

# BIRTHDAY MESSAGE

(Written for The Capital Journal.)

Another of Life's milestones, that mark the sunny slope of time—relentless scorer—today wrote fifty-three. My soul has listened to voices we both loved, youth was bright with hope—for you as well as me. I've reached for you, with love you can't withstand; if nevermore let your love with me abide we wander back Life's beaten track—a re-united band.

You sometimes recall the days of our childhood, so bright, that to me, they have never grown dim, my life was so sweet, with its routine of duty? farm-lad, and lassie must work with a vim, sweet breath of clover, in the hush of the dawning, incense to nature—as the robin's low thrill praise to the father, for his love, and his keeping, day's banners unfurled, o'er the forest-crowned hill.

You ever in fancy, as the west-wind sweeps towards you the clear tones of mother, calling far o'er the field, the noon-tide invites you to rest, and to plenty? the plough-share turns over its glittering shield, the maelstrom of life's stern relentless commotion you give, oh, my brother, one brief hour of time listen, with me—as memory-bells swinging our happy childhood in resonant chime?

Are memories now sacred, the world cannot enter Holy of holies—where with reverent head two stand alone—where no smoke of life's battle for this hour—our commune with our dead, they are now with us—but so free from Earth's fetters radiant with light, they have oft come to me in dreams stand revealed in ethereal beauty, God's sunlight, and love is unstinted and free.

Make with such sense of a loss—never ending, the day is a round of dull leaden hours, I know, that for me, in my prison of silence naught can requite for the love that was ours, father—our mother, and brother—all wait our coming beautiful land—beyond Death's rolling sea, the key, oh, my brother, to the portals of heaven without shadow—for you, and for me.

appointed by the county court to succeed Supt. Moores who has become superintendent of the Blind School. He has taught public schools for ten years, having held the principalship of East Salem and Yew Park schools, and also having done county institute work. Mr. Smith is ambitious to build up the country schools and is in hearty sympathy with all efforts to improve public education. Mr. Smith has many friends and they believe in him as a man and a school official.

David G. Drager took the office of county Recorder last July a year ago. He has served several terms as clerk in the legislature. The laws for his office have been changed some in regard to fees, and the Torrens land registration system has been introduced. So far but two pieces of property have been registered under its provisions. The system is quite complicated and the people are slow to take advantage of it. His deputies are Arthur Atkins and Flora MacDonald.

The county surveyor is B. B. Herrick, Jr. He is serving on his eighth term, and Wm. Bushey is his deputy. An important change in the road laws makes the surveyor, the County Road Master and one free holder the county board of road viewers. This board locates all new roads, from the standpoint of expense and grades. In the past many roads have been expensively located where the grades were impassible, and the material for road building interest was bad. The Road Master at present is M. A. McCorkle, who was appointed March 1903. The county

Ernest Thompson Seton. It is the theory of Ernest Thompson Seton that the Ten Commandments are not arbitrary laws given to man, but are fundamental laws of all creation—a theory based upon extended observation, which, Mr. Seton says, among the animals disaster fol-



lows breach of the ten great principles on which human society is founded. In the November Century Mr. Seton discusses at some length his theory and the observations upon which it is founded, under the title of "The Natural History of the Ten Commandments." As this is rather a revolutionary theory the article is likely to awaken great interest among the "nature-students," which nowadays means the entire reading public.

Sigmund De Ivanowski.



**Famous Portrait Painter.** In the estimate of one of New York's leading critics, "the most notable achievement of Oscar Hammerstein's season of opera was the performance of Bizet's 'Carmen'; and of this the distinguishing feature was the heroine performance of Bizet's 'Carmen'; and was the impersonation of the heroine by Mme. Chlotilde Bressler-Gianodli." Mr. Sigmund de Ivanowski has chosen Mme. Bressler-Gianodli's "Carmen" for the first of his series of portraits of noted opera singers, which, reproduced in color, are to be one of The Century's art features during the coming year. This is the frontispiece of the November Century; and Richard Aldrich has written to accompany it a critique of Mme. Bressler-Gianodli's impersonation of the character.

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**THE DUTCHMAN AND HIS DOG.** A Dutchman addressing his dog, said: "You vas only a dog, but I vish I vas you; when you go mit your bed in you shust durn round dree dimes and lay down; ven I go mit the bed I hav to lock up der biace, and wind up the clock and put the cat out, and ondress myself, and my frau wakes up and scolds, den de baby wakes up and cries and I haf to walk him mid de house round, den maybe, ven I gets myself to bed it is time to git up agaln. Ven you get up, you shust stretch yourself rig your neck a leedle, and you vas up. I haf to light de fire, put on de kiddie, scrap some mit my vife already and get myself breakfast. You play around all day and haf plenty of fun, I haf to work all day and have plenty of trouble. Ven you die you vas dead; ven I die I haf to go to hell yet."

