



ANOTHER PIONEER GONE

Uncle Billy Robinson Died at Medford Sacred Heart Hospital Wednesday.

William Robinson, a native of Tennessee, died at the Medford hospital, Wednesday morning aged almost 88 years.

He was a pioneer of California and Oregon, having crossed the plains with an ox train in 1853. He followed mining in California until 1856, when he came to this city, then a thriving mining camp; later he farmed in Josephine and Klamath counties returning to Jacksonville in 1898. For the past six years or more he had been an invalid, most of which time he spent in the hospitals at Ashland and Medford.

Funeral will be held in this city Sunday under the auspices of Warren Lodge, No. 10, A. F. & A. M. of this city, of which lodge Mr. Robinson had been a member for many years.

To Validate County Debt.

Klamath Falls, Or., March 9—As the result of the filing of a suit against Klamath County, there being other counties in Oregon similarly situated regarding the amount of indebtedness, a campaign has been launched here by Judge Worden's supporters to have placed on the November ballot the question of the validation of debts in excess of statutory limitation. The plan is to take the matter up at once with the judges of other counties, and have initiative petitions placed in circulation. Judge Worden says the indebtedness is necessary to make the highway and other permanent improvements that are needed.

Forest Notes

Canada has 23 million acres in timber reserves, as compared with 187 million acres in the national forests of the United States.

Apple wood is the favorite material for ordinary saw handles, and some goes into so-called brier pipes.

New Jersey has a timbered area of about two million acres, on which the timber is worth about \$8,500,000 on the stump. It is mainly valuable for cordwood.

Many of the forest fires attributed to railroads are not caused by sparks from locomotives, but by cigar and cigarette butts thrown from smoking-car windows.

Port Orford cedar of the Pacific coast recently tried as a substitute for English willow in the manufacture of artificial limbs, has been found unsatisfactory. While it is light enough it is too coarse and brittle.

As an experiment, the supervisor of the Beaverhead national forest is stripping the bark from the bases of a number of lodgepole pine trees at various periods before they are to be cut for telephone poles. This girdling causes the trees to exude resin, and it is desired to find what effect this may have as a preservative treatment for the poles.

SAYS PRESS RULES OREGON

R. J. Hendricks of Salem Urges Good Use of Governing Force.

University of Oregon, Eugene, March 10—Newspapers constitute the real governing force in Oregon; before long they will govern the whole United States. This is the view of R. J. Hendricks, of Salem, publisher of the Salem Statesman, the Northwest Poultry Journal and the Pacific Homestead, who came to Eugene to speak before the State University's classes in journalism. Mr. Hendricks said the extreme development of popular government in Oregon had caused this taking over of the functions commonly supposed to be exercised by governors and legislatures. His talk contained an exhortation that the power of the newspapermen, thus greatly enhanced, be directed honestly and toward social and community betterment.

Mr. Hendricks, who even before he attended the University of Oregon 30 years ago, was in newspaper work and who has been at it ever since he left the University, still thinks it a good occupation. He thinks it also a remunerative one provided, he says, the publisher is not afraid of 17 hours of toil daily.

Woman Files for Office.

McMinnville, Or., March 9—Mrs. Carrie L. Sherwood has filed for the office of County Recorder on the Republican ticket, and is the first woman to ever run for office in Yamhill County.

She is at present deputy Sheriff, which office she has held for the past three years, where she had full charge of the tax collecting. Besides two years in the postoffice here, she has held responsible clerical positions. She has been a widow since 1897 and has two children.

TO SPARE AMERICANS

Lives and Property of Foreigners Are to be Respected, Consul States.

Washington, March 11—Consul Simpich at Nogales reported to the State Department that he had assurances from Carranza, with whom he conferred today, that lives and property of Americans and other foreigners would be protected and that all molestation of foreigners would be avoided through out the Nogales district.

Carranza issued the orders on Consul Simpich's protest, under instructions from Secretary Bryan, protesting against rebel depredations on George Beveridge's ranch and the Ganahl hacienda in the Nogales district. Carranza has promised further that there will be no more assaults like the one on the son of Silas King at Caco. The authorities at Tampico have promised the immediate release of an American named Byrd, held near that city.

Looks for Development

Gold Beach, Or., March 11—The year 1914 looks like a banner year for Curry County. With the people in the new logging town of Brookings in the south end nearly ready to begin cutting timber at the rate of 250,000 feet daily, and with another logging town of 1000 population to be started this Summer by the Smith Lumber Company in the extreme northern end and with great building activity throughout the entire county, everything points to the beginning of a real boom for this, the largely undeveloped section in the United States.

Kills Cougar in Cabin

Roseburg, Or., March 11—Charles P. Sherling, a homesteader above Peel, killed a large cougar under peculiar conditions. He had just come back from some traps when he heard a noise in his cabin. He thought it was made by friends who had come while he was away. He looked in the window and to his surprise beheld a panther helping himself to the larder. A bullet quickly cut short the marauder's depredation.

