

# LIVED IN A CABIN ON FRONT STREET BEFORE CITY WAS

Mrs. S. G. Wood of Walla Walla Born in Portland—Father Proprietor of First Grocery Store.

There is one pioneer in Portland today who is lonely. She misses the scenes with which she was familiar when she was a resident of the city. She misses the timber that stretched from Portland Heights to the Willamette river, and she misses the lakes that practically surrounded the city, and she misses the Indians.

The pioneer is Mrs. S. G. Wood of Walla Walla, Wash., who is in the city for the purpose of attending the reunion of the Pioneers of Oregon and today she went down to the Esmond hotel on Front and Morrison streets and looked at the site where she was born.

"In 1844 my father, who was John Waymire, came to the valley," said Mrs. Wood this morning. "I was born in a log cabin where the Esmond hotel now stands in 1846. My father started a grocery store in the cabin, and we lived in the rear. His stock of groceries consisted of tobacco, black New Orleans sugar and calico. Calico was then 50 cents a pound and everything else was proportionately high."

**Timber Everywhere.**

"Our nearest neighbors' dogs could be heard barking somewhere in the woods, and the smoke from their fires could be seen curling up above the trees but we could not see anyone because of the heavy timber. Why, deer could be seen lots of time running past our doors."

Mrs. Wood is 64 years of age. She says at the time of her residence here there was but 15 families in Portland. There was a church, built of logs, but no preacher. The horny handed tillers of the soil were the speakers and nearly everyone attended the services clad in calico and no shoes. A few wore moccasins, but shoes and boots were luxuries.

Mrs. Wood's father sent to New York for stock of groceries by a little vessel that came to the Columbia river once every six months. He traded with the Indians to some extent and managed to eke out a living. Later, however, he made considerable money. He sold his store, building, lot and all for \$450 10 years later and removed to Dallas where he conducted a grocery store and flouring mill. He amassed a considerable fortune.

Mrs. Wood was offered two lots and two houses on Washington street for a team of horses, but the offer was refused. Horses were valuable then; there was no Washington street—the lots were only a cleared spot in the timber.

**Saved Family's Life.**

Mrs. Wood's husband crossed the plains with his parents in 1846. His name was Solomon Wood. His father, Dr. Alonso Wood, built the first wharf in Portland. Mrs. Wood tells of a family by the name of Kennedy that had bargained with another family coming from the same point to bring them to Oregon, but after they had traveled a considerable distance, the food began to get scarce, so the Kennedy family was put out of the wagon and told to hustle for themselves. Alonso Wood, hearing of the plight of the Kennedys, went back after them, thus saving their lives. The later generation of the Kennedy family is living in Portland today, it is said.

Mrs. Wood attended a wedding in Polk county in the early days at which a dinner was served. The dinner consisted of boiled meat served in iron cups with iron spoons. Because of the prominence of the family she refuses to divulge their names.

**Food Was Scarce.**

"In those days," said Mrs. Wood, "it was not so much 'What are you going to have for dinner?' as 'Will there be enough of the dinner to keep us from getting hungry too soon?' The food consisted of boiled wheat and an occasional dried fish. Sometimes a deer was brought in, and then a feast was in order."

Canned goods were unheard of in those days, said Mrs. Wood, and there were no hats to create envy in the hearts of the less fortunate women. All dressed alike and nobody had more than his neighbor.

"A man who could spell a word with two syllables was competent to teach a school," resumed Mrs. Wood. "Frequently men and women with families attended school with their children and many of the pioneers received their education after having become heads of families."

Court in those days, said Mrs. Wood, was held under the trees—there was no building here for that purpose. The jurors sat beneath the shade of a tall maple tree and the children played about them.

"I can't believe my eyes," said Mrs. Wood. "It doesn't seem possible that

# NOTED PIONEER WOMAN IS DEAD

Mrs. Marie Kelly's First Husband Was Hudson Bay Co. Employee.



Mrs. Marie Kelly.

The death of Mrs. Marie Kelly last Friday at the age of 87 years removes one of the few remaining participants of the stirring times when the Hudson Bay company ruled the northwest.

Her father, Louis Rondeau, was a trapper for the company, and was well known as a scout and guide. He was one of the guides who piloted General Fremont in his "pathfinding" expeditions.

