

LA GRANDE IS LIVE CENTER

Northwest Recognizes This City As
Livest Motorcycle Hub—Cross-
Country Drivers Bemoan Bad Roads
But Are Cheered At News of Bond
Issue.

Did you ever know before that La Grande is the livest motorcycle town in the Northwest, in towns up to 25,000 population?

Well, it's a fact. Boise and Walla Walla, and corresponding towns have nothing on La Grande's motorcycle activity. Trade papers from east to west have long since recognized La Grande as a sort of the hub of the Northwest in this respect. The fact is that the Speed 'Em Up races have done much to spread and exploit the good name of the city, and now the motorcycle manufacturers are recognizing the merits of this city as a sales center.

Seattle Man Likes Spirit.

Early in the week a rancher and his family passed through La Grande in a heavily-loaded auto bound for the Yellowstone and, later, Illinois. When interviewed just before reaching La Grande he remarked: "La Grande! Oh, that's the place where they hold the motorcycle races."

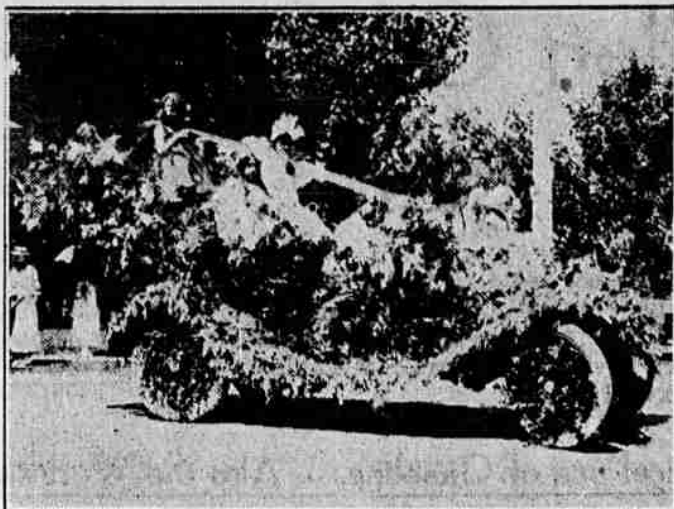
Thus even a rancher in King County, Wash., has heard of La Grande's races.

Motorcycle people are not the only people who now live in happy anticipation of the better roads a-comin'. Two big Spokane cars were in La Grande a day or two ago and what the drivers of these cars said of Oregon roads would make good headings for the Sunday Mercury. They consoled themselves with the grain of comfort that the Oregon road bonds passed. "I have never seen worse roads and I have been about a good bit," said one Spokane business man. "I don't mean your county particularly but all parts of Oregon that I have been in. If you good people hadn't voted the bonds Washington certainly would have been ashamed of her sister state."

Indicative of the motorcycle sales this Spring is the record of Chase Bohnenkamp, Harley dealer. Twenty-seven cycles and 16 side cars is his record thus far.

New Scheme Will Make Parade Spectacular

LAST YEAR'S PARADE PRIZE WINNERS OF MUCH BEAUTY.



MISS MARY PENNINGTON'S FLO AT
Which Won First Place in the Decorated Auto Parade Last Year.

In the decorated autos and floats parade which officially opens the Speed 'Em Up program will be seen many novel features. The tendency of the times will prompt many floats of a patriotic nature, and the many automobile dealers are to have their innings, too. Because automobiles are to take such an important part in the racing, the dealers are to be given new and added features to display their latest models. In the parade will be all the new dashing styles in automobiles. The Honor Guard girls

are to grace the new cars with their presence. There is to be no special decoration of these new cars and their load will be the driver and Honor Guard girls.

Last year the interest in the parade was intensely keen. This year it will be keener still. La Grande has a way of doing this up brown once it starts in and in this parade will be a fine chance for auto owners and business men to exercise their ingenuity. All racing autos and motorcycles are to be shown in the parade, too.

CASH PRIZES \$1500

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ingly desert-like crust and find soggy, black loam and clay under the surface. This provides a firm and substantial foundation for the track and likewise prevents any quick erosion. Also the dust menace is reduced. Last year there was a fear that the track would not be put in shape in one season. Note the results. Three world's records were broken. That speaks volumes for a new speedway.

During the past 12 months the surface has been hardened and crusted until when the big Far Western and Northwestern event are staged next month the track will unquestionably be the very best anywhere in the country.

The dirt track records broken last year include the following: 1 1/2 miles

5 miles, 10 miles, established by Dave Keeney of Springfield, Mass.

FINANCES CARED FOR.

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mittee. They direct the work. Roscoe R. Neal, race manager, is the man who attends the executive phases. A. W. Nelson is publicity manager, Mr. Stoddard heads the finance committee and R. J. Green the race program committee.

