

TRA BLAZERS IN PROLIFIC MOOD

Pioneers in Annual Roundup Crack Jokes and Cheer for "Old Oregon."

'BOYS' AND 'GIRLS' AT FEED

Poverty's Sting Felt by Some Visitors Is Only Touch of Pathos—Exra Meeker Lecture and "Camp-fire" Fill Evening.

(Continued From First Page.) by "Father" Finn and that the venerable clergyman's words of wisdom have yet to penetrate beneath the surface of his scalp...

He told something of how he himself came to Oregon with his father and mother, and of the difficulties that he encountered, and declared that the real credit for the settlement and development of the state belongs...

Excellent music was furnished by a brass band and by a number of vocalists. Mrs. Mabel Baker Layfield, of Chicago, sang a contralto solo and responded to an encore...

What doubtless was one of the most enjoyable events of the day was the "picnic" lunch at the Armory, provided by the Women's Auxiliary...

One Aged 98 Talks. One of the oldest pioneers in attendance was J. A. Paulsell, aged 98, who came to Oregon in 1851.

Previous to his Civil War experience Mr. Paulsell, who lives in Portland, had served in the Mexican War and in the Indian uprisings. He carries 27 bullet wounds and the scar of a saber thrust on his body.

An interesting old couple was Mr. and Mrs. G. J. McCoy. She came here in 1845 and she in 1852. His father, John McCoy, was the first judge of Linn County.

Early Portland Recalled. "They make quite a fuss about this burg," said L. M. Hall, in speaking of Portland, "but they should have seen it when I first came. You could have bought the whole town for a song."

Captain J. M. Turner, a veteran of many Indian battles, came over from Washougal, Wash., to attend his first reunion. On July 5 he will be 78 years old.

C. C. Masler, of Hood River, who came in 1853, has been a pioneer in six different Oregon counties—Yamhill, Polk, Wasco, Grant, Gilliam and Sherman.

S. T. Walker and his brother, Cyrus H. Walker, who seldom miss a reunion, are sons of Rev. Malcolm Walker, who came here in 1838 with the Whitman Mission.

T. M. Ramsdell came from Missouri, and was one of the first carpenters in the state. He participated in an Indian battle at Lost Creek and in various other skirmishes.

Good Story-Teller Present. One of the best story-tellers in the crowd was Fred A. Lewis, 1844. He was the center of an interested group nearly all day.

A lot of neighbors and relations were coming," he explained. "and I knew that they wanted a square meal, so I went out with a gun. I found a flock of ducks huddled together in an opening on a nearby lake. I shot into the bunch once. As they arose I let go again. It rained ducks for a few minutes. When I got through gathering them up I had 25 birds. There was enough duck meat to feed everybody."

"I came from Missouri," said Charles Bolds, "in 1845, but I was bred in Old Kentucky. I fought Indians when I got to Oregon, but never was hit. I heard a good many Indian bullets whistle past my head, but I just left them go. I never stopped any of them."

Dr. James Withycombe Speaks at Reunion Near Salem. SALEM, Or., June 18.—(Special.)—Dr. James Withycombe was the principal speaker today at the annual reunion of Waldo Hill pioneers at the home of Mrs. John A. Hunt...

Dr. James Withycombe, president of the reunion, spoke at length on the history of the pioneers and the progress of the state. He was followed by Mrs. M. A. Hazzard, who spoke on the life of her husband, a pioneer settler.

SOME OF OREGON'S PIONEER MEN AND WOMEN WHO ATTENDED ANNUAL REUNION YESTERDAY.



W. HARDER, 72, DEAD

Pioneer Railroad Man's Life One of Many Achievements.

FUNERAL WILL BE SUNDAY

"Grand Old Man" Personal Friend and Adviser of James and L. W. Hill—Began Career as Office Boy, Became General Agent.

Portland's railroad colony was bowed in grief yesterday by the death of William Harder, general agent of the Great Northern and the "grand old man of railroad row."

Mr. Harder passed his seventy-second birthday on February 2. He was one of the pioneer railroad men of the Northwest, an early-day friend of the late Donald J. Smith and of James J. Hill.

Public funeral services will be held from the Holman chapel at 2:30 P. M. Sunday. Officers and members of the Clan Macleay will officiate.

Numerous Medals Given Him. Mr. Harder's career was crowned with many notable achievements. As a youth he was an officer of the Canadian military regiments that served at the time of the Fenian uprising.

When James J. Hill planned to extend his railroad service into Winnipeg, Mr. Harder was one of a party of trusted officials selected for that work. Later, when Mr. Hill sold the road to the Canadian Pacific, he became assistant traffic manager and traffic manager.

He opened first office here. Twenty years ago, when the Great Northern first established its offices in the Northwest, Mr. Harder was chosen by Mr. Hill to take charge. He opened a good many offices in the Northwest and until the time of his death was general agent. He was the personal friend and adviser of James J. Hill and his son, L. W. Hill.

