

Quarter Century Robison Reunion

We, the Robison, clan, met for our 25th reunion on August 18, 1946, at George Robison's on Fishtrap, Oregon, less than a half mile and in sight of the old homestead, where Samuel and Lucina Robison lived many years and where we held our first reunions.

There was a good crowd present this year, 97 of the relatives and about 30 visitors, some coming from as far as Brownsville, Ore., and another from Corvallis. One came from as far away as Bakersfield, Calif.

Everyone visited and said "How-de-do" to everyone else until dinner time when the women began to show their talents by setting a long, long table spread with all the good things to eat that Coos county can produce and Robison women can cook, as proved by the way the table groaned under its load of "Eats."

The young men made two freezers full of ice cream which disappeared rapidly as the children made a grand rush with dishes to be filled.

Our only survivor of the first generation, Mrs. Martha Averill, had expected to come but was unable to do so at the last, so she sent us a letter of family history to be read by Martha Paul and also a poem by her daughter, Lucina Averill. A book of her poems was passed around to be read and the "Reunion" book for all to register was placed where all could use.

Nile Miller returned thanks to God for the many things given to us and then every one fell to work at relieving the table of its load of good things.

Twenty-five years ago, Aug. 8, 1915, we held our first reunion and there were between 90 and 100 of us; today there are 253. Mrs. Frank Robison (Aunt Ellen) and Mrs. Martha Averill (Aunt Sis) are the two left of the first generation, who were there at that time 25 years ago. Mrs. Tenn Robison was there but Mrs. Price Robison was unable to attend.

Geo. Robison, of Coquille, is the oldest male Robison left and expects to be around and pester us another 30 years. Nile Miller and wife have been married the longest—40 years. Nile's sister, Martha Paul, and Mrs. Miller's brother, Earnest Hammack, are the only ones living who were at their wedding.

Many pictures were taken of different groups. There were six of Oregon's descendants, thirty of Orville Robison Miller's, twenty-one of Texas', one of Frank's, seven of Rock's, thirteen of Tenn's, fourteen of Price's five of Martha Robison Averill's.

The third Sunday of August, 1941, we will meet again in the same place. I hope we can keep this going for the memory of those gone and for the young ones growing up.

To me it's the red letter day of the year when I can meet all my mother's people at the Robison Reunion.

If I've made mistakes please pardon them.

Martha Paul.
(Myrtle Point paper and Coos Bay Times please copy.)

The Robison clan is meeting again! There'll be laughing and clasping of hand,

With a tear for the lost ones and hopes that we'll meet

In the gladdest of Heavenly lands.

They had come from the Isles of Britannia's shores,

With the pilgrim who sought for release.

They had fought for the freedom to worship their God,

And have lived 'neath the emblem of peace.

Many children have come from that band of staunch hearts

To reverse and honor their name.

As they look to the past and their God who protects,

They find each has a duty the same.

A duty to God, and the right to love Him,

And a duty to country and home.

And they find that the God of their fathers has not

Forgotten them, though they may roam.

For the seed of the righteous shall not be cut off.

For the Father above who shelters his own

Still hears when the Robisons cry.

—Lucina Averill.

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Lights On Labor Problems

(Noble H. Chowning)
Collective bargaining must be here to stay. President Roosevelt and his administration gave it to us. The republican presidential nominee says he is for it. Any special progress is usually assured in these United States when the two major parties accept it as desirable.

Now that we have it, will we make it work? This collective bargaining business is new. It may seem old to a few but the vast majority have only been exposed to it. It hasn't had time to take. Any social reform usually requires a whole generation to take firm root.

My idea of how to make it work is to regard it as a business. Apply the same rules we apply to other forms of business. I would say even today, there are many union members, as well as others, who do not know the principles involved, the methods used, nor the results attained, where it is given a thorough trial.

To bring about successful bargaining, the same principles that bring success to any individual, to any business, to any corporation, to any governmental state, must be put into practice. These principles have been tried and proven successful by the trial and error method. The successful man, or group of men, are they who practice according to the does and don'ts of this well worked out rule.

Our banking, check, and credit system has proven of immeasurable value in our own home town, in our industries, and in our world commerce. The pace we have attained in our world commerce could never have been accomplished had we been forced to retain the cash and gold transaction, or the barter system. We do business today by faith in our fellow men; by faith in his honesty, by faith in the piece of paper he merely writes a few words upon. This same faith in man, and faith in the honesty of purpose must be carried into our collective bargaining to ever make it successful.

Another business principle involved is the one of killing the goose that laid the golden egg. Labor demands are excessive, then jobs vanish. If the employer is greedy, his product will eventually find no market, he will have it all himself.

Another business principle, the employer and the union may well emulate—that of knowing how to meet the public. Knowing how to deal with the public and with each other. Adopt the friendly attitude, be congenial, at least around the conference table.

That old adage about giving full value for value received, has a seat at the conference table, has a place in all relations between employer and employee.

