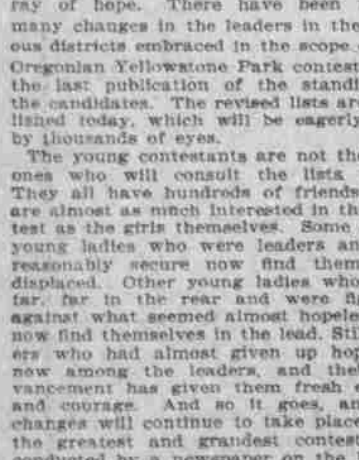
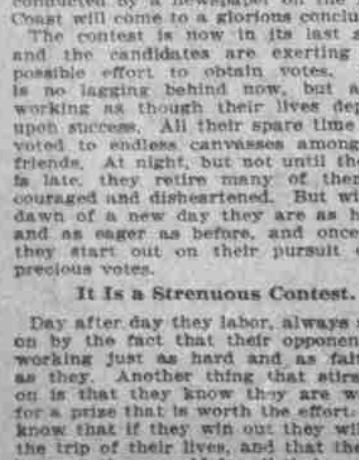
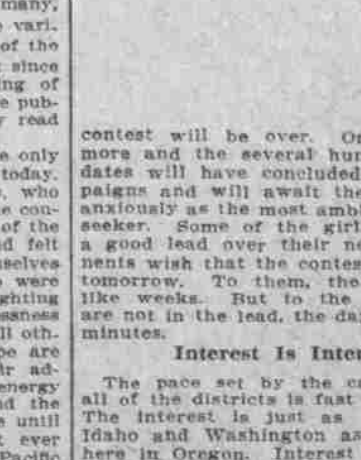
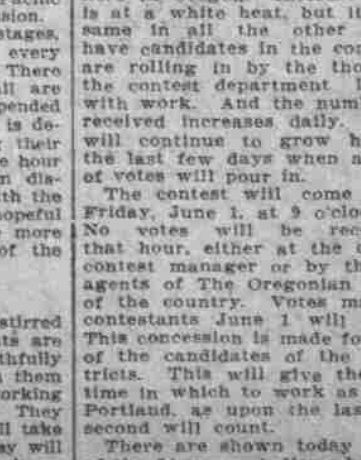
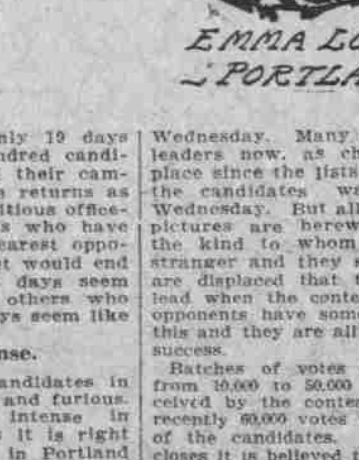
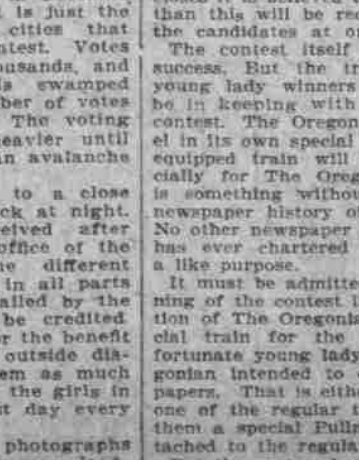
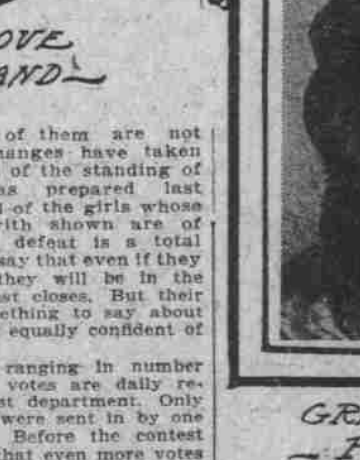
