

FORMER PORTLAND MAN TO RE-ENTER AUTOMOBILE GAME

Charles Sparks, Once in Real Estate Business Here, to Handle Large Territory for British Commer Car.

Metomdom is to have a chance to welcome back into the automobile trade fold a popular and well known pioneer in the industry.

Mr. Sparks will reenter the industry through an alliance he has just made with Wyckoff, Church & Partridge, Inc.

Shanks Well Known. Than "Charley" Shanks no one is better known to automobilists. He gave up newspaper work to become in 1898 sales and advertising manager of the Winton Motor Carriage company.

Looking about for a chance to reenter the industry the W. C. P. proposition appealed strongly to him. A few months ago, a note from one of Mr. Shanks' old friends up at Wyckoff, Church & Partridge's led to a lengthy correspondence which terminated in Mr. Shanks deciding he would take a chance and journey to Chicago to meet two of the W. C. P. men who were there with a Commer truck.

His new connection is made because his investigation shows, to use his words, that he is "not in the automobile game" but in a serious minded business enterprise with plenty of latitude and the right environment for constructive work.

AMERICAN AUTO WINS BIG HONORS

Winner of 500 Mile Race Was American Made Car, by American Driver.

The winning of the 500 mile International Sweepstakes race at the Indianapolis motor speedway Decoration day by Ray Harroun in the Marmon "Wasp" was distinctly an American victory. It was the victory of an American driver, piloting an American made car, equipped with American made accessories.

Harroun raced carefully. He started at a steady gait. His burst of speed was constant. His engine worked perfectly. One by one he overtook his 39 rivals, leaving each in the wake behind.

Not once during the more than six hour grind did he have to lift the hood of his racer to make an adjustment of any part. Not a second did he lose for trouble of that kind. Magneto troubles lessened the chance of many of the entrants.

Stops to Change Tires. The only stops made by Harroun were for tire changes, and it was only on one wheel that the tires had to be changed before the end of the race. The right rear wheel, where the strain is always too terrific for any tire to stand up for a long distance at a 75 mile an hour clip, demanded four new tires.

Harroun's victory in the great meeting proves conclusively that an American driver, in an American car, equipped with the products of American accessory factories, can conquer any product made on the other side of the Atlantic, manned by a foreign driver.

It was an international race, the finest products of European and American factories were entered; the drivers were of all nationalities; the accessories were made in all countries; but the victory was distinctly American—the first prize money went to an American driver in a truly American car.

Portland Will Attend Roundup. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Pendleton, Or., June 17.—At a meeting of the board of managers of the Pendleton Commercial association yesterday afternoon, a motion was adopted to extend an invitation to Portland people to attend the annual roundup on one of the three days, which will be designated as Portland day. This action was taken upon receipt of a communication from Secretary C. C. Chapman of the Portland Commercial club, saying that organization was contemplating running an excursion to this city during the wild west show. Special entertainment will be provided for the Portland guests.

Appointed Western Manager.

Turner Athletes Who Take Part in Los Angeles Turn Fest



Boys—From left to right, upper row—Hans Nicklas, W. Emig, A. Baumgarten, Professor Genserowski, director; A. Plebeck, Ote Hochull, captain; Joe Riesch; second row, John Reisch, W. Krause, F. Laube, Jack Zeller, Chris Zeller and Ernest Smith. Girls—From left to right—Professor Genserowski, Charlotte Ballin, Ruth Ballin, Rose Klein, Anna Riesch, Louise Boulan, Clara Habekost, Anne Hochull, Hannah Buck and Hazel Henrys.

Twenty-two members of the Portland Social Turn Verein, accompanied by Physical Director and Trainer Professor Genserowski, will leave tomorrow night for Los Angeles, where they will take part in the Western National turnfest. Professor Genserowski has been working hard with both classes of young men and ladies and expects them to gather in a number of points in the southern California metropolis.

JOHNSON WANTED WHAT HE WANTED

Governor of California Asks for Certain Brand of Tire and Gets Them.

Word comes from Bakersfield that proves that it is poor policy to deny Governor Hiram Johnson when he expresses a desire. Accompanied by Colonel D. M. Duffey and his son, Archie, who acts as chauffeur, the governor of California recently made a trip from Sacramento to Los Angeles in his Locomobile.

AUTO GOSSIP

R. J. Linden, of 361 Holladay avenue, is the happy possessor of a brand new model "M" six cylinder Locomobile torpedo car, the same having been delivered to him by Neate & McCarthy, Inc., local agents, during the past week.

