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Father Luke Sheehan and Father Adrian Sharkey pose in their favorite transportation on a Sunday visit to the M. W. Knickerbocker Pinelawn Ranch near Sisters, circa 1916.

Paul Bristow First Trip Away From Home

(Paul Bristow letter to Ruby Mathews, Dexter, OR.)

In the spring of 1878 when I was 17 years old, a man by the name of William Keyes came to our home at the Pine Openings. He and his family came from Ireland five years before. He was taking 130 head of cattle to Eastern Oregon. They were camped two miles below our house. For some reason two of his men quit and turned back, leaving him with just one man besides himself to drive the cattle. He came up to get some help but Uncle Steve Rigdon was going down to the valley for a load of supplies for the ranch and would not let me go away with a total stranger. So Mr. Keyes went down to the Big Prairie near the present town of Oakridge to hire more help. He could get only one man, William Hamilton, who lived on Salmon Creek. Mr. Keyes came again to get me. As we knew Mr. Hamilton, Uncle let me go.

The first night we spent on the summit of the mountains in six or eight feet of snow. We had taken the cattle on down to Crescent Lake and came back to the wagon to sleep. Next day we got to East Deschutes and the next to Corral Springs. Several cattle had strayed away at Crescent Lake. Mr. Keyes, Mr. Hamilton and George Karns went to look for them. Ten-year-old Alice Keyes, eight-year-old William Keyes and myself were left at Corral Springs to herd the cattle by day and put them in the corral at night. The men were gone two days but did not find the cattle. As grass was short at Corral Springs we drove on to Little Meadow on the East Deschutes. There the three men left us for five days while they went back to look for the lost cattle but did not find them.

We camped one night on Little Deschutes and one night at Big Meadows 18 miles south of Bend. We

Early St. Francis Parish Covered Old Crook County- Capuchins Traveled Widely Over 8600 Square Miles

Last year marked a sixty-year period of continuous use for the St. Francis Parish Church in Bend. Parishioners celebrating the historic building on Lava Road, at the same time commemorated the man whose indomitable spirit and untiring efforts established the parish: Father Luke Sheehan, of the Franciscan Capuchin Order, who came to Bend in 1910 from his native Cork, Ireland.

Two years before, John Ryan had purchased an early Bend school building for \$75.00. That building sat approximately at the corner where Wall and Bond streets merge. This was the town's first Catholic Church.

With typical energy, Father Luke set about ministering to the needs of his parish which, by 1914, included Warm

Springs, Redmond, Madras, Prineville, La Pine, Tumalo, Sisters, even the homestead community of Fleetwood.

By 1914 he had a parochial house in Bend, a church built in Redmond, a building for a church in Madras. The following year he built and dedicated a church in Prineville.

At the same time he was instrumental in bringing the Sisters of St. Joseph from Indiana to Bend where they staffed the first and second St. Charles Hospitals, having secured the old water tower hill as site for the new brick structure constructed in 1921-22.

When the mills came to Bend in 1916 the population outgrew the school building-church even though an addition was built. A new church was necessary, and the corner stone was

laid January 25, 1920.

The size of the parish necessitated assistance, one of whom was Father Adrian Sharkey, who arrived in November 1915.

Luke Sheehan was born March 27, 1873; entered the Capuchin Order in 1889, was ordained in July 1896. He volunteered in 1902 for mission work in Aden, then a British protectorate. He had religious charge of the British army and naval stations there, and also gave Missions to Catholic soldiers in the British army in India. Though he was stricken with a fever and ordered home, he volunteered his services again after learning that his successor had succumbed to the climate. Accepted, he worked there until the end of 1908.

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Alexander M. Drake, Bend Benefactor

The following letter was written by the late Jim Overturf to Phil Brogan in 1961:

"Mr. Drake was a very shrewd (and ruthless) business man. It was very characteristic of him to let Bill Van think that he came to the country by chance. He told people NOTHING about his plans and the information that I received was, to a great extent, received indirectly by being associated with his company.

"Now, Mr. Drake was definitely interested in locating a possible irrigation project when he came West. Near the turn of the century the reclamation act (The Cary Act) was passed. This interested Drake and he started on a quest of land that could be 'segregated' for the purpose of irrigation. He first went to Arizona and there met, really by chance, one Charles Cotter who had been in the Bend country. This was 1900. He prevailed upon Cotter to accompany him to the Deschutes country. He acted as guide and handyman. He worked for the Drakes for some time. I always had a hunch he was retained on the payroll for some time because he was an expert fisherman and showed Drake where all the good holes were on the Deschutes. These 'fishing' trips gave Drake a good chance to get the general lay of the country and the river. This was 1900 and it is true that Mrs. Drake picked the site to the 'Fishing Lodge' on the banks of the river. 1901 he was back and at this time began the building of the house. For this job he retained 'Dad' West (your Doug Ward's grandfather who was with them for years. He also engaged Mr. L. D. Wiest to locate in this area and he homesteaded what became Wiestoria. He began a comprehensive survey of the river and the contour of the country to the east and north in order to get the data to



A. M. Drake lodge on site selected by Mrs. Drake, 1900. Property was sold to D. E. Hunter Realty Co. of Dayton, Ohio, in 1910, for \$30,000. Later became the Emblem Club.

justify his application for the segregation of the lands for irrigation. In 1902, he had the dope that he needed and applied to have the lands segregated. Am I wandering? Anyway that was a busy year; the first flume for the diversion of water was begun. In 1903 the canal was started and water was turned into the first section which brought water down to about one mile of Bend. At this point an Ohio company (The Deschutes Irrigation and Power Co.) became interested in this country and Mr. Drake sold his irrigation interests.

"In the spring of 1904 I came from the U. of O. and started work for the Drake Company (The Pilot Butte Development Co.) and continued till 1911. So during that period I saw things from the inside.

"Mr. Drake had a penchant for selling things and then 'reserving' most of the things of value. Present day Bend does not appreciate just what this has meant to them. For instance, when he sold his irrigation interests he had a condition in the contract that the water for the North Canal lands MUST be diverted BELOW Bend. Later when the new irrigation company made application to the Land Board to allow diversion through the present, to be enlarged flume, Mr. Drake enjoined them and forced the diversion from the North Canal dam. Think what that meant?

