

MOTOR NEWS

HUGE AMOUNT SPENT BY VACATIONISTS

About Seven Billions World Total, and Four Billions in United States

During 1930 everybody in the world spent on travel a total of \$7,500,000,000 and of this amount \$4,100,000,000 was spent in the United States, according to figures issued by the American Automobile Association.

Americans spent \$3,975,000,000 in their own country on travel and \$940,000,000 abroad, a total of \$4,915,000,000.

Foreigners spent \$125,000,000 in the United States and \$2,500,000,000 in other parts of the world. The total amount therefore spent by foreigners on travel amounted to \$2,625,000,000.

Although Americans constitute only 15 per cent of the world's population they spent, according to the above figures almost half of all the money spent on travel in the world.

The travel bill of the world can also be itemized as follows:

Auburn Exceeds 1930 Shipment on April 11

AUBURN, IND., April 13—R. H. Faulkner, president of the Auburn Automobile company, announced today that with the shipment of 2,168 Auburn and Cord cars by the company in the first eleven days of April Auburn's total shipments since January 1 of this year had passed the 1930 entire total by 193 cars. Shipments up to April 11 totaled 13,886, as against 13,693 for the full year of 1930.

\$3,200,000,000.

Vacation travel by rail in U. S., \$750,000,000.

Vacation travel by air and water in U. S., \$25,000,000.

Vacation travel by Americans in Canada (motorists) \$325,000,000.

Vacation travel by Americans in Europe and Levant, \$500,000,000.

Vacation travel by Americans in Mexico, \$40,000,000.

Visitors to America

Visitors to the United States from Canada, Mexico, Europe, other for-

OLDEST FORD DRIVER



J. M. Crow, 89, of Ethel, Miss., the oldest Ford driver in Mississippi, traversed the historic old Natchez Trace in a covered wagon eighty-seven years ago.

As rugged today at 89 as the age in American history he so picturesquely typifies, J. M. Crow of Ethel, Miss., is the oldest Ford driver in Mississippi and one of the oldest in the United States.

When as a babe of two years he rode with his parents in one of a train of 30 covered wagons out of Cobb county, Georgia, into Mississippi, the old Natchez Trace followed by the brave little band was still infested by the swashbuckling ruffians whose bloody outrages gave that era its place in this country's history as "the outlaw years."

One of his vivid memories is hearing, as a boy of six, the news of General Scott's victorious assault on the heights of Chapultepec which ended the Mexican War in 1847, and his

proudest memory is of honorable service as a Confederate soldier during the Civil War. When the southern cause collapsed, Crow was compelled to trudge 400 miles on foot to the old homestead at Ethel where he settled down to rear a family.

In the intervening years he has seen the lumbering stagecoach give way to the fleet automobile and the comfortable motorbus, the soggy gumbo and rough corduroy roads of his childhood to the wide, paved roads of today, and although he was long past middle age before the modern automobile became commonplace he is as enthusiastic a driver as youngsters who can boast less than one-quarter of his years.

Five generations of Crow's family are frequently seen together in his Model A Ford, the second of its type Crow has owned and driven.

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Expenditures throughout the world for vacation travel, other than by Americans and visitors to the U. S., \$2,500,000,000.

The total world travel bill is \$7,500,000,000.

If no one traveled for one year and the money spent on travel during 1930 were distributed throughout the world, every man, woman, and child in the world would get \$4.00

If everyone in the United States had turned the money they spent on travel in 1930 into a fund to be distributed equally among the people of this country, every man, woman, and child would receive \$40.

If the people of the United States turned the money they spent on

travel into the U. S. treasury to pay off Europe's war debt to us, Europe would not owe us anything in three years.

Springtime Is Danger Time for Little Tots

With the advent of spring, motorists are urged by the Chicago Motor club to drive with extreme caution, because of the increased numbers of children playing in the streets.

Although traffic safety education has for many years been an integral part of the regular school curriculum, many youngsters still fail to realize the peril of roller skating, hitching, playing baseball and indulging in other sports on streets where motor traffic prevails.

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