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Horizons Beckon Area's Pioneers

The toll of Central Oregon pioneers by time has been heavy this past year.

Some of those who moved out over the last trail were among veterans of the group. They include O. W. B. Riley, a resident of the Bend area since 1893. He homesteaded on the Deschutes just below the village of Bend, and during his long residence here watched that village grow into a city.

Another of the old timers was E. A. Sather, who came to the village of Bend in 1903, long before steel pushed south through the Deschutes gorge and long before two of America's biggest pine mills constructed plants on the Deschutes.

In age, Mr. Sather was the dean of Deschutes pioneers.

But despite the heavy call of pioneers, the toll of the oldest members of the Deschutes Pioneers' Association, in years of residence, was light.

Heading the Association's list as the oldest residence of the area are James Read, long a resident of the Culver area; Minnie Helfrich and Mrs. Pearl Vanderpool Becker, now a resident of the mid-west. All three date their residence to 1883.

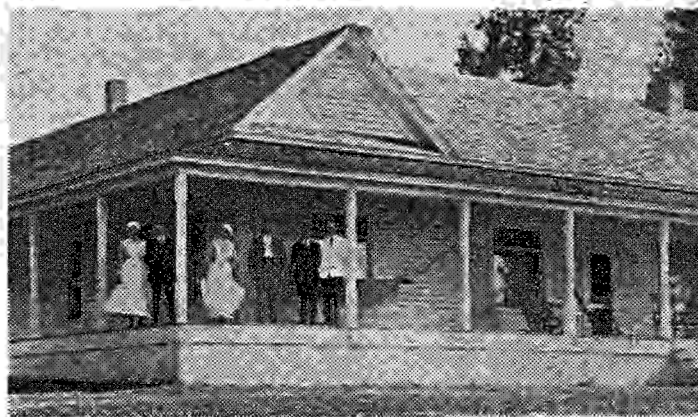
Not a single member of the group of pioneers in the 1882-1892-bracket answered the call from the last horizon this past year.

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BEND SCHOOLS BULGE

Bend schools were bulging 50 years ago, following a gain of 110 pupils.

A total of 487 were listed in the Bend district.



Bend's First Hospital - This picture taken when Bend was a village shows part of Bend's first hospital, now the home of Dr. J. C. Vandeventer, facing the Deschutes over a parklike lawn. How many of the persons in the group can be identified?

McKenzie Route of Pioneers Over Lava Divide Rugged

Motorists driving over the new Clear Lake cutoff on the upper McKenzie River should stop at a roadside sign near Belknap Springs and reminisce at least for a few moments.

The sign marks the Scott Trail. There is no other information in the area.

But that trail played an important role in the history of Central Oregon. It was over that trail that the Felix and Marion Scott party oved one hundred years ago in making the first crossing of the mid-Oregon Cascades, headed for a winter camp on Trout Creek and, the following spring, for the gold mines in Idaho.

The Scott party of nine wagons, some 60 oxen and around 700 head of cattle and horses started east from Eugene City in the summer of 1862. The start was made early because

the party faced an important task - the building of the road over which the wagons were to travel.

The party moved eastward up the McKenzie, swung north toward Salt Springs (Now Belknap Springs), then headed upland over the presently-marked Scott trail into the high country at Fingerboard Meadow.

On reaching the summit country, the party swung south past Scott Lake of the present, moved toward the North Sister country over an old Indian trail, then crossed the divide and headed for the present Sisters site.

The crossing of Crooked River was made in the Carmichael area of later years. From that point, the Scotts found the going to Trout Creek relatively easy.

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Region 'Settled' One Century Ago

One hundred years ago this winter, Central Oregon's first "permanent residents" set up quarters on Trout Creek, now in Jefferson county north-east of Madras.

Those first settlers were members of the Scott party that came over the wilderness of the McKenzie Pass, headed for gold mines in Idaho. Winter overtook the group on Trout Creek, and there quarters were established, in the range country still ruled by the Paiutes.

Cabin Built

A cabin was built, and its rotting foundation was still in evidence until about 10 years ago. The late Howard W. Turner of Madras knew its location well, and was hopeful that an anniversary celebration would be held on the site.

Aside from the shelter provided by the cabin, members of the Scott party, all from Eugene City, also established quarters in a cave. There the long, and apparently mild, winter was spent. It was a winter that strikingly contrasted with that of 1860-61, when snow four feet deep piled up in the eastern part of the state.

The group that spent the winter of 1862-63 on Trout Creek in Central Oregon was headed by Felix and Marion Scott, brothers. They made the crossing of the Cascades earlier in the season with nine wagons, many oxen and a large herd of cattle.

