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THE OLD SOLDIERS and early pioneers have come and gone. We have tried to make their stay here a pleasant one, and will be glad to see all of them back again, but the next re-union held here will show many vacancies in their lowering ranks. The three days spent on our camp grounds in West Bandon were spent in merrymaking. The old frontier days and the old army days were again brought back, and the many stories and speeches by the pioneers and veterans brought back vivid memories of the many days of hardship and toil. As they gathered around the camp fires, the flames throwing rays of light on their whitened locks and bent figures, one cannot help but think what they have accomplished for us. But for them who paved the way for the brilliant futures of many, and what would this country be now? Would we be enjoying our present prosperity? We have a speech made by one of the early pioneers that gives an insight to the many experiences of the frontier days; experiences that even many of the old pioneers were unaware of. We will publish this speech in the near future, and can state it is of intense historical interest and should be read by every subscriber. Reminiscences and customs by the earliest arrivals in this country, that are not remembered by many of those that came later, are fully portrayed.

THE NEW STREET improvement on Atwater street will continue without further difficulty, now that the council have allowed money out of the general fund for the planing. There has been much said on both sides regarding this improvement, and there has been undoubtedly a misunderstanding. The town board only want to do the right thing and are acting in their capacity to the best of their ability. According to the old charter they might have been responsible for any litigation that might have come up over the amount appropriated, and it was for this reason that the work has been retarded. This leads us to remark on the advisability of the new city charter that is now being prepared by Judge Topping. It will do away with many of the old clauses that are holding the better interests of the town back, among which is that of restraining the city officials of the privilege of granting franchises.

EX-SENATOR F. W. MULKEY, of Portland, accompanied by Orvil Dodge of Coquille, was in Bandon this last week looking up prospects for a re-election. He assisted Mr. Dodge greatly in securing the appropriation for the harbor and jetty purposes here, and is interested in the work now being done. He tells us that he is of the opinion that a dredger could work here at all times and that the conditions are not such as to prevent its working at any time, as in some places. He was elected to fill the vacancy in 1906, and did not have any opposition on the Democratic ticket. While at present there is very little doing along the line of politics, it is essential that we look to a man who takes kindly to our harbor improvements, to represent us in the halls of Congress. Mr. Mulkey will have plenty of opposition in the Republican ranks this year. Wm. Cake and Senator Fulton both have their eyes upon that seat in Washington, and Gov. Chamberlain is looking to his Republican friends to hand him the same bouquet of votes he has received in the two previous elections. Senator Fulton is confident of election, so much so that he will not make much of an active effort to gain the plum. This is not the first visit of Mr. Mulkey, as he spent a few days in this country several years ago.

J. H. UPTON IN LAST WEEK'S Tribune, sees fit to score us on our views of the telegrapher's strike. Our sympathies are, always have been, and probably always will be, with the working man—the man that makes the nation what it is, that is incentive to lining the pockets of the magnates of today, and who voice a sentiment stronger than the millions controlled by the wealthy. But we do say, that when five thousand men, or such a matter, can control the telegraph system of this nation, by refusing to work, not only discommoding their employers, which is a minor part, but the millions depend of the service from these lines, practically for their daily bread then something should be done, and at once to relieve this congestion. The national ownership of such enterprises becomes apparent. A compromise by higher authorities that is final should take place. Both sides show little signs of relenting and daily the signs of discord becomes greater. A Kansas city building belonging to the Telegraph company was burned this past week, and should affairs continue in this manner, much more destruction will result. See what San Francisco was during the recent strike, when plumbers demanded the exorbitant sum of nine dollars a day, then eight hours, and teamsters elked a living from prices akin to highway robbery. A little business is being transacted over the wires at present. A few press dispatches are allowed to go through. Many of the operators are returning to their keys, but the prevailing strike element are making trouble not only for themselves, but for all. A new invention has been recently placed on the market that does away with expert telegraphers. It is a plan of a type writer that perforates a tape which, when run through a sending machine, will send messages faster and more correctly than by hand. The receiver is another machine that writes the message on a specially constructed typewriter. Can a body of men stand against such an invention?

THE SUNDAY'S ISSUE of the Coos Bay Times blossoms out with an editorial referring to articles that have been published from time to time by this paper, and others, relative as to why certain individuals situated at the Bay, use their little hammers in a very detrimental manner at Bandon and the Coquille Valley. The article shows that such feelings are not sanctioned by that paper and the better class on the Bay, and here's thanks for it. If our rustling commercial bodies, new enterprises, and large number of new buildings do not bespeak a little observation now and then, what would? We reprint, following, a portion of the article:

The Bandon RECORDER has been complaining that some of the Bay real estate agents have endeavored to persuade visitors and investors who visit the Bay from going to Bandon and Coquille. The Coquille Sentinel also intimates that it has long been aware that such an attitude is taken by some of the Bay real estate men. This is certainly a surprise to us and we could hardly credit it if the charge did not come from so respectable a source. Why a Coos Bay man should knock Bandon or Coquille, or why a Coquille, Myrtle Point, or Bandon man should knock Coos Bay, is past the comprehension of the Times.

And in the metropolis of Southwestern Oregon we do not believe there is a man who can be considered above the grade of an idiot who does not know that "Bandon-by-the-Sea" is the greatest sea-side resort in the state of Oregon. It is just what the metropolis needs in its

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Whoever heard of a real estate agent in Coos Bay with as little brain capacity as a codfish, and yet, if any agent of this metropolis ever tried to belittle Coquille, it must be admitted that his brain capacity is much less than that of a codfish. Even a codfish couldn't do that. The Coquille valley is the garden spot of Coos county. Coquille and Myrtle Point are its two beautiful and active market towns. The valley of the Nile and the low lands of Folland are not more fertile. Broad and beautiful are the bottoms which have made their farmers rich. Better fruit and vegetables are not produced anywhere else. The Coquille river, up which the tide flows from Bandon to Myrtle Point, past the historic and happy homes of Coquille City, ebbs again from Myrtle Point through Coquille to Bandon, and steamboats of no mean capacity carry their products up and down. The railroad, too, from Myrtle Point through Coquille reaches Coos Bay where the larger ships of the sea sail in and out. Bandon is only thirty miles from Coos Bay, Coquille only twenty, and Myrtle Point only twenty-six. Great is Bandon the Beautiful. Great are Coquille and Myrtle Point, and great is Coos Bay. Greater still are they all destined to be and rapidly will that greatness develop if all unite and work in fraternal harmony for one another.

Celebrate Their Diamond Wedding.

McMinnville, Or., Aug. 31.—Mr. and Mrs. Daniel S. Holman, of this city, are celebrating the sixtieth anniversary of their wedding today. The couple has lived at McMinnville a full half century, and both are pioneers who crossed the prairie by ox team. They have nine children, all living, the youngest of whom is 48 years of age. Eight of them, with 28 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren, are gathered here for the celebration. The children are: W. D. Holman and Walter Holman, of McMinnville; Woodford Holman, of Bandon, Coos Co.; Glen O. Holman, of Dallas, Or.; John E. Holman, of Los Angeles; Roswell Holman of Oregon City; Mrs. W. B. Turner, of McMinnville, and Mrs. Harry Watkins of Idaho.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Holman were born in Tennessee. Mr. Holman crossed the plains in 1843, and Mrs. Holman then Martha E. Burnett, came, with her father C. O. Burnett, in 1846. They were married in Polk County by the late Dr. James McBride, August 31, 1847.

Dr. J. G. Goble the well known Optician of Medford will visit Bandon during Sept. Dates given later.

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