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A Car for the Discriminating Few.

No Noise but the Wind. The Aristocrat's Car.

DRIVING A CAR AT NIGHT Practice is Essential to Proper Man-

agement of the Car.

Goggles Should Not Be Worn by

Driver-He Must Observe Speed and Courtesy Rules

Unless one has had considerable experi- ist. The absence of any light does not ence in driving by night, and no matter necessarily indicate the fact that no vehicle how well he may know the road by day- is present and this should be borne well in light, he is often utteriy at a loss to recognize familiar objects and will even pass the place to which he desires to go without being aware of it, when traveling over the same road after dark. Objects by the roadside have an unnatural appearance and side have an unnatural appearance and seem out of proportion; what appears as a swiveling searchlight, although the latter dark patch in the foad may be either a is not absolutely necessary in some cases. pool of water or a depression, and lightcolored objects by the side of the road may even be taken for the road itself. The road, too, apparently disappears a short distance ahead and the autoist sets the brakes, only to find himself deceived. Due to the combination of deep shadows and be pointed directly ahead, especially if only strong lights with the general gloom of the night, all sorts of objects created in the imagination seem to spring up, causing driving. The searchlight is usually mounted doubt and anxiety. For comfortable night driving as well as for the safety of the car and its passengers, powerful lamps are an absolute necessity.

#### Practice Essential.

Recognition of familiar objects and accurate judgment of road conditions can lights. In cities where the use of search only be acquired by practice. It is not or headlights is forbidden, the side lampe must be depended on alone, and when any night after night for periods of from six driving is done in cities fairly powerful to eight hours on a stretch, as such long lamps should be used. Side lamps are periods give rise to a high-strung and nervous state on the part of the driver. The first drive should not take over an hour brackets to light up the work. The tall which the autoist should be accompanied by lamp should be placed out of the path of companion familiar with night driving the exhaust so that the light will not be and the roads that are to be traversed. This companion should point out deceptive appearances and explain their true character, and in general act as an adviser. Unnecessary talking should be avoided by both as tending to distract attention from the work in hand. Subsequent drives can be of greater duration and on some of these an oil light the companion should not give instruction, allowing the driver to take care of himself, but acting when an emergency arises As a general rule, no matter how experienced an autoist is in night driving, there should be someone in the seat alongside to watch the road, and the majority of drivers are only too glad to have such assistance.

### Effect of Street Lights.

Running in city streets or on lighted roads is of course much easier than running on dark roads, but in such cases the eyes are constantly accommodating themselves to the changes in light as the car approaches and passes a street lamp. With the powerful arc lights in use in many cities, the view will be obscured for a short time as the car passes out of the circle thrown by the light "d a feeling however, as the eyes adjust map area off, currents, and while the mind may be cleared. It is, in the writer's estimation, but little superior to riding in a train or closed streat car when the terms of the superior to riding in a train or ber of the minor accidents occur at corners,

bearing the light and its direction of travel Better Auto Laws If it has any is ascertained. In the maprity of cases, the object will be a vehicle although road repairs are often marked by a white lantern instead of a red one. As

the autoist becomes experienced in driving at night, he will soon be able to distin-guish the characteristics of the different forms of traffic; a large dark blotch signi-AUTO MUST BE WELL LIGHTED fying a wagon, small whilish spots in the pear distance the faces of pedestrians, and a dancing 'twill-o-the-wisp'' effect a cyclist, the intermittent flashes being due to the reflection of the headlight on the plated parts of the machine. It is of course easy to know the direction of travel of a vehicle when red lights are seen on it as it is then moving in the same direction as the auto-

# mind at all times.

Lamp Equipment.

For properly illuminating the road and objects surrounding it, the lamp equipment should consist of one or two headlights, a The headlights should be carried low down and well forward, not only to better illuminate the road but to cease to dazzle other road users. Each lamp should be set on the forks or bracket so that its principal rays will be thrown horizontally, and should one headlight is fitted, as the autoist unconsciously follows the beam of light in on a swiveling bracket on the dash where it can readily be moved by the hand. Side lamps rest in brackets at each side of the dash and act as auxiliaries to the head-

lights in illuminating roadside objects outside of the beams thrown by the head-

valuable in case of tire or other trouble, as they can be readily removed from the mysteriously extinguished and the fact called to the autolst's attention by the police, as is usually the case. An alectric tall lamp with a small bulb wired in series therewith so that the extinguishing of this bulb will indicate that the tail lamp is also extinguished is far better than the use of

Benefits from Driving by Night. When not indulged in to too great an extent, driving by night is beneficial in a number of ways. After the day's work it clears the mind and fills the lungs with fresh air. The rapid passage of the car gives rise to a sense of buoyancy and the reaction therefrom causes a feeling of drowsiness, which makes the autoist sleep the case with nervous persons or those whose occupation keeps them indoors for the greater part of the day. Driving at

night should be indulged in in the warmer months of the year, as in the winter, driving in an open car is far from pleasant and may subject the riders to neuralgia or rheumatism. Driving in a closed car prevents the thorough enjoyment of the air

for the Highways

Washington Convention in January Has Important Work to Do on This Subject.