"In 1908, a gentleman called at our office and delivered to me a letter from Mr. Drake. The letter introduced the bearer as Mr. John F. Samson, and that I was to make available to him all maps and data that was in the office, and to treat all as **Most Confidential**. All the contour maps and other data that Mr. Wiest had prepared for Drake was turned over to Mr. Samson, who, by the way, turned out to be Mr. John F. Stevens, Chief Locating Engineer for the Hill lines. The preliminary lines that had been run the year before had shown that, in order to get past Lava Butte, the line would have to be located about three miles east of Bend. Mr. Hill, who

was a personal friend of Drake, reported this, with the result that Drake asked Stevens to come to Bend for a personal investigation. He did and found that Mr. Wiest had been right and a resurvey was run from Crooked River and Bend got an R.R. instead of one out yonder. So these two things Drake did for Bend.

"He was a VERY unsocial man. In all the years with him I don't recall ever seeing him at ANY public meeting. He was a suspicious man and trusted few people outside of his own organization. He belonged to NO civic organizations. He ardently loved his wife and home.

"Mrs. Drake was quite the opposite from her husband. She was gay and a lover of the outdoors. She loved young people and in summer she nearly always had house guests from out of town, often girls from Portland. Her home was headquarters for picnics, parties and fishing trips in the summer. They usually spent the winter out of Bend.

"While not active in any particular church, she often entertained the late Bishop Paddock of the Episcopal Church. She wanted to see an Episcopal Church built in Bend, just like N.Y. 'at the foot of Wall St.' She donated the lot where the present Episcopal Church stands.

"Her home was most artistic; I well remember the walls, paneled burlap, painted maroon. The beamed ceilings of peeled pine made a nice contrast. The lights were mostly Chinese lanterns which she had gotten while in that country. The floors, Oriental rugs. Rustic furniture in good taste - a very artistic and restful home.

"She was an ardent horsewoman and loved riding (I got her a dandy horse one time from Antelope)."

Cline Falls Press

The first and only newspaper at Cline Falls was the **Cline Falls Press**, founded in 1904 by B.F. Monger, of Portland.

Emblem Club Founded

Bend's Emblem Club, conceived and dedicated by William Cheney, early Bend developer, was forerunner to the Chamber of Commerce. The following letter by Clark Rhodes, another charter member, was written to Phil Brogan in 1969:

"On January 4, 1913, at a dinner party in the home of George Palmer Putnam, publisher of the Bend Bulletin and mayor of Bend, W.D. Cheney of The Bend Park Company founded the Emblem Club. Those present, becoming its original members were: Herbert E. Allen, Ward H. Coble, Dr. U. C. Coe, Robert B. Gould, C.S. Hudson, J.P. Keyes, George A. Jones, Arthur M. Lara, E. Morris Lara, Clyde M. McKay, H.A. Miller, H.J. Overturf, A.M. Pringle, George P. Putnam, J. Clark Rhodes, J.E. Sawhill, Harper W. Skuse, John Steidl and W.D. Cheney.

"When State of Oregon prohibition became effective on January 1, 1915, I removed the stock of liquors from the Emblem Club to my home where, by great effort, they were safely stored (for at least several weeks). I did manage to salvage a case of champagne, Monopole, Heidsieck, Reims, 1904 and, incredibly, have saved several bottles.

"A few days ago I visited Jim Overturf in Hood River. For some time we have known and had mentioned the fact that we are the last survivors of the original Emblem Club group but I had never told him about the champagne. On impulse I took a bottle with me and he was amazed, could hardly believe that I had saved it all these years. He looked at the 1904 on the label and remarked that that was the year he first arrived in Bend. We discussed opening it and while it seemed a pity to do so decided that as time is running out it might be more fitting to drink it together while we

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H. J. Overturf, manager of Bend Commercial Club 1917; charter member of Emblem Club.

Deschutes Pioneers' Association Membership Roll — 1980-81:

