

**SOUTH SALEM
ALL IN WOODS**

**This Period Recalled by
Mrs. Ohmart; Only
One Fence Then**

"I remember when the country was all timber and open land from the top of the present south Salem hill to town and there was only one fence in the whole thing. I remember that fence very well because my brother used to come to meet me as I was coming home from school and I would climb on that rail fence to get on his horse."

This and many other interesting facts about Salem were recalled by Mrs. Valida Ohmart who is 76 years of age and has spent all of her life in and near Salem. Mrs. Ohmart was the daughter of Fabritus Smith who with Joseph Waldo, came to Oregon in 1846. The two young men crossed the plains alone as they could travel much faster than the immigrant trains.

The Smith land extended from what is now McGilchrist street south to Pringle creek, east to 12th street and west to the hill opposite the Jefferson road. Mr. Smith married Virginia Pringle who had crossed the plains about the same time.

Mrs. Ohmart recalls that her father told of the wonderful pasture grass he found here. Much of the land was timbered but the Indians had kept the underbrush burned off and the grass was saddle high as he rode through it caring for his cattle.

Small crops of grain were raised but most of the time was devoted to raising sheep and cattle. A ready market was found for meat and wool and horse raising was also popular as good horses were always in demand.

One of the interesting tales of pioneer life recalled by Mrs. Ohmart was the story of Chief M. Quinaby, the Indian for whom the Quinaby section is named. Chief Quinaby was a great friend of the whites and was always sure of a warm welcome when he visited their homes. On Thanksgiving day 1878 he visited several homes and was treated to a Thanksgiving feast at each home. He ate everything offered and enjoyed it greatly. His parting word always was that he would be back at Christmas. However, the feast was too much for him and late that night his wife called at the Smith home and asked that they get a doctor for her husband who was very ill. He died later in the night.

THE BUILDER



ROBERT J. HENDRICKS
Editor, *The Oregon Statesman*, 1884-1928

**Statesman's Growth
Directed by Hendricks**

FOR over 40 years R. J. Hendricks carried the responsibility for the editorial and business policy of *The Statesman*. During that period the paper developed amazingly and became a potent influence in the development of the city, the Willamette valley and the state. For his vigorous policy of expansion and growth, Mr. Hendricks well deserves the title of "The Builder".

The publishing property itself grew under his control. The newspaper, first a four-page daily, became larger and better in every respect. The plant was kept up mechanically, always ahead of the times in its equipment. Other publications were added: Northwest Poultry Journal, Pacific Homestead, Oregon Teachers Monthly.

Under Mr. Hendricks *The Statesman* became a vigorous

force for community development. Industry, agriculture, civic improvement all were fostered by the progressive, optimistic efforts of Hendricks and *The Statesman*.

In 1928 Mr. Hendricks retired from active connection with *The Statesman*, but continues his friendly interest and daily contribution to its pages.

Born May 6, 1863, in Polk county, Mr. Hendricks learned the printing trade in Roseburg and Eugene. At 17 he was editor and manager of the Roseburg Plaindealer. He worked at the printing trade during his three

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years' course at the state university, and in 1884 worked as hand compositor in the Standard office in Portland. In 1884 he came to *The Statesman*.

From 1893 to 1895 Mr. Hendricks served as superintendent of the Oregon state reform school. From July, 1898, to September, 1899, he was appraiser at the customs office in Portland. He has served as supervisor of the census in 1900, 1910 and 1930.

He was married in 1888 to Miss Emilie Giesy. They make their home at the Roberts apartments, Salem.

**Marion County
Boys Rise High
In Legal Work**

Men referred to in Justice Chadwick's article became lead-

ers at the bar as these excerpts show:

"Proud of our boys—Messrs. S. J. Chadwick, Whitney Boise, and Wallace Mount of the law class of 1885, are all Marion county boys, the latter's home being at Silverton, and two former having been raised at Salem. They are three of the brightest members of the class, and Marion county feels justly proud of her boys."—*Statesman*, Oct. 9, 1885.

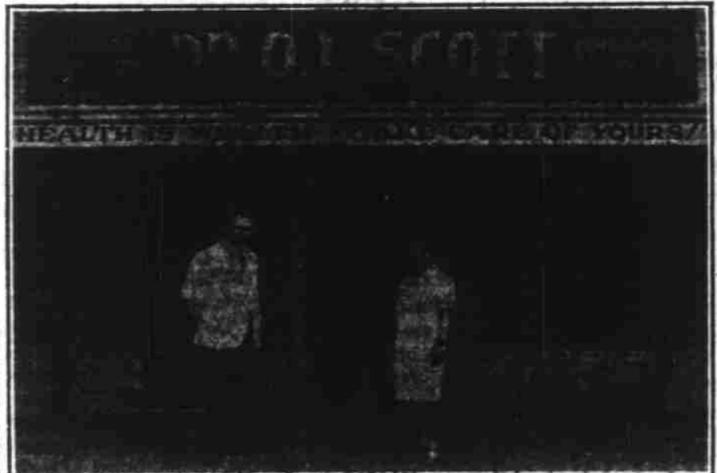
Of the group Chadwick, Mount and Fullerton became justices of the Washington supreme court. Boise became a prominent citizen of Portland, a leader in northwest development. Mount and Boise have passed on. Fullerton is still on the Washington bench. Chadwick has written an interesting article for this issue, telling of his boyhood days in Salem.

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