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A FAITHFUL EMPLOYEE

Manuel Silva, For Thirty-One Years an Employee of the Southern Pacific Endured Many Harshships

Walking eighteen miles each day for a period of thirty one years through the snowsheds of the Southern Pacific Company at the summit of the Sierra Nevada mountains, during which time he has had to fight several desperate battles with bands of tramps and has had to battle with the severe winters of the high Sierras, is the record of Manuel K. Silva, whose name has just been placed on the pension list of the railroad. Silva describes the hardships endured in that cold and sparsely settled section in a manner that would make the fingers of the news writer itch for a pencil and wad of copy paper.

"I have walked eighteen miles every day for thirty one years, a beat of three miles, over which I made three round trips every night. Figure it out. Sixty five hundred and seventy, miles a year and 203,670 miles in thirty one years. More than eight times around the world."

Silva is a native of Portugal and is now on a visit to that country with his wife. He entered the Southern Pacific service as a section laborer in 1879 and a year later became a shed watchman on the night shift. He has worked faithfully and steadily since assuming that position and was absent from duty only twice because of sickness. The duties of shed watchman are more responsible than one would suppose, and Silva held the position for thirty one years without a complaint being registered against him. He has been retired and pensioned although he is only 61 years old and upon his return from the old country will settle in the vicinity of the mountains for which he has developed such a fondness.

Silva has a record that few other shed watchmen or track walkers can approach. He is one of nearly a

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Band Meeting

Scio Concert Band met Friday night at City Hall; appointed Fred Ohlmeier leader. It was decided to charge no fee every one being invited to belong 'who cares to come and practice.

The follow were present: Fred Ohlmeier, leader; baritone, R. M. Cain and Joe Kalina; cornets, Ethel Arnold and Ed Kalina; tuba, Ed Wensley; alto, Henry Stepanek and John Sticha; trombone, J. F. Prochaska; clarinet, Thos. Prosal. There are others who are expected to join. The outlook for a good band is fine.

Notice

All subscribers who have not paid in advance of August 12, owe the present management from that date. You should renew at once and get the paper one year from that date for \$1.25. Send remittance at once and settle any back account with the former proprietor.

Should any one for any reason desire to have his paper discontinued please notify us at once and remit for time from August 12.

It is to be hoped no one will do the sneak act i. e. not notify us but refuse the paper at the Post Office. Be a man and if you don't want the paper pay up and say so.

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OUR AGED PIONEERS

Sketches of the Lives of Men and Women Who Have Survived Many Hardships

Mrs. Elizabeth Gaines

Mrs. Elizabeth Gaines was born in Jackson County, Missouri, in 1840. At the age of five years she crossed the plains with her parents, John J. and Malinda Crabtree. They started on the 9th day of April and arrived at The Dalles the first of October, being six months making the tedious trip. The family came down the Columbia to Portland on a raft made of pine logs fastened together with wooden pins, arriving on October 20. From there they moved out onto the Tualatin plains, spending the winter there.

Being dissatisfied with the place near Lebanon, to which they moved in the spring, the family came over into the forks of the Santiam, where Mr. Crabtree took up a section of land in

1846. Here the old people spent the remainder of their lives. Elizabeth grew up to young womanhood and was married at the age of 21 to Isaac Griffin, in 1861.

Mr. and Mrs. Griffin moved onto the old Louis Richardson farm on the North Santiam near Shelburn. They lived here twenty-one years, where nine children were born, three girls and six boys. In 1882 they moved to eastern Oregon with their large family, stopping in Weston till 1885. After living here three years the family came back to the Willamette Valley and settled near Scio. Mr. Griffin died in 1898 and Mrs. Griffin married S. W. Gaines in 1899, and is now living on an adjoining farm to her parents, on an old donation claim, three miles south of Scio.

An Opportunity

The Scio Hotel is again closed. It seems not to be a paying business as it has been conducted during the past year. Now would be an excellent time for some man or company of men to buy the present hotel property, tear down the present buildings and erect a modern structure to be used for a hotel and for business rooms. A good hotel ought to be a paying investment here and would do much to help the reputation of our city away from home.

Refuges for Game Birds and Animals

There is a law in the State of Oregon which may be made to serve a wonderfully valuable purpose, if its provisions were more widely known. The recent agitation requesting the governor to suspend the hunting season, to the end that the damage from forest fires might be minimized, calls attention to the above mentioned provision. It is one of the privileges of the State Game Warden to make private contracts with property owners, setting aside their land as game reservations. When once this is done, it is unlawful for any one to hunt game birds and game animals on the land so set aside.

An impression has prevailed that private owners would suffer some inconvenience, were they to take advantage of this act. On the contrary, there is no expense involved, on the part of the owner, nor is the land withdrawn from any useful purpose. It is merely contracted between the owner and the State Game Warden that the land described shall be regarded as a private reserve, upon which no hunting, either by outsiders or the owner himself, shall be lawful. The hunting and killing of varmints however can be carried on by special permit from the warden in charge. The owner merely agrees to act in the capacity of Deputy Game Warden for that particular piece of property, submitting such evidence as he gathers to the proper authorities.

There are millions of acres of timber land in the state that could be withdrawn under contract with the State Game Warden, as well as hundreds and perhaps thousands of other large tracts. Under this law, the danger from forest fire could be almost entirely eliminated, so far as its origin is due to careless hunters. This law is not only a protection against forest fire, but can be made to serve the farmers a useful purpose by making it unlawful for hunters to trespass on their land, damaging their grain and killing their stock besides making the game protection laws of the state of some consequence.

