

"SPEED 'EM UP" THEY ALL CRY

GRAND PRIX RANKS HIGH

Over a rectangular course seven and three-tenths miles in length will, next Thursday afternoon, June 17, be run the race that has now been recognized throughout the United States as one of the foremost speed contests of its nature that has ever been staged; high sounding words, it is admitted, but nevertheless true.

The course lies near Mt. Glen, three miles from La Grande and consists of a two and a half mile straightaway on each side, one perfectly level, the other slightly rolling, a mile straightaway at the north end, a mile straightaway on the south end, and three-tenths of a mile circular. No expense has been spared to place this course in the best possible condition to support machines traveling at the highest rate of speed. The course has been graded, rolled and dragged, the corners banked to such an extent that machines will scarcely check their speed while passing from one straightaway to another.

Terrific Speed Promised

The racers now here who have seen the course promise marvelous speed. The start and finish will be on the little knoll by the Grinnitt place just before entering Mt. Glen. At that point has been erected an enormous score board which may be seen and read a quarter of a mile. The fence on each side of the road has been set back to permit parking of automobiles for which reserved spaces may be secured at Van Buren's now.

People Afoot Provided For

There is ample field about the finish line where parties can roam about, following the riders on the opposite stretch, see him take three of the four turns, and make any use of the large tract he desires. The vision is open, shade trees are near and all in all the man afoot is going to be made as comfortable as those in automobiles.

Ladies of Mt. Glen are going to serve lunches and the main road of Mt. Glen is fringed with comfortable farm houses where the guests who do not occupy grand stand or automobile space can see the races if they desire.

AUTO PARADE THE 1ST EVENT

\$50 FIRST PRIZE.

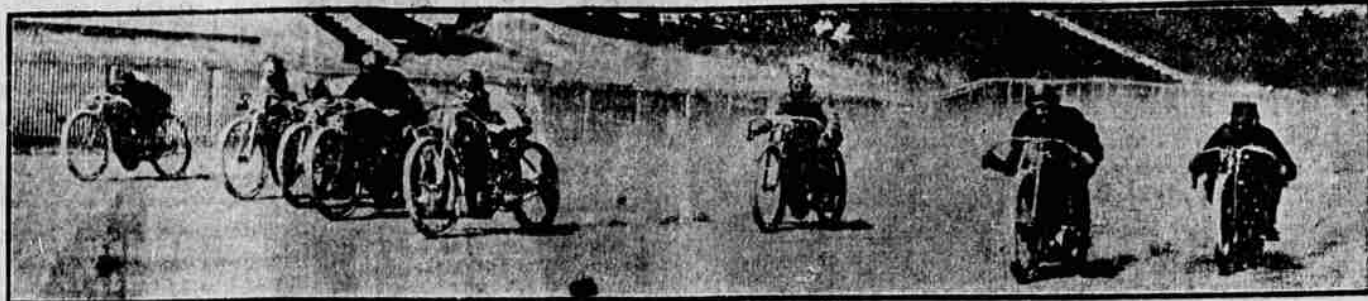
The General committee yesterday made a clerical error when it gave out the announcement of prize money for the best decorated automobile to be in the parade on June 17th. The Observer is authorized by the committee to state positively that the first prize will be \$50 and the second prize \$25 for decorated automobiles. The Motorcycle club and Commercial club are very anxious that all machines be decorated in the best possible manner and no pains be spared in having beautiful decorations for this excellent parade.

Entries for the decorated automobile parade to be held in connection with the Motorace Thursday morning at 10:30, are coming in rapidly and the committee appointed by the Commercial club are sure that this parade will be one which will be a credit to the city. Several out of town entries are expected so that the local people are not to have things their own way. Several owners of machines, who will not have the time to decorate extensively and who do not hope to get in on the prize money have signified their intentions of entering just the same. If this spirit is shown by all of the owners then there will not be any lack of entries. The first 12 entries were Miss Ruth Gaskill, Clint Van Fleet, Peter McDonald, James Bugg, Clyde Kiddle, Tom J. Scroggin, A. V. Andrews, F. L. Myers, Mrs. Chase Bohnenkamp, Pat Foley (3), Ben Noyes, and Mr. Frohman.

