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Deans of Group Date Residence to Year of 1882

Two Central Oregon old timers head the Deschutes Pioneer Association's roster in 1962 as "deans of pioneers."

They are Pearl Vanderpool Becker, who was raised in Prineville and spent much of her life in the Bend area, and James Read, Jefferson pioneer and resident of the Culver area. Mrs. Becker and Read date their residence in Central Oregon to 1882 - a long stretch, 80 years, into the past. Mrs. Becker is no longer a resident of the area, but prizes her affiliation with the Deschutes Pioneers, a group she once headed as queen.

Square Dance

Jim Read is Central Oregon's "youthful pioneer", whose square dancing ability is widely known in the area.

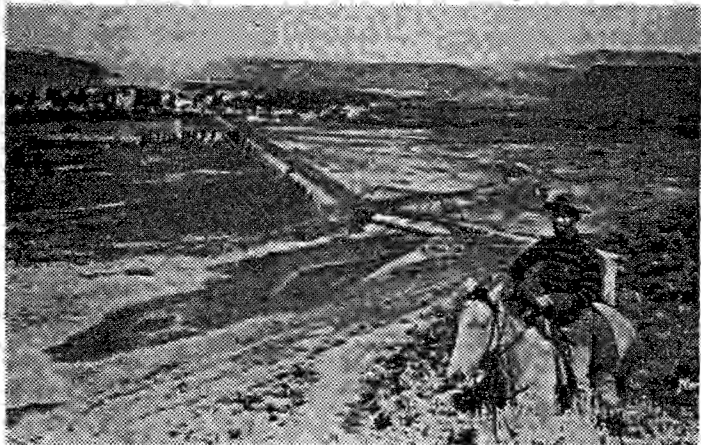
On the Pioneers' roster, the year 1884 is represented by Gracie Evans Grimes, and 1886 by Rose Gibson and Charles Weaver. In the 1887 group are Earl Irvin Small and Jess Tetherow. Isa Corum Freeman represents the 1888 division of the Pioneers' Association, sharing that honor with Prince W. Staats and Stella Hodges.

In the 1889 group are Clyde Grater, Mary E. Grimes and Gertrude Hodges Ketchum.

Area Represented

All parts of Central Oregon are in the group of more than 700 old timers listed on the Deschutes Pioneers' roster.

Last year, a change in residential requirements was approved. This pro-



Rider of the Ochoco - Who can identify this bewhiskered rangeman? Possibly few, for the picture was taken long ago. The background is the village of Prineville. The bridge over Crooked River may fix the date of the picture. Photo courtesy of Dolly Hodges Fessler.

Steve Steidl, 1902 Pioneer, To Head DPA during 1962

Heading the Deschutes Pioneers through 1962 will be Steve Steidl, who came to Bend just 60 years ago, in 1902, when the future of the little village on the Deschutes was a bit uncertain, with its name not even definitely fixed.

Steve is the son of a pioneer, John Steidl, who played a big role in shaping the future of the village that grew from the ranch community of Farewell Bend into the "big city" of Central

vides that any person who was born in the area included in the Association's broad boundaries, with 100 miles of Bend, 40 years or more ago and whose residence in the area dates back 40 years is eligible for membership.

The by-law change moves the membership eligibility year currently up to 1922.

Oregon. Long with Brooks-Scanlon, Inc., as chief electrician, Steve retired a few years back and now operates his ranch near the north city limits of Bend.

Stepping down from the presidency post following two years of service is Claude H. Kelley, also an old timer of the Bend Area and long with the Pacific Power & Light Co. here.

A new face in the family of officers for the coming year is that of D. Ray Miller. He was the choice for vice-president at the annual business meeting of the group in December.

Laura Wonsler continues in the important post of secretary, with Edith Hollinshead to continue as treasurer.

In the role of vice-president this past year, Steve Steidl faced the task of lining up the varied program for the 1962 meeting.

Mid-Oregon still void century ago, history shows

One hundred years ago, the Deschutes country was still very much a void on the map of Oregon. This despite the fact that the trappers of Peter Skene Ogden had passed over the area as early as 1825-26. Nathaniel Wyeth had crossed the Bend site late in 1834 and John C. Fremont moved south through the area in 1843.

