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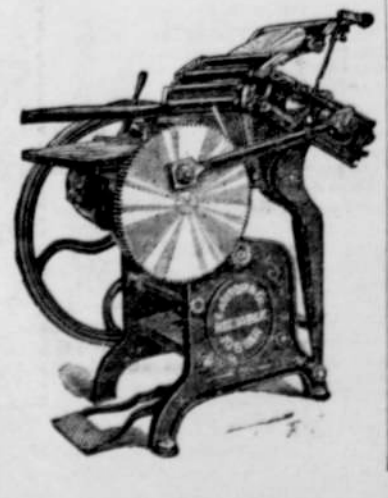
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**R. R. HAYS, DEAD.**  
HE DIES UNEXPECTEDLY OF PNEUMONIA.

**The Entire City in Mourning—  
An Impressive Funeral.**

The people of this city were surprised and pained beyond expression to hear on Monday afternoon of the death of R. R. Hays. Mr. Hays had attended the city convention on Sat. evening the 27th, in his usual health. On Sunday evening he took to his bed with a violent cold which developed into pneumonia, but a fatal termination of his illness was not thought of until within a couple of hours of his death which occurred at 2 o'clock P. M. on Monday. Mr. Hays was so well known and his career had been observed with so much interest that few are unfamiliar with it.

He was born in Illinois in June 3d, 1836 being at the time of his death 41 years of age.  
He came to Tillamook County, Ore., in 1884, and with the exception of three years spent in Portland, has resided here every since devoting himself mainly to agricultural pursuits when out of the official position.  
From 1875, the year which Mr. Hays left Illinois for the coast, until the year in which he arrived in Tillamook, he spent most of his time with his father in different parts of this state and California, running a steam thresher.

Mr. Hays was held in highest esteem by his fellow citizens here and was by them frequently elected to official positions. He held the position of President of the City Council for one term and in the county held successively the positions of County Surveyor and County Clerk. He has frequently represented Tillamook County in the State Conventions of the Republican party and at the National Convention in 1892 was one of the delegates representing the state of Oregon, and the first of the delegates to cast his vote for Benjamin Harrison, of Indiana.

Mr. Hays was once elected chief clerk of the Oregon legislature, and at the last meeting of the legislature, was clerk of the Benson wing of the House of Representatives and it is well known that if Mr. Harrison had been elected in 1892 Mr. Hays was slated for an important position.

Mr. Hays was also quite prominent in several secret orders. He was a member of the Alder Camp, Woodman of the World, having joined in 1895. He was Consul Commander for two terms and attended the district convention at Eugene last year as a delegate, and also the Head Camp at Helena, Montana, where he received the nomination of head clerk.

Mr. Hays was a Mason of high standing having taken both the Knight Templar and Scottish rite degrees up to the 32nd degree. At the time of his death he was Master of Tillamook Lodge.

Mr. Hays was married in 1883 to Miss Ella Ross, and their union was blessed with four children all of whom with his wife and father remain to mourn their irreparable loss.

The funeral services were beautiful and impressive. The Woodmen's burial service was rendered at the house, an appropriate address being delivered in connection therewith, by A. W. Severance, Esq., an old friend of deceased. At the grave the A. F. & A. M. rendered the exquisitely beautiful service of the order. Bro. Senior Warden Goyne acting W. M., read the service in a low and distinct tone, the brethren all joining in the responses. The silence during the brief intervals was broken only by the sound of a near by rippling brook, fit emblem of the river of human life, hastening onward to cast itself into the sea of eternity. Just as the words earth to earth, ashes to ashes and dust to dust were spoken, the setting sun, which, during the day had been hidden by angry storm clouds, burst forth in a moment flooding the scene with a mellow light. The scene suggested the words of an ancient writer, "And at eventide there shall be light."

Mr. Hays carried quite a considerable sum of life insurance and the family is comparatively well provided for. The bereaved family have the profound sympathy of all the people of this community in their sad affliction.

