

Had Wonderful Time in Akron, Dave Bell Says

Editor's Note: David Bell, Salem's Soap Box Derby Champion, here gives a summary of his trip to Akron and competition in last Sunday's All-American Soap Box Derby. As winner of the local Derby, he

By DAVID BELL

I had a wonderful time on my train trip to Akron and return and an even better time while in Akron and at Derbytown.

We traveled to Chicago on the Great Northern's Empire Builder and back by the Union Pacific's City of Portland so that we could see more of the country ("We" meaning Capital Journal Representative Vic Fryer and myself). We made the round trip from Chicago to Akron on the Baltimore and Ohio where we got to see a good deal of the scenery from their Strata-Dome cars.

It was midnight when we arrived in Akron, but we were met at the station by an official Soap Box Derby courtesy car and were taken to our hotel to spend the remainder of the night.

I was awakened early in the morning by the sounds of sirens and band music and I knew they were welcoming the champs. We ate breakfast and then I was taken out in one of the courtesy cars and given a siren escort to the front of the Mayflower hotel, where I walked up a flight of "golden stairs" to be introduced to the huge crowd of onlookers and my "biography" was read.

From there I walked under an archway of majorettes' batons, and up the red "Welcome" carpet into the hotel to register and get my official Derby T-shirt, sailor hat and Levis. Each boy's hat had a plastic seal on the front with the name of his home town so you would tell where he was from. As we left the hotel to board the bus for Derbytown, a swarm of girls yelled at us for autographs.

Derbytown, about 15 miles from town, is generally known as Camp Y-Noah and is on a lake of the same name. It is similar to Silver Creek but with cabins with beds, sheets and blankets instead of sleeping bags. Each cabin was named after a Derby winner or official. The cook's cabin had a real clever sign by it—"The Best Cooks in the World Live Here." It was about right, too, the food was swell and there was lots of it. At the camp we got to put in most of our evenings in playing ball games, swimming or boating.

Friday we were taken by police-escorted buses to Topside at Derby Downs to work on our bugs and to repair any defects found by inspectors. My only trouble was overweight, which was quickly repaired in the pits by trimming some from inside the bug.

Next I made my trial run. I didn't like the Akron track as well as the Salem one, although they are identical except for the surface. The Akron track is made in concrete sections and there is a bump between blocks that makes it harder to steer straight at high speeds. Salem's cement-coated asphalt surface is much better.

Friday night the town of Akron turned out to see all our bugs on public display. It was hard to realize how important the doings of a bunch of ordinary kids seemed to the town.

Saturday we were entertained at the B. F. Goodrich

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The reunion marked the 100th anniversary of the arrival of Francis Tilden Keyes to Oregon. Mr. Keyes came to Oregon from New York by way of Isthmus of Panama in 1853 and settled near Newburg.

He married the granddaughter of Thomas Keizer who came to Oregon with the Applegate train in 1843, and settled in what is now the Keizer community.

In addition to president the clan elected Mrs. Horace Patch of Canby vice president and Mrs. Clara Reed of Salem as secretary.

Members of the families attending the reunion were:

Mr. and Mrs. Dennis Norton, Woodburn; Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Rees and sons, Donald and Richard; Mrs. Clara Rees, Miss Stella Hardwick; Mrs. Goldie Hobel; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wolfe; Mrs. Edward Waska; Mr. and Mrs. John Collins; Mrs. Vera Heron; Mrs. Sarah Chamberlain; Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McCleery and Alvin McCleery, all of Salem; Mr. and Mrs. Horace Patch, Canby; Mr. and Mrs. Ted Patch, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Fish, Portland; Mrs. Alta Van DeLah, St. Helens; Mr. and Mrs. Prins Adolph and daughter, Betty, Newberg; Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bailey and daughter, Linda Susan, Corvallis; Frank Swisher, Toledo; Mr. and Mrs. John Rock and Bill Rock, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Kiser and children, Mary, David and Beverly; Mrs. Bill Cusler, Wendell Swisher; Mrs. Hazel Boies and children, Jimmy, Wendell, Beverly and Jeffery, all of Clatsop; Hal Lessemser of Reno, Nev.; Mr. and Mrs. Walton Kautie and children, Patricia, Janice, Johnny, Carl, Christie and Paule, Tillamook; Mr. and Mrs. Maynard McKinley and children, Michael, Patricia and Claudia, and Mrs. Ethel Morrison, Coos Bay.