But in 1862 there were still no white settlers in this part of Central Oregon. However, 100 years ago, wheel marks of wandering wagon trains were still deep in the soil of the area. The Gold Bucket mine train, lost and starving, rolled across the Prineville site in 1845. Then followed the lost Elliott wagon train of 1853, seeking a path over the Cascades and making the Three Sisters for Diamond Peak.

Caught By Storm

A supply train moving food and equipment from Eugene City to the mines in eastern Oregon, caught by a sudden storm, camped on Trout Creek in the winter of 1862-63. This has been called the first habitation by Whites of the area. But historians are reluctant to call that winter encampment on Trout creek a settlement.

The wagon train was that of Felix and Marion Scott, and it came across the McKenzie on a road crushed into the lava.

Settlers Come

Not until the late 1860's did the settlement of Central Oregon start.

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Pioneer Association 1961-62 Membership Roll

The current roster of the Deschutes Pioneer Association members, segregated into years they arrived in the Deschutes country or were born here, follows, with asterisks designating members through marriage:

1882: Pearl Vanderpool Becker, Minnie Helfrich, James Read.

* 1884: Gracie Evans Grimes.

1885: May Moffitt McConnell.

1886: Rose Gibson, Charles Weaver.

1887: Earl Irvin Small, Jess Tetherow.

1888: Isa Corum Freeman, Prince W. Staats (*Mrs. Prince Staats), Stella Hodges.

1889: Clyde Grater, Mary E. Grimes, Gertrude Hodges Ketchum.

1890: R. H. McCallester, Dr. R. D. Ketchum, Jewell D. Corum (*Mary E. Corum), Dolly Hodges Fessler.

1892: Claude C. Vandeventer (*Jean Josy Vandeventer), T. W. Vandeventer, Dr. J. C. Vandeventer, (*Dorothy Brazil Vandeventer).

1893: O. W. B. Riley.

1894: Roy Moffitt, Carey S. Stearns (*Betty Hunt Stearns).

1895: Nora Russell McMeen, Dr. Arthur Vandeventer, (*Martha Vandeventer).

1896: Grayce Bryson, Chester Hollinshead.

1897: Phil F. Brogan (*Louise Berning Brogan), H. C. Harris, Charlotte Harris, Mary Morris.

1898: Grover Caldwell, Dean Hollinshead, (*Lilly Hollinshead), Phelma Cobb Perry.

1899: Clyde Grater, Hilda Breiden Jones, Neva Weigand McCaffery, Dorothy Miller McCauley, Sylvia Wood, Tressa Monroe Sampels.

1900: Claire Hunter Fuller, Leota Evans Johnson, Martha Long, Ed. E. McGreer, Charles H. Spaug, Neva Warner.

1901: Pete Allen, Velda Morris Bushnell, Lena Wood Claypool, Dallas Harris, Dean Harris, Lora McDaniel Rose.

1902: Lillie Bogue Burton, May Triplett Fryrear, Bertha Henshe Brown, Cora Bates Creighton, Veva Schoeder Long, Claudia Triplett Martin (*Robert L. Martin), Alice Casler Peterson, John V. Steidl (*Dorothy Steidl), Steve Steidl, Charles E. Triplett, Francis Steidl Jackson, Frank Filey (*Florence Filey).

1903: Marie Brosterhous, Guy Claypool, (*Doris Marling Claypool), Emil Anderson, Walter Franks (*Esther Franks), Edith Masten Hollinshead, Fred A. Lucas, Olga Johnson Masterson (*Jack W. Masterson), E. A. Sather, Cora Sather, Vern Skelton, Laurence H. Smith, Wilmon F. Smith, Margaret Ann Smith, Florence McCann Spencer, Agnes Johnson Van Sickle, Harold A. Waterman, Olive May Adams Waterman.

1904: Orissa Abbott, Ruth Barnes, Theo., G. Becker, R. L. Clark, Ada H. Clark, L. W. Franks, John Franks, Carl O. Galloway, George Hofstetter, Oscar M. Franks, Opal Claypool Halverson, Lois Triplett Holliday (*Bud Holliday), Oren T. Jones, Frank H. May, Frank McConnell, L. Guy McReynolds, Velma Edwards Moffitt, Chester E. Moore, Tot Taggart Pringle, John A. Sather (*Addie Sather), E. A. Smith, Flossie Reed Smith, Elizabeth Hightower Smith, Estelle Snook, Beatrice McMann Wilcox.



