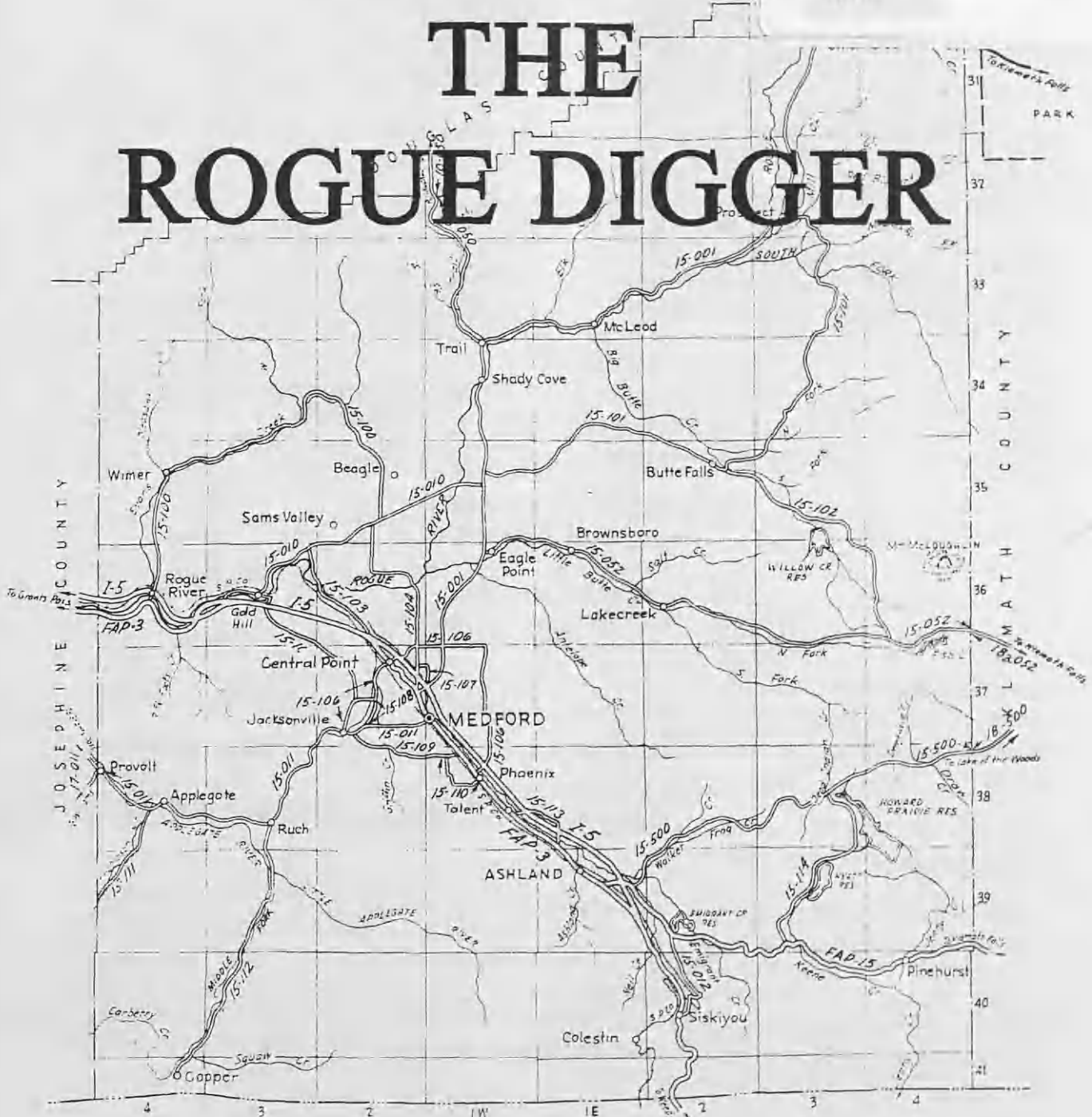




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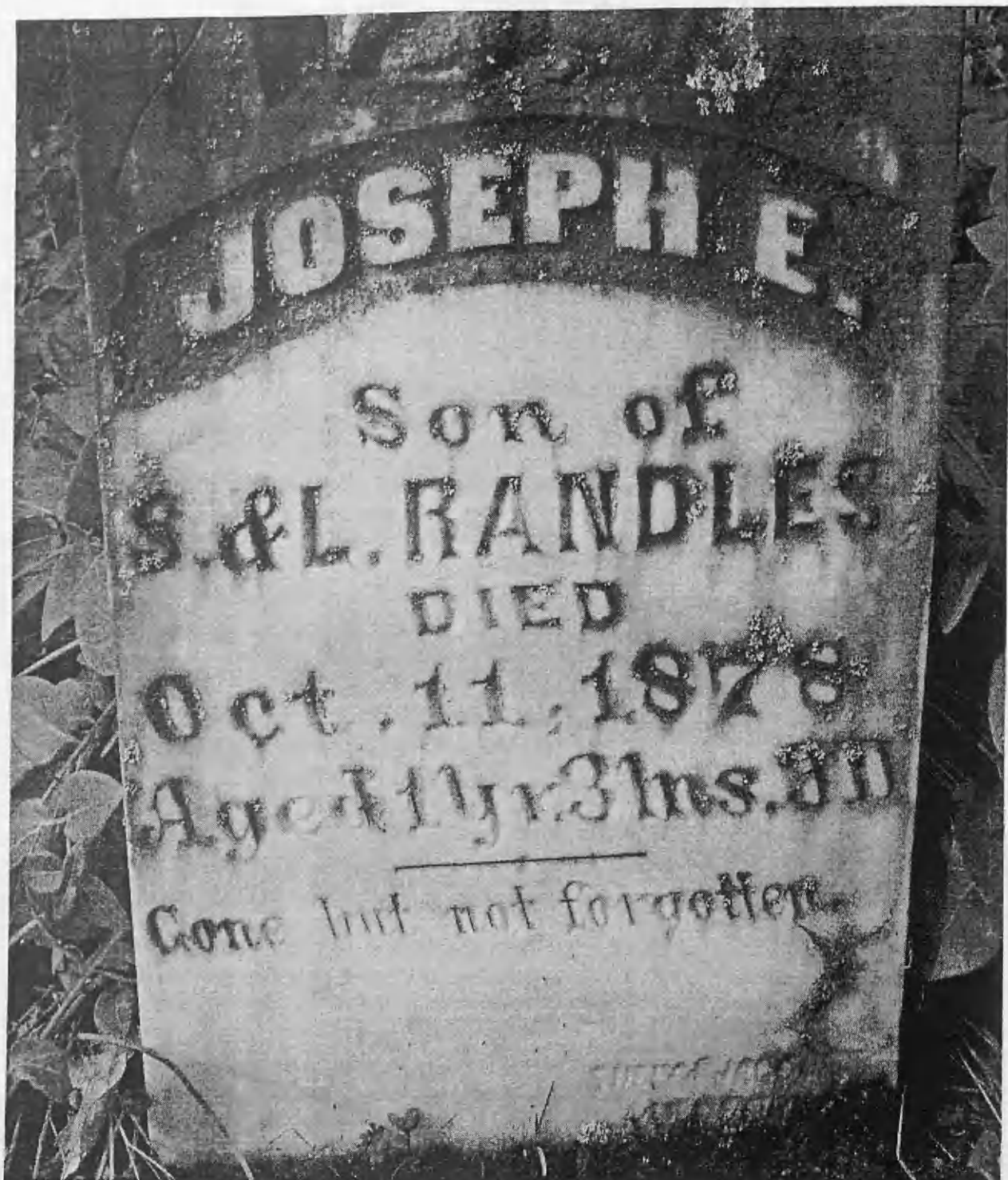
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JOSEPH E. RANDLES
BROWNSBORO CEMETERY
ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

LOST TOWNS IN JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON

BROWNSBORO

Originally named Brownsborough in 1853 for **Henry R. BROWN** on whose land the village grew. He was born in England about 1829, of **Richard & Cecilia Mary Thompson Brown**, and arrived in Southern Oregon August 14, 1852. Establishing himself in 1853 on a land claim on Little Butte Creek, near the present town of Eagle Point, he was the first settler in the area. **Henry** married **Martha Mary BEANSLEY** in 1860. Their son **George Beansley BROWN**, was born at Brownsboro October 30, 1879, and lived his entire life on the family farm. Henry died June 17, 1891 as a respected stockman and rancher.

In 1855 a sawmill was built near Brownsborough by **John BILGER** and his sons, to cut and prepare most of the lumber to build Jacksonville. The first store in town was established in 1875 by **Robert BROWN**, brother of **Henry**. In 1877 the store moved to Eagle Point, and was later bought by another brother, **George**. The first post office was established as Brownsbrough 13 February 1873 with **John BILGER** as the postmaster. Subsequent early postmasters included: **William SUTHERLAND** (30 Oct 1873), **Robert H. BROWN** (24 March 1875), **James MILLER** (June 11, 1877), **Henry R. BROWN** (27 August 1879), and **Miss Elva J. BALDWIN** (24 January 1888). Not only was the Post Office name changed on 25 June 1892 to Brownsboro, but **Miss Elva** seemed to become **Elva J. MILLER** and was renamed postmistress 25 June 1892. Four months later a new postmaster **Sidney J. SMITH** (26 October 1892) took over, followed by **James BELL** (24 May 1893), **Oliver R. BELL** (29 June 1908), and **Charles P. HALL** (27 September 1910). The post office closed March 1954, and mail went to Eagle Point.

By 1893 Brownsboro registered 21 legal voters. The School Census for that year (available at the RVGS Library) list the following families with children attending the brick school:

Mr. & Mrs. Wm. STANLEY, Mr. & Mrs. John BERG, Mr. & Mrs. A. BIEBERSTEADT, Mr. & Mrs. S.C. CHARLEY, Mrs. V. MILLER, Mr. & Mrs. R. McDONALD, Mrs. M. BROWN, Sidney SMITH, Mr. & Mrs. George MORINE, Mr. & Mrs. C. BURNETT, Mr. & Mrs. T.C. HESS, and Mr. & Mrs. A.H. HESS.

According to the 1911 Polk Directory of Jackson County, Oregon, mail was delivered daily, and a daily stage traveled to Central Point. The settlers listed as living in Brownsboro at that time included: **Ralph BIEBERSTEADT**, stockbreeder; **Mrs. Olive BELL**, fruit grower; **W. H. BRADSHAW**, grain; **L.C. CHARLEY**, horse dealer; **E. D. COLBY**, livery; **C. P. HALL**, postmaster, Notary Public, real estate, and owner of C. P. Hall & Son, general store; **L. HESSLER**, shoemaker; **LEE, BRADSHAW & STEVES**, fruit growers; **A. C. STOCK**, hog breeder; **C. E. TERRILL**, cattle breeder, and **R. E. TUCKER**, blacksmith.

The first burial in the Brownsboro Cemetery from current records, appears to be an infant named **Joseph E. RANGLES** who died in October 1878. Although the town has been absorbed into Eagle Point, the cemetery is still in use today.

BROWNSBORO CEMETERY

By Christine Mott - September 2004

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age or DOB</u>	<u>Burial or DOD</u>
BALDWIN, Jane A.	65y 03m 13d	July 20, 1893
BARLOW, George D.		1888
BARNETT, Ruth Ida	July 23, 1917	March 7, 2000
BERRY, Mollian Lillian	01y 03m 05d	November 27, 1885
Daughter of WE & AF		
BIEBERSTEDT, Alvin	December 1, 1856	February 2, 1927
BIEBERSTEDT, Carl	April 17, 1852	May 23, 1929
BIEBERSTEDT, Donald Carl	March 14, 1913	December 21, 1998
BIEBERSTEDT, Opal Lola	October 29, 1921	December 9, 2000
BIEBERSTEDT, Ralph	October 7, 1888	April 21, 1966
BLAESS, Elmer Louis	December 1, 1923	September 13, 1992
BLANCH, Maggie		July 25, 1877
Daughter of BARLOW, ? & ?		
BRADSHAW, Mary H.	81y 06m 05d	June 11, 1955
BRADSHAW, Merton Charley	November 5, 1925	March 20, 1991
BROWN, Arthur Esthel	July 22, 1907	March 14, 2001
BROWN, George B.	October 30, 1879	March 3, 1958
BROWN, Henry Lee	12y 05m 08d	August 8, 1883
Son of HR and MM		
BROWN, Henry R.	1829	June, 17, 1891
BROWN, Infant Girl		1907
Daughter of GB & MR		
BROWN, Mable R.	July 1, 1884	February 6, 1956
BROWN, Martha M.	75y 00m 24d	December 23, 1913
BROWN, Olive E.	07y 11m 24d	June 23, 1883
Daughter of HR & MM		
BRUCE, Robert	April 18, 1915	January 1, 1989
BRUCE, Virginia Lesh	September 30, 1918	January 8, 2000
CAMPBELL, Francis Elizabeth	November 30, 1864	May 11, 1944
Wife of Henry		
CAMPBELL, Henry Edgar	September 20, 1859	May 1, 1930
Husband of Francis		
CHAMBERLAIN, Amy Elizabeth	August 1, 1969	July 1, 1989
CHAMBERLAIN, Omega Marie	September 3, 1944	August 4, 1998
CHARLEY, Aldine C.	June 17, 1905	January 29, 1997
CHARLEY, Cassius C.	August 5, 1860	November 16, 1910
CHARLEY, Claus Clay	September 3, 1896	December 15, 1994
CHARLEY, Clayton Elbert	January 2, 1926	April 25, 1989

BROWNSBORO CEMETERY

CHARLEY, Edna M.	September 26, 1885	April 27, 1903
CHARLEY, Ellyn S.	March 5, 1903	February 26, 1999
CHARLEY, Emogene	October 24, 1866	July 4, 1946
CHARLEY, Floyd Sharp	April 30, 1892	October 10, 1965
CHARLEY, Infant	Child of LC & JC	
CHARLEY, Leland M.	July 14, 1900	August 24, 1982
CHARLEY, Mary Estella	March 3, 1900	August 6, 1982
CHARLEY, Nancy Joyce	December 11, 1928	May 17, 2002
CHARLEY, William H.	September 1887	July 7, 1889
CLARK, Ina Cornelia		November 1942
CLAY, Lydia Randle	January 8, 1845	December 5, 1933
CLEMENS, David	January 12, 1830	October 15, 1916
CLEMENS, Elizabeth	October 14, 1835	December 30, 1919
"His beloved wife"		
CLOPTON, Ina	01y 02m 26d	November 23, 1885
Daughter of TJ		
CLOPTON, Orra C.	04y 07m 13d	May 1886
Daughter of TJ & MM		
COKE, Margaret Louise (Henry) (Day) (Barney)	Only one date January 27, 1926	
First born of Mildred Annie Tucker HENRY & Percy Allen HENRY		
CONLEY, R.M.	**	
COX, Albert Leroy	March 18, 1942	May 24, 2000
COX, Francis Pearl	September 14, 1916	March 12, 1999
COX, Joseph L.	December 25, 1913	May 9, 1990
COY, William	January 22, 1856	November 11, 1939
CRAIG, Charles E.	August 16, 1869	December 14, 1949
CULVER, Margaret	August 12, 1821	January 17, 1917
DANLEY, Olen Odell	March 16, 1923	September 13, 1992
DYSINGER, George James	March 13, 1863	November 12, 1936
DYSINGER, Jessie Geneva	April 10, 1907	February 2, 1994
DYSINGER, Leland Leroy	November 12, 1908	December 31, 1984
FARLOW, Allie E.	1877	January 20, 1947
FARLOW, Elizabeth Baldwin	August 27, 1850	May 31, 1938
FARLOW, Frank	July 26, 1869	December 16, 1942
FARLOW, Loren Francis	1905	September 17, 1950
FARLOW, Simeon	January 14, 1832	September 13, 1920
FARLOW, William Lee	April 25, 1894/5	1/4 March 1922
FARLOW, William Perry	August 27, 1836	March 8, 1916
FERNLUND, Augusta Winter	September 29, 1873	October 1, 1959
FERNLUND, Edwin A.	March 1, 1862	April 5, 1943
FERNLUND, Ina Clark	1910	1943
FERNLUND, Robert A.	May 16, 1906	December 1, 1941
FRENCH, Ida Iona	87y 05m 26d	April 25, 1960
FRENCH, Lloyd Bryon	May 18, 1894	April 6, 1967

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FRENCH, William M.	1872	1899
FRENCH, William Wilson	1833	March 23, 1907
G.A.R. **	1861	1865
GANO, Alvin D.	48y 04m 10d	August 24, 1882
GANO, David Daniels	04y 00m 22d	September 6, 1933
GIFFORD, Christopher John David	October 3, 1973	January 11, 1997
GLEN, Isabelle C. Brannaman	June 6, 1910	December 31, 1995
GORDON-ERIKSON, Nadine L.	February 10, 1967	August 12, 1990
GORDON, Mitchell	October 10, 1944	September 16, 1986
GRAY, Willmetta		
GRIFFIN, David Wayne	November 24, 1953	October 3, 1994
H.W. **		
HADLEY, Dana Francis	June 27, 1953	April 15, 2003
Father		
HADLEY, Justin Francis	October 14, 1984	March 27, 2001
Son		
HALSEY, Coy	June 17, 1898	April 15, 1954
U.S. Navy, WWI		
HANSEN, Gerald William	February 24, 1916	September 22, 2000
HAYWARD, Allen Michel (Infant)		May 11, 1981
HENREY, Delinda	November 10, 1813	December 14, 1891
HESSLER, Sarah Jane	December 14, 1851	December 22, 1937
HINKS, Albert Lee	July 18, 1962	December 30, 1978
HINKS, Dennis Eugene	August 2, 1947	January 26, 1984
HINKS, Jim L.	Only a date of 1938.	Was a Mason.
HINKS, Ida	Only a date of 1936	
HOLMES, William L.	1887	January 19, 1956
HOWARD, Vern Earl		August 26, 1943
I.V.P. **		
ILER, Mary O.	1850	1904
JENNINGS, Wilmon J. (Bill)	October 18, 1922	February 1, 1988
JOHAM, Jason Lee	March 26, 1975	March 21, 1990
JOHNSON, Charles E.	1889	1975
JOHNSON, Dorvan Ray	August 28, 1919	June 6, 1996
Captain, U.S. Air Force, WWII		
JOHNSON, Elsie Haze	August 4, 1896	February 27, 1994
KEENEY, Cecil	March 12, 1887	June 10, 1888
KIMMEL, Maxcine "Tommie"	August 11, 1922	March 8, 2002
L.H. **		
LAWSON, Ronald Rex	January 29, 1943	February 9, 2003
M.I.W. **		
MARSHALL, Grace E.	November 1893	October 16, 1983
Order of Eastern Star		

BROWNSBORO CEMETERY

MARSHALL, Lester Yancey Freemason	August 16, 1914	August 14, 1970
MARSHALL, Margaret Julia	May 29, 1867	May 4, 1936
MARSHALL, Walter Wright Freemason	1893	May 26, 1950
MARSHALL, William Yancy	January 1, 1855	December 23, 1943
McALLISTER, C.A. (Mrs.)	August 18, 1876	March 15, 1913
McALLISTER, John Greenville	April 11, 1863	June 8, 1955
McCALLISTER, James Rubert	August 2, 1897	October 29, 1979
McCALLISTER, Simon L.	November 17, 1898	March, 1974
McDONALD, Annie	August 12, 1877	December 5, 1965
McDONALD, Margaret	January 29, 1850	January 9, 1936
McDONALD, Margaret	April 10, 1876	October 27, 1960
McDONALD, Ranald	72y --m --d	May 30, 1908
MEYER, Herman Gustaf	October 31, 1859	May 25, 1933/4
MEYER, Herman	1887	February 23, 1952
MEYER, Margaret Arlotta	October 17, 1894	September 9, 1919
MEYER, Mollie	May 13, 1863	December 26, 1911
MEYERS, Melvin D.		
MILAM, Emma Elizabeth	October 20, 1895	June 3, 1918
MILLARD, Arlin Chester	April 4, 1910	August 8, 1996
MILLARD, Garrel Marilyn	April 6, 1912	April 8, 2001
MILLER, C.D.	1867	October 29, 1954
MILLER, William (Dr.)	79y 5m 26d	June 6, 1886
MILLS, Clara	March 29, 1869	August 25, 1914
MILLS, Edward James		December 7, 1917
MILLS, Eliza H.	June 18, 1825	June 13, 1907
MILLS, J.B.	May 4, 1824	September 13, 1906
MONIA, Edna I.	February 4, 1876	May 21, 1956
MONIA, Eldene Faye	00y 00m 02d	December 3, 1950
MONIA, Ivan Russell	January 18, 1904	January 20, 1919
MONIA, Jacob	May 1, 1857	April 6, 1926
MONIA, Walter Floyd	00y 00m 01d	August 27, 1949
MONIA, William Jacob	August 20, 1941	August 23, 1941
MOORE, Carole Agnes	July 23, 1919	February 19, 1992
MOORE, Lydia J.	December 30, 1893	November 3, 1951
MOTT, Eddie Gene	July 29, 1952	April 29, 2001
Husband of Christine I. MOTT		
NAGARD, Mary K.	1900	2000
NEVIN, Dennis Crosby	1957	2001
NICKELL, Daisy Milam Native of Missouri*	February 18, 1881	August 6, 1929
NICKELL, Bessie	Only a date of 1918 - infant daughter*	

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NICKELL, William	81y 00m 12d	November 15, 1954
Native of Nebraska		
NYGREN, Alice Hilda	October 29, 1899	October 9, 1955
NYGREN, Elizabeth	1882	October 22, 1951
NYGREN, Eric C.	1894	October 11, 1947
NYGREN, Frank G.	September 29, 1891	May 21, 1971
NYGREN, Gustaf	December 2, 1855	May 16, 1917
NYGREN, Hilda	January 10, 1861	August 1, 1944
NYGREN, Rosalia Dacia	August 19, 1901	November 2, 1984
O'DELL, Andrew Daniel	August 18, 1974	November 18, 1991
PARKER, Joseph L.	February 11, 1884	October 2, 1884
Son of C.P. & M.A.		
PECH, Adolf L.	July 15, 1901	August 17, 1973
PECH, Arthur (Artie) George	December 4, 1935	February 10, 1995
PECH, Henry E.	March 25, 1903	October 1, 1985
PECH, Laverne	May 3, 1905	January 26, 2001
PECH, Marguerite Isabell	March 27, 1910	July 5, 1996
PHILLIPS, Ella C.	May 11, 1877	May 16, 1967
PHILLIPS, William J.	March 30, 1886	June 12, 1951
POOL, Alletta	January 24, 1835	August 7, 1882
POOL, Arthur	January 8, 1834	November 22, 1907
POOL, Cora Isabelle	June 7, 1868	October 30, 1888
POOL, J. Madison	August 6, 1856	August 5, 1886
PRINCE, James Russell	April 6, 1937	November 7, 1937
RAGSDALE, Dortha L.	1914	1997
RAGSDALE, Wallace W.	1911	1997
RANGLES, Clement	February 10, 1875	December 27, 1892
RANGLES, Joseph	August 4, 1829	September 17, 1922/3
RANGLES, Joseph E.	01y 03m 09d	October 1878
RANGLES, Rebecca	November 12, 1832	May 7, 1907
RANGLES, Samuel	December 19, 1832	March 13, 1901
RAWHAUSER, William Joseph	February 14, 1905	November 21, 1996
RAY, Walt Prevo		1988
REGAN, Irby	54y --m --d	March 15, 1952
REISS, Timothy E.	December 18, 1975	August 23, 2004
REXIUS, Lawrence Jacob Jr.	June 17, 1968	January 2, 2000
REXIUS, Mary	December 2, 1925	April 18, 1993
Wife of Jacob REXIUS		
RHODES, Lavar Charles	June 29, 1934	August 25, 1994
RICHARDSON, Donnie Hugh	August 15, 1942	May 29, 1996
RIDDLE, Gerald M.	1929	April 13, 1956
RIVES, Montreze "Monte"	November 9, 1928	October 13, 1997
ROBINSON, L.	56y 02m 27d	November 25, 1885

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ROBINSON, R.J.	58y 08d 11d	March 8, 1884
SACKETT, Eddie	16y --m --d	April 10, 1885
Child of D.A. & M		
SACKETT, Frankie A.	11y --m --d	April 10, 1885
Child of D.A. & M		
SANDERS, Cora Isabelle	June 6, 1910	December 31, 1995
SANDS, Martha Ann	January 13, 1912	August 1, 1997
SHAW, Albert M.	February 27, 1923	November 20, 1985
SHOEMAKER, Russell Dean	September 6, 1903	September 17, 1987
STEELS, Jack Hugh	January 29, 1929	February 26, 1974
STINE, Isabella	April 23, 1874	December 3, 1974
STOWELL, Mary E.	July 30, 1879	August 19, 1886
Daughter of C.W. & M.F.		
SUTTON, Sylvia Sabina	November 19, 1928	January 1, 1929
TERRILL, Delbert	March 14, 1862	June 4, 1910
TERRILL, Martha Mary	December 23, 1862	August 30, 1938
THOMPSON, Adon	March 5, 1853	May 27, 1929
THOMPSON, Fred G.	September 8, 1858	April 9, 1938
THOMPSON, H.G.	1821	1910
THOMPSON, Nettie	December 31, 1871	July 25, 1941
TONN, Edward E.	22y 11m 19d	August 27, 1884
TONN, Ludwig	March 4, 1835	December 30, 1929
TONN, Wilhelmina	November 4, 1837	May 17, 1908
TUCKER, Lloyd D.	1896	August 14, 1944
TUCKER, Ralph E.	July 24, 1864	July 17, 1933
TUCKER, Sarah Elizabeth	1865	December 18, 1951/2
WADE, Bessie	00y 9m 21d	October 25, 1886
WALCOTT, Phillip Daxon	1890	March 6, 1952
WIES, Roy Allen	April 25, 1929	July 22, 1990
WILSON, Eileen Annette	November 7, 1954	August 2, 2002
WIRTS, Joshua	February 3, 1981	November 2, 2002
WOOLEY, J.R.	51y 04m 05d	April 8, 1890
WRIGHT, Elinor L.	June 24, 1920	September 1927
WRIGHT, Harrison Wilbur	March 21, 1880	March 15, 1961
WRIGHT, Vera Salzwedel	August 6, 1893	August 31, 1986

Many graves do not have headstones in this cemetery. Some simply have pipe driven in the ground where there is a known gravesite. Other gravesites can be found by looking for slightly sunken grave sized areas, areas where perennial flowers have been planted, etc.