- 1886: Chas Montgomery.
 1888: Isa Corum Freeman (1962 Queen)
 1889: Grayce Wilson Higgins.
 1890: Dr. R. D. Ketchum (President 1954), R. H. McCallester.
 1893: Otha Fleming, Clara Bliss Koening.
 1895: Ernest C. Russell.
 1896: Gertrude E. Johnson.
 1897: Phil F. Brogan.
 1898: Dean Hollinshead (President 1958), Joe C. Turner, Peggy Silver Turner.
 1899: Clyde Grater, Neva Weigand McCaffery, Dorothy Miller McCauley (Past Secretary), Teresa Monroe Sampels.
 1900: Anna Long Linebaugh, Martha Long (Queen 1978), Neva M. Warner.
 1901: Velda Morris Bushnell, Russell Emery, Estella Bogue Jeffries, Katie Stephens.
 1902: Daloris Matzger Bullat, Lillie Bogue Burton, Bertha Henske Brown, Anna McDonald Cloer, Cora Bates Creighton, May Triplett Fryrear, Devere Helfrich, Clyde Keever, Veva Schroeder Long, Marguerite Lyons, Claudia Triplett Martin (Past Secretary).
 1903: Lee S. Bogue, Edna Hunt, Helen Filey Krogfos, Fred Lucas, Edith Masten Hollinshead (Treasurer for many years), Betsey Mac Innes, John N. Mac Innes, Max Julius Mendenhall, Thos A. Poulsen, Cora Sather.
 1904: Orisa Abbott, Ruth Barnes (Queen 1974), Frank H. Dayton, John Franks, Lois Triplett Holiday, Freda Clark McDaniel, Velma Edwards Moffitt, Roy E. Neff, Harold Sather.
 1905: Beatrice Austin, Waneta Fox Ball, Carol Boyd (President 1962, Treasurer 1969, 1970), Charles W. Boyd, Edna Boyd Brinson (President 1950), Frances M. Brisbois, Herbert P. Eby, Glenn Howard, Loretta Masten Keith, Pauline Windom King, James McNeely, Cecil C. Moore (President 1965), Charcia Mendenhall Moore, R. L. (Lee) Puett, Florence Bell Read (Queen 1961), Ida Niswonger Reynolds, Jessie E. Sichean, Alice Caldwell Webb.
 1906: Amanda Anderson, William J. Burton (President 1953), Rhonda Hoover Dake, Helen Tweet Evans (Past Secretary), Ted R. Hoke, Marian Donahue Lytle, Blanche Wilson McFadden, Wilma E. Mendenhall Ramsey, Charlotte Hopper Russell, Fred Sampels, Martha H. Sherman, W. J. Bryan Triplett.
 1907: Deeris Nichols Brown, Margaret Buick, Violet Howard Cox, Lena Bradley Gowdy, William J. Hall, Mildred Harter, Helen Helfrich, Anne Boyd Ibsen, Claude H. Kelley (President 1960, 1961), Hugh H. Kelley, A. W. Pattie, Orville E. Schultz, Harry Spinning, Stella Claypool Whetzel, Susie Kelley Wolf.
 1908: Alvin Cyrus, Tomi Daron, Joe Fales, Eloise Spencer Rasmussen, Peter G. Rempel, Howell Roberts, Thelma Zumwalt Roberts, Claudia Constable Scruggs, Edna Ogle Skjersaa, LaDessa Walter.
 1909: Harlow E. Allen, Boise Anne, Lillie Bembry, Sam Boyce, Claude Coffelt, Kathleen Corliss, Martin Culler, Leroy S. Fox, Sophia Becker Gibson (Queen 1980), Margaret Coffelt Hinkleman, Mae E. Hall, Miriam Triplett Hoover, Robert K. Innes, Olga Alt Norcott, Gladys Spaugh Spencer, Rose Hunnell Steidl (Past Treasurer), Frances E. Thompson (Past Remembrance) Marie Fox Waite.
 1910: Hope Arstell, Fred E. Atkinson, Jessie Hutchens Burrell, Marion Smith Edgett, Mable Dahle Franks, Clarence Theodore Gould, Vernon Gould, Nellie Graffenberger, Volney Grant, Ralph E. Grimes, Raymond Gumpert, Alma Yeager Hansen, Leslie Holmes, Bonnie D. Hollinshead, Dudley Long, Lorena Long Entriiken, Hazel Thorson McGillvray, Loren John Masten, Leona McKay, Herb Meeks, Dorothy Moore Nelson, Frances Saunders Parker, Evelyn Lynes Reeve, Veerland A. Ridgley, Frances Roberts, Rodney Rosebrook (President 1976), Eva Stohn Slack (Queen 1973), Cal R. Smith, Richard W. Smith, Bea Spencer, Elmer Spencer, Margaret Springer, Dorothy Teater, Izelle Ridgley Thompson, Alfred Triplett, Alice Holmes Wilkinson, Elsie Horn Williams (Queen 1975), Gladys Meeks Workman.
 1911: Kenneth C. Bennett, Kathryn Kelley Bennett, Beulah Brockway, Evelyn Crow Caldwell, Henry B. Colver, Virginia H. Elliott, Beatrice S. Fetzer, Robert H. Foley, Wilford Fordham, Martha J. Foss, Lee E. Freeman, Leta Mason Culler, James A. Harris, Irma Keeney Henderson, Virgil Henkle, Prida Holmes, Emery Johnston, Edith Gove Junor, Margaret Ireland Keyes, Donald Larsen, Douglas Larsen, Gordon McKay, Georgianna Benson Martin, Sara Perry Multhauf, George Norcott, Beth Stauffer Smith, William H. Staats, Mable Foster Sullivan, James Thompson.
 1912: Maud Eaton Anderson, Melvin Barcus, Winfield J. Creighton, Willard Cyrus, Marie I. Daly, Elnora Dodson (Queen 1979), Catherine E. Entriiken, LaVerne Gove Hanshaw, Catherine Coshov Hoover, Irene Tweet Houck, George W. Huettl, Ethel Entriiken Jones, Lois Harrington King, Mildred Hoover Kuhl, Leora Connarn McNeely, Bernice Masten, Minnie Hoover Miller, Edwin Pease, Homer Slack, Marjorie Smith, Jewell E. Smith Prosser, J. Clark Rhodes, Edna Fox Roats, Maurice F. Roberts, Hazel E. Sampels, Frances Markell Smith, Jeannette Keyes Stollmack, Kathryn Orr Terry, Amos E. Thompson, Marjorie Hoover Tromblee, Milford Wallenberg, Gertrude Whipple, William Harold Wilson.
 1913: Donna Beesley, Laurene Boardman, Genevieve Gerrish Boyd, Winnie G. Boylan, Harry P. Brandon, Darwin H. Clark, Vernon Clevenger, Curtis Donahue, James F. Finley, Dorothy Hinman Franks, Violet Mayne Franks (Queen 1976), M. L. Freeman, John L. Garske, Laura Bishop Varco Hansen, Spencer Ketchum, Wayne Lithgow, Dale McMeen, Wayne E. Mason, Lloyd Mayne, Cora Wood Neill, Clarence Nelson, Martin Nielsen, Emil Olson, Pansey Riedel, Helen Wood Robins, Ruth Garske Rosengard, Carrol Schmidt, Emma Miller Taylor, Douglas J. Ward, Laura Lakin Wonsler (Secretary), Emma Wright.
 1914: Alice Atkinson, Lena Freund Bertram, May Betteridge, Alice Bishop, Vern Blanchard, Craig Coyner (President 1956), Vance Coyner, Irene Buckwalter Day, Frances Farnham, Gladys Boylan Gardner, Ben Garske, Lois Maker Gumpert, Ed Heicher, Hazel McLouth Longham, Ted Meagher, R. A. Miller, Lena Freeman Myers, Alzea Heinze Nichols, Sylvia K. Petersen, Georgia Price, Byron A. Stover, Olive Williams, Lillian Van Matre Farrell.
