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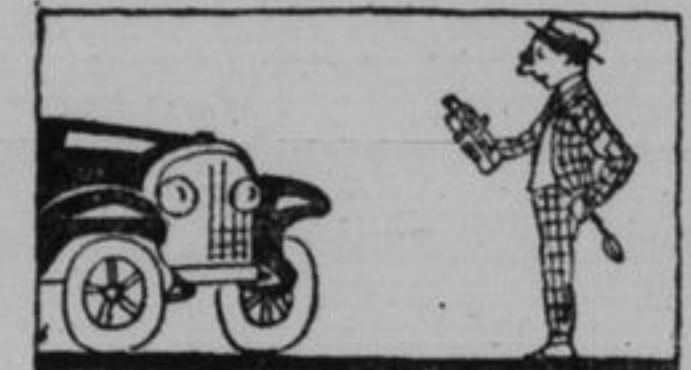
By ALBERT L. CLOUGH

Readjusting The Drag-Link

Don't Let Steering Action Become Too Shaky

EXCESSIVE LOST MOTION at the steering wheel is quite likely to be caused by loss of adjustment due to wear at the drag-link (steering connection rod). This rod usually has a ball-and-socket joint, where it attaches to the arm of the steering device and another where it is fastened to the linkage at one of the front wheels (usually the right). The sockets of these two joints are at the ends of the drag-link and are adjustable to grasp the balls provided upon the parts which they connect. By having someone turn the steering wheel to and fro, one can readily tell whether there is lost motion at these two points and if there is, the screw-plug which closes the end of the rod should be removed, the ball freed, all parts including the buffer-spring and ball-socket removed, cleaned and covered with fresh grease, replaced and the screw plug put back and set up tightly enough so that there is no lost motion. The clamp or other device, which locks the screw plug, should be set up securely. These parts are usually covered with a leather boot, which should be cleaned and supplied with fresh grease before being put back. Careful adjustment of both ends of the drag-link should remove considerable lost motion and prevent annoying rattling, but if there is still looseness in the gear, it is probably occasioned by wear of the steering spindle pivot-pins or of the clevis-pins which fasten the tie-rod to the steering arms of the two spindles. New pins and bushings are the only remedy under these circumstances.

CASTOR OIL FOR LUBRICATION



J. W. asks: Is castor oil the best for the engine of a new auto?
Answer: No. Castor oil is used practically not at all in lubricating motor car engines, at the present time. There was a time, a number of years ago, when it was used on racing engines and it has been largely used on aviation engines, but mineral oil has completely superseded it. Improvements in methods of refining mineral oil, so as to obtain the required qualities and uniformity of grade, have been largely responsible for the final rejection of castor oil, but the fact that castor oil fouls the whole inside of an engine very quickly indeed and necessitates its being taken down for cleaning is the greatest objection to its use. Castor oil is not universally obtainable like mineral oil and is expensive and these facts keep it from being used. We advise you to use the best mineral oil obtainable and to renew it frequently.

TOURING INFORMATION



O. J. K. writes: I wish to make an auto trip from this city to Okla. this summer and will ask you to inform me as to the best route and the distance in miles. If this is out of your line, please advise where I can write.
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Answer: We regret that we cannot answer your question, for the reason that we devote ourselves exclusively to answering questions relative to the care and operation of cars, and do not keep posted at all as to roads and touring information. What you require is an up-to-date touring guide and map of the section to be covered. The auto club in your city can get this information for you. You can also obtain some road information by writing Boards of Trade and Automobile Organizations in the cities and towns which you expect to pass through or near.

FORD CARBURETOR ATTACHMENTS



L. A. H. asks: Please give me information about attachments and devices, which may be applied to the Ford carburetor to make the engine develop more power and speed.

Answer: There is no end to the devices which are offered, but the effect of most of these is rather problematical and it is very common to see attachments put on and, after trial, discarded in favor of the standard carbureting arrangements, which, after all, answer requirements remarkably well. At any supply house you will find in stock or on order numerous attachments for the Ford carbureting system and it is always possible to test out some of these without much trouble and expense, but experience indicates that the results are likely to be disappointing, for the simple reason that standard equipment gives such passable all-around results.