I could elaborate on sincerity, truthfulness, straight-forwardness, faith, charity and all the other virtues, but I hope you can see my trend of thought. One other axiom applicable to all business and to union business is "know your business." I shall attempt to explain it as I see it.

Under the old system, the employer

needed to know just one thing. How to produce a given product more economically, and put it on the market. The labor problem seldom entered the picture except to replace individuals as he would machinery. The fact that he is in business shows he knows his production end of the game. Now, does he know how to deal with the human element. For that is exactly what collective bargaining is. Does he feel he doesn't need to know how to bargain. The smart employer shouldn't, and usually doesn't, let anything escape him. The smart man is studying labor and the human element. To know his business, he must include in the future, the knowledge of how to bargain with his employees.

Under the old system labor was not supposed to think. Our new system has thrown collective bargaining into the laps of many employees who haven't the faintest idea of how it works. I believe union business is a business. I believe it needs the same thorough study that any business requires. I believe it is composed of two component parts, the conducting of the union as a business and the art of bargaining with the employer.

I can't understand how any member of a union can attend a meeting once in six months, never study it, disregard everything union and yet attempt to tell all and sundry just what the trouble is, just how it should be remedied and how conducted. In all the trades, the professions, the diplomatic corps, and business, we have one method or another whereby to become a qualified authority; one must go to a school serve an apprenticeship or otherwise study the subject thoroughly. Yet in this complicated union business any upstart feels himself an authority on everything union.

Unions and collective bargaining are here. If they are to stay, it all depends entirely on how thoroughly union men and union leaders study their subject and apply that knowledge to their business of unionism and collective bargaining.

Marriage Licenses

Aug. 15—Frank Brown, of Langlois, and Sadie Church, of Bandon. They were married last Thursday by Rev. G. A. Gray at his home here.

Aug. 16—B. A. Norton and Helen Konard, both of Coquille. They were married by Justice Clarence Barton at his office here last Friday.

Aug. 16—Walter L. Addison, of Marshfield, and Arella Jeraldine Hickson, of Coquille.

Aug. 17—Earl Cole and Janie Cooper, both of Myrtle Point. They were married at the Rev. E. C. Swanson home here by Mr. Swanson last Saturday.

Aug. 21—Glenn C. Popple and Dottie Price, both of North Bend.

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China Flat Camp News

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No more will faucets sound a dry gurgle when the valves are opened. Instead pure water, direct from the clear sparkling waters of China Creek, now spout forth in abundance. Capillary action and evaporation is taking place in the huge burlap covering of the vegetable cooler, thereby maintaining a blanket of cool air about the refrigerator, saving Uncle Sam many dollars in the course of a season.

Enrollees again are singing while they bathe and shave. K. P.'s in the kitchen gleefully are diving for "pearls." Chels Pollard, Lumpkin, Tootie, and Cline put on another pot of beans and smile because they know there'll be plenty of water with which to cook. Subaltern James E. Davis likes his chili beans plenty soupy, just like the rest of the Dixielanders in camp.

Hard work laying the pipeline was done by Thomas Offord and William J. Huffman. Assistance in varying degrees was furnished by William Allman Grubbs, Ossie "Fickle" Roberson, Thomas "Blowhard" Morrow, Edward Poes and Arthur Tallent.

Lamar Shirley, editor of five-star newspaper, The Siakiyou Stag, has resigned his position, to attend college in Meridian, Mississippi.

Lamar served as clerk in the office of the Project Sup., while in camp. Said Project Supt. V. V. Church, "He is an excellent and capable enrollee; I wish I had more like him."

Led by Company Commander Cleodous M. Mangum, overhead members Thomas Offord, William Hurt, and William J. Huffman, constructed two walks radiating from the army office building.

These two are of the same type construction as ones previously laid in the vicinity of the mess hall and recreation buildings, six inches of gravel bordered by Port Orford cedar poles which serve as retainers.

Said Mr. Mangum, "Now we are going to place some flowers in the two plots blocked off by walks crossing each other."

Also planned for future action is the construction of a flower pot from a stump in front of Barrack "A."

Extensive training, organization and good management received by the enrollees of Camp China Flats proves of great value. Everyone concerned realizes the training of these enrollees, as dependable fire-fighters has been profitably applied.

During a short period of time, the China Flatters went into action five different and difficult fires located in the Agness District. There were approximately twelve hundred man-days charged against these fires. The largest fire consisted of thirty acres. The Little Bald Mt. fire required a twelve-mile hike in a region of steep terrain. The Green Knob fire was the most difficult to fight; the terrain was very rough, and the grades extremely steep. The Lone Tree, Scotts Creek and Two Mile fires very small.

Unfortunately, these fires were in highly inflammable areas; they were

suppressed quickly but only through the willing, hard working and desirous fire fighters of Camp China Flats, Spike Camp Agness and Spike Camp Iron Mt. The 40-man CCC crew located at the Iron Mt. spike camp is to be especially commended for their prompt action taken on all of these fires.

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