

SELECTION OF AUTO AT SHOW BELIEVED

"Thousand Beauties" at Ice Palace Really Hypnotic.

EXPLORING CROWD MERRY

Feeling of Prosperity and Ambition Rule, But Variety of Cars Addles Minds of Wonderers.

BY LEONE CASS BAER.

You must awake and call me early, call me early, mother dear, for tomorrow is the busiest day, that I'll have all year, and that is saying a mouthful. I simply can't be late, so have my Java early, for I surely have some data. I sleep smartly all night, mother, that I shall never awake, although in these non-liquid days I'm careful what I take, so if I don't respond ma, when you give the breakfast call, pour water on my face, ma, I shan't mind at all. For tomorrow is a big day and by the hour of 10 I must be at the Ice Palace to meet a thousand men.

I represent a "prospect" ma, to buy a grand new car, out of a thousand beauties ma, yes, I'll say they are. There's mine, an added mother, but mine's the wildest yet. I'm trying to remember the names of cars I met: Hupmobile, a National, a Grant and Chevrolet, a Paterson, a Standard and a Cadillac quite gay; an Oldsmobile all done in blue with ribbons on its chest, and a Ford sedan so classy it stood out from the rest.

A Studebaker smartly and a Jordan and a Packard and an Elgin, whose smooth movements are the wonder of the age; a Lexington, Columbia and Cleveland in a row, sounds like a train chugging on its chest, and a Buick. There's Stearns-Knight and a Buick, and a gorgeous child named Nash, and a Dixie, and a Buick, and a Cole with lots of dash. There's a million-dollar Essex, and a Winton, and a Bell, and an onery little Stutz, for which I put up my fella, a Willys-Knight quite ornate, and a Veile and a Case met my warm approval as I sauntered round the place. A Dodge I didn't need to Dodge, and a Packard and a Mitchell and a saucy car named Dort. (Dort does not rhyme with smart, but I took out a pointer here, so it auto do. P. S.—I will have to do.) A Packard gay and devilish, an Overland and Shaw, an Oakland and a Reo.

Are you getting dizzy, Ma? A Templar and a Stephens, a Commonwealth quite wealthy, a peerless Peerless, too, and a dignified Pierce-Arrow done in a lovely blue, an Allen and a Maxwell, and a Moon car, mother dear, are others I remember; oh yes, and a Hevey.

An Apperson, a Liberty, a Chandler and Haynes are others to remember, which I've taken my poor, tired brain to do. I don't know, Ma, but I promised each I'd buy one if he'd let me get away.

Yesterday I reviewed the heaviest show I ever attended. The theater is at the Ice Palace and the actors are some dolls, really, and they act on their best behavior. They make me think these lovely cared-for cars—of a Sultan's harem as I have heard them call them in literature. Sulky, silent, pampered and gorgeous in each car, all dressed up and going nowhere when they find their vital under the quiet outer cloak, and perfectly harmless because they are shorn for the while of their power. I gave me a little kick to promote made fearlessly about while a multitude of motors stood shackled. Daniel in the lion's den probably had the same feeling when he found that the activities of one of the beasts, even if temporarily, can have my vote.

