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An Automobile Gives Vacation.

Interest in automobiles is constantly increasing, new machines are being purchased all the time, a number of our Bandon citizens of late are taking up the automobile proposition with a vim, and if the present pace keeps up it will not be long until dozens of machines will be ruffling about the streets. One phase of the excellencies of the automobile is its usefulness in taking a vacation.

In this connection the Portland Evening Telegram says:—"During the season just ended probably 100,000 people have toured by automobile through sections of this Western country which are noted for scenery, climate and other attractions. Conservative Eastern papers say half a million people in the country spent their vacations in autos and took many long trips in machines. There are at least 300,000 automobiles in use in the United States today, and assuming that half of these were used for recreation, carrying from two to seven passengers each, this estimate of the number of tourists does not seem exaggerated.

Travel has always been a favorite method of obtaining education and amusement, but in the earlier days the end of the journey, not the journey itself, was the attraction. Luxurious as are the modern Pullman cars, few would care to spend a whole vacation in one. Traveling in an automobile, on the other hand, is a pleasure in itself, and its more enthusiastic devotees do not even trouble themselves to select a destination.

One of the greatest advantages of automobile touring over other methods of travel, is that it brings the traveler close to the country. Roads lead where electric cars and trains do not. Of course, some motorists still dash through at 40 and more miles per hour, without a glance at the most charming valley, hillside or stream. But they are only to be pitied—and arrested. The wiser tourist takes his time, and is never too hurried to pause and admire a view or pluck a handful of wild flowers. Touring in this fashion is an enjoyment that never palls. Each day's run brings new scenes and adventures, which will be recalled around the fireside on many a wintery evening.

For those who can afford it there is no way of spending a more healthful or invigorating vacation. During the day the motorists never feel fatigue; the ever-charging procession of scenes and events keeps the interest always aroused. Yet at meal times the traveler's appetite is a source of wonder and enjoyment to himself and at the same time dismay to the keeper of small "American plan" hotels. And at night the autoist crawls into bed early and slumbers away for 10 hours. It makes people early risers, too.

During the last four months many Portlanders have traveled over roads of all kinds in all directions. Numerous parties decided to spend the summer touring Oregon in a thorough manner. Some did not get

out of the western part of the state, although they have been on the go continually. Roads are getting better and there are so many side trips that open the eyes and also delight.

And there is everything here to draw the motorist, no matter what his side hobby. It may be fishing for mountain trout, or perhaps the salt water fish allure, again, the owner of a car delights in hunting deer, small game and birds, or he may care for photography. Whatever it is he finds it in this state.

Louisiana's Credit is Not Gilt Edge.

Supporters of San Francisco's claim to the Panama Exposition in 1915 are confident that an overwhelming display of exposition funds will win government recognition for the fair it is proposed to hold on the Pacific Coast. If California is as solidly united on this project as the utterances of California editors would indicate, the representatives of that state will appear before Congress this winter with a fund of \$17,500,000, raised through private subscription, city bonds and a state tax.

It may be that New Orleans will make some announcement of a heavy raise at the last moment, but the Pacific Coast is disposed to believe that its showing will overshadow anything the south can do in the way of furnishing the sinews of war and expositions. California has already pointed out that New Orleans owes the federal government a considerable sum on account of a cotton exposition held there in the eighties, and another instance of Louisiana's failure to live up to its financial obligations was furnished through publication in the New Orleans Times Democrat of a letter from an indignant subscriber.

The writer, J. C. King, calls attention to the refusal of the attorney general of the state of New York to consider Louisiana bonds as safe securities, and goes on to instance a repudiation by the state of its "baby bonds", so-called because they were issued in denominations as low as \$5. These were six year bonds, which became payable in 1886. Mr. King says:

"The failure of the State to pay its just debts in the matter of these bonds has caused great hardship to some of its citizens. One of these is Judge W. H. Hough of Lake Charles. Judge Hough took these "baby" bonds in payment of his salary as District Judge of the old Fifteenth and Ninth Judicial districts. He accepted these bonds in payment of his services, thinking, naturally, that the State would fulfill its obligations. He is now 91 years old and needs the money, but his requests that these bonds be paid have been met with evasion.

"These bonds are not 'carpet bagger bonds,' and there is no excuse for the failure of the State to pay them. The proposition to make the holders of them take only one-half their face value is too unjust to be considered. These bonds ought to be paid, and failure to pay them is likely to continue to subject the state to such humiliations as the re-

cent opinion that Louisiana bonds are not safe securities.

J. C. KING.

Good Apple Country

This section is gradually coming to be known as an apple producing country and the quality is also being recognized as a distinguishing feature of the apples. The time will surely come when the orchards are brought up to perfect form and we have ample shipping facilities, that Coquille Valley apples will rank with the best grown anywhere. Brown Brothers of Myrtle Point recently sent a shipment of Gravenstines to San Francisco and the firm that bought the apples has acknowledged to them that they were the finest apples to be received in that market.