**A Three Acre Farm.** John Minger, who resides three miles east of Salem, this year grubbed stumps out of three acres of land, at a cost of \$150.00. He planted the ground with Burbank potatoes and on the scant three acres raised 800 bushels. He sold them in the field after digging at 40 cents per bushel. Thus it will be seen that his first crop brought him enough to more than pay for the land and all the work, besides the vast expense of grubbing out the big stumps. The wood cut off this

same land was worth \$400 standing in the tree.

The County Cashier is W. Y. Richardson who has served the people since July 1902, and has been re-elected for the third term. He has no deputy but handles all the county cash himself and the people seem to be satisfied to let well enough alone.

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# SALEM COMMERCIAL BODIES

**The Salem Board of Trade.** This is the live and substantial commercial organization of the Capital City, with a membership of about 225 of the aggressive rank and file of the citizenship of the Capital City. The organization has existed for ten years, and has taken a large share of the burden of promotion work in the past. It has landed several industries in the city the past two years that are in flourishing condition.

The officers are as follows: Pres., H. B. Thielsen; Secretary, H. S. Polsal; Treasurer, J. H. Albert; Executive Committee: F. N. Derby, H. D. Patton, A. Huckestein, A. F. Hofer, J. M. Lawrence. The board meets regularly on the second Wednesday of each month. It has a large room on State street filled with a splendid exhibit of the products of this county, and is visited each day by home seekers, as the register shows. Besides a large special display of products made by the Board of Trade the following generous contributions have been made by citizens who are willing the world shall see what Oregon can produce, and who will be glad to give further information as to these crops:

**Display of Apples.** W. H. Egan has on display eleven plates of apples. The varieties are as follows: Baldwin, Russian Red, Jonathan, Spitzenburg, Rhode Island Greening, Ben Davis, Yellow Bell Flower, Northern Spy.

Mr. Gus Freniard, of Chemawa: Ben Davis, Baldwin. Mr. C. Unruh: Blue Peermain, Vandervort. B. Cunningham, Rhode Island Greening, Baldwin, Wagner, Cunningham Seedling. Mr. Teters, Willow Twig, L. M. Crozer, Spitzenburg, Baldwin, King, Clinton Kurtz, Northern Spy, Red Delaware, Twig, Arkansas Black.

V. J. Krehbiel, Howell Prairie, Gloria Mundi, Andrew Vercler, British Columbia, Northern Spy, Wagner, Jonathan, Mrs. McCrey, Rosedale, Gloria Mundi, Lloyd Reynolds, Baldwin, Shannon Pippin, George Lansing, Benton County Beauty, King, Ben Davis, Quince, John Minger, Yellow Quince, T. D. Jones, Pineapple Quince.

**Pears and Fresh Fruit.** Enos Presnol, Kelfer pear, W. J. Crawford, Beurre Clairgeau, Duchess Pear, W. L. McMillan, Pound Pear, Mr. Busby, Magoon Strawberry, J. W. Allen, Fresh ripe white Raspberries, John Minger, Fresh Black Hamburg Grapes, Canned Cherries.

Mr. Vercler, Royal Ann Cherry, Mrs. Dyer, Tartarian cherry, J. F. Jones, McClay, Governor Wood Cherry, F. Southwick, Royal Anne, T. D. Jones, Black Eagle Cherry, French Beauty, J. R. Shepard, Bing, Mr. Ruggie, Governor Wood.

**Canned Berries.** Mr. A. Vercler, Logan Berry, Mr. Mooney, Logan Berry, Mr. Weeks, Phenomenal, D. Parker, Mammoth Blackberry, Mr. Bartlett, Red Hills Gooseberry, David Nelson, English Red Gooseberry, Mrs. Lot Pierce, Red Currants, Mr. Holden, Oregon Strawberry.

**Canned Plums.** S. B. Talmou, Hungarian Plum, S. Reynolds, Rosedale, Yellow Egg Plum, C. Edmondson, Columbia Plum, R. D. Teter, Champion Plum, W. H. Egan, Columbia Plum.