The Masonic Lodge met after the burial service, and passed the following resolutions:

HALL OF TILLAMOOK LODGE, NO. 27 A. F. & A. M. OF TILLAMOOK, OREGON.  
To the W. M., Wardens and Brethren of this Lodge.  
Your committee appointed to draft resolutions on the death of Bro. R. R. Hays, respectfully report the following and recommend their adoption.  
WHEREAS: It has pleased the Supreme Architect of the Universe to remove from our midst

Bro. Robert Ross Hays, Worshipful Master of Tillamook Lodge No. 27 A. F. & A. M., of Tillamook Oregon.

WHEREAS: Bro. Hays was born in McLean County, Illinois, on the 3d day of June 1836, and came to Oregon in the year 1875, was united in marriage to Miss Ella Ross, at The Dalles, Ore. December 31st, 1883. Settled in Tillamook in 1884, where he held many public offices of trust and honor, discharging his duties in all positions with strict fidelity. He was made a Mason in this Lodge. Entered Apprentices March 11th 1889, Fellow Craftsman Apr. 13 1886, Master Mason, Aug. 19 1889, was Junior Warden in 1891 and Worshipful Master in the years 1896 and 1897. Was an efficient member of the Royal Arch Chapter, and a 3rd. degree member of the Scottish Rite, always devoted to the principles of Masonry, and exemplifying its teachings in his life.

WHEREAS: Bro Hays died on the 6th day of December 1897, leaving to the care of the Lodge a devoted widow and four orphans: Blaine Ross, aged 13, Ella, aged 12, Helen Heath, aged 8, and Robert Ray, aged 6 years.

WHEREAS: In the untimely end of our departed Brother, we lose a bright light in Masonry, his family a dutiful son, a kind and loving husband and father, his country, an active and energetic citizen, his friends a loyal hearted friend, and the world, a true, high spirit and warm hearted man, who by his life exemplified the virtues of Temperance, Providence, Fortitude and Justice.

RESOLVED: That we tender his bereaved ones our heartfelt sympathy in their hour of sorrow, which time alone can heal.  
RESOLVED: That while the human imperfections of our Brother are buried with his body, the loving breast of his Mother Earth, the memory of his virtues shall ever stimulate us to better things in our own lives.  
RESOLVED: That in token of esteem for the memory of our departed Brother these resolutions shall be spread upon a page of the Lodge records, and an engrossed copy handed to his family, and the Lodge shall be draped in mourning for the space of sixty days.  
Respectfully submitted,  
T. B. Handly,  
D. C. Bowers,  
J. D. Edwards,  
George Cohn,  
W. W. Conder,  
Committee.

**Meda**  
Rome Dunn has the Klondike fever. He says it is Klondike or bust.

J. C. Foster raised some fine specimens of rhabtagas. One of which tipped the scales at eight pound.

Many of the young folks took in the dance at Woods.  
Messrs Craven and Potret were over to Woods on business.

William Bowers has traded his ranch for property in the valley.  
Krebs' saw mill is still running. The boys are turning out considerable first class lumber.

Last Sunday J. K. Craven favored the people of this vicinity with a sermon.  
For a dairy and stock country the Little Nestucca valley has few, if any equals. It is the opinion of some of our own worthy settlers, that e'er long, this river bottom and tide land with adequate improvements will command a handsome sum of not less than \$100 per acre.

**Sand Lake**  
C. H. Colton took charge of the Post-Office the first of the week.

Our mail carrier had an experience with poor bridges, on Thursday. His horse fell through the bridge near the Gubser place, and getting away from him started on the run for home, but the rein was down and he made slow progress, and Fred overtook him after running about 40 rods.  
The young folks of Sand Lake, gave C. H. Colton a pleasant surprise party on the event of his 39th birthday, last Tuesday. Charley thought he was 40 years old, but was soon convinced that he was only 39, and now thinks he is young enough to go to the Klondike.

