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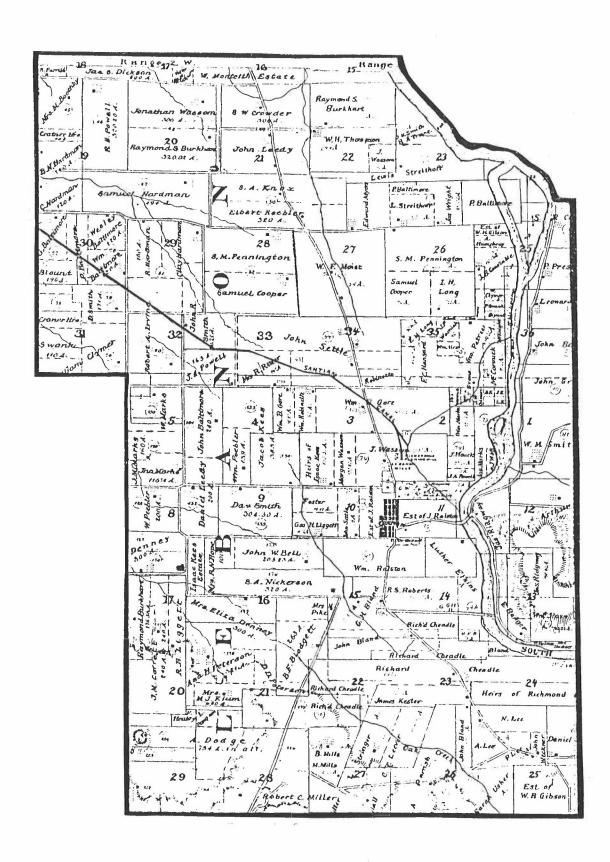
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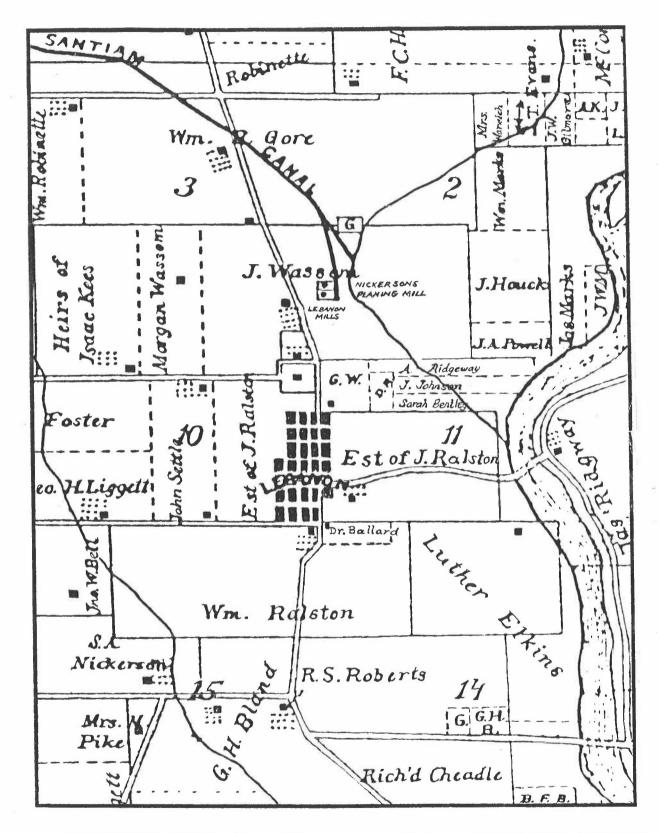
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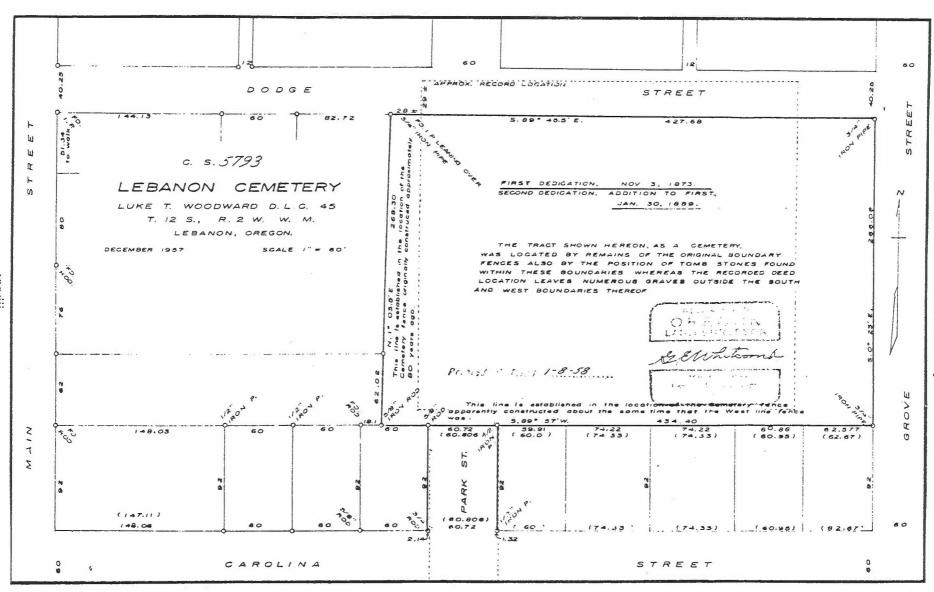


