

Connecticut and other states. Figures are not yet available as to the effect. Statistics for the other states, however, show a substantial gain in gasoline consumption over the previous year due to tax increases.

Under the higher rates became ineffective the gain was reduced in Delaware and practically wiped out in Pennsylvania and New York. Meanwhile consumption in the remainder of the country gained approximately 8 per cent.

It was also found that gas tax increases did not produce proportionately greater returns in revenues, partially due to reduction in consumption and partly to a greater amount of tax evasion.

In Pennsylvania gasoline consumption dropped 9.07 per cent as a result of the higher tax; New York lost 6.6 per cent; and Delaware 3.2 per cent.

"While the immediate effect of a gasoline tax increase is to increase the revenue from motor fuel," the report states, "evasion, boot-legging, increased administrative difficulties and costs, and the natural restriction of motor vehicle use, all combine to reduce revenues."

CARS MUST STOP FULLY FOR SCHOOL BUS

Comparatively few motorists know the school bus law protecting children. The Public Safety Department of the Automobile Club of Southern California offers this reminder:

"Automobile drivers either meeting or overtaking a school bus halted on any highway outside of a business or residence district to load or unload pupils must come to a full stop and then proceed not faster than ten miles an hour for a reasonable distance."

Visitors May View Valley of Fire

Visitors to Boulder Dam may take an interesting side trip to the Boulder Dam Valley of Fire State Park, recently set aside by Nevada.

The park can be reached via U. S. 91 to Glendale, which is forty-nine miles northeast of Las Vegas, then State Route No. 12 through Logandale and Overton to the Valley of Fire.



HE PUSHES THE BIG VALVE DOWN
And 5000 Tires Go 'Round and 'Round Every Day at the Pontiac Plant Where Carl Rodman Is Operator of the Rotating Tire Mounting Machine

DE LUZ CRADLES RURAL CHARM

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heavy run-offs, the settlers just have to stay home because they can't get across either De Luz creek (which is otherwise fordable with ease) or the Santa Margarita River, with its last of California's old-time plank roads.

There it is; the pygmy post-office in an immense back-country valley through which flows the De Luz, joining the Santa Margarita not far from O'Neils Lake. The live oaks, cottonwoods, eucalyptus and ironwood grow so thickly in places that the vegetation has the appearance, in density, of a tropical jungle.

That is all there is to the village—the postoffice and twenty-six families scattered for miles. For their groceries, gasoline, etc., the twenty-six go to Fallbrook, for there is no store in De Luz. There is not a lot for sale, though you might buy a hundred acres or more. There is no Chamber of Commerce, no barber shop. Nothing but peace and quiet.

However, Lee Garnsey used to come to Los Angeles often and act as a booster for De Luz, but most happily he failed to start a boom.

There is an oak tree on an island in the river about which Harry Garnsey used to play when he was 4 years old. In the flood of 1884, which washed out the Santa Fe Railway in Temecula Canyon (in those years there was no coast line railway to San Diego from Los Angeles; the line ran inland by way of Temecula and Fallbrook and thence down to Fallbrook Junction), a whole train was left stranded in the bed of the river. But the oak tree managed to hold enough earth about its roots to maintain itself ever since.

Harry Garnsey, pointing to it, said: "The tree has never grown since; it's just like De

Luz: it stays as it first was."

The vicinity of De Luz has a charm unknown to other regions, for it is a perfect refuge for those who wish to forget the world and by the world be forgotten. It is as quiet as a Trappist monastery. There is nothing to do but look, there is nowhere to go but the 8-by-8 postoffice, and no one to talk to except Postmaster Tiffany, and sometimes, naturally, he does not want to talk.

From De Luz to Fallbrook is only eleven miles, yet when you finish them you shy from the lively life you face. A half dozen church steeples invite you to theological contentions, but there are no movie theaters. Here there is a Chamber of Commerce, which, happily, does not include De Luz in its efforts to bring stacks of tourists and Midwestern culture. And there is a good little hotel where you can eat and siesta.

Incidentally, let me tell any and all philatelists who may read this that Postmaster Tiffany has the world's record for the neatest and plainest cancellation of stamps. Requests for his cancellations come from all over the world in great numbers, and Mr. Tiffany, every day in every way, lives up to his record.

A final request, if I may: Please don't all try to visit De Luz at the same time.

Pontiac Chosen by Famed Pilot

Boris Sergievsky, pilot of the Sikorsky S-43, world's fastest commercial amphibian, has chosen a Pontiac touring sedan for his personal car, it was learned yesterday.

A holder of many records in Sikorsky flying boats, the famous pilot took delivery from a Connecticut dealer.

not stop so suddenly as to cause collision by following vehicle.

TURN SIGNALS

6. Signal before making a turn, and further insure safety by looking to see whether a vehicle is approaching from the rear. Wait before pulling out from the curb until making such observation. Again, remember that the approaching vehicle may not be under control.

7. Always keep both hands on steering wheel and eyes on the road ahead while driving. Look behind before backing.

8. Stop before crossing all railroads and after carefully looking in both directions and listening, proceed only if it is safe beyond any possible doubt and then proceed in low gear, gears not being shifted until all tracks have been cleared.

9. When stopping on highway, pull as far off hard surface as road conditions permit and where the stop is prolonged, see that the rear of vehicle is adequately protected.

10. Do not operate at excessive speed at any time. At curves, blind crossings, crests of hills, in fog or wherever the view is curtailed, reduce speed so as to be able to stop within the distance of clear vision.

FORDS WIN TROPHIES ABROAD

Competing with the most costly and powerful European and American makes, it was revealed here today that Ford V-8 motor cars this year won both major trophies of the annual Monte Carlo Rally for which they could be entered—the Monte Carlo Rally Trophy and the Ladies' Cup, for cars of unlimited power. Out of approximately 100 cars entered in the Rally, which is considered the greatest endurance test in European motordom, 23 were Ford V-8's.

The winner of the trophy and 50,000 francs was I. Zamfirescu, a Rumanian Ford V-8 owner, who covered the most difficult route of 2403 miles from Athens to Monte Carlo.

The Ladies' Cup was won for the second successive year by Madame M. J. Marinovitch of Paris, France, who started from Tallinn, Estonia, this time and covered 2486 miles. Last year Mme. Marinovitch started from Palermo, Italy.

DEATH TRAP GONE

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