WELLINGTON NEWS BUDGET.

Rural of Andrew Pettigill Who Died in Picton.

Wellington, April 23.—R. Doyle, Belleville, was in town on Monday. Mrs. Madden, Toronto, who has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Richard Best, returned home this week. Mr. and Mrs. Foreman, A. Birmingham returned from Florida on Monday after spending the winter months away. C. F. Sexander and Daniel P. Hill, Hamilton, were in town this week. Charles Clark, New York state, who has been the guest of his brother, J. E. Clark, for a couple of weeks, returned home to-day. The latter has recovered from his recent illness. Mrs. Mary James has returned to her home in Coe Hill. Capt. Matthews has returned to his Lake Shore road farm after spending the winter in Toronto. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Zuffelt arrived home from Midland, last week. Miss Marion Stinson has purchased a new Chevrolet car. Mrs. Nelson Benson accompanied her son, Earl, to his home in Toronto, this week, and will remain for an indefinite period.

The remains of the late Andrew Pettigill, who passed away in Picton hospital on Friday last, were brought here for interment. Rev. Mr. Robbins conducted the services at the funeral. The late Mr. Pettigill was a prominent official of the Wellington Methodist church for years.

Norman Clinton, Hamilton, was

the guest of his mother, Mrs. D. Clinton, for a few days last week. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Clark, who have been guests in town for the past week have returned to Toronto. Mr. and Mrs. E. McPaul and Clark motored to West Lake on Friday last for a brief visit with Mr. and Mrs. Aaron Rankin. Mrs. David Robinson, Concession, called upon friends here last week. The various canning factories of the community have been amalgamated under the direction of the Dominion Canners' Ltd. Hilson Reynolds, Wm. Fred Callow and M. Wanamaker have purchased cars. Arnold Vandewater and Arthur Murphy, Toronto, spent the week-end at their respective homes here. The funeral of the late Ernest Collier, Picton, who passed away suddenly on Saturday last, was held on Tuesday.

Attacked With Paralysis

Charleston, April 23.—Miss Amy Spence, Lindsay, is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. D. Spence. Sugar making is about over; some of the farmers have gathered their buckets. R. Foster received a letter on Wednesday from Dr. Williams, Lambertville, N.J. informing him that R. A. Montgomery had suffered a stroke, his speech and one side being affected. Just a few days before Mr. Foster had received a letter from him saying he would come to Charleston as soon as the ice went out of the lake.



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HELD BIRTHDAY SUPPER IN THE ODESSA HALL

Edward Watts, Formerly of Odessa, Died on April 12th at Syracuse, N.Y.

Odessa, April 23.—The W. M. S. held a birthday supper at the Methodist church last Friday night. There were twelve tables, one for each month in the year; laden with the most dainty and delicious eatables. Surpassing by far any of the former occasions. The attendance was very large and a handsome sum was realized. The delightful entertainment given by Kingston talent, and the numerous vocal selections by Sandy McGregor were enjoyed by all.

The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. Morden Vrooman held a variety shower, for them in the town hall last Wednesday night. The evening was spent very enjoyably with cards and dancing. The Odessa four piece orchestra furnishing the music. There were many handsome and useful gifts showing the esteem in which the young couple are held. Delicious refreshments were served at midnight.

Mrs. Ashley is visiting her brother, Thomas Hughes, Harrowenith. Marcus Fraser has been spending the past week with his son, Dr. Grant Fraser, Madoc. Morely, C. Neil has returned from spending some time with his brother, Harry C'Neil, Flower Station.

Ms. Benn, who has been spending the past week with her daughter, Mrs. William Frink, returned to Sydenham last Friday. Mrs. Johnathan Babcock has purchased the Arthur Smith home. About twenty young people attended the social and dance in the new hall at Newburgh last Friday night. Mrs. George Ettinger, Kingston, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Watts. Kelly Hagerman, Kingston, spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. A. Hagerman.