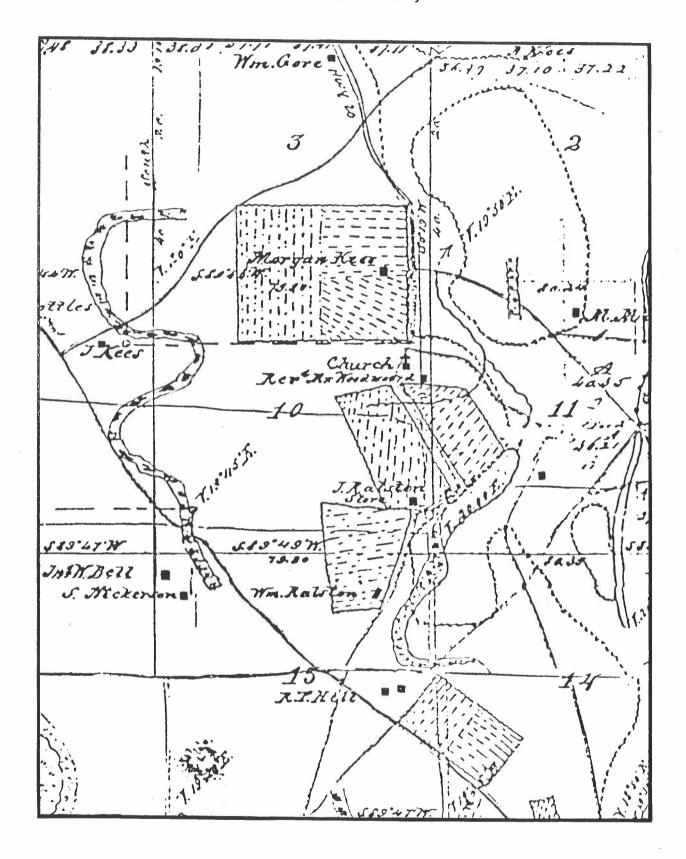
This enhanced close-up of the 1878 survey map of Lebanon, Oregon, shows clearly the realization of Jeremiah Ralston's dream of a city rising from the fields which surrounded his store in 1848.

The small square of land marked "G.W." in the center of the map includes the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery.

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By 1889, the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church found it necessary to request an addition to the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery.





This survey map, completed March 1, 1853 by the Surveyor General's Office in Oregon City, Oregon, shows the donation land claims of Jeremiah Ralston and Morgan Kees, and the Methodist church which bordered the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery.

200 Dodge Street Lebanon, Oregon

The End of the Trail

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Lebanon, Oregon, owes much to its early pioneers. These brave settlers forged trails, suffered hardships, and shaped the future with their sweat, tears, love, and vision. This book, about them and their final resting place, is dedicated to the memory of these courageous people with our sincere thanks for their efforts.

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INTRODUCTION

In the mid-1800's, the fertile farm lands of the Willamette Valley, and the donation land claims of 640 acres offered by the government to pioneer settler families, attracted many emigrants to the Oregon Territory.

