalmers along the same lines pursued in the Maxwell business and greatly enlarged Chalmers production during the coming year.

The size and height of rooms in native houses in Japan are more standardized than the room dimensions in the houses of any other country.

Woman's Club in Drive to Bar Arbuckle Films

Movie Mentor Emphatically Asserts He Will Not Rescind Action Giving "Fatty" a Chance.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 23.—Numerous criticisms publicly announced against reinstatement of Roscoe Arbuckle in filmdom will not in the least affect the decision of Will H. Hays, national motion picture mentor, granting the film comedian "a chance to come back," Mr. Hays said here last night.

In an interview last night referring to the Arbuckle decision, Mr. Hays said emphatically:

"I stand on that absolutely. I have nothing to add to it and no explanations to make. I am perfectly content. My action doesn't mean that the pictures Arbuckle made before the trouble are to be released. It simply means that he has a chance to go back into the profession and make good if he can. Every man in the right way and at the right time is entitled to his chance to make good. It is apparently Roscoe Arbuckle's conduct since his trouble merits a chance. So far as I am concerned there will be no suggestion now that he should not have his opportunity to go to work in his profession."

Mr. Hays passed through Topeka last night on his way east.

Franklin Announces New Streamline Body Designs

The seven new body styles announced by the Franklin Automobile company are regarded by those who have seen them on their first appearance, as the finest that have ever been identified with Franklin. In the 1923 cars, Franklin designers have succeeded in giving to conventional lines the definite mark of character.

The new Franklin bodies have lower top lines, increased length and they are wider above the body rail. These changes in construction enabled the designers to effect greater interior roominess. The clean lines of the higher hood are carried back from the almost vertical grille to the fashionable flare of the cowl, where they blend smoothly and naturally with the body lines. The level of the hood line and body rail presents an unbroken and continuous sweep from tip to tip—an effect that accentuates the cars' increased length.

All-American Grid Star in Auto Accident Dies

Ypsilanti, Mich., Dec. 23.—Bernard Kirk, star university of Michigan football player and chosen as an all-American end this year, died this morning at a hospital here from injuries received in an automobile accident last Sunday. Kirk's skull was fractured.

Xmas Pardons in Dublin.

Dublin, Dec. 23.—(By A. P.)—Two hundred and sixty-four republicans, held prisoners in Mount Joy prison, were released today, having signed a declaration of allegiance to the Free State. Four of these released were women.

Cadillac Ad Drawn from Files of 1904

In 1904, the Powell Automobile company, located at 15th and Davenport streets, was the agent for the Cadillac automobile, then a single-cylinder car. They sent out literature and letters and advertised in the newspapers. Just the other day, J. H. Hansen of the present Cadillac agency, received one of the old letters which Clarke Powell wrote to Allen B. Wilson of Nebraska, who found it in an old file. Mr. Wilson did not buy a Cadillac car at the time, but he probably wishes he had, for he has driven a good many makes of cars and now is the happy possessor of an eight-cylinder Cadillac.

It is interesting to note that back in 1904, as is proven by this letter, the Cadillac proved its worth by winning a race in its class. In St. Louis, it was second to a then large 4-cylinder car. This large car which won was later disqualified because it was proven that it had started out at midnight on the day before the other cars started for this cross-country run. It mentions in this old letter that the Cadillac car hauling four men made the trip without a single hitch and took the rough roads and went up steep hills without difficulty. "And the Cadillac is still the leader—with all other cars that have come and gone during these years the Cadillac still makes the steepest hills without difficulty. Mr. Wilson is now thoroughly sold on the Cadillac, and it is noteworthy that the advertising that applied to the Cadillac in 1904 has been carried down through the years proclaiming real merit and proven quality.

Buick to Make Sioux City Distributing Point Jan. 1

H. E. Sidles and Charles Stuart returned from Sioux City with a long-time lease on the beautiful new Shoberg building at Thirteenth and Pierce streets, which will be Nebraska Buick Auto company's new home after January 1, under the direction of Robert Harley, formerly of Lincoln. The new plant is a three-story building and, according to officials, is one that is on a par with the Omaha and Lincoln houses.