Scotts Return

Despite the rigors of the first crossing of the McKenzie, the Scotts again moved eastward over the Cascades in 1866, apparently only with cattle on

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Pioneer Association 1962-63 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, Grace Wilson Higgins, Gertrude Hodges Ketchum.

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

1892: Claude C. Vandevent (*Jean Jossy Vandevent), H. W. Vandevent, Dr. J. C. Vandevent. (*Dorothy Brazil Vandevent).

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

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

1896: Grayce Bryson, Chester Hollinshead.

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

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

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

1900: Claire Hunter Fuller, Leota Evans Johnson, Anna Long Linbaugh, Martha Long, Ed. E. McCreer, Charles H. Spangh, 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, Neva Schoeder Long, Alex McLennan, 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), Cora Sather, Vern Skelton, Laurence H. Smith, Wilmon F. Smith, Margaret Ann Smith, Agnes Johnson Van Sickle, Harold A. Waterman, Olive May Adams Waterman.

1904: Orissa Abbott, Ruth Barnes, Theo., G. Becker, Ada H. Clark, Frank H. Dayton, 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.

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, May Belle Reed Gray, Bertha Holk, Glenn Howard, Walter H. May, Mrs. Frank McCaffery, Ivan V. McGilvray, James McNeely, Cecil C. Moore, Charlicia Mendenhall Moore, Mary E. Nichols, Mildred Miller Nordeen (*Emil Nordeen), Ida Niswonger Reynolds, Georgia Thom, Florence Bell Read, 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 Danahue 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, 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, Ted Emery, Harold D. Hunnell, (*Elizabeth F. Hunnell), W. A. Hunnell, Anna Boyd, Kulstad Ibsion (A. C. Ibsion), J. M. Johnson, Harold J. Kelly, M. W. Knickerbocker, Lawrence Nicholson, 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 Corliss, 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, Mittie G. Vandevent, O. F. Wallenburg, Emily Wallenburg, Marjorie Smith, Marie A. Waite, (*Frances Young) Delmer Young.

1910: Claire Anderson, Hope Arstelt, W. A. Brinson, Joe Bryson, Jessie Hutchins Burrell, Ward H. Coble, Mrs. E. C. Cody (*E. C. Cody), Lorena Garner Entriken, Mable Franks, 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 Thorsen McGilvray, 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 Meeks Workman (*L. W. Workman), Ray Warrstaff.

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. Elliott, Virginia H. Elliot, Edith Estes Fairchild, Orpha Ferguson, Robert H. Foley, Martha J. Foss, William Foss, Mable C. Foster, Alice Perry Gilbert, Leta Mason Giskas, Grace Grunden, Clyde Hauck (*Gladys L. Hauck), Friday Holmes (*Catherine Pridaux Holmes), Freda Howard, Peter B. Johnson, Dora 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. Olause, V. H. Sakry, Herman H. Tekampe (*Elizabeth Tekampe), Florence Toney, Janet Williams.

1912: Signa Norene Gardner Alfrey, Olaf E. Anderson, Josephine H. Anderson, Loyde Blackley, Eveline Crow Caldwell, Francis E. Cook, Olive Whitney Cook, Willard Cottingham, Winfield J. Creighton, Marie I. Duly, Delmer Davis, Elnora Dodson, Mrs. Ellis Edgington, C. O. Entrikin, Catherine E. Entrikin, 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, Lois Harrington King (*A. B. King), Blanche Frisby Kribbs, Mildred Hoover Kuhl, (*Aggie Alford Larson), C. J. Leverett, Addie Leverett, Lloyd H. Magill, Laura A. Marin, Leora Connam McNealey, Minnie Hoover Miller, George E. Murphy, 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, Margret Springstube, Stuart Stapleton (*Elizabeth Stapleton), Carrie Stevens, Marjorie Hoover Tromblee, Burton S. Varco, Robert B. Varco, E. Edwin Varco, Jennie Norene 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 Hinman Franks, Violet Mayne Franks, M. L. Freeman, Hazel Thomas Freeman, Mrs. C. O. Rova Galloway, Ben Garske, John L. Garske, Ole Hansen, Sine Kay Hansen, LaVerne Gove Hanshaw (*Rex L.

