

VETERAN MINISTER 'TOUGH' AS A KNOT AND STILL GOING

Forty-Seven Years in Pulpit Fails to Superannuate Rev. Mr. Craig, Who Is City Recorder.

By Everett Haris Standaard Brownville, Sept. 18.—The Rev. J. W. Craig of this city is a veteran minister who at the age of 77 years is far more active than many a preacher who considers himself superannuated and fossilized.

The Rev. Mr. Craig was born in the state of Arkansas and at the age of 7 years started with his parents, brothers and sisters for Oregon.

He was thus a member of the big immigration of 1852. He remembers with peculiar vividness the events of that year, for the hardships were great and the sorrow of the orphan was the Indian attacks frequent, but hunger and thirst were known daily and, worst of all, the long wagon trains were attacked by that relentless enemy of man, the cholera.

Others taken off And the cholera also claimed another brother, three sisters and his father and mother. The boy of 9 years was thus rendered an orphan while he was on his way to Oregon.

Strangely enough, the woman who became the wife of Mr. Craig, lost her father by this same cholera—cholera—six months before she was born. Her maiden name was Belleu and she was a daughter of Leander Belleu, who died in the year 1849 after going with the gold rush to California.

Mr. Craig laughingly refers to himself as the Arkansas traveler. He began hiking as a mere boy and liked it so well that he continued to travel until he had wandered all over Oregon, Washington, California, Idaho and even into Arizona. He preached most of this time.

47 YEARS IN PULPIT Mr. Craig has been in the ministry 47 years. In 1863 when he began preaching he was just a lad of 17 years. He spent nine years in California during the plastic period of that state, then went for four years to Arizona, then in 1883 back to Oregon. He settled down for a time at Lafayette, Yamhill county, and under the jurisdiction of the Methodist church south, preached to practically all the surrounding territory.

PIONEER CHURCH RECALLED He remembers that under his pastorate the first Methodist church building this side of the Blue mountains was built. This was at Weston, Or. He was one of the first, if not the first preacher to go into the Grande Ronde valley.

TOUGH ON THE DEADBEATS



Collection Agencies' Association of Oregon will assemble Monday for third annual convention. Among advance guard of delegates expected are: Above, at left, Secretary-Treasurer O. Asher; at right, President E. E. Ware; below, at left, Neil L. Ross of Stockton, Cal.; at right, W. O. Sturgeon of San Francisco.

"If any deadbeats there be in Oregon, their life will be made, just a trifle harder after Monday, when the convention of the Collection Agency Association of Oregon opens a two-day meeting. The association will hold its session at the Multnomah hotel, closing Tuesday with a trip over the Columbia river highway and a dinner at Columbia Gorge hotel.

President E. E. Ware will open the convention. Talks will be given by Hamilton Johnstone on "The Lawyer and the Collection Agency," Colonel James J. Crossley on "Supplemental Orders," and Judge Martin W. Hawkins on "The Collector from the Bench," followed by an open discussion.

Speakers at the afternoon session will be Neil L. Ross, president of the California association, Stockton; W. A. Sturgeon, secretary of the same association, from San Francisco; John N. Diamond, president of the Washington Collection Agencies association, Seattle; and William Robinson of Seattle, Colonel A. E. Clarke will tell of his experiences in Europe.

David Botsford will talk Tuesday morning on "Advertising the Collection Business." Pass, Williams Creek, Weston, Dallas, Independence, Klamath Falls, Merrill, Lewisville and cities of the Grande Ronde valley. This does not take into consideration towns in other states where he has preached such, for example, as the towns preached in during his nine years' stay in California and four years in Arizona.

where he had charge of a Methodist church in the early days. In 1885 he built the first Methodist church at Roseburg. Beginning with the year 1892 he was pastor for two years at Spokane, Wash. A little later he ceased working for the Methodist church South and came connected with the Methodist church North.

About the year 1898 he began preaching in the Coeur d'Alene district, Idaho. The big Hunker Hill and Sullivan mines were then in operation, and there was much excitement and activity there. At one time he preached to an audience of 1000 persons. His preaching activities led him to the following towns: Kingston, Wardner, Murray and Wallace, Idaho.