Part of Old West — Many of the old timers will recognize this picture. It was a "latter day" picture of the old Millican corral and windmill in Millican Valley, east of Bend. Note old cabin in background. In distance was "town" of Millican before it was moved.

1905: Anna Linster Beaver, Carol Boyd, Charles W. Boyd, Clarence A. Boyd, Edna Boyd Brinson, Ruth Caldwell Coyner, Herbert Eby (*Bessie Eby), Ellis H. Edgington, Albert B. Estebenet, Floyd Freeman, MayBelle Reed Gray, Bertha Holk, Glenn Howard, Walter H. May, Mrs. Frank McCaffery, Ivan V. McGillvray, James McNeely, Cecil C. Moore, Charlicia Mendenhall Moore, Mary E. Nichols, Mildred Miller Nordeen (*Emil Nordeen), Ida Niswonger Reynolds, Georgia Thom, Florence Bell Read, C. P. Niswonger, Sadie Niswonger, Edna Wood, Alice Caldwell Webb.

1906: Amanda Anderson, Fannie Gerking Becker, William J. Burton, H. C. Cline (*Mrs. H. C. Cline), Helen Tweet Evans, Samuel W. Henninger, Marian Donahue Lytle, Gladys Sanford McCallester, Claude L. McCauley, Blanche Wilson McCadden, Aubrey E. Perry, H. C. Schumacher, Lillian Wolf Van Matre, May Williams, Fred Sampels.

1907: Martha Aune, Deeris Nichols Brown, M. A. Couch, Violet Howard Cox, Cora Cook Dorrell, George P. Elliott, W. R. Gerking (*Bertha Gerking), Wm. J. Hall, George Howard, Claude H. Kelley, Dorothy Rose Lindsay, Anna Long Linebaugh, Leston Linebaugh, Harry McGuire, Alfred O. Moore, A. W. Pattie (*Rachel Wood Pattie), Glen H. Slack, (*Mae Weber), Susie Kelley Wolf, Mildred Harter, Virgil V. Tillery, (*Minna Tillery).

1908: Nels Anderson, Con Breen, Elma Leonard Clark, Mrs. Thomas Nichols Daron, Harold D. Hunnell (*Elizabeth F. Hunnell), W. A. Hunnell, Anna Boyd, Kulstad Ibsen (A. C. Ibsen), J. M. Johnson, Harold J. Kelly, M. W. Knickerbocker, Lawrence Nicholson, Julius R. VanHuffel, (*Nettie VanHuffel), W. R. VanFleet, Adeline Perrin, Mable Rice, Dorothy Rice, Stella Warnstaff (*Joe Warnstaff).

1909: Jack F. Arnold, May E. Arnold, Boise Aune, Paul D. Brookings, (*Evelyn Baker Brookings), P. C. Burt, Ellis Cooper, Mrs. Ellis M. Cooper, Kathleen Cordiss, Leroy S. Fox, Sophia Becker Gibson, Mae E. Hall, Mariam Triplett Hoover, Robert K. Innes, Goldie Kunding, Tom Merchant, Ted Povey, Mildred Hunnell Short, Rose Hunnell Steidl, Frances E. Thompson, Mary L. Thompson, William L. Van Allen, Mittye G. Vandeventer, O. F. Wallenburg, Emily Wallenburg, Marjorie Smith, Marie A. Waite, (*Frances Young) Delmer Young.

1910: Claire Anderson, W. A. Brinson, Joe Bryson, Jessie Hutchins Burrell, Ward H. Coble, Mrs. E. C. Cody (*E. C. Cody), Mable Franks, Lorena Garner, Emma Gibson, Fred Gibson, Nellie M. Graffenberger, Volney Grant (*Ruth Larson Grant), Raymond Gumpert, Margaret Thompson Hill, Dorothy Hackleman, Gladys Dahle Johnson, (*Chester D. Johnson), Marie Wood Kohfield, Sam Lester, Jessie Lindsay, Hazel Thorson McGilvary, Dudley Long, Leona McKay Miller, Harry A. Miller, Ida Dahle Olausen, Frances Saunders Parker, Welborn Parker, Don H. Peoples, (*Jessie Peoples), Frank Percival, Phillip Pitman (*Dolly Pitman), J. R. Roberts, S. E. Roberts, Eva Stohn Slack, Cal Smith, Homer Smith, Cleora Smith, Chester G. Springer, Margaret Springer, Norval L. Springer, Bee Spencer, Florence Pitman Stout, Leona Cody Stripling, Elmer V. Ward, Elsie Horn Williams, Gladys Meeke Workman (*L. W. Workman), Ray Warnstaff.