The trek by wagon train began for most in Missouri in late April or early May. After months of walking through all kinds of weather, fording rivers and streams, sometimes fighting off or evading hostile Indians, the weary travelers arrived in the Willamette Valley in September or October, leaving precious little time to build suitable shelter against the relentless rains and cold of winter. Many families arrived with more or less numbers than started; births and deaths were common along the trail. They arrived to find few towns, fewer doctors, and frequent outbreaks diphtheria, cholera, and typhoid fever. They also found lush verdant fields, cold clear streams and rivers, and the company of honest hard-working men and women.

The earliest settlers arrived in Oregon in the 1830's and 1840's, following the trails blazed by the explorers, trappers, and missionaries. In the winter of 1845 two young men, Thomas Morgan and William Hawk, spent several months near what is now the corner of Grove and Maple streets in Lebanon. There they built a small cabin. From that simple beginning, the town of Lebanon, Oregon, was born.

In 1847, when Jeremiah Ralston, a merchant from Burlington, Indiana, arrived at the present site of Lebanon, he found only that cabin occupied by the two squatters. In order to have the boundaries of his donation land claim parallel, Jeremiah traded \$30 and a yoke of oxen for Morgan and Hawk's rights, and opened a store with supplies and merchandise he'd carried over the Oregon Trail in three covered wagons. His was the only store serving the settlers living nearby, and the many to come.

By 1848, Lebanon was called Kees' Precinct, for Morgan Kees whose claim was near Jeremiah Ralston's. The first election

was held in the Kees home that year with 38 votes polled.

In 1852, Jeremiah laid out and platted the town of Lebanon, he and Kees each contributing five acres of land. They also gave a ten-acre tract to the Methodist conference for church, cemetery and school purposes. The Methodist Episcopal Church and the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery were established on that tract. Until 1854 or 1855, school was conducted from the church which was little more than a rustic log cabin.

The Methodist conference sent for the Reverend Luther T. Woodward and his wife, a young school teacher and mother. Soon after the Woodward's arrival, about 1852, their only child died and was one of the earliest burials in the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery. The oldest gravestone in the cemetery marks the resting place of Sarah J. Settle who died August 7, 1850.

Among the first settlers in Lebanon were the many members of the Church of the Brethren, or German Baptist Church. They settled on Willamette Valley farms beginning in 1850 and started the first church of that order west of the Rocky Mountains in 1856. The Brethren, or Dunkards, were plain people, simple in dress and word, who took no oaths and married mostly within their faith. Many pioneer Brethren are buried at the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery.

Luther Elkins, John H. Settle, Morgan Kees, and David Ballard, were some of Lebanon's earliest and most influential settlers. These men, along with Jeremiah Ralston and his son William, formed the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Road Company on May 18, 1864, easing the way for more settlers by establishing a toll road across the Santiam Pass into the valley of the Willamette. These men were also instrumental in starting the Santiam Academy, in its day one of the finest and most beautiful high schools in the State.

On August 25, 1873, the trustees of the Methodist Church acquired a deed from L.T. Woodward for "a certain piece of ground in northeast Lebanon, bounded on the South by Carolina St., on the East by Grove St., on the North by Dodge St., and having a West boundary about 70 feet west of the Park St. line." Its area totaled 2½ acres in Section 11, Township 12 South of Range 2 West of Willamette Meridian in Linn County. It was adjacent to the plot of land then occupied by the church building.

The Methodist Episcopal Church of Lebanon owned the cemetery until April 30, 1958.

Jeremiah Ralston was concerned about the future of the cemetery he gave to the town he founded. He established an endowment for its maintenance and upkeep, but over the years it was hopelessly lost.

The last burial at the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery occurred in June of 1938 when the body of Cyril David Alexander, a disabled American war veteran, was laid to rest beside his mother in the family plot. The Methodist church had long since moved to a new location. The cemetery sexton, his name forgotten, was rumored to have moved out of the area, taking all burial records with him.

For years the cemetery was sadly neglected. Several of the stones were vandalized and some were even carried off. Old wooden markers simply rotted away. At one time the entire cemetery was overgrown with brush and berry vines.