A year ago last fall Mr. Harder went to St. Paul to attend the seventy-fifth birthday of the elder Mr. Hill. He was the only Portland man invited. Whenever Mr. Hill visited Portland he passed much of his time with Mr. Harder.

Two months ago, when L. W. Hill was here, Mr. Harder was ill at the Good Samaritan Hospital. Mr. Hill passed the best part of an afternoon at Mr. Harder's bedside.

Mr. Harder returned to his desk in the Morgan building. Early this week he went to the seashore. Tuesday he became ill and on Wednesday returned home. He passed away early yesterday morning.

Mr. Harder was a native of Scotland, and came to Oregon in 1842. He worked for the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company for many years, and was one of the first to organize the Portland Transportation Club. He was a member of the Commercial Club, the Clan Macleay and the St. Andrew Society of Oregon.

- 1—W. F. Kirk, 1852; 2—T. J. Kirk, 1852; 3—David Canfield, 1847; 4—Charles Bolds, 1845; 5—Edward Campbell, 1855; 6—H. Rice, 1851; 7—Mrs. G. L. Hibbard, 1847; 8—J. H. Binton, 1859; 9—Mrs. A. D. Miller, 1853; 10—Mrs. G. J. McCoy, 1845 and 1852; 11—W. J. Daly, 1852; 12—J. A. Paulsell, 1851; 13—Exra Meeker, 1852; 14—Mrs. Frances Brown, 1852; 15—Mrs. R. L. Catehing, 1852; 16—S. Gattson, 1850; 17—Fred A. Lewis, 1844; 18—Captain J. M. Turner, 1852; and Ell Vaughn, 1852; 19—Mrs. Esther Lesty, 1852; 20—W. H. Porter, 1853.

As a youth he came to Canada. It was there that he first formed the acquaintance of Mr. Hill and gained his first railroad experience, as an office boy for the Grand Trunk.

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William Harder, Pioneer Railroad Man, Who Died Yesterday.

Besides the widow, the surviving members of his family are: W. W. Harder, of Seattle; Mrs. W. J. Shepard and Mrs. C. S. Richardson, of Winnipeg; Mrs. George A. Hazzard, Mrs. W. L. Vern and Mrs. Henry L. Guenther, of Los Angeles, and S. J. Harder, of Portland.

PENSION PLEA MADE

Pioneers Take Up Business at Night Session.

CHINOOK TONGUE REVIVED

Ex-Governor Geer Is New President.

Early-Day Fiddlers Start Impromptu Dance—Courtin' Days Are Recalled.

An appeal to Congress to grant pensions to Indian war veterans on the same basis as those paid to soldiers of the Civil War was contained in the resolutions adopted at the meeting of the pioneers last night.

George H. Himes was positioned for his efficient and faithful work by the various places at which they were elected as secretary, a position he has filled for many years.

Charles B. Moore was elected vice-president and Charles E. Ladd secretary. Directors are John W. Minto, H. L. Pitcock and N. H. Bird. Mr. Bird served yesterday as grand marshal for all movements of the veterans between the various places at which they were scheduled to gather.

to secure by legislative enactment further support of the Oregon Historical Society.

Exra Meeker was commended for his sturdy efforts in promoting the "Oregon trail" as a National highway, from the Mississippi River to the Pacific Ocean.

The committee on resolutions was headed by George P. H. D'Arcy and T. T. Geer.

Robert A. Miller, ex-president of the association, presided last night. It wasn't much of a place for those of the younger generation.

Everything is in Chinook. Nearly all the speaking, most of the singing and every bit of the laughing was in the Chinook language.

Probably the most entertaining talk was that of E. B. McFarland, representing the "Unimproved Order of Red Men."

Mrs. Abigail Scott Duniway gave a brief address and was loudly applauded before, during and after.

Other speakers were ex-Governor T. T. Geer, Exra Meeker and half a score of pioneer men and women, who extemporaneously expressed their pleasure at being present.

Music was provided by Mrs. Mabel Baker Layfield, contralto, with Mrs. Hallie Baker Allen as accompanist. Mrs. Allen also gave some selected readings.

Memories of the entire party went back to their old courtin' days when E. N. Jackson and C. Bowers, early-day fiddlers, struck up some of the old familiar dance music.

Ex-Governor Geer is President. In addition to adopting the resolutions, the only business of the night meeting was the election of officers.

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PIONEERS' PALATES TICKLED BY GOLDWAY

1500 Get 'Helpin's' at Armory Banquet Served by Women's Auxiliary.

MODERN DISHES ESCHEWED

'First Table' Seats 1100 at One Time and When All Are Filled and Happy Abundance Remains. Contributions Liberal.

"Never had a finer spread" was the verdict for the big annual pioneer banquet given by the Women's Auxiliary at the Armory beginning at 4:30 o'clock. The tables were completely filled with good things, but in the course of an hour they had relinquished that distinction to about 1500 pioneers.

Among the waitresses were many women who bear names prominent in the business, civil and social life of Oregon. All were daughters of pioneers themselves.

