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Forty-Nine Years Ago.

Tuesday, May 10, marked the forty-ninth anniversary of the date of The Tribune editor's arrival at Portland. The Union Pacific railroad had been completed the year previous and travel from the states to Oregon had to be via San Francisco.

Portland then was a town about the size of Albany, or a little larger. On the east side, or East Portland then, had not more than a dozen houses and one store. There were no bridges, no street cars, but one bank—Ladd & Tilton's, three hotels—Cosmopolitan, Morrison and American Exchange.

Portland then was strung along the river. Fourth street was full of large fir stumps. Front street was the main business street and there were as many frame buildings as brick. All the hotels were of wood construction. The Oregon & California (S. P.) railroad was completed only to Oregon City.

But improvement was rapid the following year and during this year (1871) the railroad was completed to Albany and on to Roseburg soon thereafter and which was the end of the road for many years.

Albany was then but a village of a few hundred people and the business houses were all on two blocks on either side.

Lebanon was then but a small, unincorporated town of 150 people. This writer was engaged to teach the academy school that fall (1871) visited Scio and was surprised to find it a larger place than Lebanon.

Both Scio and Lebanon received mail on a stage line reaching from Salem to Eugene, the line passing through Stayton, Scio, Lebanon, Brownsville, on to Eugene. With expiration of the stage line contract the following year short stage lines were established from each of these towns to the railroad.

The population of Oregon was then but 66,000 and Linn county could not have been more than 4000.

At the election of 1872 the vive voce system still prevailed. The chairman of the election board received your ballot and immediately read aloud the names of the candidates voted for by the electors.

The bridge across the south Santiam was built in 1874. Prior thereto Scio was completely isolated from Albany much of the time in winter.

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Farm and Home Reminders.

From O. A. C. Experiment Station.

The field vetch aphid is beginning to show up in serious numbers in some fields in the Willamette Valley. No satisfactory method has been developed for the control of the pest, but specialists are at work on the problem. Growers bothered with this aphid should notify the experiment station so that we may keep them informed of any possible methods developed for control.

Newly seeded lawns should be rolled just before or just after the first clipping.

Diversification in farming is an important factor in the net returns of a farm. Analysis of 150 dairy farms in the dairy section around Portland shows that they did not make their expenses in the last year. The same is true of the alfalfa section in the irrigated district in Malheur county only to a greater extent. This indicates that the greater the diversity the greater will the net returns be, probably for in the case of the dairy farm the farmers raised feed and fed it to the stock, while in the case of the alfalfa farm they only raised the hay and as a consequence they lost heavily.

Uncle Ben Irvine is 92.

Last Saturday, when in Lebanon, this editor paid Uncle Ben Irvine a call. Uncle Ben formerly owned a farm in the Mount Pleasant neighborhood and has ever been one of Linn county's staunchest and most reliable citizens.

But Uncle Ben is quite feeble now, requiring the assistance of two canes to hobble about, yet he will still get out and work in the garden occasionally. His general health is quite good for one of his great age. He is jolly and likes a joke as well as ever.

But his time is short and the grim messenger may visit him at any time. His friends hope he may be with us for many years. He is now one of the few remaining early pioneers and has been one of the builders of Linn county, and when he does pass away he will have the satisfaction of knowing he has done his duty during his long life. It is such men as Uncle Ben who, in a silent and unostentatious way, have made Oregon great. His example to his family and surrounding neighbors has been for good.

Deb Long is teaching school in the Bilyeu Den district.

and this Lebanon bridge was the first large bridge erected in the county.

Since 1870 there has been some 28 murders in Linn for which but two were executed. Several others went to the penitentiary, but the courts failed to convict the majority.

The above facts are cited for the benefit of the late comers to Linn county. Nearly all of the old settlers who would remember these events are dead. Boys then are our old men now. The county officials were: R. P. Boise, circuit judge; A. W. Stanard, clerk; R. A. Irvine, sheriff; Cap Shields, treasurer, and Johns, county judge.

FARMERS TO PROMOTE A DRAINAGE PROJECT

Forty-Seven Land Owners Interested —Big Meeting at School House May 16.

Ever since the organization of the farm bureau local at Scio drainage has been considered and now plans for a drainage ditch, heading on the F. T. Thayer farm and emptying into Thomas creek 2½ miles below Scio, are nearly completed.

It is estimated by the promoters—F. T. Thayer, F. G. Cary, W. A. White, and others, that 47 farmers and small landholders will be benefited by this project, and that each will be required to pay toward the cost of construction according to the benefits received.

There are two ways of handling such a project. First, all landowners who are benefited may agree on the project, form an association, determine cost, and then do the work co-operatively. Secondly, if the first method does not work, or the landowners cannot agree, then a regular drainage district can be formed under the laws of Oregon. To form such a district requires the petitioning by landowners who own 50 per cent of the land to be benefited.

If the first method, which is voluntary and co-operative, does not work in this vicinity the drainage district will, as already the owners of more than 50 per cent of the land involved have declared themselves in favor of drainage if the cost is not prohibitive.