The many friends of Edward Watts were sorry to hear that he passed away at his home in Syracuse, N.Y., on April 12th. Mr. Watts visited his old home here last summer and will be remembered by many. George Watts and Isaac Watts, Odessa, and Charley Watts, Syracuse, N.Y., are brothers of the deceased. Miss Lillie Venton, Watertown, N.Y., is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Venton. Zy Babcock, Orillia, called on friends last Wednesday. Alfred Moore, New Brunswick, renewed old acquaintances last Thursday. His last visit to his home town was fourteen years ago.



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DEATH OF MORTON LADY.

Mrs. Samuel Jacob Passed Away on April 20th.
Morton, April 24.—At her late residence, the death occurred, on Friday morning April 20th, of Mrs. Samuel Jacob, a highly esteemed, and well respected resident of Morton. Deceased had been a very great sufferer for some months from the effects of a cancer.

Deceased was a daughter of the late James and Matilda Somerville, having been born in Leeds county, fifty-three years ago, and where she resided during her life time. She was a lady of a very kind and charitable disposition, a splendid neighbor, and a devoted member of the Anglican church.

The funeral took place on Sunday morning April 22nd, at St. John's Anglican church, Leeds. The service was conducted by Rev. Mr. Morton. The esteem in which the late Mrs. Jacob was held, was testified to by the numerous floral tokens and the large number of sorrowing friends who attended the funeral. She is survived by her husband, and one brother, J. M. Somerville, Ottawa.

Broke His Right Arm

Westport, April 23.—Casper J. Speagle had the misfortune of breaking his right arm while cranking his car. The many friends of Mrs. John Cawley will be pleased to know that she is recovering nicely at the St. Vincent de Paul hospital, Brockville. Mrs. J. J. Dier and T. G. Butler were called to Harper on Tuesday owing to the death of their brother, William Butler. Howard McCann has taken a position in the Union Bank. Harold Haley has returned home after spending the past week with his sister, Mrs. J. D. Eastman, in Westport. Mr. and Mrs. Rowley, Sydenham, have returned to Westport to reside. Mrs. R. Hogan was a Brockville visitor on Monday. Mrs. J. C. McCulloch was a visitor in Brockville on Tuesday.