1911: Kenneth C. Bennett, Kathryn Kelley Bennett, Claude Benson, Edwin Brown, Warren Brown, Hattie Cooper, Charles C. Corkett (*Marion Corkett), (*Gerda Corkett), J. D. Donovan, Jessie Donovan, Katherine C. Duffy, Nina L. Elliot, Virginia H. Elliot, Edith Estes Fairchild, Orpha Ferguson, Mrs. George Fogg, Robert H. Foley, Martha J. Foss, William Foss, Mable C. Foster, Alice Perry Gilbert, Leta Mason Giskas, Grace Grunden, Clyde Hauck (*Gladys L. Hauck), Priddy Holmes (*Catherine Prideaux Holmes), Freda Howard, Peter B. Johnson, Dom A. Johnson, Emery Johnston (*Rose Fredenberg Johnston), Jennie Keep, Margaret Ireland Keyes, Mrs. G. A. Lemke, James W. Lemke, Viola Smith Logan, Olive E. McKay, Duncan L. McKay, Gordon McKay (*Evelyn G. McKay), Harry Manion, Einar Meistad, C. V. Monical, Mrs. C. V. Monical, Arvilla Murphy, Sarah Perry Multhauf, Louise Bennett Nicholson, O. M. Olausen, V. H. Sakry, Herman H. Tekampe (*Elizabeth Tekampe), Florence Toney, Janet Williams.

1912: Signa Norene Gardner Alfrey, Olaf E. Anderson, Josephine H. Anderson, Loyde Blakley, Knute Brandstrom, Kenneth Brown, Evelyn Crow Caldwell, Lillian M. Connan, Francis E. Cook, Olive Whitney Cook, Willard Cottingham, Winfield J. Creighton, Marie I. Daly, Delmer Davis, Elnora Dodson, Mrs. Ellis Edgington, C. O. Entriokin, Catherine E. Entriokin, W. Ovid Evans, Ross Farnham, John H. Farrell, Gus Ferguson, Thora Foss, Robert H. Fox, Sr., Lewis H. Gless (*Evelene Gless), Lena Hartley, George M. Holton, Mrs. George Hoover, Maurice Hoover, Myrl Hoover, Irene Tweet Hauck, George W. Huettl, Janet Keyes Johnson, Mrs. J. P. Keyes, Robert Keyes,

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Lois Harrington King (*A. B. King), Blanche Frisby Kribbs, Mildred Hoover Kuhl, (*Aggie Alford Larson), J. Leverett, Addie Leverett, Lloyd A. Magill, Harold L. Maker, Laura A. Marin, Lera Connam McNeeley, Minnie Hoover Miller, Stella Nelson, Jewell E. Smith Prosser (*Oakley C. Prosser), Paul M. Rhodes (Flora Rhodes), Mable Rhodes, Edna Fox Roats, Mildred Kline Robideaux, Leola Rose, A. J. Sanford, Florence Silvis, Frances Machell Smith, Opal Smith Sprague, William Spencer, Margaret Springstube, Stuart Stapleton (*Elizabeth Stapleton), Carrie Stevens, Marjorie Hoover Tromblee, E. E. Varco, Burton S. Varco, Robert B. Varco, E. Edwin Varco, Jennie Norrene Walton, Elmer Whipple, Gertrude Whipple, A. C. (Hap) Yoachum.