 1915: Viola Wheeler Brinson, Ben L. Cook, Viola Donahue, Myra Symons Edwards, Robert H. Fox Jr., Eugene Glazier, Marion Schnur Innes, Viola Harrington Ketchum, Zeld Honeycutt, Eleanor Lippincott, Gerald McCann, Neta Howell McGuire, Edith E. McLennan, Lucille Brown Meeks, Helen Mogan, Mary Munier, Marie Loehr Noakes, Dan C. Renno, Carol Brobert Snider, George M. Stokoe, Doris Coombs Thomas, Charlotte Tucker, Eljce Urquidez, Frances E. Walton, Idella Ware.
 1916: Esther Bales, Archie Brown, Ethel Bales Elder Coleman, Enez Short Collins, Laura B. Douglas, Claire J. Douglas, Dr. Roy Gilson, Madge Smith Glassow, Ben Graffenberger (President 1977), Stanley Graffenberger, Clare M. Griffith, Elizabeth Marsden Gulich, Kenneth C. Gulick, Harold E. Gutendorf, Clara Soderstrom Haglund, Joan Helfrich Hale, Betty Riedel Huettl, Letha Harrington Huettl, Mildred Kelley, Jessie Stookey King, Justin King, Oreta M. Magill, David Mickel, Leo Mickel, Bertil Nelson, Hilduer Scott, Ella Smith, Mabel Soderstrom Wachter, Phyllis Marie Thompson, Charles Laurence Varco, Xvie Ketchum Wise, Mildred West.
 1917: Wanda Dorothy Heinze Byrum, Blanche Cannon, Everett Chase, Jeanne Dubuis, Thelma Nysteen Eastman, Grace Linton Elder, Carl V. Erickson, Dorothy M. Erickson, Alfred Forden, Esther Grinstead, Marian Herbert, Florence Prichard Hollenbeck, Evelyn Parsons Howard, Helen McLaughlin Jensen, Edith Kostol, Robert E. Lyons, Lucie Peters McGlumphy, Edward S. McLennan, Hazel Kulstad Munkers, Ella Richardson Nelson, Halvor Nysteen, Vernita Parker, Lottie Redeman, Mary Ruehr Werner, Harry Skjersaa.
 1918: Gladys Carol Anders, Milton E. Anderson, Marie Barnum, Marguerite Hall Boyd, Bonita Riedel Brandon, Helen Harriet Varco Brown, Nina Crouch, Mae Godard Cyrus, George Drost, Deon Brown Drost, John Elliott, Lee Erickson, Helen Donavon Hemmingsen, Wilda Lane Henkle, Ila Silvis Grant Hopper, Marjorie Grimes, Ross Houck, Maryelva Meeks Lithgow, Melvin Bud McClain, Regina DeBoer McClain, Mildred Wanichek McDowell, L. V. McMahon, June E. Masten, Forrest E. Putnam, Bill Raper, Ermel Scott Ross, Mary Grace Davidson Scott, Melvin J. Scott, Charles Sullivan, Helyn Long Van Huffel (Treasurer 1979, 1980), Erta Scott Vaughan, Mae Weber.
 1919: Elsie Allen, Frances Allen, Marie Brevold Barcus, William E. Bennett, Vivian Rasmussen Benson, Harold Bradbury, Clifford Brown, Selma (Sally) Erickson Cain, Millie Rastovitch Chopp, Theodora Clanfield, Bert Conklin, Joe Elder, Farley J. Elliott, Evelyn Zumwalt Elliott, Gordon Erickson, Helen Wetle Faddis, Ruth Hall Finley, Irene Wells Foley, Marie Drost Fountain, Rose Logan Holk, Avon Kittleson, G. Elaine Rasmussen Langworthy, Robert L. Martin, James L. McClain, Isabelle Pagan McClain, Tom Merchant, William E. Miller, June I. Petersen, James T. Price, Phyllis Raft, Ray Redding, Stella Pearl Runge, Sarah Hohnstein Shumway, Irene Urban Stookey, John Susac, Mollie Taylor, Evelynie Wanichek Yeoman.
 1920: Rosemary Cashman Arbow, Gottlieb Baer, Eleanor Bechen, Eileen Best, Jack Grant Brinson, Helen McCormick Brown, Martha Conklin (Queen 1977), Alta G. Cullison, Vadabelle Dodson Brumblay, Charles J. Dugan, Marguerite Elder, Erickson, Isabelle Gould, Nell Dugan Graham, Mrs. Edward Gray, Maren Gribbskov, Agnes Grubb (Queen 1971), Ole Grubb (President 1966), Helmer Gustafson, Dorothy Mehl Hostettler, June Olsen Jackson, Steve Jackson, Gordon C. James, Harley Jeffries, Ernest Kallberg, Florence Filey Kelley, Daniel Kilgore, Cyrus Kirtsis, Berdett McClain, Paul A. McCormick, Paul D. Montgomery, Sam K. Morehouse, Emil Nordeen, Abe Rickman, Neola Reinhart Ross, Bernice M. Wagner, Joseph Werner.
 1921: Florence Bauer, Calvin G. Boyd, Argyle Wickersham Brown, Roberta Elliott Coxen, Craig C. Coyner Jr., Frank J. Davis, Jack Ferguson, Mary Libel Foster, Don Jackson, Marie H. Knight, Tom Larsen, Fred Lieuallen, Harold L. Maker Jr., Don Miltenberger, Rita Chute O'Grady, Freda Potter, Vivian Fissel Raycraft, Elsie M. Roe, Thelma Sattensdahl, Warren Sholes, Ernest Steinlicht, Sidney Taylor, Doretta Nichols Watrous, Wilma Hollinshead Wiesebeck.
 1922: Grace E. Abbott, L. G. Bertram, Leo Bishop, Mollie J. Bogue, Delores Tromblee Bowen, Dorothy Cundell Crocker, Kathleen Coleman, Edith Cothrell, Harlon Coxon, Lethe R. Foster, Gladys Garvik, L. W. Gassner, William Giltner, Adelvert A. Hunter, Lowell A. Jensen (President 1957), Zulima Munkers Johnson, Eileen Meagher, Josephine Moore, Melvin Munkers (President 1974, 1975), Harley Owens, Edna C. Shepard, June Helgren Slate, William D. Smith, Julius Steen, Gladys Olson Steinlicht, Irl Wagner, Dora Weirauch Widdows, Agnes L. Wing.
 1923: Signe Selfors Baillargon, Bernice Brick, Les Chapman, Leon E. Devereaux Jr., Erma Ellis, Laura Fisher Emard, Edna Fossen, Darrell Gibson, Faye Gilbert, Donald Graham, LeNeve Graham, Donald T. Grubb, Vivian Jones Hanson, Corwin E. Hein, Phyllis Herling, Gladys Kulstad Howard, Frances W. James, Ivan Jensen, Arthur F. Johnson, P. F. Knight, Barbara Fuller Kremers, Howard Krog, John N. Kulstad, Robert Kulstad, Pearl Lechner, Byron F. Logan, Nora B. Loree, Georgia Sharp Lyons, Esther McGimsey, Melba Smith Sauron, Peggy Magill Sawyer, Betty Daly Seems, Jack Shumway, Rozella Smith, Dorothy Isham Sullivan, John K. Susac, Irwin Taylor, Marguerite Joyce Tharp, Claude C. Vandeventer Jr., Morgan Williamson.
 1924: James D. Arbow, Beulah Bockman, Mary Byland, Ella May Douglas, Irene Dyer, Alph C. Hanson, Vera Livingston Haupt, Ralph Hollenbeck, Lilly Hollinshead, Marie Crozier Hunt, Robert Johnson, Sam Johnson (President 1979), Treva Kaufman Fairbanks, Catherine Carlin Mattson, George N. Nelson, Walt Nelson, Emma Nelson, Roberta (Bobby) Waldron Nicholson, Charles Raycraft, Doris Redding, Gladys Reinhart, Neola Reinhart Ross, Mildred Sholes, Jennie Scott, Ruth Slack, Ruth Stover, Ruth Rickman Thalhofer, Earl B. Weber, Hilda Weber.
 1925: Alex R. Brockway, Louise Berning Brogan, Keith Clark, Sofie Larsen Curtis, Doris Claypool, Paul Crocker, Neil Davis, Lois Dearth, Louis Dunlap, Minnie Adams Dunlap, Marshall D. Fix, Hugh Fountain, Hazel Hyde Gammond, Eva M. Gassner,