*Headstones appear to be relatively new

All in same fenced family-type plot - single "community" marker says **HESSLER

BROWNSBORO CEMETERY

The following, from earlier listings, were not found in October 2004

<u>Name</u>	<u>Age or DOB</u>	<u>Burial or DOD</u>
BALDWIN, Thomas	January 20, 1826	June 5, 1908
BARLOW, Simeon	January 14, 1832	September 13, 1920
BIEBERSTEDT, Rudolf	August 4, 1854	August 14, 1927
BOOTHBY, Lauretta Ellen	1876	1878
BRADSHAW, Reed Harris		June 28, 1940
BROWN, Ada Esther	May 19, 1910	October 3, 1999
CHARLEY, Hurst	April 1, 1893	September 28, 1969
COMPTON, Leslie Franklin	July 10, 1906	November 24, 1930
CONLEY, John Magnes	June 11, 1844	April 10, 1887
DANIELS, David	November 14, 1848	September 6, 1933
FARLOW, George	March 1, 1826	February 28, 1888
FARLOW, Maggie Blanche	00y 01m 07d	July 25, 1977
FARLOW, Myrtle	December 13, 1881	April 4, 1888
FARLOW, Nellie J.	June 25, 1878	March 25, 1892
HARD, James Lyle	June 9, 1930	December 25, 1931
HARPER, Cordell D. (infant)		July 26, 1979
HAYWARD, Mildred J.	June 7, 1891	October 18, 1982
HAYWARD, Vern Earl	July 13, 1883	August 28, 1943
HECKERTHORN, Florence May	August 25, 1870	September 2, 1882
HECKERTHORN, Fancelia	January 23, 1875	October 16, 1887
HECKERTHORN, Jeremiah	June 13, 1827	September 10, 1891
HECKERTHORN, Martin	December 24, 1864	May 22, 1885
HECKERTHORN, Mary Catherine	April 17, 1853	May 13, 1854
HESSLER, Louis J.B.	June 15, 1854	November 20, 1914
HUFFMAN, Howard Walter	00y 01m 07d	June 14, 1912
MILLER, Elva Jane	August 23, 1866	December 17, 1942
MILLER, John Alford	October 11, 1863	December 21, 1941
MILLER, Samuel	February 19, 1869	January 31, 1947
NYGREN, Carl William	July 18, 1899	March 14, 1977
NYGREN, Rosalia		1901
OSBORN, Ebenezer	October 23, 1829	July 28, 1917
PERRY, M.S.	41y 11m 19d	December 29, 1884
RANGLES, Lydia Moore	65y 09m 03d	November 3, ---
RANGLES, R.		June --, 1940
WALCOTT, Fred G.	79y 07m 05d	April --, 1939
WEST, C.G.	March 27, 1869	February 23, 1901
WRIGHT, Henry Hamilton	November 11, 1844	February 20, 1900
WRIGHT, Mary Iva	March 6, 1890	August 18, 1901
WRIGHT, Vera Rosetta		



LUDWIG & WILHELMINA TONN



ELINOR L. WRIGHT
BROWNSBORO CEMETERY - ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH

FUNERALS FROM ZION 1925 - 1933

Organized in the fall of 1897 as a "German Evangelical Lutheran Congregation of the Unaltered Augsburg Confession," Zion's early records, and services were in German until 1912. Plagued by low membership and financial difficulties, a larger member base was sought by holding some services in English beginning in 1913. Records were still kept in German until 1923 when the first woman was permitted to serve as a church officer, that of secretary, as no male candidate was available. The records at RVGS Library include the funerals from 1925 to 1950 though some copies are poor and difficult to read.

Under the pastorate of **Edwin J. JOHNSON**

Date of Death	Name	
April 24, 1925	Jacob BRANDS	79yrs old
Nov. 24, 1926	Henry PECH	9yrs old died of Croup, buried Nov. 27, 1926
Dec. 6, 1926	Orin Delbert WALLACE	4dys old died from brain pressure, buried Dec.7
Feb. 27, 1927	Mrs. Lydia Emelia GUSTAFSON	45yrs old died from Stroke, buried Mar.2, 1927
March 28, 1927	Mrs. Ernestine ERDMANN	87yrs old died of age & rupture, buried March 31
April 2, 1927	Herbert Myron GUENTHER	5dys old, buried April 3, 1927
March 15, 1927	Bernhard BRUHN	58yrs old, cause uncertain, buried April 4, 1927

Under the pastorate of **F.W. BUSSARD**

April 21, 1927	Ragnar LARSSON	27yrs 2m old died of Asphyxiation, buried April 24 in Astoria, Oregon
Aug. 24, 1927	Frederick Wm BOHNERT	28yrs 8m 25d old died of Asthma, buried Aug. 28 in Central Point, Oregon
Sept. 11, 1927	Elinor WRIGHT	7yrs 2m 17d old died of Nephritis, buried Sept. 14 in Brownsboro, Oregon
Sept. 22, 1927	Donald H. WALKER	7m 18d old died of Infantile Paralysis, buried Sept. 23 in "City Cem."(?)
Oct. 23, 1927	Elmer Lawrence BERTELSON	38yrs 9m 14d old died of Anemia, buried Oct. 26 in Jacksonville, Oregon
Jan. 25, 1928	Karl KROEGER	73yrs old died of Apoplexy & Heart failure, buried Sept. 30 in Grants Pass, Oregon (this entry was listed between Sept 22, 1927 & Sept. 11, 1927 ?)
Feb. 1, 1928	Helen (McKinsley) SEARS	62yrs 8m 5d old died of Pneumonia, buried Feb. 4 in Jacksonville, Oregon

FUNERALS FROM ZION 1925 - 1933

Date of Death	Name
March 11, 1928	George Wm FREY 77yrs 9m 29d died of Pneumonia, buried March 13 in Central Point, Oregon
April 27, 1928	August FRENDEMBERG 81yrs 6m 25d old died of Bright's Disease, buried April 29 in Milwaukee, WI



OLD ZION CHURCH BUILDING

A wooden church was built on 4th street, in Medford, Oregon, on land donated by **Mr. & Mrs. C. W. PALM & Mr. & Mrs. I. L. HAMILTON**, sometime between 1899 and March 1902 when the congregation voted to paint the building. The building was later sold to the First Church of God, and moved to a new location. A new church was dedicated on the same site, February 12, 1928 by **Dr. George HILLERMAN**, President of the Western Field of the Lutheran Church, as the reincorporated Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church.

FUNERALS FROM ZION 1925 - 1933

Date of Death Name

Under the pastorate of **G.H. HILLERMAN**

Nov. 8, 1928 **Carl B.G. ROSTEL** 78yrs 11m 17d old died of Stroke, buried Nov. 11, 1928 in Jacksonville, Oregon

Nov. 16, 1928 **Wm E. WITTE** 82yrs old, buried Nov. 18, 1928 in Central Point, Oregon, note: "1st service from church"

Under the pastorate of **H.C. FUNK**

April 10, 1929 **Florinda Hulda BANTA**
Born Sept. 25, 1924 died of Pneumonia, buried April 15, 1929 in Medford, Oregon

Aug. 22, 1929 **Minnie SCHIFFER** Born Feb. 25, 1861 died of High Blood Pressure, buried Aug. 24, 1929

Sept. 12, 1929 **Mrs. Charlotte Christine BRIESNO**
Born March 30, 1856(?) in Norway , buried in Medford, Oregon

Oct. 16, 1929 **Fredrick Norman BOHNERT**
Born Aug. 28, 1929, buried Oct. 18 in Central Point

Nov. 19, 1929 **Mrs. Elizabeth Katherine SCHAFER**
Born June 13, 1849, buried Nov. 22, 1929 in Jacksonville, Oregon

Dec.(?)39, 1929 **Ludwig TONN** Born March 4, 1835 in Germany, buried Jan. 3, 1930 in Brownsboro, Oregon (death was Dec. 30th according to tombstone)

March 8, 1930 **UNKNOWN** Died at Tracy California, born in Champion, Nebraska Oct. 15, 1895, buried in Central Point.

April 11, 1930 **Martha K. HOAGLUND**
Born in Sweden July 4, 1847, buried April 13, 1930 in Central Point, Oregon.

June 26, 1930 **William Augustus MOFFET**
Born in Iona, Michigan Jan. 24, 1861.

Feb. 15, 1931 **Christian G. VOELKNER**
Born in Germany March 31, 1865, buried Feb. 17 in Central Point, Oregon.

March 14, 1931 **Hans Fritz JESCHKE**
Born in San Francisco, California March 17, 1903, Buried in Medford Cemetery, Medford, Oregon.

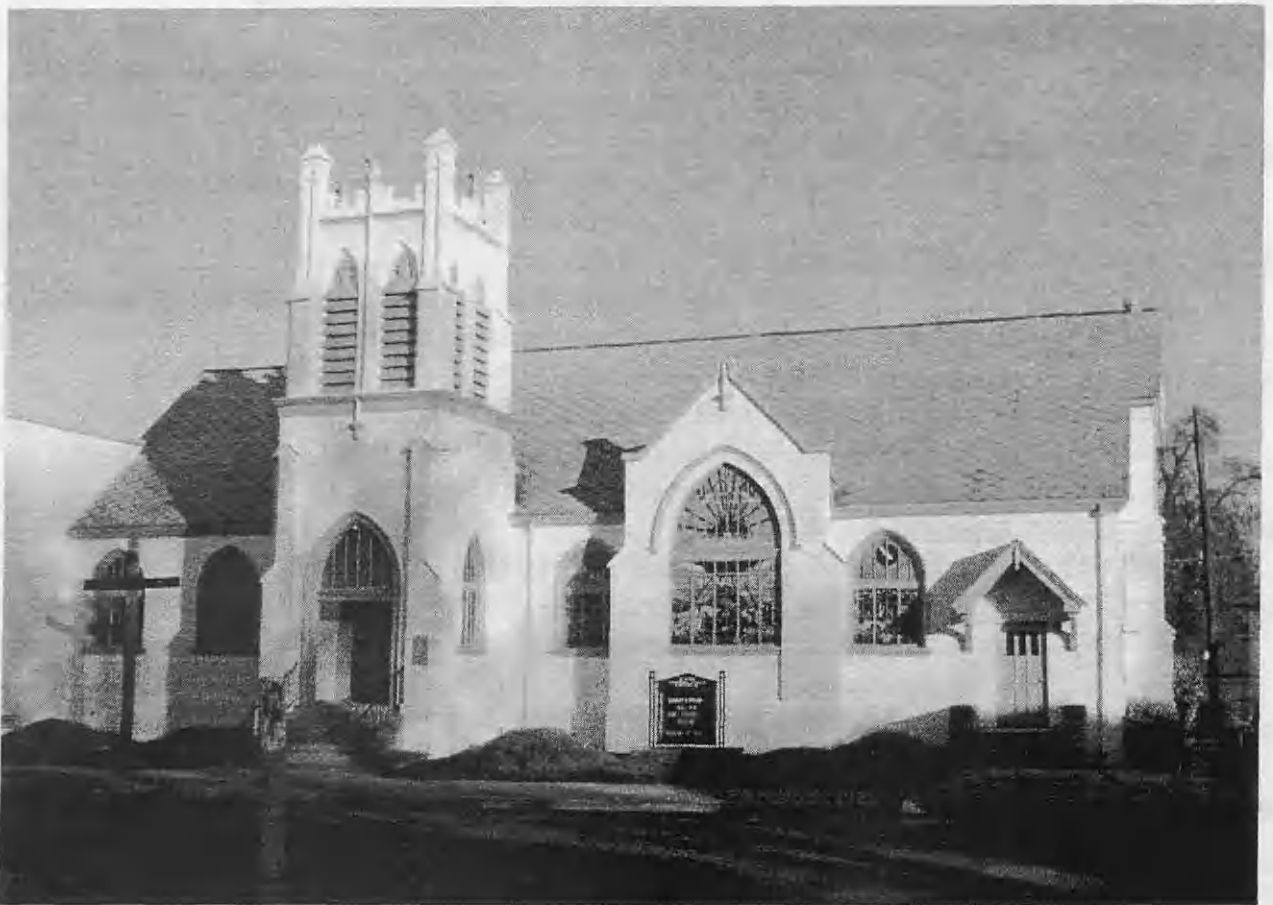
Aug. 6, 1931 **Henry Lewis HANSEN**
Born in Denmark Jan. 22, 1843.

FUNERALS FROM ZION 1925 - 1933

Date of Death	Name	
Sept. 19, 1931	Rosella GUENTHER	Born in Illinois July 17, 1909, buried in Medford Cemetery, Medford, Oregon.
Under the pastorate of George P. KABELLE (The writing for the next few years is very cramped and poor, names are difficult to read. Below are the best interpretation.)		
April 21, 1932	Chas. E. LANGE	68yrs 4m3d of heart failure, buried April 24, 1932 at Medford Cemetery, Medford, Oregon.
June 20, 1932	Gustav WESTON	69yrs3m14d of heart failure, buried June 23, 1932 at Medford Cemetery, Medford, Oregon.
July 12, 1932	Henrietta FREY	After a long illness, buried July 15, 1932 at Central Point Cemetery, Central Point, Oregon
Sept. 21, 1932	Julius Henry VON DER HELLEN	55yrs suicide by shooting himself, buried Sept. 23 at Phoenix Cemetery, Phoenix, Oregon
Jan. 12, 1933	Coral Jane MABEN	2yrs6m7d of Pneumonia, buried at Siskiyou Memorial Park, Medford, Oregon.
Feb. 12, 1933	Jennie Bedelle BURKE	63yrs11m16d of Cancer, buried at Medford Cemetery, Medford, Oregon.
Feb. 24, 1933	Leonard ZUMBAUM	Drowned, buried at I.O.O.F Cemetery, Medford, Oregon. * Oregon Death Index records death on Feb. 22, 1933 at 18yrs3m8d, and buried Feb. 26.
March 9, 1933	Richard CAMPBELL	5 Days old of a physical defect.
March 11, 1933	Wilhelmina GEFFERT (Mrs. Frank)	42yrs10m8d of an operation, buried in the Memorial Park (?)
April 9, 1933	George WOLFF	62yrs8m24d of Dropsy, buried at Medford Cemetery, Medford, Oregon.
June 10, 1933	John L. EAKEN Mrs. F.C. EAKEN	56yrs2m9d 36yrs7m12d, both from a R.R. crossing accident, buried June 16, 1933 at Siskiyou Memorial Park, Medford, Oregon.
July 20, 1933	Johanna Wilhelmina WITTE	78yrs8m4d of infirmities of old age, buried July 23, 1933 at Central Point, Oregon. Service in Zion.
Aug. 10, 1933	Douglas Gordon ATKINS	1 Day old of hard birth, buried Aug. 12, 1933 at I.O.O.F Cemetery, Medford, Oregon.

FUNERALS FROM ZION 1925 - 1933

- Sept. 2, 1933 **Erica Louise Carlson TURNQUIST (Mrs. Edw. A.)**
49yrs2m31d of Heart Failure, buried Sept. 5, 1933
at Siskiyou Memorial Park, Medford, Oregon.
- Oct. 14, 1933 **Ernest Rosalie (C.B.) ROSTEL (Mrs.)**
67yrs2m11d of Cancer, buried Oct. 16, 1933 at
Jacksonville Cemetery, Jacksonville, Oregon.
- Oct. 24, 1933 **Josephine A. (H.U.) HALL (Mrs.)**
60yrs3m20d of Cancer, buried Oct. 27, 1933 at
I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Medford, Oregon.
- Dec. 20, 1933 **John FLUHRER** 65yrs8m11d of Cancer, buried Dec. 22, 1933 at
Siskiyou Memorial Park, Medford, Oregon.



**PRESENT DAY ZION LUTHERAN CHURCH
MEDFORD, OREGON**

JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON ASSESSMENT ROLL - 1895

The clerk of the Jackson Count Court of the State of Oregon, N.A. JACOBS, created a certified copy of the 1895 Assessment Roll, witnessed by Deputy E. SMITH. A payment could be made in lieu of work. Those that neither worked, nor paid, were considered delinquent. A transcript of the copy follows.

NAME	ASSESEMENT	POLL	DAYS TO WORK	DAYS WORKED	CASH IN LIEU
ANDREWS, Geo H.	3396		3.37	0	\$5.00
BLANTON, Wm		1	2	2	
BAKER, Joseph	760		0.75	0	
BALEY, G.W. & Wife	337		0.37	0.37	
BARRON, E.B.	6256	1	8.25	8.25	
BARRON, Leo W.	6066	1	8	8	
BARRON, H.F.	9248		9.25	9.25	
BARRON, Homer		1	2	2	
BLACKWOOD, R.T.	1384		1.37	1.37	
BREEDING, John H.	760		0.75	0.75	
BREEDING, Wm G.	380	1	2.37	0.37	
BRITSON, T.W.	304	1	2.25	2.25	
BROWN, Louisa	190		0.25	0	
BROWN, O.T.	1354		1.37	1.37	
BURNES, Elizabeth A.	570		0.62	0	\$0.97
BUTLER, G.S.	836		0.88	0	
Wife & Mother					
CLAREY, S.W.	2770		2.75	0	\$4.12
CASEY, Henry	2850		2.88	2.88	
CHAPMAN, D.	19				
CHAPMAN, Henry	1093		1.13	1.13	
CHAPMAN, Mrs. S.A.	475		0.5	0.5	
CHAPMAN, T.D.		1	2	2	
CHAVNER, Thos (Est. of)	1615		1.62	0	\$2.45
COBBS, J.H.		1	2	2	
COLE, Byron (Est. of)	607		0.62	0	\$0.91
COLE, Julius F. & W.L.		1	2	0	
COLE, Rufus	266		0.25	0	\$0.40
CONKLIN, Nathaniel	342			0.37	
COOK, John R.	7625		7.62	0	
COOPER, Chas H.	532		0.5	0	
DAVIS, J.N.		1	2	2	
DEWITT, Wm		1	2	2	
DOLLARHIDE, H.C.	836		0.88	0.88	

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DOLLARHIDE, Marietta	1932		2	2
DOSIER, Andrew	475		0.5	0.5
DOSIER, John	618		0.62	0.62
DUNN, P.	1900		1.88	1.88
EDWARDS, G.M.		1	2	2
EGAN, Wm				
FARMER, Laddie	72	1	2.13	2.13
FENTON, John		1	2	2
FOWLER, C.W.	760		0.75	0
GANIARD, O.	380		0.37	0
GOODREAU, Jasper	760		0.75	0
GRIEVE BROS.	2655		2.62	2.62
GRIEVE, Bruce				
GRIEVE, W.S.	760		0.75	0.75
GROW, Geo W.	700		0.75	0.75
GROW, Wm		1	2	0.5
HABERLOCK, G.	760		0.75	0
HART, Julius	475	1	2.5	2.5
HILL, Edward	304		0.37	0
HOPKINS, A.C.	18644		18.62	18.62
HOPKINS, Al		1	2	2
HOUCK, Mrs. J.	551		0.5	0.5
HOWARD, Jeff		1	2	2
HOWARD, Zinas	794		0.75	0.75
JARVIS, J.W.		1	2	2
KINCAID, W.R.	2993		3	3
KING, Robert				
KINGSBURY, Mrs. C.L.	3534		3.5	3.5
LACY, Bud		1	2	2
LACY, J.H.	187	1	2.13	0
LEEDS, W.H.	570		0.62	0.62
LONG, S.F.		1	2	2
LOOMAS, J.	380		0.37	0
LLOYD, Wm & M.L.	760		0.75	0
McALLISTER, John	760		0.75	0.75
McCARRON, James R.	760		0.75	0
McCRARA, J.H.				
McCRARY, B.F.	380		0.37	0
MICKELSON, Mrs. V.S.E.	285		0.25	0.25
MOORE, Isaac				
MOORE, J.C. & Wife	404		0.37	0
MOORE, J.N.	95	1	2.13	2.13

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MOORE, L.W.	946		1	1	
MOORE, Peter	190	1	2.25	2.25	
NAYLOR, Granville	380		0.37	0.37	
NEIL, Amanda	190		0.25	0	
NEIL, Clayborn	10				
NEIL, J.C.	1330	1	3.37	3.37	
NEIL, L.A.	304	1	2.25	(2 struck out)	
NICKELSON, Mrs. R.E.	143	1	2.13	(2 struck out)	
O & C R.R. CO. Lands	65683		65.62	65.62	
Rolling stock &					
Road-bed, 16 miles	76464		76.5	76.5	
PATENT, Wm		1	2	2	
PENDERGAST, H.S.	532		0.5	0	
PIERCE, Chas H.	7458		7.5	0	
POWELL Estate	2575		2.62	2.62	
POWELL, G.W.		1	2	nonresident	
POWELL, J.W.	238	1	2.25	nonresident	
POWELL, Sylvester	404		0.37	0	
POWELL, Mrs. Lydia	667		0.62	0.62	
PACIFIC POSTAL/TELEG.	627		0.62		\$0.90
RENFRO, John H.	323		0.37	0.37	
ROSTEL, C.B.	760		0.75	0	
SHEPHERD, Wm H.	1028		1	1	
SHORES, J.W.		1	2	2	
SHORES, L.		1	2	2	
SINGER, W.F.	3995		4	4	
SLINGER, Wm	190		0.25	0	
SLOAN, S.G.	380	1	2.37	2.37	
SMITH, Christian E.	475		0.5	0	
SNOWGOOSE, Dan		1	2	2	
SNOWGOOSE, John		1	2	2	
SPENCER, Mrs. D.G.	1069		1	1	
STEPHENSON, Geo W.	1140		1.13	1.13	
SULLIVAN, L.	532		0.5	0	
SUTTON, R.K.	380		0.37	0	
TAYLOR, J.M.	119	1	2.13	2.13	
TAYLOR, John B.	1303		1.25	0	
TAYLOR, Wm	3204		3.25	3.25	
TIFFANY, O.C.	380		0.37	0.37	
TOLMAN, J.C. & (?)	1045		1	2.8	
TUCKER, Fred		1	2	nonresident	
TUCKER, Mike		1	2	2	

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TYLER, J.M.	600		0.62	0.62	
VANN, John		1	2	2	
VANTASSELL, Geo		1	2	2	
WAGNER, Jacob	1425		1.37	1.37	
WAGNER, J.M.	1159	1	1.13	3.13	
WALKER, Daniel					
WALKER, D.J.	1582		1.62	1.62	
WAY, Edward		1	2	0	
WELLS, Erastus (Est. of)	1900		1.88	1.88	
WELLS, Mrs. Ellen					
WELLS, P.B.		1	2	2	
WESTERN UNION TELE.	1045		1	1	
WHITMORE, P.F.		1	2	nonresident	
WILLIAMS, J.D.	304	1	2.25	2.25	
WILSON, E.D.				nonresident	
WITHRAW, H.		1	2	2	
WRIGHT, Thos J.	228	1	2.25	2.25	
WRIGHT, Wm A.	1140		1.13	0	
YOUNGMAN, Edward	304		0.25	0	
O & C R.R. CO.					
Contract Lands					
COOK, J.R.	17488		17.5	0	\$26.25
HOPKINS, A.C.	4508		4.5	4.5	
MOORE, Peter	380		0.37	0.37	
NOONAN, Mary J.	228		0.25	0	\$0.34
VAN TASSEL, Geo	76		0.13	0	
WAGNER, J.M.	95		0.13	0	

SOJOURNERS : THE CHINESE IN EARLY JACKSONVILLE

A sojourner is one who dwells for a time in a place, then moves on, a temporary resident. So were the Chinese who came to the American West during the gold rush days. They never intended to start a new life in America, or adopt the dress, language or customs. The men came to earn money for the support of their families back home, then to return as wealthy and respected men to their villages.

In the middle of the nineteenth century, the Qing dynasty had exhausted their resources and their citizens fighting the British in the Opium Wars and struggling to quell the Taiping Rebellion. Conditions for the peasantry were horrible, families had lost their land, their homes, their savings, as well as their livelihood. Many of the young men, especially those from Kwangton Province in southeast China, left Canton for "Gam Saan," Cantonese for Gold Mountain. The first arrived one month after gold was discovered at Sutter's Mill in January, 1848. By 1852 when gold was discovered in Jackson Creek, 20,026 Chinese had braved the crossing to San Francisco. At first they were welcomed, invited to the ceremonies for California's admission to the union, and commemorative funeral services for President **Zachary TAYLOR**. In 1852 Governor **John McDOUGAL** of California introduced a bill to grant land to encourage the Chinese to immigrate and settle. At the same time resentment was growing among miners and laborers about the cheap labor taking over the jobs. The resentment was primarily caused because the Chinese were considered the best workers available. They were dependable, hardworking, and not inclined to make trouble. They were willing to do the hard, dirty work for what was considered meager wages. Yet to the Chinese, it was still a golden opportunity to make \$30 a month, rather than a possible \$3-\$5 in China.

