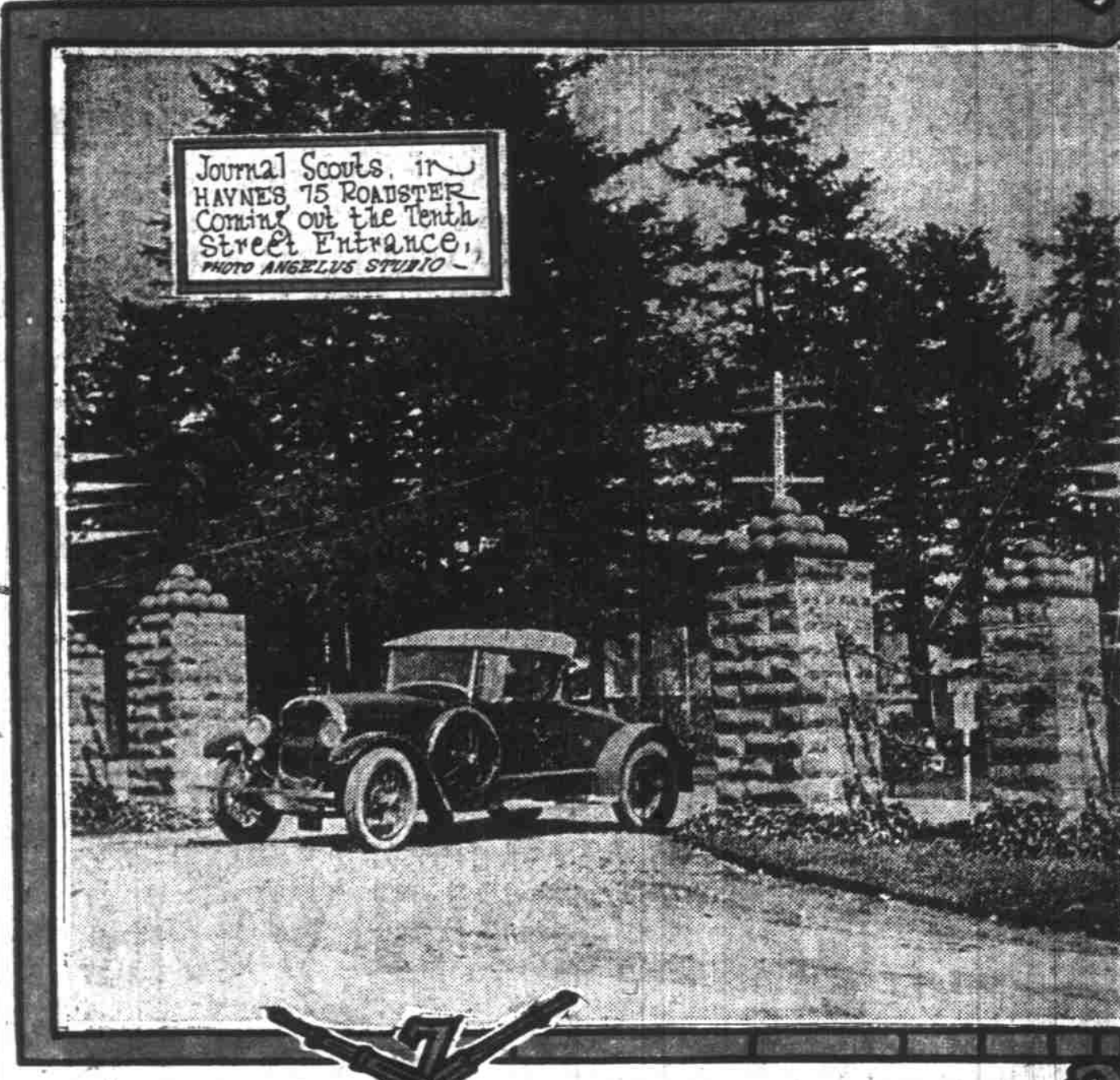


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## AN AFTERNOON AT THE HISTORIC VANCOUVER BARRACKS



Journal Scouts in Haynes 75 Roadster coming out the tenth street entrance. PHOTO ANGELUS STUDIO



