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## CARAVAN OF TRUCKS VISITS INDEPENDENCE

With horns tooting and whistles blowing the Oregon Auto Truck Caravan reached Independence at ten a. m. yesterday. Altho fifteen hours behind schedule they were greeted by a good sized crowd of people on the streets of this city. Had it arrived at the regular time on Wednesday evening it would have been welcomed by a thousand people. The town was filled with farmers and they were greatly disappointed at the non-appearance of the Caravan.

One of the officers of the Oregon Automotive Dealers' Association gives this reason for the visit of the Caravan to different sections of the state:

"The Motor Vehicle and good roads—the motor vehicle came first—are of vital interest to every man, woman and child in the country, for they cut distances and bring the city and country closer together, causing a mutual benefit by allowing each more readily the natural advantages of the other. Besides this closer social and political contact, there is a business side of the Motor Truck and Good Roads. They cut down distances, bring the city market closer to the producer, save time, and greatly enhance farm values. The modern motor vehicle and good roads came into their own with the boys in France, being next to those brave lads, the greatest factor in winning the war. This is conceded by almost everyone, and especially by the Army, the Navy and the Marines. The motor truck and roads not only brought the fighting men and their supplies up to the front for the Army, but they also enabled the Devil Dogs and the Blue Jackets to jump ashore, get into the fray, and lug their largest naval guns to the front, so effectively. This is why the Army, the Navy and the Marine Corps are interested in the Truck Caravan, and represented therein."

The Army was represented by one of the largest portable searchlights in the world. It has a candle light power of fifteen millions, weighs two tons, is valued at \$35,000 and was carried on a ton and a half truck. The Navy was represented by a model of the 312 foot Destroyer.

There were between twenty and thirty trucks of various kinds in the Caravan and each was loaded to capacity for demonstrating purposes. The value of the total load carried was \$103,139.25.

A letter of greeting from Mayor Baker of Portland to other mayors on the schedule of march was presented.

After visiting local dealers, giving the glad hand to everybody, and taking dinner, the Caravan, all hands aboard and running true to form, departed for Dallas on its way back to Portland.

### I. M. ENGINE NO. THREE GETS A REGULAR JOB

Engine No. 3 of the I. & M. was steamed up Monday by J. A. Bewley and taken to Dallas where it will be given a commission in the Southern Pacific service. Old Number Three gave faithful service here and may its days be long and useful.

### TO HELP IN SECURING PERMANENT PHONE SERVICE

At the regular meeting of the business men of Independence Tuesday night, a committee was appointed to co-operate with residents of Airlie, Pedee and Hoskins in maintaining a satisfactory telephone service. Recently the "central" at Airlie has not been self-sustaining and some way must be found to remedy this condition.

### THIS WEEK FIVE YEARS AGO IN SOUTH POLK COUNTY

(From the Independence Monitor May 21, 1915)

Independence city council frame ordinance for control of congested traffic on C street.

Dr. M. J. Butler graduated from the Portland Dental College.

Murphy hops, 138 bales, sold for 10½¢.

### MICKIE SAYS

OLD EZRY SCRUGGS ALLOWS AS HOW HE AINT GOINTA DO NO MORE ADVERTISING UNTIL HE GETS SOME RESULTS FROM TH' SIGN ON TH' ELEPHANT THAT HE PAID \$7 FOR TH' TIME WHEN TH' CIRCUS WAS HERE FOUR YEARS AGO



CHARLEY SODNAME

### WHAT DOES "TO" MEAN? THAT IS THE ISSUE

Whether the West Side Highway goes south from Monmouth or south from Independence will depend upon the court's interpretation of the meaning of the little word "to." In the law creating the highway, the section relating to the route thru Polk county says "to" Dallas, Monmouth and Independence. The highway commission construes it to mean that by building a stub to any or all of the above named towns, the law has been complied with. It is the purpose of the Independence and Dallas citizens to contest such a contention in the courts. With this end in view, a number of Independence men met with the Commercial Club at Dallas and a joint committee was appointed, including representatives from Parker, to have the matter in charge and take such steps as are necessary to bring about a change of mind of the state highway commission.

### PRIMARY ELECTION DAY BIG VOTE IN PROSPECT

This is primary election day thru-out the state and a large vote is being cast. The Republicans have a spirited fight on for president, delegates to the national convention, secretary of state, joint representative and county commissioner. The senatorial contest between Chamberlain and Starkweather is the big issue in the Democratic primaries. The polls close at eight o'clock tonight and the results will not be known until tomorrow.

### HAROLD HOWELL, BRIGHT CHAP, HERE FOR SUMMER

Harold Howell, who has become known to all the newspaper readers in Oregon, was in Independence Tuesday, accompanied by his father and mother, on his way to Monmouth where he will spend the summer with his uncle, John Howell. The great outdoors looks unusually good to the young man who was confined in the jail at Bandon for several months during the period of his three trials, the third one of which resulted in his acquittal.

