

### GARAGE GOSSIP

plumbers, electricians, and carpenters are beginning their second week making alterations, to bring the Ford plant at La Grande to the most modern condition.

**Chevrolet Cars—**  
John Morell and company of Sioux Falls, S. D. has purchased a Chevrolet coupe from the Larson Chevrolet garage.

**On Business—**  
Paul Mason, of Portland, head accountant for the Chevrolet Motor company, is here this week on business. Mr. Richmond, sales manager for division six of the Chevrolet company, is expected to arrive at the local dealers today.

**New Employee—**  
E. O. Carman, of The Dalles, is a new shop man at the Jennings Motor company.

**Unload Carload—**  
A Hudson super-eight sedan and three Essex cars were unloaded by the Blue Mountain garage last week. The Essex cars include one touring sedan, one standard sedan, and one coach.

**Visitor—**  
F. G. McConnell, district representative of the Oakland Motor company, was a visitor at the La Grande Motor company this week.

### THEATERS

#### Many Celebrities In "Hollywood Revue" at State

The greatest cast of celebrities ever assembled on any stage or before any motion picture camera are to be seen in "The Hollywood Revue", which opens tomorrow at the State theater as Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's big special musical extravaganza.

Marion Davies makes her bow as a song-and-dance comedienne in the revue as "Tommy Atkins on Parade" with a mate ensemble of six-factors as a dancing holy-guard.

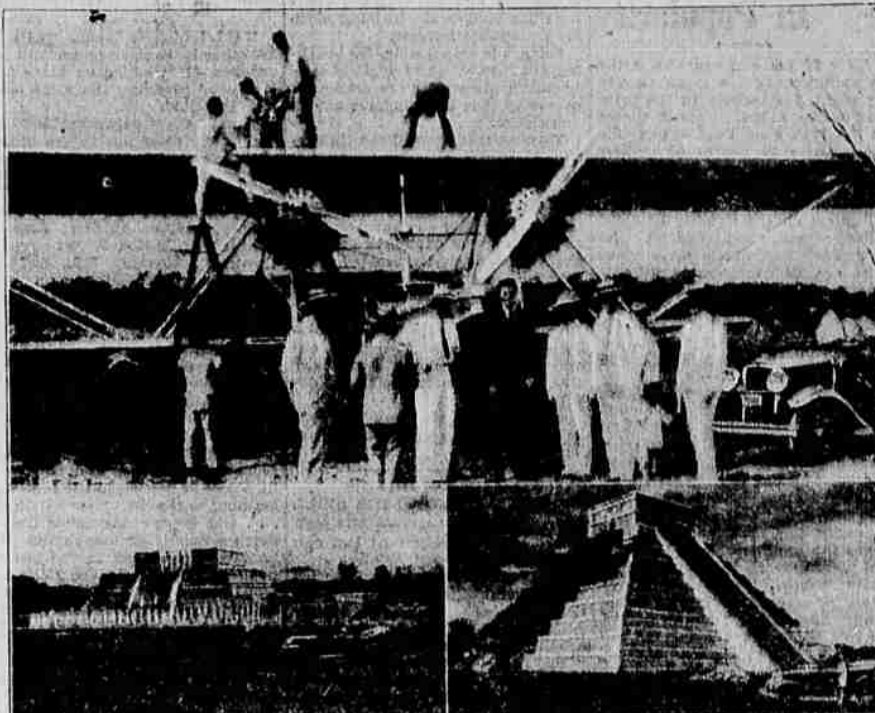
Norma Shearer and John Gilbert co-star in a modernized "Itomeo and Juliet" skit and Bessie Love again wins honors with her imitable clowning and aerobic dancing as well as participating in novel song numbers with Polly Moran and Marie Dressler. Cliff (Kubrick) Edwards wins fresh laurels as a screen artist and Karl Dane and George K. Arthur lend voice to the festive film.