1913: Floyd Abbott, Lillian Andersen, Faye Beach, Mary Ellen Beesley, Donna Beesley, Genevieve Gerrish Boyd, Winnie G. Boylan, Vernon Clevenger, Jack Coleman, Blanche Larkin Davis, Mable DeArmond, H. H. DeArmond, B. A. Dickerson, Marie Arnold Edwards, Syble Elliott, Antone Fossen (*Edna Fossen), Dorothy Himman Franks, Violet Mayne Franks, M. L. Freeman, Hazel Thomas Freeman, Mrs. C. O. Rova Galloway, Ben Garske, John L. Garske, I. L. Griffith, Ole Hansen, Sine Kay Hansen, LaVerne Gove Hanshew (*Rex L. Hanshew), Lawrence N. Huettl, Arthur W. Kohfield, Hattie Mayne, Lloyd Mayne (*Mrs. Lloyd Mayne), Bertha Audrain Montgomery (*Paul D. Montgomery), Emil Olson, Francis Pattie, Clarence Pattie, Clara Wilson Paxton, (*Charles R. Paxton), P. F. Riedel, Pansy Riedel, Bertha Pidgeon Roberts, Helen Wood Robbins (*John R. Robbins), Pearl Schilling, Lulu L. Simmons, Kenneth Slack, (*Ruth Slack), Laura Bishop Varco, Douglas J. Ward, Elma Whitlock, Norman Williams, Laura Lakin Wanser (*Dean Wanser), Emma Wright.

1914: Lena Freund Bertram, Alice Bishop, W. C. Burrell, Craig Coyner, Vance Coyner, P. E. Cullison, (*Alta G. Cullison), Marion C. Dubuis, James Elder, D. Wayne Entrikin, Leonard McFadden, Frances Farnham, Lillian Van Matre Farrell, Maud Foster, Gladys Boylan Gardner, Lois Maker Gumpert, Bernice Holk Manning, Leota Coyner May, Sarah Heyburn Miller, Lena Freeman Myers (*Eugene Myers), Georgia Grace Lynch Price, Walter W. Smead (*Dorothy A. Smead), Felix Springstube, Birdie Curd Stadig, Byron A. Stover (*Ruth A. Stover), Valarie Elaine Van Cleve, Olive Williams, R. D. Stowell.

1915: C. L. Allen, Harvey Brinson, Viola Wheeler Brinson, Kenneth Clark, Grace C. Dick, Helen Thurston Enloe, Myra Symons Edwards, (*John R. Edwards), Robert H. Fox, Jr. (*Solweig Jensen Fox), Norman Gilbert (*Faye Gilbert), Eugene Glazier, Etta Cane Glazier, Marian Schnur Innes, Robert A. Johnson, Roberts S. Johnson, Genevieve Creighton Kennedy, Dr. G. W. Manning, Gerald McCann, Reta Hunnell McGuire, Edith E. McLennan (*Edward S. McLennan), Laura Manning, Anne K. Mogan, Helen Mogan, John Mogan, H. E. Nordeen, Julia Johnson Pedersen H. W. Powers, Frank R. Prince, Mabel Stevens Prince, Victoria M. Reed, Grace Burgy Sears, Sarah McCullough Shaw, Cecile E. Skelton, Carol

Robert Snider, Mabel Berning Tetherow, Doris Coombs Thomas, Idella Ware.

1916: Mary Phillips Allen, Esther Bales, Archie Brown, Esther Buegler, Oscar Carlson, George Childs, Leonie A. Childs, C. L. Conklin, Ethel Bales Elder, Carl E. Erickson (*Elizabeth V. Erickson), Mrs. Harry J. Fissell, Harry J. Fissell, Henry N. Fowler, Lora Crow Fowler, Mary Alice Garske, Madge Smith Glassow, Ben Graffenberger, Helen Gravon, John Gravon, Clara M. Griffith, Kenneth C. Gulick, Elizabeth Marsden Gulick, Betty Riedel Huettl, Letha Harrington Huettl, Marie Kelleher, Frank T. Kelleher, Mildred Kelley, Nary Kittelson, John Knott, Jessie Stookey King, Justin King, Joe H. Kunding, Merle Lowe (*Shirley M. Lowe), Oreta M. Magill, Michael John Mahoney, (*Maude McEldowney Mahoney), John Massart, Emilie Massart, Bruce Markell, Claude Metz, Harriett Metz, David L. Mickel (*Marvella Lockridge Mickel), Leo Mickel (*Alice Mickel), D. Ray Miller (*Flora Burritt Miller), Edith Bales Moore, Arthur J. Moore, Bertil Nelson (*Iris Nelson), Oscar Nelson (*Edith S. Nelson), John M. Peterson, Minnie Peterson Povey, Marion Dubuis Prichard (*Walter H. Prichard), C. M. Renno, Alice Ward Riley, Lloyd R. Robideaux, Albert E. Saye, George Short, Amy Brown Stadter, E. O. Stadter, Edward O. Stadter, Jr. (*Dorothy Stadter), Charles L. Varco, Burnice Fissell Shumate (*Ralph Shumate).

