

On The Side

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For a sports event to promote international good will, how about a round-the-world automobile race open to cars of all nations? Such a race was held over 40 years ago. In 1908, to be exact. The race was from New York to Paris by way of Russia. It started at Times Square, New York. Two hundred and fifty thousand people were there to see the start. Six cars competed; three French, one Italian, one German and one American. The race started on Feb. 12, 1908, and finished in Paris July 30 the same year. The winner was the American car, a Thomas Flyer. That rugged vehicle is still around. It can be seen at Clark's Automobile Museum, Southampton, L. I.

Those Arguments

We would like to get a few arguments off our list to provide space for other discussions. Therefore, please be informed that the following claims have been adjudged correct and no further discussion will be held on same. 1—Nineteen hundred was not a leap year. 2—George M. Cohan was born on the third of July, not the fourth. 3—Joe's barroom in the poem "The Face On The Floor" was located on Union Square, New York City. 4—Robert Burns did not originate the song titled "Auld Lang Syne." 5—The original "It" girl was not Clara Bow. It was Aileen Pringle. 6—The first jockey to be called "The Iceman" was not George Woolf but Henry Spencer.

Omission

Responding to a request to name sports figures having the nickname "Rube," I made a grievous and unforgivable error. I left out the greatest "Rube" of all. That is "Rube" Waddell. What a character he was! A film based on his career could be amusing as well as highly dramatic.

Sidelights

Off Greenport, L. I., not far from Brooklyn, there was caught a lobster weighing 39 pounds, and 22 inches in length. Let Maine try to top that for size. As for low prices paid for used cars, I am informed by a Californian he recently bought a 1941 car for \$5 and that it is now in regular use and running fine.

Husband Selection

How about husband selection? That's what a group of six Baltimore bachelorettes asks in commenting on this department's recent helpful hints to bachelors on wife selection. I have asked our Mules & Men experts to prepare some of the requested advice. Offhand, I would say a bachelorette should think twice before marrying a jockey. He will want her to live in a trailer. The life of the wife of a doctor can be very difficult. Think of all those "emergency calls" coming at the most inopportune moments. Then there is the worry about the beautiful blonde patients. Only women of very strong character and a great supply of patience should marry professional ballplayers. They are more temperamental than opera stars. Whether the home of a ballplayer is sad or glad depends entirely on how many hits he got in the game that afternoon.

Please Note

As for caviar, I don't care for it. In my opinion crepes suzette is overrated and excessively publicized. As for pheasant under glass, you can have my share. I don't care for squab either. What do I like? Don't get me wrong. I like several hundred different kinds of food items. However, I would rather have had roe than caviar. I'll take babau rhum over crepes suzette and a skillfully prepared portion of chicken fricasse, with dumplings, over pheasant under glass.

Earl Bigelow Named To Legion Committee

Earl Bigelow, Medford, has been named to the child welfare committee for the American Legion Department of Oregon, it was announced today.

Bigelow served as chairman of the child welfare committee for Medford Post 15 of the Legion during the past year. The post received a citation for the work which he did during that period.

A member of Jackson county Vulture 165 of the 40 and 8, Bigelow has served in various Legion and 40 and 8 offices.

His wife has served as president of Post 15, American Legion auxiliary, president of District 13 of the auxiliary, and is now department chairman of the auxiliary's Americanism committee.

Mrs. Bigelow last year received top awards for child welfare work for auxiliary Post 15 and for District 13.

The flat shell of the window oyster of India is so translucent it can be used as window glass.

Quotes From the News

By UNITED PRESS

CIO United Auto Workers Secretary-Treasurer Emil Mazey, on the progress made in talks with Chrysler Corp. aimed at averting a strike at midnight tonight:

"We are within striking distance."

Sen. Allen J. Ellender (D-La.) on a dinner he was served behind the Iron Curtain at a farmhouse near Bucharest:

"The chicken was fried southern style, the way we do it in Louisiana. It was so good I sucked every bone. When I got up from that table I was so bloated I could hardly walk."

Charles F. Jaeger, watching a stream of cars speed across a busy intersection on the outskirts of Detroit near the home where he has lived since 1914:

"If some of the old pioneers could come out of their graves and see this they'd choose to drop right back in them."

William Wells, carnival worker who was married Tuesday at Des Moines, Ia., while pinned against the wall of a thrill ride spinning at 45 miles an hour:

"We work here, so we decided to get married here."

Jockey Willie Shoemaker, who rides favored Swaps in a match race against Nashua:

"I expect to win."

Jockey Eddie Arcaro, who rides Nashua, against Swaps:

"There will be no excuses."