Jack Benny, vaudeville star, acts as master-of-ceremonies and introduces Conrad Nagel as a singer. Anita Page shares the act with Conrad, and Charles King of "Broadway Melody" fame again croons lyrical ballads. Stan Laurel and Oliver Hardy join the show as magicians and the Brox Sisters again burst into song. Gus Edwards sings one of his original numbers with an appropriate chorus.

Jean Crawford does a neat song and dance turn with The Rounders lending a tuneful background. The Albertina Rasch Ballet is charming in a technical scene and the Natoya company thrills with a daring adagio. William Haines and Buster Keaton add merriment with featured skits and Owen Lee is included in the elaborate cast of fun-makers.

Five of the western conference basketball captains played against each other in Indiana high school basketball circles. Murphy and Harneson of Purdue, Walter of Northwestern, McCracken of Indiana and Chapman of Michigan.

### Lindbergh Views Ancient and Modern Masterpieces



When America's "Lone Eagle" gathered exploration laurels to add to his sky conquests during his honeymoon flights in Yucatan recently, he made it possible to combine in one picture examples of the finest handwork of ages ago with that of today. The interesting picture group shows Twin-Ignition power—the masterpiece of modern engine building—in Lindbergh's plane and a new Nash "400" car at the expedition base in Merida, Yucatan; and the new Nash "400" posed with the famous Chichen Itza ruins, the finest examples of ancient Mayan building.

### YOUTHFUL STAR CHALLENGES KING

#### St. Godard to Race Seppala, Hero of Noted Serum Dash to Nome.

**Editor's Note—**In this exclusive story, obtained by The Observer and N.E.A. Service through Emmett E. Kelleher of the Hudson Bay News Bureau, The Pas, Manitoba, Emil St. Godard, youthful French-Canadian who has won fame as a dog driver, challenges Leonhard Seppala, Alaskan veteran who carried the serum to Nome a few years ago, to a 200-mile race over the snows for the world's championship. If Seppala accepts by entering the event, one of the greatest dog races in the history of the northland is certain.

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THE PAS, Manitoba, Jan. 24.—A 200-mile race over the frozen slopes of Manitoba for the dog-driving championship of the world—

This is the event that is in prospect for Manitoba sportsmen in March, with Emil St. Godard challenging Leonhard Seppala to an endurance test that will determine which of the two is the better. St. Godard, youthful French-Canadian who makes an annual custom of winning the great dog derby here, issues his challenge to Seppala, veteran of the Alaskan snows.

The championship of the world, by common consent, lies between these two men.

St. Godard, youthful and skillful, has won the gruelling Pas Derby five times and his established himself as the greatest dog driver in northwest Canada.

Seppala, a veteran at the business, gained world-wide fame in Alaska a few years ago by carrying diphtheria serum to Nome across many miles of frozen wastes. He won the New Hampshire and Quebec dog derbies about as regularly as St. Godard wins The Pas event.

Seppala has never raced at The Pas. St. Godard often goes east

to race, but does not quite have the good fortune there that he has here. He won the Quebec championship two years ago, but last year finished second in it to Seppala. Now he wants to race Seppala over the frozen Manitoba course.

The derby here runs from The Pas to the great Flin Flon mine—200 miles of pulling, with a silver cup and \$2500 in cash prizes up for competition. It is a harder grind than either the New Hampshire or Quebec races, and conditions here are usually more like Alaskan conditions than they are in the east.

This would hardly bother Seppala. He gained his great fame in Alaska, where he is remembered for winning the All-Alaska sweepstakes in 1915 as well as for his famous dash to Nome. The Nome episode, however, was probably the most spectacular in his career.

Nome was swept by a diphtheria epidemic and Seppala was the first driver of a long relay team that undertook to get the serum up there. He had 240 miles to cover, and had to cross the treacherous ice of Norton Sound twice en route. The temperature ranged from 20 to 50 below zero while he was on the trail, and for more than half the distance he had to buck a strong head wind. Yet he drove his team at an average speed of better than nine miles an hour and got to Nome with his serum safely.