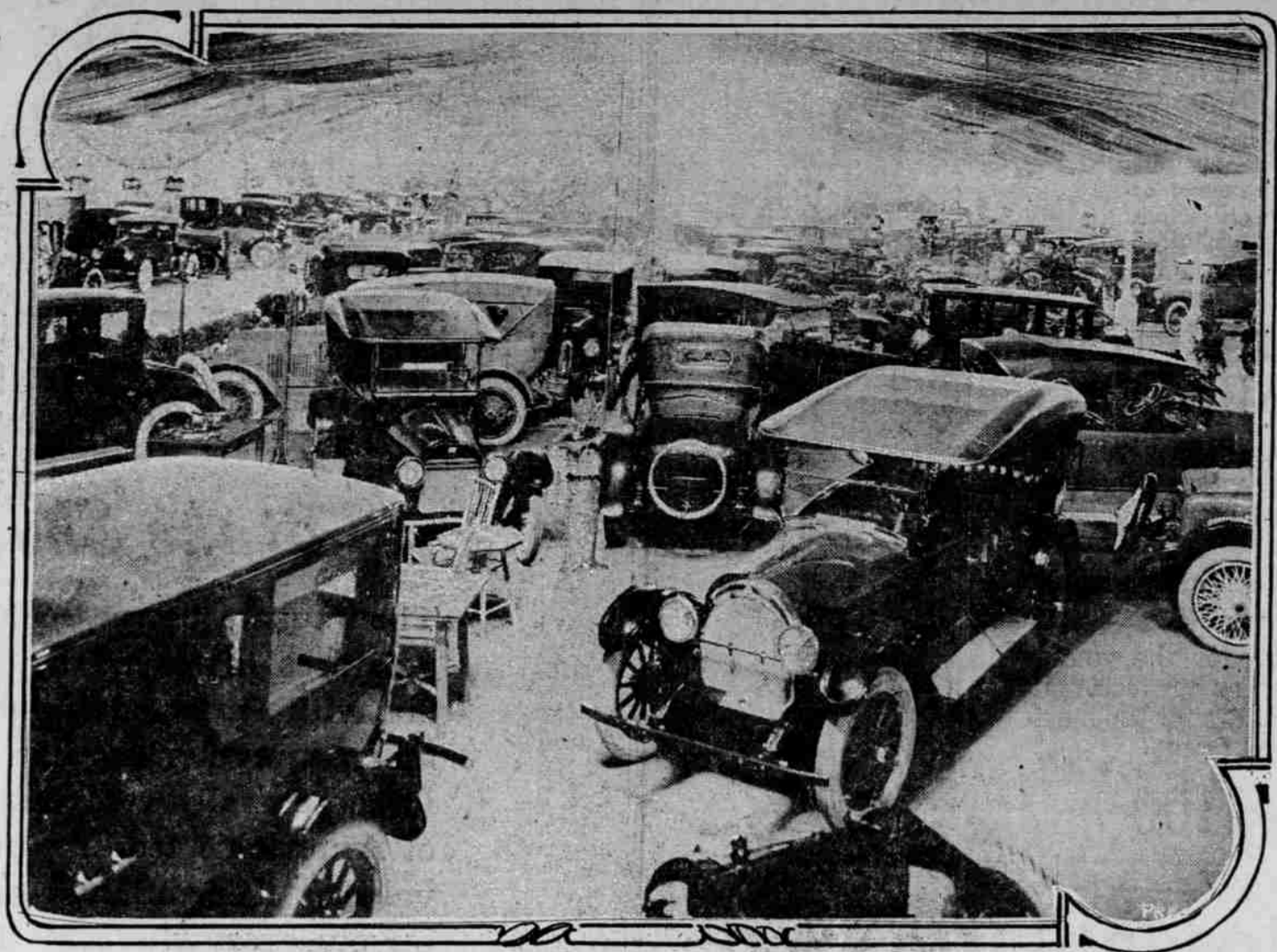
Thrill Is Hypnotic. After you take in the beauty of the picture, the happy marks in green grass plots with flowers a-bloom and magnificent Turkish rugs, against a background of Oregon scenery painted realistically, and you analyze it all, even to the delightful music that comes floating from a balcony, you put your finger on the mood it generates and find that it is a feeling of prosperity, of well doing and ambition. The spell is hypnotic. The crowd thinks cars, talks cars, breathes cars, and you cars. Soft voiced chatter of women who in this dynasty know as much about the innards of a car as their men escorts, gay little high school observations from excited little boys exploring and investigating, and occasionally the gentle voice of the salesman demonstrating the merits of his car.

Crowd Is Merry. It's a merry crowd, a crowd that would dance in a minute to the melody of the band, a polite crowd that "pardon me's" and "I thank you's" its way about, a colorful animated joyous band. Harmony prevails and I think if charm and good manners could fix anything the whole of Portland will have traded its immortal soul for automobiles before next Saturday night.

P. S. I discovered that all the statters who wear leather coats do not own cars.

BANQUET TODAY BIG FEATURE. Reservations Made for 1000 Visiting Dealers and Guests. One of the big events of automobile show week will take place tonight at the city auditorium, when Portland motor car and truck dealers entertain visiting dealers and guests at a big dinner and vaudeville show. Reservations have been made for no less than 1000 guests. Some idea of the importance in which this show is held throughout the northwest may be gained from the fact that about 300 of the reservations are for guests from outside of Portland, some coming here to attend the show and incidentally the dinner, from as far distant as Seattle and Spokane.

HERE'S A VIEW OF PART OF THE INTERIOR OF THE BIG ICE PALACE, WHERE PORTLAND'S ELEVENTH ANNUAL AUTOMOBILE SHOW IS ON DURING ALL OF THIS WEEK.



There were 65 cars of different makes and 102 different models on display at the show yesterday, and arrival of cars delayed in shipment from the factories will bring the number of different makes up close to 70 by today or tomorrow.

truck organization to have its own table. The guests will be distributed among the organizations. But the dinant will be only a part, though of course a most important part of the evening's entertainment. The program for the evening includes four solid hours of high-class vaudeville. Some fine attractions, including one musical act in which there are 40 singing girls, have been obtained for the program, which is in the hands of A. S. Robinson, secretary of the show committee, and known all along the Pacific coast for his prowess as a provider of entertainment. Mr. Robinson has been neglecting his business faithfully for the past couple of weeks, attending rehearsals and obtaining new attractions for his big show.

