

WELL KNOWN WOMAN DEAD

Mrs. Martha J. Hall, Beloved Coos Bay Pioneer, Passes Away.

Mrs. Martha Jane Hall, one of the best known and most highly respected pioneer women of the Coos Bay country, passed away late Tuesday afternoon at the home of her son, Judge F. Hall, with whom she had made her home since the death of her husband, Wm. Hall, in 1892. She had been in poor health for some time but had failed rapidly recently. Her daughter, Mrs. A. R. TenBrook of Klamath Falls, left several days ago for her home after having visited her mother for several weeks and the aged lady took the parting more to heart than was anticipated, and it is believed that the grief slightly hastened the demise.

The funeral was held this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Methodist Episcopal church with which she had been identified for many years. The services at the grave were in charge of Western Star Lodge of the Rebekahs in which Mrs. Hall had been a worker for years. The funeral was largely attended.

Was 73 Years Old.

Mrs. Hall was a pioneer of pioneers. Born in Wabash county, Ill., January 6, 1836, she was brought up on the frontier. Her parents moved to Indiana shortly after her birth and a little later to Jackson, Mo. In 1845, the family crossed the plains to Oregon, settling in Polk county. Later, Mr. and Mrs. Hall moved to Douglas county and in 1869, came to the Middle Fork in Coos county. In 1871, they moved to the Peninsula of Coos Bay where they made their permanent home.

Isham Cox, Mrs. Hall's father, was well-known to pioneers of southwestern Oregon. Born in Kentucky, he liked the ruggedness of the frontier and got much pleasure out of the long arduous trip across the plains to Oregon in 1845, an ox team bringing the family and their belongings. He died in Curry county in 1874.

Many Survive.

Mrs. Hall is survived by many near relatives. The children who survive her are Isham A. Hall, Judge John F. Hall, James T. Hall, Andrew J. Hall, Mrs. Ida P. Patterson, Mrs. Sarah A. TenBrook of Klamath, Mrs. Mary M. Crawford and an adopted daughter, Mary Sinclair Hall.

Among the brothers and sisters who survive are Glen B. Cox of Bandon, J. A. Cox of the Flora river in Curry county, R. F. Cox of Bandon, Wm. Cox of the Sixes river in Curry county, James Cox of Cherry, Ariz., Mrs. Margeline Haft and Mrs. Sarah A. Fitzhugh, both of the Sixes river in Curry county.

SEC. MICELLI HERE.

Arrives From Roseburg to Prepare For Fair.

Frank G. Micelli, secretary of the Second Southern District Agricultural Society, arrived from Roseburg yesterday and will be in Marshfield until after the society fair closes, August 29. President C. W. Parrott is expected today or tomorrow.

Secretary Micelli will be a busy man until the fair is over. He finds things in good shape, to date, with the prospect for a great fair meeting, but the busy season has just set in, and the secretary will have enough details thrust upon him now to distract the ordinary mortal. There are judges to secure clerks, marshals, gate-keepers, ticket sellers, entry clerks, division superintendents, pavilion superintendent to appoint all to look after and to oversee.

However, upon the arrival of President Parrott, assistants will be named so as to meet the work as it accumulates.

Secretary Micelli is pleased with the preparation that has been made and feels that the fair board has cause to congratulate itself on the selection of Coos Bay as the site for the fair this year. He is quite anxious that those having exhibits come forward at the earliest possible moment and make arrangements for space.

HOT MEALS will be served at the fair grounds during the fair, at 25c.

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ARRANGE FOR FAIR CROWD

Coos Bay Citizens Must Cooperate — Plans For the Fair.

The prospects for the Second Southern Oregon District Fair, which will open here August 26 and continue through August 29, are that it will be one of the most successful gatherings of the kind ever held in this section of the state. The management and the local citizens who are aiding them are now perturbed as to the ability of Coos Bay to take care of the crowds and are urging the citizens of North Bend and Marshfield and the suburbs to cooperate and give a true exhibition of Coos Bay's hospitality by affording accommodations to all visitors.

Yesterday, G. W. Kaufman, A. T. Haines, Claude Nasburg and F. M. Rummel made a careful canvass of the city to make certain that all possible accommodations will be thrown open to care for the visitors. Already much of the regular lodging room has been spoken for. It is urged that everyone who can accommodate one or more in their private homes or who have extra couches, bedding, etc., place them at the disposal of the fair association. Everyone who can aid in these directions is urged to notify the Chamber of Commerce at once as to what they can do and then their accommodations will be utilized to the best advantage.

It is proposed to arrange to secure a number of tents to be held in reserve for "overflow" and if cots and bedding can be obtained, these will furnish sleeping accommodations for a large number.

Railway to Help.

General Manager C. J. Mills of the local railway, yesterday announced that all exhibits for the fair would be transported here and back at half rates. This applies to fruit, livestock, agricultural products, woods, etc., practically taking in everything except race horses.