One dear old lady, who was born in Clackamas County in 1818, but who now lives in Linn County, had five helpings of ice cream.

Mrs. Herbert Holman, secretary of the auxiliary, gave the names of the following firms as having contributed to the dinner: Portland Pure Milk & Cream Company, 10 gallons of milk.

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Notes About Pioneers.

N. H. Bird, of 114 Front street, has lived in Portland since 1840, but came to Oregon with his parents in 1846. They came from Springfield, Ill., and "didn't even stop in Missouri." Mr. Bird's father was born in Kentucky, on the "place" adjoining the one on which Lincoln was born.

Mrs. W. E. Pratt, of Oregon City, lives in the house that her father, Dr. Forbes Barclay, built in 1850. The timbers were hewn, and the brick and finishing lumber was brought from Eugene.

Mrs. George W. Waidler was born in a house that stood on the present Chamber of Commerce block. Miss Charlotte Bherlock was born in a house just across the street. Both served as "waitresses" at the pioneer banquet.

J. C. Nelson, of Newburg, "got in on the latter end of the California" in 1847 and '48. He came to Oregon when he was 17, from Missouri. That was in 1844.

C. C. Robison, a pioneer of 1852, lives in Yamhill County. His people came from Illinois, but "stopped 13 years in Missouri, to let their cattle rest."

WINTERS RULING EXPLICIT

Judge Morrow Believes He Has Settled Long Case Finally.

In a final judgment in the Winters' estate case yesterday Circuit Judge Morrow believes he has settled the matter for all time. The Judge says it is the first time in the history of the state that property in a similar case has failed to escheat to the state.

To make the verdict in favor of the 37 heirs, who are scattered all over the United States, doubly sure, Judge Morrow orders:

First—That the property does not escheat to the State of Oregon. Second—That Will E. Purdy has no right, title or interest in the estate.

Third—That the 37 heirs represented by Attorneys Gano & O'Connell and Samuel Griffin, are the heirs of Winters and entitled to all of the real estate.

USE OF PROPER NAME AIM

Lists of Various Department Divisions to Be Given Employees.

To require city employees to use the proper names in addressing various departments, bureaus and divisions of the city service, the City Commission yesterday adopted a resolution authorizing City Auditor Barber to issue printed forms giving the proper names.

Some time ago the Commission adopted new names for the various parts of the service. There are five departments, one under each Commissioner. Under the departments come the bureaus, such as police bureau, fire bureau and health bureau.

THREE FIRES REPORTED

Little Damage Results at Any Place, Largest Loss Being \$50.

Three small fires early yesterday morning kept fire departments busy. A two-story frame building at 211 Couch street, the first floor of which is occupied by McDermott's saloon, and second floor a rooming-house, was damaged to the extent of \$40.

Fire of unknown origin started in the home of Henry Covell, 283 Cherry street, with nominal damage.

Fire in the home of Mrs. M. A. Gregory, who works at the Immanuel hospital, started in the kitchen, but was extinguished by the firemen.

NEEDLES FREE NO LONGER

Dr. Sommer Cites Action of Parents on Textbooks.

The suggestion recently adopted by the School Board that materials to be used in the sewing classes should be purchased by the largest available number of the children, was defeated yesterday from Dr. Sommer.

"This proposition of buying sewing and domestic science materials is pretty much the same as the one that was used in the first year of the school," Dr. Sommer said. "It would cost us between \$600 and \$800 to buy these materials, and then we would collect a lot of stuff on our hands that we could never use."

MANY AT ALBANY FUNERAL

Masons Have Charge of Services for L. C. Marshall.

ALBANY, Or., June 18.—(Special.)—The funeral of L. C. Marshall, who died yesterday, was held at the Masonic lodge here. The Masonic lodge had charge of the services. Dean E. C. Sanderson, of the Eugene Bible University, conducted the religious services at the First Christian Church. J. K. Weatherford delivered the eulogy at the grave.

Tuesday night a midnight service of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masonic lodge was held at the First Christian Church. Masons from Portland, Eugene, Corvallis, Shedd, Jefferson, Dallas, Salem and other cities attended. Many grand lodge officers were present.

Vote Discrepancies Reported. On a recount of the Benson-McNary vote for Supreme Court Justice, representatives of the two candidates for the Republican nomination have found discrepancies in 18 precincts. The matter will be taken before the canvassing board this morning, and it may be decided to have the judges produce the duplicate tally sheets. The precincts in which it is said discrepancies have been found are: 1, 12, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31 and 32.

Picnic Association to Meet. The executive committee of the Albany Picnic Association, of Portland, will hold a business meeting tonight at the residence of Mrs. John A. Hunt, 274 Spruce street, to arrange for the association's annual picnic. The call for the meeting was issued by Mrs. Miranda Westfall, a pioneer of Linn County.

Parish Picnic Saturday. The annual picnic of St. Lawrence parish will be held at Crystal Lake Saturday. The program includes an athletic program. C. H. Feldman is the general chairman.