Membership Roll — 1980-81

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Norma Hollinshead Harkness, Maxine Iverson, Dee Klassen, Eleanor Workman Long, Lucille McMeen, Gladys E. Nordby, Robert Nordby, Reuel O'Leary, Walter F. Petersen, Jeanice Pursel Raper, Ella Rasmussen, Nell Constable Reese, Gus Roats, Margaret Shores, Helen Putnam Steen, Olive May Adams Waterman.

1926: Mary B. Bradetich, Evelyn Brookings, Mabel McColm Buxton, Stella Ward Loehr Chlopeck, Donna Werner Clark, Irene Rude Clark, Florence Guddat, Patricia Moore Howard, Maxine Lipps, Frank H. Loggan, Thelma Perry O'Day, Frances O'Leary, Helen Peak, Dan Rastovich, Irene Ryman, Wilma E. Taylor, Norman Tharp, Martha Vandeventer.

1927: Grant E. Barney, Mary Putnam Davis, Mary Emery, Lucille Euston, Lloyd Evans, Rosa O. Foster, Patricia Muir Gibson, Joe Grahman, Lucille Gahlman, Joyce Armstrong Gribskov, Robert Hawes, Bertie Hawes, Lillian Loggan, Beatrice Olson, Leslie M. Ross, Dorothy B. Vandeventer (Queen 1972), Burton Emerson Varcoe.

1928: Sallie Bird Vandeventer Dunkle, Joan Harris Evans, Bernice L. Hoogner, Doris P. Jensen, Dr. Robert L. Jensen, Mrs. Erwin McNeal, Ruth Martin, Ivis Nelson, Mable Rosebrook, Payton A. Shaw, Doris Steele, Shirley J. Susac, Jean Webster.

1929: Roland N. Anderson, Francis Jordan Anderson, Gunnar Bjorvik, DeLoris Selken Bjorvik, Olive Reimers Fordham, Goldie Jackson Grant, Alva Hammer, Maurice Iverson, R. E. Jewell, Alma Reno Lermo, Grace V. McNellis, Barbara Reta O'Grady Philippe, Catharine E. Poulsen, Joann Obernolte Rickman, Ruth Simonis, Hugh Simpson, Erwin Varcoe, Lena Zeek.

1930: Ethel Dugan, Robert Fowler, Violet M. Hammer, J. Reed Howard, John Jensen, Joe Jensen, Louise I. Simpson, Edith Saunders Sutherland.

1931: Patricia Kelley Mangin, Albert W. Nelson, Evangeline Nelson, Mel O'Day.

1932: Katherine E. Bennett, Amelia Crewse Bromley, Beverly Grubb Cook, Bertha Gerking Gregory, Ruth Barker Grubb, Evelyn Harrigan, De Vere L. Penhollow, Marcia Skjersaa Rose, Ray G. Spencer.

1933: Elizabeth (Betty) Erickson, A. B. King, Alice Mikel, Genevieve Nicholson Shideler, C. J. Rademacher, Marjorie Rademacher, Marvella K. Smith, Bernice Wallenberg.

1934: Catharine Holmes, Fredora Hall Lingerfelt, Catherine Logan, Dave Rasmussen, Jessie (Jay) Ross, Thorel Seems, Barbara Fryrear Spillman, William L. Stollmack, Joanne Van Siekle.

1935: Bertha C. Anderson, Richard Asseln, Evelyn Asseln, Betty Marie Hunt Baker, Wayne Faddis, L. R. (Hab) Halligan, Gladys Foster Halligan, Corydon Sanford Lermo (Larry), Helen O'Keefe Rastovich, Jerry William Rice, Joseph Thalhofer, James Van Huffel.

1936: Alfred Ball, Arthur Dahlgren, Gladys Dahlgren, Marie Dunlap, Loretta Fread, Walt Knouft, Keith Langworthy, Mary Ringer Larson, Len Seems.

1937: Otto H. Bauer, Idamae Hunter, Gwen Larsen, A. B. Lingerfelt, James Matson, Virginia Matson, Paul Reynolds, Norman Sather, Helen Weil, Forrest Yeoman.

1938: Richard Dean Bogue Burton, Donna Freeman, Ira Dell Carter Kilgore, Jodie Goodwin Nordby, Thomas Perry O'Grady, Barbara Slack Reill, Evelyn Carlson Sather, Virginia

L. Shults, Lola Taylor.

1939: Maxine Hunnell, Alton Hemmingson, Wally Kremers, Clarence W. Reeve, Walter Shores, Wendall Thompson.

1940: Clarence Bells, Dale Ellis, Donald Ellis, Phillis Fraser McClain, Bill Ross, Kathleen O'Grady Tiller.

The following are members by association or members who have not given the year that they were first within the radius of 100 miles of Bend, 40 or more years ago.

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Delena Knouft, Walter Kraft, Rose Kraft, Vern Kuhl, Vera Wagner Larsen, Jim Lemke, Thelma Luelling, Maude Mahoney, Ray L. Martin, Jane Mathews, Felice Mayne, Elizabeth McCormick, Della McKay, Gladys McLean, Mrs. L. V. McMahon, Marcella Mickel, Opal Gant Nelson, Bernice Nelson, Herbert Nelson, John K. O'Leary, Lauretta O'Leary, Vera Owens, Joyce Williams Pedersen, Ann Swearingen Rasmussen, Maurine Conklin Ratcliff, Harry Reese, Ann L. Reynolds, Irene Ridgley, John Reill.