Hanshaw), Lawrence N. Huettl, A. hur W. Kohfield, Hattie Mayne, Lloyd Mayne (*Mrs. Lloyd Mayne), Bertha Audram 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 Wonsler (*Dean Wonsler), 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, Maude 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. (*Solveig Jensen Fox), Norman Gilbert (*Faye Gilbert), Eugene Glazier, Etta Cane Glazier, Marian Schur Innes, Robert A. Johnson, Roberts S. Johnson, Genevieve Creighton Kennedy, Dr. G. W. Manning, Gerald McCann, Neta Hunnell McGuire, Edith E. McLennan (*Edward S. McLennan), Laura Manning, Helen Mogan, John Mogan, H. E. Nordeen, Julia Johnson Pederson, H. W. Powers, Frank R. Prince, Mabel Stevens Prince, Victoria M. Reed, Grace Burgy Sears, Sarah McCullough Shaw, Cecile E. Skelton, Carol Brobert Snider, Norman K. Symons, Mabel Barning 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 Graven, John Graven, 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 Me' David L. Mickel (*Marvella Lockrid, Mickel), Leo Mickel (*Alice Mickel), D. Ray Miller (*Flora Burrill Miller), Edith Bales Moore, Arthur J. Moore, Bertel Nelson (*Iris Nelson), Oscar Nelson (*Edith S. Nelson), John M. Peterson, Minnie Peterson Povey, Marion Dubuis Prichard (*Walter H.

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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, Mrs. Willard Cottingham, Cecil P. Cox, Espie Cox, Mae Culler, Martin J. Daly, H. L. Dodson, Jeanne Dubuis, Carl V. Erickson, (Dorothy M. Erickson), Clara Farquharson, C. J. Finnegan, Alfred Forden, 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 Hopper, Virginia Hamilton, Ross Houck, Harold Keep, Mildred Wanichek McDowell, L. V. McMahon (*Mrs. L. V. McMahon), Ted Sprague, Helyn Long Van Huffel (*James Van Huffel), Ira Williams, Edith Powers.

1919: P. N. Armstrong, William J. Baer, W. E. Bennett, Selma Cain (*James Cain), Virginia Smith Chapman, Bertha Conklin, Martha Bechen Conklin, Farley J. Elliott, Gordon Erickson, Irene Wells Foley, Marie Drost - Fountain, (*Hugh Fountain), Avon, Kittleson, William E. Miller (*Constance Miller), Dorothy E. Nedrow, James Price, Phyllis Weber Raft, Stella Pearl Runge, Forest C. Sholes, Jr., (*Doris Dewhurst Sholes), Tom Simmons, Clara P. Smith, Grace Singleton, Irene Urban Stookey, Mary E. Ward, Francis W. Wells, Nellie V. Wells, George L. Zierlein.

1920: Gladys Emery, Maren Gribkov, Nell Dugan Graham, Agnes Grubb, Ole Grubb, Mary Dugan Hanson (*Walter Hanson), Ida B. Headrick, W. G. Headrick, Paul D. Montgomery, Phil Philbrook, (*Grayce Philbrook), Joe Slate (*June Helgren Slate).

1921: Edith Dart, George Thompson, Lulu Thompson.

1922: Buelah Chambers, Frances Pattie, Frances M. Phelps, L. C. Bertman, Eileen Meagher, Ted Meagher, Dorothy Sanborn Symons.

1923 Marshall (Mike) Phelps.

Years unlisted: Irene Clark, 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.

Ray Miller Heads Deschutes Pioneers

D. Ray Miller, a Bend pioneer of 1916, will head the Deschutes Pioneers' Association in 1963.

He was elected, with fellow officers, at the annual meeting of the DPA on December 7. Serving as vice-president, and in line for the 1964 presidency, will be Antone Fossen, who for any years was an engineer with the Oregon Highway Department in Bend, and in earlier years served with the late Robert B. Gould, Deschutes county and City of Bend engineer.

Serving as secretary and treasurer will be Laura Wonsler and Edith Hollinshead, who will return to office by a vote that was unanimous. Both have long served the Association.

Steve Steidl, a resident of Bend since 1902, headed the Pioneers as president this past year.

The new officers will be formally installed at the annual meeting.

Queen of Pioneers Identity Secret

Who will be the queen of the Deschutes Pioneers in 1963?

A special committee named at the annual meeting knows, but won't tell.

The selection will be kept a dark secret until the annual meeting night. Then the 1963 queen will proudly step into the limelight, to be acclaimed by the Pioneers and honored by her family.

Coronation of the queen will be one of the features of the DPA winter program, to be held this year for the first time in the Masonic Hall.

Heading the Pioneers as queen this past year was Isa Corum Freeman, an 1888 pioneer of the region. She will place the crown on the newly-named queen.

As in past years, queens of other years will also be honored.

Election Troubles

Bend has had its bond election troubles through the years.