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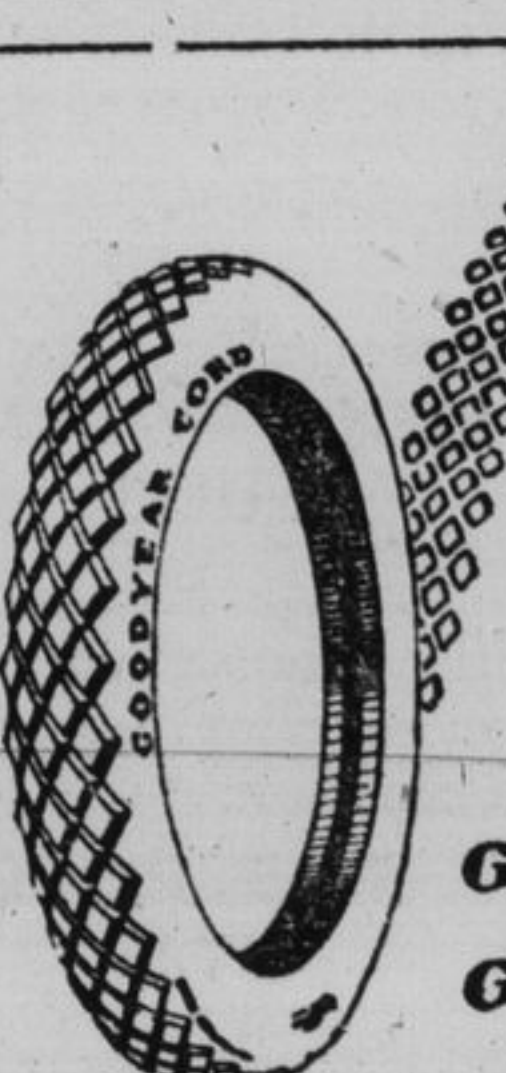
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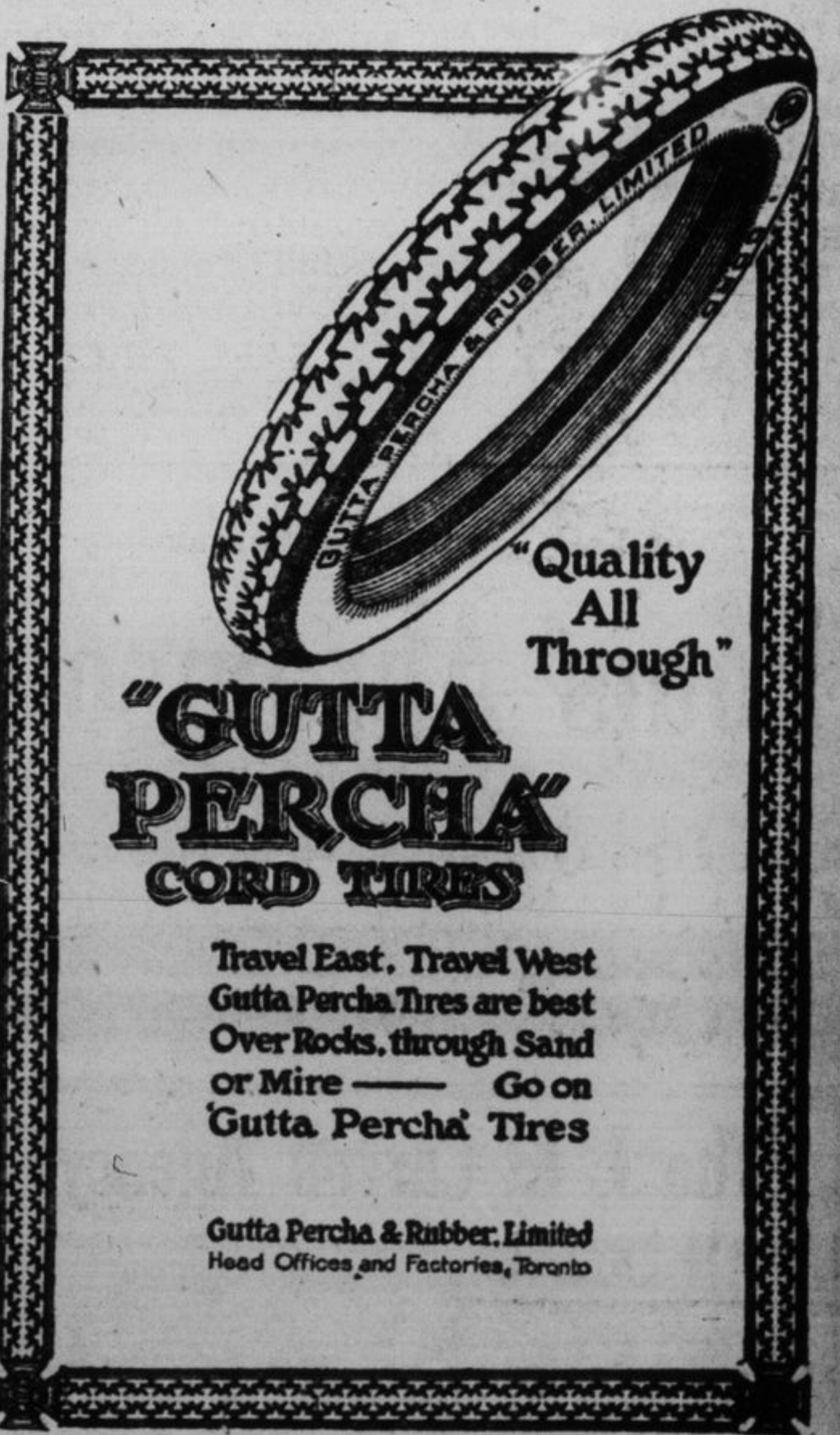
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