

ARE WE EAGLES OR TURTLES?

Babson Answers Tire Rationers

Since Mr. Babson's recent article on the subject of tires he has received hundreds of letters. Many of these contained suggestions for tires that do not require crude rubber; others presented plans for coating tires once a month with bituminous asphalt cement at 325d. Practically his only critics have been certain Washington authorities.

"A"
Office of Price Administration
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Babson:
An article appeared in the Tampa Morning Tribune of February 12th, quoting you in an Associated Press dispatch, under date of February 11th, in which you were quoted as stating that there was "no earthly reason" why American motorists should do without tires.

Statements like this coming from people whose names are familiar to readers, as yours is, can only tend to confuse the public and make them more unreasonable in their demands and lead them to believe that the rationing program is a matter set up only to harass and inconvenience them.

If you have some constructive suggestion whereby tires may be made available for the people in this country and thereby avoid the terrible inconveniences and dislocations that are now fast taking place, you should go to Washington and lay such plans before the War Production Board, to the end that this might be accomplished and not rush into the press with statements that can only confuse the public and make the burden heavier for we people who are devoting our whole time and energies, without compensation or hope of reward, to a program designed for the purpose of conserving the commodities that are so absolutely essential in carrying on the war program.

Only the great democratic principles of a great country, which we are striving to preserve, would permit people of your caliber to openly wage war on the very people who are trying to preserve those democratic principles that permit you to make this unwarranted assault.

W. C. SHERMAN,
State Rationing Administrator.

"B"
David G. Ulrey-Research Chemist
Analytical and Consulting Investigation in All Branches
Lakeland, Florida

March 6th, 1942

Dear Mr. Babson:
Your letter of the fourth received.

I did get permission from the tire board with an order for Mr. Ballinger, your chemist, to have one truck tire recapped with our synthetic rubber. I trust Mr. Ballinger will keep you posted as to how this material holds up in comparison with genuine rubber.

As for the asphalt and sand coating, there is possibilities, in the process if you add a plastisizer and avoid heat thru friction. The life would be prolonged much longer and the speed could be increased avoiding gumming.

Yours very truly,
D. G. ULREY.

"C"
Norwalk Tire & Rubber Company
Norwalk, Conn.
U. S. A.

March 4, 1942.

Mr. Roger Babson,
c/o Mountain Lake Club,
Babson Park, Florida.

Dear Mr. Babson:
I am most appreciative of your wire to Senator Murray, requesting him to invite me to a hearing to explain our so-called "rubberless tire" which you have been

advocating. I had already heard from Senator Murray, asking me to testify before the Senate Small Business Committee hearing.

The only claim we have for the camelback referred to (that is material to retread worn tires) is a substitution of reclaimed rubber for crude rubber with a proper balance of other standard materials. From actual tests we have made and from the number of tires retreaded with this material and sold at random, we know that under ordinary driving conditions where the miles is not in excess of forty miles an hour, it will give 5,000 and more safe miles of service per tire.

We have been marketing this Victory camelback with the blessing of the War Production Board and did not encounter any obstacle until the Office of Price Administration made regulations rationing recap or retread tires. In their definition of "rubber" they definitely state that it includes reclaimed rubber and this, of course, stopped us notwithstanding the War Production Board's definition of "rubber" just as definitely states that it DOES NOT include reclaimed rubber.

Very truly yours,
J. W. WHITEHEAD,
President

JWW:MMH
Mr. Babson is answering these as follows:
Hon. W. C. Sherman,
State Rationing Administrator,

Dear Sir:

Your letter in a frank envelope condemning my public appeals for a saner treatment of car owners received. As you ask for "some constructive suggestions," I hereby give them as follows:

(1) When the Federal Government suddenly makes such revolutionary regulations as it has regarding tires, it should itself carry on extensive research to give people a substitute. It should not ruthlessly strand 100,000 tire dealers and 30,000-400 car owners and tell them to "go hang."

(2) Instead of pleasing the English by sending our boys to Asia, Africa and all over the world, why not first concentrate on restoring our vital sources of rubber and tin and protecting the shipping lanes thereto? With our navy and our air force it seems incomprehensible that it need be two or three years before we could recapture Malaya. I guess if Teddy Roosevelt had the job he would re-open this source of rubber and tin in six months. Remember that our national emblem is an EAGLE — not a TURTLE.

(3) The American people approve the government's consideration of the British. They deserve all the help they are getting. Our people at home, however, who are furnishing the boys and paying all the bills, deserve some consideration also — at least common courtesy. "Don't bite the hand that feeds you."

Please remember that there are 40,000 communities in this country which have no railroad, bus or other means of communication but the so-called "pleasure car" which you decry.
Respectfully yours,
ROGER W. BABSON,
March 17, 1942.

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Louisburg College News

Rev. O. L. Hathaway, pastor of the Edgerton Memorial Methodist church in Selma, was the guest speaker for the Religious Emphasis week held at the college last week, Tuesday morning through Friday evening.

Mr. Hathaway spoke twice daily, at 10:30 in the morning, and at 7:30 in the evening, and was heard with unusual interest by the students of the college. He dealt with the problems of young people, and the Christian approach to the crises that face youth today.

Various organizations on the campus furnished special music for each service, and student participation was carried out wherever possible.

The spring holiday will start Friday, March 20, at 1 o'clock, and continue until Tuesday, March 31, when classes will be resumed at 8:30 in the morning.

The May queen for the May Day festival was chosen recently when Miss Ella Lewis, of Faison, was chosen by the student body to preside over the May court. Following a custom of long standing, as queen she herself chose her maid of honor, her cousin and college mate, Miss Catherine Lewis, also of Faison.

The following young women were elected as attendants for the May court: Annie Sue Barrett, Roxboro; Annie Lee Dorsett, Sanford; Sarah Davis, Louisburg; Margaret Holmes, Louisburg; Grace Johnson, Smithfield; Evelyn Long, Roxboro; Jane Murphy, Louisburg; Catherine Rogers, Wilmington; Frances Terrell, Buena Vista, Va.; and Emily Winn Henderson.

Miss Marjorie Crisp, director of physical education for women at the college will be the director of the celebration, which will be a theme embodying the idea of Southern hospitality. This theme will be so developed that every young woman in the college will be able to participate.

John L. Cameron, director of athletics, last week issued the call for baseball candidates, and about twenty boys turned out. Due to the difficulty of obtaining transportation facilities, the schedule for the spring will necessarily be light, and only about ten games have been scheduled.

Our secret weapon: U. S. Defense Bonds and Stamps. Buy them!

HEALTH DEPARTMENT

Dr. R. F. Yarborough,
County Health Officer.

Tuberculosis

Dr. H. F. Eason of the State Sanatorium has completed the Tuberculin Test on High School students of Franklin County finding 173 white and 185 colored positive results. This test does not mean that the person has active tuberculosis, but that he has at some time been exposed to it. An X-ray examination is the only positive test for making a diagnosis. For this reason all showing a positive tuberculin test will be given an X-ray examination by a specialist from the State Sanatorium. The X-ray test will be held at Dr. H. G. Perry's office.

It will be necessary for all parents when their child is X-rayed to pay \$1.00 for this, as the films are expensive. Parents financially unable to pay \$1.00 must bring a certificate from either the Welfare Department or the pupils teacher of financial inability to pay. It would certainly seem any parent would willingly pay a dollar to find his child did not have tuberculosis or if the child did have it, treatment could be begun early and save the child a life of suffering and early death. Tuberculosis taken in its early stage can be cured.

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