

PIONEER OF 1846 RECALLS SOME OF HIS EARLY EXPERIENCES

Peter R. Burnett, Nephew of
Peter H. Burnett, First Gov-
ernor of California, Talks.

SETTLED IN POLK COUNTY

Incidents of Long Ago Show in Vivid
Way Few of Obstacles Met and
Overcome by Pioneers.

By Fred Lockley.

Peter R. Burnett of McMinnville, is an Oregon pioneer of 1846. He is tall, slender, dark-eyed, dark-complexioned and soft-voiced.

He is the son of Rev. Glen O. Burnett and the nephew of Peter H. Burnett, who, coming to Oregon in 1846, went to California in 1848 and became the first governor of the state of California.

Recently I spent several pleasant hours with Mr. and Mrs. Burnett at their home in McMinnville listening to their reminiscences of the days when Oregon was under a provisional government.

"My father's name was Glen Owen Burnett," said Mr. Burnett. "He was born near Nashville, Tenn., in 1809. His father was a Virginian and his mother a Tennessean. My father was one of eight children. When father was 20 years old he married Sally Rogers who was 15. In those days early marriages and large families was the rule and father and mother had 12 children, seven boys and five girls.

"My father was always called Elder Burnett, which is the same as our present term 'reverend.' Father was a minister in the Disciples church, now usually called the Christian church. His brother, James White Burnett, was also a member of the Disciples church. His sister, Elizabeth, belonged to the Baptist church. His brother Thomas was the pastor of a Methodist church South and his brother Peter was a Catholic. Peter was the oldest of the children. He came to Oregon in 1843.

"We came across the plains in 1846 with Dr. James McBride. He had a large family, though most of his children were girls. I think there were only four or five boys in the family. One of these boys, Tom McBride, is now on the supreme bench of Oregon, a fellow member of the supreme court with my nephew, George H. Burnett.

"Father settled in Polk county near the present town of McCoy. Father used to preach at Bethel church in the Bethel neighborhood in Missouri. He called his place Bethel and the hills were called the Bethel Hills. Realizing the need of schools father started a school on his place which he called the Bethel school. It soon grew into the Bethel institute and later into the Bethel college. T. R. Harrison was the first teacher. Later he had charge of the United States land office at Oregon City. As the institute grew it drew students from all over the Willamette valley.

"Dr. L. L. Rowland was the president of Bethel college and Prof. N. Hudson and Prof. John Hall were his assistants. Dr. Rowland's father, Jeremiah Rowland, came to Yamhill county in 1844 when Dr. L. L. Rowland was 13 years old. In 1856 Dr. Rowland went to Virginia and graduated from Bethany college.

Teachers Institute Formed.
"After teaching in Bethel college Dr. Rowland became superintendent of

ONE OF OREGON'S EARLY PIONEERS



Peter H. Burnett, deceased, first governor of California. His nephew, Peter R. Burnett, is resident of McMinnville, Or.

schools for Polk county and while superintendent he organized the first teachers' institute ever held in Oregon. After being president of Bethel college he went to Monmouth, where he was president of the Christian college, now the State Normal. From Monmouth he went to Salem, where for some years he was a professor in Willamette university.

"In 1874 he became state superintendent of public instruction and later superintendent of the Oregon Insane asylum. The old college building built at Bethel 60 years ago is still standing. When the Bethel college was drawing students from all over the Willamette valley it was thought that Bethel would be a fair sized town.

"With the growth of Independence, Hillsboro, Dallas and McMinnville Bethel passed into history, just as Santiago City, Syracuse, Pacific City, Linville, Scottsburg and the Dardanelles have. I attended Bethel college for several years. Among my fellow students were David and Alexander Holmes, J. H. Hawley, Joseph Johnson, Sanford and Harry Watson, Jim Richardson, later a physician at Salem, Virginia Applegate and many other well known Oregonians. Father took up 640 acres at Bethel. The boys did most of the work on the place, as father was gone much of the time organizing new churches or preaching all over the valley. He organized the church at Bethel, also one on the Rickreall, one on the Lucklame, one on Howell prairie, as well as many others. Father was much in demand to marry people in those days. Just recently Mr. and Mrs. Marion B. Hendricks celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary here in McMinnville.

Many Couples Married.
"I remember back in 1855 when father married them. Mrs. Hendricks was Miss Sawyer then. Couples used to come for long distances to our house to be married by my father.

"I remember being waked up one night about midnight by a young couple who had ridden up and wanted to be married. Father slipped on his

long black coat and his trousers over his head and married them. At first father traveled afoot on his preaching trips. Finally some one gave him a horse, so after that if father had time to catch a horse he would hitch it to his wagon. He did not succeed in catching his saddle horse, so he would go afoot. Of our family of 12 children there are but two left now, my youngest son, John, and my sister, Mrs. Burnett of Sacramento and myself.