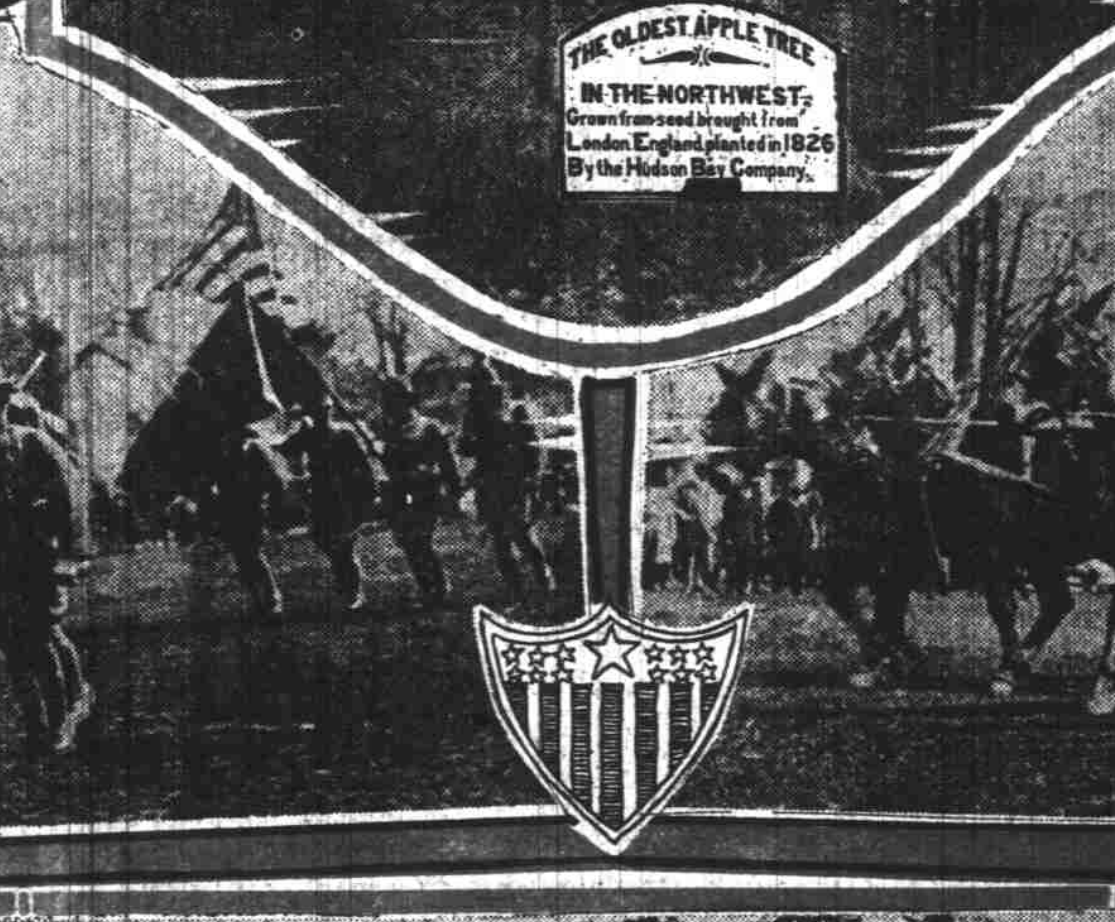
THE OLDEST APPLE TREE IN THE NORTHWEST. Green fruited brought from London, England, planted in 1826 by the Hudson Bay Company.