Chinese were forbidden to locate and file claims, but could purchase them from other miners. An indication of the decline of placer mining, was the number of Chinese, or Kanakas (Hawaiians) present in a location. When the gold became difficult to find the American miners moved on and only then were the foreigners allowed to mine. In the mid-1850's taxes and license fees began to be levied on non American mine operators and businessmen. Aimed at forcing out foreign businessmen, it was also way of recovering some of the money flowing from the local area to Asia. A source of much of the resentment and violence against the Chinese. In 1858 California forbade the disembarking of Chinese from ships, fining a captain up to \$600, or a year imprisonment. The Exclusion Act of 1882 barred Chinese laborers from entering the U.S.

Some families were able to finance the voyage by one of their young men, but most Chinese came under credit contracts to a "boss." The boss then controlled the labor, he would farm it out where needed, receive the payments to be distributed to the workers (after deducting what was owed for supplies and transportation), and had exclusive rights to sell supplies to the workers under him. By the 1880's mining had played out, and most Chinese moved on to build roads and the railroad. Few of the Chinese have any records of their lives in Jackson County, Oregon. The majority lived together in dormitory houses, and in the census were listed not by name, but simply the number living in the dwelling. Some, of course, died here. They were buried in the Jacksonville Cemetery in a special area, but because it was believed they could not go to Paradise until they rested in their homeland, most were exhumed and the remains returned to China.

LIN WANG, WAH CHUNG, & GIN LIN

Three of the Chinese men who lived in Jackson County, Oregon, that left some records, were **Lin WANG**, **Wah CHUNG**, and **Gin LIN**.



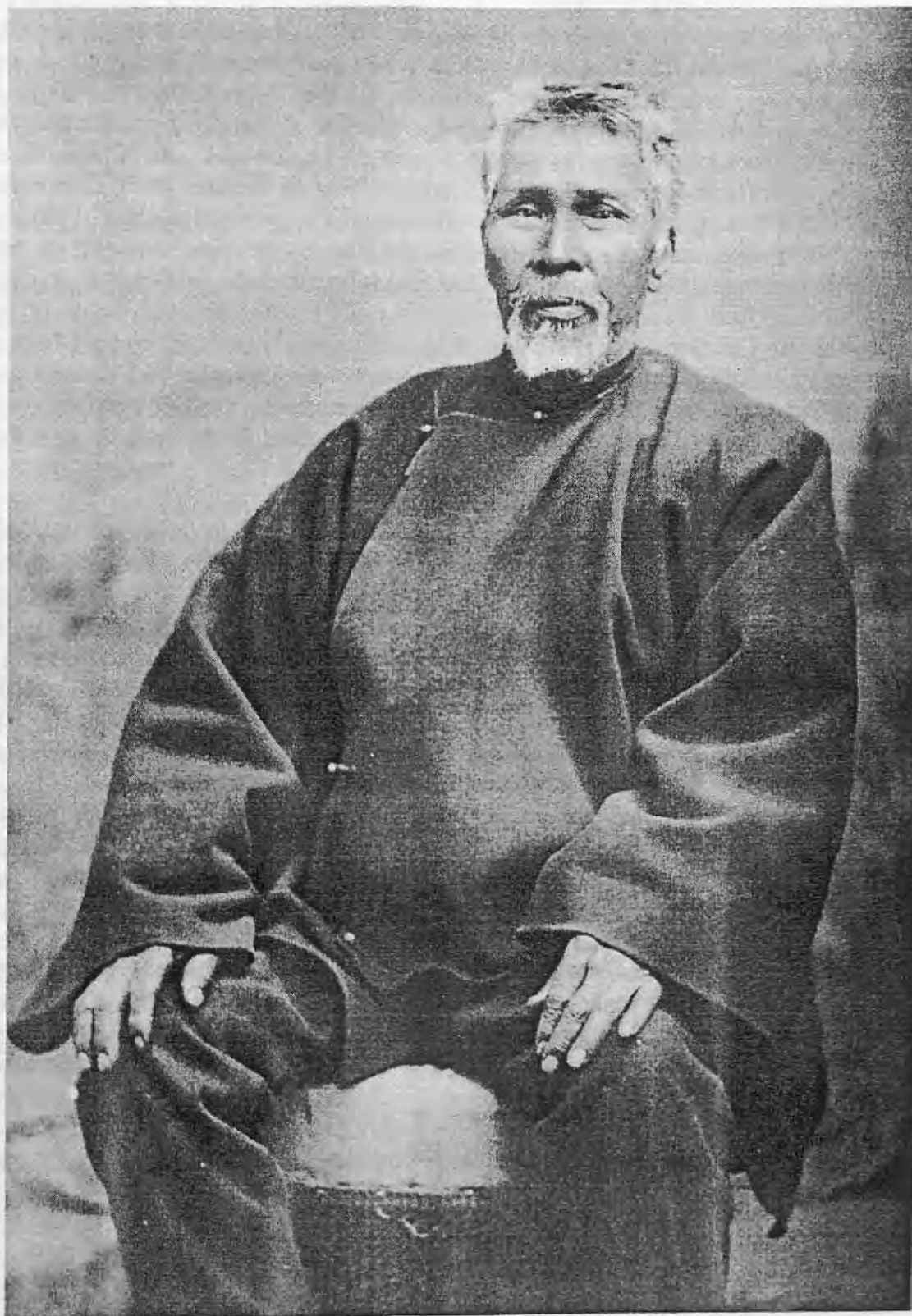
LIN WANG

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Lin WANG was listed in the 1880 census as a 50 year old businessman, born in China. He ran a laundry on California Street in Jacksonville, Oregon for many years, but one day he left his customers' finished laundry ready to pick up and walked out. It is supposed he returned to China as he had always intended.

Wah CHUNG was a Southern Pacific Railroad "boss" and one of the few Chinese who was not a sojourner. He, his wife and two children had a large house and store in Ashland, Oregon. He did all the contract labor for the Southern Pacific, housed and fed the Chinese workers. **Mrs. Wah CHUNG** had been brought over from China. Since her feet had been bound, as was the custom of the time, she had to be carried by her husband if she needed to go any distance. Later they opened a restaurant.

LIN WANG, WAH CHUNG, & GIN LIN



GIN LIN

LIN WANG, WAH CHUNG, & GIN LIN

GIN LIN was a mining "boss" in Jackson County. It is not known when he arrived, but by 1864 he had purchased the "Wilson Ranch" mining property at the confluence of Sterling Creek and the Little Applegate River near Buncom, Jackson County, Oregon. He paid \$900 for this land, and mined there until the 1870's. More properties were added to this original parcel along the Little Applegate and eventually he had his workers dig the four and a half mile "China Ditch" from Yale Creek, to bring water to his diggings. Later, as the gold deposits along streambeds worked out, **GIN LIN** was an innovator in the development of the hydraulic method of mining. By diverting water from the streams into a penstock, then running the water downhill in steel pipe and through a nozzle, high pressure could be achieved to spray on the gold bearing deposits on a hillside, washing them through sluice boxes to trap the heavier deposits. Some of the equipment used by the Lin Company was bought from **China BOW** another Chinese boss in California. **GIN LIN** usually had between 15 and 20 miners working for him, both Chinese and white. During the summer he would often halt his mining operations so the local ranchers could use the ditch water to irrigate their dry pastures. On one occasion he ordered an area that appeared to be an old Indian burial ground, to be left untouched.

At a time of much resentment against the Chinese, **GIN LIN** seemed to be an accepted and familiar figure in the Rogue Valley. He evidently visited the **Henry ANKENY** house in Sterling, and called **David LINN** "cousin" because of the similar name. Although Chinese were not allowed to own property, his holdings were extensive. **GIN LIN** was wealthy and seemed to have some influence in the area. He was also known for his wives. Each time he returned to his homeland, he would sell his present wife to one of his men, then return with a new one. The 1880 Census list "**GEN LEN**" age 49, male, born in China; "**GEN SHEN**" age 36, female, born in China; and "**GEN WYE**" age 8, male, born in Oregon. Evidently his current wife and son.

In 1881 **GIN LIN** bought land in the Palmer Creek area and had a ditch dug to this area, as well as the nearby Flumet and China gulches. Some of these workings can be seen along the Gin Lin Trail, originally constructed by the C.C.C., now under the U.S. Forest Service in the Rogue River National Forest.

By 1885 most of **GIN LIN**'s holdings were in Josephine County, and little about him was related in the Jacksonville press. His last voyage to China seemed to be in October 1894 with his son **GIN WYE**. It was believed that before he left Oregon, he hid a large portion of his wealth on his person, as he had resolved to stay in China and retire as a wealthy man. Rumors persisted that **GIN LIN** was beaten and robbed as he disembarked in China by renegades who knew of his hidden wealth. According to his Oregon attorney, **Wes KAHLER**, **GIN LIN** died in China about June 1, 1897. Several properties in Southern Oregon on Pleasant Creek and Palmer Creek should have gone to his son, but the initial attempts to find him were unsuccessful.

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BOOK REVIEW

The RVGS library has in it's collection one of the most important genealogical publications in the nation's history, the

AMERICAN STATE PAPERS, PUBLIC LANDS **A ten volume set, including index.**

It was the abundance of land that brought the British and German to the Atlantic Seaboards; the French and Spanish to the Gulf; Canadians, British, French and Poles to the Mississippi Valley and the Great Lakes. American State Papers, Public Lands is the most important neglected source of data on ethnic settlement and migration within trans-Appalachian America, and a vital finding aid to rich stories of public land claim files within the National Archives.

Between 1832 and 1861, the United States Congress published a series of 38 volumes of congressional documents chosen for their importance to the "legislative and documentary history of the United States." Eight of the 38 volumes are known as the Public Land Series, and with the ninth volume, titled Claims, cover the period 1789-1837. It is these nine volumes, plus the "Grassroots of America" index, that make up the ten volume set. The Public Land volumes offer 1,570 documents and nearly 80,000 claims to land by individuals. Generally included are such valuable genealogical data as: age of claimants, previous places of habitation; names of children, wives, and other relatives; exact location of claims; and the time period of "cultivation and habitation." The petitions and reports give a vivid picture of sufferings and struggles, acts of courage, chicanery, and commitment. The stories told supply ample evidence of settlement patterns, family relationships, and life events. At a time without central record keeping, land transactions provide us with the best account of people at a particular place at a particular time. Invaluable in tracing individuals who have often left few, if any, other records.

Not all appeals were by individuals. In 1836 the State of Indiana sought the passage of a law by Congress to donate one quarter section of land to a Margaret Nation, "a very aged woman, who is encumbered with a large family of deaf and dumb children, whom she is unable to support, and who are unable, on account of the aforesaid affliction, to support themselves." The children are named: William, Christopher, Elias, Jane, Elizabeth and Anna.

Information on Indian land claims, reserves, and payments for land include the tribes of the Choctaw, Creek, Cherokee, Potowatomie, Quapaw, Catawba, Wyandots, and reserves in North Carolina.

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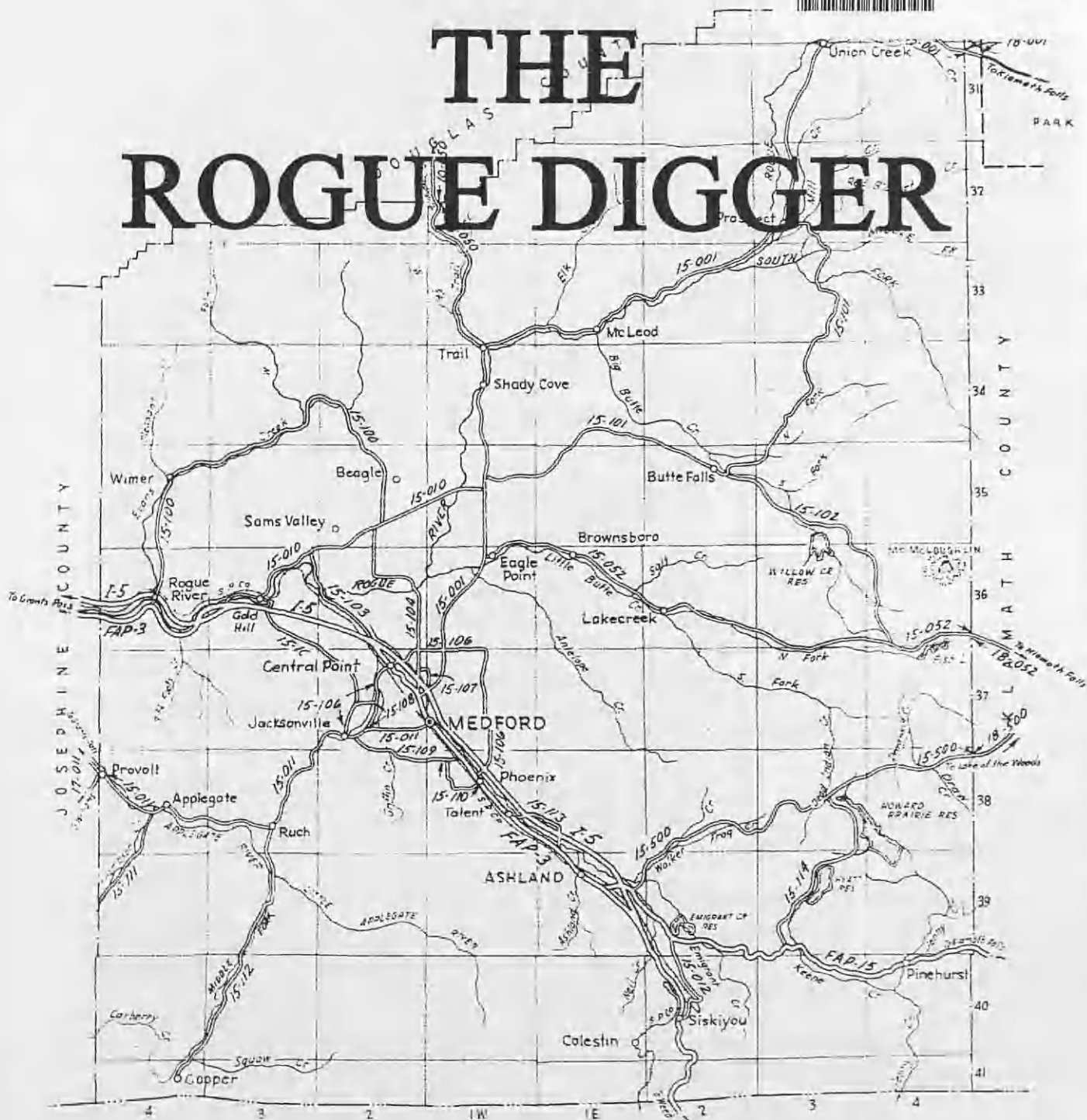
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LOST TOWNS IN JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON

ANTELOPE & WELLEN

Like many places, the area 12 miles northeast of present day Medford was known by several names. The Post Office was called Wellen, the creek on which it was found, and the cemetery the town used, were known by the name Antelope. The school district was formed in October 1854, but not named until 1869, then it was called Antelope. In 1886 Antelope was divided and part named Liberty, which included Wellen. When the army formed Camp White during the war, both school districts lost population and area. The Wellen district consolidated into Eagle Point in 1944, and in 1949 Antelope had so few students left, they also became part of Eagle Point. The history of this area seems to be one of shifting populations, divisions and consolidations.

When settlers first came to this area, drawn by the creek, it was already home to herds of antelope, and for them it came to be known as Antelope. Some of these early pioneers families were **WALCHE, SWINGLE, HURST, OWENS, BIGHAM, and VON DER HELLEN**. As early as 1854, when the first school districts were organized in Jackson County, the area around Antelope was recognized as a growing center of population. It was given it's own district under the Superintendent **T. R. ROYAL**, although not given a name. Under superintendent **H. B. SHIPLEY**, in 1869, the district was referred to as Antelope, and in 1870 the first school opened. It drew the students from the surrounding areas, with its enrollment reaching 115 during the next few years. Eagle Point & Brownsboro set up their own schools and some of the children moved to those schools, but the daily attendance in 1873 was still an impressive 53, crowding into a one room building of about 20 by 30 feet. **J. B. FARLEY** was the first teacher, and received a generous salary of \$50 a month. On June 1, 1886, under superintendent **William PRIEST**, the small district of Wellen, referred to as Liberty School District, was carved out of the southern part of the Antelope district with the line running close to the existing school. The population left in Antelope lived along Stanley hill and they rebuilt the school closer to them. The old school was sold to Liberty District and skidded to a new location near Dry Creek Road.

About this time, **Hugo VON DER HELLEN** applied for a post office for the area and named it Wellen, after his ancestral home in Germany. The **VON DER HELLEN** family seemed to have traveled a bit before landing in Jackson County. **Hugo** married **Elizabeth Atlanta ROBERTSON** in 1874 in India. She was the daughter of an English sea captain, born at sea June 21, 1852, and traveled with her father on his voyages. **William Wright VON DER HELLEN**, the first mayor of near by Eagle Point, a son of **Hugo**, was born in Rangoon, India in 1878. Other children were **Hugo, Julius, Harry J., Carl A., George, & Agnes**. The parents and siblings traveled to London, Germany, Florida, then to Jackson County in 1889. The Wellen Post Office opened October 15, 1891 and **Hugo** remained postmaster until September 17, 1914 when **Mrs. E. A. VON DER HELLEN** took over. 150 people lived there then, including **W. N. BRADSHAW** of Rogue River Orchards, **S. A. CARLTON** a farmer, and **Glenn FABRICK** a fruit grower. Mail was delivered daily, but only eight years later it was discontinued and the mail sent to Eagle Point. Perhaps because of the death of **Hugo**, in July 1922.

LOST TOWNS IN JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON

The 1893 Jackson County, Oregon School Census lists the families with school age children in each of the districts. District 51 - Liberty (Wellen) notes there were 29 legal voters in the district, school was held for 9 months and 3 days, and the following families had school children:

PARENT	CHILDREN	AGE
ADAMS, Mrs.	Eli	17
	Mack	13
	Maud	15
	Minnie	19
CALHOUN, I.D.	Henry	9
	John	13
	Mary	10
	Noos	11
	Annie	6
CATON, Mary	Harry	11
	Milo	15
	Stella	17
CHANDLER, George	Noble PARKER	17
CUMMINS, R.W.	Berylla	14
EDWARDS, John	Jacob	16
	Eli	10
HOWARD, Washington	Mary	13
	Clara	16
HURST, Mart	Claude	9
	Frank	11
	Fred	7
	Myrtle	13
	Amy	8
	Lucy	7
	Annie	14
LARSON, Fred	James	11
	Marion	9
SHIELDS, James	Sophrona	14
	Mabel	5
SLY, Oliver	Samuel	13
SWENNING, Paul	Annie	18
	Clem	19
SWENSON, Karl	Emma	13
	Myrtle	5
	Florence HILL	12
TUCKER, F.C.	John HILL	9
	Julia HILL	16
	Falley	16
TURNBAUGH, Wyllie	Karl	19
WILLIAMS, John		

LOST TOWNS IN JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON

Two directors list their residence as Wellen, **James KENT** and **Henry CORNELL**, another, **Karl SWENSON** was from Medford. The clerk was **H. VON DER HELLEN**.

Antelope School District #12 had only 6 months of school in 1893, with 21 legal voters in the district and the following families had school children:

PARENT	CHILDREN	AGE
APGER, George	Mariah	14
BIEVESTEDT, A.	Lizzie	9
	Rudolph	?
BRADSHAW, William	Dee	16
	Lee	14
CARLIN, S. K.	Harry	16
	Louisa	6
	Thomas	4
CONOVER, Lucy	Charley MATHEWS	11
	Lottie MATHEWS	9
	Rose MATHEWS	14
HURST, Mort (also listed in District #51 as Hurst, Mart with same 4 children)		
LAYMAN, James	Charley	8
MATNEY, James	Ida	16
MAYHAM, David	Belle	19
	Joseph	9
	Mary	17
	Rachael	16
	Rose	7
POTTER, S. A.	George	12
	Lillie	6
	William	15
RADER, John	Donna	4
RAMUS, William	John	4
RILEY, Thomas	Myrtle	7
	Tommy	9
STEPHENSON, George	Arthur	9
WALCH, Jacob	Bertha	15
	Corda	13
	Draper	11
	Emma	5
	Jacob	19
	John	7
	Neil	17
WILEY, William	George	18
	Thornton	12

The directors were all from Eagle Point: **W.H. BRADSHAW, S.A. CARLTON, John RADER,** and **Thomas RILEY**. The clerk was **Olive BELL**.

LOST TOWNS IN JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON

E.R. PETERSON, the Rural School Supervisor of the Jackson County Schools, wrote in his journal of 1917 that Antelope had a good building, outbuildings, and equipment, including a jacketed stove. Although it had a covered well with a pump, it did not have play equipment. The school served a community of fruit, livestock and general farming.

The establishment of Camp White early in 1942 reduced the size of the Liberty District so much that what remained consolidated with Antelope. The Army seized the school house and all its equipment, although it still belonged to the community. Included in the items was the bell which had been a gift from **Roger** and **Hugo VON DER HELLEN**. After considerable objections and red tape, all were returned. In the early 1940's there was in the Antelope area a strong dislike for anything in Eagle Point. High School students were transported all the way to Medford instead of the few miles to the Eagle Point School. By 1945 the older population no longer had children in school and the new residents had no quarrel with their neighbors, so on June 24, 1945 a transfer of boundaries was allowed by the Boundary Board made up of **Judge COLEMAN, Ralph BILLINGS, Bill PERRY, and Charles BOWMAN**. The families outside the boundary continued to use the Medford school until 1949 when that district refused attendance to students not in Medford boundaries. Antelope had no choice but to become part of Eagle Point. Through annexation and consolidation the areas known as Antelope and Wellen became part of Eagle Point, but still remaining is the Antelope Cemetery.

Antelope Cemetery became part of the Antelope School District in 1889, and it eventually transferred to the Eagle Point District. In April 1979 the district announced it wanted to sell the cemetery with the restriction that it be used for perpetual care. The earliest known burial is a child **Sarah E. SWINGLE** who died November 14, 1854 at 12 years old. At the entrance is a stone placed by the Crater Lake Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution giving the dates of 1858 - 1981, however the gate proclaims it was established in 1854.

The following is an alphabetical listing of the burials found during a Rogue Valley Genealogical Society survey in July 2004. Names on previous lists that were not found are listed at the end.