Take Fishes and be happy. They sell it at the City Drug Store.

Don't post unsightly, scrawled notices when you can have them neatly printed at this office for a small charge.

MEETING OF COUNCIL

Held Monday Night. Old Board Finishes Business. New Council Organized. Elects Marshal, Attorney and Street Commissioner. Cuts \$900 Per Year off Salaries.

The city council pursuant to adjournment met in the city hall Monday evening for the purposes of finishing the business of the old board and the organization of the new council.

Present—Mayor Britt; Councilmen Fick, Florey and McIntire; Recorder Stansell; Treasurer Cronemiller. Absent Councilmen Barnum and Attorney Hanna. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved. Report of Treasurer Cronemiller read and ordered filed. Several bills were presented and on motion ordered paid.

The proposition heretofore made by E. M. Wilson to audit books of county officials in order to find amount due city on account of interest on delinquent taxes, was on motion accepted, the city to pay Mr. Wilson 10 per cent of amount recovered.

The business of the old council being concluded, on motion duly made and seconded, it adjourned sine die. Mayor Britt then requested the officers chosen at the recent election, to come forward and Recorder Stansell then administered the oath of office to Mayor Britt, Councilmen Prim and Norris and Treasurer Cronemiller and Mayor Britt then declared that the new council was ready for business.

A petition signed by a number of taxpayers, asking that salary of marshal and night watchman be reduced to \$60 per month was on motion laid on the table, the councilmen voting two for and two against, Mayor Britt casting the deciding vote. Council then proceeded with the election of a marshal, M. D. Jones and J. M. Central were placed in nomination and a ballot taken which showed four votes for Mr. Jones and one for Mr. Central. A motion was duly made and seconded that the salary of marshal be fixed at \$65 per month; carried.

The election of street commissioner was next on the program and on motion it was ordered that the office be combined with that of water superintendent and sexton of the cemetery, or in other words that the duties of the water man and the sexton be added to those of the street com. Written proposals from E. S. Wilson and C. Ulrich stating the salary each would accept for the office were read; also a verbal proposal from Ernest Langley. A ballot was had with the following result: Ulrich 3, Wilson 1, Langley 1. The proposal of Mr. Ulrich was that he be paid \$4.50 per day for work with two horse team doing such work as may be ordered by council and that he would accept as salary for performance of all the duties of the three offices, the sum of \$39.95 per month.

A communication from Mr. Hanna in which he referred to some of the work done by the city attorney in the past and stated that in view of the feeling that retrenchment in expenses was necessary and feeling that perhaps the legal work for the present year would not be so arduous as it has been heretofore, he would, if agreeable to the council, continue in his position for the ensuing year at a salary of \$25. per month. On motion that the proposal of Mr. Hanna be accepted the vote showed a tie—two for and two against, Mayor Britt decided the tie by voting in favor of retaining Mr. Hanna.

The bond of Treasurer Cronemiller, with Mess. C. C. Beckman and John M. Williams as sureties was read and on motion approved as was also the bond of Recorder Stansell with Mess. W. H. Johnson and B. M. Collins as sureties.

Electric Sparks

Woodrow Wilson is obviously not a suffragette. Having got rid of his cabinet, Huerta may be utilizing a Buffet.

By Herculean efforts Democracy may yet save that one-term plank from the platform wreck.

Congress may yet be forced to pass a law to keep the express companies from competing Parcel with Post. They have made a heavy cut in rates.

Postmaster General Burleson wants the Government to own the telephone

and telegraph wires; a sure way to keep the United States busy.

The man who made his money by marriage ought not object to having the income tax collected at its source.

It may be true that Japan hasn't aided Huerta; but it can hardly be denied that Huerta makes a good opportunity for Japan or any other helping hand.

America has many millions who know nothing about the signing of the Declaration of Independence, but who can tell nevertheless at a moments notice where Joe Tinker stands in his batting average.

Guns for Mexico will put a little more chile con carne in the Mexican tamale.

Huerta better pay his army off before he talks about paying the expenses of ten famous war correspondents.

A girl always thinks she has a Greek profile if she can wear nose glasses.

We have a suspicion that somebody has been tampering with the war news from Tampico.

We never know how weak our Army and Navy are until the appropriation bills come up in Congress.

PORTLAND LETTER

Amendment to Parcel Post. Waterways Association to Meet April 13.

Portland, Ore., Mar. 10, (Special)—A campaign in which all the states of the Pacific Coast are actively joining is that now being made to secure an amendment to the present parcel post regulations affecting the mailing of seeds, bulbs, plants, cuttings, etc. Under present provision, these must all take a flat rate of one cent for two ounces, which means that the man who mails some plants to his neighbor five miles away pays exactly the same postage he would if mailing them to New York.