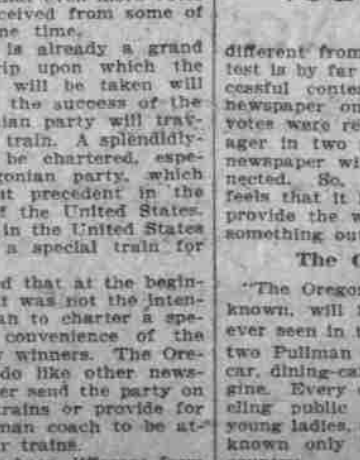
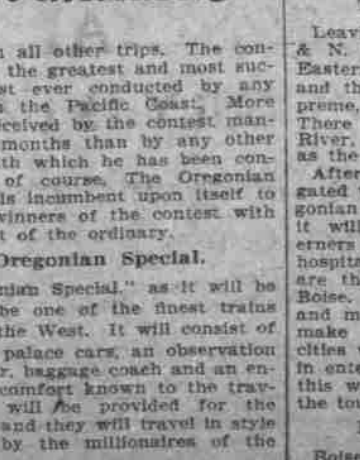
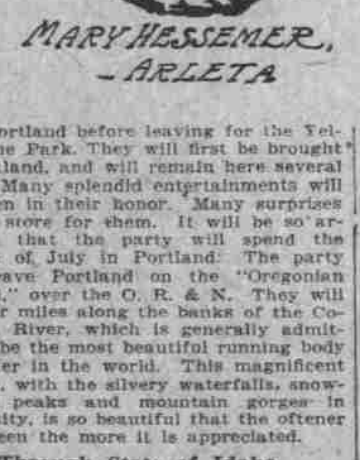
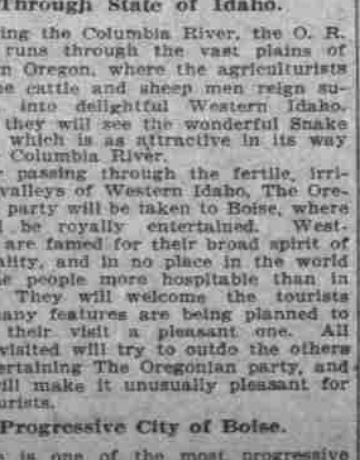
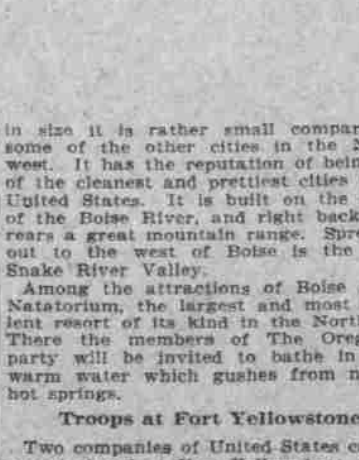
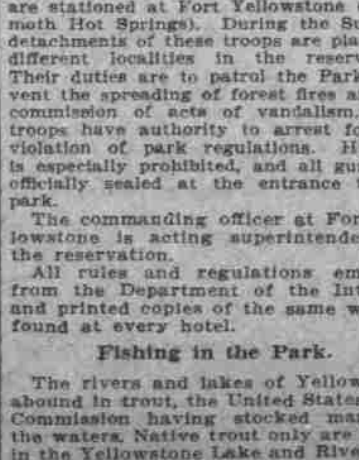
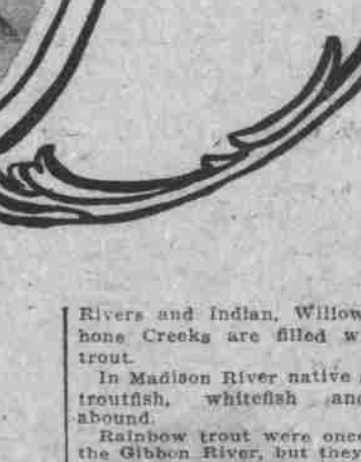


