

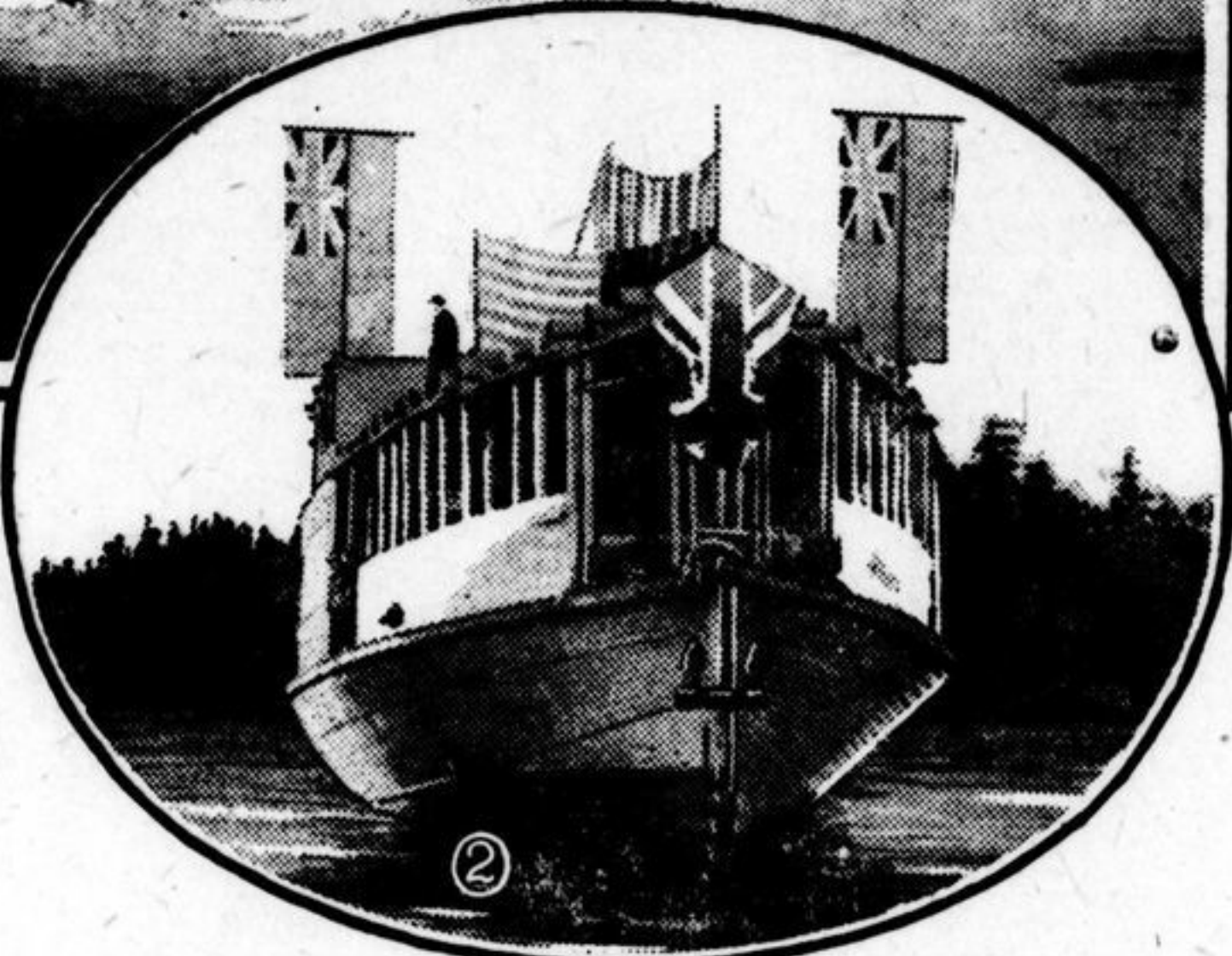
## Motor Transport Through West Coast Archipelago



1. Gem like islets thrusting up from smiling summer seas. 2. The "Motor Princess" after launching.

The magnificent chain of fine motor roads which wind through the Selkirk and the Canadian Pacific Rockies to Vancouver and points on the southern British Columbia border, thence through the western states of America, touching as they do the finest of the Canadian and American National Parks, need no introduction to the world of motor-dom. Every mile of roadway, especially through the Canadian Parks where it has, in many places, been cut out of solid rock and at stupendous cost, has been built with an eye to easy travelling and scenic grandeur, and from early spring until late in the fall a continuous stream of automobiles, bearing licences issued in every town on the continent, pour along the highway. Nowhere else can the motorist obtain such a long run through such ever changing scenes of natural beauty.