**Canned Prunes.** Ed. Jory, Rosedale, Petite Prune, Mr. Mize, Silver Prune, Mrs. J. A. Bishop, Italian Prunes. All kinds of home canned fruits canned by Mrs. Foster. Two boxes of prunes packed by H. S. Gile & Co.

**Vegetables Displayed.** Mr. Savage, Burbank potatoes, J. S. Moyer, Burbank, Oregon Wonder, Mrs. L. H. Bowerman, Prize Bliss potatoes, C. Unruh, Beauty of Hayburn, Burbank, Oregon Wonder, C. F. Lansing, Burbank, C. A. Radcliff, Sir Walter Ralleggh potatoes, J. W. Allen, Polk County, White Elephant, White Wisconsin, yield 375 bushels to the acre, 20 potatoes make a bushel. Clinton Kurtz, Rochester potatoes, one potato weighed 8 pounds. Charles Muths, White Carrot, Rudibaga, Mangle, Beet, C. Unruh, Cow Horn Turnip, John Pepper, Sweet Beet, raised 2,300 pounds on little over a third of an acre. Charles A. Bear, Turner, Hubbard Squash, C. L. Weaver, White Squash, R. E. Stienner, Pratum, Long Yellow Squash, measures over 40 inches in length. W. J. Carlton, Yellow Squash.

**Corn Samples.** James Sykes, Eola Hills, Early Northwestern, James Sykes, Stowell Evergreen, Pride of the North, Yellow Dent Missouri, C. L. Irish, Yellow Dent, White Corn, T. D. Jones, Iowa Dent, C. Unruh brought

in samples of Yellow and White Corn, Wm. Lick, Popcorn.

**English Walnuts.** Wm. Hall, English Walnuts, S. P. Kimball, Seedling English Walnuts, Mrs. M. E. Breyman, Præparturien Walnuts, Parisienne Walnuts, H. Hockeb, Mayette Walnut.

The Sienna Paint Co. have put in a display showing the different stains of wood.

W. H. Edwards & Sons have put in a display of their furs and Angora rugs.

The Capital Soap Works has a display of soap, also of Angora rugs.

## The Splendid Young Organization Known as Boosters.

One of the four commercial and social organizations that exist in the Capital City is the Salem Boosters Club, of which Chas. L. McNary is the president, T. B. Kay, vice-president, Jos. Baumgartner, treasurer. The Board of Governors is composed of the above-named officials, and H. W. Meyers, Aug. Huckestein, F. G. Deckabach, H. H. Olinger, George F. Rodgers, and Paul Wallace. The membership is composed of the best brain and brawn, the best red blood and stout hearts of the best interior city of the northwest. The work of the organization is done through committees, and they do not wait a year before acting. They are ready to go to work on a moment's notice, are willing to take hold of anything that has any indication of bearing fruit for the commercial or industrial development of the community. The whole force of the Boosters' club is expended on increasing the dinner pail brigade. The organization has several red hot schemes up its sleeve but they cannot be given out on paper. They will not show on the surface until closed, coppered and spiked fast to stay in this community. There is not a man with a particle of patriotic impulse for the good of the town who should not be enlisted in the ranks of the Boosters.

## History of Salem Social Organization That Has Been Continuously Successful.

A meeting of gentlemen was held Nov. 12, 1895, at the Willamette Hotel, who called themselves for the time being the Salem Social Club. The organization was a popular idea and grew rapidly into a large membership, of which E. P. McCormack was the first chairman and S. W. Thompson, secretary. The club made its organization permanent by election of Phil. Metschan, then State Treasurer to the presidency, and Chas. D. Gabrielson, Secretary. Mr. McCormack was made vice-president. The upper story of the Burke block was fitted up for permanent club rooms, and were the first social club rooms in the city. Selection of a name caused a great many suggestions and many of them beautiful Indian names predominated. Among them were Chemekete, Calipoola, Tekana, and Illihee. The last named proved popular on ballot and was adopted December 3, 1895. It was suggested by a woman, Mrs. Frank Hodgkin being awarded the honor of the records of the club for suggesting the Indian word meaning bountiful hospitality.

Succeeding presidents in order named were W. T. Williamson, Richard Cartwright, W. H. Byrd, J. A. Carson, and present incumbent, E. P. McCormack. Succeeding secretaries were B. F. Meredith, Jan. 3, 1900, J. W. Roland, Oct. 12, 1900, B. F. Meredith, June 8, 1902, to present time. Mr. Meredith enjoys the confidence and popular esteem of the clubmen of the city, in a high degree. The House Committee of the Club at present, upon whom devolve the working details and business arrangements, are Homer H. Smith, Ray Farmer, and Paul Wallace. Other officers of the club at present are Werner Breyman, vice president; Jos. Baumgartner, treasurer; Trustees, W. H. Byhr, chairman, A. N. Gilbert, Fred Steusloff, Milton Meyers and H. H. Olinger.