Officers Club, Quarters of Lieut. U.S. Grant in 1853. PHOTO ANGELUS STUDIO



Boys in the parade ground. PHOTO ROT WORE



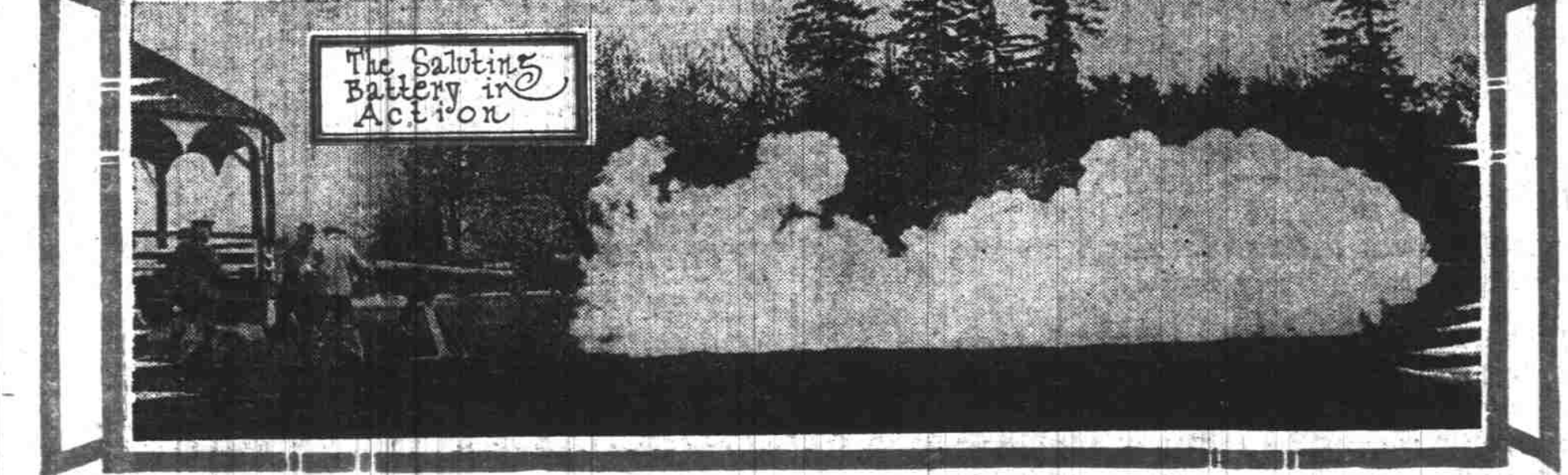
Army Canaries Pull the Baggage Train

### VANCOUVER BARRACKS LIVELY WITH MILITARY ACTIVITIES

Old Post Found to Be Attractive Place for Portlanders to Spend an Afternoon; Many Historic Spots Found; Drills and Band Concerts Prove Interesting to the Kiddies.

By Wallace S. Wharton  
Vancouver barracks, headquarters for the 8th Infantry Brigade, affords an attractive spot for the Portland motorist to spend an afternoon.  
Of easy access and a short drive from the city the military reserve is the center of much activity, as The Journal scout found when the trip was made in a Haynes roadster.  
The post is of particular interest because of its historic associations. Here it was the British made their last stand when the ownership of the Oregon country was a mooted question. The post is one of the oldest settlements in the northwest and many of the old buildings are still standing.  
The northwest has long been known throughout the world as one of the greatest apple producing sections. In the southwest corner of the reservation, carefully guarded from harm, stands the first apple tree to be planted in the old Oregon country. The seeds were brought from London by a Britisher and planted in 1826 by the Hudson Bay company.  
The tree is now at the point where the bus is turning into young apples. Despite its age it still bears fruit.  
Immediately across from the tree is the old headquarters of the post. This building has been discarded for a newer building on the south side of the parade ground. At the east end of the parade ground, near the gate, is the site of the old headquarters of the department of the Columbia. The building was located about where the flagstaff now stands.  
On the north side of the parade grounds is Officers Row, where Brigadier-General R. M. Blatchford and the officers of the post have their quarters. Shaded with stately trees this row is particularly attractive on warm days when the sun beams down on the grounds.  
About midway on the row is found the officers' club. This building was formerly used as quarters for Lieutenant U. S. Grant, who was stationed at the post in 1853. In front of the club is a brass cannon with which tradition says Grant jumped with his horse.  
The front of the building has been remodeled but the rear is practically as it was when Grant occupied it. Various interesting bits of furniture used by the famous general are now in the club, jealously guarded but cheerfully shown by the officers.  
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The Saluting Battery in Action