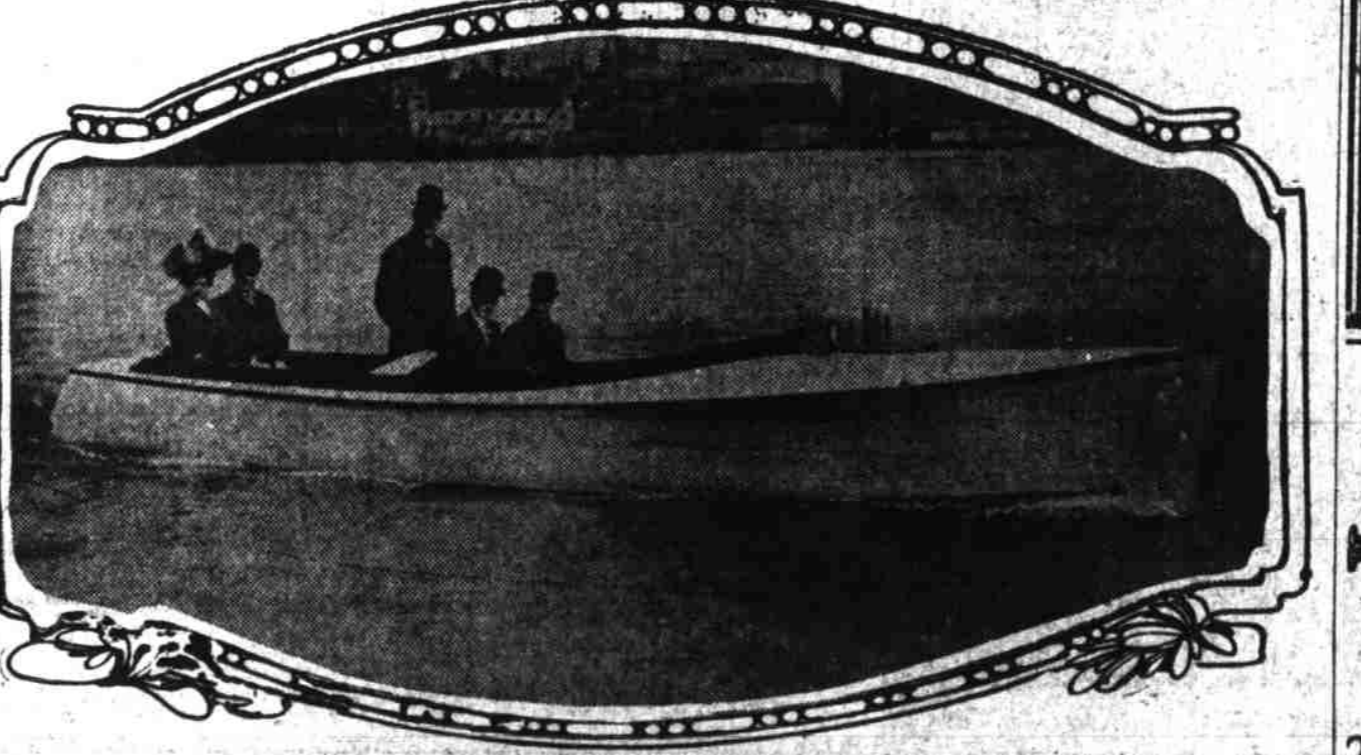
O. E. McCarthy, of the firm of Neate & McCarthy, Inc., spent several days in Salem last week. While there he delivered a model "L" Locomobile torpedo car to James Linn, a prominent citizen of that city, the car being a duplicate of the one recently delivered to Russel Catlin, also of Salem.

WALDO HILLS PIONEERS WILL PICNIC JUNE 24

(Salem Bureau of The Journal.) Salem, Or., June 17.—Plans for entertaining between 1000 and 1500 people are being made by the committee in charge of the Waldo Hill Pioneer association which will hold its annual picnic June 24. As is the custom of the pioneers, the picnic will take place in the grove on the farm of John A. Hunt, some five miles east of Salem. There is a special committee to look out for the welfare of those who are aged. Special numbers are being arranged for the program. There will be music and speeches. Everybody is invited to assist in making the picnic a success with his presence and his lunch pail.

Ranch House Burns. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Freewater, Or., June 17.—Fire destroyed the residence of John Davidson, a prominent farmer of Hudson Bay, five miles below Freewater, yesterday afternoon. Neighbors succeeded in saving the outbuildings. Fire caught from the kitchen stove. The loss is \$2000, probably with no insurance.