He preached in the Klamath Falls country, 1898-1900, and spent a three-year period in Polk county, at the following places: Dallas, Lewiston and Independence. He came to Brownsville in 1910 and has preached in practically all of the Linn county towns. Something of the scope of the life work of this veteran soldier of the cross is realized when we name over the list of Oregon towns wherein he has preached the gospel. The list is as follows:

Junction City, Lebanon, Brownsville, Halsey, Holey, Crawfordville, Waterloo, Jacksonville, Kirby, Selma, Grants

WORK PERFORMED BY ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE REVIEWED

Jail Sentences of 10,000 Days and Fines of \$20,000 Imposed; Complaints Investigated

Ten thousand days have been served in jail, and \$20,000 imposed in fines in the courts of Oregon during the last 12 months as a result of the activities of the two state agents of the Oregon Anti-Saloon league. This is a result of 1000 complaints which the league has received during the year, according to W. J. Herwig, superintendent.

The report shows 150 raids were made, 100 stills confiscated and destroyed and 100 convictions secured. In addition a large number of cases are still pending in the courts. Herwig estimates that his agents have destroyed \$10,000 worth of bootleggers' and moonshiners' property during the year. The number of gallons of liquor confiscated and turned over to the courts is not known.

HELPS LAW ENFORCEMENT The main object of the Anti-Saloon league is to create a wholesome public sentiment for law enforcement. The association will hold its session at the Multnomah hotel, closing Tuesday with a trip over the Columbia river highway and a dinner at Columbia Gorge hotel.

Public tax funds which pay the expenses of publicly employed dry agents cannot be spent as liberally as the funds of the league. Whenever it is necessary for a government, county or city official to make a few purchases of liquor in order to secure the necessary court evidence, the case is invariably turned over to Anti-Saloon league agents, as they are able to get the necessary funds.

League agents are also allowed to hire special help for a short time, whenever an investigation must be made.

Herwig has also found that his office is receiving more complaints than public prosecutors, because his agents have refused to divulge the source of their information. Some embarrassing court situations have been caused as a result of public officials revealing the name of their informant, he said.

Conferences have been held with district attorneys, sheriffs, mayors and local organizations, in almost every county in the state to secure cooperation in a campaign of law enforcement and to stimulate officials to pursue violators of the prohibition law more vigorously.

This department of law enforcement has also been conducting a campaign to secure the cooperation of judges in pronouncing sentences.

FINES LIKE LICENSES "Believing that a mere fine is only a cheap license, we have been urging judges to impose a heavy jail sentence," Herwig said. "The results have been exceedingly gratifying, as judges all over the state are now giving heavy jail sentences."

The league is cooperating with our department at Washington in the passage of the bill extending national prohibition to every American in all countries where the United States is represented. This will prevent any American from engaging in the liquor business in China, Japan and all other countries where our government is represented. The passage of this bill will be a tremendous victory. The national league, through its legislative department at Washington, is seeking to secure additional national law enforcement legislation, materially strengthening the Volstead law, in which we are also cooperating."

WILL KEEP UP WORK Asked as to how long the work of the Anti-Saloon league would continue in Oregon, Herwig said it would be as long as there is any vestige of the liquor traffic left.

The legal and law enforcement work in the Pacific coast states is headed by Captain Frank E. Ebbert of Washington, D. C., who assisted in framing the Volstead act. Captain Ebbert will be in Oregon beginning September 18, and will spend several months holding conferences in every county seat throughout the state. The conference will be held in the afternoons, with community meetings at night. All county and city officers and those interested in law and order will be invited to these meetings. The purpose of the conference is to discuss the Volstead act, and to get the people and law enforcement officers together in a cooperative campaign in each county.

DIRECTOR DAVIS WAS NOT ADVISED

Substitution of Powder River for Deschutes Project Was in Advance of Engineers' Report.

When Director Davis of the reclamation service recommended substitution of the Powder River for the Deschutes irrigation project he did so in advance of a report by the board of engineers appointed for investigation. Nor was he actuated by any recommendation from the board.

This controversial point was cleared up Saturday by a statement from D. C. Henry, consulting engineer of the reclamation service and a member of the board. He said: "The board of engineers' report to the federal power commission on the use of Deschutes water was released on September 8. A careful study of the main body of the report, and of its synopsis and recommendations, shows that the board has interpreted its instructions broadly, and that it recommends a definite division of Deschutes water remaining available under state withdrawal between future irrigation, power and industrial uses."