TWENTY FOUR POPULAR YOUNG WOMEN OF THE PACIFIC NORTHWEST LEADING CANDIDATES IN THE OREGONIAN'S YELLOWSTONE CONTEST

HELEN GOODWIN—
WALLA WALLA.NOELA COAD—
DALLAS.DOT BERRY—
SALEM.ALICE TAYLOR—
PORTLAND.RENA ROWLAND—
MONTESANO.SUSIE
SMITH—
PORTLAND.HEPPIE
EATON—
ABERDEEN.EMMA LOVE—
PORTLAND.GUSIE BOTTEMILLER—
THE DALLES.GERTRUDE RANDALL—
CASTLE ROCK.MILDRED LOONEY—
JEFFERSON.ELSIE ROMETSCH—
PORTLAND.ANNA CORBETT—
WEISER.GRACE BLACK—
POCATELLO.MARY HESSEMER—
ARLETA.GERTRUDE RAST—
ROSEBURG.LENA HESSE—
HILLSBORO.EMMA
HACKNEY—
BELLINGHAM.TILLY
DAVENEAU—
ASTORIA.ALICE BOONE—
CHEHALIS.AGNES WILSON—
CORVALLIS.MABEL KELLOGG—
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ARLETA.

SEVERAL hundred young ladies who have their hearts set upon visiting the wonderful Yellowstone Park have waited the advent of today's Oregonian. To some of them it brings happiness, others disappointment, and to not a few it comes in the form of a bright ray of hope. There have been many, many changes in the leaders in the various districts embraced in the scope of the Oregonian Yellowstone Park contest since the last publication of the standing of the candidates. The revised lists are published today, which will be eagerly read by thousands of eyes.

The young contestants are not the only ones who will consult the lists today. They all have hundreds of friends, who are almost as much interested in the contest as the girls themselves. Some of the young ladies who were leaders and felt reasonably secure now find themselves displaced. Other young ladies who were far, far in the rear and were fighting against what seemed almost hopelessness now find themselves in the lead. Still others who had almost given up hope are now among the leaders, and their advancement has given them fresh energy and courage. And so it goes, and the changes will continue to take place until the greatest and grandest contest ever conducted by a newspaper on the Pacific Coast will come to a glorious conclusion.

The contest is now in its last stages, and the candidates are exerting every possible effort to obtain votes. There is no lagging behind now, but all are working as though their lives depended upon success. All their spare time is devoted to endless canvasses among their friends. At night, but not until the hour is late, they retire many of them discouraged and disheartened. But with the dawn of a new day they are as hopeful and as eager as before, and once more they start out on their pursuit of the precious votes.

It Is a Strenuous Contest.

Day after day they labor, always stirred on by the fact that their opponents are working just as hard and as faithfully as they. Another thing that eters them on is that they know they are working for a prize that is worth the effort. They know that if they win out they will take the trip of their lives, and that they will be more than repaid for all their work.

Only 10 days more and the great

contest will be over. Only 10 days more and the several hundred candidates will have concluded their campaigns and will await the returns as anxiously as the most ambitious office-seeker. Some of the girls who have a good lead over their nearest opponents wish that the contest would end tomorrow. To them, the days seem like weeks. But to the others who are not in the lead, the days seem like minutes.

Interest Is Intense.

The pace set by the candidates in all of the districts is fast and furious. The interest is just as intense in Idaho and Washington as it is right here in Oregon. Interest in Portland is at a white heat, but it is just the same in all the other cities that have candidates in the contest. Votes are rolling in by the thousands, and the contest department is swamped with work. And the number of votes received increases daily. The voting will continue to grow heavier until the last few days when an avalanche of votes will pour in.

The contest will come to a close Friday, June 1, at 9 o'clock at night. No votes will be received after that hour, either at the office of the contest manager or by the different agents of The Oregonian in all parts of the country. Votes mailed by the contestants June 1 will be credited. This concession is made for the benefit of the candidates of the outside districts. This will give them as much time in which to work as the girls in Portland, as upon the last day every second will count.

There are shown today photographs of the 24 young ladies who were lead-

ers of the different districts last Wednesday. Many of them are not leaders now, as changes have taken place since the lists of the standing of the candidates was prepared last Wednesday. But all of the girls whose pictures are herewith shown are of the kind to whom defeat is a total stranger and they say that even if they are displaced that they will be in the lead when the contest closes. But their opponents have something to say about this and they are all equally confident of success.

Batches of votes ranging in number from 1000 to 5000 votes are daily received by the contest department. Only recently 5000 votes were sent in by one of the candidates. Before the contest closes it is believed that even more votes than this will be received from some of the candidates at one time.

The contest itself is already a grand success. But the trip upon which the young lady winners will be taken will be in keeping with the success of the contest. The Oregonian party will travel in its own special train. A splendidly equipped train will be chartered, especially for The Oregonian party, which is something without precedent in the newspaper history of the United States. No other newspaper in the United States has ever chartered a special train for a like purpose.

It must be admitted that at the beginning of the contest it was not the intention of The Oregonian to charter a special train for the convenience of the fortunate young lady winners. The Oregonian intended to do like other newspapers. That is, either send the party on one of the regular trains or provide for them a special Pullman coach to be attached to the regular train.

But the contest has been different from most contests, and so the trip will be

different from all other trips. The contest is by far the greatest and most successful contest ever conducted by any newspaper on the Pacific Coast. More votes were received by the contest manager in two months than by any other newspaper with which he has been connected. So, of course, The Oregonian feels that it is incumbent upon itself to provide the winners of the contest with something out of the ordinary.

The Oregonian Special.

"The Oregonian Special," as it will be known, will be one of the finest trains ever seen in the West. It will consist of two Pullman palace cars, an observation car, dining-car, baggage coach and an engine. Every comfort known to the traveling public will be provided for the young ladies, and they will travel in style known only by the millionaires of the country.