The fifth Annual Convention of the Columbia & Snake River Waterways Association will be held in Portland April 13-14, in the parlors of the Portland Commercial Club. Committees of prominent business men have been appointed to outline the program for the event and to provide for entertainment and publicity. Men thoroughly conversant with the subject will present papers relating to the improvement of the Columbia and Snake rivers and a large attendance is expected from Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana, and British Columbia.

The Portland Commercial Club is co-operating with the Oregon Civic League in an attempt to relieve present conditions in Portland in regard to the unemployed, and on request can secure the names of a considerable number of people who are anxious to secure employment on farms throughout this state. Any inquiries in this connection addressed to the Portland Commercial Club will be given prompt attention.

Dates for the International Livestock Exposition have been fixed for December 7-12, 1914 at the Union Stockyards in Portland. The announcement is made thus early in the season in which to prepare their exhibits. General Manager Plummer states that this will probably be the only first class stock show in the country at which no entry fees are charged to exhibitors or admission fee to the visiting public. The premium list is the largest and most comprehensive ever offered in the Northwest.

The first annual short course for farmers conducted in Crook County by the Oregon Agricultural College has just closed an extremely satisfactory session. The registration for the course was 250 and the average attendance 189. Farmers attended from all parts of the county, some coming a distance of 60 miles and remaining throughout the week. The Crook County High School and the Prineville Commercial Club are given much credit for the success of the course.

Voter 103 Years Old Registers

Roseburg, Or., March 9—One of Oregon's oldest voters registered here Saturday afternoon. He is O. W. Akers and he gave his age as 103 years and his birth month as August. He registers as a Democrat. Friends, who have known him for many years, say that he is mistaken in his count by one year, having been born in 1812. Mr. Akers is able to go to the post office and his favorite newspaper offices nearly every day, although he shows indications and signs of great age.

INDUSTRIAL REVIEW

News of New Industries, Enterprises and Improvements that Will Employ Labor and Promote the Development of Oregon.

(Prepared by the State Bureau of Industries and Statistics.)

Woolen manufacturers at Cologne, Germany are seeking to contract for Oregon grown teasel and that industry is reviving.

Catholic people at La Grande are planning a \$30,000 cathedral.

The Milton box factory is being enlarged to 500,000 capacity.

The new Southern Pacific bridge over Coos Bay will cost \$800,000.

A logging company at Knappa will extend its railroad three miles.

Eugene Fruit Growers Association has orders for \$19,000 of their 1914 product.

West Linn, Clackamas county, will erect a \$15,000 city hall.

North Bend school board is planning a new high school.

Sherwood is to have a \$10,000 hotel and bank building.

Springfield and Hood River have stock subscribed for canneries.

The Wilbur woolen mills at Stayton will be enlarged and a warehouse and mill mattress factory added.

The Everfresh Food Products Co. at Sutherlin will enlarge its plant to double capacity.

The Rainer Mineral soap factory at St. Helens has made arrangements to operate this year, starting this month.

The Boeker basket factory at Hillsboro will be enlarged and add a line of wicker chairs.

Kimball cultivators manufactured at The Dalles are shipped east by the railroad.

The people of Turner voted to install a supply of pure spring water.

The striking operatives in shingle mills in Oregon and Washington are being replaced by non-union men.

The state and federal commissioners on development of the Dulles water power project visited the grounds the past week to select a site.

The Eugene Excelsior plant will double its plant and in a new fire proof building hopes to have a payroll of \$10,000 within a year.

There is general sentiment growing that Oregon has gone too far in progressive legislation that handicaps industries.

Lane county manufacturers meet Tuesday, March 10, to consider a state industrial convention and county exhibit.

A \$20,000 office building will be erected at Baker City for Louis Sommers of Portland.

The Swedish Lutheran church of Portland will erect a hospital.

The Eugene Iron Works is planning to begin the manufacture of a portable range for mountain and military purposes.

O. L. Clark of Marshfield will erect a three story apartment 50 by 100 feet.

Among new brick buildings for 1914 are a school house at Silverton and a city hall at Woodburn.

Corvallis Odd Fellows plan the erection of a three-story temple.

Moiala is to have a \$25,000 electric power plant.

Two concrete business buildings are going to be built at once in Eugene.

Veatch Bros of Cottage Grove will erect a new store building.

The Attorney General sustains the injunction suit of the Employers Association against running the state printing office as a closed shop, but holds the state can pay the Union scale of wages.

All subcontractors on the Willamette Pacific are preparing to start work at once.

Women Study Charter

Monmouth, Or., March 9—At the meeting of the Women's Civic Improvement Club of this city in the High School auditorium Friday afternoon, a study was made of the city charter, and plans formed for an active campaign. A general cleaning up of Monmouth was discussed.

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