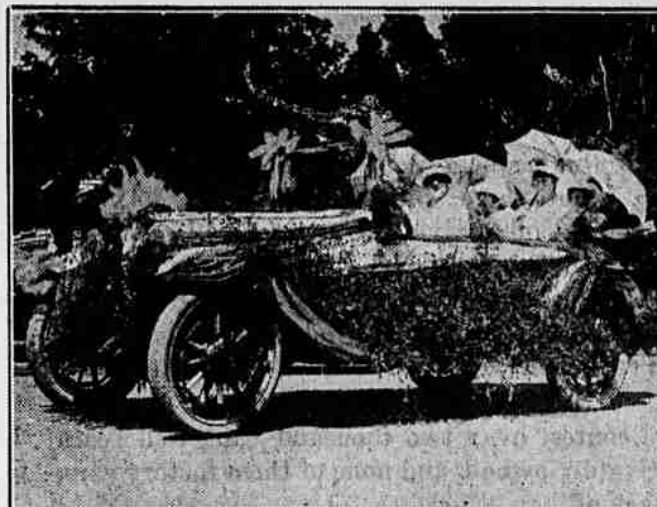
The membership contains the names of prominent motorcycle owners, automobile owners and dealers, and friends of the La Grande classic in general.

Elgin Will Play Baker.

Elgin and Baker will meet on next Sunday at Baker. With Elgin are Shelton and Workman, two men who have figured prominently in several crack Eastern Oregon teams.



Mr. T. J. Scroggin's Float, Winner of Second Place.



Mrs. O. C. Leiter's Float, Winner of Third Prize.

HOME DRYING OF VEGETABLES AND FRUITS.

Washington, D. C., June 15.—(Special)—Dry vegetables and fruits for winter use if tin cans and glass jars for canning are scarce or expensive.

This is the advice of specialists of the U. S. Department of Agriculture, who recently have studied the possibilities of conserving food to meet war needs in spite of any difficulties that may be experienced in obtaining canning containers. Drying was a well-

recognized and successful way of preserving certain foods before canning came into general use, the specialists point out, and modern methods make it still more practicable than formerly, either in the home or by community groups.

Methods of Drying.

Three methods of drying have been found by the department specialists to give satisfactory results. These are sun drying, drying by artificial heat, and drying with air blasts, as before an electric fan. Trays for dry-

ing by any one of these methods, as well as tray frames for use over stoves or before fans, can be made satisfactorily at home. Frames and trays for use with artificial heat may be purchased complete if desired.

Homemade trays may be made of side and end boards three-fourths of an inch thick and two inches wide, and bottom boards of lathing spaced one-fourth of an inch. If desired, one-fourth-inch galvanized wire mesh may be tacked to the side and end boards to form the bottoms of the trays. Frames for use before fans may be made of wood of convenient size. Frames for use with artificial heat should be made of nonflammable material to as great an extent as possible. As many as six trays may be placed one above the other when artificial heat is used. In drying before a fan the number of trays that may be placed one above the other will depend, to a large extent, upon the diameter of the fan. In drying in the sun, trays as described may be used or the products to be dried may be spread on sheets of paper or muslin held in place by weights.

Preparing Products for Drying.

Vegetables and fruits will dry better if sliced. They should be cut into slices one-eighth to one-fourth of an inch thick. If thicker, they may not dry thoroughly. While drying, the products should be turned or stirred from time to time. Dried products should be packed temporarily for three or four days and poured each day from one box to another to bring about thorough mixing, and so that the whole mass will have a uniform degree of moisture. If during this "conditioning" any pieces of the products are found to be too moist, they should be returned to the trays and dried further. When in condition, the products may be packed permanently in tight paper bags, insect-proof paper boxes or cartons, or glass or tin containers.

Farm Labor Shortage.

Portland, Ore., June 16.—(United Press)—The farm labor shortage is complicated by a late season which will bring the harvest of grain, hay and some berries all at the same time. Unless part of these crops—unusually necessary during war time—are lost, men and women in the cities must leave their homes and offices and go into the fields.

This today is the message of N. F. Johnson, manager of the municipal employment bureau and director of labor of the Oregon food drive. Oregon alone, he said today, must have 6000 more men ready to work in the fields by the first of the month in addition to those already on the farms.

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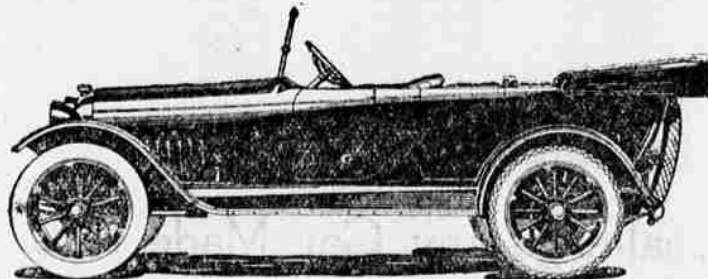
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