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OREGON NOTES

News in Brief, Gathered From Various Parts of The State.

Motor car service is to be restored between Pendleton and Umatilla, July 11.

Residents of Western Lane county have voted to establish a union high school at Florence.

The census bureau gave The Dalles a population of 5807; an increase of 927, or 19 per cent.

The First National Bank of Klamath opened its doors for business in temporary quarters.

Baker coal dealers are receiving liberal supplies of coal, removing any fear of an immediate shortage.

Exports from Portland for the month just ended amounted to $7,753,585, the highest June record in the history of the port.

A charter has been issued to the Columbia Trust & Savings bank of Astoria. The institution is capitalized at $100,000.

Funeral services for James Rice, a prominent banker and farmer of Madras, were held in the Elks' temple at The Dalles.

The census bureau announced the 1920 population of Baker City, Or., as 7729, an increase of 887 or 14.6 per cent since 1910.

The lumber mills operated by the Booth-Kelly lumber company at Wendling and Springfield closed Saturday, July 3, indefinitely.

The Albany Ministerial association has elected Rev. J. C. Spencer, pastor of the First Methodist church, president for the coming year.

Frank Barnes, engineer at the plant of the Eugene & Western Lumber company, Eugene, was killed when a main steam pipe exploded.

Based on the present registration of motor vehicles in the state it is predicted that more than 150,000 persons will apply for drivers licenses.

Harvey G. Starkweather was elected president at the annual meeting of the sons and daughters of Oregon pioneers at the Portland public library.

Responsibility for the gasoline stringency was laid to the oil companies in a report published by the committee of the Dealers' Motor Car association of Oregon.

That the lumber industry is slack in Coos county is indicated by the number of loggers drifting into Marshfield. Two mills have shut down for an indefinite time.

According to Labor Commissioner Gram there would be no shortage of labor in Oregon if unemployed persons would take work outside their regular calling.

The contract for construction of the dam for the diversion of water from Rogue river to irrigate 10,000 acres of land near Grants Pass has been let to a California contractor.

The public service commission issued an order permitting the St. Helens Lumber company to discontinue steam heating service to its few remaining patrons at St. Helens.

Governor Olcott has, in company with governors of other states, issued a proclamation urging enlistment in the United States navy. The quota recommended from Oregon is 500.

The public service commission issued an order allowing J. F. Daugherty to cease business as a public utility at Yoncalla. Mr. Daughterty has been providing a domestic water service.

Contracts have been signed by the Oregon Dairymen's league for the purchase of ten cheese and butter plants in different parts of the state. The deal involves more than $200,000.

L. G. Hulin of Eugene has resigned as cashier and director of the First National bank of Springfield and his place has been taken by Lloyd C. Martin, who has bought Mr. Hulin's stock in the institution.

The Eugene Chamber of Commerce has taken up the proposed development of hydro-electric power on the Willamette and McKenzie rivers as a means of attracting manufacturing interests to the city.

The Carlton school budget for next year, carrying appropriations for the salary of one more teacher in the high school and for increased pay for all members of the staff was passed by a narrow majority, 48 to 42.

The state irrigation securities commission has been asked to certify another $134,000 block of bonds for the Grants Pass irrigation district, this being a part of the $290,000 issue originally authorized by the district.

The state land board decided to exchange 80,000 acres of what is known as state script, and which is located in various sections of Oregon, for a compact body of 80,000 acres of federal lands in the Santiam forest reserve. The lands sought in the Santiam forest reserve would be used for forestry purposes.

According to the report of the postmaster at Salem the revenue of his office from the sale of stamps the past fiscal year was $7323. Second class mail matter brought $4654 and matter from the state offices $14,350.

In reply to a query from the district attorney of Grant county, Attorney General Brown has given the opinion that no official or person has authority to suspend the enforcement of the statute prohibiting minors from playing pool.

One of the largest deals closed in Baker for some time culminated when final arrangements were made by the Cornucopia Mines company for the issuance of a $300,000 mortgage to the Guaranty Trust company of New city.

Captain Jacob Speier, Portland harbormaster, has issued an order requiring all vessels entering from foreign ports to obey the provisions of the new city ordinance requiring adequate protection against the introduction of plague.

Apparently the finances of the young men of Lane county are better than they were a year ago. County Clerk Bryson issued marriage licenses to 59 couples during June this year, as compared with 36 for the same month last year.

As a result of action taken by the apple and pear growers of Oregon, practically the same regulations relative to grading the fruit and the size of boxes for shipment will prevail this season in Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana.