This concession will be greatly appreciated by the fair association and boosters of the Coos Bay country as it will enable the parties who are trying to make the country to show what is being done and what can be done in the development of the resources of this section.

Plan Baby Show.

Assistant Secretary G. W. Carleton yesterday announced that he had decided to arrange for a baby show in connection with the fair. Two or three prizes will be offered for the prettiest babies in Coos county. The amount of the prizes, the day the competition will be held and the rules governing the babies eligible will be announced within a few days.

Have Special Days.

Mr. Carleton is also arranging for special days for the principal towns in Coos county. While the fair will be a district one, including several counties, the lack of transportation facilities will necessarily make it pretty much a Coos county event aside from the throngs of visitors that will come from many sections.

Mr. Carleton's plan is to designate one of the four days of the exposition "Bandon Day," another day "Coquille Day," another day "Myrtle Point Day," and another day "Marshfield and North Bend Day" or something in this line. The programs will be arranged accordingly.

Other Attractions.

Arrangements are now being made for one or two ball games during the four days of the fair. It is proposed to have the Coos county league teams arrange exhibition games for the forenoons, furnishing diversion at that time for the visitors.

George Topping of Bandon, who was in Marshfield yesterday announced that the Bandon concert band would be here for the full time.

Ready For Races.

F. P. Norton who has charge of the speed program arrangements is more than pleased with the prospects for the races. The entries will be larger than had been hoped for and the best horses ever brought together in Southwestern Oregon will compete.

The entries for Race No. 12, a one-half mile running event for Coos county four-year-olds and under, have closed. Those entered are F. P. Norton's Headlight, Wm. McMullen's Teddy, the North Bend Stables' Evados and L. J. Simpson's Tascasa.

FAIR CHORUS. — Everybody expected to be present Saturday. North Bend High School at 1 p. m. Marshfield High School at 3:30 p. m.

RACE NOW ON IN EARNEST

This is a Contest That Is Worth While — Splendid Prizes.

This is the second week of The Times great voting contest and from present indications it bids fair to become one of the greatest affairs of its kind ever put forward in Southwestern Oregon. All over the county, people are talking of the generosity of the Times in making this offer to the lodges and people of Coos Bay and surrounding territory. The scholarship feature of the Times voting contest appeals particularly to the young people in each community of the five districts included in the contest who desire to qualify themselves to fill remunerative positions as stenographers, book-keepers and secretaries in commercial concerns. Dozens of young men and women in the territory embraced have a purpose of winning this valuable scholarship. In every town there are well-to-do men and women who consider it their duty as well as find it a pleasure to assist young people in such a laudable ambition as that of securing a business education and fitting themselves to make their way in the world. As soon as the young man or young woman aspirant makes her or his candidacy known to people of this class as well as to once begin to save the coupons which are appearing every day in The Times, and send in their subscriptions for six months or a year, and get the votes.

Make up your mind now that you are going to be one of the lucky ones and strive to attain that end. You can do it if you try. Do not wait until the last moment, but start right now. If your name is already entered in the list and you have not done much as yet begin now. You will never regret the time and effort in this contest.

At present the candidates are just beginning to get their start and feeling the pulse of their friends to learn their strength.

Miss Genevieve Tellefson is the latest candidate entered, and is already making an excellent showing.

It is not yet too late to enter and a little hard work would place you right in with the leaders. The highest score published last week was a little over 7,000 and as 1,200 votes are given with each new yearly subscriber it would require only six new yearly subscriptions to The Daily Times to place a new contestant well in the lead.

The K. P. Lodge of Bandon, has also been entered and voted for by some of its friends and promises to make a good showing.

A number of subscriptions have already come in, and today will see more issued than any other day since the opening of the great Times contest.

Drowns While Bathing.

EUGENE, Ore., Aug. 20.—A. E. Taylor while picnicking with twelve others near here went in bathing and was drowned. A strong current prevented associates saving him.

THE DESERT.

I AM the pure proud land that hath hearkened to no man's wooing; I am the virgin land vowed sole to the service of God; The silence that broods on my hills is my answer to human suing. And there is the peace on my plains that marks where the Lord hath trod.

I and my sister—the sea—we fret at your insolent creeping; She decks with a light foam wreath the place of a strong man's rest. And the dry skull, bleached to silver, where the sated wolf is sleeping is a trivial gaud scarce worthy to lie on my proud white breast.

Love you your fat green valleys, the riches of man's long labor? Love you the fowls of cities, dark with the ages' grime? Find you your gladness warm in the smile and the grasp of your neighbor? Hide you there with your kin, the plaything of men and of time.

But when kisses have cooled on your lips and your eyes have grown weary of weeping. When your pitiful loves sink down to the clasp of the eager earth. Come you and taste of the peace that the guard of my hills is keeping. Come and learn you the sweetness of silence, the mother of God's own mirth.