1917: F. M. Alfrey, Catherine Cook Amsberry, Viola M. Benson, Lon Bright, Marie Prokopp Burns, Blanche Cannon (*Kessler Cannon), Charlotte Carter, J. L. Carter, William Clark, Mrs. Willard Cottingham, Cecil P. Cox, Epsie Cox, Mae Culler, Martin J. Daly, H. L. Dodson, Jeanne Dubuis, Carl V. Erickson, (Dorothy M. Erickson), Clara Farquharson, C. J. Finnegan, Alfred Fordan, James S. Frakes, Mary E. Gilcher, Elizabeth O. Gray, Joseph Gray, A. E. Grinstead, Esther Grinstead, Polly Grutze, Ethel Hendershott, Jack Herbert, Marian Herbert, Lowell A. Jensen, Helen McLaughlin Jensen, Carl Johnson, Chris Kostol, Edith Kostol, Jack Kribbs, Allen H. Logan, Robert E. Lyons, Herbert Maker (*Betty Coleman Maker), Grace Monahan Marshall (*H. A. Marshall), George Moore, Ella Richardson Nelson (*George W. Nelson), Anna Nysteen, Marie Penhollow (*D. L. Penhollow), Halvor Nysteen, Dorothy Erickson, W. E. Redeman, Lottie Redeman, Vernita Parker (*Lloyd Parker), Clarence Phelps, Ophelia Phelps, Harriet Ryan.

1918: Lillian Rose Allen, Marguerite Hall Boyd, Helen Varco Brown, Carl V. Erickson, Ila Silvis Grant, Virginia Hamilton, Ross Houck, Harold Keep, Mildred Wanichek McDowell (*J. Wesley McDowell), L. V. McMahon (*Mrs. L. V. McMahon), Ted Sprague, Ira Williams, Edith Powers.

1919: Nell Tiftt Armstrong, P. N. Armstrong, William J. Baer, W. E. Bennett, Selma Cain (*James Cain), Virginia Smith Chapman, Bertha Conklin, Martha Bechen Conklin, Farley J. Elliott, Irene Wells Foley, Marie Drost Fountain, (*Hugh Fountain), Avon Kittleson, William E. Miller (*Constance Miller), Dorothy E. Nedrow, James Price, Stella Pearl Runge, Forest C. Sholes, Jr. (*Doris Dewhurst Sholes), Tom Simmons, Clara P. Smith, Irene Urban Stookey, Mary E. Ward, Francis W. Wells,

Nellie V. Wells, George L. Zierlein. 1920: Maren Gribbskov, Nell Dugan Graham, Agnes Grubb, Ole Grubb, Mary Dugan Hanson (*Walter Hanson), Ida B. Headrick W. G. Headrick, Phil Philbrook, (*Grayce Philbrook), Joe Slate (*June Helgren Slate).

1921: Edith Dart. 1922: Buelah Chambers, Frances Pattie, L. C. Bertram, Eileen Meagher, Ted Meagher.

Years unlisted: Lena Hartley, George Weston, Delores Weston, Dieres Nichols, Hilda Weber, Earl B. Weber.

Sons and daughters of Pioneers: Don Jackson, Steve Jackson, June Olson Jackson, Mickie Donovan Barnum, Helen Donovan Hemmingsen, Mary Van Vleet Frakes, Peggy Magill Sawyer, Craig C. Coyner, Jr.

The birth of Crook county was a rather quiet affair, except in legislative halls. Creation of Jefferson and Crook resulted in county division "fights" which caused bitter feeling which lasted for many years.

BEND CENSUS TAKEN

In January, 1917, just 45 years ago, Bend took a census, for school purposes, and found the population of the county seat of the new county of Deschutes held an estimated 5,193 persons. H. J. Overturf was the chief enumerator.

History of Group Dates to Year '48

Even the Deschutes Pioneers Association is getting along in years, but it is young compared with the area it represents.

The Association was formed on January 13, 1948, and is now observing its 14th anniversary. The late Carl A. Johnson, who with Bob Fox, was instrumental in founding the Pioneers, served as first president.