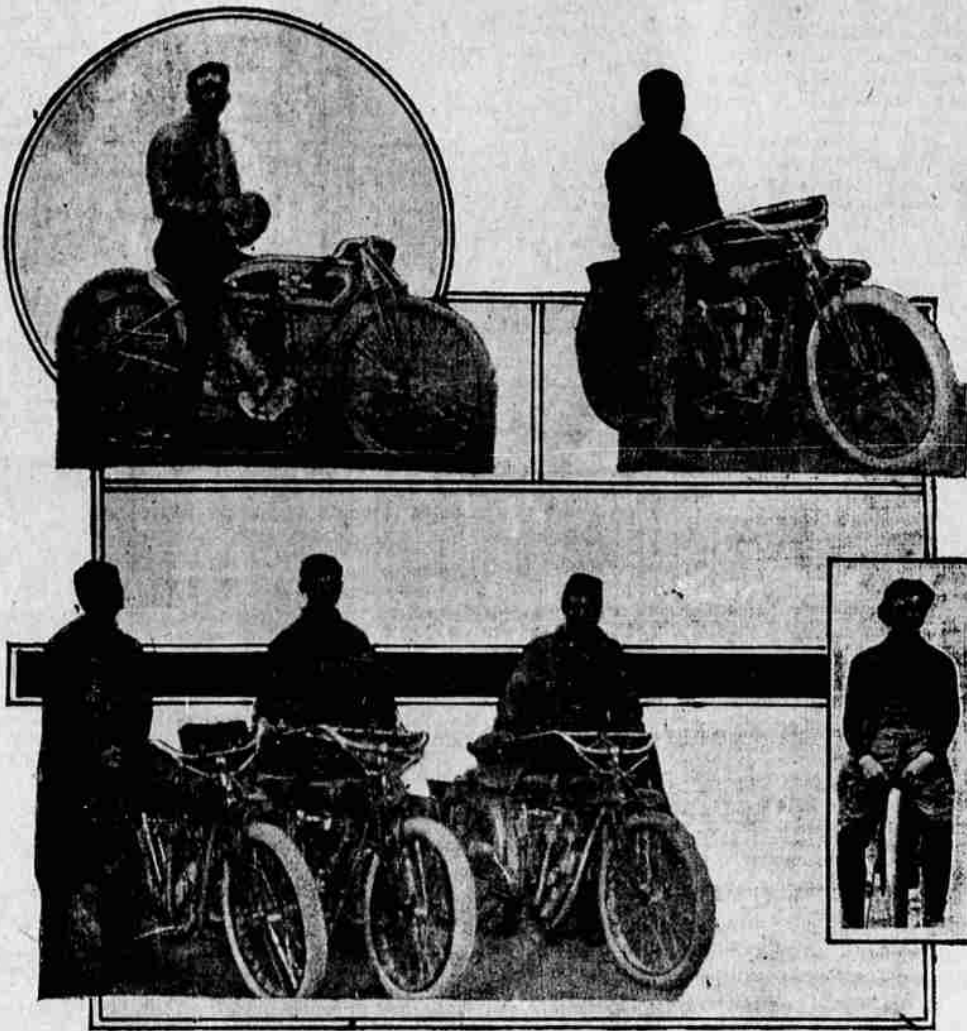
FARM LOANS

Reasonable Rates

SECURITY LAND & SAVINGS COMPANY
La Grande, Oregon



MOTORCYCLE STARS WE ALL KNOW.



KEY TO THE PICTURES.

Top—Speedin' 'em Up.
Middle group of last year's favorites—Reading from left to right—(Top) Carl Rose, of Portland; Tracy Hollister, last year's second place winner. (Bottom) Yaeager, of Baker, third place man, Hollister of La Grande, Olson last year's first place winner, of Ontario, in Panel Otto Walker, since last year made international champion.

Single cut—Joe Wolters, 200-mile record holder, man on motorcycle, Otto Walker, international world's champion. Both of these are to race Thursday.

INSTRUCTIONS TO CAR OWNERS.

Here is what it costs to get a car on the ground: Buy enough tickets to fill your car with people at \$1.00. With these, your car space can be reserved with no additional cost. It costs nothing to get a car on the ground, but the reserved sections are for those who come to the front and ask for it first.



FOREMOST MEN ENTER

Men who ranked foremost in the field of motor racing in the United States will compete in the motorace June 17. This is no idle boast. There are already entered two men who stand head and shoulder above anything else in their class throughout the whole United States. In the shorter distances there is Ray Creviston, holding all the principal world's speed records from one to 100 miles; in marathon class, stands Otto Walker, international world's champion—winner of the 300-mile international championship at Venice last Spring when he made an average of 69 miles per hour for the total distance. Joe Wolters holds the 200-mile race record made at Phoenix only a few days ago.

But these three men, standing as they do, at the head of their classes not only in United States but in the whole world, are not to be the only contenders.

Joe Wolters, of Milwaukee, Wis., formerly held the records of the world's speed records in the short distance, has entered the races. He arrived Wednesday and has been trying out the course for the Harley-Davidson team.

Next in order will be Harry Brandt of Portland, former northwest champion. He has entered and will ride a Thor.

Other riders who have promised to come in, are Roy Thompson of Portland, "Red" Cogburn of Portland, Barrett of Portland, Rinard of Baker, George Ruby of La Grande, Leo Hanson La Grande, Albert Williams of Boise, Dewey Swart of Walla Walla, "Red" Williams of La Grande, Ligette of Walla Walla and many others who have promised to come forth but have not yet put up their entry money.

