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SEES VALUE IN WORKING

Shamokin, Pa., Railroad Agent Has Much Real Estate But Does Not Intend to Quit Position

Although George J. Higgins, of Shamokin, Pa., owns property worth more than \$1,500,000, he steadfastly refuses to give up his job as station agent of the Philadelphia and Reading railroad in that city. He has likewise refused numerous promotions just to be able to continue at his job.

"Everybody argues that I don't need the job and that I ought to step out," Higgins told *The American Magazine*. "But the fact is that nobody needs the job more than I do and I am glad I can afford to keep on holding it. I can afford to keep the job I love, live in the town I love and be close to the families and friends I love. I love the job because as long as I hold it, I am able to read the family." My job is a part of my life and if I stepped out of it I would be as lonesome as a cat without a cat.

Higgins bought a bankrupt motion picture theatre and a home with his early savings and then built more motion picture theatres in and around Shamokin. His investments were wise and fortunate and the various buildings and businesses he owns today are still growing in value. His sons have stepped into the management of his property so Higgins is free to retain the job he prefers above all others.

"I am sixty-three now," he said and if I live to be seventy I will have to retire automatically. Certainly I will not live much longer. I will run down like a watch without a main-spring without my job."

AUTO BUSINESS GROWS FASTEST IN COUNTRY

The automobile business is the fastest growing industry in the United States, based on export business done during the past 18 years, according to announcement of the American Motorists' Association and The Automobile Club of Illinois. In its volume of foreign sales the industry increased its business during 1927 by 1925.7 per cent compared with the average for the five year period of 1910-14. Compared with the five year period of 1921-25 the increase was 155.9 per cent and comparing 1927 amounted to \$388,300,000.

HOPES FOR UNIFIED CHINA ENTERTAINED

BY CHINESE JUDGE HERE

Chief Justice of Court of Appeals in Swatow on Visit to U. S. Optimistic of Future

Hopes for a unified China and a stable and effective government were expressed here today by Hui-Pe Kuo, chief justice of the court of appeals in Swatow. Judge Kuo, one of the younger members of the Nationalist movement in China, was appointed by Wang Chung Hui, minister of justice of the Nationalist government in Nanking, to investigate the various judicial systems in America and Europe. He has been doing graduate work in the school of law of Northwestern university to prepare himself for his investigations in this country.

With the coming of warm weather, Judge Kuo said, hostilities in China may be expected to revive, and with some chance of a decisive test between the forces of the North and the South. General Chiang Kai-shek has definitely reassumed the leadership of the military forces of the Nationalist government. Chiang is the young leader who headed the Nationalist armies in their advance last year from Canton in South China to the central Yangtze valley. With a united following he might have carried the Nationalist colors to victory in the final capture of Peking.

Merger Is Predicted

General Feng Yu-hsiang, the so-called "Christian General," in charge of the campaign against the northern militarists, has recently been in conference with the young military leader of the Nationalist government; and it is reported that in Shansi province, General Yen Hsi-shan is ready to join Chiang and Feng with 100,000 men.

"Of the twenty-two provinces in China, sixteen are now a part of the belong to the Peking government," said Judge Kuo. "The leaders of the Kuomintang, or Nationalist Party, are young Chinese who have been educated in American universities. It is our hope that the coming military activities may bring unity to China and a stable government."

"We have broken relations with Russia. No more Russian officers are in command in the Nationalist armies. It was the Russian advisers who were responsible for the anti-missionary demonstrations. There is no red element in the Nationalist government now, and the missionaries are returning."

The Nationalist government, Judge

Kuo said, has a political commission of twelve men; and its ideal is what he termed "the three peoples government," meaning government of the people, for the people and by the people.

SPRING BRINGS MANY MOTORING DIFFICULTIES

With the advent of spring, motoring difficulties are manifold; dirt roads are softened from winter snows and rains; from alternate freezing and thawing; and highway contractors are beginning construction programs which will eventually result in many miles of new roads, but, which will bring inconvenience and perhaps discomfort while under way, points out a bulletin issued by the touring bureau of the Chicago Motor club. Detours appear in unexpected places, great piles of stone are strewn in the middle of the road, and roads that were familiar last fall are an uncharted sea to the uniformed tourist.