ANTELOPE CEMETERY

NAME	AGE OR BIRTH DATE	BURIAL OR DEATH DATE
BROWN, Glenn J.	4 May 1899	10 Jan 1937
CHILDRETH, Sophia	1873	1936
COOPER, Cora E.	23y 3m 23d	28 Nov 1873
"Wife of A.S. COOPER"		
DALEY, Alice C.	10 Jul 1865	26 Oct 1951
DALEY, George W.	19 Jan 1859	12 Jan 1932
ELLIOTT, Charles	6 Feb 1887	21 May 1967
Same stone as Hattie		
ELLIOTT, Hattie	31 Dec 1887	25 Sep 1979
ELLISON, L.T.	29 Mar 1816	1 Jul 1877
"Father" "Born in Jiles Co., Va. Died at Brownsboro, Or."		
ETZENHOUSER, Anna C.	80y 9m	22 Mar 1871
GAY, Flora E.	29 Jul 1898	18 Jul 1904
Old stone, hard to read		
GEARY, Harry J.	25 Apr 1902	6 Jan 1903
(Stone moved from the Mathews Cemetery in Eagle Point, OR)		
HENDERY, Altha A. Wilkinson	19y 7m 12d	17 Jul 1882
"Wife of D. HENDERY"		
HENSLEY, A.E.	8 Mar 1886	16 Jun 1920
HOWLETT, Agnes L.	6 Nov 1890	13 Feb 1913
HOWLETT, Alfred C.	16 Mar 1832	21 May 1924
HOWLETT, Alfred W.	23 Jul 1867	30 Jul 1881
HOWLETT, Bertha P.	20 Jul 1877	1 Aug 1881
HOWLETT, Bessie L.	12 Nov 1880	2 Sep 1882
HOWLETT, Maggie B.	14 Jan 1879	14 Aug 1881
HOWLETT, Martha E.	15 Jan 1876	2 Aug 1881
HOWLETT, Sarah E.	31 Dec 1847	4 Apr 1936
HOWLETT, Wilbur H.	31 Oct 1873	5 Aug 1881
HOWLETT, William C.	31 Oct 1885	21 Aug 1886
All HOWLETT on same stone - plus HOYT		
HOYT, Millie M.	24 Feb 1872	3 Aug 1933
KERSHAW, James	19 May 1866	15 Oct 1914
KERSHAW, Vera	9 Nov 1894	16 Aug 1973
LEWIS, Baby		1898
LINKSWILER, T.L.	7 May 1812	26 Jul 1908
MATHEWS, Infant	13 Oct 1863	13 Oct 1863
(Stone moved from the Mathews Cemetery in Eagle Point, OR)		
MATHEWS, John	69y 5m 10d	12 Aug 1885
"Pioneer of Oregon 1853"		
(Stone moved from the Mathews Cemetery in Eagle Point, OR)		

ANTELOPE CEMETERY

MATHEWS, Lot Minerva	4y	19 Nov 1873
(Stone moved from the Mathews Cemetery in Eagle Point, OR)		
All MATHEWS on same stone - "Children of J. & E.R. MATHEWS "		
MATNEY, Austin D.	No dates	
MATNEY, James C.	No dates	
James C. & Austin D. on same stone - "Sons"		
MATNEY, James M.	1823	1906
MATNEY, Mary F.	1844	1882
Same stone as James M.		
MILLER, Dessie	23 Dec 1930	25 Dec 1930
Same stone as Lou		
MILLER, Lou	23 Dec 1930	25 Dec 1930
POTTER, Lillie H.	23y 1m 25d	14 Apr 1883
Daughter of W. & S. POTTER		
PURDIN, Lottie	11 Dec 1882	7 Oct 1884
Daughter of M. & L. PURDIN		
RILEY, Hannah	Hard to read death date	1876
RILEY, John	1858	
"And his wife Hannah "		
RILEY, Ruben F.	12 Jun 1904	24 Jul 1905
Same stone as LINKSWILER, T.L.		
RILEY, Thomas B.	14 May 1892	30 Jun 1947
SHOCK, H.G.	No dates	
"Co. I 1 st Oregon Infantry"		
(Stone moved from the Mathews Cemetery in Eagle Point, OR)		
SIMON, Catherine E.	5y 3m 14d	14 Aug 1864
SIMON, Charlie W.	14y 6m 7d	17 Dec 1882
"Son of P. & E. SIMON "		
SIMON, Conrad P.	11y 4m 5d	24 Aug 1864
SIMON, Edward	5y 2m 20d	9 Sep 1860
SIMON, Margaret	6d	29 Mar 1877
"Daughter of P. & E. SIMON "		
SIMON, Mary E.	10y 8m	7 Jul 1870
SIMON, Peter	64y 2m 10d	10 Jul 1891
SIMON, Peter, Jr.	9m 2d	11 Aug 1864
SPEARS, Thomas M.	1y 10m	22 Nov 1868
"Son of J.B. & A.H. SPEARS "		
(Stone moved from the Mathews Cemetery in Eagle Point, OR)		
STIMSON, Ephram	1794	1881
STIMSON, I.P.	25 Dec 1823	21 Dec 1908
"Father"		
STIMSON, Lucy W.	72y 3m 26d	1 Oct 1897
"Wife of I.P. STIMSON "		
STIMSON, Susan C.	1791	1884



JOHN & HANNAH RILEY



SARAH E. SWINGLE



MATHEWS FAMILY STONE

ANTELOPE CEMETERY

SWINGLE, Ida Ann	17 Feb 1821	20 Apr 1870
"Mother" Same stone as Joseph - "Pioneers of 1854"		
SWINGLE, Joseph	1 Aug 1819	5 Jun 1895
"Father"		
SWINGLE, Mary J.	11y 4m 27d	3 Oct 1859
Same stone as Sarah E. - "Daughters of J. & I.A. SWINGLE "		
SWINGLE, Sarah E.	12y 10m 27d	14 Nov 1854
TAYLOR, Lula I.	1901	1953
"Mother" - Same stone as Theron T.		
TAYLOR, Mary B.	1862	1940
On same stone as all THOMPSON		
TAYLOR, Theron T.	1898	1952
"Father"		
TERRILL, Dwight	4y 5m 9d	30 Oct 1874
On double stone with Van - "Son of H.J. & L.A. TERRILL "		
TERRILL, Mark	25y 4m 1d	14 Apr 1885
TERRILL, Van	7y 5m 17d	7 Oct 1884
"Son of H.J. & L.A. TERRILL "		
THOMPSON, Francis M.	1834	1910
All THOMPSON on same stone		
THOMPSON, John W.	1865	1924
THOMPSON, Lucinda	1846	1922
THOMPSON, Matthew S.	1875	1915
TINKHAM, Levi	60y	2 Dec 1880
"Pioneer of Southern Oregon"		
VAN RHEEN, Walter Edward	8 Aug 1913	9 Nov 1936
WALCH, Leroy		No dates
"Baby"		
WHETSTONE, Ben	1878	1930
"Father"		
WHETSTONE, Donald	1915	1935
"Son" - Hard to read dates		
WHETSTONE, Hannah	1894	1918
"Mother"		
WILSON, Elizabeth J.	17y	2 Mar 1873
"Wife of C.C. WILSON " - On same stone with MATHEWS (Stone moved from the Mathews Cemetery in Eagle Point, OR)		
WOOD, Dennis S.	29 Jul 1829	6 Jun 1869
WOODSON, T.	Aged 25	3 Nov 1857
First name illegible		
WOOLEY, Wm.		No dates
Co.I 1 st Oregon Infantry (Stone moved from the Mathews Cemetery in Eagle Point, OR)		

ANTELOPE CEMETERY

WORLOW, Angie	28 Jul 1866	17 Jan 1881
"Daughter of J.L. & M.E. WORLOW"		

NOT FOUND (These names were listed in earlier records)

HAZELTON, Jeanette		29 Oct 1930
HAZELTON, (Stillborn)		14 Feb 1913
KAY, (Baby boy)		22 Nov 1919
SIMON, Elizabeth	18 May 1834	16 Apr 1907
STIMSON, Tomas H.	ca. 1835	1 Feb 1917

Some of the stones located in the Antelope Cemetery had been moved there from the Mathews Cemetery in Eagle Point when that area was bought for housing. Only the stones and the fence were moved, the remains remain in an open area of the subdivision. Those found in Antelope are noted in the previous list. Moved to the Central Point Cemetery was **Dave MOSER**, d. 1896, and to the Medford I.O.O.F Cemetery, **Beatrice MINTER**, d. 1902.

Believed to be the oldest cemetery in the Eagle Point area, the first burial in the Mathews Cemetery was **Woodson TUCKER** in 1857, the victim of a hunting accident. He and **John MATHEWS** had come to Oregon together, and had adjoining Donation Land Claims, the first in that area. **John** buried him on a hill between their houses. All of the burials are somehow related except for a man named **HALL** who was killed by Indians in 1860.

Several of the stones from the Mathews Cemetery are unaccounted for, and it is not known if they were destroyed or moved. They include:

DALEY (daughter of G.W. DALEY) d. 1895 (6m14d)
HALL
HAMILTON, Jasper 1836-1897
MATHEWS, Elizabeth wife of **John**
MATHEWS, Ellender Nellie d. Nov. 3, 1882
MATHEWS, Dudley P. "Polk"
TUCKER, Woodson d. 3 Nov. 1857n (25yrs)
WOOLEY, Michael b. Montgomery Co., NC 5 May 1800, d. 19 Feb. 1873
WOOLEY, Martha Shock mother of **Susie STOWELL**
WOOLLEY, Joseph brother of **Susie STOWELL**
WOOLLEY, Silas brother of **Susie STOWELL**

EARLY MEDICAL CARE



DR. ANDREW OVERBECK

SOHS collection

EARLY MEDICAL CARE IN JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON

In the decade proceeding the discovery of gold and the opening of the West, medicine was not considered a difficult occupation. Few medical schools existed in the country and medical students learned the basic methods from established doctors. Regulation or licensing did not exist, anyone could claim to be a doctor. Medicines were few and medical equipment primitive. Even the basic stethoscope was not available until 1839, and most doctors were unskilled in its use. Because treatments were harsh, patients feared medical help, relying on home remedies and their families for care. Doctors were only called for severe illnesses or serious accidents, which in a society based on mining, logging and farming, were all to frequent.

Families from the Midwest and South were prompted to travel west to escape the epidemics sweeping the country in 1846 and 1849. They were hoping for a better climate, free from the threat of smallpox, cholera, measles, diphtheria, and scarlet fever. All deadly in the early 19th century. Doctors also moved around looking for locations with less competition, and no memory of their failures. The first physicians to the area of Jackson County came with the military in response to the violence between settlers and Indians during the 1850's. **Dr. Samuel ARMSTRONG**, **Dr. E.H. CLEAVLAND**, **Dr. A.W. PATTERSON**, **Dr. M.C. BARKWELL**, **Dr. A.G. HENRY**, and **Dr. G.K. ELLIOTT** all arrived as military physicians, who also cared for the civilian population when needed. Most were headquartered in Jacksonville, but moved as necessary with the troops. Also in Jacksonville in 1852 was **Dr. John Wilmer McCULLY**, who only practiced informally, and **Dr. Andrew OVERBECK**, who was elected Jackson County coroner in 1853. There seemed to be an abundance of doctors in the Jacksonville area. That may be the reason when **Dr. Charles BROOKS** arrived from Virginia, he opened a drugstore.

Hospitals of this era were considered only for the indigent and transient, and were usually located with the doctor's office or home. **Dr. David SISSON** opened such a hospital near the Ashland Mill in the 1850's, applying to the county for expenses. Occasionally they also served as bath houses for travelers or workers in town. At **Dr. OVERBECK**'s facility on Oregon Street in Jacksonville, warm baths were available to the public two days a week. They must have been popular, as the bath service was later expanded to daily, at any hour. The next hospital of note was a hurriedly constructed "Pest House" built just outside Jacksonville, by the town, for those suffering from the smallpox epidemic. In spite of the name, it was considered an excellent hospital. In December 1868 a suspected case of chicken pox in a local Indian turned into a major eruption of smallpox throughout the valley. Fortunately the ranks of physicians had been increased by three doctors displaced by the Civil War. **Dr. Ephram GREENMAN**, **Dr. T.T. CABANISS**, and **Dr. Franklin GRUBE** had all just established well respected practices in Jacksonville before the outbreak. **Dr. GRUBE** published a letter instructing residents in preventive measures and home treatments and vaccinated entire families. In January 1869 the **Sisters of the Holy Names** offered their services to the hospital for the care of smallpox victims. **David LINN**, president of the town Board of Health, accepted their offer gratefully. They, along with **Father Francis Xavier BLANCHET** worked around the clock for the two months it took for the disease to abate.

EARLY MEDICAL CARE

By February 1869 there had been 58 reported cases in Jacksonville, with at least 40 deaths. Among those succumbing to the disease was the editor of the first newspaper west of the Rocky Mountains, **William G. T'VAULT** who died February 4th, and **Sophia Harris LOVE**. All the doctors worked to the limit of their endurance. **Dr. OVERBECK** collapsed, but recovered after several weeks, and 4 months later **Dr. GRUBE** died after a short illness. He was 39, an honor graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, and a great loss to the community.

Respected doctors of this time, like those who battled the epidemic, were mostly trained in the East before arriving in Oregon. Although the first recorded training in Oregon took place in Salem at the Methodist Mission in 1839. **Dr. Elijah WHITE** gave instruction to **J.W. BAILEY** informally as he worked. Willamette University, in Salem, embarked on a series of lectures for doctors in training in 1867 and graduated three doctors later that same year. The Oregon State Medical Society was formed on September 1, 1874. A hospital survey in 1873 found only 178 hospitals in the entire United States, and the first school of nursing opened the following year in New York City. The decade between 1870 & 1880 saw medical education expand rapidly, and several doctors moved to the Rogue Valley during this period. **Dr. Arad C. STANLEY** came to Oregon in 1875 from Missouri and settled in Sam's Valley. He served in the state legislature in 1880 & 1882, and remained in the area until 1911. **Dr. James W. ROBINSON**, a new graduate of the Willamette University Medical Department in surgery, settled in Jacksonville in 1878. He noted in his writings that although there were several doctors in the area, **Dr. PARSONS**, of Ashland, was the only other graduate M.D. in the county. In October of that year he married **Ella FORD**. She was also a recent graduate of the Willamette Medical Department, one of the first to graduate after women were allowed entry in 1876. Professionally known as **Dr. Ella FORD-ROBINSON**, specializing in diseases of women, her career was short. She died June 29, 1879, at 23. **James** continued his practice, opened a drugstore, and died in Jacksonville in 1938.



ROBINSON'S DRUG STORE

EARLY MEDICAL CARE

Another type of doctor arrived in Phoenix, Oregon from New York about 1877 and caused quite a scandal. **Dr. Dureyas A. COVERT**, and his wife **Elizabeth Dunn COVERT** had just finished, and insured their new home, when their barn and house was seen to be ablaze. Fortunately, or unfortunately if you were the doctor, a meeting of the Council Champions of Honor were meeting nearby and responded immediately. The barn was destroyed, but the quick response to the house revealed a burning pile of firewood and a can of kerosene in the middle of the floor. **Dr. COVERT** was charged with arson, but was inexplicably found not guilty. Having failed in that attempt, a few months later he disappeared from Phoenix leaving his slightly scorched house, his practice, his wife and small daughter.

Others, considered doctors, who were in Jackson County between 1870 - 1880 include:

AIKEN, George H.	Jacksonville	1871, left area 1890, born 1845 in NH
BELL, J.N.	Jacksonville	1872, gone by 1880
BELT, J.C.	Jacksonville	1874, moved to Douglas Co. 1879
BYRNS, Erasmus	Jacksonville	1856, born about 1830
CALENDAR, J.A.	Jacksonville	1875, gone by 1885, born about 1856 NY
CHASTAIN, John	Phoenix	1879, to OR 1875, born 1834 TN
CHITWOOD, Jonathan	Ashland	1871 Jackson Co., to OR 1853 born 1824 IN, died Nov. 17, 1887
COX, Charles H.	Jacksonville	1880, born about 1863
DANFORTH, Lucius	Supt. of county hospital	1869, in area until 1880, born about 1820 IL
DAVIS, Levi T.	Phoenix	1869, to CA 1872, born 1822 KY
INLOW, H.T.	Ashland	1870, registered in 1889, born 1821 KY
JEWELL, J. Grey	Jacksonville	1874, from Georgetown Univ. Medical
KENNEDY, L.D.		1880 in Jackson Co., born about 1820 KY
KUGLER, Theodore		1880 in Jackson Co., born about 1851 in Bavaria
MATTHIAS, A.C.	Jacksonville	1875, partner of CALENDAR , left for Ohio in 1875
MODISETTE, N.B.	Ashland	1874, died about 1880 in Ashland
PARKER, Robert L.	Eagle Point	1880, died 1907, born Jan.5, 1830 OH
RICE, David B.	Ashland	1880, died 1887, born July 10, 1817; Univ. of Missouri, St. Louis; to Oregon 1866, professor at Willamette Univ.
ROYAL, W.B.	Ashland	1880, Cincinnati Medical Col., to Paisley, OR 1889, born about 1828 IL
VROOMAN, Martin	Jacksonville Medford	1875, died in Medford 1885, born about 1838 NY
YOUNG, T.R.	Central Pt.	1880, Medical Univ. of Louisville, KY; born 1842, died 1887

EARLY MEDICAL CARE

Just prior to the arrival of the railroad, **Dr. John PARSON**, like many other doctors, established his practice in Ashland. As a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, he was often consulted by rural physicians as far as northern California. **Mrs. PARSON** was an anesthetist and nurse, and their home often became a temporary hospital. When the railroad arrived, he was appointed railroad surgeon, and treated those injured in the dangerous construction through the Siskiyou Mountains.

The railroad brought big changes to the valley, more economic opportunities brought more people, more people necessitated more medical care. More physicians moved into the area, especially to Ashland and the new railroad town of Medford. **Dr. Samuel T. SONGER** was a graduate of the University of Wooster Medical Department in Cleveland, and practiced in Ashland from 1884 to his retirement in 1925. **Dr. David M. BROWER** found Ashland had a dangerous sanitation problem when he arrived in 1893. A year later, he lost his young daughter to the scarlet fever epidemic. In the middle of the epidemic the town council appointed him chairman of the health board. After a battle for quarantine and sanitation, which wiped out the disease, the council refused to pay his \$10 bill. Medford was served by two progressive physicians, **Dr. Roland PRYCE**, who died in Medford in 1894, and **Dr. E.P. GEARY**, who moved on to Portland after 16 years. Together they introduced an affective new treatment for consumption.

Other doctors who arrived before 1885, in anticipation of the railroad, included:

Drs. V.M. BOAL, Eagle Point; **James BUCK**, Eagle Point; **H. DeVIS**, Jacksonville; **Ashburn C. HELM**, Ashland; **Jessie HINKLE**, Central Point; **Peter JACK**, Jacksonville & Applegate; **William A. MASTERS**, Eagle Point; **R.D. SCROGGS**, Jacksonville; **Lyman L. WHITNEY**, Eagle Point later to Central Point. Only **MASTERS** registered in 1889, but **HELM**, was an 1871 graduate of Bellvue Hospital Medical College in New York.

As early as 1875 the State Medical Society, was campaigning for state regulation of the medical profession. In 1881 **Dr. C. H. MERRICK**, the chairman of the Society, wrote:

“Why should Oregon be almost the last state in the Union to move in this important matter ? Why should we suffer our state to become the depository for nearly all the ignorant quacks and pretenders who have been driven out of other states by their vigorous laws ?”

A Washington newspaper article stated that an applicant for a medical license that had just been refused had “probably gone to Oregon.” These pretend physicians were in strong opposition to regulation, and an act to regulate the practice of medicine in Oregon wasn’t passed by the state legislature until 1889. It required every person practicing medicine to register and submit his diploma to a board, or if without a diploma, to pass an examination by the board. Those who were successful would be licensed to practice medicine in Oregon. This new law, though slow to be accepted, began a new era of medical practice in the valley.

NEWSPAPER NOTES FROM LIBRARY SCRAPBOOKS

Rogue Valley Genealogical Society Library has several old scrapbooks that were donated years ago. They contain clipped newspaper articles of various subjects and dates. Unfortunately most do not include the date or name of the newspaper issue, however some have handwritten notes, dates, or comments. The following of note, deal with the smallpox epidemic in 1869.

Saturday Morning, Jan. 30, 1869 - Probably from the Jacksonville, OR Sentinel

Old Shylock in the Garb of a Christian

"It is seldom, thank God, that we chronicle acts of human meanness, but this week one has come under our notice that could have only have been actuated by the vilest and greediest instinct. A poor woman named **GILMORE** had been widowed by the pestilence and left destitute among strangers with three helpless little children. A number of persons generously forgave some debts contracted by her late husband and several kind hearted gentlemen raised enough by public charity to take her and her little ones to his relatives near Albany. Just on the eve of her departure her landlord came and demanded his rent. The poor woman plead poverty and asked to be forgiven. The landlord was inexorable and like Shylock must have the pound of flesh. Repeating his visit he insisted on his rent and at last, on urgent importunity, the poor heart-broken woman robbed her little fatherless children by giving up to the avaricious wretch a couple of hundred pounds of flour and a few dollars worth of groceries. And he took it ! He! A professor of religion, a teacher of the gospel that tells us to be good to the widow and to the fatherless, he who can pray louder and whine longer than those who prayed on the house tops of old, he whose knees are calloused with acts of prostration in the service of the Friend of the orphan and the stricken mother, took from, instead of adding to, the widows store. And this thing calls himself a Christian ! Is it any wonder that Christianity is becoming a jest and a scoffing when such men as this pretend to be saviors of souls. Some communities would satiate his avarice with a coat of tar and feathers, but this one will repay him with the loathing that men have for a leper."

Unknown paper unknown day, 1869 - The following three are all on the same scrapbook page.

The Epidemic at Jacksonville

"From the Oregon Sentinel we learn that the small pox is still prevalent in that place, though less serious, with a prospect of gradually disappearing. Business keeps suspended, and immense quantities of pitch pine are kept burning in the streets. (The smoke was believed to purify) By day the town is enveloped in smoke, and by night the deserted streets are lit up by lines of fires that blaze and flicker among the shadows, and throw a ghastly and sepulchral light over everything it falls upon. A chap who had been in the habit of visiting the pest house late at night and returning to town to mix with the people was quietly put in quarantine, for fear of rough usage from some of the citizens, who were intent on hostile action towards him. A young lady was taken to the pest house under the direction of an old granny against the protest of a skilled physician, and there subjected to exposure to small pox, when she had nothing more than the measles. Some of the citizens have been vaccinated as many as twelve of fifteen times before getting a genuine vaccine sore."

NEWSPAPER NOTES

From the Sentinel - day unknown, 1869

Sad

"On Thursday evening, **Mrs. HOWLETT** and **Miss Mary RALLS**, who so bravely took care of **Mrs. LOVE** and her children together with little "Maggie," were taken down with small pox. Their cases are reported as mild and they are now being nursed by the **Sisters of Charity**. They have the public sympathy, and it is hoped their cases will not be serious."

Note: **Sophia Harris LOVE**, and her mother, had survived an Indian attack in 1855. When she died she left four small children who were also stricken with small pox.

On the same scrapbook page

The Death Bed of Innocence

"**Maggie LOVE**, aged three years, died of small pox on the 30th ult., at Jacksonville. Only a few days before, her mother had passed from the scenes of time, a victim of the same dreadful malady. The last moments of the little girl are thus spoken of by the Sentinel:"

"One of the most touching, the saddest, yet the holiest scenes of life, is the couch of a dying child. Just one week ago, as the last hours of the day were ebbing, and the hand of Time turned to the midnight hour, the spirit of little **Maggie LOVE** joined its mother's in the better land, and the scene is described by those who witnessed it as peculiarly touching. Even the shadow of hope had vanished, and the seal of the destroyer was on the little sufferer, when she brightened up and commenced talking to her mother. No one was in the room but the two nurses, but the child insisted that her mother was standing at the foot of the bed and had come for her. A few convulsive breaths and the little heart stood still - the weary little feet had crossed the brink of eternity ! If it be true that invisible spirits cluster on the thickly peopled air, who can say that the child did not see her mother ? Who can say that it was not given to childhood to pierce the veil of the Infinite, and see beyond, the glory and the brightness that is only vouchsafed to human dreams ? Sad as such scenes are, they have their lesson, and teach us that surely, all is not vacant beyond the grave."

On a lighter note - On the same scrapbook page

Bibulation seems to be regarded with considerable favor in small pox times - probably on the principle that one poison counteracts another, and the latest style of invitation in Jacksonville, according to the Sentinel is 'Let's disinfect.'"

FUNERALS FROM ZION 1934-1942

By 1934 the congregation at Zion Lutheran Church was beginning to come out from under the financial problems that had plagued them for years. At this time Zion listed it's membership at 66 confirmed and 117 baptized, the Sunday school enrollment was 85, but only 24 members were contributing to the church. Through special campaigns and offerings the interest on almost 2 years of past due mortgages, the 1931 & 1932 property taxes, and other amounts due were paid off. At the annual meeting in 1934 the pastor, **Rev. George P. KABELE**, his wife and officers of the church were given a vote of thanks for their sacrifices (including much of the pastor's salary) and efforts, and the church continued. **Pastor KABELE**, having seen the church through the depression and its financial woes, resigned in February 1936. For the next eighteen months the church had no pastor, lost the church property in a foreclosure sale to the mortgage holder **Mr. NIEDERMEYER**, and saw many members move to other churches. In a practical move the church reorganized, and started over with a new site, synod, and pastor. The following is a continuation of the Funerals published in the Spring 2005 issue of the Digger.

Under the pastorate of **George P. KABELE**

Date of Death	Name	Notes
Feb. 10, 1934	Essie S. WILSON	47yrs 11m 7d died of heart disease, buried Feb. 13, 1934 in Jacksonville Cemetery. Conger Funeral Home.
June 11, 1934	Frederick BURKE	77yrs 5m 16d died of "complications," buried in I.O.O.F. Cemetery June 15, 1934. Conger Funeral Home.
July 22, 1934	Edward W. FRY (?)	58yrs 7m 21d died of heart disease, buried in Central Point, OR. I.O.O.F. Cemetery.
Nov. 15, 1934	Heinrich SCHULZ	86yrs 5m 6d died of old age & kidney trouble, buried in Jacksonville Cemetery Nov. 18, 1934. Perl Funeral Home.
Jan. 3, 1935	Ingaborg ERIKSEN	59yrs 2m 3d died of Pneumonia, buried in Mountain View Cemetery, Ashland, OR. Jan. 6, 1935. Perl Funeral Home.
March 10, 1935	Frances Elgina SMITH (nee STORM)	20yrs 2m 7d died of Diabetes, buried in Central Point, OR. I.O.O.F. Cemetery March 13, 1935. Perl Funeral Home.
June 8, 1935	Dorothy A. HEIGHTKAMP	7m 15d died of "hoofing" cough, buried in Siskiyou Memorial Park June 10, 1935.
June 30, 1935	Andrew O. PEDERSON	87yrs 3m 19d died of old age, buried in I.O.O.F Cemetery July 5, 1935.
Aug. 2, 1935	Hannah M. Schockley BRAUN	53yrs 0m 26d died of Dropsy & heart trouble, buried in Siskiyou Memorial Cemetery Aug. 5, 1935

FUNERALS FROM ZION 1934-1942

Nov. 1, 1935	Bertha FETZNER	68yrs 17d died of Stroke, buried in I.O.O.F. Cemetery Mausoleum Nov. 5, 1935.
Jan. 4, 1936	Ada OLDENKAMP	72yrs 2m died of complications from an accident (broken limb), buried in Siskiyou Memorial Park Jan 7, 1936.
Jan. 8, 1936	John SIMPSON	53yrs 10m 6d died of Pneumonia, buried in I.O.O.F. Cemetery Jan. 10, 1936.
Jan. 9, 1936	Margaret McDONALD (nee McQUADE)	85yrs 11m 10d died of old age, buried with the service in Brownsboro, OR. Cemetery Jan. 12, 1936.