Membership at the start was limited to those who had lived in the Deschutes country 30 years or longer. John Fryrear was dean of the Pioneers that year.

Even with the "lenient" 30 year membership requirement, the Association at its start had only 300 members. Now, with a 40 year requirement, the DPA has some 700 members.

The Pioneers apparently are getting older!

History Tours Given Backing

Why not sponsor history tours? Leaders of the Deschutes Pioneers Association have been asked this question. It has been suggested that tours be patterned on those of the Oregon Historical Society.

Each season, the OHS sponsors tours to points of interest. One was the "Old Forts Tour" that brought a large group into Central Oregon in 1961.

It has been suggested that the Deschutes Pioneers sponsor short tours to places of local interest.

One of the suggestions is that a tour be made to the site of Camp Polk, on Squaw Creek, near Sisters.

Other suggestions are tours to the site of the first white school in Central Oregon, on the Ochoco; to the cove on Trout Creek near Ashwood where Chief Paulina was killed; to the location of the first commercial saw mill in Central Oregon, on Willow Creek, or to the "Hogg Pass Railroad" area on the Santiam.

Most of the tours could be handled as picnic outings, in the summer months.

County of Crook Now 80 Years Old

Central Oregon's Crook County is 80 years old.

It was created from giant Wasco in 1882, largely through the work in the legislature of Frank Nichols, who spent much of his later life at Tumalo.

Big Crook county, embracing much of interior Oregon, remained intact until early in the present century, when Jefferson was created, in 1914, and Deschutes, in 1916.

In Memoriam

- Ole Hanson
- Ray Deyarmond
- Clarence Corliss
- J. B. Miner
- Felix Springstube
- J. W. Thom, M. D.
- Florence Sawyer
- Norval L. Springer
- Carl Johnson
- Margaret Coleman
- Richard J. Connam
- Katie Ruble, Past Queen
- Clair Fuller
- G. S. Macartney
- Myrtle Finnigan
- Macie Neth
- Rose Anna Thompson, Past Queen
- Eugene James McDermott
- Addie Leverett
- Chris Jensen
- Mary Elizabeth Zierlein
- Bert Meeks
- James Thomas Lovegrove
- Etta Smith

Retiring President Thanks All Who Helped In Past Year

TO ALL MEMBERS:

As we again gather for our annual reunion, I feel that it behooves me to once more express my appreciation of the confidence you have reposed in me during the past year and to thank those who have so generously given their aid to the organization.

Also I am impelled to make some suggestions and recommendations which seem to me desirable for the future of the association.

Our rolls now list approximately 759 members, with about half that number active enough to keep their dues currently paid. These are mostly the ones who participate in the reunion activity or the picnic event. I do not believe that our policy should be to drop any pioneer from our roster because of an inactive status. Rather than that we might well look to great-

er activity as a stimulus to increased interest among our members.

Let us then seek out those things on which we can find agreement and pursue an active course in their development. There seems to be a latent desire among many of our members for a revival of the museum project which has been dormant for some time. Others are interested in the development of an active historical group within our membership. Both these possess much merit and some special meetings of those most interested should afford the necessary stimulus toward some accomplishments this year.

With best wishes for the new officers and all members of the association.

Sincerely,

CLAUDE KELLEY

'Klondike Kate' Book Coming Out

A book of special interest to Central Oregon pioneers will be published this coming spring.

It will be the story of "Klondike Kate," the late Kate Van Duren of Bend and Scio. The book has been written by Ellis Lucia, Portland author.

Research by Lucia into the life of "Klondike Kate" extended over much of the Pacific Northwest and into Alaska. He spent considerable time in Bend.

The book, according to present plans, will be titled "Klondike Kate".

19th Century List In Minority

Old timers of another century are greatly outnumbered in the Deschutes Pioneers' Association.

Out of some 700 members now comprising the Association, only about 40 date their residence in the area to the 19th Century, the current membership roster reveals.

The roster takes the membership back to 1882. That is the year Crook County was created.

The year 1912 is represented by the greatest number of Pioneers. Most of them came into the area by stage from Shaniko, end of the rails until 1911.

The years 1916 and 1917 are also well represented.

Water Tower Hill Buy Recalled

Forty-five years ago this month, an important move was launched in Bend.

