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PIONEER PRINTER RETIRES



LEBANON-Setting his last stick of type after 56 years in the newspaper business, William K. Brownlow made his retire-ment effective last Friday. During his final eight years he was shop foreman and operator at Van's Print Shop, Lebanon. His career began in 1898 on a pioneer paper in Prosser, Wash

worked on the Southwest Oregon Daily News at Coos Bay, was em-ployed at the Lebanon Express in the early 40's, and following World War II had charge of the shop at the Coos Bay Times. A veteran of the first world war, Brownlow served as an offi-cer, and this interval marks the only time in his career when he was "out" of the newspaper busi-ness. Veteran Printer, Writer of Mrs. Brownlow has an inter-esting hobby, that of amateur astronomy and telescope build-ing. She was the first woman in Oregon to make a telescope. Lebanon Takes Retirement

LEBANON-Retired this week ness," he recalls. "The publisher LEBANON-Retired this week after 56 years in the newspaper field as publisher, editor and printer is William K. Brownlow. He shut off his linotype for the last time on Jan. 29 at Van's Frint shop where he has worked since 1945 as operator and fore-man of the shop. "I intend to take a long rest, work around our home in Soda-ville, do some free lance writ-ing, and devote more time to bird study which has long been my Through an instrument of her own design, she studies the heav-ens and has written occasional articles for astronomy publica-"We have much in common, "We have much in common, and we plan to collaborate on free lance writing now that I have time," said the retiring newspaper man. "Our hobbies

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Cavalry as regimental printer, serving in the army of occupa-tion. He was post printer at Stot-senberg and was transferred to Corregidor during the building of the formed fort study which has long been my hobby," said Brownlow. Boopy, said Browniow, Born at Wenatchee, Wash., Feb. 16, 1885, he began his ca-reer at the age of 13 as a "print-er's devil" on the old Prosser

of the famed fort. Again in the States there fol-lowed a wide variety of newspa-per experiences in the middle west and mountain states. It was in South Dakota that he married Miss Betsy M. Howard. They came Record, then owned and pub-lished by W. A. Maxwell, a pio-neer newspaperman of the North-

west. "The Record was hand set and was printed on a Washington hand press," Brownlow observes. "There were five of us Brown-low boys and we all started at the to Oregon in 1921, settling in Sodaville where Mrs. Brownlow had relatives.

low boys and we all started at the bottom in the printing trade and worked up. Our father, W. H. Brownlow, divided his time be-tween mining and newspaper work, and when he bought the Prosser Record, my brother and I operated the business." Later, W. H. Brownlow & Sons started The Independent at Chewelah, Wash, where the elder

Chewelah, Wash, where the elder Brownlow had mining interests. Branching out on his own, young William Brownlow started

papers at Tonasket, Springdale, and a number of other Washington towns. "In those days the small town

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hewspaper man. Our hobbies too, will be a source of much en-joyment. She has her stars to study, and I shall have my birds. This is a time we have looked forward to for many years."

The Brownlows have two sons Jason J. Brownlow of Portland, who is a bookbinder in the Mult-

nomah county library, and Orval K. Brownlow of Coos Bay,

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Academy of Music, where he now holds the post of professor. A noted pianist and harpsichordist noted planist and harpsichordist as well as a conductor, he has served as chief coach and as-sistan conductor at the Zurich State Opera, and has conducted State Opera, and has conducted the Vienna Symphony Orchestra and the Orchestra of Radio Vienna in addition to his own or-chestra. Mr. Rapf has recorded for both the Haydn Society and Vanguard.

Roal Schwaiger, coloratura so-prano of the Munich State Opera and the Vienna State Opera, sang in the first post-war Salzburg Festival. Among her most fam-our operatic roles are Gilda in "Rigoletto," Sophie in "Rosen-kavalier" and Rosina in "The Barber of Seville" and she is

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