TODAY STOCKBRIDGE

from Asia to America, for they of his cars to farmers so that knew nothing about wheels until they no longer regarded automothe white men came, 400-odd years ago, and brought horses and wanted good roads for themand wheels,

It was a long time after that before we had anything that could be called a good road anywhere in America. Probably we would have had good roads earlinvented. Thomas Jefferson's highway seems to echo with the project for a great system of naier if the railroads had not been tional highways had hardly got well started before people began to build railroads and road-building practically stopped for almost a century.

Nothing that we would call a the automobile compelled folks to nearly enough, and few of them as good as the best roads of Eu-

American ancestor, John Stockbridge of the Plymouth Colony, England in 1629 in response to a call from the colonists for an ar- them. tisan who could not only build to build a water wheel.

was also chosen as "pathmaster"

ited some of his interest in wheels and roads to run them or

As a very young man I was ar rdent cyclist, and took part in ne movement to build cycle paths along every highway. abandoned the bicycle for a horse and buggy. When the motor-car came in I owned one of the first American cars, and found out from personal experience just how bad a road could be

I took a hand, in 1912, in or-There couldn't be any roads be-eral Aid for Highways, which has fore men invented the wheel and resulted in the great national made roads necessary. Nobody road system of today. We couldn't trows how long ago that was, but get Congress interested until af-it was before the Indians came ter Henry Ford had sold enough selves.

> To me there is more romance in an old road than in an old house. So many people have travelled over it that the of human beings who once rode over it but are long since depart-

The best, if not the only good roads of ancient times were built by the Romans. I drove a few good road today existed on this years ago at 80 miles an hour continent until the invention of over a part of the Appian Way, leading south from Rome into improve their roads. We've got Campania, with only a thin skin a lot of good roads today, but not of modern concrete laid over the ancient stone pavement laid down nearly 200 years before Christ.

There is romance, too, in the ancient Roman roads of England and France. From 55 B. C. on PIONEERS Ford the Romans were building paved I have a deep personal interest roads to tie their far-flung emin roads for two reasons. My first pire together, Watling Street, the most famous of the ancient British Roman roads, is still a main was the first wheelwright in New highway, and many miles of its England. He came over from first foundations are still as solid as when Caesar's legions built

He built the first grist mill and engineering talent is engaged in associates visualize them. the first sawmill in the colony. He planning and building motor roads today than in any other of Plymouth, in charge of high- single field. The combination of ways. I sometimes think I inher- speed and safety is not impossi-

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That's Right

ble. European countries where modern highways have been built have practically no legal speed limit. But they have separate traffic lanes and no cross traffic.

In the thickly settled parts of America an approach to the ideal road conditions is being made There still remains much to be done. If all the taxes paid by motorists on gasoline and for licenses were applied to modern highway building we would soon have a perfect road system. Seven states so far have adopted constitutional amendments prohibiting the diversion of such taxes to other purposes.

TOMORROW dreams I have just had a letter from director of Charles M. Upham, the American Road Builders Association, holding its convention at the San Francisco World's wheels for vehicles but knew how AUTOMOBILES . engineering Fair. Mr. Upham describes the Probably more highly-trained roads of tomorrow as he and his

"Tomorrow's highways will be" freeways," he writes. "Multiplelane highways will be constructed with center parkways to separate opposing streams of traffic. Highway illumination will be provided for the most heavily-travelled arteries. Steep grades will be levelled and sharp curves will be straightened. Grade crossings and blind intersections will be eliminated. Guard-rail protection and pedestrian walkways will be provided and all surfaces will be skidproofed.

"These super-highways of tomorrow will be built as component parts of a master plan so that in the future it will be possible to incorporate them into a nation-wide system."

That is a dream that will come true if enough people want it to come true. And I think the American people are getting fed up on the annual toll of lives in "Robbin Good" - News — Admission 10c-25c motor accidents due largely to poor highway conditions. It will take time and work and money, but we've done tougher jobs than that, and I believe Mr. Upham's dream will come true.

CYCLE

N. B. Castevens, Jr., a student at the University of North Caro-Serial-Comedy-Color Cartoon - Adm. 10c-25c lina, Chapel Hill, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Casevens, Sr.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Howard and children were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Blaine Howard in Winston-Salem.

Rev. Enoch Wooten filled his regular appointment at Oak Grove Saturday and Sunday. A large crowd attended the services. Mrs. Foy Hemric recently visit-ed her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Craver, in Boonville. Guthrie Nicks, of Winston-Salem visited his mother, Mrs. Caudle Nicks, last week. Ferd Cheeks was a busines

Correct Answer "What would you do if you married a rich women?' "Nothing, I expect."

visitor in Elkin Saturday,

NOTICE OF APPLICATION TO OPERATE MOTOR VEHICLE CARRIER AND DATE OF HEARING THEREON

As required by Section 3, Chapter 136, Public, Laws of 1927, notice is hereby given that application has been made by S. & E. Transfer Company, for a Franchise Certificate, authorizing the operation of motor vehicles for transporting freight between Charlotte and Mount Airy, N. C. over the public highways via the intervening towns of Statesville, No. 21, Elkin, No. 268 and U. S. 601; Return via Mocksville, Yadkinville, over U. S. No. 601; Statesville over U. S. 64; to Charlotte over U. S. No. 21, and that the Utilities Commission will hold a hearing on the said application in State Depats. at Raleigh, on Thursday, May 11th, 1939, at 11:00 o'clock a.m.

Wifey: "Here's a riddle. What nakes my life so miserable? "Why are you eating with your Hubby: "You've got me." Wifey: "That's right!" "My fork leaks."

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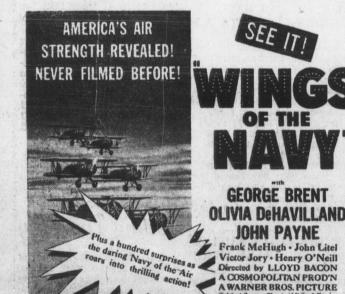
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