Three Weeks Till Election

Only three more weeks until election, and people should thoroughly acquaint themselves with the various candidates for office, at least where ever this is possible, also with the many measures referred to the voters this fall. The ballot will be something immense in itself, it is said that the state ballot alone will be six feet long and with the county and precinct ticket added, the ballot will probably be eight or nine feet long and then there will be some reading to do on this ballot, so it will probably take the voter more than the allotted five minutes to prepare his ballot. In fact, if some who are not very swift readers and thinkers get through in five hours they will be doing well, thus it is important that all familiarize themselves with the situation so far as possible and thus expedite matters.

The election judges are the ones who will earn their money this fall as it will take some time to count the votes.

Damages Awarded to Government for Destruction of Young Forest Growth.

In an action for fire trespass on the Black Hills National Forest brought by the United States against the Missouri River and Northwestern Railroad, the jury has awarded damages to the Government not only for the loss of merchantable timber, but also for the destruction of unmerchantable young growth.

This is regarded by Government officials as establishing a very important precedent. So far as is known at the U. S. Department of Agriculture, it is the first time that any court has recognized what foresters call the "expectation value" of young growth as furnishing a basis for the award of damages. The difficulty in the way of such an award in the past has been that there was no way to prove to the satisfaction of the courts the money value of the loss suffered.

The award in the South Dakota case followed the presentation of evidence as to the cost of work in reforesting which the Government is actually doing in the Black Hills. The amount claimed for the young growth burned was \$12 an acre, and the claim under this item was allowed in full by the jury. The total amount of damages claimed was \$3,728.85, of which \$2,634.45 was for merchantable timber destroyed or injured by the fire.

It is recognized by foresters that the cost of artificial reforestation will not always furnish a fair basis for estimating the damage to forest re-

production. Where new growth can be expected by natural sowing from seed-trees on the ground within a short time, artificial planting or sowing is an unnecessarily expensive method. To meet such cases what are known as "yield tables" are being prepared. By the use of these the loss can be shown in terms of the final crop and the time necessary to produce it.

Thus, if it is known that ten thousand feet of timber per acre can be cut once in seventy years, it is easy to calculate the value of the crop when it is ten years old by discounting from its value when mature. In European countries where forestry has been long practiced, this method is regularly applied in selling, condemning, or estimating damages on forest property. It is also used abroad in insurance, which would be impracticable if there were not both an accepted basis for determining the loss suffered and a reasonably accurate knowledge of the hazard involved.

Watch May Be Used.

"A good thing to remember when motoring, in the woods or out in a boat, and you have lost or mislaid your compass and desire to know the points of the compass, is that your watch makes a good substitute," said B. C. Spitzley, assistant general manager of the Abbott Motor Company. "If the sun is shining lay your watch flat with the hour hand pointing directly toward the sun. Half way between the hour hand and the figure 12 is south. If the sun does not shine look at the tops of the pine trees, which always dip toward the north. Moss is always found on the north side of trees, a sure indication.

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Contest Notice.

Department of the Interior,
United States Land Office,
Roseburg, Oregon, Sept. 19, 1910
A sufficient contest affidavit having been filed in this office by Noah M. Davison, contestant against Homestead Entry No. 13645, Serial 03779, made July 1, 1904, for S.W. 1/4 Section 20, Township 29 S., Range 13 W., Willamette Meridian, by Benjamin Perry, contestee, in which it is alleged that said Benjamin Perry has never resided upon or in any way improved said land since making said entry, but has abandoned said land for over five years last past; said parties are hereby notified to appear and respond, and offer evidence touching said allegation at 10 o'clock a. m. on November 1, 1910, before A. D. Morse, U. S. Commissioner, at his office in Bandon, Oregon, and that final hearing will be held at 10 o'clock a. m. on November 15, 1910, before the Register and Receiver at the United States Land Office in Roseburg, Oregon. The said contestant having, in a proper affidavit, filed September 19, 1910, set forth facts which show that after due diligence personal service of this notice can not be made, it is hereby ordered and directed that such notice be given by due and proper publication. BENJAMIN F. JONES, Register. 38-15

Notice for Publication.

Department of the Interior,
U. S. Land Office, at Roseburg, Oregon,
September 14, 1910.
Notice is hereby given that Albert N. Treadgold, of Cass City, Michigan, who on September 3, 1909, made Timber and Stone Entry No. 05456, for Lots 2, 3 and 4, Section 2, Township 30, S. Range 14 W. W. Meridian, has filed notice of intention to make Final Timber and Stone Proof, to establish claim to the land above described, before A. D. Morse, United States Commissioner, at Bandon, Oregon, on the 29th day of Nov 1910.
Claimant names as witnesses:
Robert Walker, of Bandon, Oregon.
Harry Walker, of Bandon, Oregon.
G. T. Treadgold, of Bandon, Oregon.
Pearl R. Walker, of Bandon, Oregon.
BENJAMIN F. JONES, Register. 37-10c

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