In January, 1913, a \$40,000 election was set to provide funds for construction of a high school unit. But there was an error in the election notice.

So a new election was called for February.

POST OFFICE MOVES

The Bend Post Office was all set for a move 50 years ago.

Quarters were being prepared in the O'Donnell Building, and the office moved on Feb. 1, 1913.

Sherars Bridge Brings Up Memories of Other Years

This is a suggestion for a history trip in spring days ahead, by members of the Deschutes Pioneers Association.

It is a drive to historic Sherars Bridge over the Deschutes River.

Many of the Pioneers recall that span, on the river some eight miles downstream from Maupin, east of Tygh Valley and west of Grass Valley. In pre-railroad days, prior to the coming of steel to Shaniko in 1900, the main route into Central Oregon from The Dalles crossed the Sherars span.

The bridge, now easily reached over Highway 216 from either Tygh Valley or Grass Valley, is of historic interest at present because just 100 years ago the span was in wide use.

Constructed by John Y. Todd in 1860, the span was washed away the following winter, then restored. It was heavily used in the years that followed the discovery of gold on Whiskey Gulch at Canyon City in the

John Day country.

In 1862, a Pony Express, as well as the H. H. Wheeler stages, operated over the original span. Over that bridge moved golden nuggets from the Canyon City diggings.

Actually, the history of the area goes far back of the 1860's. There in 1826 Peter Skene Ogden attempted a crossing of the gorge on a flimsy Indian bridge, only to lose several of his horses.

After the gold rush days, Sherars Bridge was back in the limelight in 1909-10 when the Hill and Harriman system engaged in their epochal battle of steel rails in the Deschutes gorge.

In pioneer days, a large hotel was constructed at the bridge area, on the west bank of the river. Now only rocks mark the site.

A modern bridge has been constructed at the historic site. Approach roads are paved.

House on Tree Still Mystery

Still unsolved as 1963 gets well on its way is the mystery of the tower in a tall pine in the Fort Rock District of the Deschutes National Forest.

The tree-house in the lonely tree, on a slight knoll overlooking the Paulinas, was found this past season. At first it was believed the tower had been erected by some Forest Service lookout in earlier years, but Deschutes Forest records hold no information about such a lookout. Also, it was noted, the location of the tree-house is not one that would serve effectively as a shelter for a fire lookout.

It is generally believed that the building in the trees, reached by a ladder consisting of short boards nailed on the pine served some moonshiner in the prohibition era of some 40 years ago.

Possibly, timbermen point out, there is a hidden cave in the area in which the still was located.

During the era of prohibition and moonshining, stills were set up in a number of caves. One of these was at the mouth of Skeleton Cave, some 12 miles south of Bend.

CAR OF 1913 DISPLAYED

George F. Hoover was proudly driving a new car around town 50 years ago this week.

He had just been named local dealer for Ford cars, and was driving one of the 1913 models up and down snowy, muddy streets.

Fifty Years Ago

Forty local residents turned out for a meeting of the Bend Commercial Club 50 years ago, with officers named.

E. M. Lara was the choice for president, Clyde M. McKay, vice-president, and H. W. Skuse, secretary. R. B. Gould was treasurer.

J. P. Keyes, C. S. Hudson and Ward Coble were elected directors.

LATE TRAINS WORRY

Late trains and, consequently late mail, were a source of annoyance in Bend in the stormy month of January, 1913.

In mid-month, trains were delayed on two consecutive nights, due to slides of snow in the Deschutes gorge.

In Memoriam

- Ovid Riley
- E. A. Sather
- Florence McCann Spencer
- R. L. Clark
- Julius Van Huffel
- Mrs. George Fogg
- Knute Brandstrom
- Kenneth Brown
- Harold L. Maker
- William Spencer
- I. L. Griffith
- E. E. Varco
- Anne K. Mogan
- William Clark
- J. Wesley McDowell
- Nellie Tift Armstrong
- Lillian Connarn
- Clifford Rasmussen
- C. P. Niswonger



BEND BRIDGE CLUB, 1912 - A half century ago, some of the girls, all members of the Bend Bridge Club, joined for play, then took time out for this picture, taken in 1912. Front row: Mrs. Lou Baird, Mrs. Ross Averill, Mrs. C. S. Hudson and Mrs. F. F. Smith. Back row: Mrs. Betty Sawhill, Mrs. George Jones, Miss Mary Coleman, Mrs. Frank Minor, Mrs. Ruth Overturf, Mrs. A. M. Lara, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Hudson, Sr.

