

# GLEANINGS OF THE AUTO WORLD

## "THREE A'S" ELECT; ANOTHER SNUB IS GIVEN THE COAST

Only One Man West of Rockies Included in Long List of Officers Chosen by Eastern Autoists.

But one man from west of the Rocky mountains was included in the list of officers and honorary vice presidents elected by the American Automobile association held at the Hotel Belmont in New York City. He was P. J. Walker from California.

Although the A. A. A. controls the entire workings of the A. L. A. M. and practically makes it impossible for any automobile club or other organization on the Pacific coast to hold any kind of meet or race without its sanction, it makes no effort to encourage participation of the Pacific coast and is practically an eastern organization. Sporadic kicks against the organization have been heard at intervals and it would not be at all surprising if the clubs of the coast combined and formed an association of their own.

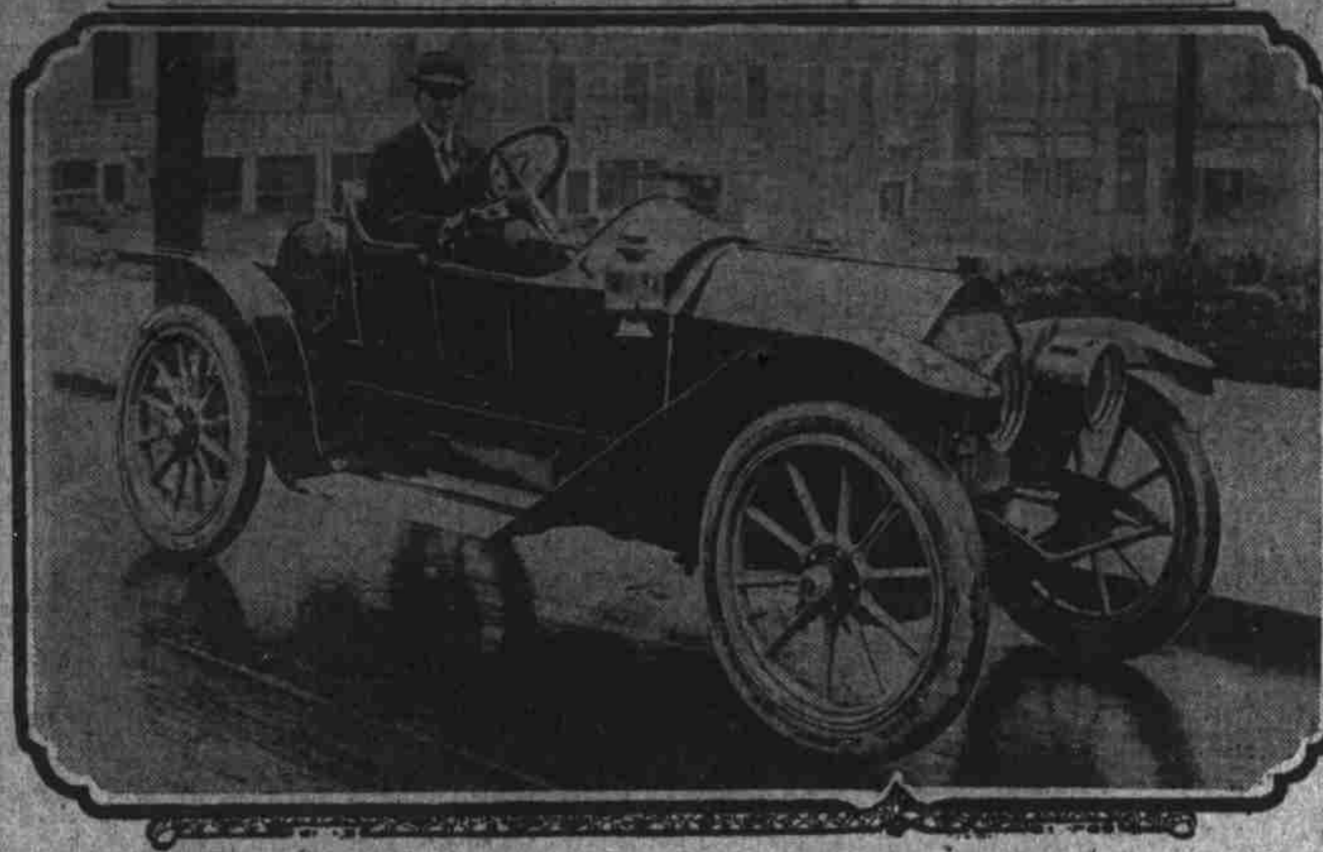
**Officers Are Chosen.**  
The officers elected were: President, Robert P. Hooper, Pennsylvania; first vice president, Frank M. Joyce, Minnesota; second vice president, F. C. Donald, Illinois; third vice president, C. L. Bonfield, Ohio; fourth vice president, F. G. Webb, New York; fifth vice president, F. L. Baker, California; secretary, John N. Brooks, Connecticut; treasurer, H. A. Bonnell, New Jersey; executive committee, A. G. Hatcher, chairman, Lewis R. Spear, Massachusetts; A. H. Knoll, New York; J. P. Coghlin, Massachusetts; Frank G. Webb, New York; A. D. Converse, Massachusetts; H. L. Vail, Ohio; C. M. Robinson, Connecticut; M. C. Moore, Wisconsin; P. J. Walker, California; John Bancroft, Delaware; F. C. Batty, Georgia; Ralph W. Smith, Colorado; E. C. Smith, Vermont; David Becroft, Illinois; Stedman Bent, Pennsylvania; C. H. Gillette, Connecticut; J. H. Edwards, New Jersey; Paul C. Wolff, Pennsylvania; Edwin S. George, Michigan; H. M. Rows, Maryland; James T. Drought, Wisconsin; C. A. Quigley, Utah; S. D. Capen, Missouri; Sam T. Atkinson, Virginia; H. L. Gordon, Ohio; Charles M. Doe, Rhode Island; F. E. Edwards, Illinois; A. E. Lerche, Massachusetts; S. A. Miles, N. A. A. M.; Alfred Reeves, A. L. A. M.