It was a move to purchase the so-called "water tower block" for a hospital proposed to be constructed by nursing Sisters. A total of \$6,750 was needed. It was obtained.

On the block was erected the St. Charles Hospital. This same block, overlooking the city of Bend, is now the site of the new St. Charles Memorial Hospital.

FIRST COUNTY MAP

The first map of Deschutes County, created from Crook in December, 1916, was prepared by Surveyor George S. Young just 45 years ago and presented to the county court. The map provided for a complete re-districting of precincts in the new county.

MERCURY TAKES FLOP

Forty-five years ago this week, the temperature in Bend drastically dropped, following some mild weather, and one night reached 12 degrees below zero. The main plant of the Bend Water, Light & Power Co. was disabled by the severe freeze.

OLD PICTURES SOUGHT

There is a need for old pictures, Pioneer Association members report. Pictures determined of value will be copied for pioneer use, and the originals returned to the owners. Persons having good clear old pictures have been asked to get in touch with Phil F. Brogan, editor of the Gazette.

It Took Three Generations To Make This Discovery

It took three generations to bring to the attention of Oregonians an interesting feature of the Deschutes landscape.

Even before the turn of the century, the late W. P. Vandevent, whose residence in the upper Deschutes area dated to 1892, noticed strange holes in the lava near Sugar Pine Butte. They came to his attention on deer and bear hunts in the area. The pioneer decided the lava features were "blow holes, and dropped the matter.

In later years, Claude Vandevent, son of W. P. Vandevent, noticed the strange holes scattered through the lavas. He recalled his father's mention of the features. Claude, on trips into the area, was more interested in

deer than in holes in lava.

This past year, Claude's son, Dave, made a conditioning hike to the top of Sugar Pine Butte one day and on his return noticed the deep, round holes that reached through the lava to the old soil below. He mentioned the holes to his father, who in return recalled they had been noted by his father.

Claude decided to investigate and called on members of the Deschutes Geology Club for aid. A field trip was arranged and it was quickly determined the holes represent a new "lava cast forest."

The holes were made long ago by molten rock moving into a stand of pines and chilling around their bases.

Gazette Back Issues Sought

Wanted, as a part of Oregon's "living history": back numbers of the Deschutes Pioneers' Gazette.

Request for the back numbers have been made by the Oregon Historical Society, headed by Thomas Vaughan as director.

Not until about two years ago did the Gazette come to the attention of the Society, headquarters of which are in Portland. Officials of the Society attempted to obtain a complete file of the Gazette, but met with little success.

The OHS is interested in obtaining a complete set of the Gazette from its start up to the present.

Any member of the Deschutes Pioneers having a complete set of the Gazette and willing to make the papers available as a contribution to Oregon History has been asked to notify either Phil F. Brogan or Laura Wonsler.

Recognition will be extended the donor.

MID OREGON

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That was when the backwash of immigration came over the Santiam divide from Lane and Linn counties to settle in the Ochoco Valley and along Crooked River.

Prior to the settlement of the Ochoco and the coming of John Y. Todd to the upper Deschutes with his cattle from Tygh Valley, much history took place in the region of the Deschutes.

Little of this history is known to present residents of the Deschutes country.

DID YOU PLAY GAME?

A program considered unique was held in Bend 50 years ago this weekend: Silhouettes of Bend young women were thrown on a screen and young men tried guesses as to the identity of the original. The lucky ones won the young ladies as partners. A jolly good time was had by all.

SNOW DEEP 50 YEARS AGO

"The auto trucks showed that they are year around freighters by the run through the snow last week to Burns. Depth of the snow at Burns was nearly four feet." Bend Bulletin, Jan. 24, 1912.

MAIL SERVICE RESUMED

After being isolated for a week due to snow and rockslides in the Deschutes canyon, Bend was back on the railroad just 50 years ago. An Oregon Trunk Train brought to Bend a big stack of mail that had accumulated for a week at Fall bridge.

BEND RECALLS FIRE

Fire destroyed a million and a half board feet of lumber in the Bend Company yard on the night of January 16, 1912. The fire was believed to be of incendiary origin.

T. H. SHEVLIN DIES

Bend in mid-January, 1912, received word that T. H. Shevlin, the well known Minneapolis, Minn., lumberman, had died in Pasadena, Calif., at the age of 60. He was president of a firm that owned 120,000 acres of timber adjacent to Bend.