Those to be benefited by the proposed drainage ditch are: F. T. Thayer, E. D. Myers, D. McKnight, Riley Shelton, Ben Thayer, E. Plummer, Cliff Shelton, Jap Smelzer, N. Long, T. Lukenbach, T. A. Richardson, Perry & Philippi, W. A. Ewing, C. Tucek, J. L. Calvin, Harry Johnson, Ed Wesely, Chas. Chrz, Wm. Reed, John Couba, Ed Chrz, W. E. Brodie, F. G. Cary, Marion Arnold, W. M. Phillips, James Arnold, Wm. Brenner, Charles Compton, Frank Zabodsky, Ed Palon, John Fredrich, Joe Madarush, T. B. Prosdal, Joe Novak, W. A. White, Dan McLachlan, Roy Thurston, Ernest McRae, John Shelton, Guy McKnight, Frank Perry, Charles Perry, W. J. Burden, J. M. Brown, Jerome Smith, Dean Morris, — Fosdick.

A meeting of those interested will be held at the Scio schoolhouse at 7:30 p. m., Monday, May 16th. Professor W. L. Powers, drainage and irrigation engineer at O. A. C., and County Agent Heyman will be on the ground all day Monday to determine the grade and course of the ditch. They will also estimate the cost of construction and will be ready to answer questions and give information relative to the promotion of a drainage project.

It will be a big meeting; many will be present to oppose the project and discussion will be keen and to the point.

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Cats Start Blazes.

New York, May 12.—Stories of how cats are taught to upset lambs, thus setting fire to buildings, were related here today by C. D. West, manager of the investigation and prosecution department of the national association of credit men, in detailing exposures of schemes used by storekeepers to gain insurance.

While investigating in Paterson, N. J., recently, Mr. West said he became interested in the disappearance of several satchels used for transporting animals. He traced the case to Chester, Pa., and the trail led him to a man whom he found to be apparently fond of cats.

"I soon found out the reason," he added. "The cats were being trained to fight lamps and when their training was completed they were sold for \$256 each. When a man wanted a fire in his store all that was necessary to purchase was a trained cat and leave it in his store with a lighted lamp. The owner could go home and sleep soundly assured that while he slept the cat would knock over the lamp and his store would be destroyed."

Aunt Martha Gets Spring Lid.

Meester Editor—

Heer ay ban vaitin' oll vinter for Easter Sunday so Yens an ay good fax up an promnaid a litel an show nebbers ve got sum stille, den it haf to be cold an stormy. Ay got nice hat for feer doler an femateva cent from Mon go Mary ward. Toun miller ant got anting on us for cheep hats. I never see anting like it, an ay gas ay save it fort en Yull. Yens sa ay shoold vare it deckerashen day cos he got so menny flours en ribens to et. Mis Karlson sed if et ben her hat she vood put hem away for aver an she vink at Yens. She need en ban so smart, hoamly ol made. Last hat she bot look lak ole vash dish ban roun over by manoor spreadoer, an she had to vaik lak she ban frade she gone spil somteng.

Yens got soot from catlog house and yu otto see em. Pants so beeg in westbuul he haf to turn roun lak of dog to sit down. An his west. Vorse an more to it. Part corset an rest of et yust lak hoop skert. Ay vork all day yesterday to mak et corespond to hes pants, but he still got short serkit some places. Vel, ay see in paper dot President Harding got smartest mans in kontry en kabinet. Nobody missing from dis naberhood vot ay no of.

Vel, beey is cryen an Yens yust cut hisself en pantry tryen to feex larm clock with can opener, spose ay haf to stop en tend to bote of em rite hear.

AUNT MARTHA.
—Clay Co. Herald.

How can labor leaders expect a return to normal conditions when they are doing everything in their power to prevent such a return? Strikes at this time are a crime against the nation and are simply prolonging industrial stagnation and increasing unemployment.

At The Peoples Theatre

For this week, Saturday and Sunday evenings, at the Peoples Theatre Fatty Arbuckle in "Brewster's Millions."

Birthday Party.

Jesse Hildreth and Miss Lulu Clark gave a party at the home of D. H. Hildreth last Thursday evening in honor of the birthday of D. H. Hildreth and Z. J. Clark. The evening was pleasantly spent playing social games. At a late hour refreshments of ice cream and cake were served.

A large birthday cake was baked by Miss Lulu for the occasion. It was iced and decorated with the same number of chocolates as the birthdays totaled.

The following were present, all of whom enjoyed the evening: Mr. and Mrs. Z. J. Clark, Arthur Clark, Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Hildreth, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hollis, Myrtle Hollis, Mr. and Mrs. V. E. Shelton and son Howard, Grandma Fleming and sons Ad and Bun, Jesse Hildreth; Misses Blanche Arbuckle, Christine Shindler and Lulu Clarke.

Born

A baby boy was born at the Scio hospital Friday to Mr. and Mrs. David Weaver.

SANTIAM FARM TOPICS

John Griffin of Salem visited here over Sunday.

G. A. Griffin went to the charivari Monday night to remind the bride she still had friends even if married.

Oldtimer Al Munkera, wife and daughter of Blodgett, also Mrs. Joe Munkers called on the old man for seed corn Sunday.

Ed Kalina and wife went to Scio Sunday night to see the pictures.

Old Pie Eater got a little nervous when he saw snow on the hills, so on Sunday he planted 4 acres corn and finished his garden Monday and it can snow and be darned.

As butterfat is down to 24 cents Ed Kalina and Mrs. Pie Eater are patronizing the condensery.

While near Larwood I visited the Cameron mill and logging camp. They are piling up millions of feet of logs regardless of lumber prices.

The old man received a dozen new records for his phonograph and they are dandy.

PIE EATER.

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