

Polk Hull, Pioneer

By A. E. Kellogg
Perhaps, the most picturesque and agile old-time fighter in the late conflict between the blues and the grays in the '60's, residing in Rogue River valley today is Polk Hull, the sage of Griffin creek.

A few days ago while in Medford from his comfortable Griffin creek home, where he is living in retirement, this aged veteran grasped the hand of the writer with the same old vigor as that of nearly forty years ago when he led his men into the Lincoln battle.

The war stories most interesting to the writer, recently related by the old warrior were those of the latter days of the war, when he served as gunner on one of the rude gunboats on the upper Mississippi river fighting the land batteries of the rebel Johnnies.

The commander, a youth of the frontier, used to Indian warfare, practiced his frontier tactics to stem the tide of the rebels who disregarded all army regulations in their warfare.

Ambushed, and covered by a camouflaged heavy battery of shore guns, the commander's first raid proved to be a splendid victory. An spy had crept aboard the gunboat and gave the crew a wrong tip, which brought the boat and its guns to shore leaving them to face this heavy land battery but a few yards away.

The beginning of a victory. The enemy's lines were being pushed, having been set for long range shooting and could not train down on the gunboat, while the gunboat, but a few yards away, with accurate training soon wrecked the whole battery on land and the rebels retired, losing all their big guns.

While the Hulls in the "walk of life" had been "tillers of the soil" at the close of the war, Polk, maimed with a shell shattered leg, was unable to continue his chosen trade of life and sought employment in the woolen mills as a weaver.

But six years ago at their Griffin creek home, the young couple settled first at Peely, Iowa, where young Hull still maimed with the crippled leg was employed in the woolen mills. He rose from a weaver to master weaver of the mills and on recovering from the injury in 1868 removed to Des Moines in that state where he again became a tiller of the soil.

In 1874 the Hulls with their infant son left Kansas for Oregon. They boarded an emigrant Pullman on the Union Pacific railway attached to an overland freight train and arrived at Stockton, California after a nine day journey.

on some prairie siding of railroad camp waiting for passenger trains to pass.
Arriving at Salem in due time without any means, the Hulls were landlords of a hotel in the capital town for a year. In 1875 they moved to Douglas county near Roseburg and again became tillers of the soil. Meeting prosperity in a very small way in 1879 they equipped a covered wagon and started on the way to Los Angeles.

Those were the days of the woolen mills in the valley town, yet with all his knowledge of the art of weaving Hull went to work at the mills as weaver at \$1 per day. Later he was advanced and felt very prosperous on a salary of \$2 per day. Finally prosperity set in with the Hulls when the head of the family became master weaver at the mills at \$3 per day.

After three years stay at the woolen mills all the old scores were wiped off and there was money hoarded for a rainy day. At this time the lands in Kansas were sold and with the savings hoarded from the mill work, all was invested in the big dairy farm in the Meadows on Upper Evans creek out from Gold Hill, and today these big holdings are still known by the old-timers as the "Polk Hull" ranch in the Meadows.

In 1902 came the big wave of high prices for valley soils. The model farm of the Meadows with its many watered and green acres and its herds of dairy and stock cattle passed to a wealthy California family. The part of this wealth was invested in the farm home of the Hulls on Griffin creek, where now resides the old veteran and his only son, Ola Hull, both widowers.

In recent years Mr. Hull has traveled much, attending several national C. A. R. reunions in the east, as well as nearly all the important battle grounds of the late Civil war.

How did you happen to get hit? asked a friend of the much-battered victim of a collision between a truck and a flivver.
Well, I was rolling along in my old flivver watching the road and driving as I should when along came a truck with a sign on the windshield, 'Howdy, half the road is yours.' I thought to myself 'That fellow's a gentleman' but I didn't find out till later that 'half' he meant the outside quarter of each side.

The young lady put out her arm indicating that she was making a left turn. Imagine my surprise when she turned to the left.
He who hits and runs away may land in jail some later day.

Nothing Romantic
When fair Maud Miller met the judge
He said: 'Ten plunks' and she said 'Fudge.'
The motor cop had quite a share, Texas had a common speeding case.

The husband was showing his wife over the new home in which they were to live.
Oh, you like it, does he asked, 'It's a perfectly wonderful,' she replied. 'Those beautiful windows! The wonderful floors! The fine furniture—why, it's almost as nice as a filling station.'