Under the pastorate of **JESSEN**

Aug. 27, 1937 Dec. 30, 1937	Frederick A. PUHL (Mrs.)Valentine ANDERSON	Born Feb. 3, 1880, buried Aug. 30, 1937. Born Sept. 25, 1891 died of heart trouble, buried Jan. 3, 1938 with mourners Mr. V. ANDERSON, Elsie & Roy ANDERSON (the children)
June 20, 1938	March NELSON	Born July 27, 1886, buried June 25, 1938 with mourners Mabel NELSON (wife) & Mr. & Mrs. Harley NELSON (son)
Feb. 19, 1939	George H. SCHUMACHER	Born Jan. 13, 1871 died of a malignant illness caused by gas in a mine. Bad heart, buried Feb. 21, 1939 with mourners from Germany Hugo & Bernard SCHUMACHER (brothers) and sister Margaret.
March 7, 1939	Ray P. LYONS	Born July 30, 1878 died of Aortitise (?) buried March 10, 1939 with mourners wife Margaret , son James W. LYONS , and 2 unnamed sisters.
March 23, 1939	Mrs. Carl FICHTNER	Born March 12, 1888 died of Stroke, buried March 27, 1939 with mourners husband Carl & 3 sons Clyde, Warren & Earl.
April 8, 1939	Theodore V. ROSE	38yrs, from Ashland.
May 30, 1939	Louise DAHLKE	buried June 3, 1939.
July 8, 1939	Mrs. Eric ANDERSON	Born June 26, 1879 died of Arthritis, buried July 12, 1939 with mourner, husband.
July 15, 1939	Mrs. R.F. KRUGGEL	Born Sept. 9, 1895 died of brain tumor, buried July 17, 1939.

FUNERALS FROM ZION 1934-1942

Sept. 8, 1939	Lizzie MARTELL	Born March 14, 1855 died of old age, buried Sept. 9, 1939.
Nov. 4, 1939	Fred HORNER	Born Oct. 24, 1868 died of heart trouble, buried Nov. 7, 1939.
Nov. 15, 1939	Emma HATLEY	Born Sept. 6, 1881 died of a prolonged illness, buried Nov. 18, 1939 with mourner, daughter of Mrs. Lizzie MARTELL .
March 18, 1940	Chas. SEEFIELD	Born July 6, 1867 died of Diabetes, buried March 20, 1940 with mourners, wife & one daughter.
May 24, 1940	Frank G. ANDERSON	Born 1876, buried May 27, 1940 with mourners, wife, 2 sons & daughter.
July 8, 1940	Jenkins D. EVANS	Born May 7, 1865 died old age & cerebral hemorrhage, buried Aug. 21, 1940. (note: son owns Evans Shoe Store)
Feb. 13, 1941	Richard Alan BRODEN	Born May 26, 1939 died of kidney trouble since birth, buried Feb. 15, 1941 with mourners, parents Mr. & Mrs. Joseph BRODEN , from McCloud, CA. and grandparents Mr. & Mrs. A. E. TURNQUIST .
Feb. 26, 1941	Richard OLSON	Born Nov. 21, 1882 buried March 1, 1941. One brother in Sweden, no relatives in this country.
March 6, 1941	Kathryn McFADDEN	Born March 24, 1855 died from prolonged illness, buried March 8, 1941 with
mourners, Elsie		sons Pat, James & Paul , & daughter NARREGAN .
March ?, 1941	Edith Wilhelmina WINTER	Born Dec. 1871 buried March 22, 1941 with mourners, husband & son R.M.WINTER of San Francisco.
April 20, 1941	Mrs. Andrew O. PEDERSON (Olava)	Born Sept. 17, 1858 died of Cancer, buried April 23, 1941.
July 30, 1941	Reita Kinsall HOFFMAN	Born Nov. 13, 1897 died of prolonged illness, buried Aug. 2, 1941 with mourners, husband of 2 yrs, 2 grown daughters Merl HOSEL & Alvy LINDEN (?) & son.

FUNERALS FROM ZION 1934-1942

Problems must have arisen because of **Pastor JESSEN's** beliefs in fund raising, and the role of the Ladies Aid Society which he disbanded. By April 1940 church officers began resigning and no notes or books were kept for most of 1940-41, until **Pastor JESSEN's** resignation was accepted, effective October 1941. In December of that year, Zion installed **Rev. K.W. BROCKHAUS** who remained until November 1944. He reorganized the Ladies Aid, and revitalized the congregation.

Under the pastorate of **Rev. K. W. BROCKHAUS**

Date of Death	Name	Notes
Jan. 15, 1942	Esther E. Hohl KRUGGEL	Born March 2, 1888 died of Cerebral Hemorrhage, buried Jan. 17, 1942.
March 11, 1942	Mrs. Merrill A. BENEKA (nee Clarissa BURDORF)	Born Feb. 23, 1898 died of Asthma & weak heart, buried March 17, 1942 in Minneapolis, MN (home of mother). Funeral by Rev. MARLATTE , Redeemer Church.
March 26, 1942	Nils Eric ANDREN	Born Oct. 15, 1939 died of convulsions, cause unknown, buried March 28, 1942. Mourners, parents Mr. & Mrs. Bernard ANDREN , grandparents Mr. & Mrs. Emil ANDREN .
April 7, 1942	Henrietta Wilhelmina FICK	Born April 5, 1853 died of old age & Cerebral Hemorrhage, buried April 10, 1942. Mourners, children Fred J. & Peter J. FICK, & Ida TRAINOR .
July 16, 1942	Mrs. Andrew T. ELLESTAD (nee Leulla)	Born Dec. 26, 1858 died of old age & Cerebral Hemorrhage, buried July 18, 1942. Mourners, children Theodore, Melvin, J?, Louise, Theresa, Hilda, Norma, & Thelma
Nov. 2, 1942	Martha Etta O'BRIEN	Born June 18, 1873 died of Apoplexy, buried Nov. 5, 1942.
Nov. 22, 1942	Olaf NELSON	Born 1878, buried Nov. 25, 1942 with no known living relative.
Dec. 31, 1942	Beda M. WHITELOW	Born Nov. 21, 1885, buried Jan. 5, 1943. Mourners, husband Will A. WHITELOW , brothers Eric & John WESTLUND .

RESEARCH HELP DOWSING

In an effort to assist our members in their search for lost ancestors, we offer a method that perhaps hasn't been tried, that of dowsing. Today, dowsing is thought of as an old fashioned and quaint way of finding water, but it is an ancient art that has been practiced since pre-historic times. Dowsers have been depicted in cave paintings in Africa, in Egyptian temples, mentioned in Greek writings, and depicted in 2500 year old Chinese etchings. The verb "to dowse" means to search for something with the aid of a hand held instrument. Not restricted to water, dowsing was used to find objects, precious minerals, and even answer questions. The instruments usually associated with dowsing are the pendulum or the forked stick. The modern rod, used in locating graves, is somewhat of a combination of these, being two metal rods with a bend for a handle.

According to instructions from the Wayne County, Iowa Genealogical Society, the rods may be made from wire coat hangers. Cut off the hook, straighten the wire, then bend a handle about 4" long at one end. Two are needed to dowse. Holding the rods lightly by the handles in front of you, elbows close to your sides and bent 90 degrees, approach the suspected grave slowly. If a body is present, the rods will cross while you are over the grave, then uncross when you pass by.

Keeping in mind that most cemeteries in the U.S. are arranged with the head to the west and the feet to the east, you can determine the size, and therefore the approximate age, of the body by starting at the foot and walking toward the head. The rods will cross where the body begins, and uncross where it ends. 1 step would indicate an infant, 6-7 steps an adult. To determine the gender, it is best to combine two methods in case the body was buried backwards. First stand over the center of the grave with one rod over your head, parallel to the ground. For males the rod will point to the feet, females the head. (This phenomenon could generate all kinds of discussions about why this is so.) As a check, stand over the grave balancing one rod on your finger, pointing straight down. The rod will circle clockwise for a male and counterclockwise for a female. Even if the body has been laid incorrectly, this method will determine the gender. If the grave is shared, the rod will circle over a body, then swing pendulum like between bodies, circling again over the next body. The same combination of techniques can be used to separate a human from an animal burial. Animals are not likely to be buried with their feet to the east, or in a symmetrical manner, however they will register gender. If the two methods agree, it is most likely to be your great-great-grandfather, not his Great Dane.

A location that is suspected of being a cemetery may be checked by walking a pattern in a north-south direction. The rods should cross over a grave, uncross between graves, then cross again. If a symmetrical pattern occurs, this is your first clue these are human graves, not animal. Continue in a square until you no longer find bodies, designating the outer edge of the cemetery. Practice on a marked cemetery before attempting to find unmarked plots. It might be wise to practice during the daytime, with several friends along to explain what you are doing. Unfortunately, this method will not reveal the occupants name or date of death, but occasionally even the faintest clue helps in a search.

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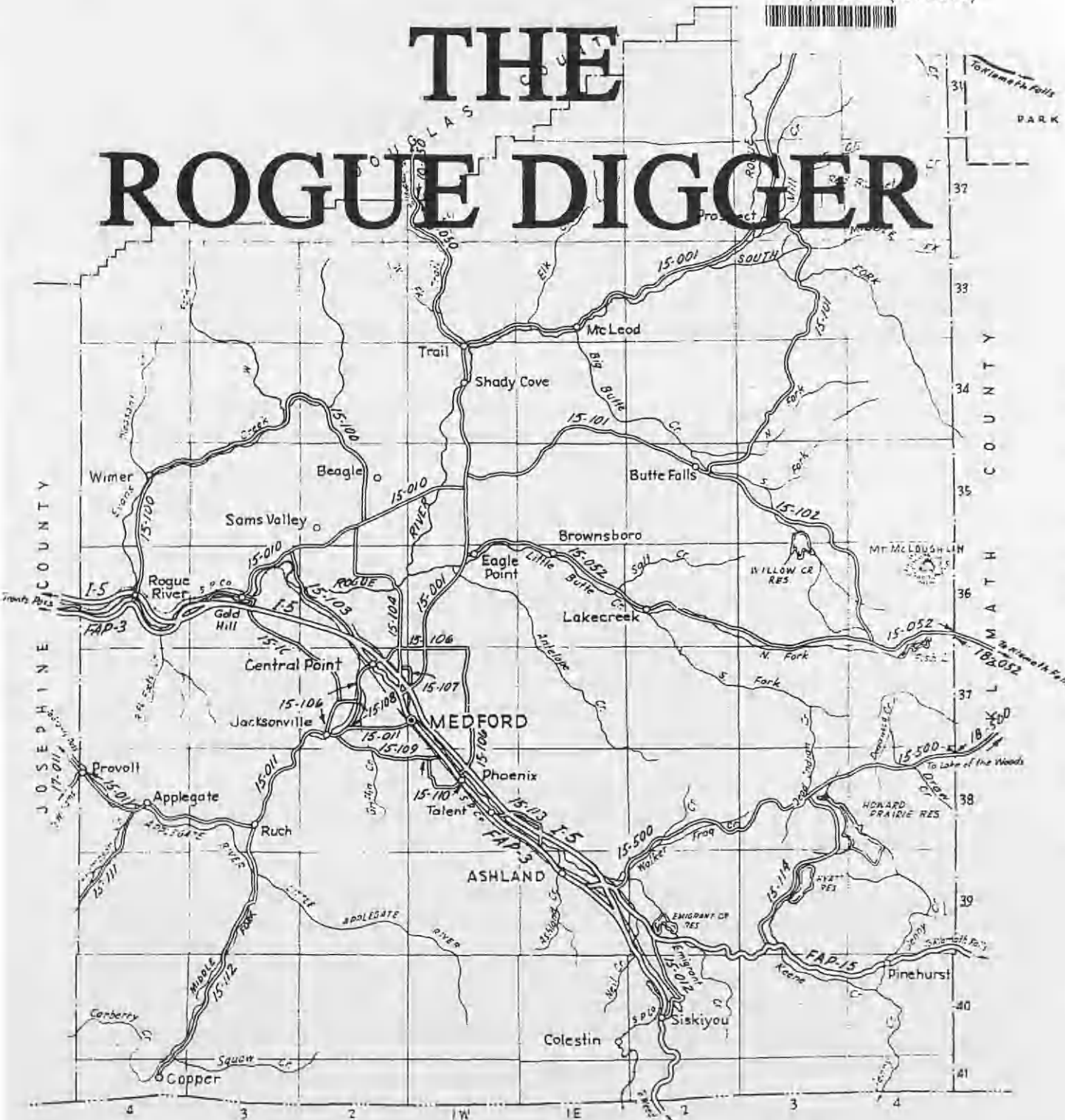
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PEAR PICKERS AT PHIPPS' ORCHARD
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THE UPPER APPELEGATE GRANGE

By Colista Bailey



The National Grange came into being in 1867 because of the vision of **Oliver Hudson KELLY**, a Minnesota farmer and activist, and six others. They had long held that farmers, because of their independent and scattered nature, needed a national organization which would represent them much as unions were beginning to do for industrial workers. Farmers were at the mercy of merchants for both needing farm supplies and for marketing their crops. Railroads and warehouse companies were taking advantage of farmers as well.

KELLY and his friends, **W.M. SAUNDERS**, **F.M. McDOWELL**, **John TRIMBLE**, **A.B. GROSH**, **J.R. THOMPSON** and **W.M. IRELAND** were the seven founders of the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, the National Grange, as a fraternal group similar to the Masonic Lodge. The early leaders were responsible for promoting cooperatives which had the potential of helping farmers economically. Effective lobbying efforts were undertaken early and this activity remains a bulwark of Grange service to rural America.

Early in its history Grange leaders realized that social interaction was especially important to rural residents. For nearly 130 years Grange halls have existed as community centers where residents gather for educational events, dances, potlucks, town meetings, political rallies, and other meetings. The Grange is one of the first organizations to seek membership and involvement of all members of the family. Grange members have an equal voice and an equal vote regardless of their age, sex, or position within the Grange.

There are 29 County or Pomona Granges in Oregon. The County or Pomona Granges do not own a hall. The Community Granges host the meetings for the County Granges on a rotation basis. In Jackson County there are 12 active Community Granges. They are Bellview, Central Point, Eagle Point, Gold Hill, Griffin Creek, Lake Creek, Live Oak, Phoenix, Roxy Ann, Upper Rogue and Upper Applegate.

THE UPPER APPLGATE GRANGE

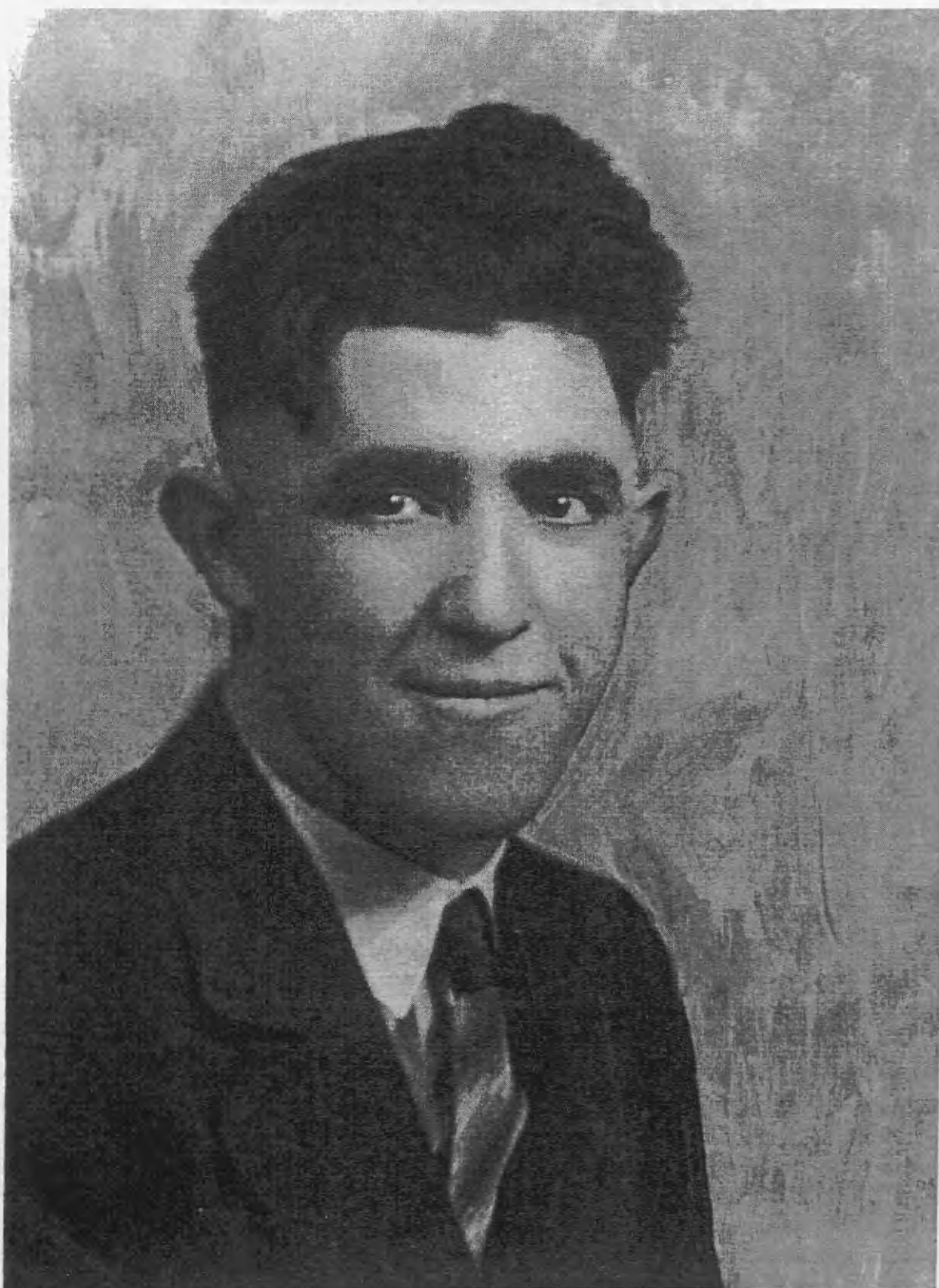
The Upper Applegate Grange was organized in 1935, at the height of severe economic depression. The Upper Applegate was a remote area at that time, due to lack of good roads and transportation not being as we see it today. Trips to the nearest shopping and business centers were infrequent, and made only out of necessity. Social life was meager, and entertainment was created by ingenuity in the manner of socials, ball games, picnics, and an occasional Saturday night dance in the school house.

There being sufficient demand for another Grange in the area, **R.E. NEALON**, Jackson County Deputy, held meetings in the Uniontown and Beaver Creek Schools to discuss the possibilities of organizing in that area. A number of residents in the Copper and Beaver Creek area were members of the Lower Applegate Grange, which is now closed, and would welcome a Grange in their immediate area.

There were those whose foresight envisioned community improvement with the Grange as a means to influence attaining better roads, good telephone service, daily mail delivery and the advent of electricity into the area, as well as an opportunity for family entertainment.

All of these accomplishments have been realized over the years because of a handful of hardworking people who met at the Beaver Creek School, organized, became Grange members, and brought the new Grange into being. Upper Applegate Grange was organized, and the charter signed October 12, 1935 with 30 charter members. **Valoris HASKINS** was the first Master. **Bertha M. HASKINS**, was Lecturer, **Eva McKEE**, Secretary. Other applicants were : **Morris BYRNE**, **Wallace E. HASKINS**, **Helen HASKINS**, **Edward WALKER**, **Myrtle WALKER**, **Floyd McKEE**, **Pearl BYRNE**, **John BYRNE**, **Maude A. PORT**, **Francis PORT**, **James B. WINNINGHAM**, **Mamie WINNINGHAM**, **R.C. CROW**, **W.T. BUCK**, **William DORN**, **Guy WATKINS**, **Fred DORN**, **Mike MALOTT**, **Frank BOWMAN**, **Harry MALOTT**, **Eleanor MAYFIELD**, **Orville MAYFIELD**, **Gladys BYRNE**, **Lee C. PORT**, **Mrs. C.C. (Edna) BUCK**, **Jesse TOWNSEND**, **Albert YOUNG**, **Selma YOUNG**, **Orie BIENVENI**, **Ben DAWSON**, **Grace DAWSON**, **Ike BIENVENI**, **Carry CULY**, **Verna CULY**, **Leora CULY**, **Omar CULY**, **Amos McKEE**, **John HARR**, **Louise HARR**, **Grace LEWIS**, **Irvin LEWIS**, **Russell GARRISON**.

The school was used as a meeting place until the membership grew to where a permanent hall was needed; however, there was no money to afford a building, and again the ingenuity of these people came to the surface. They conceived the idea to produce a three act comedy and charge a small admittance to see the performance. It was received with so much enthusiasm in their local community, they decided to show it elsewhere. They performed before a Medford audience and at other granges. Proceeds from this and from pie socials brought in enough money to start the first grange hall, which was located at McKee Bridge, about eight miles south of Ruch. They decided that if each member brought 12 logs, 2 joists, and 2 rafters, they could have their building. Plans were drawn up for the 30'X70' hall.



ALBERT YOUNG

THE UPPER APPLGATE GRANGE



Albert and Selma YOUNG donated the land for the building site. With members donating logs, other materials and labor, construction was started. Under the supervision of **Wallace HASKINS**, a carpenter and descendant of a pioneer family, the hall was built stockade style with logs standing on end. The women daubed cement in the spaces between the logs and a strip was nailed over that to finish the outside. **Jim WINNINGHAM** supervised the shake splitting for the roof. Boys from the CCC Camp Applegate donated labor also.

The hall was well enough completed by July 4, 1936 to hold an all day community celebration, but the actual dedication was not held until two years later, June 16, 1938. Approximately 250 people attended. Community dances were held almost regularly twice a month for several years. The Grange was a gathering place for neighborhood functions, church services, youth groups, weddings, and served as a community center until the hall burned to the ground in June 1956.

It was discovered that the Grange did not own all the land upon which the hall had been built, and ownership of the land could not be established, It was necessary to find a new location. **Mr. Frank PRESTON**, a local farmer, gave title to the property where the present hall is located, approximately three miles south of Ruch on the Upper Applegate Road. On June 7, 1957 the first meeting was held in the new hall. The Upper Applegate Grange is still actively participating in community service and issues concerning the Applegate Valley. In 1959 it won first place in the Oregon State Grange Community Service Contest for their efforts to help preserve the McKee Bridge, and it was an information center during the devastating fires in 2003.

THE UPPER APPLGATE GRANGE



NOVEMBER 1940

Front row L to R

Gladys BYRNE, Pearl BYRNE, Maud PORT, Fred DORN, Albert YOUNG, James WINNINGHAM, Edward FINLEY, Floyd McKEE, Wallace HASKINS, John BYRNE, Harry MALLOTT, Christine HARR, Mamie WINNINGHAM, Omar CULY, Eva McKEE, Rosalie CULY

Second row L to R

Cary CULY, Verna CULY, Osie CANTRELL, Grace BUCK, Selma YOUNG, Clara SMITH, Albert COLLINGS, Alma COLLINGS, Mettie BUCK, Valoris HASKINS, Helen HASKINS, Amos McKEE, Charlotte McKEE, Florence BYRNE, Claud PERRY, Bertha HASKINS, Evelyn BYRNE, Clara Faye McKEE, Helen THOMAS, Mary Ester DAVIS

Back row L to R

Bert HARR, NORRIS, Frank BOWMAN, Lee C. PORT Sr., Lewis CULY, Morris BYRNE, Hiram HEAD, Dow LEWIS

FRUIT OF THE VALLEY

Most of the first Easterners who came through the Rogue Valley were looking for the riches of gold, but word quickly spread back home of another kind of richness, the land and streams. Here were vast lands, rich in soil and water, in a climate suitable for growing a great variety of crops. Many of those who risked the westward trails brought with them carefully tended seeds and seedlings. Some hiring extra wagons and men, just to carry and care for them. The family china or stove may have been abandoned along the way, but never the future growing stock of the envisioned family orchards.

In the early 1850's **Peter BRITT** had several varieties of fruit trees and grapes on his property, including some protected orange trees, and **E.K. ANDERSON** had several acres of his land claim planted in orchards. Most of the early orchards were apples as they kept well and could be used for a wide range of foods. The first planting of Bartlett pear trees was near the present site of the Rogue Valley Manor along North Phoenix Road by **Henry BARNEBURG** in 1855. By 1860 the entire valley was dotted with small family orchards, and there was a nursery on the farm of **Orlando COOLIDGE** south of Ashland. The first agricultural fair had been held in Jacksonville on October 4, 5, and 6th of 1859. Quite a success, there were 31 exhibitors including: **U. AMMERMAN, Eli K. & Elizabeth N. ANDERSON, John BEESON, A. BRUNNS, James CLUGGAGE, Eagle Mill Company, Mrs. E. EMERY, Misses Sarah, Jane & Minerva GLASS, Frederick HEBER, Mrs. Able D. (Martha Jane) HELMAN, John HELMAN, James KILGORE, Xavier LaCLAIR, Benjamin & Dorothy MYER, W.C. MYER, Thomas PYLE, E.A. RICE, Levi A. RICE, the ROCKFELLOWS, Miss Sarah ROCKFELLOW, Dr. Jesse ROBINSON, John E. ROSS, David & Fidelia STEARNS, James THORNTON, James C. TOLMAN, and J.F. WALKER.** Apples comprised the largest number of the fruits, with some Gloria Mundi apples selling for \$2.50 each. The fair was organized by the newly formed agricultural society under President **W.C. MYER**, Vice- President **J.P. WALKER**, Secretaries **J.H. REED & Jesse ROBINSON**, and Treasurer **Rueben F. MAURY**. These early family orchards provided fruit for the table and for trade with neighbors and local businesses for goods and services, but not for extensive commercial use because of the lack of reliable transportation to outside markets. Still, fruit was an important crop in the valley.