## Salem State Bank.

While one of the youngest banks in the city, (organized Nov. 1904) it has enjoyed a steady growth, and is today one of the strongest. Originally capitalized at \$50,000, it has recently obtained a charter for a national bank with a capitalization of \$100,000. The officers are J. P. Rodgers, president; George W. Eyre, vice president; E. W. Hazard, cashier, and David Eyre, assistant cashier. These gentlemen are all well known and successful business men.

# MODEL COUNTY GOVERNMENT

**Administrative Department of Marion County.** County Commissioners Court composed of County Judge John [Name], and two commissioners, C. Needham, of Salem, and H. Goulet, of Woodburn. County Judge, who is also Prothonotary and has the powers of a review in certain cases, represent office July 1st, 1900. President of the State Road Association, and has reputation for himself and county on that line of problem has become a great name and in which Oregon through the energy of Judge [Name] has been made very conspicuous. Marion county has constructed a model crushed rock roads, the federal government has a sample of its model roads on fair grounds at our city. The great progress made in the construction of public highways is largely due to County Judge Scott and the men who have supported him with him have constituted the first steps of reform when Judge Scott took to install a complete new county records in every part. A system of road accounts originated so that the each district can be checked and machinery are in winter and a list of each kept and turned over with from one road official to fifteen rock pits have been in the county. Per bridges on better foundations been built on cylinder piers and concrete culvert made by the county for use on roadways instead of wood. Road grading the contract has been introduced, cutting the hills and making long away with long bridges reaches that are constantly down. In some instances culvert has taken the 200-foot bridge. The at the County Poor-Farm rebuilt, with new barns out buildings. The structure has been put in very condition, with a septic system for fifty people only \$75 and works perfectly. The county court has planned the court house, one of the finest in the has been outgrown by the population that has since it was erected. It brought up-to-date and sanitary in every re-arger vaults are needed office room. This work to be undertaken before the needs of the

county governments in the state. The county has no debt. Warrants are at par and the treasury has a surplus. The county officials are all Republicans, nearly all young men, and very competent for their respective positions. County Clerk Allen was sworn in July 1906. He was deputy under the late lamented Lorenz V. Ehlen for two years and then become his successor. He was also bookkeeper at the State Insane Asylum for six years and before that was a farmer at Silverton. Lou Aldrich was his first deputy before taking a position at the Ladd & Bush bank. The county assessor's office has been in the hands of Fred J. Rice since January 1, 1905, with W. W. Hall as his chief deputy. Mr. Rice has shown a disposition to take the office out of the old ruts and has changed the basis of valuation from one-third values to a cash valuation. This runs Marion county values up from eight million dollars to thirty-one million. The past year he has slapped on 3 1/2 million mostly on corporations and timber lands. Smaller property has been lowered. One water power and millsite has been raised from \$35,000 to \$75,000. The story of Sheriff Culver's official career reads almost like a romance. He was city surveyor four years, county surveyor four years, county roadmaster two years, and is now serving his second term as sheriff. Taking office July 1, 1904, he has made an ideal official, and has few enemies in the county. His two assistants are Harry Minto and Wm. Esch. Some of the noted criminal cases Culver and his men have worked on are the arrest and conviction of the two men who worked the guns into the state prison with which Tracy and Merrill made their escape. One of these was Chas. Montee, who was sentenced for life and the other was convicted of stealing a team. This man Harry Wright got out and was captured in Washington for the same offense and is serving twenty years in Walla Walla. Culver was in the big Smith chase, the man who caused the death of Sheriff Shafer, and Captain Henderson of Woodburn. He was killed at Canby after a six day hunt. Sheriff Culver has a rogue's gallery of over a hundred criminals who have been in state prison, or been wanted there, taken by himself and preserved for future use in identification. In working up a case or hunting down criminals these chrome are very useful. The State Capital is where all the ex-convicts gain their liberty and many of them proceed to get into trouble about as fast as they get out of prison. The duty of sheriff of this county is not a Sunday School job, and Culver seems to be equal to it. County Superintendent of Schools Walter M. Smith is a new man in the court house, having served only since Sept. 3, 1907, when he was

**County Officials.** County has one of the best

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