Rep. Alvin M. Bentley (R-Mich.) on the situation whereby French troops from NATO have been sent into North Africa to quell uprisings with arms furnished by the United States specifically for the defense of Western Europe:

"With inconsistencies in our foreign aid program such as this, I do not know how we can ever hope to gain the friendship of the peoples of Asia and Africa which we need so badly at this time."

Keith Saunders, editor of National Aeronautics, on the practice of serving cocktails aboard commercial airplanes:

"There are grounds for adopting a sensible code under which the practice can be controlled uniformly on all the airlines."

Actor David Wayne on the profession of the stage:

"No one ever becomes an actor unless he seeks love, love in the broadest sense. When he is successful in getting attention, he is at his happiest."

Shady Cove-Trail News

Shady Cove-Trail—Mrs. William Leekey of Far Hills Ranch, Shady Cove, entertained at her home on Aug. 25 with a birthday party honoring the 11th birthday of her daughter, Judy Leekey. Games were played and refreshments served. Guests present were Mary Susan Knotts, Suzanne Schauble, Pamela Vanderlip, LuAnna Martin, and Judy's sisters, Mary and Susie Leekey.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Harris, and their daughter, Elaine and son, Fred, are visiting Harris' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Russell Harris, Shady Cove.

Miss Jackie Davies and Miss Lorrie Harris of Pasadena, Calif., are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Tom King, Shady Cove.

Joan and Kathleen Houston spent last week in Medford visiting with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Pettenger and family.

On their way home from an extended trip to Pomona, Calif., through Glacier National park and Canada, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Thurman stopped off in Shady Cove for a visit of several days with their niece, Mrs. Jacalyn Langston and family, and sister-in-law, Mrs. Clara Thurman.

Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Combs, Los Angeles, were honored at a family picnic and get together held at Casey State park Thursday evening, Aug. 25. Relatives attending the event were Mr. and Mrs. Bud Elder and son, David, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Vanderlip, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Vanderlip, son Jim and daughter Pamela, all Shady Cove, and Mr. and Mrs. Arleigh Anderson and daughter, Connie, Trail.

The Shady Cove Grange held

a potluck picnic supper and social evening on Wednesday evening, Aug. 24, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Travis Littlefield of Shady Cove. Following the picnic supper which was served out of doors on the lawn, card playing and group singing were enjoyed. Members present were Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Vanderlip, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Kee and daughter, Cecelia, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Cross, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Motschenbacher, Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Watson, daughter, Sheri and son Lane, the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Travis Littlefield, their daughter and grandson, Mrs. Alan Eastgate and son, Robert, the Littlefield's son, Bill Littlefield and Miss Carol Sheppard.

Mrs. Ray Chubb and daughter, Susan, Shady Cove, returned Friday from a trip to Glendale and southern California where they visited with relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Prichard, Middleton, Calif., accompanied by their grandson, Ricky Deming, Hayward, Calif., have their house trailer at Eastwood Trailer park and are spending some time here visiting with their many friends in this area. The Prichard's formerly lived on Big Butte Creek for several years before moving to California.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Endressen of Vancouver, Wash., spent one day last week visiting with their friends, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Hunt of Shady Cove. Hunt made a trip to Portland last week end to meet his cousin, Mrs. Ethel Coleman, who arrived there by train from Omaha, Neb. Mrs. Coleman will visit the Hunts for about two weeks.

Ray Anthony Weds Hollywood Actress

Toledo, O.—(U.P.)—A series of one-night stands by Ray Anthony and his orchestra forced him to postpone his honeymoon with Mamie Van Doren until later.

The band leader and the platinum blonde actress were married in a two-minute ceremony in the bridal suite of a downtown hotel here Monday with only a handful of persons in attendance.

Miss Van Doren arrived early Monday by plane from Hollywood, where she was given a week off after finishing a movie from Universal-International.

Covered Payrolls Hit Winter Period Record

Salern — (U.P.) — Payrolls covered by the Unemployment Compensation Law reached \$307,778,663 in the first quarter of 1955, highest for this winter period in history, but employment reported by 17,870 employers was slightly below similar figures in 1951-52-53, the State Unemployment Compensation Commission said yesterday.

Gain in wages paid to covered workers from 1954 to 1955 amounted to \$20,892,000 or about 7.3 per cent, but the increase in average employment was only 8,222 to 302,947 or 2.8 per cent. Payrolls were about 4 per cent higher than in early

1953, which had been the previous all-time high for the period. Monthly Pay Jumps

Average monthly pay for workers covered jumped to \$338.50, highest yet figured for the winter months but about \$20 below the all-time high in the late summer of 1954.

Logging and lumber operations provided much of the force behind the economic pickup last winter, tabulations from 2692 firms in Oregon's main industry showed. Employment averaged 72,224, about 5000 more than the previous year but slightly below 1953. Payrolls reached a new high of \$83,015,697, an increase of nearly \$11,000,000 over the winter before and more than 4,500,000 above the previous peak in early 1953.

