

WANDERINGS OF A CORVALLIS MAN

Further Descriptions of His Travels.

THROUGH EAST AND SOUTH

S. N. Wilkins Tells About His Journey to New York and the National Capitol.

(Continued from last week.)

"Monday afternoon, October 12th, we boarded the 'Big Four' at Dayton, Ohio, for Niagra Falls, passing through Columbus, Cleveland and many other cities on the line, but we made no stop until we reached Niagra, where we remained for three days in the enjoyment of that most wonderful and attractive place, and while there we ran

down to Buffalo, and took in that big city and saw the house where President McKinley died and the handsome monument erected in his honor. While there we found one more of our numerous family, Geo. P. Wilkins, who, by the way, is a very successful undertaker, and his place is in the Masonic Temple building on Niagra street, Buffalo, N. Y. He is a Shriner and otherwise a very prominent man and fairly well to do.

"On the afternoon of the 16th we ran down the New York Central, which hugs the Hudson most of the way down, to New York, where we located at the Hotel Fredrick, 56th street and Broadway, and here we remained for a week and during this time we undertook to see everything contained in a great city, by subway cars under river and city, by elevated cars over the city, by surface cars about the city, and in carriages, automobiles, Fifth Avenue busses, and, in fact, we never overlooked an opportunity of going somewhere all the time. We went up to Yorkers on Sunday and saw 'Old Graystone's'—Samuel J. Tilden's old home, and had a most delightful and pleasant drive through the hills along the

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FOR MEN—Ash Trays, Cloth Brushes, Combs, Cork Screws, Cuff Buttons, Flasks, Hair and Hat Brushes, Hat Marks, Ink Stands, Fountain Pens, Key Chains and Rings, Lockets, Match Boxes, Military Brushes, Mirrors, Paper Cutters, Pencils, Pen Trays, Knives, Scarf Pins, Shaving Brushes and Cups, Souvenir Trays, Toilet Articles, Watches, Chains, Seals, Fobs and Lockets.

FOR THE BABY—Rattles, Bib Pins, Knives, Forks, Spoons, Spoons, Safety Pins.

ALBERT J. METZGER, Watchmaker
Occidental Building, Corvallis, Oregon

banks of the Hudson. On Monday evening we attended a performance at the Hippidrome, and to undertake a description of that performance would require an artist, for the only thing that comes to me is splendid, great, good, better, best, great, greater, greatest, and then just throw both arms out at full length and exclaim extravagantly and save the final for oral finish. On Thursday we were the guests of our honored president of the National F. D. A. August Eickleburg, and he with a spanking pair of 'bobtailed bays' hooked to a landau, took us in to one of the most aristocratic country sides, and there had dinner at the Grammetan Hotel, and then returned to the city by way of Woodlawn cemetery, one of the most beautiful in the United States. We went of our own accord to many other places, both for amusement and for information, and one of the most enjoyable evenings of our stay in Greater New York was one with Dr. Robert J. Wilson, one of our old Corvallis boys but now superintendent of the Willard Parker Hospital, and prominently identified with the Board of Health of New York. There we met Mrs. Belle Wilson-Walker and Miss Minnie Wilson, sisters of Dr. R. J., as also to J. H. and Off Wilson of Corvallis.

"On Friday, the 22nd, we ran over to Danbury, Conn., to visit a friend of mine in that city and the three days spent there, like many others, will form a bright spot in our minds in the days of the future, when many changes have come and gone and we have been separated by far greater distances than now separate us. Here we visited the noted hat factory of the Hawes and saw the work from the raw material to the packing of the finished product. Great industry and when this is seen it can be readily seen why so large a population may live in these small states. Manufacturing is the word.

"On Monday, the 25th, we took a run over to New Haven, the seat of Yale College, and at noon heard Taft speak and visited through the many buildings of that great college and at six o'clock were back in New York.

This being our last night in the great city, we decided to take supper with Mine Host Max Schwartz, at the Little Hungary, down East Houston Street. Here we experienced "A Night in Little Hungary."

"There is a rare fascination

about the place which, no matter how often one visits it, still lingers with him long after the night is spent. The quaintness of the room, with its low ceiling and the mingling of the foreign faces, the merry laughter, the clinking of glasses, all linger with you and is really never entirely forgotten, for in it is novelty.

