

UNIFORM AUTOMOBILE LAWS

Owners Would Like Laws the Same in Different States.

MOVE AT NEXT CONVENTION

An Effort Will Be Made to Have Same License Permit Owner to Drive from One State to Another.

Uniformity in automobile laws is at last beginning to attract the attention it deserves throughout the country.

The purpose of the convention is twofold: First, to secure the passage in congress of the federal motor vehicle registration bill, and second, to bring before the official delegates of the various states the necessity of enacting a uniform state motor vehicle law.

At this February convention delegates from all the clubs in the national organizations have been requested to attend, and invitations have been extended to the governors of all the states in the union.

The national registration bill was introduced into congress last year, but owing to the tariff agitation it failed to obtain a hearing before the judiciary committee.

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The full rights of automobilists have been too long ignored. To a large extent, it may be said that hostile legislation on the statute books is there largely because we have ourselves been lax and indifferent about it.

In referring to the work accomplished since 1907 for a uniform state motor vehicle law, Mr. Terry said that the progress made thus far was highly encouraging.

In twenty-eight states, which are cited as considerable detail, some of the more important features of this state law have already been enacted. Those states which now exempt non-residents from paying an additional registration fee, provided such motor users have complied with the law in their home states, are: New York, California, Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, New Hampshire, North Carolina, Ohio, Oregon, South Dakota, Utah, Washington and Wisconsin.

Very pretentious doings will attend the final preparing of the track. With auspicious ceremony and appointment the last brick will be laid on the costly roadway, a solid, planned, regular sized block, will be laid some day next week. The brick will seal what has cost more than \$200,000 to complete.

The program for the meeting is being arranged, and will include events for cars of class 1.42 to 600 cubic inches; class 2, 200 to 400 cubic inches; class 3, 200 to 300 cubic inches; class 4, 300 to 200 cubic inches, and class 5, 100 cubic inches and under.

Each one of these classes will have trials and the records in the separate classes will be kept. The list of events will include the quarter mile, the half mile, a kilometer, the one mile, the five-mile, the ten-mile, the twenty-mile, the fifty-mile and the 100-mile, also trials for one hour's running.

Signboards for Chicago. The Chicago Motor club is spending the sum of \$2,000 in the erection of permanent sign boards on 200 miles of roads in the vicinity of the "Windy City."

His Felicitations. "Maude," said Algy, "I told Bixie of our engagement the other day."

"What did he say?" "Well, you just ought to have heard him."

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expense is reduced to a minimum and with it every running expense is lessened to the same extent as road shocks are reduced. A few American makers have always advocated this type of car, but the buying public appears not to have been fully alive to the advantages gained or more of the manufacturers would have fallen into line with right-grade machines.

The first year's output of the Franklin Motor cars was thirteen.

One of the tendencies toward change in automobile construction that was most forcibly in evidence at the London Olympic show, just closed, was the many high-class light cars which were brought out by many of the well established builders.

Drummond is placing the White Steamer in the forefront as a great car in Nebraska and Iowa. It is more popular now than ever. The White people have put a gasoline car on the market and Drummond is pushing it also. It is a clean, graceful car and will become popular.

Otto Neuman thinks that the Farry, brought out by the Sweet-Edwards Automobile company, is one of the most graceful little cars that he ever saw. It is attracting a great deal of attention.

H. E. Fredrickson will establish a branch agency in Lincoln and handle the Thomas and Pierce Arrow.

A Bachelor's Reflections. Income turns into outgo even before it arrives. Conscience doth make cowards of us all for fear we'll get found out.

William is 7 years old, and has already developed what his fond father calls "the author bug." His governess read several dog stories to him lately, which impressed him so deeply that he tried his baby hand at what he called "the story of a St. Bernard dog," in which the little fellow relates, among others, this startling incident in large and well formed letters: "One day he went out to walk with his mistress. A

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