E. Frances Robinson, Kimberlee Roden, Roy A. Roe, Clifford Rose, Virgil Ross, Agdaline C. Saye, Alice Gove Schmidt, Helene Hughes Seems, Walter Shores, Margaret Shores, Dolores Slack, Dale Slack, Dolores Smith, Peggy Wonsper Spencer, Leatrice K. Stevenson, Violet Swanson, Margaret Swick, Mary Thompson, Eunice DeBoer Thompson, Colleen Triplett, Stuart J. Terry, Nancy Vandeventer, Jean Vandeventer, Margaret A. Vandeventer, Ruth K. Wilson, William T. Wisebeck, Wendell Wolgamott, Blanche Wolgamott, L. W. Workman, Chester Wright.

1980 OFFICERS

President..... Alfred Triplett
Vice Pres... Helmer (Shorty) Gustafson
Secretary..... Laura Wonsper
Treasurer..... Helyn Van Huffel

1980 QUEEN

Sophie Becker Gibson

1980 REMEMBRANCE

Mable Rosebrook

Rails Arrive In Bend

Travelers to Bend from Portland before the rails arrived in 1911 rode the Shaniko stage all night and all the next day. The combined rail and stage fare was \$17.25. By automobile the total cost was \$20.25 and the cost of a night's lodging in Shaniko. After the rails came, fare from Portland was \$7.40.



1980 Queen Sophie Becker Gibson Came To Central Oregon in 1909:

I was born May 28, 1902, in Wisconsin. When nine months old we moved, by train, to Buena Vista, Oregon. In March 1909, we moved to Central Oregon with a four-horse team, covered wagon, five children, and leading a colt. We came up the Columbia River by river boat to The Dalles, stopping at stage stops overland to Central Oregon.

The family stayed in Prineville while

Dad went out to a ranch to help the people living there to move. This ranch was on the east side of Powell Buttes which is known as the Hat Rock School District. This ranch was to be our home for some time. Mother acted as Postmistress during the homestead days. When my older sister was ready for high school, we moved to Prineville during the winter months and then back to the ranch in the summer. Dad stayed at the ranch year around.

I met my husband, who was from the Post country, and had also moved into Prineville for high school. We were married in September 1921. In June 1923, we were blessed with twin boys. In July we moved to Bend and have lived here ever since. The boys graduated from school here and were members of Bend's Company I.

I am a past President of Degree of Honor, belong to Auxiliary of Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Golden Age Club. I am a charter member of the Golden Notes. I belong to the Crook County Pioneers' Association and the Deschutes Pioneers' Association.

Besides my two boys, Dale and Darrell, I have four grandchildren and one great grandson. Dale is now a retired lieutenant colonel in the Army and has two children, John and Becky (Brown). Darrell has two children, Joyce (Boucher) and Beverly (Wright).

Father's name was Jacob Becker, my mother's name was Louise Becker. My three sisters are Ruby Davis of Maury Mountain Mines, Alice Hoffmeyer of La Grande and Cora Marker of Milwaukie. I have one brother, Alvin Becker, Bend.

Memorial List

December 1979

Ole Nordby
Chris Sattemsdahl

January 1980

James B. Crawford

March

George Fetzer
Minnie Helfrich - Pioneer Queen
1968

Elinor (Dolly) Pitman
Anthon Thompson

April

Lola Pausch

May

Vallie K. Hanson
Ted Emery
William Masten

June

Esther L. Buegler
Florence Pitman Stout - Pioneer
Queen 1964

July

David Newton Graham
Ruth Caldwell Coyner
Ben R. Brookings
Nina Evans Mason
Dorothy Nettleton
Hans Slagsvold
Stuart Stapleton

August

Sharon Ezra Moore

September

Steve Steidl - Pioneer Presiden
1962
Georgia Hodges Constable
John Klassen

October

Alice Godon

November

Delmar Davis
Lee Bogue

Gazette Editors:
Donna and Keith Clark
Membership Rolls:
Laura Wonsper

Laidlaw Development Sketched

Resident for over 40 years, Mary E. Putnam has written, from newspaper sources, personal interviews and her own experiences, a sketch, "Laidlaw, the Dream That Lives On," which examines the influence of the great irrigation project on the establishment of the present community of Tumalo. Once bidding to rival Bend, the village has preserved few of the original buildings. The editors are indebted to Mrs. Putnam for supplying the following, which has been excerpted from her larger effort:

"The Laidlaw Hotel, a two story structure, was finished in the spring of 1905. It was built by Billie Beane and Mr. Updike and was owned by Mr. Lon. There were two stores in Laidlaw. The first one was owned by E. B. James and Mr. Horner in 1904. The other was owned by Frank Dayton, 1905; it was located where the service station is now. The first store was across the street (east) from the present service station. It was a two story building and in 1939 and for some time before was owned by Harriet Stark who people affectionately call 'Ma Stark'. The Post Office was located in the James Horner store in 1904, M. G. Stills was the first postmaster and then Nellie James, and in 1915 Esther Bales. Later Ethel, Ruth and Edith Bales were post mistresses. Ted Becker and Chauncy Becker and some of the Crawford family were postmasters.

"The first livery and feed barn was built in 1904 by Mr. Fuller. In the spring of 1905, George Couch built a livery barn and feed store. George Couch also had the first stage line between Laidlaw and Bend. He had a four year contract with the U.S. Government to carry the mail to Bend and back every day but Sunday and holidays. He also hauled passengers and express and he brought in the first money for the Laidlaw Bank and Trust Company. He also hauled the heavy doors for the bank.

"Early in 1905, W. D. Clark put in a butcher shop. A skating rink was owned by Chauncy Becker. Mr. Hall built a carpenter shop on the main street in 1905. The Laidlaw Bank and Trust Company was in the building now owned by the Tumalo Irrigation Company. It is used for the office. The vault is still in the building. Mr. Thorp and son had a barber shop and pool hall. The barber shop building still stands across the street (east) of the Tumalo Project Office. Laidlaw had a restaurant and a two story Odd Fellows Hall. The Odd Fellows also owned the cemetery on the hill above town. The cemetery was turned over to the Tumalo Irrigation Company and later to the Tumalo Grange. Now the Tumalo church is responsible for the cemetery. In 1915 a cheese factory was in operation.