He is throned on my crimson hills in a purple meet for his passion; The hot bright flame of his patience plays over the leper white plains. The wonderful sun is his herald and speaks him in kingly fashion. And the golden splendor of midnight is the veil that his glory deigns.

Leave you the joys of green valleys to faint hearts that wait on their sating. Here in the sweet fresh air the soul is cleansed from its fears— Can you bargain with age the despoiler— will time not grow weary of waiting? But here in the desert is God, the end and crown of the years. —Gertrude King.

Better send this paper to a friend.

WILL FIGHT LOCAL CASE

Government Determined That Valuable Timber Land Won't Be Grabbed.

PORTLAND, Ore., Aug. 20. — The Portland Telegram says: "When coal lands situated within the boundaries of national forests are filed on hereafter, the claimant must be able to show that they are more valuable for coal than for the timber growing thereon. If there is any suspicion that the locators may be after the timber the Forest Service will contest the claims."

"Hearing on one of these cases has just been concluded. The lands lie within the Siskiyou Natl. Forest and consist of 160 acres each, comprising 16 claims, located by Samuel Pulford, a lawyer at Myrtle Point; C. C. Carter and his wife; Herbert Lockhart and his wife, and J. H. Flanagan, a banker at Marshfield, and the case is considered to be one of the largest and of greater importance than any the Forest Service has caused to be brought in this part of the state.

In submitting final proof, the locators stated that the land was chiefly valuable because of the vein of coal discovered thereon. The Forest Service caused the land to be examined when the papers were referred from the Department of the Interior, and they found the land contained from eight to 20 million board feet of fir and cedar an acre. After a close examination no merchantable coal was found. Professor J. S. Dill, who surveyed, examined and mapped the Coos Bay coal fields, testified for the government. He stated that after three weeks spent in going over the land he was unable to find any coal veins free from stone and impurities and which would justify development. It was his opinion that it was not commercial coal, and the district in no way resembled or was it geologically connected with the famous Coos Bay field, about thirty miles to the north. He was supported in this evidence by Professor G. K. Kay of the Iowa State University, who spent two weeks on the ground. A. W. Kennedy and Charles McGuire, expert mineralogists, also testified for the government.

"Taking evidence in this case has occupied several weeks, the officers being required to visit Grants Pass and Marshfield, while depositions were presented from Washington, D. C., Pittsburg, St. Louis, Cleveland and Perth Amboy. The government was represented by A. C. Shaw, of the Forest Service legal department, and C. O. Pollard of the general land office. An unusual record was established by the register of the Roseburg land office, in whose district the land is situated, by his personal attendance at every session of the court.

"The case will be decided by the Register and Receiver of the Roseburg land office, but will probably be appealed, no matter who is successful. Messrs. Shaw and Adams, of the Forest Service left for the East last night."

KIDDER SAYS LAND IS HIS

Roseburg Man Claims Homestead on East Marshfield Water Front Is Valid.

Concerning the homesteading of the water front land across from the C. A. Smith mill which has been claimed and generally understood to belong to the Dean Lumber Company and Henry Sengstacken, the Roseburg News says:

"What was undoubtedly the most noted homestead entry ever to be recorded at the local United States Land Office, matured last Monday morning, when Claud L. Kidder, formerly of Minnesota, but for the past six months a resident of this city, filed his entry upon lots 2 and 3, W 1/2 of S. E. 1/4 of section 36, tp. 25 S., R. 13 W. The land upon which Mr. Kidder filed was formerly classed as school land, it being the general rule of this state to set aside sections 16 and 36 exclusively for school purposes. Later it was found that the land was included in the donation land claim of A. J. Davis, and therefore the state required lieu land in its stead. In accordance with this

procedure the land again became government land and subject to entry. Immediately upon arriving in this section of the country Mr. Kidder commenced the task of examining all records at the local land office and in the course of time found that this land was yet unclaimed, notwithstanding the fact that it had reverted back to the government.

"Finding this to be the case Mr. Kidder at once prepared the necessary papers, placing them on file as above stated.

"The land upon which Mr. Kidder filed is very valuable, comprising a large portion of the water front of East Marshfield, upon which is located several large dwellings, a saw mill and other numerous buildings, the total value of which will amount to several thousand dollars.

"A News reporter visited the land office this morning and upon investigation found the land to be clear as far as the records were concerned."

THE NUN.

If you become a nun, dear, A friar I will be. In any cell you run, dear, Pray look behind for me. The roses all turn pale, too; The doves all take the veil, too; The blind will see the show. What! You become a nun, my dear? I'll not believe it, no!

If you become a nun, dear, The bishop Love will be; The Cupids every one, dear, Will chant, "We trust in thee!" The incense will go sighing, The candles fall a-dying, The water turn to wine. What! You go to take the vows, my dear? You may—but they'll be mine. —Leigh Hunt.

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