During the past few years it has become quite the thing to motor through vacation time, and those who choose this way of holidaying are unanimous in their choice of a "hunting ground." British Columbia and the Rockies are not the things to be "done," because having travelled through them once means never to have willingly done with the country. No less attractive an account of its



good roads, scenic properties and tourist accommodation is Vancouver Island. The city of Victoria at the southern extremity of the island is the hub from which the "round the Island" and shorter roads radiate, and the town itself, with its broom decked hills, its thousand gardens, its avenues of hawthorne, acacia, lyburnum and other fragrant trees is the goal of all who having covered the scenic routes of the mainland would still enjoy the pleasures of the road without travelling the same road again, and those who are attracted to the island by its particular type of beauty, which is after the English style with "just enough of the tropics thrown in."

The passage to the Island is usually made by ferry from Vancouver, or Bellingham in the State of Washington to Victoria or one of

the west coast ports nearby. The Canadian Pacific Railway Company has this year put into service a new automobile ferry, the "Motor Princess," a motor driven vessel which operates between Bellingham and Victoria and which, with a capacity for fifty automobiles and well appointed accommodation for 250 passengers, plies twice daily.

The route traversed by the ferry is marked by islands, some of which are miles in extent, others gem like islets thrusting up from smiling seas, making the waterway a succession of pictures to which the most famous of salon hangings cannot compare. The lordly Mount Baker is also seen from the ferry to advantage, standing as it does in a mantle of dazzling snow amid the foothills of the mainland.

revolutionary activities. But he is not making up all that he says. Throughout Prussia and Bavaria there is a strong undercurrent of monarchical sentiment. Some time or other it will try conclusions with the present Socialist-Republican majority. We shall at least learn whether the Germans are, as many persons say, only skin-deep republicans, ready at a moment's excuse to call back their royal rulers.

Professor Einstein, having enjoyed the seclusion and stimulation of a long ocean trip, has produced another physico-philosophical theory that is expected to agitate the scientific world as much as his ideas on relativity did. He is reticent about it now and tells us only that it concerns terrestrial magnetism and the earth's power of attraction. We await the publication of it with anticipation—and with the hope that it will not puzzle us so much as the "curvature of space" and the "relativity of space and time" puzzled us when we first read of them.

### EUGENIA AND NIAGARA SYSTEMS MAY BE CONNECTED

A meeting of the Eugenia Hydro Association is to be held in Owen Sound within the next few weeks, on a date that will make it possible for Engineer James and other Provincial Hydro officials to be present.

There are several matters to come before the meeting, says The Owen Sound Sun-Times, probably the most important being the question of connecting up the Eugenia plant with the Niagara system by a power line constructed probably from Harrison to Mount Forest. There would have to be a frequency changer at either one or the other places maintained, as the Eugenia plant is of 60 cycle, and Niagara has a 25-cycle system.

For some time past it has been demonstrated that Eugenia Falls is not capable of producing enough energy for a 24-hour capacity service all the year around. Its reserves of water are not sufficient to carry over the dry seasons, and it is doubtful if peak could be maintained for any considerable length of time.

There is an extra generator installed at Eugenia, and it is also proposed to build a new pipe line from the dam to the power-house, which would double the capacity of the plant for peak load purposes.

If Eugenia and Niagara are connected, it is probable that Niagara power will be used during average hours, but that power from Eugenia will be held for peak load purposes, both on the Eugenia system and on the Severn system. The sale of this power, it is stated, would almost pay for the power secured from Niagara.

There is another advantage of connecting up with Niagara. Should any break occur at the Eugenia plant it would not mean a shut-down as the Niagara plant would take care of the load, or vice versa.

The following appeared in the Hydro Bulletin for March:

The Commission is calling for tenders for a second pipe line at the Eugenia development. This second pipe line will serve two purposes: First, it will enable the Commission to increase the output of Eugenia development to approximately 8,000 horse-power, and, secondly, it will enable maintenance and repairs to be taken care of on the existing pipe line without inconvenience to the various municipalities being served

from the system at large. The installation of this second pipe line will also enable the Commission to use the water with greater efficiency. No changes are required in the Power House to increase the present output to 8,000 horse-power, as the hydraulic and electrical generating and switching equipment is already in service.

Another difference between death and taxes is that death is satisfied with one lick at you.

### A Frank Man.

He had called on her twice a week for six months, but had not proposed. "Ethel," he said, as they were taking a moonlight stroll one evening, "I am—er—going to ask you an important question."

