

# Democrat Announces Big Automobile Prize Contest

### Thousands of Dollars in Rich Prizes Will Be Awarded Free on the Night of Saturday, October 31, 1925.

If you are a Hustler, Get in and Win. It Costs Nothing to Try and You Positively Can Not Lose. Everyone Wins a Prize or Commission.

ENTER YOUR NAME OR THE NAME OF A FRIEND TO-DAY

Contest Opens Next Wednesday, Sept. 16 and Extends Over a Period of Six and a Half Weeks Only.

While our first prize is a \$1000 automobile, we also have a wide variety of prizes for our readers. In communities this newspaper is known for increasing its family of readers in Petersburg and surrounding territory.

With this contest we have opened and today announce the most prize offering ever made by a newspaper in this section of the state. It is a contest which will give you a chance to win a \$1000 automobile or a \$5000 cash prize. The contest is open to all who are interested in winning a prize. The contest is open to all who are interested in winning a prize.

Our Slogan "Everybody Wins" is the motto of this contest. It means that there will be no losers. Every one who enters the contest will win something. It will be a contest where everyone wins.

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Immediate enhancement to the potency of this newspaper as an advertising medium, a newspaper's principal source of revenue. A large number of Pike County's best hustlers will be happier and richer in pocketbook and there will be a great amount of satisfaction in all that, besides the general good encountered and the prestige gained for this newspaper will be inestimable.

**Short and Snappy**  
This campaign will not be a long drawn out affair of several months' duration, but will extend over a period of six and a half weeks only, closing Saturday night, October 31. Think of being able to secure, in six and a half weeks' time, awards that would ordinarily require years of saving and self-denying to acquire. Yet here they are offered to you for your spare time during the next few weeks in helping us extend our subscription list.

This competition will be more interesting and far-reaching than any thing ever before undertaken in this section. The prizes are not only rich in material value, but are in keeping with the broad and liberal lines along which the entire enterprise has been drawn. Ambition and energy are the only requisites for success.

**Information and Assistance**  
In order to give everyone who enters the campaign the greatest possible assistance, a coupon department has been created and an experienced manager placed in charge who will devote his entire time and attention to those who take part. Out of town participants will receive the same attention of those residing in the same immediate vicinity of this office.

Come in and see him personally and secure first hand information regarding this most interesting campaign. Or if you cannot call, telephone or write and complete details will be sent from this office.

The Entry Coupon in the big announcement is the first step toward success. Subscriptions may be taken any time following this announcement. Get in the game today and ride in your own big car October 31.

**MRS. PRES DE JOURNETT**  
Mrs. Pres DeJournett, aged 70 years old, near Hosmer, departed this life last Monday. Funeral services were held Tuesday from the DeJournett home, burial was in the DeJournett cemetery.

**WILLIAM BODDARTH**  
William Boddarth was born December 17, 1866, and died September 7, 1925, at the age of 61 years old. Mr. Boddarth died at the home of Will Drew, near Littleton, where the funeral services were held last Tuesday, burial was in Birdseye cemetery.

**MRS. MARY PARKER DIES**  
Mrs. Mary Parker, wife of C. T. Parker of Harrison township, Knox county, died on Wednesday at this week at her home.

She is survived by a husband, a son and two daughters. Funeral at the residence tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock. Burial at Frankland cemetery.

### PULLED BAPTIST CHURCH OUT OF DEBT

Rev. Charles Mears who has been the pastor of the local Baptist church of Petersburg, has handed in his resignation as such and will preach his farewell sermon on next Sunday night, September 13. His congregation has refused to accept his resignation.

He has a flattering offer from another church in Southern Indiana to accept a call as pastor and has 90 days in which to consider it. In addition he says he has a call to a church in Virginia, his old home state.

Since he came to Petersburg, Rev. Mears has worked hard and long to relieve the church of a heavy debt and his efforts have been crowned with success, for changes have been made within the past week that have not only paid the congregation out of a more than \$4,000 debt but has left in the building fund the sum of \$600.

This was effected by the sale of the old parsonage to Mr. J. C. Nicely and the new parsonage to Mr. John W. Wyatt of Hosmer for a combined price of \$5,700, cash.

