

THE FIRE BOYS.

A Host of Gallant Firemen From Oregon and Washington Cities.

The city today entertains a host of visiting firemen from Oregon cities and Vancouver, Wash. That they receive a cordial welcome is unnecessary to state.

The day of the tournament opened smoky and cool, with a few scattering clouds flecking the sky. Long before noon the clouds thickened and the sky was completely overcast.

The first firemen to arrive were the Oregon City's, who came in on the Regulator last night accompanied by the Oregon City Silver Cornet Band.

The parade occurred this morning in the following order: Marshal of the day, Col. Thompson. Veteran Volunteers of Portland. Oregon City band.

The last named were attired in overalls, commemorative of Labor Day.

At 11 o'clock occurred the grand banquet at Wingate's hall. This hall, the largest in town, was completely filled.

The following visitors were present:

- PORTLAND VETERANS. Geo C Sears, pres. Chas Price. A B Tufts, vice pres. Jas Carl. Geo Clark, adv. pres. W H Groll.

JOYCE, W H D, president of association. Rash Chamberlain, secretary. Nat Gotztrane. Lee Cohen, delegate.

- METROPOLITAN BAND OF PORTLAND. Ray Costel. Geo Holman. A C Costel. Carl Eisejer.

- GOLDENDALE BASE BALL TEAM. F Hulery. Geo Hayden. H M Spaulding. Geo Hulery.

- WIVES AND DAUGHTERS OF VETERANS. Mrs Drew, pres. Mrs Geo Clark. Mrs A B Stuart, secy. Mrs Wm Pfunder.

- SOUTH PORTLAND HOSE NO. 1. Jeff Thompson. B C McArthur. L B Moore. M Stevens.

- CARTWRIGHT HOSE NO. 2, OREGON CITY. Wallace Cole, capt. Bert Greenman. H Trimbold. Frank Brown.

- VANCOUVER HOSE NO. 1. Henry Burgoyne. Denny Hayes. Geo Kellogg. John Rauchs.

- Edward Florine. Ted Fuller. A P Greene. Chas Clarke. Chas Gilman. Matt Young. Frank Boyer. J J Healy, chief. J W Wentworth, captain.

Besides the companies mentioned, Salem was represented by Messrs. Frank Houdkins and Geo. E. Hatch of the Hooks and Ladders.

F. L. Parker, Richard Turner, Louis Cordes, M. L. Hanthorn, C. B. Hanthorn, J. H. Langworthy, J. Munson, of Astoria, N. Panson, J. Chambers of Albina are delegates.

ANNUAL MEETING.

Officers Elected and Meeting Place Named for Next Tournament.

The annual meeting of the Veteran Volunteer Firemen's Association took place last night at the court house. The house was filled to overflowing.

Hon. Geo. C. Sears presided. Little business was transacted outside of the election of officers and the selection of the next meeting place.

President—W. H. D. Joyce of Portland, re-elected.

Vice President—H. Straight, Oregon City.

Secretary—J. J. Kelley, Portland.

Treasurer—H. J. Maier, The Dalles. Executive Committee—Frank E. Hodgkins, Salem, Frank L. Parker, Astoria, E. Schutz, The Dalles.

Constitution and By-Laws—Geo. C. Sears, M. M. Lucas and A. B. Stuart, Portland.

Oregon City was decided upon as the next meeting place, Sept. 4th, next.

In the races this afternoon the time was: The Dalles 1:15. Vancouver 1:12 1/2. Oregon City 1:22.

We have reason to be proud of our boys. They make a superb sight when running, and notwithstanding their short season of practice, rank alongside of the best professionals in the land.

The music at the ball tonight will undoubtedly be the finest of the kind ever played in this city. It will be by the famous Birfield orchestra, of six pieces, consisting of violin, flute, clarinet, cornet, trombone and piano.

The immense crowd today felt unfairly treated. After waiting three hours, standing first on one foot and then on the other, the races commenced.

Two of the engines in the parade are old residents. The Multnomah engine, brought from Portland, was in use in the 50's, while the old handiwork of the Jacksons was a no less singular specimen of the antique in fire equipment.

The Regulator made the quickest time yesterday that has ever been made on the river. From The Dalles to White Salmon, 22 miles, the trip was made in 56 minutes, and to the Cascades in 2 hours and 10 minutes.

The Oregon City and Metropolitan band of Portland are very fine, and discoursed some very sweet music last night. Several prominent citizens were serenaded, who responded briefly to the compliment.

A pretty feature of the procession yesterday was the two little girls of Jud Fish and Thos. Kelley, riding on the Columbia cart. Their pretty faces smiled down upon the crowd from wreaths of flowers and bunting, and led by the handsome fire boys, made a very pretty picture.

The races this afternoon did not commence until about 4:30. The Jackson hose ran first, making the time of 34 1/2 seconds. Before water reached the nozzle the hose burst, delaying the force of the stream a fraction of a second.

The Recorder and the Tramps.

The recorder, as police judge, has a good opportunity to study human nature, and Mr. Dufur finds a field calling for the acutest discrimination in dealing with the tramp element.

The average tramp is not a success as a liar. He lacks genius. He is a fox, but never an owl. He disproves the proverb, "A standing galepost begets no wisdom," if by that is meant diplomacy is to be acquired by travel.

Yesterday a young Swede about 21 years old paraded up and down the street in search of a marshal. He was well dressed, intelligent, but without money and hungry.

A DENIAL.

Capt. Blowers States the Facts in Regard to the "Loaded Gun."

HOOD RIVER, Or., Sept. 4th, 1893. EDITOR DALLES CHRONICLE:

My attention having been called to an article in your paper of the 29th ult., headed a tragedy averted; and as I had the honor of commanding D company of Hood River at the time, and as said article reflects somewhat upon my company as myself, I feel duty bound to take exceptions to it.

To begin with, it is nearly, if not all untrue; and the writer of it either knows it to be so, or has been misinformed, and knows nothing about it.

As to the management of the camp, will say it was not conducted exactly up to my ideas of a military camp, but as I served my time in the United States army, I perhaps, expected too much from militia officers.

As to rations being short, will say my company complained to me the second day we were in camp, that they were not getting enough bread.

Now I will come to the little fable of the loaded piece said to have been left on the train by one of my company, and discovered a loaded bullet-ball cartridge.

To this I positively assert there is not a shade of truth in it. When we arrived in Hood River I took particular pains to see that there was no state property left aboard the train; I was the last man to leave the train; I know there was no piece left, besides I marched the company to the armory, called the roll, and checked off all property.

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October 10th, 1893. Continuing five days. A. S. McALLISTER, J. O. MACK, SECRETARY.