Ladies

You will be in style if you have Mrs. A. E. Randall order you a Victor suit or cloak.

N. I. MORRISON

Aged Pioneer Dead

At her old home place near Scio Oregon, Mrs. America Kelly, aged 72 years, died Sept., 19 1911.

Mrs. Kelly was one of Oregon's early pioneers, having come to this state from St. Joe Missouri, in 1847 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Miller.

In 1853 she was united in marriage to John J. Kelly, and came with him to make a home on the old donation claim, where her last days were spent.

She had friends all over the state, having lived at various times in Eastern as well as Western Oregon.

Six weeks ago she came from her home in Albany, to visit with her daughter, Mrs. Holt, and while there was stricken with that dreaded malady, dropsy, which caused her death. She was tenderly cared for by her sons and daughters, but to no avail.

Besides a number of grand children and great grand children, she leaves two brothers, R. P. Miller of Post and J. S. Miller of Applegate Oregon, and her own children, Mrs. Anna Holt, Henry, Richard and Clifford Kelly all of Thomas, Mrs. Maude Moore of Woodburn and Mrs. Mary Queener of Stayton, Oregon.

Friends all extend heart-felt sympathy for Mrs. Kelly was an earnest Christian, loved and respected by all.

After a beautiful simple burial service, the remains were interred in the Miller cemetery near Shelburn, Sept., 20, 1911.

Out of the Ginger Jar

The fast man is pretty certain to fall behind.

What three vowels express trouble? I. O. U.

It will probably never be known what the hand-saw.

Be sure you are right, and then don't make a fuss about it.

There is many a man who isn't worth what it costs him to live.

Every dog has his day, and too many of them have their nights also.

The blacksmith may be an expert forger without being arrested for it.

Nature is a good doctor, but she makes her patients pay to the last cent.

What the corn heard with its own ears, the potato saw with its own eyes.

Few men know what is good for them until some wise woman has told them.

The money that a woman spends is never for the bonnet.

But always for the fancy things The milliner puts on it.

The rich are known by their dollars, but the humble onion is known by its scent.

The farmer who lost his half-bushel measure was in more than a peck of trouble.

The foolish trust to the safety-pin, but the wise see to it that the buttons are well sewed on.

It is easier to climb down a tree than to climb up, which explains why the top is never crowded and why there is always room there.

We are none of us any better than we ought to be and many of us are a great deal worse.

The farmer has a good many mouths to feed; he is even obliged all through the winter to feed the fodder cutter.

Sometimes when a man is pretending to be looking for a wife he is merely hunting for a good cook. Beware of such.

From October Farm Journal.

The Auctioneer

Who has cried sales successfully, who knows current values, and who is otherwise well qualified as a salesman, is the one who will get the most money for your products.

I have had the experience and believe I can render such services as will please.

n18 B. T. Sudtell, Halsey, Ore.

PORTLAND NEWS LETTER

The Great Deschutes Power Company Project Will Pump Water on Thirsty Oregon Lands

A big project is that just launched by the Deschutes Rimrock Power Company, which plans the expenditure of \$9,000,000 in developing electric energy on the Lower Deschutes and operating pumping plants with it to lift water onto the semi-arid lands lying near the Columbia river. This concern, capitalized for \$1,000,000, has interested English capitalists in the plan and British money will be available within 90 days to start the work. It is expected to be irrigating 15,000 acres within 18 months and more land will probably be added later.

This is thought to be the biggest investment of foreign capital ever made in the Pacific Northwest, exclusive of the transcontinental railroads. It is also the greatest individual power project in the Pacific Northwest. But it is nevertheless essentially an irrigation scheme, which can be carried out only by pumping water from one river onto thirsty lands through the power furnished by the swiftly flowing waters of another stream. The company just formed will harness the Deschutes near its mouth and the project contemplates the development of a maximum of 140,000 horsepower.

The first knock is yet to be heard of the Pendleton Roundup. For an affair that attracted the wide attention this unique celebration enjoyed, this is indeed an enviable record. The Northwest press gave wide publicity to the Roundup and in not a single instance so far found after careful search, has there been an adverse criticism of either the amusement features, the event as a whole, or the treatment of visitors by Pendleton people.

The Rogue River Valley Industrial Fair that has been attracting attention during the past week at Medford, will develop into a pear show of national importance. At least, that is the plan now being developed and there is little doubt that it will succeed. Next year it is planned to have a competition between all pear districts of this Coast and finally enlarge the annual event until it includes exhibits from all over the country.

Hood River's annual apple fair, an event of wide interest, will be held this year on October 9, 10 and 11. The management of the show is now erecting a suitable building to house exhibits. They are always exceedingly attractive and well worth going a long way to see.

The State Land Board will probably try to secure title within a short time to Summer and Abert lakes in Southern Oregon. It has been recommended that this be done because of the value of the salts in the waters of the two lakes. Reports show there are 40,000, 000 tons of salt in the two bodies of water and the state may claim them from the federal government. A plant to extract the salt will then probably be built.

The Oregon State Hotel Men's Association will meet at the Portland Commercial Club auditorium October 30 and 31, when plans will be discussed for increasing tourist travel to Oregon. Hotel and railroad men from all over the Northwest will attend and the commercial bodies will be asked for suggestions.

Don't trifle with a cold is good advice for prudent men and women. It may be vital in case of a child. There is nothing better than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy for coughs and colds in children. It is safe and sure. For sale by all dealers.

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