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The automobile is welcomed as a product of the present day civilization but in making room for this modern convenience, it should be distinctly understood there is no place for the careless and wanton chaffeur. The horseless vehicles must get along without him. Independence has better roads than the average Oregon town and these have attracted the automobilist to these parts. The auto bil is now a common sight along the public highways. No one begrudges them the use of the public roads, though some may envy the mixed delights and vexations that go with coaxing the inanimate machinery over the country but the fact should not be lost sight of that public roads were not made for their exclusive use nor have they by common consent been appropriated to that purpose. The horse for whose use the roads were primarily built, still has rights on the public roads and no mechanical invention yet devised can crowd him off. Some reputed chaffeurs that find delight in traveling Polk county roads seem to act on the theory they can. This persisted in going to lead to their grief and serious accidents. Wholly unmindful of the safety and rights of teams, they go dashing by, leaving frightened horses and broken rigs in their make. It matters not whether it be a spirited, nervous horse or whether it be driven by man or woman, the reckless chaffeur cannot find time to see that his automobile gets by with safety to the frightened horse and driver. The pleasure of the automobilist before safety to horse and driver. Several accidents from automobiles on the public highway have been narrowly averted on the Independence roads this season and the reckless chaffeur may as well take warning now that there is trouble ahead for him.

The town of Mitchell, 30 miles south of Fossil in Wheeler county, met with a disaster Monday evening similar to the Heppner deluge of a year ago. A wall of water 25 to 30 feet high swept down the canyon in which the town is situated carrying to destruction over a score of houses. Remembering the fate of Heppner, the people were on the alert and taking to the mountain side all were saved but two, Martin Smith and Mrs. Bethune.

D.M. Watson, oil well locator, just returned from Texas, says that beyond any question whatever, oil in paying quantities is to be found in Polk county.

I won't run on your old platform unless I can run as a gold standard candidate— Judge Parker.

Dallas is to have an axe handle factory.

No new railroads nor electric lines built out of Salem this week.

He that would not eat dirt will have to keep off the public roads these days.

Soon we can all take a vacation. Hop picking promises to come early.

Roosevelt and Fairbanks or Parker and Davis! Its up to you Mr. Voter.

If the Gold standard is right, be honest and put it in the platform—W. J. Bryan.

It is claimed microbes devour each other in septic tanks. Lets organize a tank club.

Why should not Bryan be permitted to write the platform and name the candidate?

There is apparent demand for an equalizer between cloudbursts in eastern Oregon and dearth of rain in western Oregon.

You've croaked yourself hoarse about Oregon rain, now take sunshine and say you like it—Weather Man.

It is now up to Joe Hirschberg and J. S. Cooper to exchange letters of apology. Their pictures appear side by side in the Portland Telegram.

"A democratic victory will mean very little' if any progress on economic questions so long as the party is under control of the Wall Street element—Bryan

A Hood River man bought land at \$8 an acre a few years ago. Last week he sold it for \$200 an acre. Judicious land investments in Oregon bring big and sure returns.

The annual exodus to mountains and sea shore is now on and crowds from these parts are taking advantage of the interval between now and hop and grain harvest for an outing

The annual session of Chautauqua Assembly opened at Gladstone Monday. Its meetings are well worth attending. Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, Captain Hobson, the kissor and fighter, Lou Beauchamp, the humorist and Thomas McClary the orator are among the entertainers.

After 72 days of sunshine, the rain began falling from the Heavens this morning. How long it will continue, would be hazardous to predict. The effect will be mixed good and evil as viewed by hop, grain and grass interests.

Juey 14, 1904, it rained.

Newberg has the building fever. It requires over a column and a half of the Newberg Graphic to enumerate the buildings put up the past year or now in course of construction.

G. Zumalt and Claude Fryer left for Newport and other coast points Monday for a two weeks' outing. They drove Mr. Zumalt's handsome bays hitched to a rubber-tired buggy.

Homer Hill and Ed Wallace returned from eastern Oregon yesterday with a band of 25 range horses. They made the trip in two weeks.

PREPARING FOR RACES

Large Number of Horses Including Many Fine Ones Now in Training at State Fair Grounds.

There was never a finer aggregation of horses on the State Fair grounds than is now in training there. The 150 head already on the grounds includes Seattle, Spokane, Walla, and Tacoma stables and in fact all the stables of Oregon and Washington except Sawyers and Condons, of Eugene. Some of the California stables are represented. J. E. Kirkland of Independence is now quartered at the Fairgrounds with his string in training.

Some fine exhibitions of speed are to be seen there now. Lady Jones, called a green trotter went a mile in 15½ this week. A full sister of Diablo made the last half of a mile in 5½. The prospect for fine racing this fall is good.

Mrs. B. F. Sparks, sister of Mrs. Burnett, and her father J. Ford of McMinnville, are visiting in Independence.

Miss Eva Joseph, a former teacher in the Portland schools is visiting the family of E. G. Heath's.

W. W. Percival, the stock dealer shipped two car loads of mutton sheep to the Portland market Tuesday. A car load of hogs including a 600-pounder was shipped by him the last of the week.

We are making a specialty of hop ticket work. Place your order now with the WEST SIDE ENTERPRISE. Tickets printed as ordered on good cardboard and delivered when promised. Satisfaction guaranteed.

Dr. O. D. Butler started today on his regular annual summer outing. Dr. Slater of Salem will be in Independence during his absence.

FALLS CITY.

Mr. Fishback of Antioch was here Sunday.

Miss Vera Burns of Dallas has been a guest at the home of her uncle, Sam Tethrow.

Born—Monday, July 11, to Mr. and Mrs. Scott Trevitt a girl.

Russell Davenport is now depot agent.

The last meeting of Mona Grange was attended by five people from Michigan.

PARKER.

Joe Anderson spent a few days in Portland the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Thompson were passengers to Portland Tuesday, returning Thursday.

Miss Mattie Davidson is visiting at Mrs. J. O. Davidson's while her husband is in Idaho.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Lacy and children started for Fish Lake Tuesday.

Jas. Helmick and son Willie returned from a trip to Albany, The Dalles and Portland on Friday last.

Miss Laura Critchlow visited at Mrs. Kerr's Sunday.

Glenn Hildebrand visited friends here Sunday.

Mrs. Ida Cox, passed through here on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Powell spent Sunday at Sam McElmurry's.

Mr. Fuqua gave a farewell dinner to his crowd of hay workers Friday.

The average height of a Jap soldier is five feet and three inches. He looks bigger than that to the Russians.

A new crank says that he can confer the gift of tongues. Thanks. We already have the woman's clubs.

It is safe to say that Aguinaldo before deciding to come to the exposition assured himself that Funston would not be in the neighborhood of St. Louis at the time.

It is reported that the criminal is coming in again. Not unless the doors are widened.

Any man who is made by circumstances is not worth making.

From the number of entries in the airship contest at St. Louis it is probable that most of the participants will be in the "also few" class.

The man who sees the least fun in this world is the one who spends all his time hunting for amusement.

Beauty. Really beautiful things can't go out. They may disappear for a little while, but they must come back. It's only the ugly things that stay out after they've had their day.

He who is never guilty of mistakes is not so wise as he imagines.—La Rochefoucauld.

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