Charles Thaddeus Terry, chairman of the legislative board of the American Automobile association, announced last week that the first national legislative convention. inder the auspices of the American Automobile association, will be held in Wash-ington during the middle of January. This will be the first convention of its kind ever held, although two years ago the legislative board of the American Automobile association combined with the good roads board in holding the first blg convention at Buffalo, which was chiefly devoted to the

good roads movement. Plans are now under way to invite the governors or their representatives from all the states in the country, and in view of the increasing interest in the subject of good roads throughout the southern and far western states it is believed that the delegations from these localities will be particularly large. It has been found wherever the good roads subject becomes prominent, it is at once followed by a demand for better laws regarding the use of the highways. The chief matters that will be brought

before the coming convention will be the national registration motor law and the uniform state law. The former will be rentroduced into congress by Representative Cocks, who had charge of the bill last year, and it is purposed to obtain a hearing upon the bill before the judiciary committee during the time of the convention n Washington.

The enthusiasm aroused throughout Louisiana for improved highways at the good roads convention, held in that state during the summer, has led to the calling of a second similar convention at New Or leans on November 20 and 21. An important feature will be the holding of a series of automobile races over the mile race. track in New Orleans, sanction for which was recently granted by the American Auile association contest board. The New Orleans managers have retained Fred J. Wagner as starter and the profits from the race meet will go to the good roads fund of the state. Governor Sanaders, who called the recent good roads convention, has consented to act as one of the honorary

officials at the races, and he will deliver one of the principal addresses at the con vention, outlining the needs of better roads for Louisiana. B. F. Yoakum, chairman of the Rock Island-San Francisco Railroad system, who recently conducted a party of good roads

enthusiasts through the east, is devoting like the proverbial top. Especially is this a large share of his attention toward encouraging the building and maintenance of better roads in the farming communities of the country. In a recent address before the Farmers' union of Oklahoma Mr. Yoakum said:

"Farming is rapidly becoming more of a cience. To insure a fair return upon the constantly appreciating value of land the amount of crop per acre must be indreased and the cost of hauling to the railroad station reduced. After the farmer has solved the question of soil treatment there still remains the movement of the crop

over the wagon roads to the railroad. We

have many instances where improvement

of public roads has increased farm values



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not only to autos but to horsed vehicles and foot passengers. When emerging from light into what seems total darkness, as when leaving the last light of a city and going along the unlighted road, an involuntary sensation of being lost is experienced and even with powerful headlights the feeling of blindness occurs for a short time.

Goggles Not to Be Used.

Except when absolutely necessary, gog- auguration of the new motordrome course. gies should not be worn nor should the This speed tournament will be run in conwind-shield be raised when driving at nection with the Southern National show, Brush Runabout, the Oakland, the Cadilnight, as the reflections from street lamps which will open in Atianta today.

or other sources of light on the glass surfaces of the goggles and shield appear as Fred Wagner, who have visited and tried the De Tamble, the Mason, the Midland, direction can be taken from the locomotive engineer who drives at night with the cab beach at Ormond. windows down to prevent any possibility of reflection, the only light in the cab, the of Augusta gravel, of which the famous as a rule, and Farnam street never saw illuminated by the lamps are almost indaible, so that care should be taken in makg a turn or when passing a road crossing. would be well to have a movable searchlight fitted and this should be played on

road crossings in both directions as the car approaches them, and on the road into which the car is to turn in order to illuminate objects not allown up by the headlights. Otherwise the searchlight can assist the headlights in iluminating a greater vertical area and give warning of dangera ous objects at a distance.

#### Speed and Couriesy.

sought, Only a very reckless driver or one under the influence of liquor would drive a car Sweet-Edwards Automobile Co. Cars. at extreme speed at night. Not only would he endanger the other occupants of the car ated less than sixty days ago to carry on in so doing, but all other road users, espe- an automobile business on Farnam next cially those who lights are not as powerful door to Fredrickson, will handle the Ameras his own. To be on the safe side and to ican, the Moon and the Parry. The Ameraccord fair treatment to an others on the ican is one of the foremost cars of the road, a car should never be driven at such United States and has a record bursting a speed as will necessitate the use of gog- with wonderful performances. gles or a wind-shield. Courteay on the road It will take its place in Omaha and Nedoes not disappear with the sun and be-braska along with the highest priced cars, The Ford, Reo and Premier will have cause one has a powerful car and large and it goes without saying that it will susance or injury to less fortunate users of The Moon To the credit of the majority is a long way in advance of any former the road. of autoists, most of the violations of courtosy are on the part of horse drivers or other road users, a striking example being will always go and come with the best of vincible, strong car. the moving van driver who persistently occupies the crown of the road, thus pre- mobile authorities as being one of the venting others from passing him, or who way as a suitable place to breathe his as a swan. It is fast and strong. horacs. The catile driver with his herd ginser, will have charge of the Sweet-Ed. the adjoining states. without any lights at all is another of- wards garags and will push the new fender who constitutes an element of models vigorously. in with safety. As in the daytime, the at considerable outlay. Mr. Sweet spent same courtesy should be extended to all several weeks east in the best garages remembered that in case of accident, is novel here. will go harder with autoists at night than These cars will make their appearance on Farnam street within a short time and if the trouble accurred by daylight. provision will be made for them in a tem-