Water Craft on Willamette Show Yearly Improvement



Motor Boat Fairbanks Morse, speed 20 miles per hour. Fairbanks-Morse demonstration motor boat, which appropriately has been named "Fairbanks-Morse." This motor boat is equipped with a 24 H. P. type 6, Fairbanks-Morse engine, and is guaranteed to make a speed of 20 miles per hour. It is one of the most graceful boats on the river, and is always received with a great deal of interest wherever it appears.

Notes of the Motorboat Club

J. C. Ainsworth's runabout, Rochester, was hauled out last week to have a new 20 horsepower V-8 engine installed. The boat is again in the water and shows a speed of 18 real miles per hour. This is four miles an hour faster than she ever ran before.

The Curtis Power Boat company is just finishing a new 50 footer for William M. Ladd. This will be one of the most splendid runabouts on the river. The boat is powered with a 30 horsepower Scripps motor and is expected to make 17 miles an hour.

Commodore Boese has his new stern wheeler in commission. The new boat is called the Artisan, and has a carrying capacity of 60 people. The genial commodore is noted for his hospitality and is never happier than when entertaining a large party of friends on the river. It has been suggested, however, that the commodore should remember that he is not running a wheelbarrow. A straight course is always preferable to a crooked one.

Mrs. George W. Kendall in her handsome runabout Sybil, is in evidence Sunday afternoons on the river. The Sybil has a new 150 horsepower Scripps motor that drives the boat 25 miles an hour. Mrs. Kimball is always at the wheel and the able manner in which she handles the boat is a lesson to old sea dogs. The Sybil won the pleasure boat race on June 5.

Much favorable comment has been heard about the marine parades on the opening day of the Rose Festival when the Portland Motor Boat Club showed its ability to handle one of the prettiest affairs of the week. The king should be received in a similar style every year.

The Baycocean will soon be ready for sea. This boat is only the forerunner of more like her. The gasoline engine as it becomes better known, will supersede steam.

Fleet Captain Jack Yates' runabout Billikin has again been on the operating table. He says there has been so much the matter with the Billikin that he would not be surprised to have her develop any old ailment. The Billikin is all right when she goes. With particular emphasis on the "when."

The new flyer Oregon Wolff, was towed home the other evening. But that is nothing for a new greyhound. It takes time to regulate such a power plant as her's and when there is a race in sight the cruise will be found attending strictly to business.

George Kinneer's Ruth ran up to Oregon City last Sunday. Nothing is said as to how long it took her to make the trip up there, but it is authentically stated that one cylinder gave out on the trip home and it took her six hours to go the 12 miles.

If the cruiser Boston, which has been turned over to the Oregon Naval Militia arrives in Portland Sunday afternoon, as scheduled, there will be a large party of motorists cruise down to the mouth of the river to meet her. It is suggested that all interested watch the daily papers so as to know when to make the trip.

Secretary C. V. Cooper's handsome runabout Charmalee, affords her owner much enjoyment. Judging by her constant appearance on the river, she can be seen at almost all times flying along carrying Mr. Cooper and his friends.

Prize Winners of June 5. First, free-for-all, \$100, Oregon Wolff. First, 25 foot scratch, \$50, Spear. First, cruiser handicap, hon bon set, Pilot No. 8, Astoria. First, pleasure boat handicap, silver tea set, Sybil. Second, pleasure boat handicap, silver pitcher, Fairbanks Morse.

Day Parades. First, best decorated work boat, tug Dis, silver coffee set. Second, best decorated work boat, tug Eva, silver soup tureen. First, best decorated cruiser, Artisan, silver tea set. Second, best decorated cruiser, Niagara, planked steak set. First, best decorated pleasure boat, Oregon Wolff, silver liquor set. Second, best decorated pleasure boat, Charmalee, chocolate set.

Evening Parades. First, best decorated work boat, Fire Boat, vegetable dish. Second, best decorated work boat, Dis, fruit dish. First, best decorated cruiser, Emma, silver tea set. Second, best decorated cruiser, Niagara, silver water pitcher. First, best decorated pleasure boat, Jug, hon bon set. Second, best decorated pleasure boat, Naughty Girl, silver vegetable dish.

CHINESE MERCHANTS INVESTIGATE FAIR

(Publishers' Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, June 17.—Ho In and Tee Sheung, millionaire Chinese merchants of Hongkong, who represent practically all the commercial organizations of the Chinese Empire are in San Francisco to investigate and report on the Panama Pacific Exposition. They arrived yesterday on the liner Persia. The commercial organizations of China are said to be united in their desire to make a big showing at the 1915 exposition.

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