Why Salem Celebrates

(By J. F. Hutchason)

I hope every person who touches this paper will read the following article so that you may arrive at some understanding of just what the Fourth of July, 1919, means to the citizens of Salem. The ideas may not be mine, in fact they are not all mine, but they attempt to show what Salem is trying to do at this time.

As to Dates

The celebration will last for three days, July 3, 4 and 5. The War Mothers and War Camp Community Service have charge of the program for the 3d and 5th. The Salem Commercial Club is taking charge of the 4th. There will be something doing every minute of the entire three days.

Thursday the 3d

Every soldier, sailor and marine residing in the district tributary to Salem, Ore. is invited to come to Salem for the three day celebration. You are invited to come on the morning of the 3d and when you reach Salem go immediately to the Commercial Club where the War Community Service will have people to register your name and provide all the necessary arrangements for your stay while here. Your needs will be attended to and this means a room, a program; a pass to the different amusements; dances and banquets and instructions as to what has been provided for you. Remember that automobiles bearing a certain pennant are at your service. Go to the Commercial Club and register and full information will be furnished freely and gladly. You will find plenty of entertainment for this day with a banquet and reception at night followed by a dance. ALL FREE.

Friday the 4th

This will be the big day and if you haven't been able to reach the city before this date, be sure and come on this day. Be sure and register the first thing when you arrive. It will only take a few minutes and it is very important to you.

The big military parade and all the other parades including the baby parade will be held on this day. All parades are planned for the morning except the baby parade. There will be singing and band music at Wilson Park in the afternoon—the carnival shows—the street features—in fact more things than you can see in one morning and afternoon. Another banquet and dance in the evening. As far as possible, all will be free for the boys who wore the uniform whether they went across the water or were only in the Students Training Camps. No matter where you wore that uniform you signified your readiness to serve where needed.

Saturday the 5th

There will be entertainment and amusement for all on this day.

The War Mothers and the War Community Service are planning many things for this day and they are planing it all for you and your friends. Plan to come for the three days and don't miss anything The money has been donated and is to be spent and will be spent and we want you to enjoy every minute of the time.

What it means

Salem was the first city in the state, as far as we can learn, that planned on a celebration. A movement was started several months ago to provide a Home Coming for the boys who went to war. Money was raised and all arrangements made to hold a grand event. Some one suggested that we postpone the Home Coming until the 4th of July. Thinking that more people could get away on the 4th than on any other date it was decided to wait. The word was sent broadcast that Salem would hold a Home Coming on the Fourth. So far no other town or city in this part of Oregon had planed on celebrating. A number of little celebrations have come to life since that time, but Salem was first. What ever inspired these other celebrations is of small consequence and Salem has already forgotten that there are other celebrations and will do all in her power to make this celebration and Home Coming the biggest event in the history of the capital of the state. The city has opened it's doors to every man who wore a uniform and made everything possible free for them. We want them here where we honestly feel you will get the most entertainment and where you will be provided with everything you can possibly wish for or expect. The Salem Commercial Club, the War Mothers and the War Community Service are all working for your entertainment and equally for the entertainment for your friends.

Attitude of the People

Every person in Marion and Polk counties are invited to come to this Home Coming. To my mind the first Fourth of July was up to this time the most memorable event in the history of these United States. This Fourth of July comes next and we should deem it our duty and pleasure to help. The people of Salem are working hard and have everything planned to make this a Red Letter day. Every person in the two counties and any one in the state who desires to come is welcome and invited to be here and assist in entertaining the boys. Special written invitation have been sent to all the boys whose names could be secured. If you know of a soldier, sailor or marine who did not receive a written invitation please tell him that this article is his invitation. He is invited and you can invite him. Don't fail to see that he is notified that he is to be here and that he will be well cared for with room and board and entertainment for the three days.

The One Thought

If you had a son or a brother or father or uncle or nephew or friend who wore the uniform and that person was attending this Home Coming where he can be shown that his people appreciate him and what he did, you would make an extra effort to help. You have just that reason for being present in Salem. Some soldier or some one who wore a uniform will be here and your presence is necessary at this time to make the Home Coming what it should be. You can't welcome the boys by selfishly staying at home. Arrange to come and celebrate with him. You owe it to him and you owe it to yourself. If your son was returning from the front, you would drop everything and meet him at the train. He would feel hurt if you were not there to greet him. Come one—come all and let us Welcome Home the boys and make them proud that they wore the uniform.

