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## EARLY EVENTS.

### Things Of Interest Bearing on Pioneer Days in Oregon.

Each June it is the custom with the pioneers of this state to hold a picnic or re-union at Brownsville, and these occasions are of more than ordinary interest. At the picnic recently held W. E. Yates, of this city, made the principal address, and through the courtesy of the gentleman we are permitted to print excerpts from the speech. The address was quite lengthy, but unusually good, and were it not for the fact that it was largely devoted to the particular locality in which the re-union was held, and the people of that section, it would be a pleasure to print it entire. The following taken from the address will be found of general interest:

"As a matter of history and study, it is, indeed, pleasing to me to read the doings of the earliest pioneers and revel in the beautiful stories woven about the first occurrences in Oregon history. For instance, to know that the first marriage of whites in Oregon occurred in the year 1837; that the first party of settlers came from Peoria, Ill., in 1835; that in 1854 the first bees were brought across the plains; that the first brass band was organized in 1849; the first cattle arrived in 1835; the first cider was manufactured in 1854; the first circus held in 1852; the first lodge of Masons was organized in 1848; the first white twins were born in 1857; the first law passed by the first legislature of Oregon, in the year 1854, was a liquor prohibition law; the first hanging was of an Indian in 1813; the first physician came in 1814; the first school taught outside the mission was in Corvallis, the present location of the Oregon Agricultural College of Oregon; the first sermon preached in 1834 by Rev. Jason Lee; the first grist mill was built in 1834; the first convert in the same year; the first white to cross the Rockies and reach the Pacific Coast north of the Columbia, was Col. Alexander McKenzie, the first woman to cross the plains were Mrs. Whitman and Mrs. Spaulding. These, I say, and many other historic incidents, concurrent and subsequent, are quite interesting to us younger ones, as a matter of study, yet a detailed discussion of such would be inappropriate at this time.

You pioneers were a company of home-seekers and home-builders. A great deal has been said and written about your usefulness to the United States government in securing it the Pacific Northwest territory by your settlement and occupation of Oregon at a time when the title of this country was in doubt and dispute, yet I believe the purpose of yourselves in coming to the Willamette Valley was to find a place to make a home for yourselves, and having found the place, to build up a home and maintain it.

"The incidental effect was that through your early settlement of the Oregon country the United States government was enabled to secure title to it by treaty, June 15, 1846; yet you, pioneers, crossed the plains not for this purpose. All you did was with the principal object of establishing a home for yourselves and your families. You established schools, they were but an accessory, you founded religious institutions, they were but helps to the morals and society; you adopted a form of government, this was for the purpose of protecting your homes and property.

"You, no doubt, were patriotic and in full sympathy with the government at Washington, and wished that it might be successful in its diplomatic dealings with Great Britain, in reference to Oregon territory, still, uppermost in

your minds was the security of the homes you had instituted.

"Neither were any of you home-seekers merely adventurous gold seekers. If any of you visited the mines, you went to get capital to improve your home. You reared your log cabin, you enclosed it with fence, you planted orchards, you dug the well, you stored the kitchen with necessities, provided cows for the butter and milk, then left the care of the primitive home to the care of the good wife and children while you became freighters of bacon and flour to Yerka, or other mining towns, or became a laborer in the mines themselves, with pick and shovel for the gold you hoped to expend in improving the conditions of that little home, where the good wife kept warm the hearthstone."

The above contains much that is worthy of remembrance, and the entire address was of a nature to appeal directly to the hearts of Oregon's early pioneers.

## Is No More.

Saturday at 10 o'clock from the M. E. church occurred the funeral of the late Thomas Starns, who died at 4:20 Thursday afternoon. Revs. Noble, John Reeves, Belknap, Feese and Bush, of Corvallis, took part in the services, at the church, the sermon being delivered by Rev. J. L. Jones, of Amity, an old friend of the deceased. There were many beautiful floral offerings, and at Crystal Lake cemetery, where interment took place, the newly made grave was literally hidden beneath the roses and vines placed on it by loving hands.

Thomas Starns was a native of Green county, Tenn., where he first saw the light of day on August 7, 1825. At the time of his death he was aged 79 years, nine months and 22 days.

He was married to Miss Susan Lewis in Platt county, Missouri, May 30, 1848. To them eleven children were born, of which eight survive. Deceased resided alternately in Indiana, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, New Mexico, California and different sections of Oregon. In 1876 he crossed the plains to Oregon by mule team, residing for a time in Southern and later in Eastern Oregon. For seven years he resided near Monroe, moving to Corvallis a year ago last April. Mr. Starns was licensed to preach in 1871, and served for six years as missionary at the Klamath Indian agency, where he was highly esteemed by the red men.

"Grandfather" Starns as he was familiarly called by many, was beloved by an unusually large circle of friends. His life was above reproach, and an example well worthy of emulation.