The church has a nice lot along side of the present church building which it will use to build a parsonage on as soon as the congregation recovers from the shock of actually being out of debt. It will figure on a new parsonage on that lot.

Mr. Nicely worked hard to put these two sales over and deserves much credit for having effected them.

Rev. Mears informs The Democrat that when he came here on September 1, 1924, the church was under mortgage and the parsonage was under mortgage and that up to September 1 of this year the congregation had paid a total of \$10,033.19 while he was pastor. The church owed \$9,433.19 which amount it actually raised during his pastorate. Of this amount the parsonages brought \$6,700, leaving a balance of \$2,733.19 which the congregation raised by subscriptions and by individual members paying.

It is quite an item for a church to be out of debt and able to look every man in the face and say so. The entire congregation deserves credit, the pastor deserves credit—all concerned deserve credit.

The pastor will go first to Hampden, Virginia, his old home, where he will join Mrs. Mears, who for some weeks has been visiting relatives there and later will determine his future course.

May his work lead him in pleasant places!

### THE CITY COUNCIL MEETS

The city council met regularly on Monday night at the usual place with all there except Clerk Ed Harris, who is in Florida and Mississippi on business.

The city budget as published in The Democrat on August 31 was passed as published.

The usual claims were allowed. A motion carried instructing the city clerk to order two car-loads of lumber for use on our streets.

The body agreed to purchase a car-load of 100 lbs. iron pipe for use in extension of lines which have been allowed.

### PERMELIA WILLIS WYATT

(Wife of the late Sidney C. Wyatt) Permelia Willis Wyatt was born in Pike county, Indiana, July 11, 1851. She departed this life September 3, 1925, after a long illness, at the age of 74 years, 1 month and 22 days. She was the youngest daughter of Jesse and Maria Fowler Willis. Her entire life was spent within a half mile of her birth place about four and one half miles southwest of Petersburg.

On April 18, 1872, she was united in marriage to Sidney C. Wyatt, a prosperous young farmer of her home neighborhood, which proved to be a happy union, until her companion was taken away in death three years ago last January 12th. Since his going she has longed for the time to come when they would be reunited where partings are no more.

To this union were born eight children,—four sons and four daughters, all of whom survive their mother. The children are Charles E., of the old home place; Mrs. Ella Gladish, of Petersburg; John W., Glenon; Mrs. Hattie Baker, of Haastlot; Mrs. Elizabeth Jones, of Petersburg, and Mrs. Beesie Lovelace, of near Rumble, Indiana.

Mrs. Wyatt's entire life was devoted to her home and children, she being loyally faithful as a mother. She was rewarded for her faithfulness by being permitted to live to see all of her children happily married, leading lives of usefulness in their respective communities, and also to see all of them affiliated with some church. Some twenty one years ago Mrs. Wyatt was happily converted to the Christian faith in her own home, having been attending evangelistic services at Bethel church in Logan township, under the ministry of Rev. Kirkland of the Regular Baptist denomination. Soon after this she and her daughter Hattie were baptized in the old canal on the home place, and she was received into membership in that denomination. Since that time she has lived a devoted christian life, always having great faith in the Lord, and ever striving to do His will.

During her many years of affliction and suffering she was patient, bearing her suffering as becomes a true christian.

She was of a quiet, retiring, modest disposition, and consequently spent most of her time in the home instilling noble traits of character into the lives of her children, whom God had entrusted to her care.

Besides her children she is survived by one sister, Mrs. Ella Lovelace of near Oakland City; also, by twenty-six grand children, and six great-grand children and many other relatives and friends, all of whom sincerely mourn the loss of this dear mother, sister, grand mother and friend.

Impressive funeral services were held in the First Methodist Episcopal church in Petersburg on last Sunday morning at 10:30 o'clock in charge of Rev. J. Frank Johnson of the First Methodist church, C. McClung of Main Street Presbyterian church and Charles Jones, pastor of the First Baptist church. The funeral was largely attended. Interment was made in Walnut Hill cemetery where her husband is buried.

### Labor Day A Big Success

### Nearly 6,000 People at Picnic—Several Speeches, Horse Races, Wrestling and Prize Boxing, Old Fiddlers, Dancers and Base Ball.