In 1954, the City of Lebanon attempted to have the cemetery condemned. A proposed ordinance read as follows:

That the cemetery located between Dodge and Carolina Streets and West of Grove Street within the City of Lebanon, Oregon, be decreed to be an abandoned cemetery, to have become deteriorated and overgrown with weeds, trees, shrubs and other uncontrolled growth and to be so located to endanger the health, welfare, comfort and safety of the public and that the public welfare requires that cemetery be discontinued and relocated and cleared.

Had this ordinance gone into effect, the State Highway Commission would have extended the highway through a portion of the cemetery. The graves would have all been dug up and relocated. Fortunately, the Methodist church refused to transfer title to the city of that purpose, and the highway was rerouted. On April 30, 1958, for the sum of \$1.00, the church gave the City of Lebanon a quitclaim deed to the cemetery. Since that time it has been maintained by the City Parks Department.

Throughout the vears attempts have been made to effect needed repairs in the cemetery. In 1989 students from Lebanon Middle School and Parent's Club members worked in the cemetery weeding, cutting out brush and spreading bark dust. The wood shop students made a handsome sign for the cemetery entrance and set upright stones that had been toppled. Other private citizens and city officials held a meeting to plan future improvements, such as lighting, pathways, headstone repairs and fencing, as well as the publication of this book. A second well-made wooden sign reading "Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery", made by local students, recently appeared at the northeast corner of the old burial grounds.

Ralston, Kees, Settle, Elkins, Ballard, ~~ all of these civic minded and courageous pioneers are buried at the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery. With them are many of their family, friends, and neighbors; the earliest residents of Lebanon and the surrounding towns and farmlands. From the brief summaries of their lives, as found in their obituaries, history books, and family tales, we are able to glimpse into the past and, for a moment, walk among them and understand their hardships and triumphs, their times and customs, their deep religious beliefs, and their dreams for the future.

The contents of this book are the result of more than eight years of research on the part of Patricia Dunn of Lebanon. She spent countless hours poring over newspaper files, census records, wills, land records, and history books. Her work was combined with that of Jeanne Gentry, a

descendant of the Brethren settlers, who provided additional information, research hours, and typing and computer skills. All of this work was donated to the City of Lebanon for this book, the proceeds of which will go into a fund for cemetery restoration.

Winter, 1994

This revised, and for us final edition of the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery has been a true labor of love. We both worked hard researching, organizing, analyzing, inputing, editing, and proofreading, but more than anything we had fun.

Since the publication of Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery in 1991, we have met dozens of descendants who have shared their family bibles, albums, and scrapbooks to enhance a second edition. As a result, there are more than fifty additional pictures, corrected entries, and rediscovered burials in this edition.

We changed our format from single to double column to make the information easier to read. Processing was done utilizing Word for Windows and an Epson Action Laser II printer.

Involvement with the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery has led both of us on new paths. Pat has joined the Linn County Historic Resources Commission and the Lebanon Historic Resources Commission. Jeanne has become president of the Oregon Historic Cemeteries Association, the first such association to form west of the Mississippi River.

We both want to thank all of the wonderful and generous people who contributed their family treasures to help make this second edition of Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery truly special.

Sincerely,

Pat Dunn and Jeanne Gentry The Cemetery Ladies

LEBANON PIONEER CEMETERY

IN THE NEWS

Lebanon Express, Feb. 1, 1889

Graveyard in Town

Mr. Editor: -- Will you allow us space in your valuable paper to enter a protest against the further enlargement of the graveyard in the town of Lebanon. When the present burying place was selected there was no thought of the town reaching its present limit, but now, with settlements all around the old graveyard, and with a bright prospect of a rapid future growth, it looks absurd for the trustees to try to enlarge it right in town. Besides the looks of the thing it is a direct injury to several of us living on the north and east side of it. We hold that they have no right thus to damage us and our property in any such way, and if the trustees persist in their efforts to enlarge under our most solemn protest, then we will be compelled to try for redress at the hands of the law. It is a well known fact here that there is an under current of water running north and north east all the time, thus compelling us to drink the water from the decomposing bodies of the dead. We sincerely hope that this matter may be adjusted without recourse to law, but if nothing but law will settle it, then let it come. CITIZENS

Lebanon Express, Apr. 24, 1891

We are told by a person who lives near the cemetery that it is no uncommon thing for persons to invade the sacred precincts of the dead and rob the graves of choice flowers. A sense of respect for the departed, ought, one would think, prevent these unholy incursions, but not so. Let not these visits be repeated or we shall be compelled to deal in personalities.