In 1884, with the coming of the railroad, the importance of fruit to the valley was obvious. New residents came, along with competitive goods, but the one thing the valley could grow without equal was fruit. Fruit export became a major industry within a few years. In The History of Southern Oregon by **A.G. WALLING** published in 1884, the author states " For twenty years men have been prophesying an era when the fruits of this valley will be regarded universally as the best in the world and sought for at the highest prices. Perhaps this is so; probably there is not in the world a locality where certain fruits attain such excellence in flavor, size and keeping qualities." Perhaps inspired by this, **J.H. STEWART** and **J.D. WHITMAN** arrived in the valley in 1885 from Missouri, and both planted large orchards of apples, pears, prunes and almonds. Later his son-in-law **Arthur WEEKS** planted 15,000 trees in the area now known as Bear Creek Orchards. In 1890 the first boxcar of fruit was shipped from these orchards to outside markets. These boxcars had ice piled at each end before the fruit was loaded, thus providing "refrigerated" shipping which could bring the fruit to distant markets with little spoilage.

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The Medford Mail reported that apples were bringing \$1.25 to \$2.00 a box in San Francisco. The orchard boom had begun. Rail cars were improved and developed into the Pacific Fruit Express, one of the largest operators of refrigerated cars in the world. The increase in shipping demanded the establishment of centralized packing and shipping facilities. The first of these was built in 1895 by J.A. WHITMAN, along the tracks on Holly Street in Medford.

To promote valley products, an exhibition building was constructed at Front and Main Streets, along the railroad, jointly by the Southern Pacific Railroad and the Medford Commercial Club. Passenger trains would stop to allow travelers to marvel at the exhibits of the valley's bounty. The Medford Commercial Club was founded in 1904 to promote Medford as a place to live and conduct business. It produced extensive ad campaigns geared to the Eastern investor. Newspapers picked up on the land boom and potential orchardists flocked to Oregon. Adding to the excitement were the top awards and the high prices Rogue Valley fruit was gathering. In 1907 a carload of Bear Creek Orchard pears sold for an unprecedented \$4,623 in New York, and were bringing \$10.08 a box in London.



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The orchard boom brought in a new type of resident. These were not the hardy pioneers of the 1850s and 60s, they were instead wealthy investors and big city socialites. Looked at with suspicion by locals they were referred to as the "Eastern Smart Set", but they created a cosmopolitan elite and brought new wealth to Medford. They formed clubs, supported the arts, and helped to finance construction projects and improvements to roads, utilities, and services in the area. A new urban character developed in the valley. The population of Medford rose from 1,791 in 1900 to 8,840 in 1910. A temporary tent city sprang up to accommodate the influx of newcomers until housing could catch up. Some claim these wealthy easterners kept the industry afloat during the tough times that followed.

In 1907 **Mrs. Potter PALMER**, one of the most famous and wealthiest women in America, and her sons, became stranded in Medford for several days by rail washouts. She spent some time touring the valley by automobile, and was so impressed, purchased land. She, along with her sons **Honore PALMER** and **Potter PALMER, Jr.** built a large estate on the Rogue River and developed the Klamath and Modoc Orchards. As a leader of society on two continents, word of her belief in the virtues of the valley quickly spread to her home in Chicago. Many of her acquaintances followed her westward. Investing in orchards and land seemed to be paying better than stocks or bonds. Among those moving west was **A. Conro FIERO** who purchased a 50 acre apple orchard outside Central Point. He soon met and married New York stage star **Grace ANDREWS**, whose parents lived in the valley. Their large home later became Mon Desir Inn. A wedding present brought **George & Rhea Morill CARPENTER** to forty acres of apples and a luxurious bungalow on what is now called Carpenter Hill Road. These two young Chicago couples entertained frequently, but one such party of the Carpenters evidently turned sour. Late in the 1910's, they gave a "dry" party as the Carpenters had taken the pledge. Guests imbibed at dinner parties before arriving, and some spiked the punch, turning the party very merry indeed. Soon after, **George and Rhea** abandoned their home, leaving everything behind. They refused to rent to anyone, and the house stood untouched for nearly 50 years.

Others who were active in the early fruit industry included:

Berthold BARNUM a pear grower in Phoenix, OR who furnished nursery stock through Carlton Nursery. Son, **Bud BARNUM**, later took over the orchard.

Alfred & Leonard CARPENTER, brothers, who arrived in 1909 to plant an orchard, then were involved in the establishment of SOS, a co-op packing and marketing association. **Leonard**, an electrical engineer trained at Harvard, was the first chairman of the Medford Irrigation District in 1919. He died May, 1979.

C.A. KNIGHT owned Alta Vista Orchard near Eagle Point.

Raymond RETER who grew up in Jacksonville, was a bookkeeper for Stewart Fruit Co. and Bear Creek, later he managed the Pinnacle Packing Co. In 1938 **Ray** left Pinnacle and started his own Reter Fruit Co.

Bert & Walter STANCLIFFE, brothers from Phoenix, OR, who opened the Independent Packing Co. in 1923.

J. Stillwell VILAS bought property during the boom in 1907, and his son **Edward "Ned" VILAS** continued the orchard after his father's death. **Ned** died in 1980.

Colonel Gordon VOORHIES bought part of **J.H. STEWART'S** orchard in 1898.

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Local orchardists, not to be left behind, also expanded their holdings and planted more of their land in fruit trees. **Alfred J. WEEKS** and his sister **Mrs. Edith ORR**, whose family was already well established in the orchard business, bought the old Rock Point Stage Station along with its large wheat ranch. Established in 1852 near Gold Hill, it became the Del Rio Orchards, one of the finest in southern Oregon. In 1907 it was planted with 125 acres of six varieties of pears in a typical orchard layout. Along the drive into the property were set a few Seckel pear trees primarily because of their appearance. Ironically, these little pears became popularly known as "the sweetest pear that grows" commanding unprecedented prices. **John WEEKS** brought his family of seven children to the Rogue Valley about 1887 from Woodstock, Ontario, Canada. They settled in Phoenix and immediately became involved in orchards, while also operating a furniture manufacturing company. Their holdings also included the Weeks Ranch (a pear orchard) which is now a park at the Lost Creek Dam Site.



ROCK POINT STAGE STATION - DEL RIO ORCHARDS RANCH HOUSE

Local nurseries, supplying the stock for these expanding orchards also thrived. The Eden Valley Nursery doubled its sale of trees in one year to 136,000 in 1909. In 1910 the combined number of trees sold from all the valley nurseries topped one million. In order to prepare their fruit for shipping, packing houses were built in convenient locations around the valley. A cooperative organized in 1910, The Rogue River Fruit and Produce Association, helped consolidate packing and shipping. A school was organized in 1909 to improve uniform packing and shipping procedures.

FRUIT OF THE VALLEY

At the height of this boom arrived **Samuel ROSENBERG**, who had traded his successful Hotel Sorrento in Seattle, Washington for a 240 acre orchard near Bear Creek. Upon his death in 1914, his sons **Harry & David HOLMES** took over. Unfortunately, by this time many mature orchards were showing signs of stress due to lack of water, resulting in poor yields, poor quality fruit and a vulnerability to diseases which were destroying orchards. Irrigation was not readily available until 1923, only those whose fields had a reliable water source survived. For many years the area suffered a depression, caused in part by drought, and frost, but also as a consequence of swindlers who greedily fell on the land boom opportunities. Land was sold to unsuspecting buyers from the east and mid-west that was far from ideal. 400 acres were sold and planted in the Agate Desert, a land covered in big rocks with no water source. **John A. WESTERLUND** started the Western Oregon Orchard Company from Chicago in 1903. He bought, then sold, over 2,000 acres of land on Roxie Ann Butte where dirt had to be brought in to plant the trees. Many people lost everything when these speculations failed. The advent of WWI affected the market drastically. Most European markets were closed, and lack of transport prevented shipping. And so the orchard boom became a bust, and the local economy crumbled. Medford's population declined by 28 % and the city almost went into bankruptcy. Growers joined together to pool resources to survive the crisis. These same organizations helped revive the industry at the end of the war, and the Fruit Growers League continues to aid the industry today.

By 1920, Oregon fruit was once more in demand worldwide. Harry & David's fame spread as the exporter of the Royal Riviera Pear, a Comice pear originally from France. Over 400 pear growers were doing business in the Rogue Valley by the 1930's. A brief spell of success proceeded the "Crash" when the affluent markets vanished. In 1934 trips to San Francisco and New York by the brothers to market their fruit and gourmet foods as ideal business gifts were a great success. Orders started rolling in and the mail order business began. In 1938 they introduced the "Fruit of the Month Club." Harry & David's is now one of the oldest catalog mail order business in America.



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LOCATING YOUR ANCESTOR'S HOMESTEAD

By Charles Eccleston

If you had ancestors arriving in Jackson County by covered wagon in the 1850s and 1860s, there is a very good chance that their initial homes were situated on an Oregon Donation Land Claim (a DLC) or Homestead land. After so many years of development, the task of finding their homestead seems formidable, but the Rogue Valley Genealogical Society Library has all the records required to locate the area where an initial cabin was built and land cultivated. A full range of written records and maps are available to lead you to the site, view the surrounding terrain and imagine the conditions that existed for your ancestors a century and a half ago.

To illustrate how this works, we take the example of **Joseph Patch PARKER** and his wife **Sarah CRAFT** who arrived in Oregon in the rush of 1852, settling in Jackson County in 1854. **Joseph**, born in Massachusetts, and **Sarah**, born in Pennsylvania, were married on 15 May 1845 in Nauvoo, IL. Sons **William** and **Curtis** were born in Illinois and Missouri respectively, with later children born in Jackson County. By just knowing the 1852 arrival date, it is a simple exercise to gather the records needed to find the precise location of their land.

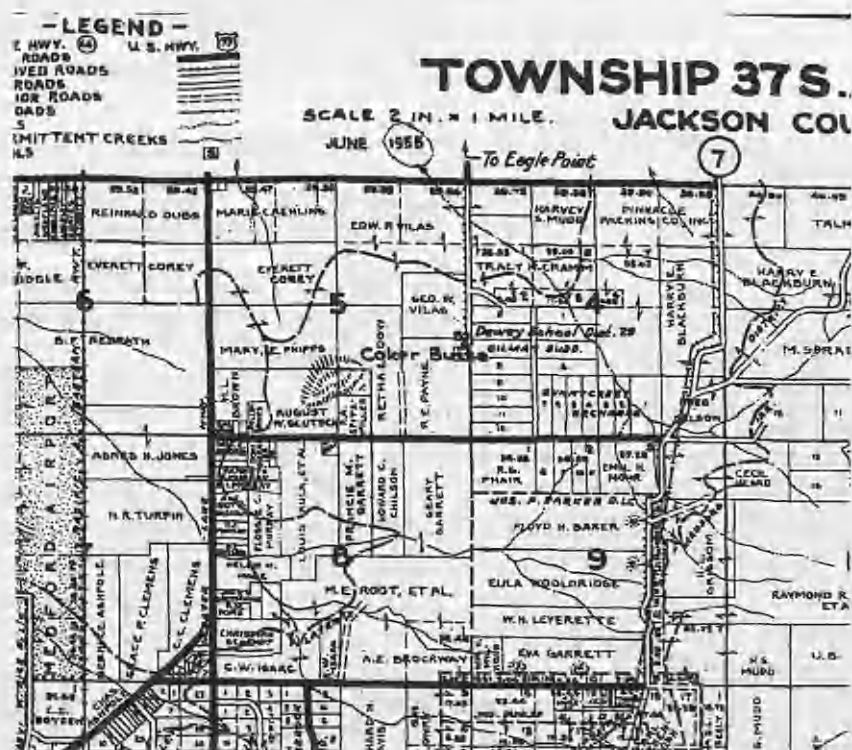
To begin, we look in the [Index to Oregon Donation Land Claims](#) and find **Joseph P. PARKER** & wife. Their claim #1103 is for 320.04 acres (160.02 for **Joseph** & 160.02 for **Sarah**) recorded in the Roseburg, OR land office. The claim location is given as T37SR1W Section 9. These numbers refer to Township 37 South, Range 1 West, Section 9. The third volume of this set records the information given in the abstract of the donation claim filed by **Joseph & Sarah**. This record provided much of the family information used in the beginning of this example.

Before we look up the location of that property, a check to see if the Parkers bought additional land from the federal government to perhaps expand the land claim, or to invest in land in other places. This information can be found on the BLM Internet web site gloreCORDS.blm.gov. Had the Parkers arrived in Oregon in the 1860s we would have gone directly to this site looking for a homestead record. The search shows us two pages of Parkers, including four entries for a **Joseph P. PARKER**. The October 15, 1872 entry is for the purchase of 72.76 acres in Section 9 T37SR1W. This record confirms that this is probably the same **Joseph PARKER** in the process of adding more land to their 1854 DLC. The three other entries are for land in the Butte Falls & Prospect areas.

The next step, and perhaps the most exciting moment in this process, is to view the 1858 microfiche land record for T37SR1W. This record shows the boundaries of each claim within the township with the family name. The fiche also includes a map of the topography that existed in 1858, showing the locations of the roads our pioneer ancestors used to access their claims and traverse the Rogue Valley. In many cases the map will also indicate the cabin site and the land cultivated in order to secure the claim. Now that we know how the homestead was laid out, we need to relate that to the present day.

LOCATING YOUR ANCESTOR'S HOMESTEAD

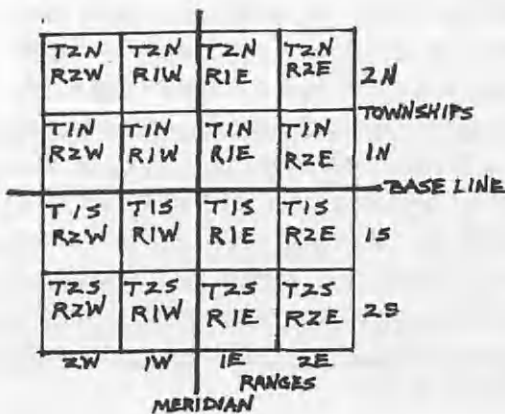
The Metzker Map Book and Jackson County both use the same township-range-section land description system that the federal government established back in the 1850s. The Parker DLC#1103 can be found in this map book, transposed onto the system of streets and roads that were developed by 1958. Now for the first time, we can see the location of the Donation Land Claim in relation to the existing street system. Jackson County has published a current map book titled Highway and Street Guide for Jackson County, Oregon which shows the County divided into the same township and ranges. Each page represents a unique township/range such as our example, Township 37South Range 1West. Notice that each township page is further divided into 36 one mile square sections. Locate Section 9 and you will be viewing the 640 acre area that includes the 320.04 acre Parker DLC#1103. We also know that **Joseph** purchased the North half of the Northwest quarter of Section 9 (the 72.76 acres) in 1872, to add to their original claim. The total of 392.67 acres represents virtually the entire area of Section 9 lying west of North Foothill Road extending from Coker Butte Road to Delta Waters Road.



From the microfiche, we know the Parker cabin was situated on a small stream about 1000 feet due west of a point on North Foothills Road midway between Coker Butte and Delta Waters Roads. A more accurate placement of the cabin site may be possible by examining the original surveyor field notes. Which are available at the area BLM office. We have now found the original land and home site of **Joseph Patch PARKER** and his wife **Sarah Craft PARKER**. Following a similar process using county deed records will result in the discovery of even more information on the subsequent movements of the Parkers and their extended families. Abstracts of early deed records are also available in the RVGS Library.

Try this with your own pioneer family and see where the records lead you. Certainly your trip to their cabin will be much easier than theirs.

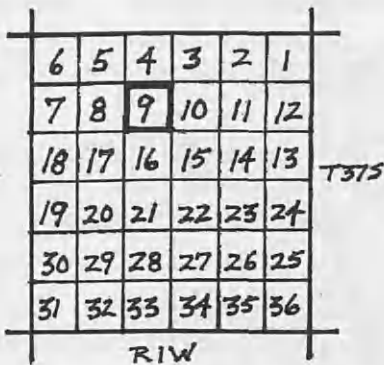
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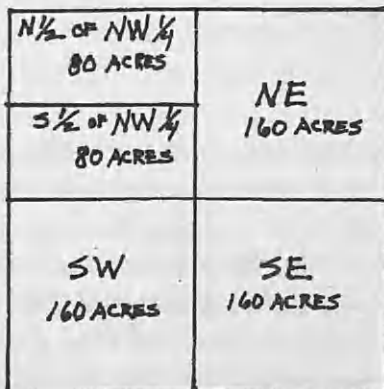
Townships are located North and South from the Base Line and designated as N or S

Ranges are located East and West of the Principal Meridian and designated E or W

The Principal Meridian goes right through Medford, which is in the Township 37S. Note the map on the cover of the Digger.



Sections are 1 mile square and contain 640 acres. There are 36 Sections in a normal Township, numbered from the upper right corner. Note the location of #9, our example.



Sections are divided into quarters which are designated as NW, NE, SW, and SE. Each quarter containing 160 acres may be divided into many smaller lots. The 392 acres in our example would include more than half a Section.

JOSEPH PATCH & SARAH CRAFT PARKER

Additional information about the Parker family and their home can be found in the Jackson County Census Records, and the records of the Pioneer Society of Southern Oregon, as well as the vertical Pioneer File in the RVGS Library.

J.P. PARKER is listed in both the 1855 and the 1860 census. In the 1870 census wife **Sarah** is listed as being 49 years old, being born in Pennsylvania. Also listed are three minor children born in Oregon, living at home: **Curtis P. PARKER**, age 16; **Frank PARKER**, age 14; and **Flora K.**, age 12. In 1860 **Joseph** is listed as a farmer, and in 1880 he claims to be a physician.

The Pioneer Society of Southern Oregon required that each member submit a short biography for their records, and upon the death of a member issued a "Resolution, Deceased Members, In Memoriam" detailing as much of their life and death as was known. From their records we learn that **Joseph** was born in Wooster, Massachusetts Oct. 27, 1815 and arrived in Southern Oregon in September 1852. It was then noted he died June 17, 1882.

The Resolution submitted on the death of **Joseph**, to the Secretary **Silas J. DAY**, was read at the 7th reunion of the Society, Sept. 6, 1883, in Ashland. It was placed in the Memorial Record of the Society. After the introduction the report reads as follows:

"The deceased was born in the state of Massachusetts in the year 1815 and moved from that state to the state of Illinois and from thence to the state of Missouri, and from Missouri to the Willamette Valley, Oregon, during its territorial state in the year 1852, and again changed his residence to Jackson County in said Territory in 1854. Settling upon a ranch on what is called "Sticky" about 8 miles from Jacksonville where he remained a number of years. The writer of this sketch visited the deceased on business in 1856, and found him and his family in a double log cabin, with all the necessary comforts about him. To gain ingress to his parlor or sitting room you had to make your entry by crawling through an aperture made by cutting off two logs in the side of the cabin, and when you were once inside everything was comfortable, and you were well entertained. The cabins had no plaster, only chinks, and the doctor remarked that the cause of so much sickness was the want of air or proper ventilation, which probably was the correct theory to health. The deceased was rather an eccentric, or peculiar man, but a good and reliable citizen. He had his theory for everything and his decided opinion upon all matters belonging to the body politic, he read a great deal and was well informed upon all matters pertaining to the same. He was a thorough-going business man and made a fair success of his enterprises. After two accidental misfortunes, succumbed in 1882 to the last, leaving at the time of his death a bereaved widow, and five children to mourn his loss."

"The committee appointed by your honorable society, not being very familiar with the subject matter, beg leave to report the same as far as our information goes, and we hope it may be satisfactory."

The report was signed by **E. D. FOUFRAY**, **L. J. C. DUNCAN**, and **John E. ROSS**.

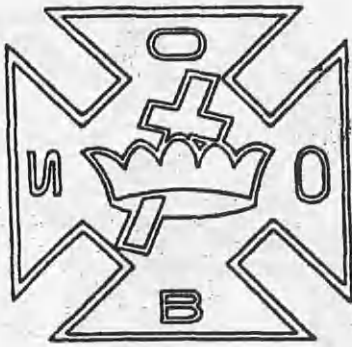
TOMBSTONE SYMBOLS

Grave markings for everyman is a fairly recent practice that came into fashion in the 18th Century. Earlier monuments were primarily for the wealthy dignitaries or men of the cloth. In practical terms the masses were mostly illiterate, just managing to survive for their life expectancy of 40 years. They could not afford to spend their meager resources on the dead. The Georgians brought markers into fashion, carving elaborate stones with allegorical scenes and long, flowery epitaphs. In Victorian times, the conservative feelings moved toward clean classical stones embellished with gothic motifs and flowers. Epitaphs were replaced by subtle symbols. These symbols might indicate abstract ideas such as innocence with a lamb, or a dove for peace, but many give clues to the deceased's ethnic identity, religious affiliations, occupation, membership in associations, or military service. Care must be taken to use these carvings only as clues, as many symbols are chosen just for decoration and relate only to the taste of the survivors. A thistle may indicate someone of Scottish descent, or simply a pretty carving. An open book may indicate a teacher, or simply someone of learning. If the book is symbolic of The Bible it may refer to a Christian. Two or three books would probably indicate a Mormon representing The Bible, The Book of Mormon, and The Doctrine & Covenants.

In the United States, the federal government allows 32 emblems of belief on monuments they supply. Eleven different crosses include symbols for the Russian, Greek and Serbian Orthodox churches; Presbyterian, Lutheran, Episcopalian, and Methodist; the Aaronic Order Church, the Christian Reformed Church, the Church of the World Messianity, and the basic Latin Cross. Emblems of other beliefs include the Star of David, the Hindu's sacred symbol, the Mormon Angel Moroni, the Muslim crescent and star, Unitarian flaming chalice, the Bahai nine-pointed star, the Buddhist Wheel of Righteousness, the Native American Church tepee, the Christian Scientist cross and crown, and symbols from three predominately Japanese faiths: Konko-Ko, Tenrikyo, and Seicho-No-Ie. There is also an atomic symbol with circling electrons for the atheists. These indications of religious affiliations may lead to church records about the deceased or his family.

Besides being a member of a religious group, many joined social or fraternal organizations. Some of these were tied to various churches and many of these groups have vital member records such as birth and death dates, addresses, family members and their vital statistics, or transfers into or out of the area. We all would probably recognize those large organizations still active today such as the Lions, Masons, or Rotary Clubs, but some are more obscure, or are no longer used. Another source of information are military records. The branch of service, if the deceased was wounded, or fought in foreign wars might be information that could help in locating those records. Following are a few symbols that might be found in your local cemetery or during your family search.

