#### **Auto Replaces** Railroad Train for Inspection

Essex Coach Makes 1,349-Mile Trip at Average Speed of 38 Miles an

Hour.

A remarkable performance was made recently by a standard 1922 Essex coach, which, mounted on flanged railroad wheels, made a flying round trip of inspection from Los Angeles, Cal., to Phoenix, Ariz., 1,349.2 miles, over the Santa Fe rail-road tracks in 35 hours and 10 minutes, actual running time, at an average speed of 38.4 miles an hour.

The coach came through the trip in perfect shape and experienced no difficulty during any part of the long test, say railroad officers, who rode in the coach. It conquered at high speed the grades through the numerous mountains encountered. Railroad men are of the opinion that the Essex test may mean that auto-mobiles of a revised design will re-place railroad trains in certain trips. Low Gas Consumption.

Though the flanged wheels made the coach heavier than the standard model, its consumption of oil and gasoline was unusually low.

The Essex maintained a regular schedule throughout the trip, East-bound, it left Los Angeles at 6:55 a. m, and arrived in Phoenix at 11:30 m. the same day. This direct run 491.5 miles was made in 12 hours and 12 minutes actual running time, at an average speed of more than 40 miles an hour. On straightaways speeds of 50 to 55 miles were maintained, and on one lengthy stretch an average of 64 miles was made, Seek Better Method.

The return trip was made by a longer route, but notwithstanding steep grades and much time lost on sidings, the 857.7 miles was com-pleted in 22 hours and 58 minutes. A mechanic and two railroad officials accompanied the Essex driver. One man drove the entire distance east-

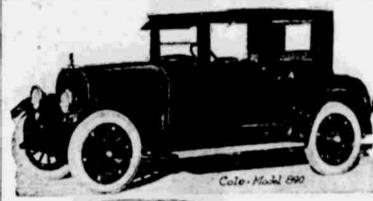
Santa Fe officials and other railroad men throughout the country for some time have been seeking a more satisfactory method of getting over their divisions for making inspections and on other trips. They require a flexible means of rapid transportation that is safe, reliable and more economical than present methods. Costs of operating a special train are too high, they say, and regular scheduled trains sometimes are not available for hours after the party could otherwise start.

#### Citizens' Public Safety

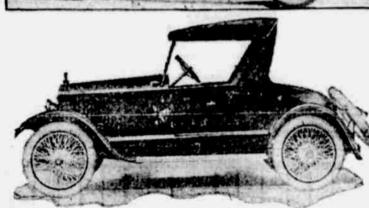
Organization in Detroit For the control and prevention of accidents in Detroit, Mich., the police department has a citizens public safety organization of 27,000 persons, comprised of every useful agency that goes to make up an

average city. This organization includes the police department, which has charge of board of education, the Detroit Automobile club, the Recreation commission, the safety council, the fire department and upward of 200 activities and organizations.

### Auto Makers Confident These Cars Will Please









Reo Touring



Hudson Sedan.

#### **Dual Valve Makes** Big Haulage Feat

Negotiates 7 Per Cent Grade in Omaha With Excavating Machine.

"While the dual-valve engine which is standard in all models of the Pierce-Arrow truck is conceded to be the most powerful truck engine built, few actually realize how tre mendous its power it," said Fred C. Hill, president of the Fred C. Hill Motor company, Twenty-first and

Hill. J. I. Hanighen frequently calls Thorobred, as compared to the former car, is in its power plant. The Sales Manager to New Thorobred is equipped with the New Thorobred is equipped with the Ansted engine, which has carned, in less than two years of service, the heavy-duty trucks was required to heavy-duty trucks was required to tow the machine. On the most recent occasion, however, Mr. Busche cent occasion, however, Mr. Busche cent occasion, however, of one his

Working alone, the dual-valve unit towed the 40-ton apparatus five miles and even climbed the 7 per cent grade at Thirtieth and Harney streets without assistance. In the middle of the ascent the truck and its tow were stopped for the purpose of making photographs. In starting again the excess power of the dual-valve engine slipped the driving wheels a half turn on the dry asphalt before they gained sufficient traction to overcome the inertia of the dead load.

A duplicate of this truck will be

#### 2.500 Reckless Motorists

Auto vigilantes, working under the direction of the Automobile Club of Southern California, have reported 2,500 reckless motorists in Los An-

## New Lexington Thorobred



A duplicate of this truck will be toon with the Lexi-gasifier, a vapor- progress attained by the company shown at the Omaha Automobile izing device, two-way head lamps,

Four colors are optional on the Reported in Los Angeles New Thorobred. They are beaver seating arrangements from the for- crowns.

Leavenworth streets.

An unusual haulage feat in Omahar recently tested the ability of the dual-valve type of truck, says Mr.

Hill. J. J. Hauighen frequently calls.

Of all the 10 Lexington models at one Thorobred model. The sides are ships week's automobile show, the slightly higher, and the seating arrangement adds additional comfort, est appeal to lovers of the sport accommodating five adult passentiate.

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