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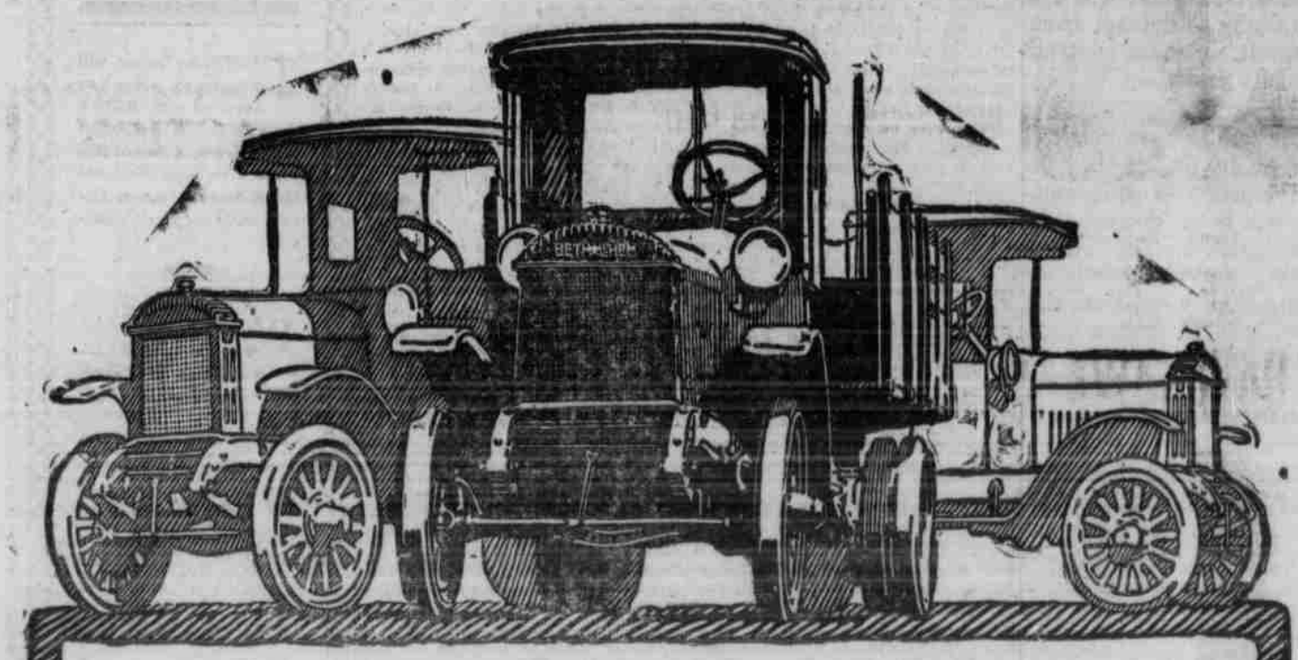

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STAYTON

(Capital Journal Special Service)

Stayton, Ore., June 21.—Geo. Mielke left Friday morning for Wausa, Ore., where he will work until harvest time, when he will go to eastern Oregon.

A little child of A. Wolf, near Sublimity died Wednesday from diptheria. There are several cases in the country about town.

John English is sick with diptheria and the family is under quarantine. This is the only case in town, and it is to be hoped that no others develop.

Mrs. M. Streff died at her home in this place Thursday morning. She was confined to her bed but a few days, but had been a sufferer from tuberculosis for a number of years. The date of the funeral has not yet been determined, awaiting word from children in the east.

Mrs. Nina Kahler, of California, passed through town Thursday on her way to visit relatives in Mill City.

Mrs. J. F. Potter and children, of Portland, are visiting relatives in and about town.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Sloper and Mr. and Mrs. V. Dare Sloper motored to Salem Wednesday to meet Guy Sloper, who was recently discharged from the army. Guy has been on duty in the city of Washington for several months.

Miss Rose Rock arrived home from a visit in Portland Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thoma gave a shower at their home Wednesday evening for Miss Freda Allis who is soon to be married to Joe Spaniol. A very pleasant time is reported and many excellent gifts were presented the prospective bride.