TOMBSTONE SYMBOLS



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CATHOLIC ORDER OF FORESTERS



CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS



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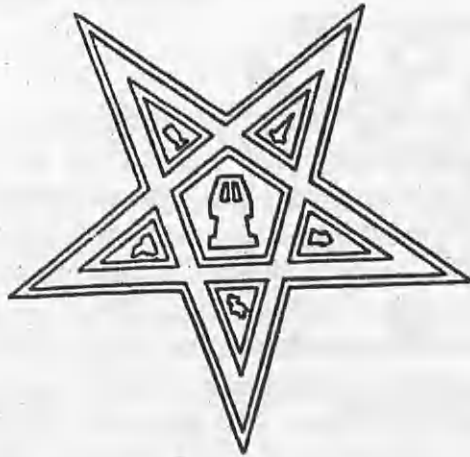


DAUGHTERS OF REBECCA

TOMBSTONE SYMBOLS



DISABLED AMERICAN VETERANS



EASTERN STAR



EXCHANGE CLUB



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS



**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
4TH DEGREE**



KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

TOMBSTONE SYMBOLS



LEGION OF MARY



ORDER OF INDEPENDENT AMERICANS



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SCOTTISH RITE (32 DEGREE)



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TOMBSTONE SYMBOLS



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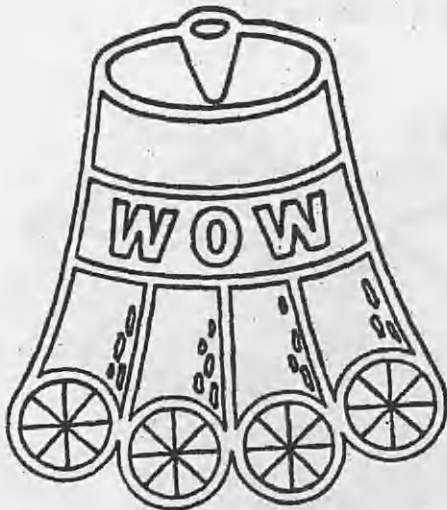
VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS



V.F.W. LADIES AUXILIARY



WOMEN'S ARMY AUXILIARY CORPS



WOODMEN OF THE WORLD

TOMBSTONE SYMBOLS



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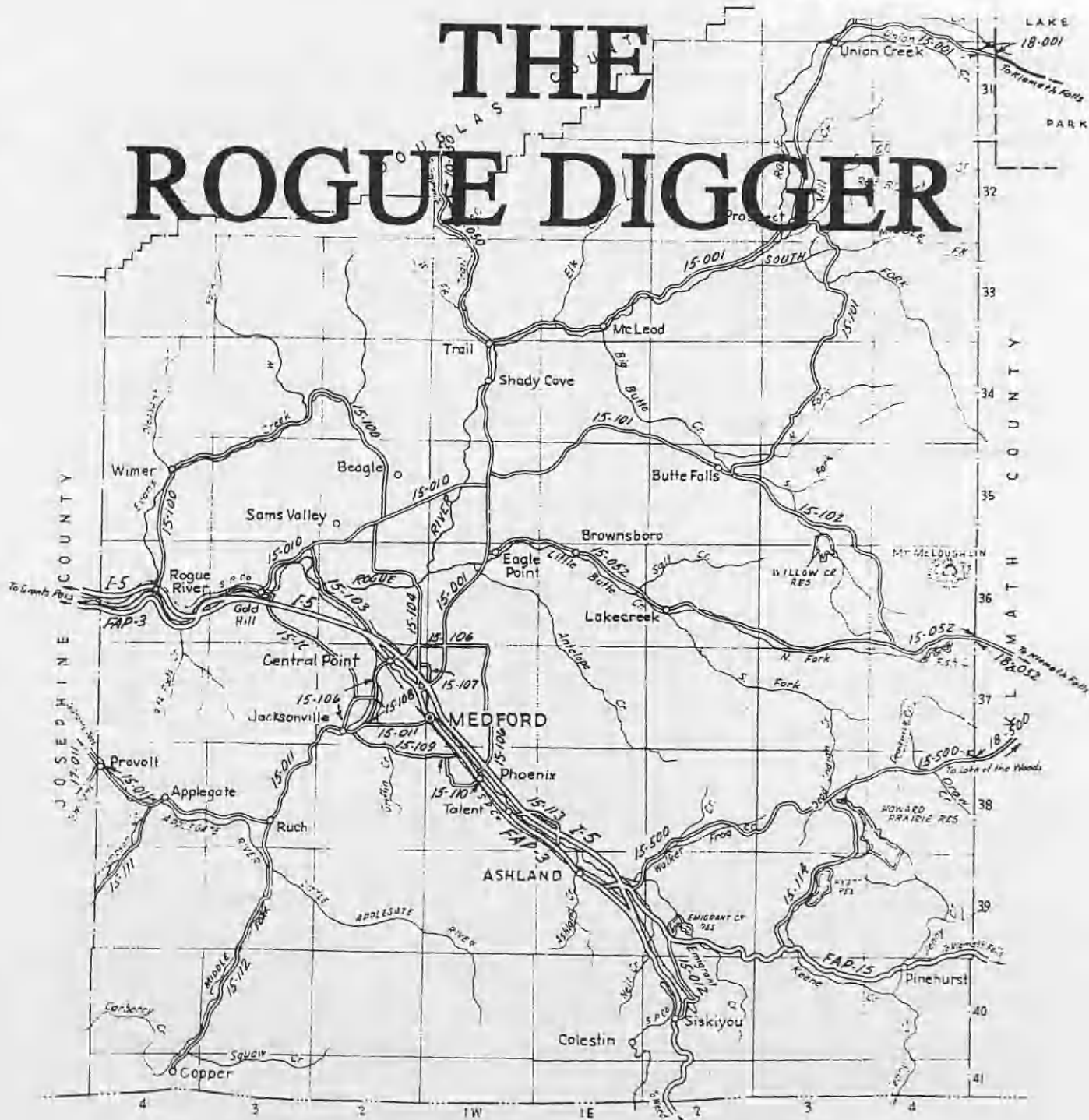
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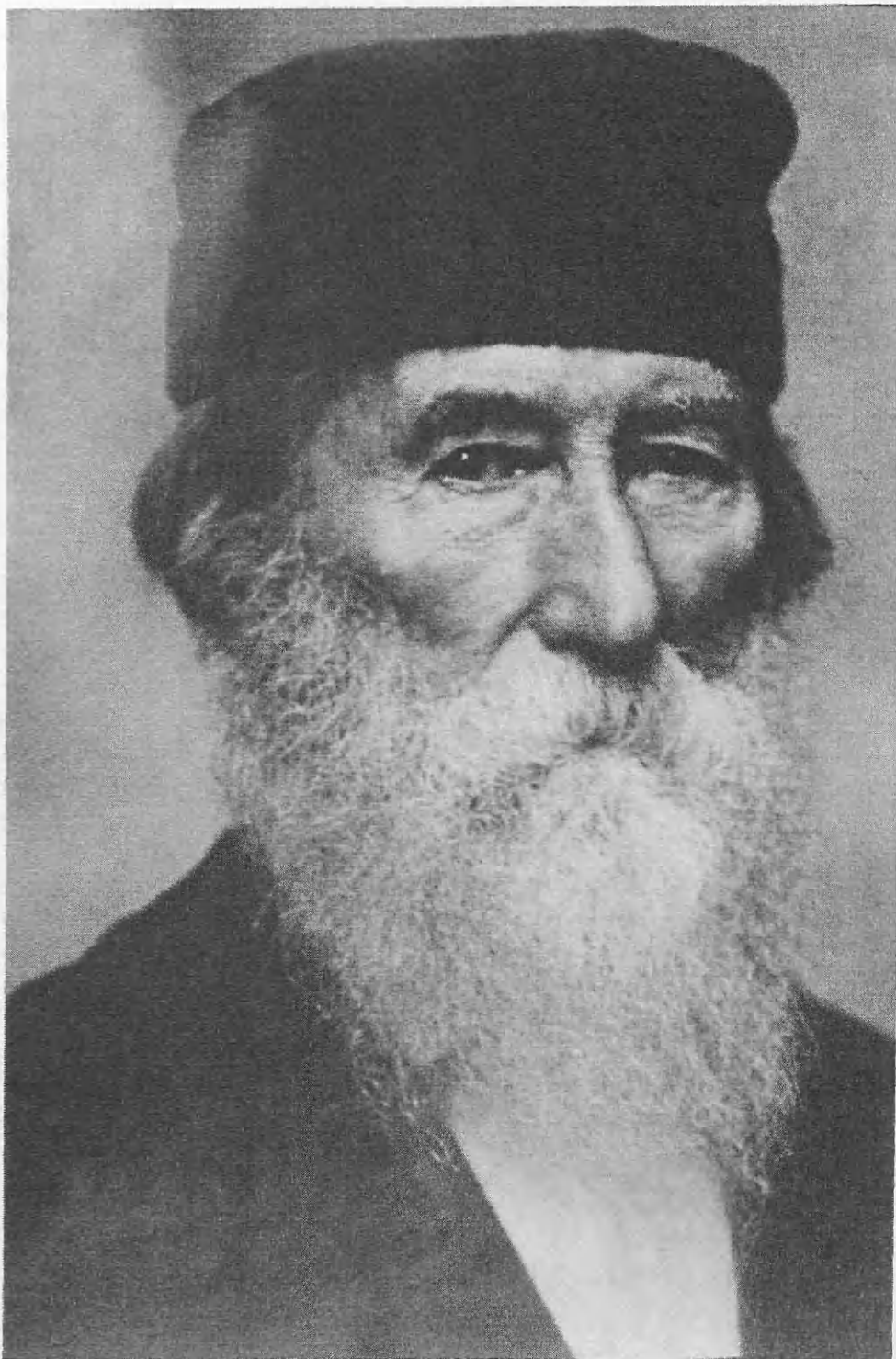
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PETER BRITT

FRUIT OF THE VINE

The beginning of Southern Oregon's wine industry is attributed to **Peter BRITT**, who began experimenting with a variety of fruits and vegetables on his Jacksonville property. Securing some cuttings from old California mission grapevines, he was producing the first wine in the Oregon Territory by 1858. In 1866 the Jacksonville newspaper noted that a "first quality of wine can be manufactured here and ...this will be no unimportant branch of agricultural industry in our valley ere long." After expanding to include a claret, a zinfandel, a muscatel and a port, a dispute with the IRS about a business license forced **BRITT** to market his wine under the name "Valley View Vineyard." By 1880 this vineyard produced up to 3,000 gallons of wine from fifteen acres. Also in the area, growing grapes for wine was **Colonel James N.T. MILLER**, with twenty acres and twenty varieties. He had come from Kentucky where he had been born in 1826. Arriving in Oregon in 1845, he married **Elizabeth Ann AWBERY** in August of 1852 before settling in Jackson County by 1854. **Raphael MORAT** had a vineyard of ten acres; **Amile BARBE** owned six acres; and **William BYBEE** five acres of mission grapes. **BYBEE** was also born in Kentucky in 1830, and with his wife **Elizabeth Ann WALKER**, arrived in Southern Oregon in 1850. There were others experimenting with viticulture near Jacksonville and Ashland. In Phoenix **Dr. GEARY** had several acres in cultivation, and **Dr. George DeBAR** eight acres near Central Point.

The Southern Oregon State Board of Agriculture, in its 1890 report, noted "Jackson County is specially adapted to the raising of grapes." It also bragged that "It is no longer a question that all the choice grapes of California can be produced in Jackson County, the flavor in many instances is greatly improved. It is destined to become the most profitable industry in Jackson County." Evidently the board was either not aware of the growing strength of the temperance movement, or believed its only target was "strong spirits" not such a refined drink as wine. In a poetic prediction this same report envisioned "the hills of Jackson, Josephine and Douglas dotted with vineyards" and "the classical vales of Italy and the sunny slopes of France will find a rival in the land of the fabled West."

Perhaps these hills dotted with vineyards are what delayed **Auguste PETARD** and his son **Auguste II** on their way to Alaska in 1898 to mine for gold. The **PETARD** family were from the Loire Valley in France near Nantes, and probably worked the Muscadet vineyards. **Auguste's** wife **Marie**, whom he married in 1875, was descended from French kings. They had two sons, **August II** born in 1876, and **Albert** born in 1882. The father and eldest son left in 1897 to search for gold in America, but were years too late and found most California mines worked over. Undaunted, they decided to head for Alaska, stopping in Jacksonville on the way. The stop became permanent when they bought property, and **Marie** and **Albert** joined them in 1899. **Auguste** filed his Declaration of Intent for citizenship in May 1899, panned enough gold to expand his land, and planted 20 acres of wine producing grapes. The **PETARD's** produced enough wine for home use, but sold most of their grapes to **Mark Levy and Company** in Portland. Life must have been comfortable and they prospered. If they thought about the growing temperance movement at all, they would not have believed anyone would prohibit the use of wine. It was as necessary as food for life.

FRUIT OF THE VINE



SOHS # 12777 1908 Man with Grapes

In 1916 the promising future envisioned for the Oregon Vineyards was destroyed. Four years before the Volstead act, Oregon ushered in prohibition. There was no market for the wine grapes, and vineyards were left to run rampant, or uprooted. The Volstead act of 1920 allowed the destruction of any wine stored, even if not for sale. Jackson County Prohibition Enforcement Agent **Sam B. SANDIFER** was notified by the local W.C.T.U. that the **PETARD**'s were storing illegal wine at what was once their winery. **Sam SANDIFER** and Sheriff **TERRILL** arrived with a search warrant and found 600 gallons in barrels and 50 quarts in old dusty bottles. Believing that prohibition must be a temporary thing, the family had simply put the last harvest aside to let it age until they could use it again. The court ordered confiscation of the wine, feeling the padlocked cellar would prove to much of a temptation, but, the only place to store so many

barrels was in the middle of a field by the schoolhouse. The children played around them, but surprisingly, the barrels of wine were not tapped. Finally the court ruled the wine, worth about \$4,000, must be poured out. **Herbert K. HANNA**, the attorney for the family pled for clemency for **Auguste**, who was almost 80 years old. A fine was paid, but the jail sentence was suspended. The W.C.T.U. delegates were incensed at the suspended jail time and loudly demanded a real punishment. Destroying his livelihood and causing financial hardship did not seem enough for such a lawbreaker. **Auguste**, **Marie** and **Albert** all died before prohibition was repealed. **Auguste II** married **Laure Eugenie POUSSEUR** in 1925 and remained in Jacksonville. He died in 1958 and his wife in 1953. The family are all buried in the Jacksonville Cemetery.

Southern Oregon's wine industry was slow to develop again. It was not until the 1970's that vineyards once again appeared in Jackson County. Fittingly, the first vines planted for commercial production were for the Valley View Winery.

LOST TOWNS IN JACKSON COUNTY, OREGON BEAGLE

Many of the lost towns of Jackson County faded away as their people moved out of the area, or were absorbed into larger towns as they spread out. Beagle was a thriving town of about 100 people when it was literally wiped off the map by the U.S. Military, a casualty of WWII.

In 1875, **Lazares YOCUM** and his wife **Elisabeth Gordon YOCUM**, with four of their daughters and their families, a group of 21 in all, left Missouri and headed to Redding, CA. by rail. They had their belongings carted north, but the family members walked to Oregon. At first stopping at Bybee Bridge, they later moved on and dispersed throughout the area. **Virginia Yocum BEAGLE** with her husband **William T. BEAGLE**, and presumably his mother who was also part of the group, settled in the area later known as Beagle. **Mary Thompson BEAGLE**, his mother, was a 72 year old widow when they left Missouri.

On the 11th of November 1885, Beagle became an official Post Office, with **William T. BEAGLE** as postmaster. He served only a few months before moving on, eventually settling in Ashland. **Miltilda FOSTER** held the postmaster position for one year, until 14 Jan 1887 when **Milton A. HOUSTON** took over the duties. He held this post for 18 years. After his wife **Mary** died in 1904, **Milton** sold his ranch, and relinquished the office of postmaster, to **Monroe H. & Sarah Jane Murray GORDEN**. **Monroe** was the official postmaster, but **Sarah Jane** handled the duties. She was also the local mid-wife and nurse.



The Monroe H. & Sarah Jane Murray Gorden Family SOHS # 5533

Other postmasters included **William J. RODGERS** (17 March 1916 & 28 June 1920), **Charles S. SANDERSON** (9 March 1918), **Fred G. THOMPSON** (28 May 1926), **Mrs. Ollie WALKER** (1 Oct 1926), **Mrs. Ruby MAYFIELD** (7 May 1928) and **Louis F. SWANSON** (6 August 1930).

By 1893, school district 18, known as Antioch District, boasted 30 legal voters and 62 students, as follows:

PARENT OR GUARDIAN	STUDENTS
BURCH, D.S. (or D.L.)	Emma & Willie
CAREY, W.J.	Frederick & Ruby Myrtle
DONEGAN, Patrick	Annie, Fannie, Freddie, Jossie, Patrick, & Richard
GLASS, S.H.	Elbert, Jessie & Theodore
GODFREY, Samuel	Emma, J. Alford, J.H., Mamie, Robert, W. Elcary
HOLLENBEAK, G.A.	Assa, Bell, Bert & Edgar
JACKSON, G.A.	Willie
LINVILLE, W.P.	Herbert & Arnold PERRY
MARTIN, Mrs. Jane	Charles, James, Jane, John & George
POMROY, E.C.	Thomas & W.H.
RODGERS, W.J.	Flora, Lester, Lula, Myrtle & Winnie
ROGERS, J.B.	Oscar
STACY, George	Alma HOUSTON & Forest HOUSTON
STACY, I.J.	Birdie, Charles & Julia
SYDUSTRICKER, C.S.	Fanny, Harry & Lora
TOWNSEND, W.	Jessie & Willis
VINCENT, Mrs. Mary	George, Gibson, James, Linda, Mary B. & William
VINCENT, Washington	Freddie, Harvey, John, Lucy M. & May
WILHOIT, Thomas	Clarence & Thomas

As isolated as the community was, it prospered and grew. In 1905 **Elbert GLASS** and his brother began the **Beagle Threshing Company** to harvest wheat for farmers to sell to buyers in Central Point. **Elbert's** wife, **Milly Gorden GLASS**, ran the Glass ranch during the harvest. In 1912 the Polk Directory noted Beagle had daily mail, **G.W. STACY** as blacksmith, **E.H. THORNBRUE** as barber, and the **Wilhite Bros. General Store**. Later it also boasted the **Beagle Stickies**, a baseball team that played other teams in the valley. During the Depression the people of Beagle worked together, few went hungry and the community survived closer than ever.

The advent of WWII had the army looking around for areas to build cantonments. The Agate Desert, north of Medford, Oregon caught their eye and a delegation of planners came to survey the area. The *Medford Chamber of Commerce* worked hard to convince the Army that this was the perfect place for a base. Together with the city of Medford, and Jackson County they created a position to co-ordinate the community's efforts to this effect. An Ashland attorney, **Frank VAN DYKE** was chosen for this huge undertaking. Area businessmen saw the project as an

economic boon, Beagle ranchers saw it as a threat to their homes and way of life. Beagle didn't stand a chance. In the December 12, 1941 issue of the Mail Tribune, the announcement came for the beginning of the cantonment in Medford. Later christened Camp White, it encompassed 43,000 acres including the town of Beagle. In early 1942 every family living in Beagle and the surrounding areas received a letter from the federal government that for "reasons of national security," they must leave their homes, farms and ranches. The school district was dissolved, and as the residents of Beagle moved out, every building and fence was leveled by the army. At the Antioch cemetery, near the heart of Beagle, the army laid all the headstones face down and covered them with six feet of dirt to protect them. Beagle was destined to become a heavy artillery range, and an imaginary enemy stronghold for the soldiers of the 91st Division, known as the "Wild West Division." As buildings came down, concrete pillboxes were constructed. Beagle no longer existed, but the bonds of family and friendship kept the community together, meeting once a year for an annual "Beagle Community Picnic."

After the war, the land in the area which made up Beagle was offered back to the original landowners at the 1942 purchase price. Many returned home, but others had already settled elsewhere and were not ready to move again. Returning had its hazards: trenches, craters and unexploded shells covered the ground, wrecked trees full of shrapnel proved hazardous to lumbermen, and the bunkers littered pastures and fields. The army uncovered the stones in the Antioch cemetery, cleaned them, and returned them to their upright position, but many wonder if they were all found and returned to their proper location. Today there is no town or Post Office of Beagle, only scattered ranches, 2 gas stations, and a café/lounge at the intersection of Antioch Road and route 234, the heart of old Beagle.



BEAGLE'S PILLBOXES TODAY



ANTIOCH CEMETERY
ESTABLISHED 1867

The Antioch Cemetery is located about one mile north of Route 234 on Antioch Road. It is still an active cemetery, although it was itself buried for five years during WWII, while the army used the area as a heavy artillery range for Camp White. In this recent survey many stones were partially covered, and stacks of empty metal markers were found. Some new burials had no markers visible. Unfortunately many names listed on previous surveys were not found. They will be noted at the end. The second half of the list, and any follow up information will be reported in the next Digger.

NAME	AGE OR BIRTH DATE	BURIAL OR DEATH DATE
ALFRED, Stanley	78yrs 01m 13d	05 Apr 1891
AMICK, Eli	15 Nov 1861	09 Aug 1939
AMICK, George W.	16 Nov 1866	24 June 1926
AMICK, James Matthew	21 Aug 1878	26 Mar 1917
AMICK, John R.	23 Nov 1833	30 Jan 1904
AMICK, Melissa	19 Jul 1842	16 Jun 1921
AMICK, Myrtle A.	02 Nov 1876	17 Mar 1916
"Wife of J.M. AMICK"		
ANDERSON, Mary Ann	25 Oct 1901	28 Jan 1975
ASKEW, Charles E.	14 Apr 1899	09 Oct 1899
ASKEW, Lewis T.	09 Jan 1903	30 Mar 1903
BAILEY, Martha M.	21 Dec 1879	12 Feb 1884
BAILEY, Mary L.	20 Jan 1870	29 Apr 1890
BAILEY, Sarah J.	23 Dec 1854	31 May 1885
BALLESTRAZZE, Wayne L.	02 Mar 1940	04 Jul 1993
"US Marine Corps"		
BARNES, Louise	23 Dec 1889	09 Apr 1991
BEERS, Lloyd S.	22 Jun 1906	08 Oct 1985
& Thelma A.	19 Oct 1910	01 Jan 1996
BIGHAM, Phyllis Ann	31 Aug 1935	01 Sep 1997
BOGENOFF, Mary Byrd	18 May 1906	26 Jan 1970
"Mama"		
BOGENOFF, Tom "Dad"	14 May 1896	18 Dec 1989
BORDER, LeRoy	1909	1979
& Eunice	1917	1990
BOWMAN, Jacob	28 Oct 1830	15 Aug 1892
BRANUM, Leslie Max	1960	1995
BRISCOE, George E.	12yrs 0m 05d	27 Aug 1884
"Son of J.G. & D.A. BRISCOE"		
BROWN, Laura E.	1860	1951
& Thomas H.	1842	1908

BROWN, Susan Mabel	20 Feb 1893	20 Mar 1920
BRUTON, Denny G.	07 Jun 1954	31 Aug 1974
BRUTON, Minnie L.	05 Apr 1895	21 Nov 1979
BUCK, Daniel A.	23 Sep 1977	15 Feb 2002
BUSBY, Geraldine Harper Greb	21 Apr 1915	10 Sep 2003
BUSBY, William A.	1922	2003
"Sgt US Army Air Forces WWII"		
CAMERON, Doris June	31 May 1932	03 Mar 2002
CANHA, Nicholas Joseph	09 Dec 1978	25 May 1997
CARTER, Charles F.	21 Dec 1868	19 Jun 1953
CARTER, Howard Butch	17 Apr 1937	09 Nov 1997
CARTER, Lillie M.	03 May 1872	26 Jul 1936
"Wife of C.F. CARTER"		
CARTER, Martha A.	1847	1911
"Mother"		
CARTER, William O.	1842	1903
"Father"		
CASE, Alvin M.	07 Jul 1910	23 Sep 1913



CASE, Anzonette Foskett

Aug 1859 - 35yrs 13d

04 Sep 1894

CASE, Aron E.	23 Jun 1916	11 Oct 1999
CASE, Isabella L.	1850	1920
CASE, Lena	13 Dec 1894	21 Feb 1895
CASE, Morris	1839	1898
CASEBOLT, Earl W.	29 Jun 1906	8 Apr 1969
CASEBOLT, Effie	04 Apr 1888	01 Feb 1978
CHAMBERLAIN, Jerry	07 Aug 1940	16 May 1992
CHANEY, Geraldine Elva	15 Mar 1919	17 July 1981
CLARNO, Oral Bell	1888	1924
CLEVELAND, Henry W. "Son of R.R. & M.A"	01yrs 02m 27d	15 Jan 1900
CLEVELAND, (Richard) "Father"	1854	1925
CLEVELAND, "Son"	1896	1916
CLINE, Charles	28 Jan 1916	07 Feb 1975
COLLINS, Sarah	82yrs 06m 01d	17 Sep 1883
COX, Jessie B.	26 May 1913	16 May 2002
CROSBY, John L.	1824	1896
CYPHERS, Sadie Frank	09 Nov 1882	14 Sep 1980
DAIL, Clairbel	1903	1981
DANE, Donald F. "US Air Force"	20 Sep 1939	22 Feb 2005
DANE, Walter F. "Born in Westford, Mass"	26 Nov 1910	06 Mar 1983
& Elizabeth A. "Born in Lowell, Mass"	02 Feb 1913	13 May 1997
DAVIS, Almira M.	04 Mar 1906	04 Jul 1906
DAVIS, Ellis E., Jr.	25 Mar 1928	28 Mar 1928
DAVIS, Harold Lee	20 Sep 1931	21 Sep 1931
DAVIS, Lucy May	08 Nov 1882	08 Sep 1955
DAVIS, Raymond Neil	17 May 1936	31 Mar 1996
DAVIS, William A.	17 Mar 1868	25 Jul 1908
DAVIS, William D.	17 Mar 1846	07 Jun 1923
DAW, Lorange	1902	1968
& Lelia	1903	---
DAW, Lorange Charles	1925	1926
DAW, May N. Coleman	21 Nov 1877	28 Jun 1956
& Reuben P.	21 Feb 1865	27 May 1913
DAW, T.R.	1904	1979
& Velma	1904	1996
DAWSON, John	1815	1888
DAWSON, Rachel	1819	1891
DE ARMOND, Dollie	06 Mar 1897	20 Feb 1908
& Johnnie O.	26 Jul 1898	24 Feb 1908
DENN, Bonnie	1937	2004