The survivors are, the widow, and the following children: Mrs. Maggie Browning, Lane county; Mrs. M. T. Starr, Corvallis; J. D. Starns, Crook Co.; John Starns, Albany; Mrs. Emma Macnab, Rutus, Oregon; Mrs. Belle Cochran, Walla Walla, Wash.; O. B. Starns, Thorp, Wash., and Mrs. William Deweese, Dixie, Wash.

## Feel Impending Doom.

The feeling of impending doom in the minds of many victims of Bright's disease and diabetes has been changed to thankfulness by the benefit derived from taking Foley's Kidney Cure. It will cure incipient Bright's disease and diabetes and even in worst cases gives comfort and relief. Slight disorders are cured in a few days. "I had diabetes in the worst form," writes Marion Lee of Dunreath, Ind. "I tried eight physicians without relief. Only three bottles of Foley's Kidney Cure made me a well man." For sale at Graham & Wortham's drug store.

## A Bad Scare.

Some day you will get a bad scare, when you feel a pain in your bowels, and fear appendicitis. Safety lies in Dr. King's New Life Pills, a sure cure, for all bowels and stomach diseases, such as headache, biliousness, costiveness, etc. Guaranteed at Allen & Woodward's drug store, only 25c. Try them.

## WERE IN LEAD.

### Corvallis and Independence Set the Pace at Fair.

Barring an accident to one section of the train of 26 coaches bearing Corvallis and Independence citizens to Portland last Thursday, the day set aside for them at the Exposition, everything passed off according to arrangements previously made. By this mishap the excursionists arrived in Portland about an hour later than was originally planned.

Our people speak most highly of everything in connection with the trip, from start to finish, and of the Fair itself. That our people did grand is not to be doubted as the following account from the Oregonian of Friday will show:

In the good-natured but nevertheless intense rivalry that has developed among the Oregon cities in sending the largest attendance to the Exposition and Portland, Corvallis and Independence are far in the lead, as yesterday they established a record that will stand intact for many days. As nearly as could be estimated, more than 25 per cent of the population of Corvallis and Independence, including men, women and children, was in attendance at the Exposition yesterday. It is stated that there were fully 2,500 people from Polk and Benton counties.

On Wednesday Salem eclipsed all previous records of Oregon towns, furnishing 2000 visitors, about 10 per cent of the entire population, but it remained for Corvallis and Independence to come to the front with a percentage more than double that of the Capital City. At the Salem day exercises several of the speakers told of the enthusiasm that had been aroused, adding that they sincerely hoped that the other Oregon towns would follow the example of the Capital City. Salem sent a special train of 18 coaches to Portland, but it took 26 coaches to hold Corvallis and Independence and Benton and Polk County visitors, and even then the seats were all occupied, many of the excursionists being obliged to stand during the entire trip. The regular trains were also crowded. The Salem visitors who remained over were amazed at the turnout of Corvallis and Independence, but they say the Exposition is still young, and that before it is over they will be to the front once more.

The special train bearing the Benton and Polk County contingents arrived in Portland yesterday morning at 9:30 o'clock, the excursionists alighting at the Fourth-street station. The train looked more like a high float than a string of railway coaches, as the cars were literally covered with banners and streamers of all colors, and descriptions, on which was printed paragraphs telling of the products, factories, population, public institutions, educational advantages etc., of the Benton and Polk County cities. In fact, the banners were so varied and so numerous that there was nothing missing that would have added to the credit of either of the cities represented.

One of the banners was several hundred feet in length, and it is said to be the largest streamer ever in Portland. It required 55 cadets of the Oregon Agricultural College to carry it. When the cadets were crossing the Bridge of Nations at the Exposition grounds the streamer extended nearly a third of the length of the structure. The immense banner which was composed of red and white cloth adorned with yellow ribbons from the staffs which supported it, enumerated the wonderful advantages of Corvallis. "Let it rain, Corvallis is dry;" "Crops never fail in Benton County;" "Lowest tax rate in Oregon;" "No potato or chinch bugs, only grasshoppers for fish

bait." "Dollars grow on sheep in Benton County;" and "Every other family in Corvallis has a telephone;" were several of the inscriptions on the mammoth streamer.

The parade was formed on Fourth street, and headed by 370 cadets of the Oregon Agricultural College, with their band of 38 pieces, the visitors marched to the Exposition. The prominent citizens and public officials of the cities and counties participating rode it carriages, while hundreds of the men walked. The women and children did not take part in the parade. The column reached the Fair grounds at 10:45 o'clock, and immediately following the exercises of the day were held in the Auditorium.

