

**GOOD PROSPECT FOR AUTO SALES**

**Oldsmobile Managers Find Business Good In Most All Sections of the Country.**

Continued business improvement is noted during November and December in reports from Oldsmobile managers and territory travelers, according to Guy H. Peasley, General Sales Manager of Oldsmobile Motor Works, Lansing, Mich. Indications also point to the fact that generally throughout the country the automobile business will be far better in the spring of 1925 than it was the year previous.

"Employment in the cotton mills of the Carolinas and Georgia is now about 70 per cent of maximum," said Mr. Peasley. "Cotton and tobacco crops are bringing fair prices."

"The Florida citrus crop is bringing a good price with a fair yield. In Southern Florida considerable building is under way. Industrial conditions in the coal and steel districts of Alabama, centering in Birmingham, are good, with other sections fair. The lumber industry of Mississippi shows signs of improvement and the planters have had a good cotton crop."

"In Texas the appearance of the hoof and mouth disease has affected business and stringent measures are being taken to stamp it out. About 90 per cent of Texas cotton has been picked, but a good quantity of this is being held for a higher price. In West Texas and New Mexico cattle prices are low but sheep and wool are both finding a ready market at good prices. In the New England states the cotton mills are running on full time but the main difficulty of the textile manufacturers is that cotton goods prices are much lower relatively than raw cotton prices, and labor costs have been high. The shoe industry is gradually improving and cutlery and hardware lines in Connecticut show a gain."

"In New York state the fruit crop was good with fair prices, but the dairy farmer is not receiving what he considers a profitable price for his product. The clothing manufacturing industry is running at about 70 per cent and while there is considerable unemployment in all industries, an improvement is looked for now that election is over. In Pennsylvania and Ohio, the iron and steel industry is showing a continued improvement and there is an increase in the employment of labor.

Glass, coke and textile plants show increased activity. Farm conditions are good and the financial situation is easier with loans freely made on good security.

"In the Central States district agricultural conditions, fair crops with good prices and the optimistic sentiment, allow farmers to make substantial payments to creditors and to get in a more independent position. In the Northwest there is an excellent grain crop that has brought good prices and bank deposits are greater than for many years. Lumber is about normal in the western states. Mining in Colorado and Utah is reported better than for a number of years, and prices encouraging enough to guarantee increased activity."

"California motor car dealers report a fair winter trade especially in closed body types. General business conditions fair. They have had good runs, fruit prices favorable, lumber business quiet. In Washington and Oregon reports show an improvement in lumber trade but only fair general business. All over the country the sale of closed car body types show a big increase."

"Olds Motor Works is keeping in close touch with the situation as regards unsold cars in dealers' stocks, and these stocks are much below the number usually carried at this season of the year. Factory production is being kept more than ever in line with retail sales and this manufacturing plan will mean bigger production in the early spring, as the number of unsold cars in dealers' stocks will be low."

**Time To Use Care**

With the hunting season in full swing amateur hunters should exercise caution when they go into the fields and woods for game. One of the commonest of accidents is caused by dragging a gun through a fence by the barrel. Another one is caused by throwing a loaded gun into an auto or a buggy, or knocking it down when it is leaning against a wall. Shooting at a noise in the bushes is a dangerous practice, and one that has resulted in the injury of many hunters or the wounding of stock that represents good money to the man on whose premises you are hunting. Carrying the gun over the shoulder with the barrel pointing back, instead of carrying it through the crook of the arm with the barrel trained on the ground is another bit of carelessness that should be avoided.

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gent and extraordinary necessity; and I request to the trustees to see to it that all times these companies be managed and operated by the men best qualified for such a service.

"I have selected Duke university as one of the principal objects of this trust because I recognize that education, when conducted along sane and practical, as opposed to dogmatic and theoretical lines is next to religion, the greatest civilizing influence. I request that this institution secure for its officers, trustees and faculty men of such outstanding character, ability and vision as will insure its attaining and maintaining a place of real leadership in the educational world, and that great care and discrimination and application evincing a wholesome and real ambition for life. I advise that the course at this institution be arranged, first, with special reference to the training of preachers, teachers, lawyers and physicians, because these are most in the public eye, and by precept and example can do most to uplift mankind; and, second, to instruction in chemistry, economics and history, especially the lives of the great of earth, because I believe that such subjects will most help to develop our resources, increase our wisdom and promote human happiness."

"I have selected hospitals as another of the principal objects of this trust because I recognize that they have become indispensable institutions, not only by way of ministering to the comfort of the sick but in increasing the efficiency of mankind and prolonging human life. The advance in the science of medicine growing out of discoveries, such as in the field of bacteriology, chemistry and physics, and growing out of inventions such as the x-ray apparatus, make hospital facilities essential for obtaining the best results in the practice of medicine and surgery. So worthy do I deem the cause and so great do I deem the need that I very much hope that the people will see to it that adequate and convenient hospitals are assured in their respective communities, with especial reference to those who are unable to defray such expenses of their own."

"I have included orphans in an effort to help those who are most unable to help themselves, a worthy cause, productive of truly beneficial

results in which all good citizens should have an abiding interest. While in my opinion nothing can take the place of a home and its influences, every effort should be made to safeguard and develop these wards of society.

"And, lastly, I have made provision for what I consider a very fertile and much neglected field for useful help in religious life, namely, assisting by way of support and maintenance in those cases where the head of the family through devoting his life to the religious service of his fellow men and has been unable to accumulate for his declining years and for widow and children, and assisting in the building and maintenance of churches in rural districts where the people are not able to do this properly for themselves, believing that such a pension system is a just call which will secure a better grade of service and that the men and women of these rural districts will amply respond to such assistance to them, not to mention our own Christian duty regardless of such results. Indeed, my observation and the broad expanse of our territory make me believe it is to these rural districts that we are to look in large measure for bene and sinew of our country."

"From the foregoing it will be seen that I have endeavored to make provision in some measure for the needs of mankind along physical, mental and spiritual lines, largely confining the donations to those sections served by these water power developments. I might have extended this aid to other charitable objects and to other sections, but my opinion is that so doing would probably be productive of less good by reason of attempting too much. I therefore urge the trustees to seek to administer well the trust hereby committed to them within the limits set, and to this end that at least at one meeting each year this indenture be read to the assembled trustees."

**Stokes Man Wore Coat Over 40 Years**

Winston-Salem, Dec. 6.—A \$13 overcoat has been worn every winter for the past forty-four years by R. F. A. Baker, prosperous farmer of Stokes county, according to a sworn statement by Mr. Baker who resides on Germantown Route 1. The overcoat was purchased at a local clothing store in the fall of 1884 when Mr. Baker was 18 years of age. He is now 62.

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