

TOLL-GATE "BLOCKADE" SOON TO GO

H. Griffith Predicts Early Acquisition of Roads by State A GRADUAL PROCESS

Automobile Club's Secretary Sees Solution of Problem in Four or Five Years

STATE TAKES HAND

Philadelphia's five main automobile highways—the Chester pike, the Lancaster pike, the West Chester pike, York road and the 23 Street pike, together with the Montgomery pike, are dotted with tollgates on the strips of roadway which are under the control of the toll-road system.

GRADUALLY DISAPPEARING

Another example is the Nesquehoning pike, on the way to Trenton, a large part of which was opened last year.

SWEDEN LOOKS GOOD FOR INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

Hjertberg Says He Has Many Stars in Training

AIR SPRINGS END SHOCKS

Westinghouse Invention Makes Riding More Comfortable and Saves Tires

HERE IS PROOF THAT PHILADELPHIA IS INTERESTED IN AUTOMOBILES



Scene on Broad street, looking north from City Hall, any afternoon when the weather is good. Thousands of machines pass this spot every hour and the pedestrians are constantly being held up by the steady stream. During the rush hour, that is, late in the afternoon, when business men are driving home from their offices, the street is so congested that it is impossible to travel at more than a snail's pace.

AUTO SHOW IS IN FULL BLAST; HIGH SPEED ON

Crowds Grow Greater Each Day and Sales Records Are Broken

WONDERFUL FEATURES

Cars Fitted Like Palaces on Wheels—New Exhibits Arrive and Prove Beauties

Fragments of exploded arguments of salesmen and theories of bystanders mingled with the low chords of music that floated to the ceiling just as steadily as ever today at the 15th annual automobile show, now being held at Convention Hall, Broad street and Allegheny avenue.

SALES PILING UP

NEW CHALMERS HERE

MANY WIRE WHEELS

DEALERS SEE NO CHANCE FOR FALL IN GASOLINE

Heavy Decrease in Supply, Big Increase in Automobiles and European War Are Given as Causes for Present Situation

Prominent gasoline dealers in this city seem virtually united in the belief that the present high prices of gasoline will remain where it is, with such change in the retail price as may come about being upon the side of increase rather than decrease.

On the other hand, and despite an admitted shortage, it is said that any material change in the price is a question of speculation, since at any time, in a hundred places or more, new oil production may be developed.

THIS CITY OFFERS BEST FACILITIES FOR AUTO CENTRE

Success of Biddle Car Company Opens Way for Many Others

FIRST SALE AT SHOW

Accessories Plants in and Around Philadelphia All Enjoy Prosperity

Philadelphia, which in an industrial sense is perhaps the most important city in the United States, offers, through its proximity to the sea, its unexcelled railroad facilities, its geographical position in relation to the rest of the country, and the fact that mechanics and workmen can here obtain the maximum of home comfort at the minimum of expense has unusual advantages as a center for the automobile industry.

The Biddle Company has been in existence about 30 months, during 18 of which it experimented with the idea of its president, A. M. Maris, a Philadelphia mechanical engineer, who was convinced that a stock car could be built and sold for \$1900 that would be equal in quality, endurance, mechanical construction and appearance to that of any foreign or domestic car sold at double and more than the price.

BIDDLE CAR'S SUCCESS

PHILADELPHIA HUB FOR RADIATING THE HIGHWAYS

Eight Alluring Roads Invite Auto Owners to Take Short Trips—They Lead to All Points

Philadelphia, with its eight great radiating highways and its historic and beautiful environs, is the best situated city in the country for short, interesting auto trips.

The roads, which spread out from Philadelphia and from Camden like the radiating threads of a spider's web, lead to all points of the compass, to towns and cities within a day's easy striking distance; towns and cities well worth visiting either because of attractions they themselves offer or because of the beauty or historic associations of the sections through which the automobilist must guide his machine.

No other city can compare with it, auto lists declare. When a city like Philadelphia, for example, matches the Quaker in the number of its radiating auto roads, other elements enter into question to make Philadelphia still more attractive.

Another short trip, consuming about four hours, is to Easton, via the quaint section of which Quakertown is the centre, and on through Bethlehem. Another route is through Doylestown, almost due north, the latter part of the trip being over the famous Delaware River road, past Paxinos Rock. Easton is figuratively only a stone's throw from the far-famed Delaware Water Gap.

One-Day Motor Trips From Philadelphia

Table with 2 columns: Place and Hours. Lists destinations like New York, Lancaster, Easton, Reading, Harrisburg, Gettysburg, Williamsport, Pittsburgh, Hagerstown, Wilmington, Baltimore, Washington, Richmond, Cape Charles, Staunton, Atlantic City, and Cape May with their respective travel times.

AUTOS HAVE MADE RURAL LIFE EASY AND PLEASANT

Farmers Find Car Really Cheaper Than Horses

Automobiles have changed the entire mode of living for the average farmer. Life was a humdrum existence even under the most favorable conditions until the arrival of the motorcar. Not only his business, but his social activities have increased since he became an automobile owner.

Colorado Convicts Build Roads

One thousand miles of perfect roadway have been constructed by Colorado convicts in the last seven years. Colorado convicts are now being employed on the roads in 1916. At first armed guards were used, but during the second summer the honor system was introduced and it is still in vogue.