Twenty-one voters determined the fate of a $105,640 budget it was ascertained when the count on the Bend special school district election was announced. The budget carried by a vote of 12 to 8, one ballot, improperly marked, being thrown out.

The grand jury at The Dalles, after examining 10 witnesses, found indictments against Olen Brown of Pensacola, Fla., charged with the murder of Otis Mayes, O.-W. R. & N. brakeman, and Council Oliver, Norfolk, Va., as an accessory. Both are colored.

O. P. Hoff, state treasurer, is barred by law from purchasing improvement bonds issued by the city of North Bend, Coos county, for less than par and accrued interest, according to a legal opinion given by the attorney-general. The opinion was asked by Mr. Hoff.

Pioneers from all parts of the west assembled in Portland last Friday for the 48th annual reunion of the Oregon Pioneer association, whose membership includes only those who arrived in Oregon or were born here before 1859, the year Oregon was admitted to the union.

Construction of a paved highway extending from the southern Willamette valley to Salem and thence north of Salem to connect with the paved road on the west side of the Willamette river is the purpose of the Capitol Highway association, which was organized at Salem.

The West Coast Lumbermen's association is installing a display of Douglas fir and hemlock lumber in the state exhibit room on the ground floor of the Oregon building, Portland, that will make it one of the best educational showings of the kind that has ever been arranged.

Request for the assignment of two men in Portland from the United States health service to take adequate steps to prevent bubonic plague entering Oregon, was made by City Health Officer Parrish in conference with Major Richey Waugh of the United States public health service.

Members of state and congressional central committees who are elected by county central committees shall not necessarily be members of the county committees, according to a legal opinion handed down by Attorney-General Brown. The opinion was asked by E. B. Tongue, district attorney of Washington county.

No petitions of aliens who desire to become citizens of the United States will be received by the circuit court of Multnomah county after August 1. Aliens must hereafter apply for citizenship papers through the United States district court, but in other counties in the state where the applicants would be inconvenienced by the fact that the only federal court in the state is in Portland, the state courts will continue to hear naturalization cases.

A bomb was thrown into the plans for the annual mobilization of the Oregon National Guard when a ruling was received by Adjutant General George A. White from the militia bureau of the war department requiring a minimum of 52 men per company in order to draw federal pay. Under this ruling no transfers of men from one company to another in order to meet the minimum requirement nor the consolidation of companies will be permitted. This means, Adjutant General White states, that, with two or three exceptions, none of the companies of the Fifth Oregon infantry regiment will attend the camp unless a special dispensation is secured modifying the ruling so as to permit the consolidation of companies as heretofore.

INTERESTING STORY OF PACIFIC UNIVERSITY

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of ministers at Oregon City on September 21, 1848, at which time it was resolved to establish an academy at Forest Grove. One year later, September 29, 1849, Tualatin Academy was incorporated by the Territorial Legislature.

Mr. Clark was the first president of the board of trustees and continued to hold the position till the time of his death. Mrs. Brown's orphans were taken over by the new school, but for a number of years she kept a boarding house for the students, the price of board being $2.00 a week. In 1854, in a letter to a friend, Mrs. Brown, then in her 75th year, said: "In 1851 I had 40 in my family at $2.50 a week and I mixed with my own hands 3433 lbs. of flour in less than five months."

Two hundred acres of Mr. Clark's donation land claim were given as a basis of the endowment for the new school and later 150 acres more were given to secure adequate instructors.

About one-half of the present beautiful campus of 90 acres was the gift of Mr. Clark. Others contributed generously of their scanty means and their labor—none to so great an extent as Mr. and Mrs. Clark. His interest in education was broader than his denominational choice. He was a warm friend and supporter of the Methodist school organized in 1842 and he taught for a year in the Mission School at Champoeg.

For 40 years or until his death in 1889, Dr. Atkinson was secretary of the board of trustees of the Academy and College and was seldom absent from its meetings.

Doubtless the greatest single service which he performed for the struggling enterprise was the securing the man who was the first president. For several years after the founding of the Academy there were no permanent teachers and no established curriculum.

Faithful work was done in the log church by such men as Cushing Eells and J. M. Keeler, but still the vision of Mr. Clark seemed far from fulfillment.

So Dr. Atkinson went East by way of the Isthmus—no easy journey in those days. He gained the support of the American College and Education Society, which endorsed the college and pledged the interest on $10,000 for the support of its first president. Best of all, however, and more significant for the future development of the school, he persuaded Rev. Sidney Harper Marsh to leave his New England home and become the head of the school at Tualatin Plains and develop it into a college.

