

STUDIES UNDER HEAVY ODDS

George Halsey Keeps Up School Work Despite Broken Back.

WILL GRADUATE WITH REST

Convalescent Cripple Will Receive His Diploma with Other Members of the Senior Class on June 11.

A broken back is not an encouragement in the struggle for a living or an education. In fact, many a man has lain down to die, when such a condition has overtaken him. Not so with George Clinton Halsey, 22 years of age, a son of Rev. Walter N. Halsey, 230 Locust street.

Although he was suffering from a fractured vertebra, paralyzed from his waist down, and forced to lie on his back for over three months, as the result of a fall experienced while working to earn money to complete his education, he kept up his studies in the University of Omaha during the last school year, and in spite of the tremendous handicap will graduate with the senior class June 11.

Only young Halsey's extreme pluck and determination, combined with his natural capacity for study and his more than average mentality made it possible for him to accomplish the extraordinary feat, according to professors of the school.

"It wasn't so much," says the youth modestly, "that I was studying, but that I was able to keep my mind off the pain of the injury and helped me to pass the long months I had to spend in bed."

The accident by which he was hurt happened last fall, while he was working on a farm near Colon, earning money for his last year in college. He was helping to build a silo and fell from a thirty-foot scaffold, just a week before he planned to return to Omaha and enter school.

Condition Became Serious.
After being brought to Omaha and treated for a month he was said by doctors to be able to enter school, but after seven weeks there he had to withdraw. It was found that he was in grave danger of having a permanent curvature of the spine, for although he had partially regained the use of his limbs, the fractured vertebra proved a weak spot, which tended to become more serious from regular use.

So the troublesome ordeal was resorted to of lying in bed, flat on his back, without ever sitting up or turning over. This continued for over three months, from early in December till March, with scarcely a single move in position except for the necessary changes of clothing and bedcovers.

"At first I just lay there, with nothing to do but think," the plucky young man says. "But the awful monotony of nothingness soon got on my nerves, and I decided to go to studying again. That made it easier, for by keeping my mind occupied I didn't suffer so much from the pain in my back."

By hard study during the seven weeks he was in classes after entering he had made up the lessons he had missed during the first month. After being forced to withdraw he kept in daily touch with the professor through his father, who is a professor at the university. Each day Rev. Mr. Halsey brought home class assignments for his son and took the latter's written work to the various professors in lieu of the student's personal attendance in class.

A sick-bed reading table was provided in young Halsey's room so that his books were supported at the right angle. The light was also specially arranged to help him in his unusual study room. By tak-

ing care not to work too long at a time he was able with such appliances to do his school work a little at a time, and it gradually became easier as he got accustomed to it and the pain in his back lessened.

Discard Steel Frame.

Since the middle of March the doctors have permitted him to discard the steel frame and try to get around again. Although very weak he is gradually regaining his strength and now enjoys almost complete use of his limbs. He still has to wear a strong steel brace, to relieve his weak back from the weight of his body, but is able to attend his college classes every day, and even tries to exercise occasionally by batting a tennis ball with a racket.

He works on Saturdays in a shoe store, to help make his college expenses, and also did before being hurt. Until this year he earned all his college money working on farms during the summer vacations, and by once staying out of school a year to get some money ahead.

Notwithstanding the last year's handicaps his class standing is now excellent. His instructors declare, and he will graduate at the close of the present term.

"The best thing about it," he says, "is that I'm strong enough now to stand in line with the rest of the class and march up and get my diploma, just like all of them."

Atchison Going Good.

Raleigh Atchison at times appears to lack control, yet he is pitching neat ball and has the looks of being a distinct addition to the Superba pitching corps. Raleigh watches the bases closely, has a good motion when throwing to first,

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George Clinton Halsey

sneaks a bothersome underhand ball over once in a while and apparently has good nerve.

Goodyear Develops Mechanical Rubber Goods Department

The Goodyear Tire and Rubber company, besides making its production and sale of automobile tires the largest in the world, has been working quietly to balance its product by the development of a first-class mechanical goods department, under the direction of L. R. Bailey, well known to the mechanical goods trade of the country for many years.