All of the successful candidates will

visit Portland before leaving for the Yellowstone Park. They will first be brought to Portland, and will remain here several days. Many splendid entertainments will be given in their honor. Many surprises are in store for them. It will be so arranged that the party will spend the Fourth of July in Portland. The party will leave Portland on the "Oregonian Special," over the O. R. & N. They will ride for miles along the banks of the Columbia River, which is generally admitted to be the most beautiful running body of water in the world. This magnificent stream, with the silvery waterfalls, snow-capped peaks and mountain gorges in proximity, is so beautiful that the oftener it is seen the more it is appreciated.

Through State of Idaho.

Leaving the Columbia River, the O. R. & N. runs through the vast plains of Eastern Oregon, where the agriculturists and the cattle and sheep men reign supreme. Into delightful Western Idaho. There they will see the wonderful Snake River, which is as attractive in its way as the Columbia River.

After passing through the fertile, irrigated valleys of Western Idaho, The Oregonian party will be taken to Boise, where it will be royally entertained. Westerners are famed for their broad spirit of hospitality, and in no place in the world are the people more hospitable than in Boise. They will welcome the tourists and many features are being planned to make their visit a pleasant one. All cities visited will try to outdo the others in entertaining The Oregonian party, and this will make it unusually pleasant for the tourists.

Progressive City of Boise.

Boise is one of the most progressive and modern cities in the West, although

in size it is rather small compared to some of the other cities in the Northwest. It has the reputation of being one of the cleanest and prettiest cities in the United States. It is built on the banks of the Boise River, and right back of it rears a great mountain range. Spreading out to the west of Boise is the great Snake River Valley.

Among the attractions of Boise is the Natatorium, the largest and most excellent resort of its kind in the Northwest. There the members of The Oregonian party will be invited to bathe in lukewarm water which gushes from natural hot springs.

Troops at Fort Yellowstone.

Two companies of United States cavalry are stationed at Fort Yellowstone (Mammoth Hot Springs). During the Summer detachments of these troops are placed at different localities in the reservation. Their duties are to patrol the Park, prevent the spreading of forest fires and the commission of acts of vandalism. The troops have authority to arrest for any violation of park regulations. Hunting is especially prohibited, and all guns are officially sealed at the entrance to the park.

The commanding officer at Fort Yellowstone is acting superintendent of the reservation.

All rules and regulations emanate from the Department of the Interior, and printed copies of the same will be found at every hotel.

Fishing in the Park.

The rivers and lakes of Yellowstone abound in trout, the United States Fish Commission having stocked many of the waters. Native trout only are found in the Yellowstone Lake and River, but the Fire Hole, Gibbon and Nes Perces

Rivers and Indian, Willow and Shoshone Creeks are filled with Eastern trout.

In Madison River native and Eastern troutfish, whitefish and grayling abound.

Rainbow trout were once planted in the Gibbon River, but they sought the deeper waters of the Madison, from whence specimens weighing six pounds and over have been taken.

There are land-locked salmon 20 to 30 inches long in Shoshone Lake.

The rules of the park as to hunting and fishing are very strict, but as yet few regulations have been interposed to the use of the rod. Ladies enjoy trout fishing in Yellowstone Lake, where rowboats and guides are easily obtained.

Visitors to the park are reminded that its elevations vary, and that changes in the temperature are not uncommon. The evenings and mornings are always cool, but at midday it is often quite warm.

About the coach, and in the shade of the hotel verandas, wraps will be found comfortable.

Umbrellas are "not had" among the geyser.

Leaders and Their Votes.

The following are the leaders in the different districts and their votes.	
District—Candidate.	Votes.
1. Miss Susie Smith	147,946
2. Miss Elsie Koch	89,923
3. Miss Elsie Rometsch	207,604
4. Miss Alice Taylor	154,973
5. Miss Emma Hackney	10,678
6. Miss Tilly Daveneau	67,698
7. Miss Helen Goodwin	24,682
8. Miss Agnes Wilson	84,128
9. Miss Dot Berry	71,445
10. Miss Gertrude Rast	61,252
11. Miss Agnes Wilson	104,542
12. Miss Heppie Eaton	40,277
13. Miss Mabel Kellogg	50,905
14. Miss Laura Garrett	82,424
15. Miss Alice Boone	45,096
16. Miss Grace Bottemiller	147,132
17. Miss Rena Rowland	22,414
18. Miss Gertrude Randall	60,102
19. Miss Anna Corbett	23,254
20. Miss Grace Black	10,025
21. Miss Grace Wilkinson	84,471
22. Miss Mildred Looney	111,021
23. Miss Marie Mickel	86,873
24. Miss Mary Hessemer	22,814