Mr. Marsh was a young man of 28, descended from a line of educators. His father was President James Marsh of the University of Vermont, and one of the foremost American educators of his day. His grandfather was Eleazer Wheelock, the first president of Dartmouth College.

It is not strange that a young man with such an ancestry and such an inheritance should accept with enthusiasm the invitation to go to Oregon and give the best of his powers to build up in the new land a college similar to those with which he was familiar in New England.

He had no knowledge of pioneer conditions—reared in a scholarly home and used to the refinement of the best society in a University town, he had to meet at once the hardships and privations of frontier life without any preparation.

He found here almost nothing to build a college upon—no buildings, no permanent funds, no adequate teachers, and, most discouraging of all, no apparent need or desire for such a school.

President Marsh set himself steadfastly and courageously to supply all these needs.

Immediately upon his arrival steps were taken to add college grades of instruction to those in the Academy and in January, 1854, new articles of incorporation were granted by the Legislature, and under the corporate name of Tualatin Academy and Pacific University the present school was created.

We today can hardly realize the trials and hardships which the new president had to endure. But brighter days began to dawn. The country began to fill up. Families moved in and built homes around the young college. Students began to stay long enough to get into college and in process of time young men and women were graduated,—many of whom have been among the foremost leaders in the public life and service of the state. The need of funds was ever pressing and President Marsh made three different trips to the East to solicit aid. $70,000 in cash and many valuable books for the library were secured on these trips. Among these latter the most notable gift was that of more than 400 volumes by Sidney E. Morse, the son of a famous geographer and brother of the renowned inventor, S. F. B. Morse. One of the most valuable books in the library is a copy of Ptolemy's Unversal Geography printed at Basle in 1542—on the title page of which is inscribed, "Sidney E. Morse from his affectionate brother, S. F. B. Morse, Rome, June, 1830."

A more recent addition of great value was the gift of over 200 old and rare books from the library of D. W. Craig, a pioneer journalist of Oregon. One book printed in 1482 is one of the two or three oldest books west of the Rocky Mountains.

Another book of unique interest and value is a copy of a primer in the Spokane dialect, on the Lapwai press in 1842, said to be the only perfect copy in existence.

Today the library numbers about 20,000 volumes—housed in a modern brick structure, the gift of Andrew Carnegie.

There was early organized as an important department of the University a Conservatory of Music which is today giving instruction in piano, pipe organ, violin, voice training and musical history and theory of a character equal to any similar instruction given in the state.

Grandma Brown left to the college at her death, or rather gave before her death, a lot in the village and a log house which was afterwards sold for $506.60—this sum was invested and reinvested until today it has reached something like $5,000.

President Marsh was able thus to realize in some degree the dream of the founders. He found a "small and weak academy and left it well organized, fairly well equipped and with a character established for all time for sound learning and thorough instruction" and worthy ideals.

After 25 years of strenuous toil he laid down his task with his life in 1879.

Those who have succeeded in the presidential chair have been Rev. John R. Herrick, Rev. J. T. Ellis, Rev. Thomas McClelland — who left here after nine years of service in 1900 to take the presidency of Knox College, from which he has recently resigned. Following him came President Wm. N. Ferrin, another teacher from Vermont, then President C. J. Bushnell, and now the school seems to be entering upon a new era of enlargement and healthy growth under the enthusiastic and efficient leadership of President Robert Fry Clark, who was inaugurated last June.

Mention at least ought to be made of some of the men and women who so efficiently helped to make the instruction in academy and college of the high quality for which it has always been justly proud.

Rev. Cushing Eells was the first principal of Tualatin Academy.

E. D. Shattuck, a young Vermonter, was an early teacher and afterwards for more than 25 years was one of Oregon's ablest and most honored jurists.

Another early teacher in the Academy was Mrs. Elizabeth Miller Wilson, who died only a few years ago at The Dalles.

Rev. Horace Lyman came to assist President Marsh when the burden seemed to be heaviest and his labors and influence counted much for the success of the enterprise. For several years most of the college teaching was done by these two men. Dr. A. J. Anderson was a teacher in an early day—going from here to the presidency of Whitman College.

Thomas Condon, one of the ablest thinkers the state ever had, went from the faculty of Pacific University to help start the State University at Eugene and with him went Professor Collier and Dr. Luella Clay Carson.