In the mechanical goods department of the factory Goodyear has just installed the last large press in the belt department, giving capacity of 200,000 feet a month. The belt department capacity is being brought to 30,000 feet per day. The department is running day and night. The department is running day and night. In the moulded goods department is very active a feature being a new sole with an "all-weather tread," a miniature reproduction of the all-weather tire tread. The company has also placed in the market a complete line of packings under the direction of L. L. Ryan, and it is predicted that Goodyear will soon be as eminent in mechanical rubber goods as in tires.

Buyers Take Cars Home from Factory

Next Wednesday the Overland factory will be the scene of an organized raid which will be unique in the history of the motor car industry. Some 200 Indiana dealers and their customers who have placed orders will descend upon the big plant and personally take delivery of 200 or more cars and drive them to their respective homes in the Hoosier state. Although the Overland factory is turning out 230 cars daily with clock-like regularity, the Hoosier dealers, led by representatives of the Gibson Automobile company of Indianapolis, state distributors for the Overland, decided not to wait until their allotments came through by freight, but to take delivery right at the factory and to drive the cars home over the roads.

The visitors will be entertained by the Overland company during Wednesday and over night. Hotel accommodations have been arranged and the grounds of the Overland club will be turned over to the guests. Wednesday afternoon after a parade which undoubtedly will be the longest procession ever seen of automobiles of one make, and which will be perpetuated on a moving picture film, the cars will be parked in Armory square. The start for Indianapolis will be made early Thursday morning.

Pierce-Arrow Cars Carry Heavy Loads of Marble Safely

An interesting problem in hauling heavy materials from freight cars to the job was solved lately by J. F. Kulp & Sons, Buffalo, N. Y., who own four Pierce-Arrow five-ton trucks. This firm had the contract for hauling all the marble for the new Catholic cathedral, Delaware avenue and Utica street, of that city. The total amount of marble used in the building is a little over 100 carloads. Some difficulty was experienced at first in the handling of the marble both at the car end and at the building site. It was found that a great deal of time was used up in loading—this had to be done

Nebraska Leads the Union in Number of Autos Used

Nebraska has attained the proud distinction of being first in number of automobiles owned and used, per capita, in the United States. The Mail Order Journal of Chicago has compiled a list from the offices of the several states of the

State	1910 Population	Total Regis.	Per Capita	New Regis.	Per Capita
Nebraska	1,129,214	47,274	.042	18,411	.016
Iowa	2,224,771	72,294	.033	23,136	.010
California	2,277,649	60,000	.026
South Dakota	588,388	14,578	.024	87	.0001
North Dakota	577,056	13,076	.022	4,078	.0070
Washington	1,141,960	24,178	.021	10,178	.0089
Kansas	1,990,949	34,395	.017	12,398	.0062
Oregon	473,766	13,527	.028	2,791	.0058
Connecticut	1,114,756	33,282	.029	5,212	.0047
New Jersey	2,537,167	51,300	.020	8,304	.0032
Michigan	2,919,172	54,266	.019	14,787	.0052
Ohio	4,787,121	88,158	.018	24,807	.0059
Rhode Island	542,610	10,183	.018	2,617	.0048
Minnesota	2,676,708	37,800	.014	8,300	.0032
Massachusetts	2,366,415	61,746	.026	19,417	.0083
Arizona	204,524	3,583	.017	1,869	.0095
New Hampshire	430,872	7,496	.017	1,672	.0038
Colorado	799,024	12,000	.015	4,069	.0050
Vermont	302,969	5,918	.019	1,735	.0048
Illinois	5,536,021	94,536	.017	26,645	.0047
Montana	374,053	5,856	.016	3,536	.0092
Wisconsin	2,933,660	34,645	.012	10,078	.0034
Maine	742,371	10,570	.014	2,527	.0035
New York	9,113,614	123,664	.014	27,115	.0029
Texas	3,996,542	54,393	.014	19,176	.0049
Nevada	81,875	1,131	.013	231	.0029
Indiana	2,790,876	44,738	.016	12,411	.0044
Florida	739,819	8,272	.011	2,623	.0034
Missouri	3,293,335	38,140	.012	13,761	.0041
Delaware	202,322	2,373	.012	611	.0030
Maryland	1,256,346	14,524	.012	3,767	.0030
Utah	273,351	4,021	.015	1,445	.0053
Pennsylvania	7,966,111	80,178	.010	20,821	.0027
Wyoming	145,926	1,581	.010
Georgia	2,609,121	22,000	.008	2,869	.0010
South Carolina	1,515,400	11,500	.007	1,500	.0009
Tennessee	2,184,739	14,003	.006	4,230	.0018
Idaho	325,694	2,173	.006
New Mexico	327,501	1,721	.005	810	.0024
North Carolina	2,248,267	10,000	.004	8,823	.0017
Virginia	2,061,612	9,022	.004	3,252	.0015
Oklahoma	1,677,155	7,934	.004	1,410	.0008
Louisiana	1,656,388	7,249	.004	2,300	.0009
West Virginia	1,221,119	5,988	.004
Kentucky	2,289,936	7,210	.003	2,063	.0009
Alabama	2,128,028	5,500	.002	1,150	.0005
Arkansas	1,274,449	3,000	.002	720	.0004
Mississippi	1,797,114	2,000	.001	105	.0003

