

MANY VACANCIES IN NAVY RADIO BRANCH

Increasing Use of This Facility for Ship Guidance Is Cause Given

Over five-hundred vacancies in the Radio branch of the Navy await filling by competent men, according to a Navy Department letter just received by the commandant of the Great Lakes Naval Training station.

Since the Navy incorporated radio compasses and radio beacons along the coasts of the United States, and accordingly increased its personnel in this branch, it is said that advancement is unusually rapid and that radio men are constantly moving to higher ratings, thus creating a shortage in the lower grades.

Valuable Asset

The naval authorities state that, by means of radio and sound equipment installed on naval ships and shore stations, ships at sea, both naval and commercial, have a reliable and valuable asset, enabling them to locate their positions in stormy and foggy weather by means of the radio compass and radio beacons; that stricken vessels may send out distress calls for help by giving their positions, enabling assistance to be rendered; that the high power radio stations on both coasts send out, at stated times during each day, weather, hydrographic, press and stock reports, storm warnings, etc.; and that certain stations also send out daily market reports.

U. S. Naval Radio shore stations, it is said, perform an additional useful and valuable service by handling thousands of messages for other Government departments during the course of a year. These stations are entirely manned and maintained by officers and enlisted men of the U. S. Navy.

Remote Control

According to the naval authorities, the commanders of fleets and squadrons can control and maneuver their units from distant bases when the ships are miles apart, and the lurking enemy submarine, when discovered, would have its position accurately reported to all ships and stations in the vicinity within a few minutes.

Naval experts report that aircraft of certain types are now equipped with radio receiving and transmitting apparatus with which they can report the movements of enemy fleets and the effect of our shell fire, thereby enabling our gunners to correct the ranges of our guns.

Aircraft Radio

Aircraft radio is a comparatively new field open to the radio men, and since the adaption of radio by the Navy Air Service, more trained personnel are required, according to an announcement made by the Navy Recruiting Service. Radio men in this branch, it is stated, are given orders involving flying and receive fifty per cent remuneration in addition to their regular monthly pay. This is called "flight pay." The Navy maintains a special research laboratory at Washington, D. C. for the training of aircraft radio operators.

Antioch Man Sells Car and Gets Bogus Check

Search for purchaser of a car, who exhibited a \$4,000 certified check and then completed the deal with a \$2,400 personal check that was worthless, is being conducted by Sheriff Lawrence Doolittle for Charles Sibley, Antioch dealer, it is reported in Waukegan last week.

Backed with a warrant and spurred on by a reward the chase for the young man has extended throughout the middle west.

Sibley, it was learned from deputies, had his 'prospect' in line for more than a week before he closed the deal. The man had the certified check but stated that it had to be deposited in a Kenosha bank the following morning so the dealer ac-

cepted another for \$2,400, the purchase price of the car.

All that happened three weeks ago but Sibley is earnestly seeking the whereabouts of his customer.

Body of Man Drowned In Long Lake Found

Body of John Degn, 23 years old, of Chicago, who drowned in Long Lake Sunday afternoon while swimming, came to the surface of the lake at 8:15 o'clock last Thursday morning near the point where the young man went down.

The body, freed by its own buoyancy from the weeds that enmeshed it, came bobbing to the top of the water near a small boat from which two men and two women were fish-

ing. The gruesome sight unnerved the party and they hurried to the shore where they reported their discovery and still excited left the vicinity without giving their names.

Dr. J. L. Taylor, county coroner, was notified of the discovery of the body and he impanelled a jury and held the inquest this morning. A verdict of death by accidental drowning was returned.

The liberals who think they can end all war by getting Uncle Sam into a world convention might try out their theory first by calling a convention of wets and drys and trying to settle the liquor question. If they can put that over we will have a little more confidence in their ability to untangle the mazes of European politics.

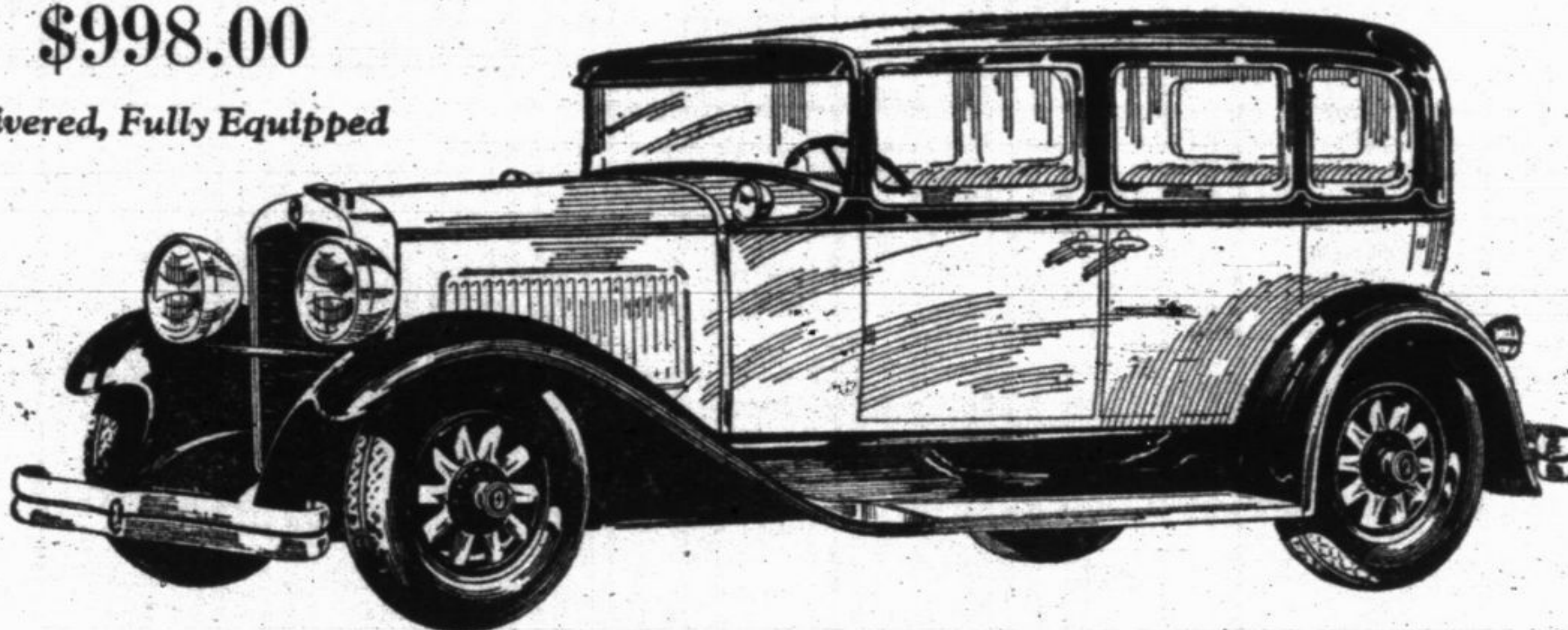
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