

OLD TIMERS

Old Reelfoot's Body Exhibited

By R. M. DeMILLE

(Conclusion)

On April the 10th, 1890, the old Reelfoot bear, made his last charge in the face of a volley of bullets fired from the guns of Wright and Bean. He made his last gallant fight for his liberty. It was early in the spring, the ground was partly covered with snow and the sky was cloudy and raining mostly all day. But this great battler lost his gallant fight on that cold, rainy day. He was known by the stock men of Jackson and Siskiyou counties as the giant grizzly bear of the Cascade and Siskiyou mountains.

Size Given
This enormous bear in a standing position would measure nearly 10 feet in height. Across his back and shoulders he measured 2 feet 4 inches; from nose to the top of center of head between the ears, 18 1/2 inches; and length of his hind feet was 16 inches.

The grizzlies and silvertips resemble one another in size and performance. But the Grizzlies grow to be the largest of the mountain bear. These two species of bear never hibernated during the winter months like the black and brown bear. In the winter months, they are generally found on the sunny slopes of the mountains and table lands.

Hunt Told
On the above named date, William Wright, a man of middle age, and a boy by the name of Pearl Bean, 17 years old, were the heroes of this great bear hunt. Holding their ground and not budging an inch, they gave the old grizzly all they had while the famous old warrior kept coming. The situation began to look mighty serious at that moment; but as the boy kept a good steady nerve and made every shot count till the last shot proved to be the fatal one which struck the bruin in the left eye and down he went blinding him outright. This caused the bear to rage in fury; thrashing himself around on the ground, he managed to get to his feet in a standing position, spinning round and round, cuffing and clawing the side of his head, with the last bullet from Wright's Winchester 44 plowing through his entrails and heart which ended the career of Reelfoot.

Bear Skinned
On the following day, the old bear was skinned and the meat cut up and taken away to Yreka. After this noble and mammoth skin of old Reelfoot bear was taken to Yreka and put on exhibition for a few days — which caused much excitement throughout northern California and southern Oregon — the owners took it to a taxidermist and had it stuffed and mounted in full life size.

After it was prepared for exhibition, it was shown through the towns and cities of Oregon and California and, in fact, the entire United States and Europe. These exhibits brought in a good fortune for the owners. After returning to California, it was sold to the native sons of California for \$500. What became of the bear after it was sold is in doubt, but it possibly is in a museum in France or in San Francisco, Calif.

Cougar, Menace
A short time after most of these old grizzlies were killed off throughout these mountain ranges and the stockmen were having a rest from losing so many of their stock after this Old Reelfoot was done away with and were done paying out bounties on the bears, then came a new pest: the cougar or the mountain lion as it is called by some of the natives of southern Oregon and northern California. This animal caused more attention by the stockman than the Grizzlies did. The cougar is much more fleet of foot than the bear. The cougar makes his catch in short order. He likes the sweeter steaks, such as deer, young colts, calves and sheep. The cougar generally uses his time in the darkness and moonlight nights to make his prowls and visits to the sheep herds and sheep lambing corrals. The old pioneers I have talked with tell me some interesting stories in the country south or southeast of Pilot rock in the Bear canyon vicinity where Old Reelfoot used to roam. The ranchers and the stockmen couldn't range horses there with their young colts or cattle and calves on account of the cougar. It was necessary to herd them to a safe place where they could be watched or put in sheds behind latched doors at night.

Church Calls Portland Pastor

Rev. Fred G. Plocher, at present pastor of the St. John's Evangelical and Reformed church in the Sellwood district in Portland, Ore., has accepted the call of the Ashland Congregational Church to become its pastor, succeeding the late Rev. E. P. Borden.

Rev. Plocher occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church here on March 30, and at a quarterly meeting of the church on April 3 a unanimous call was extended him to become the minister.

Rev. Plocher was born and raised in Woodland, Cal., and has been in the ministry 10 years, serving in Indiana and Illinois after receiving his degrees in the East. He has been pastor in Portland for two years. He has a wife and six-year-old daughter, and will assume his work here on Sunday, June 1.

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Vining Repertory

OPENING MONDAY
Southern Oregon theatre-goers have until Saturday to purchase economical and convenient season tickets for the Vining repertory's spring season of modern plays.

The eight-admission subscriptions will be available at the box office of Ashland's Lithia theatre until April 12. Arrangements for block bookings for theatre parties of 20 or more at bargain prices will also be offered until this date. A number of local clubs and business organizations are using theatre parties as a method of raising funds for their treasury or for their favorite charity.

The premiere performance of "Arsenic and Old Lace" on Monday, April 14 will be an informal occasion, unlike the formal opening night of last November's "Antigone." The Joseph Kesselring comedy, directed by Barbara Curtis, will be followed on Tuesday by Rose Franken's delightful "Claudia," under the direction of Philip Hanson. Richard Graham directs the third offering of the season, "The Importance of Being Earnest" by Oscar Wilde, and Paul Kliss will stage Arthur Miller's "Death of a Salesman."