The full entry list is not complete, but it is confidently expected that when the starting gun is shot, there will be 25 of the best riders ever assembled in the United States ready to shoot over the line.

Division of Purse.

Is it any wonder that the statement can be consistently made it will be the banner road race in motorcycling this summer anywhere in the United States. The purse of \$1000 which is now guaranteed, has attracted riders from the Atlantic to the Pacific, the Gulf to Canada.

The purse will be divided \$500 to first place, \$200 to second place, \$100 third place, \$50 to fourth place, \$25 to fifth place; \$50 for the first eastern Oregon rider to finish; \$25.00 for the second eastern Oregon rider and a \$50 hard-luck purse—to the man who meets with the most grief.

TRANSPORTATION TO RACES EASY

Many people have been wondering how the La Grande Motor club is going to handle the crowd on June 17th—La Grande's Big Day. Harley Richardson, chairman of the transportation committee, has announced a definite plan whereby all will have means and ways of getting to and from the race course. It is the plan of the club to solicit the help of all those having automobiles; getting them to carry passengers to and from the race course at a charge of twenty-five cents each way. Auto reservation is now on sale at Van Buren's, and no extra charge is being made for car space.

Those having cars will simply secure their tickets, take them to Van Buren's and get their car space reserved without extra charge. The club wishes for the co-operation of all those having cars, asking them to secure their car space at the earliest possible date, and then to call at the Motorcycle headquarters and get their taxi placecard.

By an arrangement of this kind, the club hopes to have the help of the public at large. The fifty-cent round trip will pay the taxi man for his trouble, the public will be accommodated with speedy transportation to and from the race course, and everyone will boost La Grande's Big Day by lending a helping hand.

Reward.

The public demanded it. Beginning Monday, June 14th, the Home Restaurant will open at 5:30 a. m. and remain open until 9 p. m. serving short orders between meals. Regular dinner and supper the same as usual. Let us all go Home to eat.—Adv.

6-10-6t.

CRUCIAL TEST HERE SUNDAY

ELGIN AND LA GRANDE GET A WHIRL

La Grande has chance to go to the Head of the Class

Can La Grande overtake that one-game handicap which Baker holds over her tomorrow? If she can, she will lead the Eastern Oregon pennant race.

Elgin, the team which jumped from oblivion and defeated the league league last Saturday, is the nine combats the La Grande team tomorrow. Bell, Imbler boy wizard with sphere, is the man who is going to climb the elevation in the center of the diamond for Elgin. McInnis or Garrick will leave for La Grande.

At the same time this is going on, Union and Baker will be mixing matters and La Grander's believe Union is going to get the miners' goat.

The game here promises to be a heated one with Elgin climbing out of the cellar if possible and La Grande going into the lead if possible.

Notice to Taxi Drivers.

All those interested in the carrying of passengers to and from the race course on June 17 who wish to make arrangements carrying passengers on the day of the big Motorace can do so by calling at the Motorcycle headquarters, or by seeing Harley Richardson, chairman of the Transportation committee, at the Red Cross drug store. We need your help and your co-operation in handling the crowd. We have a liberal proposition to offer to all having cars. We want you to help boost La Grande and incidentally get well paid for your trouble. Do not fail to report within the next few days.—Adv.

BASE BALL

La Grande vs. Elgin

La Grande is only one game behind Baker.
Come Out And Boost



GRAND RAG THURSDAY NIGHT

WHICH WAY TO GO.

The best way to reach the race course June 17 from La Grande is past the park and take the road through Fruitdale which will be rolled and dragged the day before the race. Guides will show the visitors the correct road to take after leaving Fruitdale.

The big rag! She starts promptly at 9 o'clock. If you don't think so be on Adams avenue at that hour on the evening of June 17, and the angle-worm tango will surely be on. The starting gun will be heard again, and the mardi gras highland fling will be a thing of reality. Come on, you with the dancing feet, the water is fine. The La Grande band will foot

its horns, the arena will be roped off, the crowds will be out, and the fun will be on. Carnival spirit will reign unstinted and unharnessed until the stroke of 12 and then zing! its all over.

"Speed 'em up" the dance is free, be sure and be present, it is the big funstreak of the annual motorcycle races.

RESERVE SEATS.

Reserved seats and car reservations are now on sale for the Big Motorace on June 17th. There is no extra charge for either the reserved seats, or car space, however, they are both going fast and those who wish to get in on either must do so while they last. Both tickets and car space may be had at Van Buren's.



COME TO THE ROSE FESTIVAL.

The Multnomah will be the Mecca of the Eastern Visitor. Meet Your Friends Here. Service. Accommodations and Entertainment Better—Rates No Higher.

—Rates to You—

50 rooms, per day.....\$1.00
100 rooms, with bath.... 1.50
100 rooms, with bath.... 2.00
200 large outside rooms, 2.50
Extra person in room, 1.00

H.C. Rorer, Mgr.
12 PRESTON ST.