DENNEY, Eugene	02 Mar 1935	28 Oct 2000
DESSERT, Florence Collis	1946	1986
DUNSTON, Glenn Morris, Jr. "Corp US Marine Corps"	22 Jan 1942	02 Oct 2002
DUNSTON, Glenn Morris, Sr. "M Sgt US Marine Corps WWII & Korea"	05 Sep 1917	15 May 1997
ELLIS, Harry B.	07 Dec 1891	01 Sep 1972
& Ruth M.	27 Feb 1894	21 Aug 1971
ELLISON, Marjorie E.	1914	2002
ENGLEMAN, H. Mike	19 Feb 1906	01 Feb 1971
ESTEN, Albert E.	28 Oct 1900	28 Nov 1992
ESTEN, Audrey L.	30 Mar 1912	11 Oct 1984
FERNANDES, Denise Y. Separate stone " FERNANDES, Elmer & Denise married Nov 16, 1950"	28 Aug 1936	22 Dec 2003
FIKE, Marvin Clayton "US Army WW II"	03 Dec 1914	26 Sep 1983
FINLEY, Charles L.	14 May 1962	17 Jan 2001
FOSTER, Matilda "Wife of Perry"	41yrs	23 Jun 1889
FRAZIER, Linda Lee	26 May 1964	31 Dec 1997
FRINK, Edward L.	16 Jan 1848	16 Aug 1931
FRINK, James L.	16 Jun 1878	10 Feb 1939
FULLER, Alicia Renee	1986	1996
FULMER, D. Ruth	25 Aug 1926	25 May 1985
GELLIS, Murry M.	16 Sep 1929	06 May 1981
GLADNEY, James R.	08 Aug 1946	22 Apr 2004
GLASS, Elbert	1878	1938
GLASS, Mabel "Dau of E.L. & M. GLASS"		1910
GLASS, Milly H.	16 Oct 1889	25 Oct 1986
GLASS, Susan	01 Jul 1841	03 Dec 1922
GLASS, S.H. "Father"	01 Jan 1834	21 Dec 1909
GORDEN, Sarah J.	1864	1921
GRAY, Louis C.	08 Feb 1903	18 Jul 1983
& Lydia E. "Married November 14, 1922"	13 Feb 1903	18 Apr 1993
GRAY-BURLESON, Virginia O.	1924	1996
GRAYBILL, Clara M.	18 May 1907	19 May 1984
GRAYBILL, Forest G.	20 Feb 1903	02 May 1979
GREB, Alvin P.	11 Apr 1908	22 Nov 1979
HALL, John	1881	1957
HALL, Joseph J.	14 Oct 1885	06 Nov 1959
HALL, Mary A.	1864	1934
HALL, Leland D.	1896	1975
& Nettie L.	1905	1985



HANNAH, Irad S.	29 Nov 1881	24 Aug 1884
HANNAH, Jemima Leake "Aunt Mia"	01 Sep 1892	04 Oct 1971
HANNAH, Jasper Burns & Lillie Rachel "Married September 24, 1901"	27 Apr 1880 24 Jan 1886	24 May 1970 31 Jan 1970
HANNAH, Jemima	1841	31 Mar 1910
HANNAH, Joseph C.	1839	1928
HANNAH, Josiah	74yrs02m	21 Aug 1884
HANNAH, Mary S.	75yrs	---
HANNAH, Sedotha L.	05 May 1856	12 Feb 1914
HANNAH, Thomas J. "Jeff & Melody - June 17, 1994"	22 Oct 1956	11 Aug 2001
HANSBERGER, Harry B.	27 Feb 1906	28 Dec 1976
HARPER, Herschel M. & Marie M.	26 Jan 1901 01 Jan 1908	08 Jun 1985 02 Apr 1993
HARPER, Milton R.	1855	1931
HARPER, Ruhama Luce	1874	1959
HARPER, Verne "Red"	29 Jan 1903	27 Aug 1999
HARRIS, Effie P.	15 Oct 1890	20 Apr 1891
HARRIS, William E.	29 Jan 1881	21 Aug 1883
HART, Earl D.	1900	1966
HART, Gladys Ellen	1905	1995
HAUSER, Donald Eugene	10 Jun 1967	04 Nov 2001
HAUSER, Thomas Earl	14 Feb 1965	04 Aug 1984

HAWORTH, F. Graylon	21 Sep 1909	31 May 1998
HEARNE, Peggy Ellen	13 Jun 1980	23 Jun 1982
HOLLENBEAK, Floyd E.	28 Mar 1908	04 Aug 1927
HOLLENBEAK, George	1874	1952
HOLLENBEAK, Lizzie	1871 - 80yrs	1952
HOLLOWAY, Floyd R.	1906	1965
HOLLOWAY, Harold D.	10 Jan 1932	14 Nov 1993
"US Navy - Korea"		
HOLLOWAY, James LeRoy	21 Jun 1934	18 Jun 1999
HOLLOWAY, Rick Ray	1958	1977
HOSKINS, Dessie	1903	1925
HOUSTON, A.R.	10 Jun 1863	06 Sep 1881
"Dear Son"		
HOUSTON, Forrest	05 Feb 1882	03 Sep 1900
HOUSTON, Grover B.	24 Nov 1885	17 Oct 1891
HOUSTON, Jacy	06 Dec 1883	06 Nov 1885
HOUSTON, James Porter	08 Apr 1860	21 Sep 1884
HOUSTON, Mary A.	1827	1904
HOUSTON, Milton A.	1830	1923
HOUSTON, Orage Oscar	1899	1975
"Pvt US Marine Corps WWI"		
HOWELL, Denton L.	21 Nov 1930	08 Sep 1992
"US Army - Korea"		
HOWELL, Natalie Virginia	22 Mar 1927	08 May 2004
HOWELL, Thelma	30 Nov 1937	28 Oct 1979
HUDSON, John R.	13 Jan 1903	08 May 1971
HUFF, Joseph	13 May 1809	24 Dec 1888
HUMPHREY, Lawrence W.	05 Jan 1937	25 Aug 1978
"Sgt US Marine Corps Korea"		
HUMPHREY, Lawrence West	14 May 1961	10 Sep 1990
HURD, Carrie M.	04 May 1861	06 Feb 1928
HURST, J. Orville "Daddy"	23 Oct 1913	28 Apr 1971
INLOW, Sarepta E.	1852	1932
IRELAND, Dale	14 Oct 1883	09 Jun 1902
IRELAND, Susan	19 Oct 1857	01 Jun 1902
IRELAND, William	19 Jun 1855	28 May 1902
IRONS, Esther Lucille	05 Jul 1911	16 Nov 1977
JOHNSON, Cecil D., Sr.	27 Dec 1937	23 Dec 2003
JOHNSON, Lelan H.	25 Nov 1905	07 Dec 1989
& Minnie L.	09 Sep 1912	13 Aug 1995
JOHNSON, Madeline B.	25 Mar 1890	10 Mar 1974
JOHNSON, Raymond C.	16 Nov 1894	15 Oct 1967
"Pvt WWI"		

JONES, Betty Jane	28 Aug 1920	27 Jan 2000
JONES, Gearold Lloyd	10 Jun 1937	18 Jan 1999
JONES, Leonenta M.	1920	1921
JONES, Sanford J.	15 Sep 1908	16 Sep 1973
JONES, Thomas E.	1878	1925
JONES, Walter Park	1883	1905
JONES, William	1841	1926
KEMP, Opie L. "Bone"	29 Jun 1962	04 Jul 1985
KNICKERBOCKER, Nellie O.	27 Jan 1868	09 Dec 1932
KREIGER, Amy R.	1863	1941
KREIGER, Clayton R.	1886	1956
LAMPMAN, Rusha	1864	1934
LAWSON, Barbara	29 Oct 1937	10 Nov 1937
LAWSON, Dee Earl	28 Jun 1882	02 Feb 1964
LAWSON, Della Fern	08 Mar 1906	16 Mar 1975
LAWSON, Infant female		15 Feb 1939
LAWSON, Infant male		12 Sep 1930
LINDSLEY, Aaron Michael	17 Oct 1987	25 Jul 1989
LINDSLEY, James	76yrs11m24d	24 Mar 1896
LINDGREN, Louis L.	1890	1978
LINDGREN, Pearl J.	1891	1982
LINGREN, Elaine M.	1917	1993
& Herbert S.	1915	2000
LOFTIN, George A.	02 Feb 1897	13 Dec 1967
LOFTIN, Isabelle A.	18 Aug 1897	20 Nov 1988
LUCAS, Hattie E.	18 Apr 1887	18 Jan 1932
LYNCH, Dora Buchanan	01 Aug 1868	23 Jul 1955
LYNCH, George H.	1860	1917
LYNCH, Margaret	1822	1918
LYNCH, William	25 Dec 1820	15 May 1903
MAC DONALD, Malinda Dogia	18 Oct 1882	03 Jul 1910
"Wife of L.B. MAC DONALD"		
MAPLESDEN, Amos Arlington	16 Feb 1920	21 Jun 2002
"Son of pioneers Lewis & Martha" "Parents of Sydney Amos & Cecil Roy"		
MAPLESDEN, Sydney B.	01 Nov 1968	25 Aug 1994
MARTIN, Dillard	25 Dec 1812	17 Jul 1892
MARTIN, James A. "Father"	23 Dec 1880	29 Aug 1960
& Pearl "Mother"	25 Feb 1891	06 Jun 1973
MARTIN, Merrill D.	22 Feb 1917	02 Sep 1965
"Oregon - Cpl 890 Cml Co Avn WWII"		
MARTIN, Nicholas Richard	24 Sep 1989	29 Apr 1994
MC CONNELL, Elizabeth	52yrs	21 May 1879
MC CONNELL, John	67yrs	23 Nov 1887
MEREDITH, Robert W.	29 Nov 1927	01 Feb 1985

MIDDLEBUSHER, Eula	01 Aug 1894	21 Mar 1986
MIDDLEBUSHER, Fred	07 Aug 1900	05 Jul 1988
MINNICK, Ina May	1936	1999
MITCHELL, Robert W.	21 Jul 1961	07 Aug 1986
"Pvt US Army"		
MOORE, Clifford H.	17 Nov 1907	25 Jan 1978
MOORE, Velma M.	27 Jan 1914	06 Feb 1993
MURA, Matthew Alexander	24 Aug 2001	15 Mar 2004
MUSTY, Edward	05 Sep 1891	30 Mar 1949
MUSTY, Elmira A.	03 Jun 1850	20 Apr 1920
MUSTY, Francis X.	11 Apr 1846	29 Sep 1926
MUSTY, James	06 Jul 1872	10 Oct 1905
MYERS, Armilda Ann	02 Dec 1907	14 May 1997
MYERS, Hannah	22 Feb 1817	23 Dec 1904
MYERS, Jacob	14 Dec 1815	23 May 1904
MYERS, James S.	26 Oct 1926	27 Jul 1988
"US Navy - Cpl US Army WWII"		
MYERS, Roy Aaron	21 Aug 1901	26 Dec 1969
NEASHAM, Loretta M.	07 Nov 1908	12 Dec 1975
NELSON, Estella	1868	1940
& John	1860	1911
NELSON, Faye W.	21 Feb 1907	11 Feb 1992
NELSON, Frank L.	1907	1974
NELSON, Jane	10 Jan 1899	17 Feb 1899
NITOWSKI, Walter A., Jr.	17 Sep 1940	21 Aug 1989
NIXON, Frank R.	02 Dec 1902	18 Mar 1988
"US Navy WWII"		
& Veronica E.	16 Feb 1896	28 Jul 1993
NORTHUP, Bertha M.	17 May 1916	20 Aug 2002
NORTHUP, Edward N.	18 Mar 1904	01 Apr 1971
"Oregon - Pvt US Marine Corps"		
OSWALD, Shirley A.	09 Aug 1938	19 Mar 1995
OWENS, Lurena "Mother"	24 Mar 1918	11 May 1989
PALMER, Joye	29 Jul 1904	11 Feb 1996
PALMER, L.J. "Bud"	04 Jan 1909	18 Jan 1996
PANKEY, Hampton	10 Apr 1838	04 Mar 1883
PARKER, Nannie	01 Mar 1845	16 Jul 1884
"Wife of F.M. PARKER"		
PATTERSON, Gerald E.	13 Dec 1907	23 Feb 1998
& Mildred L.	23 May 1911	05 Dec 1971
PEYTON, Darlena Ann	02 Jul 1944	20 Aug 2000
PRENTICE, Sharon		05 Feb 2002
PRENTICE, Timothy E.	04 Mar 1968	20 Sep 1997

THE LAZARES & ELISABETH GORDON YOCUM FAMILY

Lazares YOCUM was born 10 November 1810 in Ohio, and **Elisabeth GORDON** in Kentucky 5 February 1813. They married in 1835 and settled first in Indiana. Here, the first three daughters were born. By 1843 the family welcomed another daughter in Platte County, Missouri, and in 1854 the youngest daughter in Atchison, Kansas. A fifth daughter, **America E. YOCUM**, born about 1852, seems to have died sometime after 1870 as no record of her appears in the census after that date. By 1875, when the family decided leave Missouri to come west, all but the youngest daughter had married; the second daughter, **Mary Elizabeth Yocum LETTEKEN**, had been twice widowed; and the middle daughter **Missouri Ann Yocum FARMER**, after losing three infants, had died of childbirth fever. **Mary Elizabeth** married **Henry Holt FARMER**, **Missouri Ann's** widower combining their eight children, but before the birth of their own, **Henry** also died. In April 1875, the family loaded what they could on the train and headed for Redding, California. The party numbered twenty-one in all with **Lazares** age 64, **Elisabeth** age 62, and mother-in-law **Mary Thompson BEAGLE** age 72; and six children under 6 years old. The family walked from Redding, California to Oregon, but had their goods carted. After arriving in Southern Oregon they spread out a bit, but by 1886 most were in the Ashland area. **Lazares** died in Ashland 17 April 1891, and **Elisabeth** 09 August 1897. It is believed all were buried in Kingsbury Cemetery, then moved to Hill Dunn in 1959 as Immigrant Lake was formed.

Ursula YOCUM, known as "Sully," was born to **Lazares & Elisabeth** in Indiana 09 September 1836. She married **John W. MILLION** in Buchanan, Missouri 07 September 1854. **John** had been born in Kentucky in 1830. They had no children, but took in their nephew **John FARMER**, son of **Missouri** and **Henry**, and traveled with the Yocum party to Oregon. **John MILLION** died in Ashland on 08 August 1893, and **Ursula** on 14 April 1915.

Mary Elizabeth YOCUM was born to **Lazaras & Elisabeth** in Ripley County, Indiana August 1838. She first married **Joseph William A. LETTEKEN** in Missouri in 1857. They had 5 children. **Joseph** died about 1869 in Platte County, Missouri. In 1872 **Mary Elizabeth** married her sister's widower **Henry Holt FARMER**. **Henry** died of "Brain Fever" in Missouri 03 Dec 1873, just three months before the birth of his daughter **Virginia May FARMER**. When the family left for Oregon she was responsible for eight children, the oldest 16years old and three under 6 years old. All of these children survived to adulthood and married. **Mary Elizabeth** later married **Isaac M. WILLIAMS** in Oregon. She died in Ashland on 17 Feb 1906.



**AUSTRALIA YOCUM TAYLOR, LILLY TAYLOR,
AND MARY ELIZABETH YOCUM LETTEKEN HOLT**

Missouri Ann YOCUM, was also born in Indiana, in Switzerland County on 30 April 1840. She married **Henry Holt FARMER** in Leavenworth City, Kansas 05 February 1861. **Henry** had been born in Benton County, Tennessee 12 December 1832. His father was **George Washington FARMER**. Their first two sons, born in Leavenworth City, Kansas, died before they were a year old. The third child, a daughter born in Missouri, lived to 15 months. The next two children both lived to adulthood, married and had children. The last child **Lazarus FARMER** was born in Platte County, Missouri and grew to adulthood. He disappeared in Oregon about 1910. **Missouri** never recovered from this last birth and died of Childbirth Fever in Platte County, Missouri 06 Feb 1872. **Henry** married his wife's sister as noted above.

Virginia Azula YOCUM was born to **Lazares & Elisabeth** in Platte County, Missouri 26 September 1843. She married **William Thompson BEAGLE** on 02 December 1865 in Platte County. **William** was the son of **Thomas & Mary Thompson BEAGLE**, born

in Platte County, Missouri 15 June 1841. **William** had served in the civil war as a Confederate Army drummer, a private in Company E, 1st and 3rd Missouri Cavalry, and held prisoner for a time. He is listed as a prisoner 13 May 1865 in Jackson, Mississippi, and paroled to Missouri 31 May 1865. His father evidently died before the trip west, as his mother accompanied the party. They had three children before leaving Missouri and upon their arrival **William Monti "Jack"** was born in Bybee Bridge, OR. Two children followed after settling in Beagle: All these children survived to adulthood, married and had children. **Virginia** died in Ashland 29 September 1917, was survived by her husband and all of her children, and was buried in the Mountain View Cemetery, Ashland. Her husband **William** was traveling to fight a forest fire in the Colestin Valley in 1918 when he was kicked in the abdomen by a frightened horse. He died a week later from the injury, 19 July 1918, he was 77 years old. He was also buried in the Mountain View Cemetery.

The youngest daughter of **Lazares & Elisabeth, Australia YOCUM**, known as "Trill," was born in Atchison, Kansas 04 February 1854. She was unmarried at the time the family headed west, but married **John Monroe TAYLOR** in Jackson County, 07 November 1875. They had seven children all born in Jackson County, Oregon: Four lived to adulthood and married. One died at 18 years old, and little is known of the youngest two. **John Monroe TAYLOR** was a wagon train pilot. He died in Ashland on 20 June 1921 and his wife **Australia** died in Ashland 22 March 1941.



JOHN MONROE TAYLOR,
Husband of AUSTRALIA,
1880.

DESCENDANTS OF LAZARES & ELISABETH YOCUM

10 Nov 1810 - 17 Apr 1891 & 05 Feb 1813 - 09 Aug 1897



Ursula Yocum (09 Sep 1836 - 14 Apr 1915) & John W. Million (1830 - 08 Aug 1893)

Mary Elizabeth Yocum (Aug 1838 - 17 Feb 1906) & Joseph William A. Letteken (1834 - 1869)
Louisa Letteken (08 Sep 1858 - 16 Mar 1934) & James W. Colclough (M. 08 Jan 1877)
& Herbert Arthur Fergus (? - 19 Sep 1934)

John Henry Letteken (Apr 1860 - 08 Apr 1938) & Ethangia Provolt (1864 - Aug 1944)
Florence Letteken (1887 - 1973)
Samuel Letteken (1888 - 1910)
Maysel Letteken (1890 - 1976)
Myrtle Letteken (1892 - 1924)

William Armstrong Letteken (09 Oct 1863 - 06 Jun 1934) & Lois Maud Scribner (14 Mar
Maud Bell Letteken (1892 - 1973) 1871 - 03 May 1944)
Evelyn Alice Letteken (1894 - 1989)
Ernest Arthur Letteken (1896 - 1986)
Clara Christina Letteken (1898 - 1986)

Adam H. Letteken (26 Sep 1866 - 02 Sep 1895) & Etheffa Provolt (1871 - 08 Apr 1948)
Cora M. Letteken (1892 - ?)

Elizabeth Letteken (03 Jul 1869 - 19 Mar 1945) & William T. Wilfoung (divorced) &
Thomas R. Dunnivan

Mary Elizabeth Yocum & Henry Holt Farmer (12 Dec 1832 - 03 Dec 1873)

Virginia May Farmer (19 Mar 1874 - 22 Nov 1941) & William R. Taylor (27 Apr 1867 -
Alva Taylor (1891 - 1915) 22 Jul 1960)
Ethel Mae Taylor (1894 - 1954)
Estella Taylor (1897 - 1918)
Mary Elizabeth Taylor (1901 - ?)
Pearl Elaine Taylor (1905 - 1995)
Lucile Fama Taylor (1907 - 1959)
Myra Louise Taylor (1910 - 1977)
William Mike Taylor (1915 - 1985)

Missouri Ann Yocum (30 Apr 1840 - 06 Feb 1872) & Henry Holt Farmer (12 Dec 1832 - 03 Dec
Daniel Franklin Letteken Farmer (30 Dec 1861 - 10 Apr 1862) 1873)

George Holt Farmer (23 Aug 1863 - 23 Apr 1864)

Daisy Farmer (28 Apr 1865 - 31 Jul 1866)

Mary Elizabeth Farmer (16 Jan 1867 - 06 Oct 1953) & (Wm. Ditterbrandt, Stock) & John
John W. Mann, Jr. (1886 - 1958) W. Mann, Sr.
Laddie Daniel Mann (1888 - 1952)

John William Farmer (18 Dec 1869 - 18 Sep 1962) & Florence May Inlow

Bessie May Farmer (1893-1980)

Amy Florence Farmer (1894 - 1982)

Earl John Farmer (1896 - 1925)

Ivan William Farmer (1898 - 1925)

Harry Robin Farmer (1900 - 1973)

George Washington Farmer (1903 - 1939)

Myles Lesley Farmer (1905 - 1962)

Chester Mason Farmer (1908 - ?)

Glenn Mason Farmer (1910 - 1966)
Daniel Boone Farmer (1911 - 1992)
Josephine Maxine Farmer (1912 - 1929)
Genevieve Marie Farmer (1914 - 1979)
Lazarus "Laddy" Farmer (01 Feb 1872 - ?) (disappeared about 1910)

Virginia Azula Yocum (26 Sep 1843 - 29 Sep 1917) & William Thompson Beagle (15 Jun 1841
- 19 Jul 1918)

Thomas Jackson Beagle (14 Jan 1867 - 10 Mar 1920) & Lida Scribner (11 Feb 1874 -
14 May 1935)

Mabel Clare Beagle(1891 - 1909)

Grace Alice Beagle (1894 - 19810

Thomas Walter Beagle (1899 - 1946)

Gladys Pauline Beagle (1908 - ?)

Halene Opal Beagle (1914 - ?)

Susie Ursula Beagle (14 Jul 1869 - 13 Aug 1963) & (Geo. Pittman) & Joseph Easten
Randles (06 Apr 1859 - 06 Oct 1947)

Guy Randles (1896 - 1992)

Merritt E. Randles (1900 - ?)

John Henry Beagle (Sep 1872- 31 Oct 1918) & Eva Westcott (01 Jan 1877 - 16 Oct 1947)

Delphia May Beagle (1900 - ?)

Capitola Lucille Beagle

Wilber Manley Beagle

Carl Jasper Beagle

William Monti Beagle (04 Oct 1875 - 26 Oct 1968) & Marguerite Ann Clute (13 Apr
1883 - 16 Mar 1967)

Elnora Violet Beagle (1899 - 1926)

Monti Vernon Beagle (1901 - ?)

William Wright Beagle (1910 - 1933)

James Coakley Beagle (11 Oct 1882 - 04 Oct 1934) & Ethel Randles (Oct 1882 - 19 Feb
1978)

Melvin James Beagle

Merle Beagle

Adam Harmon Beagle (10 Feb 1885 - 20 Jan 1970) & (Mattie M. Cress) Edith Mae
Lewis Underwood (02 Aug 1895 - 14 Oct 1979)

Donald Beagle

Australia "Trill"Yocum (04 Mar 1854 - 22 Mar 1941) & John Monroe Taylor (17 Apr 1847 -
20 Jun 1921)

Lilian Bell Taylor (02 Sep 1878 - 28 Sep 1931) & Charles Burns (1873 - ?)

Cecil Burns

Thomas F. Taylor (04 Oct 1881 - 1946) May Belle Clute

Louisa Taylor (12 Apr 1884 - 1959) & Daniel G. Hargrove (1885 - ?)

Fred Taylor (27 Dec 1886 - 23 Feb 1905)

Noel Taylor (Apr 1890 - 24 Sep 1979) & Iva Myrtle Henderson (1887 - 1979)

Roy Taylor (May 1893 - ?)

Harvey Taylor (Jan 1897 - ?)

NEW ON OUR SHELVES

By Sybil Russell, Library Manager

Your book acquisition committee, consisting of Leona Blankenship, Colleen Eccleston, Gene Henry and myself, met recently to review the offerings of publishers, and we ordered some things we think you'll find both interesting and useful. Do come by the library and take a look at them.

Magna Carta Ancestry: A Study in Colonial and Medieval Families

By Douglas Richardson, hardbound, 1098 pages, \$100.00

This is one of two gems of scholarship by this author which we have acquired this year. The other is *Plantagenet Ancestry*. While there is some duplication of information, descent from the Plantagenet line of English kings means you have some royalty in your line, however watered down it may be. Magna Carta ancestry means some of your forebears were of the nobility which took part in an important event in history.

In 1215, King John was forced to sign the Magna Carta (Great Charter), a document which eventually allowed a legal system to exist which was independent of the monarchy. Twenty-five barons were appointed to see that John kept to its provisions. Seventeen of those barons have known descendants past four generations, and about 200 colonists to 17th century America were descended from them. Many of those lines now have thousands and thousands of descendants among current Americans. You may be one of them. Ordinary names like BRADSHAW, CARTER, FENWICK, HENRY, LOGAN, MARSHALL, PARKER, SMITH, TAYLOR and WEST among others, are cited.

Personally, I was pleased to find that Richardson gives his sources conscientiously, complete with page numbers, so I can go to original texts myself and check out those internet rumors of a particular line's noble descent. There is an exhaustive bibliography, as well. In both books, Richardson gives his e-mail address so that you can share new discoveries with him for further investigation.

For history enthusiasts, the text of the Magna Carta is included in modern English and is an interesting look at the customs and laws of the time regarding property, marriage and inheritance. There is also an index of battles of the time.

Index to U.S. Military Pension Applications of Remarried Widows, 1812-1911, transcribed by Virgil D. White, hardbound, 999 pages, \$120.00

The title is descriptive of the content. This indexes records at the National Archives of over 54,000 names. While the majority of the claims are for Civil War widows, indexed by their current husband's last name, there are other wars and conflicts included, some claims by minor or helpless children, mothers, fathers, and sisters of servicemen. Information is included on the deceased husband's service and current husband's service, if any. There is also useful instruction on how to obtain the files from the National Archives.

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