Colonel Henry E. Dosch, director of exhibits, delivered the address of welcome on behalf of the Exposition management, while the responses were made by Mayor A. J. Johnson for Corvallis and Mayor W. A. Messner for Independence. Dr. J. Withycombe also spoke in the interest of Polk and Benton counties. A. E. Campbell spoke for the State Normal School at Monmouth. All the speeches were brief but very interesting. Several of the orators were applauded very enthusiastically. The exercises were witnessed by one of the largest gatherings that has assembled in the auditorium. Music was furnished by the Cadet and Administration Bands. Miss Lulu Spangler, of Corvallis, rendered a vocal solo that was very enjoyable and well received by the audience. Attorney J. F. Yates was presiding officer.

After the exercises the cadet corps formed on the Lakeview Terrace overlooking Guild's Lake where a photograph was taken of it. The cadets also executed several maneuvers. The excursionists were then escorted to the cadet encampment, east of the Northern Pacific tracks, where a luncheon was served. The cadets as they marched down the entwining paths of the terrace in regular formation, with 55 of the young men detailed to carry the immense streamer, presented an extremely interesting scene, and were loudly cheered by the thousands of people who had witnessed their evolutions.

It is generally admitted by the Army officers that the Oregon Agricultural cadet corps is one of the best-drilled military bodies in the West, and is said to compare favorably with the corps of Eastern schools. Lieut. Quinlan, who is detailed from the United States Army to instruct the cadets says he is confident that the Oregon Agricultural College corps will carry off the honors of the competitive drill which is being arranged with other agricultural colleges. The Cadet Band is one of the most excellent musical organizations in Oregon, all its members being skilled musicians.

In the afternoon the ladies of Corvallis, Independence, Monmouth and Airlie held a recep-

tion in the Oregon building and hundreds of the visitors at the Exposition were entertained. The Independence ladies brought along with them large quantities of cherries, which were distributed to all those who called at the building.

Mrs. J. S. Cooper was hostess for Independence, being assisted by the Mesdames W. A. Messner, O. D. Butler, W. R. Allen, J. E. Hubbard, E. L. Ketchum, G. W. Conkey, E. E. Paddock, D. B. Taylor, W. H. Walker, S. E. Owen, W. L. Bice, G. W. Wilcox, L. Damon, W. W. Percival, I. M. Simpson and Claire Staats, of Airlie, and the Misses Myra Kimberlaine, Katherine Jones, Florence Burton. Miss Maggie Butler was hostess for Monmouth and was assisted by Mrs. J. M. Powell, Mrs. J. V. Butler, Mrs. C. A. Rice and Mrs. G. M. Boothby.

Corvallis was represented by Mrs. B. F. Irvine as hostess, who was assisted by the Mesdames L. F. Wilson, M. J. Wells, F. L. Miller, E. R. Bryson, G. R. Farra, A. J. Johnson, Emery Allen. Mrs. McKellips, M. M. Davis, T. Callahan, Alex. Rennie, D. P. Quinlan, and the Misses Helen Holgate, Grace Gatch, Bertha Davis, Mary Nolan, Mabel Davis, Edna Allen, Louise Cooper, Julia Cooper, Lulu Spangler, Ison Webber, Cleo Johnson and Edna Irvine.

## Asthma Sufferers Should Know This.

Foley's Honey and Tar has cured many cases of asthma that were considered hopeless. Mrs. Adolph Buerig, 701 Third St., Davenport, Iowa, writes: "A severe cold contracted twelve years ago was neglected until it finally grew into asthma. The best medical skill available could not give me more than temporary relief. Foley's Honey and Tar was recommended and one fifty-cent bottle entirely cured me of asthma which had been growing on me for twelve years, and if I had taken it at the start I would have been saved years of suffering." Graham & Wortham keep it for sale.

## Correspondents.

All past negotiations for parties to write matter for publication in the Gazette are hereby annulled. Those sending matter to this office for publication are hereby notified that no pay will be given by this office for such matter unless hereafter agreed upon and price stated. The Gazette will gladly consider all matter furnished without charge by the contributor. The name of the party contributing in all cases to be signed to the communication. For all further negotiations on this subject, address CORVALLIS GAZETTE, Corvallis, Or.

## Three Physicians Treated Him Without Success.

W. L. Yancy, Paducah, Ky., writes: "I had a severe case of kidney disease and three of the best physicians in Kentucky treated me without success. I then took Foley's Kidney Cure. The first bottle gave immediate relief, and three bottles cured me permanently. I gladly recommend this wonderful remedy." For sale by Graham & Wortham.

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In order to reduce our stock and save moving, we will offer a reduction of 5 per cent on all goods bought FOR CASH, commencing June 5th and continuing until removal occurs, or about June 25th. Quite frequently a merchant offers a reduction on a special line of goods, but it is not often that a discount is given on everything you buy as will be the case in this Special Removal Sale.

This does not apply to small purchases of less than \$1.00.

Remember the date, June 5th.

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