

### Washing by Power an Improvement at Skokie Garage

The time required for greasing automobiles, has, by inventions been lessened considerably in the last couple of years, but it remained for the Skokie Motor company of Main street, Wilmette, Ford distributor, to discover

a method which reduces the time of washing cars and it is claimed this new method also does the job more efficiently.

A power machine in the Skokie shop does the work and it not only saves time but considerable labor as well. This machine is a small, but powerful affair and is operated by electricity, all that is necessary to set it in motion being to plug in a socket. The machine which has been recommended to all dealers by the Ford company gives a 300 pound water pressure. In addition to the hose there is a fifty gallon tank which is filled with water and to which soap has been applied.

The motor is started, a valve is opened and the washing fluid is sprayed on the car. After this spraying which requires only a few minutes the washer goes over the car once with a sponge and follows this by go-

ing over the car with a chamois, completing the job.

"We've found that washing cars and washing them efficiently isn't much of a job, since we acquired this power machine," says D. W. Leonard, the Ford dealer. The man who wants his car washed doesn't have to lay it up for several hours any more. There may be several cars ahead of him, but the rapidity with which we do the job now enables us to take the job and assure him that he will get it back washed in a very reasonable time."

Mr. Leonard reports that the delivery of the new Ford A cars which has been somewhat slow for several weeks is showing considerable improvement.

"We are getting six or seven cars a week now" he said. The buyers of cars who have not yet received them are no longer showing impatience, for the improvement in delivery assures them that it will not be long before they will drive their new Fords. We have about two hundred orders on our books which have not yet been filled."

### Fatigue Is Cause of Many Accidents Erwin Greer Says

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Investigations have shown there is not very much difference between the reactions of a person who is thoroughly fatigued and one who has become intoxicated from imbibing alcoholic stimulants. In both cases the vision is blurred, thought is confused, the senses dulled and a lack of co-ordination exists between the will and the muscles.

For a much longer period than in the case of traffic, accurate accident records have been kept in the industries. Not only have records been kept, but a close study of causes has also been made. These show a direct relation between the accident rate, the severity rate and fatigue. The greater the fatigue of the workers, the greater the accident rate and the greater the severity rate.

Although the records are not so complete in regard to motor car accidents, it does not require very much investigation to indicate beyond a question of a doubt that fatigue causes the deaths of many motorists. As a matter of fact, anyone who will stop to think can recall cases where fatigue was undoubtedly the cause of serious accidents.

Man can accomplish some amazing feats, but no man nor no woman can keep going for long without food, water and sleep. Food to him is what gas and oil are to the automobile engine. It is the material from which the power and the lubrication come. Water is as necessary to man as it is to an automobile radiator. Without water, he dries up, becomes overheated and dies. Sleep is the charging of the battery used to supply the sparks, without which there can be no real exertion.

Let a person go without food, let him go without water, let him go without sleep for a long enough period, let him go without any one of these things, for any great period and fatigue results. If he is driving a car it is a death-dealing fatigue.

The only way to make touring or any long trips safe is to avoid fatigue, and it can be avoided only by eating sufficient and proper food, by drinking enough pure water and getting enough sleep that is sound and restful. In other words the driver has to give as much attention and use as much judgment in keeping himself in good driving condition as he does in keeping the car in good running condition. Failure to do this is surely playing with death.

### Production Schedules of Pierce-Arrow Are Revised

Increased demand for the new Pierce-Arrow Series 81 motor car has so exceeded the factory's expectations that production schedules have had to be completely revised, according to James G. Barber of Evanston, north shore dealer.

Orders for additional quantities of materials have been placed so as to insure no interruption of production during the coming months. The materials are for both lines of Pierce-Arrow cars, the Series 81 and the Series 36, the large dual-valve automobile.

According to a report made by the sales department indications point to the fact that Pierce-Arrow sales for September will even eclipse the record business of July and August. During the first eleven days of September shipments from the factory were double those for the same period last year.

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