### Autocycle Polo Will Be Feature Of Races May 27

Thrills aplenty will be offered the spectators at the motorcycle races to be staged under the auspices of the Daddies' club May 27 and 28 at the Rose City Speedway. The thriller offered will be motorcycle polo.  
This is the first time this stunt has been tried in Portland and its popularity will become a feature of all future races, motorcycle fans say, for the game is an exceedingly fast one. It will be played in 5-minute halves between the scheduled races.  
Two teams of five men each will be mounted on motorcycles to play the game. One team will be the east side team with George Schanton as captain. Pitted against them will be the Rose

### City Folk Think of Woods Many Picnic Places Found

With the arrival of summer weather thoughts of the folk living in the city are turning towards the green woods and the side of the mountain streams. Places to go for a day; places not so far away that the driver of an automobile is worn out; are being sought out in the family council.  
Portland is fortunate. Within one or two hours' riding by machine there are no less than one dozen sylvan resorts open to picnickers.  
To the east, south, west and north these places are to be found. They are easy to get to, for in most cases the roads are paved, and where they are not road reports indicate them to be in good shape.  
Laden with good substantial food—the kind that should always be taken on picnics—the family can well spend a Sunday out in the woods. In fact, some of the picnic places are so close to town that an evening picnic can be held there.  
For the convenience of those wishing to take advantage of these rustic spots the list is printed below with general directions for getting to them.  
Dodge Park—24 miles, at the confluence of the Sandy and Bull Run rivers, owned by city, equipped with stoves, free wood and running water. From Portland go east to Greesham by either the Powell Valley or Bass Line road; then follow Bull Run road to park.  
Estacada Park—31 miles, fishing, restaurant accommodations. From Portland south by 82d street to Clackamas, then follow Clackamas river road to Estacada.  
Clackamas River—Along the banks of this rushing mountain stream many places for picnics can be found. Distance from Portland to river about 12 miles. Fishing. From Portland south by either 82d or Milwaukie streets to Clackamas.  
Gales Creek—31 miles; fishing and wooded picnic spots. From Portland west either by Terwilliger boulevard or the Canyon road to Beaverton road, thence to Forest Grove, then on gravel

### Old-Time Race Drivers Chosen Meet Officers

Preparations Now Being Made for the Big Speed Meet at Salem June 3.  
When crowds from Portland, Salem and other Willamette valley cities gather at the Salem fair grounds on Saturday, June 3, to witness the first American Automobile association races to take place in Oregon for several years, the day will be reminiscent of the old-time racing days in Portland, when smoky and noisy motors dashed over dusty roads in the vicinity of Portland in thrilling road races. For among the officials on the track, to have charge of the races will be a considerable number of the old-time amateur and professional drivers who captured honors in the early days.  
The list of officials to have charge

### BIG MOTOR TOURIST SEASON IS EXPECTED THIS YEAR

Portland Automobile Camp Grounds in Full Swing Ready for Season—Preparations Being Made in All Parts of State to Accommodate the Great Influx of Tourists.

Predictions made by Sydney B. Vincent, manager of the Oregon Tourist and Information bureau, are that this season will be the largest in the history of Oregon for automobile tourists.  
Thousands of requests for information concerning motoring in Oregon have been received by the bureau, Vincent said, from people outside the state. Most of them indicate that they are coming, he said.  
"Automobile touring is coming into its own," Vincent said. "People are now realizing the advantages of it. They car-come and go on any route they wish and stay in only one place as long as they wish. Reports from all parts of the United States show a great increase in motor touring.  
"What is more, the various states are realizing the importance of this type of tourist and are now making provisions for them. Many of these people are looking for a region in which to settle and make their homes. They are in no way to be considered as hoboes for they are far from that unsavory status. They are people of means."  
In Oregon alone more than 86 automobile tourist camp grounds have been established. The 1921 legislature created the Oregon Tourist and Information bureau to take charge of general tourist work and see that accurate information was furnished anyone wishing it at no cost.  
"Every locality through which a tourist passes benefits by it," Vincent went on. "The average daily expenditure of a party of four is \$6. That is an average and does not take into consideration any large repair bills. With sev-

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