Harold is a bright chap and to meet him and talk with him removes all doubt in your mind and you are convinced at once that he is innocent of the crime of which he was charged.

### CITY OF PEDEE NOW HAS FIRE PROTECTION

(Polk County Observer)  
V. J. Love our enterprising merchant, freight and express agent, and village postmaster, is having a large tank erected, capacity about 200,000 gallons for fire protection and irrigating purposes. The tower is now up, with twenty-four foot posts and a concrete base. It is situated on the old creamery site on Depot street. Mr. Valentine is doing the building. S. C. Cleveland will furnish the steam power from the sawmill to pump the water into the tank from the Luckiamute river and has the chance to use the water from the tank in case of fire.

The Independence-Monmouth bus has raised its fare to 15¢.

SUNDAY, MAY 23—(Afternoon and Evening)

## "THE LUCK OF THE IRISH"

It is the story of a man who followed a girl around the world—to Venice, Cairo, Calcutta, Hong Kong—meeting intrigue on every hand. Gondola, elephant, camel, and rickshaws rides! Fights with the Black Hand, slugging matches with dusky Arabs, husky Chinamen and white villains! Punch and Pep! Love and Luck! Romance and Adventure! Humor and Laughter! The Luck of the Irish to you!

Jeff and Mutt Comedy and Fox News

MONDAY AND TUESDAY, MAY 24-25

## MITCHELL LEWIS

in "LIFE'S GREATEST PROBLEM."

Also the fourth episode of the great serial,

## 'Smashing Barriers'

4. THE DEED OF A DEVIL

A smashing melodrama of risk and romance in the great outdoors, in the lumber camps, the football field and the mountains. 15 weeks of adventure!

WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY, MAY 26-27

## "THE WESTERNERS"

The drama of the great gold-rush to the Black Hills. Love, Romance, Hatred, Treachery and Retribution—all the elements of a mighty production.

Rolin Comedy and Pathe News

FRIDAY, MAY 28

## CLARA K. YOUNG

in "THE ROAD THROUGH THE DARK."

A thrilling tale of Love and Adventure. A story of the early stages of the war. Full of action from A to Z. The beauty and charm of the star are unsurpassed.

Comedy and International News

SATURDAY, MAY 29

## WILLIAM DESMOND

in "THE PRINCE AND BETTY."

See how this modern Prince Charming put a Romantic Republic on the map—on the skids and on the "blink." See how he put down and mixed up a revolution made to measure, and stirred up a revolution in feminine hearts.

Herold Lloyd Comedy and Ford Weekly

## ISIS THEATRE INDEPENDENCE

### WHERE THE BABY CHICKS COME FROM

(By Virginia Southern.)  
When Dr. R. E. Duganne entered the poultry game it was not on such a large scale but today the success of his industry is attracting much attention. Dr. and Mrs. Duganne have made an extensive study of the poultry business and their careful persistency has made them remarkably successful. They are equipped with 10 incubators ranging from a capacity of 250 to 18000. At one time they can carry in their incubators 5500 eggs. Their incubators are manufactured in Washington, California and Nebraska. The Dr. declared that the Washington variety could stand a hurricane. We wondered why the Nebraska style couldn't. The Dr. shows you three kinds of chickens—reds, whites and blacks. The industry has been so successful the "blues" have been eliminated. He is loud in his praise of the "Tancred," which is a very fine strain of the white leghorn, and named for a

Washington sea captain, Captain Tancred, who has won three world records. They are great layers. He also prizes his Black Minorcas which lay the largest eggs and Rhode Island Reds which are fine for eating. The Dugannes have shipped 7000 baby chicks and have 2400 in the brooders at their home, one brooder accommodating 1400 and another 1000 chickens. They have a room over the National Bank for the incubators and employ a woman to keep everything, including nursery rays, in the most sanitary condition. Before going into the incubators every egg is weighed and nothing set less than 22 or over 26 ounce weight per dozen. The cartons in which the chicks are shipped have four divisions, each division accommodating 25 chicks, the body heat of that number being sufficient to keep them warm on a railroad journey. The Dr. has been very fortunate in his ship-

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## PRIZE AUTO TO BE AWARDED SATURDAY NIGHT

Judges Will Open Sealed Ballot Box at 9 p. m. and Determine Winners of Various Prizes

Now for the finish!

In less than forty-eight hours from the date of this writing someone whose name appears in the list below will be handsomely rewarded for special efforts put forth for the Polk County Post during the past seven weeks.

What is the first and second name of that someone? You tell; we do not know. The question will be answered definitely only when the judges shall have broken the seal of the secret ballot box and determined the vote standing of all contestants at the close of this week and the campaign—Saturday, May 22, at 9 p. m.