"On the morning of the 26th, we crossed the Hudson on one of the big Pennsylvania ferry boats to Jersey City, where we boarded the Pennsy train for Philadelphia, where we spent a very pleasant day and night with Prof. H. S. Eckles, who resides at Jenkintown, a suburb of Philadelphia, and also visited the big store of John Wanamaker, the city hall, the old Independence hall. We also visited Oliver Bair's elegant undertaking place, which has no equal in the world and to describe it would require more time than I can now take and perhaps more patience than you might possess in the reading of the same.

"On the morning of the 27th, we ran down to Washington and spent four days which were full of interest. Visited all the public buildings from the Capitol to the White House, and there had the pleasure of seeing the President on Sunday afternoon as he drove out to the park for his afternoon exercise—horseback riding. Saw 'pig-tailed' diplomats as they were whisked by in their tourn-outs. The many other aristocrats that find an easy place in the Capitol were occasionally seen in the same way, but their palaces are pointed out by all who take you about the city as that house is where the Secretary of the Treasury lives, and that one is where Senator Doolittle resides while in Washington. While there we were shown through the printing and engraving building where green backs are made and if we could have the output of only one hour it would settle us down comfortably on the shady side of Easy street.

"From Washington we traveled by boat down the Potomac and the Chesapeake to Old Point Comfort, Va., which is near my friends at the old city of Hampton, where we secured comfortable quarters for four days, and during this time took in all the surrounding points—Norfolk, Portsmouth, Newport News and the Fair Grounds of last year's Jamestown Fair, which are going into decay while the courts are trying the ownership of the

buildings and grounds. It was here I quietly spent election day at Hampton, Va., and a more quiet election I never saw. About as much interest as would be taken in an ordinary school election in Corvallis.

"This was just 36 years after I had cast my first vote down in old Wayne County, Miss., and there was quite a difference in that first day and this presidential election. The next day after this one on the 3rd, I spent in reading the returns and reckoning how fast time was speeding by and how many more of these we would see.

"Saturday noon found us in Richmond, Va., where we spent until 11 o'clock Monday night very pleasantly with those most hospitable Southern people.

"The trip out through the state of Virginia and up through the state of Ohio was without special accident or incident and we arrived at Ann Arbor, Mich., Wednesday in time to get in line for the big functions of this wonderfully big U. of M. which came off last Friday night and Saturday—banquet and football.

"This is just a line in the way of a finish, and to say that the weather is poking down around the 14 or 15 notch and it being the first of the season, it just bites a little and makes me want to get down South just about a thousand or twelve hundred miles, for the remaining part of the winter. Harold seems to be doing very well here and the club of which he is a member seems to be made up of a very good set of young men from the states west of the Rocky Mountains.

Again allow me to say that the further away we get from Oregon the better it looks, and especially the green grass, the hedges and the red apples, and last but not least the mild weather.

S. N. WILKINS.

"Brown's in Town."

A press notice says: "Brown's in Town" and will entertain at the opera house next Wednesday night. During his visit here his wife number one and his wife number two will cause him so much trouble and anxiety that before the play is ended, he is acknowledged the most thoroughly hen-pecked husband and liar on the comedy stage. "Brown's in Town" is the one big farce comedy to be seen here this season. The dialogue is brisk, the humor is pure and the situations

hilariously funny. Come and see Brown and his two wives who cause him so much trouble and enjoy a good hearty laugh. There is only one Brown and he is in Town next Wednesday. He is presented by Eckhardt's company of players and an excellent performance is assured. Popular prices. 25, 35 and 50 cents.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed by the County Court of Benton county, Oregon, administrator of the estate of Floyd Lane, deceased; All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same duly verified as by law required to me at Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, or at the office of J. F. Yates at Corvallis, Benton County, Oregon, within six (6) months from this date.

Dated December 7th, 1908.
W. G. LANE,
Administrator of the Estate of Floyd Lane, deceased.
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NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

In the matter of the estate of Nancy E. Felger, deceased.
Notice is hereby given to all persons concerned that the undersigned has been duly appointed Administrator of the estate of Nancy E. Felger, deceased, by the County Court of the State of Oregon for Benton County. All persons having claims against said estate of said Nancy E. Felger, deceased, are hereby required to present the same, with the proper vouchers, duly verified as by law required, within six months from the date hereof, to the undersigned at his residence in Corvallis, Oregon, or at the law office of E. E. Wilson, in Corvallis, Oregon.
Dated this November 13, 1908.

GEO. W. SMITH,
Administrator of the estate of Nancy E. Felger, deceased.
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