

Looks Back on Half Century

Hendricks Tells Chamber Of Early Times; Fears Faith Lacking Now

Sketches of early Salem and developments within his 51 1/2 years here were presented by R. J. Hendricks, for more than 40 years editor and manager of The Statesman and now editor emeritus, to the chamber of commerce luncheon assembly yesterday noon.

Hendrick was introduced by C. P. Bishop, another veteran resident of the city, who credited Hendricks with saving the Thomas Kay woolen mill to Salem after the disastrous fire before 1890.

Hendricks touched upon this fire also, telling how the townspeople there less than 30 in number, raised a \$20,000 subsidy for the mill, thus insuring it to the future.

"I don't believe you could raise a \$20,000 subsidy here now, though the people are just as good as they were then and there are many more of you," Hendricks declared, to add that he felt this to be due to an unfounded lack of faith in the future.

Recalls Some "Firsts"

Some historical bits from his talk:

On January 1, 1888, was driven the first spike for the first street railway, powered by horses and mules. The spike went in on the west side of State and Commercial.

The first street paving came in 1907 at the southwest corner of Commercial and Chemeketa.

There were no typewriters and no stenographers in Salem when Hendricks came; he and Joe Albert owned the first typewriters.

In 1884 the incorporate limits of the city were between North and South mill creek and the Willamette river. The city was beautiful, with wide downtown streets, many shade trees and comfortable homes.

The old elevated bicycle was just going out 50 years ago, and the present day model coming in. A bicycle path from Salem to Aurora was in use.

Ferry Built 1886

The first wagon bridge across the Willamette was built in 1886—prior to that time a ferry was used. Two bridges have been built since.

The first cannery was built near the first wagon bridge and is now the California Packing corporation property. R. S. Wallace, father of Paul Wallace, was active for both bridge and cannery.

The first "black top" streets went in in 1907, a three-block job; now Salem has nearly 150 lineal miles of pavement.

Hendricks recalled that he made some of his bitterest enemies as an editor when The Statesman urged a departure from the pioneer custom of letting pigs, cows and poultry run at large.

He pointed to Salem's historical importance as the center of the beginning of settlement west of the Rockies through arrival here in October, 1834, of Jason Lee and his missionary party.

Santiam District Convention Held

STAYTON, Jan. 6.—The Santiam district Sunday schools held their regular quarterly convention Sunday at the Stayton Methodist church.

The theme for the day was "In His Service." The morning session consisted of the study of the regular Sunday school lesson, followed by the sermon which was delivered by Rev. Ralph Kileen, pastor of the local M. E. church who spoke on "The Open Door."

A basket luncheon at noon in the church dining room was enjoyed by a large group of local folks and visitors from neighboring Sunday schools.

At 1:15 a song service was led by Felix Wright, after which Rev. W. H. Lyman, pastor of the Stayton Church of Christ, led the devotional service. Harry Monroe of Mehama, president of the district, presided over the business session, which convened at 2 o'clock.

The banners were awarded to the Sunday schools of the Roseburg Friends church, preaching the sermon. His subject was "Service," following out the theme for the convention. The next convention will be held at the Aumsville Christian church, the first Sunday in April.

Invalidation of AAA Applauded by Hewlett

Invalidation of the national AAA act met with the approval yesterday of County Commissioner Hewlett. "I predicted eight weeks ago at the walnut marketing code meeting that the federal act would be invalidated," Hewlett declared. "I have never thought the crop regulation program sound. In the walnut industry we have taken much lower prices the last two years under the marketing agreement than we did before."

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Crowds View Storm's Havoc at Coast

More People There Than Any Time Since Labor Day Seawalls, Wharves, Some Houses Hit

Many hundreds of people journeyed to the coast Sunday to observe the damage done by the storms of preceding days. The ocean was still turbulent, with waves rolling high and the surf churned with foam. The wind had subsided so the day was calm and visibility good until late afternoon when rain began falling.

At the mouth of Devil's lake ocean foam was piled back of the driftwood like drifted snow. At Nelscott the worst damage. The ocean along the ocean front. The pounding waves of Saturday tore out portions of the seawall and tossed logs and timbers against many houses and yard walls of rubble. Most of the houses escaped much damage, but two or three were harmed considerably. Huge logs and timbers were left in yards on top of the seawall.