Attendance at the passenger car show in the ice palace and at the truck and accessory shows in the armory yesterday eclipsed even the records set for opening day, when 4000 persons attended. Better than 5000 attended the shows yesterday and last night. M. O. Wilkins, president of the Dealers' Motor-Car association of Oregon, and manager of both shows, says attendance so far has been beyond that of any previous automobile show in Portland.

Some of the new cars delayed in arrival and hence not in place at the opening of the show, have reached town. Among them is the Monroe four, which can be seen by show visitors today. The new Briscoe, in which there is so much interest, is expected to arrive sometime today, and to be in place alongside the new Liberty tomorrow.

One of the chassis exhibits that attracted a lot of attention yesterday was that of a Buick. It is a cutaway chassis, parts of the cylinder walls, transmission case, differential housing and such being cut away, so as to show all the working parts of the motor and other machinery. This chassis proved so fascinating to visitors that it was hidden behind crowds all day and evening.

Attendance at the truck show has been about the same as that at the passenger car show at the ice palace. Both passenger car show at the ice palace and truck show at the armory will continue all this week.

GENSUS ESTIMATE 314656

SUPERVISOR BENNETT DECLARES FIGURE "HIGH."

City Directory Publishers Base Number on Names in Directory. Official Count Not Public. Estimate of Portland's population at 314,656 by H. T. Hutchinson, manager of the Polk & Co. publishers of the city directory, made public yesterday was said to be "high" by W. D. Bennett, supervisor of the federal census in this district. While having the figures at his command, Mr. Bennett is not authorized to state them. It is believed, however, that the calculations announced by Mr. Hutchinson might be classed as "quite high."

GAME BODY TO ORGANIZE

New Commission Scheduled to Meet Here Next Monday.

Permanent organization of the new fish and game commission authorized by the special session of the legislature will be effected next Monday at the offices in the Oregon building, in addition to the old commissioners, who are I. N. Fleischer of Portland, Marion Jack of Pendleton, C. F. Stone of Klamath Falls and Frank Warren of Portland, there will be present Senator John Gill of Portland, Earl Simmons of Eugene, Charles Hall of Marshfield and Chris Schmidt of Astoria, the new members.

"FLU" TAKES 14 LIVES

Reports Indicate Epidemic in Portland Is Waning.

Fourteen deaths were reported to the health bureau yesterday from influenza and Monday. The number of new cases, 48 in all, indicates that the disease in Portland is waning. The new cases have reached an average lower than at any time since the first week of the outbreak of the disease this year. Reports reaching State Health Officer Rogers indicated that with the exception of Klamath Falls the disease is becoming less virulent. In Klamath Falls the crisis has not yet been reached, although conditions were reported better than last week.

OLD POWERS RESTORED

STATE BODIES GET JURISDICTION OVER RAILWAYS.

Oregon Public Service Commissioner Foresees Better Advantages for Shippers.

SALEM, Or., Feb. 24.—(Special.)—Passage by congress of the modified reorganization bill restores the powers of the interstate commerce commission and the state public service commissions as existing before the railway lines were placed under federal control, with additional power to the federal commission to remove any undue advantage, preference or prejudice between interstate commerce and interstate or foreign commerce, according to H. H. Corey, member of the Oregon public service commission. The bill contains also a provision, according to Mr. Corey, under which carriers may petition the federal commission to remove discriminations. Full jurisdiction over all proposed rate increases is restored to state commissions by the bill upon the termination of federal control, but no reductions may be made without the consent of the federal commission until the expiration of the federal guarantee period, September 1, 1920.

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Columbia Six

EUGENE SMITH STEPS OUT CANDIDACY FOR CONGRESS IS WITHDRAWN. Former President of Central Labor Council Says Unexpected Developments Change Plans.

Eugene E. Smith has withdrawn as a candidate for the republican nomination for congress. Mr. Smith, who announced his candidacy ten days ago, says that unexpected developments have caused him to change his plans about running for congress, but that his ideas as to the qualifications a republican candidate should possess have not been altered. Mr. Smith, who was formerly president of the Central Labor Council and served in the regular and special sessions of the legislature in 1919 and 1920, is considered one of the leading interpreters of labor thought in the state. As the American Federation of Labor has threatened to oppose the re-election of Representative McArthur, it was supposed that this vote would center on Mr. Smith, but when he made his initial announcement he disclaimed being the candidate of any class and that he expected to draw support from all republican sources.

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