Since last Monday morning the ballot box, closed with lock, and the only key placed in custody of the banker, has been in the banking room of the Farmers State Bank at Independence. All contestants have been placing their reports directly in the box, and will continue to do so up to the closing hour of the campaign. Therefore, the outcome of the race will remain in doubt to the very end.

To the candidate polling the highest number of votes will be awarded the Maxwell touring car; to the candidate polling the next highest number of votes will be awarded the trip to Yellowstone park. And so on, down the line.

There is only one way in which votes may be secured, and that is by reporting subscription collections, as was definitely stated in the opening announcement of this campaign. The success of each candidate, therefore, depends on his or her own resourcefulness and activity, as well as on the liberality of friends in subscribing, or paying their subscriptions for the Post before the end of this week.

The latest count of votes presented below is based on returns for only part of a week, but reveals real activity among the contestants, and suggests a very close and exciting finish. By showing the strength of which they are capable, anyone of eight or nine in the list may easily cross the tape by a large or small margin. It is still anybody's race.

### Last Call to Contestants

Are you going to be the one to finish triumphantly with an overwhelming number of votes to your credit, or are you going to be content with what you now have and see the efforts and anxiety of the past seven weeks go for naught and the rewards of the race bestowed on a competitor just a little bit more enterprising and aggressive? It is entirely up to you. To win, or to let the other fellow win; that's the question!

Success in an affair of this kind depends on keen judgment and immediate action. The end is but a few hours away, but if you can trust your own judgment as to your competitors' strength, based on facts and observations, and lay your own plans accordingly, there is yet time to turn threatened de-

### G. A. R. MEMORIAL SERVICES TAKE PLACE ON SUNDAY

The annual memorial exercises of the G. A. R. will be held Sunday morning at the Baptist church. Rev. H. L. Proppe will deliver an address at 11 o'clock.

### WARREN NEAL, VETERAN, GOES OVER THE DIVIDE

Warren Neal, a veteran of the civil war, died at his home in Monmouth Tuesday aged 74. Funeral services were held at the home yesterday and interment was made in the K. P. cemetery.

Mr. Neal came to Oregon in 1881. In 1884 he went East, but in 1894 he returned to Oregon locating at McMinnville. Since 1908 he has lived at Monmouth. He was among the Oregon veterans who attended the Gettysburg reunion in 1913.

feat into sweeping victory.

Every tick of the clock marks approach to the closing hour. There's scarcely time to more than catch your breath till everything will be over, and the winners of the race announced. Therefore, with peculiar pertinence to the situation, arises the question, "Is it not true that HARD WORK NOW will be worth more than ALL THE REGRETS IN THE WORLD after the race is lost?"

This newspaper has urged candidates to do their very best right along, and now lays particular stress upon the final necessity for each candidate to look the situation squarely in the face and see where it will be necessary to put forth extra effort from now till the closing hour to assure the success most desired.

### Be Safe; Do Not Be Sorry.

Do not accept at full value the words of enthusiastic friends who see that you are making a good race and say "You will win in a walk," or who suggest that the prize you seek is already within your grasp. Overconfidence has lost many races and battles; relaxation just before the finish is fraught with many dangers.

Do not listen to the "crepe hanger" and his morbid cry of "you might as well give up; you have no chance." He or she never won anything in life with that sort of slogan, and never will. Besides, you do not know but what it is pure propaganda, cunningly disguised, and designed to help a favorite candidate.

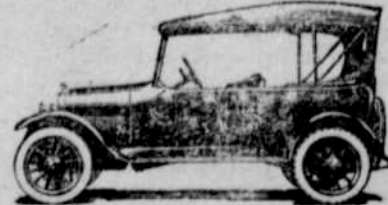
Determination to win, coupled with relentless activity in vote getting, will make any candidate a winner; but what is done must be done now. To temporize is to let some competitor forge ahead and claim the prize that would have been yours.

At the present time the management of this newspaper, as well as the campaign manager, is as much in the dark as to the ultimate winner of this race, as is the most casual reader. For each and all alike, therefore, the final dash for the goal is fraught with interest and excitement.

## LATEST RETURNS FROM BALLOT BOX

AS REVEALED BY VOTES DEPOSITED FROM THURSDAY TO SATURDAY LAST

Whose Car Tomorrow Night



Help Your Friend Today

MRS. GAIL ALEXANDER, Ind., Rt. 2	535,050
MISS FAYE JOHNSON, Independence	454,420
MRS. MAUDE McELMURRY, Ind., Rt. 2	433,040
LOUISE BAUMAN, Independence	418,500
CAROLL SMITH, Independence	412,650
ALMA SANDERSON, Greenwood	360,010
CACILIA BIRKHOIZ, Independence	281,570
LILLIE CALKINS, Airlie	185,860
HELEN BUTLER, Independence	21,800
LEMUEL BARNETT, Independence	15,900
CECIL RUEF, Independence	11,100
JAMES HINKLE, Monmouth	10,050
IVY STANLEY, Independence	5,000