Other Trips Thrilling  
Seppala, however, does not look back on this trip as one of his exciting experiences. He says he has made at least 50 other trips that were more eventful.

There was, for instance, the time that he was traveling with his team from Nome to Nenana, a distance of 700 miles. He started out to cross Norton Sound, and was fairly out on the ice when the floe broke up and a strong wind carried him out to sea.

For more than 24 hours Seppala and his dogs were marooned on a floating ice cake. Seppala had given up hope, when a change in the wind drove the cake back toward shore and finally brought it up against a point of land, by which man and animals were able to make their escape.

Seppala learned his trade from the famous Shorby Allen, who was considered—up to Seppala's time—Alaska's greatest dog musher. After beating St. Godard three years ago in the New England dog derby, Seppala called St. Godard "the best young dog musher I have ever seen," and said that he had won solely because his dogs were in better shape than St. Godard's.

St. Godard has been training

his dogs for endurance rather than speed, and believes that in the 200-mile race they would stand a better chance than they do in the shorter races in the east.

St. Godard "grew up with dogs," and had the ambition to be a dog musher from his childhood. His idol was Walter Goyme, most famous dog driver Manitoba ever had, who gave him his early training.

Goyme came to The Pas from Alaska a dozen years ago, and met his tragic death in 1922. The story of his passing is an spectacular as anything in all the lore of the northland.

With a team of 11 dogs he set out on an 85-mile training trip for Moose lake and failed to return. A search was made for him but no trace of man or team could be found. Then, a month later, a fur trader struck the shore of Moose lake and noticed a group of wild dogs on the ice, howling miserably. He went out to investigate, and found them scratching on ice, at a point several hundred yards off shore, and whining.

**Frozen in Solid Ice**  
The fur trader lay flat and looked down. The ice was crystal clear, and he could see far down. There he saw a sight that put his hair on end.

Underneath him, frozen in the ice, were Goyme and his eleven dogs. All were standing upright in the most natural poses imaginable.

Evidently the ice had given way while Goyme was driving his team across the lakes. The bitterly cold winter apparently had numbed man and dogs so quickly that they had been unable even to try to save themselves. Then a cold snap had come and frozen them in.

Goyme and his team were finally taken back to The Pas for burial, and St. Godard, grief-stricken, vowed to become world's champion in memory of his teacher.

So now he wants to race Seppala here at The Pas to settle the matter, starting March 4.

Other well known drivers of the northland have entered, including "Shorby" Kuesick, Earl Brydges, Sam Brantson, Donald Fleet, Hector and Gabriel Campbell.

### Clark Wood Says

Dr. Olga Stanny of Omaha advises the business woman to "loaf like a man," relaxing at ease with her feet above her head. Men in the same office wouldn't work much either.

Chicago's financial plight might soon be ended if certain of her people could be persuaded to pray for her.

Mr. Stimson took his golf clubs to England, which may enable him at times to turn from diplomatic evasion to a good lie.

The head of a broadcasting concern wants his company to continue on a "sound business basis." It will.

Newspapers frequently quote the Bible—on the theory, perhaps, that what it says will be news to most of their readers.

It seems that written contracts are not uncommon in the underworld, despite its aversion for the pen.

Even though Chicago loses her schoolmasters, her gunmen will remain to handle the rod.

We read that "goldfish have provided inspiration for three modern poets." Usually it's the bowl.

Mexico is turning against the Russian Reds, for the obvious reason that she has no particular use for their kind of bull.

### MOJAVE TURTLES PREDICT WEATHER, SAY OLD TIMERS

PHOENIX, Ark. (AP)—Old timers of the Mojave desert are predicting heavy rains before springtime because mother turtles are laying eggs in profusion. The eggs hatch in the fall, then the young turtles bury themselves in the sand and emerge when there is grass to eat.

"Desert rats" credit the mother with knowing in advance what years are going to be wet enough to assure sufficient grass for their young.



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