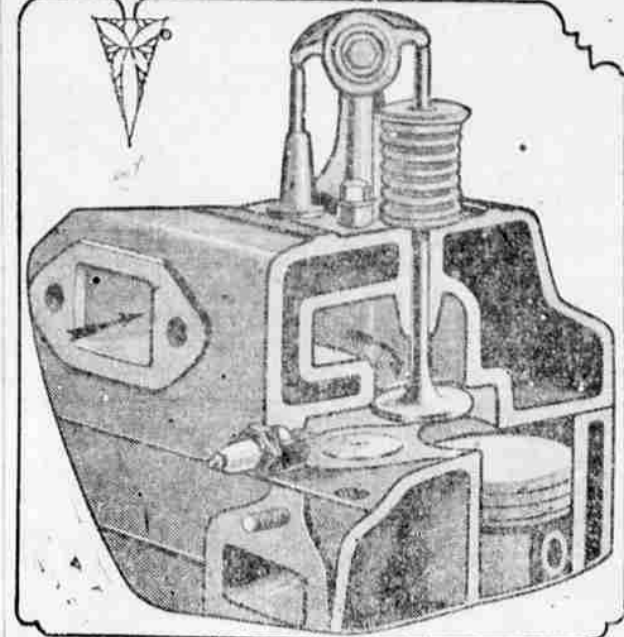
Bob: 'Any speed traps around here?'
Village Constable: 'None. Not any more. Catchin' bootleggers pays better.'

Just bought a new car.
Thought you were going to have your old one repaired.
Oh, I couldn't afford that!
Who cares a hoot about the f.o.b. price of a car. Why don't they tell us how much a month?

The man who used to blow out the gas now lets his automobile engine run in his closed garage.
You Auto Know!
1. What car is used to generate heat?
2. What car is made of green cheese?
3. What car is a river in New York?
4. What car was once a rail splitter?
5. What car means to avoid?
6. What car provides a crossing for a stream?
7. What car is an intoxicated bread maker?
8. What car was a noted French explorer?
9. What car first experimented with electricity?
10. What car is noted violinist?
11. What car is two letters of the alphabet?
The answer to the first question is 'No. Surely, you can tell the rest.'

A Medford man came in and said he had an item for an automobile page. He said he went for a drive to several towns with a friend and in the course of the journey they had to cross several

Hudson Patents "F-Head"



Valve, spark plug, and combustion arrangement for the high compression Super-Six motor, patents for which have been granted to the Hudson Motor Car Company.

Announcement is made by the Hudson Motor Car Co. that it has been granted patent rights on the "F-Head" high compression motor which has been used in all Hudson Super-Six cars since early last summer.

A Hudson engineering executive says the patented design is important because it permits high compression benefits in a large motor like the Hudson Super-Six. High compression, it was said, has proved a far more difficult problem with large motors than with those of smaller dimensions.

High Compression Obtained
With the new patented design Hudson motors now are built with a compression ratio of nearly 6 to 1—or 29 per cent above the average—with correspondingly high standards of acceleration, fuel economy and power.

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Motorists Are Responsible for R. R. Accidents
The recent supreme court decision fixing the responsibility for all accidents occurring at railroad grade crossings on the motorist, makes the following information of interest.

First Motorist—I had a drink of real moonshine the other day.
Second Motorist—"How was it?"
First Motorist—I find that I can get about the same result if I kiss a spark-plug when my motor is running.

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JOY for every girl and boy!
Have you heard the news, kids? That's spreadin' o'er the town! The Pied Piper himself is coming To banish every frown.

Remember the time—
Wednesday, April 4
4 p. m. Sharp
—all children will gather at our store for some real fun.
C. M. KIDD & CO.
East Main St., Medford

NEW HIGH MARK FOR CHEVROLET IN FEBRUARY

With its factories assembling plants and sales organization throughout the country operating at peak efficiency, the Chevrolet Motor Company in February set a new high monthly record of 115,943 cars and trucks. Domestic retail deliveries for this period are estimated at 88,000 units, against 55,232 in February, 1927.

The best previous month in Chevrolet history was May, 1927, with an output of 115,673 cars and trucks. Production last month shows a 56 per cent gain over the 55,817 units of February, last year, and it is more than four times the 23,981 units turned out in February, 1925. March promises to outdo even the high figure set during last month.

Up to March 1 the total number of "Bigger and Better" Chevrolets manufactured was 241,300 units, 32,773 having been produced in December and shipped to dealers to enable them to have cars for display at the first public showing on January 1. The achievement of building almost a quarter of a million cars in so short a space of time has never been duplicated in the automobile industry.