Performances will begin at 8:30 each evening, with the theatre closed only on Sundays. Following a series of rotations, the spring season will close with "Arsenic" on May 10.

Repertory members state that information about the group, which is regarded as a unique venture, is being requested from all over the Pacific coast. The latest inquiry being from a group at the atomic center in Richland, Wash., who plan to drive to Ashland to attend several performances.

OPENING PLAY
The cast of "Arsenic" will include Brad Curtis who will play the role of Jonathan Brewster, the n'er-do-well nephew of the crazy Brewster sisters, and contender for the title of America's biggest murderer. It was Boris Karloff who first played this absurdly sinister and ominous character who, with his assistant, Dr. Einstein and a corpse named Spinalzo, arrives one evening at the home of his aunts in Brooklyn and sets up business as a face-lifter for fugitives from justice.

One of the obstacles confronting the Vining company in the casting of this role is the fact that Jonathan is supposed to bear a resemblance to Boris Karloff because when Dr. Einstein made his last face for him, he was influenced by a movie he had seen the night before. This is a necessary requirement to be accomplished mostly with make-up, since it is this sensitiveness to his disfigurement which brings about Jonathan's eventual capture by the police force.

In the roles of Martha and Abby Brewster, the two gentle old sisters whose love for charitable acts has taken an alarming turn, will be Suzanne Hanson and Clara Daniels. The Brewster sisters, out of a desire to bring happiness to elderly homeless men, have developed what their nephew Mortimer terms "a very bad habit." This "bad habit" is the serving of elderberry wine, liberally laced with arsenic, strychnine and cyanide, to the homeless old gentlemen who are lured to their charming old brownstone house.

In accidentally discovering his aunts' criminal careers, Mortimer unleashes a series of incidents which result in what Variety called, "One of the most wildly hilarious shows in years." The part of Mortimer Brewster, drama critic by profession and an uneasy nephew by birth, will be performed by Franklin Reed. His brother, Teddy, who has spent his life under the impression that he is Teddy Roosevelt, will be played by Eddy Barron. Elaine Harper, Mortimer's fiancée, will be acted by Elmarie Wendel. Paul Kliss will be the menacing Einstein, and Officer O'Hara, the playwrighting policeman will be played by Angus Bowmer.

VEVA WILSON BACK

Veva E. Wilson, assistant professor of secretarial science at Southern Oregon college, returned today from San Francisco where she has been attending a meeting of the Western Business Educators association.

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Medford Coed Newly Elected FTA President

Miss Elayne Leach, Medford, will assume the presidency of the Future Teachers of America club at Southern Oregon next Monday following her recent election.

She will succeed Ken Mohney, Salem, as head of one of the largest campus organizations.

Also elected were Miss Marilyn Wurn, Kerby, vice president; Miss Dorothy Warren, Salem, secretary; Lester Cingcade, Oakland, treasurer; Donald Vinsant, Ashland, publicity chairman; Miss Vera Selby, Ashland, program chairman; Larry Johnson, Mallin, historian; Miss Alverna Gillispie, Medford, librarian; and Miss Joan Burke, Ashland, corresponding secretary.

The Southern Oregon FTA chapter includes 170 undergraduates in its membership. Purpose of the organization is to provide a program of general interest to future teachers, including lectures, field trips, and analysis of current instruction trends.

Miss Leach was graduated from Medford high school where she was active in the Una P. Inch FTA club. She has served as librarian of the SOC chapter and is currently acting as treasurer of the Associated Student body.

April Jobless More than 1951

Unemployment declined by 7,597 last month but the April 1 estimate of 32,567 persons looking for jobs in Oregon is still above last year's comparable figure of 29,003, the state unemployment compensation commission reports.

Although 40 per cent of the unemployed were from lumber and logging operations, most of the local offices in western Oregon's fir area reported conditions better than on April 1, 1951. Roseburg, Eugene, Lebanon, McMinnville and Astoria noted considerable improvement during the past 30 days.

MILLER TO SPOKANE

Alwin V. Miller, assistant professor of secretarial science at Southern Oregon college, left last evening for Spokane where he will attend a breakfast meeting of Phi Delta Kappa held in conjunction with the session of the Inland Empire Education association session. He will also attend a planning conference of Phi Delta Kappa coordinators of Oregon, Washington and Idaho.

AAUW HEARS MULLING

Leon C. Mulling, associated professor of speech at Southern Oregon college was guest speaker last evening at the monthly meeting of the Ashland branch, American Association of University Women. He discussed "Problems Encountered by the Speech Consultant," illustrating his remarks with recordings of actual speech deficiencies. The meeting was held at the home of Mrs. Ben T. Lombard.