At the mouth of Siletz bay near Taft a considerable field of floating logs and debris could be seen, waves tossing the logs like tooth-picks as they rolled in.

The ocean was choppy in Depoe bay, and inside the little cove behind the bridge the stairway and little wharf where deepsea boats land, had been washed out. Eating houses along the coast were overrun with business Sunday, which was quite unexpected. It was the heaviest influx since Labor day. Many who own houses along the coast were concerned over possible damage and undertook to set things in order where damage was found. Others were attracted by reports and desirous of seeing the ocean during a winter storm. On Saturday when most of the damage was done visibility was poor because of the rain and clouds.

Local Government Survey Scheduled

Detailed information regarding administration of local government in Oregon and the financial practices of cities and counties will be assembled in a statewide survey to be made by the bureau of municipal research of the University of Oregon, it was announced Monday by V. B. Stannery, executive secretary of the Oregon State Planning Board, and by Herman Kehrl, director of the university bureau. Salem and Marion county will be included in the survey.

The project, which has the approval of the state planning board, has been allotted \$23,082 from the WPA. Mr. Kehrl will have charge of the work, which calls for employment of 49 statisticians, accountants, five typists and secretaries, one attorney and two draftsmen. In addition to supervision by Mr. Kehrl and other staff members of the bureau, three non-relief field accountants will be employed.

Workers on the project will be sent to every county in the state to compile information on municipal debt, current receipts and disbursements, administrative organization, services rendered and personnel employed. Local government records will be examined, officials will be interviewed, and the data assembled on a uniform basis so that all municipalities can be compared.

Eckerlen Building Lease Deal Is Off

Negotiations for lease of the Eckerlen building on North Liberty street to Montgomery-Ward & Co., were declared at an end yesterday by representatives of the estate which owns the property. Negotiations went on over an eight-month period and at one time an arrangement was worked out whereby the store company, on a 30-year lease, would raze the present building and erect one for its own use, lease payments being applied to the amortization of the cost of the structure. However, the lease embodying this tentative deal was never consummated.

Representatives of the Eckerlen estate yesterday said several local firms and some chain stores were interested in taking a lease on their property here and declared they expected negotiations for a lease would be completed by January 31. At that time Shipley's, which has occupied the building for many years, will terminate its present lease and take new quarters in the Moore building on Court street.

Delzell to Speak At Demo Session

W. A. Delzell, well known Salem democrat now with the department of internal revenue in Portland, is to be the principal speaker here Friday night, January 10, when the Marion County Democratic society meets for the first time this year in the circuit court rooms here.

The meeting called for 8 p. m. and the public, apart from members of the society, is invited to attend. George Custer of Silverton, president of the society, will preside.

Young Democrats are to meet here Wednesday night at the hotel to participate in concurrent nationally held banquets on Jackson day. They will hear an address by radio from President Roosevelt.

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CCC Riot Threat Is Later Quieted

Quieted by the arrival of their commandant, the CCC recruits from Black Rock, who had threatened a riot in the city hall early Sunday morning, raised \$10 to bail out one of their number, C. M. Kinney, charged with being drunk, and headed for camp.

Municipal Judge A. Warren Jones permitted the CCC group objecting to Kinney's arrest to set 10 a.m. Saturday at the time for his trial, if he chooses to deny having been drunk.

The protests of a score or more of the more than 100 CCC men over Kinney's arrest assumed near riot proportions about 1:30 a.m. Sunday but became less violent after all available night shift policemen had been called to headquarters.

Arrest Dozen in Traffic Checkup

A dozen motorists' names appeared on police or municipal court records here yesterday as the result of traffic safety campaign activities of the police force. Arrests and penalties were opposed were recorded as follows:

Speeding—Vernon N. McKibbin, Airlie, \$5 fine; Robert I. Palmer, \$15 South 21st street, \$5 fine; Sarah J. Peterson, 235 West Wilson, \$5 fine; J. H. McMillan, Portland, \$5 fine; J. Saling, West Salem, \$5 fine; Thomas W. Kirk, Lebanon, \$5 bail; Paul Bendele, Reedsport, \$5 bail; Richard F. Keller, Corvallis; Paul L. Jones, route four.

Failing to stop—Lola M. L. Russell, route two, \$2.50; Herman Kroepin, 1190 Jefferson street, \$2.50 fine.

Parking overtime—Claude Martin, \$1.50 fine.

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