When planning a trip at this time of year, it is highly important to secure accurate, up-to-date information on road conditions. The motorist who will observe this precaution will save himself much annoyance and disappointment and possibly expense.

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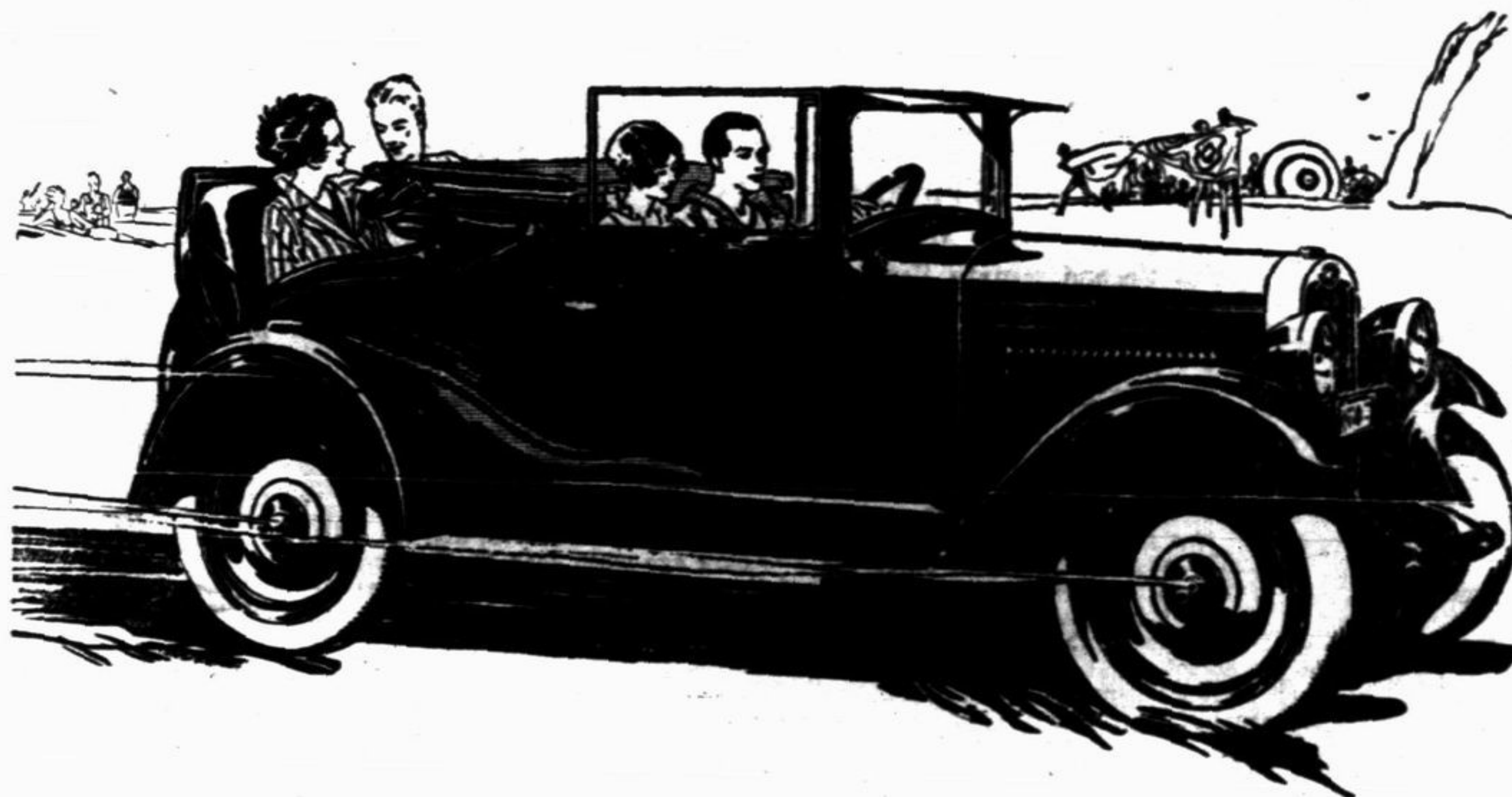
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