Slight Gain Shown

Construction and food processing gained slightly over 1954 but failed to equal the winter before. Other manufacturing groups showed payroll gains over both previous winters but failed to equal employment records of early 1953.

Finance, insurance and realty concerns covered by the unemployment law reported both more jobs and higher total wages than in previous years. But trade, service and utilities fol-

lowed the general trend of favorable comparison with last year but below 1953. The financial group was the only main line showing gains in early 1954 over the previous year.

ESCAPE ARTIST

Mound City, Ill. — (U.P.) — The first inmate to escape from the Pulaski county jail here since Sheriff Robert Aldrich took office last fall was a 12-year-old boy being held for juvenile authorities. He slipped out through an 8-by-14 inch food slot in the cell block door which Aldrich left open for better ventilation for the jail's lone inmate.



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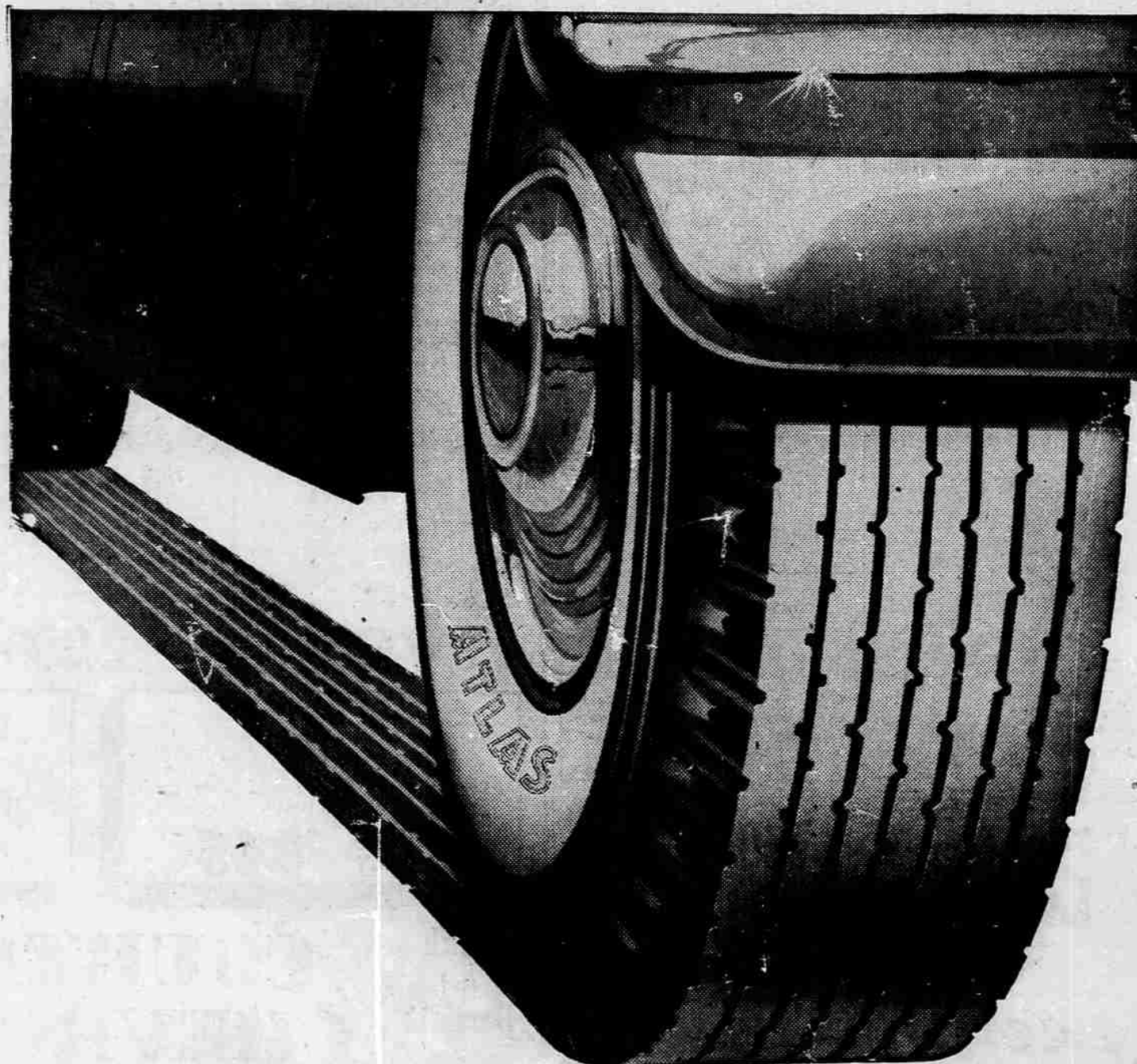


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