So far as is concerned the use for irrigation, the board did not go beyond the scope of its instructions, and therefore did not express any views on the agencies through which the work of irrigation storage and distribution might be carried out. It, however, supplied facts and opinions which might be helpful.

Changes Made by Legion in Plans to Finish New Home

Vancouver, Wash., Sept. 17.—The executive committee of the American Legion has changed the plans for furnishing the lounge. Oak flooring is to be used instead of a carpet and oak flooring will also be used in the ladies' room. The balance of the floors will be of maple. The lounge when completed will be one of the most attractive in the Northwest.

An electric range valued at \$350 has been donated by the Portland Railway, Light & Power company for use in the Legion building kitchen. The opening date is set for October 15 and Lieutenant Governor "Wee" Coyle has assured the local post that he will be present. Many other state dignitaries and officers of the Legion are planning to attend the opening.

The Vancouver Woman's club has volunteered to furnish the ladies' room and the furnishings have been selected. The woman's auxiliary of the Legion will furnish the kitchen and banquet room and dishes and silverware bearing the Legion emblem are on the way from the East.

"This is a community undertaking," said Louis James, "and citizens should acquaint themselves with the benefit of joining the club and be prepared when the drive begins to respond promptly."

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Mrs. J. P. Robertson Dies After Three Months' Illness

Following an illness of three months, Mrs. Jessie Park Robertson, wife of George W. Robertson, paymaster of the Portland Railway, Light & Power company, died of heart disease at the family residence, 640 East Taylor street, at 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon.

Prior to her marriage to Mr. Robertson, 10 years ago, she had taught in the Portland public schools for several years, principally at the Williams avenue and Eliot schools, and had hosts of friends in the city.

Mrs. Robertson was 42 years of age and had passed most of her life in this city. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Park, both of whom are dead.

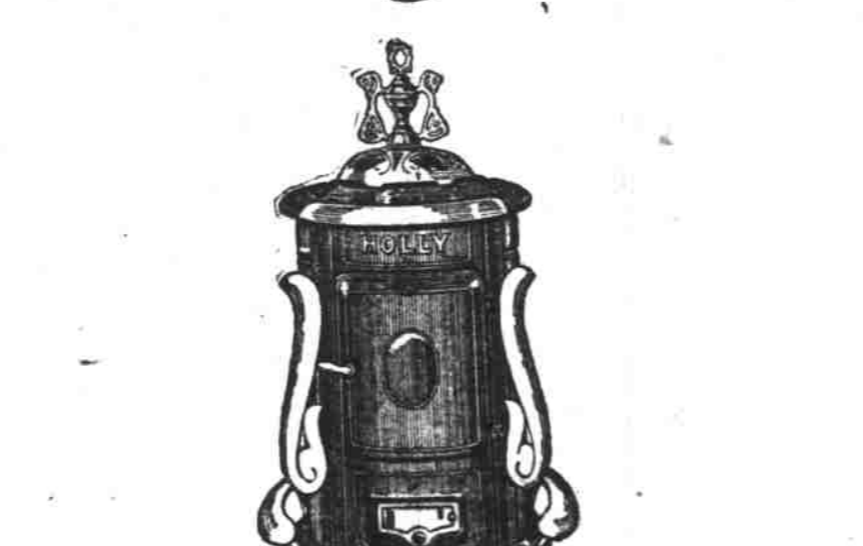
Besides her husband and daughter, Jean, aged 8, Mrs. Robertson is survived by two sisters, Mrs. James Beggs and Jean Park McCracken of Portland and a brother, James Park of Seattle. Funeral services will be held from the Finley undertaking parlors either Monday or Tuesday.

Farmers' Directory Issued; 1615 Names Contained in Work

The first directory of Multnomah county farmers ever compiled has been issued by the Farmers' Directory company of this city. The booklet contains 1615 names, with address, number of acres owned, renters, legal description, assessed valuation, distance and direction from the nearest town and the principal products of the farm.

Other directories are being compiled for the other counties of the state and a survey of Clackamas county has just been completed. The booklet also contains the names of county officers, farm organizations, lists of poultry raisers and stock breeders and other articles of interest to the farmers of this district.

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