The new patent covers all these and other arrangements, each in relation to and in combination with all others.
The compression ratio made possible—about 6 to 1—is practically the same as that used in the smaller Essex motor, where an L-Head design has been found quite satisfactory.

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Gasoline Prices Vary in States

A recent check by the American Automobile Association of the variance in gasoline prices over the United States shows that on November 22, 1927, the date the check was made, prices ranged from 16c a gallon on straight run gasoline at Peoria, Illinois, to 27c for straight run at Phoenix, Ariz.

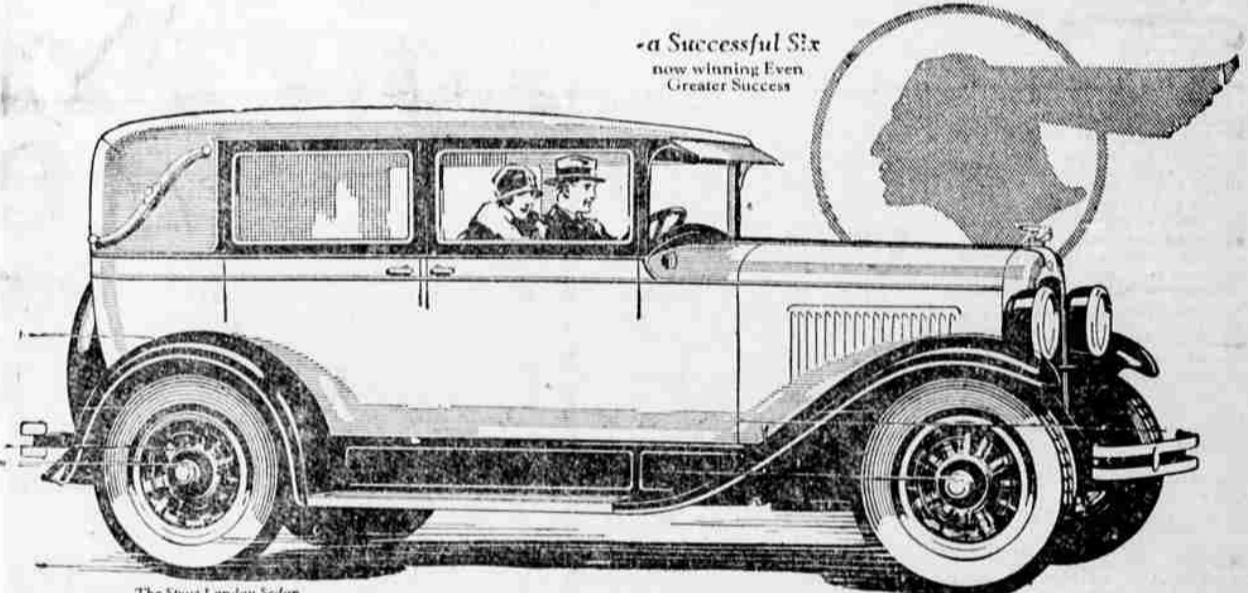
Location of cities near sources of gasoline supply seemed to have no effect at all on prices as some of the highest prices were charged in cities adjacent to refineries.



WHICH IS YOUR CHILD ??

It is an indisputable fact that good nourishment brings good health, and this brings a desire for learning and a readiness to absorb that which is taught.
The dull child is usually the one that is insufficiently nourished.
Good milk is the best food—the best tonic. It nourishes the bones, the muscles, the brain. Insist on Sniders' pasteurized milk.

Sniders Dairy & Produce Co.
If It's Snider's—It's the Best to Buy
Sniders GOLD MEDAL Butter is Also a Pasteurized Product



Nowhere Else Such Features for

When you actually learn what the New Series Pontiac Six offers you for a base price of only \$745, it's easy to understand the sensational success it is enjoying.
At the right is listed a group of advancements in design which never before have been combined in any low-priced six! Some of them—such as the G-M-R cylinder head and the cross-flow radiator—rank as master strokes of engineering. Yet these are only the new features that have been added to the basic design which enabled the Pontiac Six to make automobile history in the past two years!
You still get the largest engine used in any low-priced six. You still get the long life assured by an oiling system which forces 250 gallons an hour through the engine at 35 m. p. h. You still get the ability to maintain 50 miles an hour or more for as long as you like. Come in! Learn by comparison and by driving that you get the biggest, staunchest, most beautiful low-priced six the market affords today.

Table listing car models and prices: Coupe \$745, Sport Roadster \$745, Phaeton \$775, Sport Cabriolet \$795, 4-Door Sedan \$825, Sport Landau Sedan \$875.

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