The mother of Mrs. Kelly, or Marie Rondeau of that time, died when she was but 2 years old, and she was adopted by Sir James Douglas, the Hudson Bay company governor. In 1844 she was married to Roch Duchenay, a clerk in the company. The ceremony was performed by Bishop F. N. Blanchet, one of the first missionaries, and a very old man at that time. It took place in Vancouver at the headquarters of the company, and among those present was David McLoughlin, son of Dr. McLoughlin, who acted as best man.

Mrs. Kelly was twice married subsequently, and is survived by four daughters and three sons. She had over 100 direct descendants, two of them being great-grandchildren, the children of Mrs. J. G. Elliott of Altona, Wash., the oldest being a girl of 8. Among her friends were many of the most prominent figures in the northwest.

The great-great-grandchildren of Mrs. Kelly are George and Irene Elliott.

This is the place where I was born 64 years ago. But it is. My things have changed, things have changed.

Mrs. Wood was accompanied to Portland by Miss A. F. Waymire of Spokane, a daughter of her father's brother. Miss Waymire is a nurse. They guests at the Perkins.

**12-Year-Old Forger.**

(United Press Leased Wire.) Ontario, Cal., June 21.—Dewey Holland, 12, is held in the detention home today awaiting trial in the juvenile court today for alleged forgery. H. C. Kennedy, motorcycle dealer, says Holland, after obtaining a motorcycle, gave him a worthless check for \$165 in payment.

**Coroner Walsh Dies.**

(United Press Leased Wire.) San Francisco, June 21.—Coroner William J. Walsh, injured a week ago Sunday in the Muir Woods, near Mill Valley, when his automobile slid over a 200 foot precipice, died yesterday.

**Freed by the Insurrectos.**

(United Press Leased Wire.) Tucson, Ariz., June 21.—W. A. Hawkins, Wells-Fargo express messenger, charged with embezzling \$50,000, today is a free man. He was liberated from jail in Mazatlan when the Mexican insurrectos captured that city.

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# SUMMERVILLE AND IMBLER GET CLUBS

La Grande Commercial Body Arranges Affiliations in Grand Ronde Towns

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) La Grande, Or., June 21.—Two commercial clubs have been organized in the Grand Ronde valley during the past five days at the instigation of the La Grande Commercial club, through S. M. Slough, manager. The Imbler citizens have formed a club with an enthusiastic set of officers and Summerville is the last to form such an organization. At Imbler the following are the officers: G. L. Sawyer, president; J. P. Larsen, vice president; F. N. Hoffeditz, secretary and treasurer. At Summerville the organization is now controlled by David McKinzie, president; J. F. Choate, vice president; W. F. Chatin, treasurer, and L. M. Klees, secretary. J. A. McRae, Lott Elmer, B. D. Hubers and Chester Hamilton, directors.

## FOREST GROVE CHANGES SCHOOL BOARD OFFICERS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Forest Grove, Or., June 21.—At the annual school election in this city last Monday afternoon, M. Peterson was elected director to serve three years, and Robert P. Wirtz was elected clerk. A. G. Hoffman, present member of the school board and chairman of that body, was up for reelection, but ex-Mayor Peterson defeated him by a substantial majority. L. J. Carl, who has been clerk of this district for several years, was also up reelected.

Some months ago an agitation was started to bond the district in a large sum for the purpose of erecting a new high school building. While the move was with favor among a number of the patrons of the district, considerable opposition was shown, caused by doubt as to the probable site that would be chosen for the new building, and a question as to the style of the edifice, that would be erected by those having the funds in charge. The change in the regime in the school board at the election yesterday is an echo of this agitation for a new high school.

## SENATOR WARREN TO WED DAUGHTER OF MORGAN

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Washington, June 21.—Announcement has been made by Senator Warren of Wyoming, 60 years old, of his engagement to Miss Claride Baron Morgan, 28, daughter of the late John L. Morgan of Groton, Conn.

**Coal Is Imported.**

(United Press Leased Wire.) Calgary, Alberta, June 21.—So serious has become the shortage of coal caused by the Crows Nest strike that Alberta industries are forced to import fuel from Pennsylvania. In order to avoid a tieup of its entire plant one cement and coal company is bringing in 4500 tons of Pennsylvania coal. The freight on this coal alone will cost the company \$25,000.

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## Talking About Waists

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\$2.50 Wash Suits now	.....	\$1.65

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