President L. E. Spear opened the meeting, and then gave way to Mr. Hooper, upon the unanimous acceptance of the report of the nominating committee, of which C. H. Gillette of Connecticut served as chairman.

**Chairmen Are Named.**  
After taking the chair, President Hooper announced the appointment of the chairmen of the national boards. Present incumbents were reappointed with the exception of the touring information board, Howard Longstreth of the Automobile club of Philadelphia succeeding Powell Evans of the same club. The holdovers were: Good roads, George C. Diehl; legislative, Charles Thaddeus Terry; contest, S. M. Butler. Retiring Chairman Evans was thanked for his efforts, which have extended over a period of three years. Robert Bruce will remain in charge of national headquarters touring information bureau which will be greatly amplified in the near future.

Reports from various states indicating the progress therein of the automobile movement were presented by these directors: John Bancroft, Delaware; F. E. Edwards, Illinois; Dr. H. M. Rows, Maryland; A. D. Converse, Massachusetts; Edwin S. George, Michigan; Colonel F. M. Joyce, Minnesota; J. H. Edwards, New Jersey; F. G. Webb, New York; H. L. Vail, Ohio; Paul C. Wolff, Pennsylvania; John N. Brooks, Connecticut; Sam T. Atkinson, Virginia; M. C. Moore, Wisconsin; S. S. Ballard, Vermont.

Many well known Canadian lacrosse experts will coach eastern college squads this year. Charles Querrie of the Tecumseh club will instruct Columbia; Yawson Whitehead will go to Swarthmore college, near Philadelphia; Ernie Menary to Harvard; Jack Grimes to Mount Washington, Md., and James Byrne to Johns Hopkins of Baltimore.



Marion 40, torpedo roadster.

## AUTO POPULAR AS A CHRISTMAS GIFT

### Many Men to Present Closed Cars to Their Families This Year.

The automobile as a Christmas gift and as a cold and wet weather luxury has been much talked about in the trade papers of the east, but has never been talked about more than it has in Portland, this week. With Christmas but two weeks away, the automobile dealers have been very busy showing their wares to people who wished to make Christmas gifts of cars or accessories to their friends.

Several Portland women are to be the recipients of beautiful electric or light powered pleasure cars. The automobile houses have been keeping open nights and many a busy man has been doing his Christmas shopping in them.

The heat little closed cars have attracted much attention in Portland's crowded streets this winter, for while other people have been walking around bundled up in a heavy overcoat, the owners of these cars have been busy at their shopping or making their calls attired in only light clothes.

"The closed car is the car for this

weather," declared Howard M. Covey, president of the Covey Motor Car company, yesterday. "I wouldn't think of being without my little car for a minute. It is a positive pleasure to me all the time. And when one considers that it is but the work of half a day to change the bodies from the closed types to the open type for summer use, it surely is a luxury worth having."

"We have a greater demand for the closed car every day. With its miles of hard surface paving Portland offers a splendid field for the closed car during the winter time."

"It would surprise one not acquainted with the automobile business, too, to find the number of people who are planning on giving automobiles to some member of their family as a Christmas present. The automobile is now past its stage of being a pleasure car, but is considered one of the necessities of a well regulated household. One man told me that he could think of no better way of getting the whole family an acceptable Christmas present than by buying them an automobile."

**COMING YEAR TO BE GOOD FOR AUTO MEN**

H. Stoddard, secretary and general manager of the Speedwell Motor Car company of Dayton, Ohio, was here this week on his first trip west. He is the active head and designer of the Speedwell car and one of the best known automobile men in the east.

"Conservative automobile men are very well satisfied," said Mr. Stoddard in discussing the eastern automobile world. "We are having trouble keeping up with our orders and most of the standard automobile men are having the same trouble. This is going to be a

great year for all the trade as the cuts are being forced out and the better class of cars appearing." Mr. Stoddard was entertained by Dr. C. B. Brown and C. A. Nelson, the Speedwell agents, while he was here.

Jack O'Brien's new Philadelphia bearing club which will seat 350 spectators, will be opened next month.

## WILSON WANTS NEW TREATY WITH DIAZ

(United Press Leased Wire.)  
Washington, Dec. 10.—The arrest of Juan Sanchez Azcona, a Mexican who is said to have incurred the displeasure of President Diaz of Mexico and who is sought by the Mexican authorities on a charge of having obtained money through false pretenses, will be made the subject of a fight in congress.

Representative Wilson of Pennsylvania, who has taken up an investigation of the Azcona case, says he will demand a change in the treaty between the United States and Mexico.

"I will present Arizona as a personal, living example of the evil system that permits Mexico to force Washington to imprison Mexican political refugees," said Wilson. "I think there is little chance of getting action from the committee on rules, and I will probably take up the matter on the floor of the house."

Assistant Attorney General Dennison said:

"Our treaty with Mexico makes it obligatory on us to arrest anyone charged by Mexico with an offense specified in the treaty. Swindling and obtaining money by false pretenses are among these offenses. If the extradition is sought for political offenses, Arizona will have an opportunity to prove it to the federal commissioner before whom the matter will be determined."

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