The company will open a wholesale and retail car and truck business with a complete stock of Buick and GMC parts and equipment.

"We are planning to use our new home as a distributing point," said Mr. Sidles. "Our own special train will be divided into sections so that part of it will bring trainloads of Buick automobiles right into Sioux City."

30 Distributor Contracts Already Signed by Barley

"One of the most significant indications of the unusual value of the Barley Six is the extremely favorable impression which it has made among those engaged in the automobile and accessory business," says Mr. Vayo of the A. H. Vayo company, local Roamer and Barley Six distributors.

It is reported that not less than 30 dealer and distributer contracts have been closed by the Barley Motor Car company since the introduction of the new car.

New Ford Sales Record.

According to a statement by the Ford Motor company, deliveries of Ford cars and trucks to retail buyers during November totaled 106,327; a new high sales record in contrast to November, 1921, with 58,000 cars and trucks.

Beginning April 1, retail deliveries have exceeded 100,000 Ford cars and trucks each month, with accumulated total of 1,200,000 for the first 11 months of 1922.

Credit for this showing is attributed to improvements on Ford cars and new prices.

Buick Among Cars Meeting Critical Public's Demand

With the motor world demanding transportation of a perfection higher than the same world would have dared dream of 10 years ago, Buick, the Nebraska Buick dealers' organization declares, is numbered among the cars that meet faithfully all that motordom insists upon.

Last year's scale of perfection does not suffice this year, they say. Success in any business depends as much as anything on the progress that the company makes and the energy that keeps it in the front ranks of the times.

Because of the high postal rates in Germany, stamps are sold in denominations up to 100 marks.

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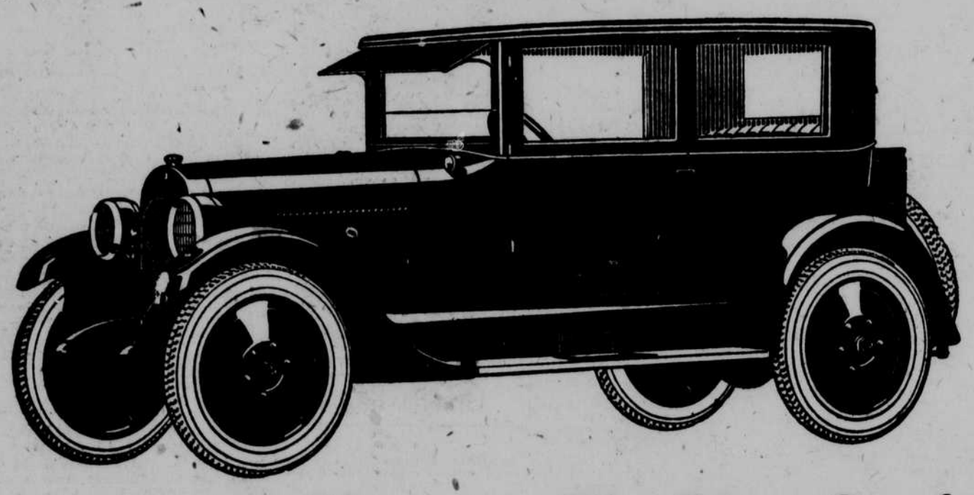

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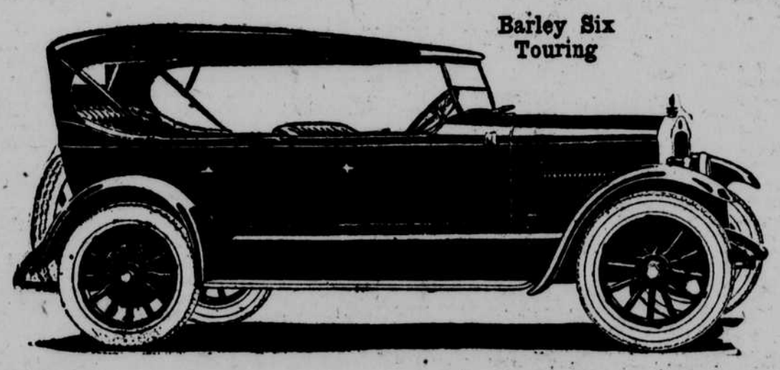

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