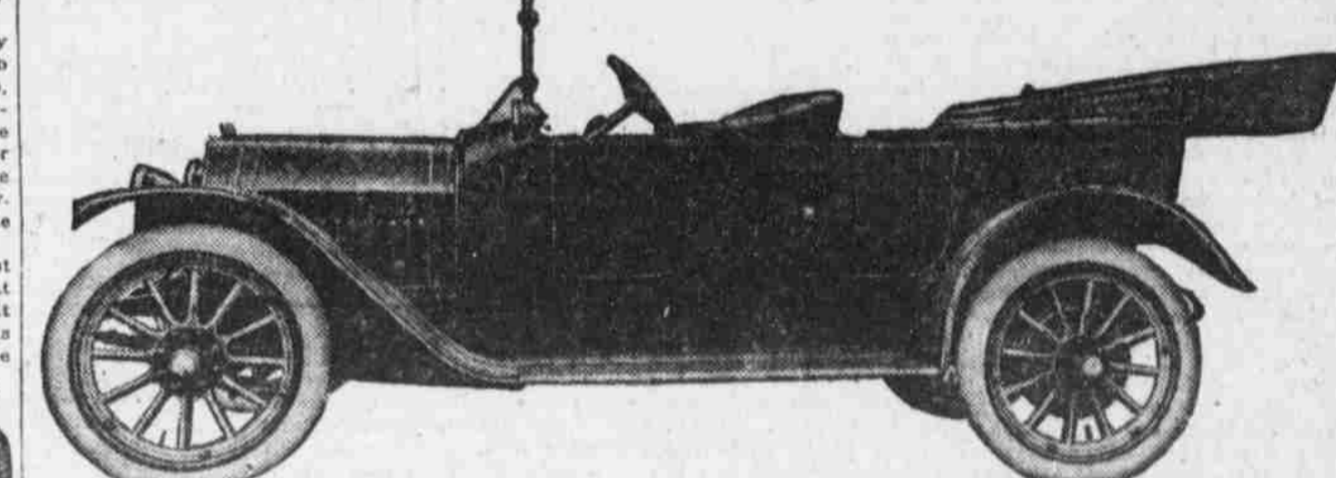
by a crane—while the unloading was all done by hand, piece by piece. The company soon conceived the idea of using skips, or shallow boxes. These boxes were fitted at the cars while the truck was making a trip and on its return, loaded in a few seconds by the crane.

At the building, a platform the height of the truck was built with a sloping runway to the ground. The boxes were fitted with small wheels and could be easily pushed from the truck to the platform and from there to the ground. Breakage was practically nil and both contractors and engineers state that they were never held up for stone on account of the trucks. One truck in a nine-hour day, hauled from fifty to fifty-five tons of marble, the round trip averaging about eight miles.

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