"John Wimer filed for the first water rights on Tumalo Creek. He owned the old Collins farm where the Collins family lived when we moved to Tumalo in 1939. The town had a blacksmith shop and a saloon and by 1910 had two telephone systems. Ward Rutherford

was sales manager for the Tumalo Irrigation Company.

"The Jan Cook family had a large tent in which they cooked for the men who worked on the ditches. The Cooks had three daughters and they all worked in preparing and serving the food.

"The Bend Bulletin of October 8, 1904, carried a news item that services are being held every Sunday at 3 p.m. by Reverend J. C. George at Cooks Camp. This is the first record of religious life in the new town of Laidlaw. The same article tells of the Laidlaw Public School being opened and about the hotel that was being erected. This article says B. S. Cook, land agent, ran the camp eating place to accommodate prospective settlers in the new irrigation district and was located near the river at the north end of Laidlaw. The Reverend George resided in the house often referred to as Aunt Moll's House, a tall green house. He worked from there in the organization of both the First Presbyterian Church of Bend and The Community Presbyterian Church of Redmond. He was the first resident minister in Bend, Redmond and Tumalo area.

"The present church building was started in 1907 and much donated labor went into the construction. George Couch thinks the ground the church rests on was donated by the town people. He said Mr. Hall built the church with the help of the members and the community. G. Mitt Couch hauled the lumber. Some of the names of the early church workers were Couch, Cady, Wallace, Gerking, Mock, Thorp, Clark, James, Coen, Crawford, Brown, Holton and Rasmussen. Voluntary labor and contributions have made improvements and kept the church operating all through the years. Periodically, youth groups have been active in the church. In 1941 and 1942 the Christian Endeavor met in the homes of the members. The first meeting they had 32 members and the membership soon grew to 45. Carry Scoggins and Mary Putnam were the advisors. Ruth Baker was pianist.

"The women of the community organized a Tumalo Church Guild to help promote interest in the church. One of the first things we did was earn the money to buy the furnace and have it installed.

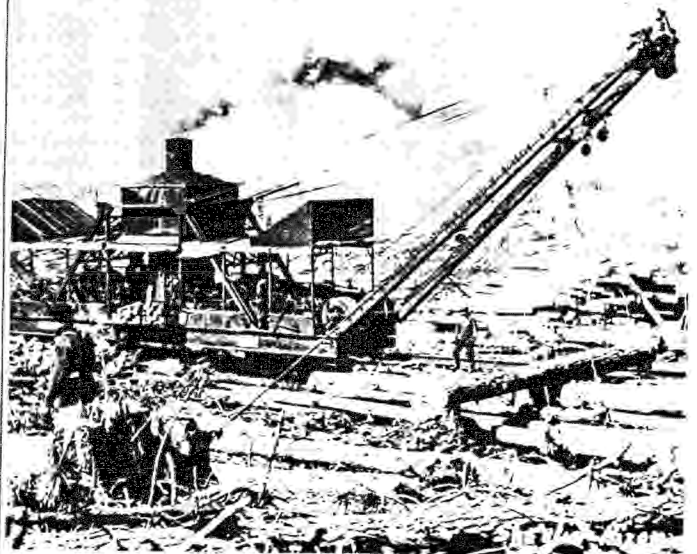
"Rev. J. C. George was the first minister and then Rev. Lilly and Rev. Walker were early ministers in Laidlaw. Rev. Walker rode horseback from Alfalfa to bring the message each Sunday. Evangelist Samuel Gregg held meetings for two weeks in the church in 1908.

"The Tumalo Church is not affiliated with the Presbyterian denomination now.

"Tumalo had the first storage for water in Central Oregon. Tumalo had its beautiful fields of crops after all the heartache! We worked hard but it was a beautiful place to live and raise children. My children say they wouldn't have had it any other way."

Deschutes Pioneers Past Queens and Presidents

	Queens	Presidents
1947 &		
1948		Carl Johnson
1949	Mary Todd Bennett	E.A. Smith
1950	Pearl Vanderpool Becker	Edna Brinson
1951	Myrtle Sheperd Thompson	LeRoy Fox
1952	Anna Thompson	Claude Vandever
1953	Addie Triplett	William J. Burton
1954	Luella Griffin	R.D. Ketchum
1955	Flossie Smith	Chester Springer
1956	Mary Kelley	Craig Coyner
1957	Elizabeth Bogue	Lowell Jensen
1958	Florence Spencer	Dean Hollinshead
1959	Mary Hoover	Robert Keyes
1960	Katie Ruble	Claude Kelley
1961	Belle Read	Claude Kelley
1962	Isa Corum Freeman	Steve Steidl
1963	Rose Gibson	D. Ray Miller
1964	Florence Stout	Antone Fossen
1965	Viola Logan	Cecil Moore
1966	Carrie Stevens	Ole Grubb
1967	Georgia Thom	C.L. Allen
1968	Minnie Helfrich	Reub Long
1969	Gracie Evans Grimes	Clarence Boyd
1970	Nora Russell McMeen	George Hostetler
1971	Agnes Grubb	Stanley Scott
1972	Dorothy Vandever	Carol Boyd
1973	Eva Slack	Michael Mahoney
1974	Ruth Barnes	Mel Munkers
1975	Elsie Horn Williams	Mel Munkers
1976	Violet Mayne Franks	Rodney Rosebrook
1977	Martha Conklin	Ben Graffenberger
1978	Martha Long	Friday Holmes
1979	Elnora Dodson	Sam Johnson
1980	Sophia Becker Gibson	Alfred H. Triplett



LOG SKIDDER

This Shevlin-Hixon purchase, a Clyde log skidder powered by donkey engine, proved cumbersome and inefficient, but it handled large logs on the early spurs.

- Van Vleet Photo

Brogans Leave 1426 Harmon, Memories, Friends, Milestones

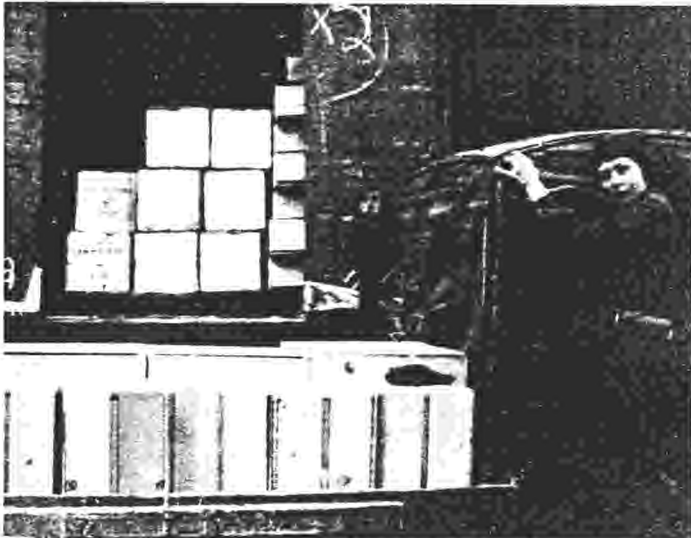
After 57 years in Bend, Phil Brogan has moved to Denver, Colorado, to live with Phil, Jr., and family. Now, after hospitalization, Louise Berning Brogan has been moved to Denver, too.