Mrs. T. J. Harris is quite sick with asthma,  
Miss J. Sommers is having very poor health.  
Frank Atkinson is expected home on a visit.

Miss Zoe King gave a party to her little friends on her 13th birthday, Nov. 27th. Her house was well filled with happy little guests.

The bear have housed up, and Mr. Chamberlain's sheep will get a rest,  
**Card of Thanks.**  
We desire to hereby express our deep and heartfelt thanks for the kindness of our many friends, who in the hour of our affliction and bereavement so kindly sympathized with and assisted us. Their kindness will never be forgotten, but the memory of it will remain with us as the one bright spot in the dark hour of our sorrow.  
Mrs. Ella R. Hays,  
W. S. Hays.

**COUNTY ITEMS.**

**GATHERED BY OUR CORRESPONDENTS**  
**A Brief Glimpse at Last Weeks Happenings**

**Nehalem**  
(From the Nehalem Times)  
Thanksgiving passed very quietly on the Nehalem, except in the evening turkeys and fat chickens, however, seemed to be in abundance.

The Chinamen, at Wist's cannery, have been canning a few dozen chickens for their own use since the cannery closed, and for the sake of variety, they secured the carcass of a wild cat and canned it also. A sample of it was brought in to the editor, but as he had just dined sumptuously on Thanksgiving turkey the toothsome morsel was turned over to the devil. About a ton of fresh beer was also canned. This is said to have the appearance and taste of roast beef.

The masquerade ball given at MacLain's, on Thanksgiving evening was a grand success. It was the social public event of the season. About 40 maskers tripped the light fantastic and after they unmasked many others joined in the dance. The hall was packed almost to suffocation with spectators and dancers.

J. T. Johnson left Monday morning on his return home to Clatskanie. He was unfortunate enough to go back to Seaside in a howling sou'wester. Gus Player accompanied him, on his return to Clatskanie after having resided in this vicinity for some months.

Some 90 or 100 cords of stove bolts from the Olsen camp were carried away during the last freshet. The bolts are in litigation but somebody has to lose them although no one appears to make any attempt to save them.

**Woods**  
(FROM THE OCEAN WAVE)  
Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Gist and family returned last Friday from a three weeks visit at Dallas and other valley towns.

Messrs Fred Martin and Albert Lacy, Gib Shaw, R. C. Magarrell and Tim Goodrich are making a trip to the valley this week after merchandise for the stores.  
Krebs Bros. sawmill crew left for Little Nestucca Tuesday. They have a very little more work to do there, and then the planer and other machinery will be moved to their Woods mill.

Mr. T. Patterson, of Newburg, was in town the later part of last week. He, with another young man expect to start for Klondike in the spring. He has gone up to Tillamook to arrange to go with the company being organized at that place.  
Bert Ray, who has been in the valley, all fall, returned home Monday. Bert reports all that advertised prosperly a fake. He says it is almost impossible to obtain a job this time a year. He with Frank Nordberg left for Tillamook yesterday morning where they will spend the winter.

**BEAVER**  
Beaver is still going ahead with two new families already here and more corresponding with different Beaverites and making arrangements to come. Good chance now for any body about Beaver to kick, who thinks less people and more deer and bear is the best thing for the country's good.

Mr. Nolan's reply in the HEADLIGHT of last week giving it as his belief that every man who violates any of our laws should be prosecuted, should have a hearty amen from every body every where. 'Even a poor law should be obeyed,' Abe Lincoln said.

Joe Bixby, our merchant, goes to Tillamook or Sheridan through thick and thin to keep supplies for the Tackerites. As a merchant he ought to be appreciated in his efforts to supply his customers.  
At the Christian Endeavor at this place last Sunday P. M., the Sub. Temperance was very enthusiastically discussed, it being universally agreed upon that christian people should vote as they pray, viz for prohibition.

C. Mills would be pleased to have his spring wagon seat and clippers for delivering cattle brought home, if the present possessor please.  
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