#### The Lights of Traffie. traffic on our roads is, unfortunately,

sicurbia in the main by the absence of receive them. ghts of any description. Though nearly

uit states specify that all vehicles shall It is the part of wisdom to occasionally carry lights, the laws are honored more in examine the couplings and fittings on the The Mitchell is a strong car, and very of the mishaps on the road at night are lihat there is no leakage which would rob roads of Nebraska and Iowa and has not of the mishaps on the road at night are rear-end collisions, or as a result of en-deavoring to avoid such collisions. When horse traffic carries any lights, they con-alet of either a fair of oil dash-tamps or a lancer shang under the running gear, and none for these fights can be seen for any consultrable distance. Ho whenever a faint light is seen ahead, the autoist should drive be of the object constituently until the mature of the object autiously until the nature of the object which suffer in consequence

COURSE FAST ATLANTA MOTOR Experts Say Ormond Beach Alone

from \$10 to \$50 per acre. Therefore, saying Excels Georgia Track. nothing about the relative comforts of a NEW YORK, Nov. 6 .- With the Vandergood road over a bad one, good roads are the past, racing motordom turns its eyes New York West Meet for the farmer."

to Atlanta, where on November 9 will start a great five days' meet by way of an in-

Other Dealer's Cars. Among the other models for 1910 and which are attracting attention are the lac, Stevens-Duryea, Stanley Steamer, In-George Robertson, Charles Basic and ternational, the Interstate, the Hupmobile

#### direct lights and obscure objects on the out the new track, found it to be the the Apperson, the Schoht, the Ford, Reo, road, with unhappy results. A hint in this fastest circular course in this country, with Premier, the Peerless, the Franklin, the speed possibilities exceeded only by the Buicks, the Studebaker, E. M. F., the Carter Car, the Cole and the Holsman. The new two-mile track has a surface The improvements in these cars are marked

gauge lamp, being placed directly in front Savannah course was built. The turns as many superb machines. of the gauge, where no angular reflection have a twelve-degree banking and the There can scarcely be found a niftier is possible. Objects outside of the area home stretch is over 100 feet broad. Iron car than Guy Smith's 1910 Franklin. It garages have been erected and grand- is a vast improvement on an already exstands built to seat 30,000 people. tremely good machine. The Franklin is A special freight train started last Tues- a popular car in Nebraska, and is a favorday to curry the Vanderbilt cars to the ite among the best class of buyers. So is course. Messrs. Durant and Candle of Huffman's Interstate a superior car. It the Motordrome company, who were here has made its way in this section of the for the Vanderbilt, have secured already country. It has demonstrated its ability the promises of fourteen cars for the races. to go over rough roads, through sand and Ton thousand dollars in cash and an up hills with ease, and it has endurance. equal amount in trophies will be put up. Kimball's Cadillac 30 is a beautiful car The track is entirely a local patriotic en- and is a great improvement over the terprise. No tradesmen are financially in- others. So is his Stevens-Duryes. Brown's terested and no profit beyond expenses is Stanley Steamer is perhaps among the very most noticeable improvements in

cars coming to this market. The Studebaker E. M. F. is a graceful car and a The Sweet-Edwards company, incorporpowerful one. The 1910 model is one of the favorites on automobile row. So are Buick's great cars. Manager Huff is a very busy man keeping customers/supplied with Buicks. The International is attracting a great deal of attention, so is the Schoht and the Brush. The Apperson, Mason and Midland models not yet ar-

homes on Farnam in the near future. President Herring expects to establish The Moon is a St. Louis car, and the 1919

portry way until the garage is ready to

Look Out for Oll Lenks.

tham on auto row during the next few weeks. The Carter car has made good product of the Missouri manufacturers. It in Omaha. Kuhn has established the is graceful and durable. It rides easy and Hoisman and the Schoht is still the inthem. The Parry is regarded by auto-1010 Rambler and Mitchell.

greatest of the new cars. It is as graceful The Colt Automobile company has placed the Rambler and the Mitchell in about every section of this state and some of

The Rambler in one of those serviceable cars that will go anywhere, over any sort The garage, which will be ready for the of roads, and go there on time. The new danger, in addition. Both of these must be watched, for on summer nights and in lo-watched, for on summer nights and in lomilities where market wagons or herds are best appointed in the west. The show While, of course, it is the Rambier idea. iriven from one place to another by night, room will be unlike any show room in this all of the new and important improvements moderate speed is all that can be indulged part of the country, and will be finished coming up within the last year have been incorporated into the 1910 model. The Rambler is considered a pretty car. It is other rund users at night and it should be there and has plans which will be new and built with a compactness that insures great strength and durability. It is graceful on the road and easy riding.

The Mitchell added to its record during the present year some very enviable performances. It has galloped from coast to coast with important war documents. It delivered its secrets on schedule time and was ready for another run, without any of

## its parts being tinkered with. breach than in the observance. Must oil and grease pipes on your car, to see serviceable, and has been tried out on the

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