"Oh, George!" she exclaimed, "this is so sudden. Why I—"

"What I want to ask you is this," he interrupted. "What date have you and your mother decided upon for our wedding??"



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### FACT AND COMMENT

In France the controversy between the cities and the country over daylight saving has been settled by compromise. The Government orders all clocks turned ahead one half hour to conform with Strasbourg instead of Greenwich time.

A special survey will undertake to sound the Deep River Reach of the Ottawa River. In several places in the space of twenty-three miles five thousand feet of towboat line has failed to find bottom. Lake Superior the deepest of the great inland seas, attains a depth of about 1,000 feet.

Experimenters in Chicago have had very promising results from using ethylene gas and oxygen as an anaesthetic. Attention was first directed to ethylene when florists complained that carnations in a certain greenhouse "went to sleep". It was discovered that there was a leaky gas fixture and that the small quantity of ethylene in the illuminating gas had an anaesthetic effect on the plants.

One way in which the British Government promotes private business is by buying stock in it. The government, proceeding openly with its trading, asks Parliament for authority to make whatever purchases it thinks the public interests call for. Some of the investments have not been profitable, but such large earnings as have come from the Suez Canal and the Anglo-Persian Oil Company more than cover all the losses in other ventures.

Not all of the "poor but proud" youths who begin in the conventional way to make their fortunes meet a rich banker early in their career; but it does not matter if they make the most of their jobs. A woman who had sold newspapers all her life in New York died the other day and left an estate of \$80,000. By getting control of a chain of "shine" parlors a bootblack in Chicago is said to have made a million dollars.

A few of the more important advantages that advocates claim for motor busses over trolley cars are: Passengers when boarding or leaving the busses are less liable to be run down by the regular street traffic because the busses stop at the curve; other street traffic is not held up while passengers are getting on or off; the noise of flat wheels is eliminated; the network of wires and the costly extensions of trackage are unnecessary; busses can give short-

cut service between factory and residential districts for workmen at rush hours and so avoid transferring large masses of rush-hour riders at downtown points; they can give immediate service on new lines when there is a demand for it and thus show quickly whether a new line is necessary.

The soviet court at Moscow condemned to death Archbishop Zepiak, the head of the Roman Church in Russia, and his vicar-general, whose name is Butchkavitch. The two priests were accused of resisting the soviet decree of confiscation of portable church property and of carrying on secret "counter-revolutionary" activities. As might have been expected, the sentence caused loud protests. Like most of the Roman Catholics in Russia, Archbishop Zepiak is a Pole. The Polish Government was quick to notify Moscow that his death would seriously offend the Polish people. The Vatican objected vigorously. Several others of the European governments added their protests. With some show of irritation the soviets in the end announced that the archbishop's life would be spared. The vicar-general was executed on March 31.

It is reported that a number of Russians in exile who belong to the Social-Revolutionary party have offered to return to Russia and submit to imprisonment in the place of some other members of the same party who have been sent to prison for their political beliefs and who have lost their health there. Among those who have made the offer, we hear, are Alexander Kerensky, who was premier of Russia before the Bolshevik revolution, and Madame Breshkovsky, the "little grandmother of the revolution." It would be ironical, indeed if Madame Breshkovsky, who gave her long life to help liberate Russia from the tyranny of the czars, should end her days in a Communist prison.

A Virginian named Collier has built an internal combustion engine that, he says, applies the power of the motor directly to the rim of the wheel without the intervention of a piston. He believes that it will treble the efficiency of automobile engines and enable a motor car to run fifty or sixty miles on a gallon of gasoline. Mr. Collier's engine has one spark-plug, no pistons, no crank shaft and no gears. It has only 117 parts, whereas even the simplest of automobile engines have hitherto had more than three hundred. It is

not unusual for inventors to be oversanguine about their achievements. We shall be interested to see whether this engine can do what is promised for it.

According to Herr Severing, the Prussian Minister of the Interior, Germany is on the verge of civil war. He declares that the so-called People's Freedom party is in reality a party of Royalist conspirators; that there are continual plots to murder the members of the Prussian and the German government, which are frustrated only by an efficient secret police; and that General Ludendorff, Hitler, the leader of the Bavarian Fascists, and other royalist sympathizers are in constant communication with the semi-military organizations that are awaiting only the proper moment to rise in behalf of a restored monarchy. That Herr Severing is something of an alarmist is possible. No doubt he thinks it good politics to keep his opponents under constant suspicion of re-

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