Museum Plans Get New Study

Deschutes Pioneers Association Officers in the year ahead have a problem to ponder: Can a pioneer museum be set up on the new campus of Central Oregon College, high on Awbrey Heights west of Bend? This proposal was made at the annual meeting of the Association in December. It was suggested that the Deschutes Pioneers Association and the Deschutes Geology Club might get together in making arrangements for a museum in the college area. Since the proposal was made, there has been some preliminary probing. It appears space will be available for a museum. But those interested have been cautioned that Central Oregon College in its first years will face some heavy building problems to care for class needs. There will be no funds for museums. However, if the Pioneers and other groups can provide the money, space, it appears assured, will be available.

Pioneer Wedding

A wedding of pioneer days that was front-page news in The Bend Bulletin was that of Dr. B. Ferrell, early-day doctor of this city to Miss Kate Burkhardt. The wedding took place, in Marion, Ill. At the time of his marriage in 1913, Dr. Ferrell had been a practicing physician in Bend four years.

Weather Trouble

Bend was complaining about the weather just half a century ago, in January, 1913. Snow fell intermittently. There were zero nights. Water pipes froze. Most people didn't like it. But Editor U. N. Hoffman of The Bend Bulletin had a comment: "Bend" weather is decidedly good when compared with a vast portion of the United States."

REGION SETTLED

(Continued from page 1) the second trip. While spending the winter of 1866-67 on Trout Creek, the Idaho-bound party was attacked by Indians. Stock including seven saddle horses, were taken. Although referred to as the first settlement of Central Oregon, the Trout Creek habitation was little more than a winter camp. Settlement came later, in the Ochoco country.

Old Timer Recalls Fire Near Sisters

After a lapse of 78 years, a pioneer resident of Prineville, Warren Glaze visited an area that bears his family name - the Glaze Meadows in the Black Butte area northwest of Sisters. His first recollection of the area dates to 1884. He recalls being awakened from sleep one night to find the skyline along Indian Creek rosy with the hues of a forest fire. The family hastened to the Joe Graham ranch, as the fire raged by. The next morning, members of the ranch family followed along the edge of the fire, and found an Indian encampment. It developed the tribe had started the fire, "to keep our horses from straying." Glaze, followed his trip to the area he knew as a small boy, commented: "The Glaze Meadows, the Graham Ranch, old Indian Ford and the well-known Swamp Ranch do not look like they did in the 1880's - but old Black Butte looks natural as ever."

McKenzie Route

(Continued from page 1) It was not the intention of the party to spend the winter of 1862-63 on Trout Creek, but peaks and divides were already snow covered. The decision was made to "hole up" there for the winter, near a cave.

Pioneer of area Composes Music

A man who was born long before Bend, Redmond or Madras was founded will be a special guest at the Deschutes Pioneers' banquet this year. He is Warren Glaze of Prineville, whose father, Till Glaze, and his mother, Anna Wilson, were married during the gold rush in Canyon City in 1862 - over a century ago. When Bend's first town band was organized in 1904, Warren Glaze was the instructor. He has composed many marches and will play one of these for the Deschutes pioneers at their annual meeting. This is the "Central Oregon Pioneers' March", a favorite of Mr. Glaze.

Mr. Glaze recalls that in his boyhood the "area between Bend and Grey Butte was one vast wilderness." He said fire was one of the biggest hazards of the area, and recalls that Prineville had its share.

"Along with the fires, the Vigilantes of the 1880's kept things warm, and I knew some of them personally", Mr. Glaze said, adding: "In fact I could write a history of that group which has never been brought to light."

Warren Glaze watched Bend grow from a tiny village to a city.

DPA Observing 15th Birthday

The Deschutes Pioneers' Association is youthful, compared with other similar Oregon groups. But this year the DPA is observing its 15th anniversary. It was on January 13, 1948, that the Association was formed. The late Carl A. Johnson served as first president of the group, and, with Robert H. Fox, former Bend Postmaster, was instrumental in founding the Association. John Fryrear was dean of the Pioneers at their first meeting. Even with its present 40-year area residence requirement, the DPA has more than 700 members. It is one of the largest pioneer groups in the Northwest.

Jackpine Paper Recalled

Talk of pulp mills in the Deschutes country is nothing new. Fifty years ago this month, paper made from Deschutes jackpine was on display in the office of The Bend Bulletin. In a test operation, the jackpine paper was made at a Camas, Wash., plant. The paper was declared excellent.

FIRE RAZES SHOP

Fifty years ago this winter, Charles Boyd lost his butcher shop in a fire. So in January, 1913, he set up a new and attractive shop opposite the Bend Hotel.