Although diesel locomotives can accelerate faster than steam power, most of the U.S. railroad speed records are held by steam engines.

ISN'T DONE, OLD CHAP
Glasgow, Scotland (AP)—Alexander Brown, 44, was fined five pounds (\$14) for throwing his false teeth at an attendant who tried to remove him from a music hall balcony for shouting and swearing.

At Chicago, we were met by old friends from Salem, Mrs. Lester Podewell and her son Dick, an old pal of mine from several years ago when they lived near us. They showed us through downtown Chicago and up on top of the huge Merchandise Mart where we could see all over town. A motorboat ride up the Chicago river gave me a good look at more of the buildings and then time was getting short so we had to hurry back to catch our train.

We arrived in Portland a little late Wednesday morning and caught the bus to Salem. It was really a welcome sight to see the city, the family and friends again.

It was such a wonderful trip and experience that I would like to thank everyone who had anything to do with making Salem's Soap Box Derby a success and such a trip possible for the champion. It was an experience I shall never forget.

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9x15'9"	Worthington All Wool, Beige	160.25	129.45	30.80
9x16'9"	Worthington All Wool, Beige	170.25	137.44	32.81
9x14'6"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Grey	89.95	75.50	14.45
9x15'9"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Grey	97.25	81.50	15.75
9x12'3"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Green	76.45	64.22	12.23
9x13'9"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Green	85.45	71.78	13.67
9x15'6"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Green	95.75	80.25	15.50
9x12'6"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Beige	77.95	65.52	12.43
9x13'9"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Beige	85.45	71.78	13.67
9x15'6"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Beige	95.75	80.25	15.50
9x12'9"	Loop Velvet Grey	117.22	101.27	15.95
9x15'6"	Loop Velvet Grey	142.33	122.33	20.00
9x17'6"	Loop Velvet Grey	160.95	137.65	23.30
9x19'3"	Loop Velvet Grey	175.97	151.05	24.92
9x12'6"	Loop Velvet Green	115.50	99.35	16.15
9x14'9"	Loop Velvet Green	135.79	116.59	19.20
9x16'9"	Loop Velvet Green	153.49	131.91	21.58
9x12'9"	Loop Velvet Beige	117.72	101.27	16.45
9x14'6"	Loop Velvet Beige	133.50	114.67	18.83
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12x17'6"	Worthington All Wool, Grey	236.95	190.29	46.66
12x13'6"	Worthington All Wool, Green	183.95	147.90	36.05
12x14'9"	Worthington All Wool, Green	200.25	161.15	39.10
12x16'6"	Worthington All Wool, Green	223.75	179.70	44.05
12x17'3"	Worthington All Wool, Green	233.65	187.65	46.00
12x12'9"	All Wool, Beige Worthington	174.00	139.95	34.05
12x13'9"	Worthington All Wool, Beige	187.20	150.54	36.66
12x15'3"	Worthington All Wool, Beige	207.25	166.44	40.81
12x16'9"	Worthington All Wool, Beige	226.00	182.34	43.66
12x13'3"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Grey	109.95	92.25	17.70
12x15'3"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Grey	125.75	105.44	20.31
12x16'9"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Grey	137.75	115.34	22.41
12x12'9"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Green	105.95	88.95	17.00
12x14'9"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Green	121.90	102.15	19.75
12x16'3"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Green	133.75	112.05	21.70
12x13'6"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Beige	112.90	93.90	18.00
12x14'9"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Beige	121.75	102.15	19.60
12x16'6"	Nutex, Loop Cotton, Beige	135.75	113.70	22.05
12x12'9"	Loop Velvet Grey	156.95	135.00	21.95
12x14'6"	Loop Velvet Grey	177.95	152.89	25.06
12x16'3"	Loop Velvet Grey	198.75	170.76	27.99
12x18'6"	Loop Velvet Grey	225.50	193.74	31.76
12x12'6"	Loop Velvet Green	153.95	132.46	21.49
12x14'9"	Loop Velvet Green	180.95	155.45	25.50
12x16'6"	Loop Velvet Green	201.75	173.32	28.43
12x18'3"	Loop Velvet Green	222.50	191.16	31.34
12x12'3"	Loop Velvet Beige	150.95	129.91	21.04
12x14'9"	Loop Velvet Beige	180.95	155.45	25.50
12x16'9"	Loop Velvet Beige	204.75	175.87	28.88
12x18'9"	Loop Velvet Beige	228.50	196.30	32.20

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