Coming rather early also to assist President Marsh in his great work, was Professor Joseph W. Marsh, his brother and another graduate of Vermont. For more than 40 years, as professor of Latin and Greek and college librarian, Prof Marsh made an impress on the minds and hearts of generation after generation of students and left memories that multitudes still cherish. He delighted in learning and he loved his fellowmen.

The first Bachelor's degree was granted in 1863 to a class of one, but that one was Harvey W. Scott, Oregon's greatest journalist and one of the keenest thinkers of his generation.

It has been said that he and the Honorable Thomas H. Tongue, who graduated five years after Mr. Scott, were two of the chief factors in carrying the state for sound money in the days when the free silver delusion seemed likely to carry everything before it.

The graduates of Pacific University number less than 400—its student body has never been large—but among that small number have been some of the ablest and finest men and women who have helped to make Oregon, and that noblest thing in a state, a noble citizenship.

Out of all proportion to her numbers has been her influence for sound learning, true culture and righteous living in this great North-west.

Her alumni have not only wielded a worthy influence in Oregon but in foreign lands and on mission fields. Hastara Tamura, an important educator in Japan, and Kin Saito, Chief Justice of the Court of Hokkaido, Hakodate, Japan, Rev. J. Ekanah Walker, for many years a missionary to China, and more recently Dr. John X. Miller, a missionary in India and recognized by the British Government in India as doing work of unusual value in industrial education,—the present city editor of the Oregonian — lawyers, physicians, teachers and ministers all over the Pacific Northwest. These are some of the contributions of Pacific to the finest citizenship of the world at home and abroad.

She has always kept her standards high—none are higher in the Northwest. A few years ago when a Federal Commission standardized the colleges and universities of the state, she was one of the first three to be recognized as a standard college.

Her graduates are admitted for graduate or professional study in all the leading colleges and universities in the land.

If Garfield's conception was a true one, that Mark Hopkins on one end of a log and himself on a student on the other end was all that was needed to make a college, then must it not be true that the value of a college must be measured at least as much by the devotion and learning and character of its instructors and the fine quality of the young men and women which it turns out, as by its costly equipment and the size of its student body? Pacific University at least does not think she has lived in vain.

Her growth has been slow partly because the population of Oregon has never been great. When Dr. Atkinson came to Oregon there were not more than 7,000 people in the state.

In 1870 Oregon, Washington and Idaho combined had only 130,000.

The rush for gold in '49-'49 drew one-half or two-thirds of the able-bodied men from Washington County. And yet in 1912 Oregon ranked third in having the highest percentage of students in college or one to every 150 of the population. Kansas stood first with one to 112, and Utah second, 1 to 121.

In 1915 Tualatin Academy graduated its last class and passed out of existence. The increasing number of standardized high schools seeming to make secondary schools of the academy type unnecessary.

Twenty-five years ago there were only three high schools in the state. Today there are 200 of the standard variety.

While being in some sense the child of the churches, Pacific University has never been sectarian or under denominational control. Her aim has always been "to make it possible for the young people of the Pacific Northwest to obtain a thorough education under Christian influences." The name "University" has always been somewhat of a misnomer. It reflects the high aims and worthy aspirations of its early founders rather than actual achievements in the shape of graduate courses and professional schools.

Pacific belongs indeed to that important class of "the small college" and she is not only proud of it but is inclined to believe that her special mission to humanity is best fulfilled in that capacity.

At present, at least, her endowment is inadequate and her equipment greatly in need of improvement—but she and her sister independent Christian colleges in the state can do things for the youth of the land which great universities with larger faculties, more costly equipment and crowds of students cannot possibly do.

There never was a time when the peculiar influence and the dominating ideals of a distinctively Christian college were more needed in America—to mold the character and clarify the motives of our youth in these days of unrest and uncertainty.

The peculiar needs of the time make it a matter of the highest patriotism to the whole people to support such an institution; for it is laying the foundations of a Christian civilization, it is doing its part to make America safe for democracy.

Today the outlook for Pacific University seems bright with promise. A beautiful campus, second to none in the state; five building, all modern but one; an endowment fund of about a quarter of a million; a loyal and enthusiastic student body; the prestige of an honorable past and an honor roll of worthy sons and daughters; the confidence that her friends who believe in her and her mission, will show their faith by their works and increase her funds and add to her buildings and her equipment; a devoted and self-denying faculty; the ideals of her founders still sacredly cherished;—these are what Pacific University possesses today as the sure foundation of her belief in her mission and her future in the generation to come.

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