Settles on Claim.
"Peter H. Burnett, my uncle, had a claim on North Plains, six miles north of the present town of Hillsboro. He was the first to settle there. He came to Oregon, while father was looking for a claim. In the fall of 1848 my uncle, Peter H. Burnett, was shown no delay—no long wait. Glasses ground in our own shop and at once.

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Party Representing Southern
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WILL VISIT THE HIGHWAY

Aim Is to Distribute Information for
Use in Drawing a Greater Volume
of Travel to Western Coast.

Another of the "educational tour" which the Southern Pacific company is conducting for the benefit of its passenger and ticket agents as a means of stimulating tourist travel, will reach here tomorrow morning for two days in Oregon.

The party are A. Simmons, city freight and passenger agent at Philadelphia, accompanied by Mrs. Simmons; W. C. Gilbert, purser of the Southern Pacific steamer Antilles, accompanied by Mrs. Gilbert; N. M. Keen, traveling passenger agent at Chicago, accompanied by Mrs. Keen; W. Crump, ticket agent at Boston, and E. H. Williams, traveling freight and passenger agent, of Kansas City.

The party will be taken for a Columbia river highway trip tomorrow morning under convoy of General Passenger Agent John M. Scott, and in the afternoon will make the Willamette valley electric loop trip. Salem, Corvallis, Albany and Eugene will take another day, concluding with a journey through the Rogue River valley.

The railroad company's interest in sending its western passenger representatives to the east and its eastern men west is to distribute information regarding the scenic possibilities of the United States in the "see America" movement.

To Install Officers.

Newly elected officers of the Portland Transportation club will be installed at the annual inauguration dinner to be given in the new club room Thursday, July 6. The dinner will be the first of the kind to be held at the club's new home in the Merchants National Bank building.

Sleepers on Yaquina Line.

Beginning Saturday night, the Southern Pacific will add a sleeping car to its week-end service between Portland and Yaquina bay.

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Mt. Hood Loop Is Practically Assured

Representative Sinnott Sends Message to Effect That Forest Road Bill Has Passed Both Houses.

Hood River, Or., June 29.—Truman Butler, vice president of the Butler Banking company of Hood River, has received a telegram from Representative N. J. Sinnott stating that the forest road bill had passed the house of representatives and had previously passed the senate; that the bill passed was more liberal than the Taylor bill and that the Mt. Hood loop road was thereby practically assured. The Mt. Hood loop road provides for the construction of about 20 miles of road through the forest reserve and which will complete the loop of 170 miles from Portland around Mt. Hood through the Hood River valley. T. Warren Allen, chief of the national parks and forest roads, Washington, D. C., George H. Cecil, district forester; T. H. Sherrard, supervisor of the Oregon national forest reserve; J. J. Schuyler and E. J. Finch, government highway engineers, Congressman N. J. Sinnott, accompanied by E. O. Blanchard, Truman Butler and Homer A. Rogers, made a trip over the proposed loop road last year and a recommendation was made that at least \$75,000 be appropriated for the purpose of constructing the 20 miles of road and placing the loop in shape for travel. The government surveyors finished the survey of the road late last fall and encountered some snow before concluding their work.

Grout Goes to Alaska.

Hood River, Or., June 29.—Benjamin Grout, who has been the instructor in mathematics in the Hood River high school for the past year, has been re-elected for the ensuing year, has tendered his resignation and will leave with his family for Alaska where he will accept the position of civil engineer for the Alaska-Treadwell Mining company. Miss Lorena Shuck, who taught last year in the eighth grade, has tendered her resignation and will accept a position as teacher in her home town of Ceres, Cal.

Bank Deposits Increase.

Hood River, Or., June 29.—The increase in the local bank deposits of recent date is over \$100,000 in advance of the same period last year. The Butler Banking company shows an increase of over \$83,000 over June and the First National shows an increase of over \$25,000 in deposits.

Injured in Serials.

Marshfield, Or., June 29.—Edward Boyd employed at the Coos Bay Mill Company near Marshfield is in the hospital suffering from injuries he received in a remarkable accident. While working in the mill he was struck by a slab of wood and thrown 30 feet to the edge of the mill, and then fell 30 feet farther down to the ground and fell into the waterway along which the mill is located. He was injured in the head and back and is expected to recover.

Warships Bringing American Refugees

Washington, June 29.—I. N. S.—Rear Admiral Winslow has reported by wireless to the navy department that the Glacier and Buffalo are ready to leave Topolobampo, Mex., bringing with them practically all Americans, about 800, in that section. Winslow reported that 68 Americans in the Yaqui valley refused to leave their homes.

Firemen Have No Flames to Fight; Records Broken

Portland has equaled its record of last year for a sustained period without a fire. Since 10:02 Saturday night the fire department has not answered a single alarm, and at 10:02 this morning the firemen had gone 84 hours with nothing to do but shine the brass work on the fire trucks. At noon the record of 84 hours without a fire was equaled.

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