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Obituaries

"The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away..." Job 1:21

CHRISTOPHER C. JARRETT

Christopher Columbus Jarrett, 73, a resident of 278 Idaho St., passed away April 1 at his place of residence after a long period of failing health. He had lived in Ashland 2 1/2 years.

Mr. Jarrett was born on June 22, 1878 in Church, Tenn., and was a farmer. His wife Anna preceded him in death on July 15, 1943.

He is survived by three sons, Curtis of Castle Rock, Wash., Lloyd of Seattle and Donald of Baker, Ore.; a brother, James and a sister, Mrs. Sarah Robbette of Churchhill, Tenn.

Services were held in the Litterer Funeral home, with the Rev. Earl Downing officiating. The remains are being sent to Baker, where interment will be beside his wife in Mt. Hope cemetery.

Faculty Members Attending Session In Pullman, Wash.

Two faculty members from Southern Oregon college are currently attending meetings at Pullman, Wash., this week.

Eugene Bowman, associate professor of mathematics, and Freeda Wilson, assistant professor of education are representing the Ashland college.

Last Monday and Tuesday they attended the Northwest regional conference on improving teacher education, and yesterday, today and Friday is being devoted to the annual session of the Inland Empire Education association.

Professor Bowman has been SOC's representative at the Inland Empire meet for the past four years.

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IN OUR CHURCHES

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST

Pioneer avenue, south. Sunday morning service at 11 a.m.

Subject: Are Sin, Disease, and Death Real? Golden Text: Rom. 8:2. The law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus hath made me free from the law of sin and death.

Sunday school at 9:30 a.m. Nursery available during the Sunday morning service.

Wednesday evening meeting, which includes testimonies of Christian Science healing, is held at 8 p.m.

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The public is cordially invited to attend these services, and to use the reading room.

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Radio Program, Sunday, 9:15 a.m., KWIN.

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Wednesday services: 7:30 p.m. We invite you to meet with us.

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(Christian) Second and B streets. Earl F. Downing, Minister

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people. Evening Service, 7:30 p.m.

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Midweek Service, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

Annual meeting of Congregation, Thursday, beginning with potluck supper at 6:30 p.m.

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Iowa and Mountain avenue. Paul W. F. Harms, Pastor

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Youth fellowship services, 6:30 p.m.; evening service, singing, testimonies and gospel message, 7:45 p.m.

Monday, prayer meeting at 8 p.m.

Wednesday, 7:30 p.m., mid-week service and Bible study; 8:30 p.m., choir rehearsal.

Thursday, 7:30 p.m., Sky Pilots in their club house on Walker avenue.

Youth Fellowship groups, 6:00 p.m.

Wesley Foundation, 7:00 p.m. Choir rehearsal, Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

130 N. Main (at Helman) "A Friendly Church for Thoughtful People"

Church School for all ages at 9:45 a.m.

Morning Worship at 11 a.m. Anthem by the choir. Sermon by the pastor.

Session Meeting at 3 p.m. Young People's Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

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Cash in vault and in Federal Reserve Bank	\$51,234,150.94
Due from Banks	35,615,501.06
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State, County and Municipal Bonds and Warrants	37,637,200.44
Other Bonds and Securities	5,161,812.78
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank	750,000.00
Loans and Discounts	277,042,952.06
Accrued Interest Receivable	1,761,907.85
Bank Premises, Furniture and Fixtures and Safe Deposit Vaults	6,141,834.58
Other Real Estate owned	7.00
Customers' Liability on Accounts of Letters of Credit, Acceptances and Endorsed Bills	694,638.42
Other Resources	394,253.40
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$578,560,387.71
LIABILITIES	
Capital	7,500,000.00
Surplus	17,500,000.00
Undivided Profits	12,268,653.17
Total Capital Funds	\$37,268,653.17
Reserve for possible loan losses. This reserve is to apply against any loan losses that may develop in the future; it has not been allocated to any particular loans or type of loans	2,079,816.38
DEPOSITS (Demand)	\$326,348,073.77
(Savings and Time)	533,436,827.04
Liability for Letters of Credit and as Acceptor, Endorser or Maker of Acceptances and Foreign Bills	694,638.42
Interest Received in Advance	2,135,810.84
Reserve for Interest, Taxes, Etc.	2,402,355.99
Dividends Declared	300,000.00
Other Liabilities	242,285.87
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LOANS AND DISCOUNTS	\$654,796,937.26
The First National Bank of Portland and 46 Offices	\$277,042,952.06
18 other Oregon Banking Offices in the First National Group	30,001,707.67
TOTAL RESOURCES	\$327,044,659.73
The First National Bank of Portland and 46 Offices	\$578,560,387.71
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