Long the dean of newswriters in Central Oregon, Phil worked for *The Bulletin* for 44 years, retiring in 1967. He continued to write features for that paper and for the *Oregonian*, as he continued to take weather observations in his backyard at 1426 Harmon, the latter for a complete period of 50 years! Author (*East of the Cascades*) and lecturer, his interest in the area's geology, paleontology, and history is reflected in thousands of words and

hundreds of photographs collected over the years. He served as editor of the *Gazette* for a number of years. He has been a member of **Honorary Council** for Oregon Historical Society, a director of the Deschutes County Historical Society, and a member of Oregon Geographic Names Board.

The editors wish the Brogans well, noting that the Deschutes County Historical Society has awarded them life memberships. They will be missed from gatherings of pioneers and historical societies throughout Central Oregon.

Recent communication from Phil indicates he is still at his typewriter.



— Courtesy Deschutes Co. Hist. Soc.

J. R. Roberts' experiment with new shipping method for potatoes.

Deluxe Potatoes Shipped in Boxes

Early businessmen in Central Oregon shared a common problem: how to make a profit in an area of sparse population, far from sources of supply, with transportation expenses a significant factor.

The enterprise and ingenuity of a number of these early entrepreneurs deserve considerable recognition; one of the "experimenters" was J. R. Roberts of Lynch and Roberts in Redmond, a mercantile firm of note in that desert community. (M. A. Lynch arrived from Portland in 1909; Roberts in 1910.)

In 1923 Roberts came up with an idea which might sell and at the same time advance one of the area's staples — the Central Oregon Deschutes Gem potato. Believing that city dwellers would pay a premium price for quality, he proposed sorting and grading potatoes, washing them, and packing them in wooden crates for shipment to urban markets. The boxes held 25 pounds and 50 pounds respectively.

In an interview that year, J. R. said, "At this time I am unable to give any data of any value on the cost of this method, or how they will take on the market. I have found out, however, that

there will have to be considerable amount of time, study, and money devoted to the experiment before we can arrive at a definite idea of how it will pan out. We are not in the business of marketing potatoes — we are conducting a store — but we are anxious to find a way to increase the demand for Central Oregon potatoes and other products and for that reason are willing to take on the work of trying this idea out."

The experiment continued to the point of shipping the potatoes off by rail. J. R. sat back and waited for the report. Wholesalers were guardedly optimistic at first, but then the bad news came. The potatoes, packed loosely in the boxes, had room to be jostled by each other. Subsequent bruising caused the vegetables to degenerate quickly in the warm store buildings, or in warm kitchens.

"More rotten potatoes than in sacks," said J. R.'s Portland contacts, and the experiment failed. So died a dream of a potato empire that would have made possible a three-way market — seed potatoes, fancy pack potatoes, feeding culls to hogs and then marketing the

Bristow Trip

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reached Farewell Bend at mid-afternoon and drove the cattle a few miles out on the desert and made a dry camp. The next day we reached the Carmichel (Carmical) Ranch, 12 miles west of Prineville. That evening three of us went down to the river for a swim. We met two young men in swimming. There was a camp nearby with several men eating supper on a canvas spread on the ground. I called my horse which was grazing nearby by name and a young fellow at the camp called me. I was my brother Jimmy. He was with the Clay Perkins surveying outfit. One of the young men I had seen swimming was Mr. Hendricks. They had crossed by the McKenzie route.

A man by the name of McReynolds and his brother and young daughter had caught up with us with a band of cattle. Since they were going to the same part of the country as Mr. Keyes we were not needed any longer. Hamilton, Karns and I turned back. The first day we reached Farewell Bend where Bend is now located. At that time there was only one log cabin there.

The next day we got on the Little Deschutes. Karn's horse gave out and he could go no further. Hamilton and I gave him all the grub we had and started on, intending to ride right through to the Pine Openings, about 60 miles. That evening at the West Deschutes we found two outfits, camped, of people I knew. The lady's family lived about three miles from Pleasant Hill and I had gone to school with her brother and sister. We asked them for food but they had none to spare. Then we rode over to the other camp where they asked us to supper with them. After supper we rode the 25 miles home, arriving at 12:30.

Mr. Keyes gave me a \$20 gold piece for my wages. I put it in my pants pocket and tied a string around it so it would not lose out.

World War I Recruits

On April 18, 1917, the first Central Oregon recruits for World War I army and navy forces left the train depot in Bend.



— Phil Brogan Collection

"BIG WHEELS"



Photo Identification

Through the alertness of Marion Smith Edgett of Portland, the incomplete identification for the photograph which appeared in last year's *Gazette* (p. 6) has been rectified. The girls, members of the "TNT Club" of Bend High School, are, left to right: Margaret King, Marion Smith, Beth Ager, Kate Redfield, Liz Stauffer, Sylvia Shepherd, Cletas Hunnell and Mary Logan.

St. Francis Parish

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"Father Luke", as he was affectionately known, died February 11, 1937. He had one of the largest funerals ever held in Bend, the sturdy brick church he erected filled to overflowing. Burial was at Pilot Butte Cemetery. Only the year before he had established a parochial school in Bend, had contracted with Brosterhous Brothers to build the facility, and had arranged for Sisters of the Holy Name to be housed to teach the 140 children enrolled in September 1936.

Emblem Club

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could, than to leave it for someone else or to wait for a sad and dismal 'last man' observance. And so, after 54 years, we broke the seal of the 65 year old bottle and with only a small bit of ceremony drew the cork, poured the contents into proper wine glasses and drank to 'those who are no longer with us'.

"It had lost its fizz but was clear and while fairly potent I doubt if it caused the tear that I think each of us furtively hid from the other."