Miss Alma Neudel is assisting in the Gehlen store during the absence of Miss Streff.

Dr. J. C. McCauley and wife, of Ellensburg, Wash., visited at the W. H. Hobson home the first of the week. They were residents of Stayton something over thirty years ago, when it was rather a small berg.

Albert and Edward Warren have gone to eastern Oregon to work during the summer. They were given a farewell party at the F. F. Foster home Monday evening.

Mrs. Joe Hamman went to Portland Thursday for a short visit.

R. R. Hibbard, of Burns, Ore., has been a guest at the Kirsch home east of town.

Miss Wanda Brown, is home from Eugene where she has been a student at the University of Oregon.

Glen Munkers and wife, and his mother, Mrs. F. M. Munkers, have gone to San Francisco, where they expect to reside.

Miss Margaret Fehlon is home from Portland for a visit with her parents and other friends.

Jos. Hamman is now running his own car on the Salem-Stayton-Mill City route. He has had it repaired and put in first-class shape, with new running gear throughout, and it makes a fine passenger car.

THE LONG EXPECTED

Harvey's Greater Minstrels headed by Ed Tolliver and Clarence Powell, both natural comedians, is due here soon. They are both natural from the fact that they are natural, just what they are, the regular dyed in the wool negro comedians, and they do their best to create laughter and create a furore of amusement at every performance.

Traveling in their own eighty foot car, this company of forty colored artists are playing the principal cities and towns of the state and judging from press comments and verbal criticisms heard, Harvey's Greater Minstrels is more than making good.

This company plays at the Grand opera house Monday June 23d. Parade at 4:30 p. m.

DALLAS STREETS IMPROVED.

Dallas Ore., June 21.—Under the supervision of City Engineer Rodgers, Fairview avenue in the western part of the city leading to the I. O. O. F. cemetery is being scarified and regraded this week and will be treated to a coating of heavy asphaltic oil together with a top dressing of fine crushed rock which will make the street practically as good as a hard-surfaced highway. If the plan proves a success many miles of macadam streets in Dallas will probably be treated in this manner next year. Main street between Washington and Clay will also receive a treatment of this kind as soon as the Fairview avenue project is completed.

The City Council are also considering the construction of several blocks of hard surfaced streets next season.

CHEMAWA INDIAN

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ture which was then in session.

Hon. Hiram Price was then commissioner of Indian affairs at Washington, D. C., and through the efforts of Dr. Coffin and Dr. Minthorn, had committed himself to the Salem location.

Forest Grove was in blissful ignorance of the fact. It was a secret known only to Messrs. Coffin, Minthorn, Hill and Moores. Dr. Hill unfolded his plan. It involved a series of resolutions to be adopted by the legislature, setting forth the needs of the Indian schools and urging its permanent location by the secretary of the interior at such a location as might be recommended by Hon. Hiram Price, commissioner of Indian afafirs.

Senator Vorhees of Marion county was secured to introduce the resolution, but they were first shown to Senator Hare of Washington county and were cordially approved by him. They were then rushed through both houses and by special request, notice of the action of the legislature was immediately telegraphed by Secretary of State Earhart to Hon. H. M. Teller, secretary of the interior.

In a few days Mr. Moores was notified by Senator Dolph that as a result of the action of the legislature, Salem had been designated as the permanent site of the Indian school. It was then necessary for the legislature to pass a resolution giving the consent of the state to the general government to purchase the selected site. Care, speed and silence secured the immediate adoption of the resolution. The whole transaction then became public property.

Thereafter, being fully awakened to the situation, the legislative delegation from Washington county and the people of Forest Grove gave expression to their sentiments in language that no well regulated family newspaper would be permitted to print.

Their surprise and disappointment could only find expression in words that are not to be found in either the dictionary or the Holy Bible. But Salem's fight was squarely won. Salem's plan of campaign did not call for a disclosure of all its inside information to the general public. The fact that the selection was approved by the officials of the Indian department, should be accepted as an indication of its desirability and afford satisfactory proof that it was not based on purely local or selfish personal interests."

Mrs. Mary A. Smith, one of the oldest of Washington pioneers, died at her home in La Center Tuesday, aged 92.

Harvest will start in Umatilla county immediately after July 4. Prospects are good for a fine crop.

Salem's a Good Place to Trade