The Labor Day Parade and picnic here last Monday was a complete success from every standpoint, and the entire attendance was between 5,000 and 6,000 people.

The picnic was held at the fair ground and the parade which moved from the standpipe started about 9 o'clock. It was led by the Petersburg trades, marching two and two, the largest bunch of marchers being those of the various Locals of the United Mine Workers of America, carrying banners. The Red Men were decked out in full regalia and were mounted. There were many private cars decorated and undecorated, the entire parade was over a mile long.

Boys rode ponies; Bert Finney, the dairyman drove his milk truck ornamented with large milk cans with two fine cows following; the Spurgeon Local had one of the most handsomely decorated cars in the parade. Braden & Son were there with a saddle astride the auto hood and their harness and shoe repairing paraphernalia hanging about the car; the Whitman Co. had a grocery and corn display on their truck; the fire truck was decked out and in line—and there were many private cars which were very prettily decorated.

The parade led to the fair ground and the order of exercises follows: At 10:00 an address on Labor and Organization by Will Mitchell, secretary, United Mine Workers of America, followed by Rev. Jas. W. Kelly, both of Terre Haute. Both were stirring speeches and brought loads of applause. The band, played between times.

**The Horse Race**  
At 11 o'clock the horse race took place. It was a half mile race with eight entries—

Miss Hazel Elkins, riding "Gale" Thos. Mitchell, riding "Barney" Foster Logan, riding "Crogan" Oral Elkins, riding "Jack" Earl Willis, riding "Rex" Clifford Bradford, riding "Maud" Leslie Miley, riding "Max" Walter McGillum, riding "Calam" Premiums \$15, \$10 and \$5. Winners: Maud, Jack and Max. All were local horses and the feature of the race was Miss Elkins riding. She's at home off the saddle.

**The Pony Race**  
This came the Shelburne Pony race of a half a mile.

Entries, three Jack Mitchell, riding "Billy Boy" Wm Finney, riding "Odie" Trophy

Dixie won first money, 1st. Trophy second, 2d. and Billy Boy, 3rd. However, Billy Boy was the favorite while going round and the crowd was all over the place. The race was a real one and the crowd was all over the place. The race was a real one and the crowd was all over the place.

boys—brothers of Wm. Carl, Clarence, Walter and Theo. Lock and the premiums were \$5, \$4 and \$3 and were won in the order listed. The boys are fine dancers to be so young.

**The Wrestling Match**  
Was contested by Mitch Humphrey of Petersburg and Alvin Cooper of Velpen. It was interesting and no fake. The men were pretty well matched. Humphrey however, was the heavier but no more active than his opponent. They wrestled three falls, the first 4 min. and 20 seconds in favor of Humphrey. Second, the same time, in favor of Cooper. Third—5 min. and 30 seconds, in favor of Humphrey.

**The Boxing Contest**  
Came next, the first being the eight rounds, between Pat Stunkfahl of Louisville and Young Beard of Evansville. Beard had the advantage of his opponent in height and reach. The contest was interesting from the fact that Stunkfahl would clinch his opponent every round, giving little display for scientific boxing. It was a draw.

The second boxing contest was between Wallace of Ft. Worth, Texas, and Lockhart of Evansville. Wallace was knocked out in the third round. This bout was a lively tilt and showed good practice.

**The Ball Game**  
Was then pulled off between the Neal Specials of Hogmer and the Nut Club of Evansville, the result being a 2 to 1 in favor of the home team. Krepps pitched for the "Specials" was the feature of the game.

The usual ice cream and feeding stands were there and all did a thriving business; the picnic closing before dark.

It was an unqualified success. The silver loving cup was won by Local No. 764 of Littleton for the best showing.

Six Locals were represented in the picnic as follows: Littleton, No. 764, Princeton, Knox Strip, Mine No. 1178, Petersburg 1233, Rogers Strip, Mine 481 and Ayrshire No. 2.

These locals compose or include of Pike and Gibson counties. The officers of the picnic and arrangements for the day were: Lee Thurman, President; Thos. Crow, Sec. Treas.; Jess Lovelace, Wm. Karpman.

The Board of Supervisors of the county has granted the promoters all the advertising and all the band, and the picnic was a real one and the crowd was all over the place. The picnic was a real one and the crowd was all over the place.

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