Lebanon Express, Feb. 2, 1898

A Much Needed Improvement.

Mrs. J.M. Ralston, of Albany, is circulating a subscription paper to raise money to be used for the purpose of improving the old Lebanon cemetery. She has raised quite a sum in Albany, and will soon come to Lebanon and solicit subscriptions. Mrs. Ralston intends to raise money enough to put the cemetery in good shape, and put water on the grounds -- either a well or hydrant. This is a good cause, and we believe our citizens will contribute liberally.

The way the Lebanon cemetery has been neglected is a disgrace, not only to Lebanon but to the whole community. It is true some have always kept the graves of their relatives in a neat condition, but as a rule the grounds have been sadly neglected. This should not be the case any longer, and if the trustees will not attend to putting the cemetery in good shape, then let the citizens take hold and see that the work is done.

Lebanon Express, Feb. 16, 1898

Mrs. J.M. Ralston spent Saturday and Monday in Lebanon soliciting funds to put the old Lebanon cemetery in good shape. She has succeeded in getting subscriptions of about \$65 in money, besides a pump and pipe, and ten or twelve days in labor. Mrs. Ralston was much pleased with the way our citizens contributed. With but few exceptions, all spoke very favorably of her work, and nearly all who were able contributed to the cause. She wishes to raise at least \$100, as she thinks that amount will be necessary to properly complete the work. Those who she did not see, who wish to contribute, are kindly requested to send their contributions to her at Albany.

Lebanon Express, July 26, 1909

CEMETERY A MENACE TO HEALTH

Encroachment of City Renders Some Action Necessary.

Suggestion That the City Council Look After Its Removal.

In these columns recently appeared an item relative to the removal of the cemetery in the lower part of the city, which is becoming a menace to the health of the town as well as an impediment to its building in that direction. The city has built up to this ancient burial spot on the south, east and west, and were it not there would extend on to the north for some distance, for it is a desirable section for residence purposes.

Does any good reason exist why this work of removal should not be commenced:

Naturally there will be a few persons found who will combat this much needed sanitary improvement, these people contending that it is not right to disturb the resting place of the dead.

While this act may appear harsh and inhuman (unreadable) citizens, the great majority will agree that this is a necessity for the preservation of the health of the living.

This removal of cemeteries from encroaching cities and towns has been going on for centuries throughout the world. It is something that cannot be overcome. Few cities in America have escaped this work, and it will probably continue to the end of time.

Presumably, when this land was laid out for a burial ground, the people who had charge of the work had no idea that the town would ever encroach upon this resting place of the dead.

Just how long this cemetery has been in existence this paper is not informed, but it can reasonably be asserted that few if any of the original (unreadable) of the burial place are alive today, but if they were it would be apparent to them that the citizens of this municipality are not asking too much when it is suggested that it be removed.

The living are entitled to consideration. In other sections of the country, when the resting places of the dead have endangered the health of the living, the proper authorities have interfered (sic) in favor of the latter. The case in point should not be different from those in other places.

The people of Lebanon are entitled in every precaution possible from a health standpoint.

The city council should take this matter up and discuss the best and most feasible plan for the removal of this cemetery. It is only a question of time when this work will have to be done, and the sooner it is commenced the better it will be for all concerned. The health of our citizens should be safeguarded, and in order to do this properly this burial ground will have to be removed.

Were it necessary, and if the space in this paper was available, column after column of instances could be cited where just such occurrences as this have taken place. Cemeteries have been removed that contained 100 bodies where this one under consideration contains one.

NOTE: The Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery certainly contains many more than one grave, and would have in 1909 when the above article was written. The reference in the beginning to this cemetery being at the "lower part of town" seems to indicate this was not our cemetery. As there is no cemetery in the southern portion of Lebanon, perhaps the article produced the result it was seeking.

Lebanon Express, Oct. 8, 1931

Suggest Old Cemetery Be Turned Into Public Park

Editor Lebanon Express:

I was more than pleased when I read in your paper last week that, under the leadership of Dr. J.C. Booth, the people of Lebanon are starting to improve the park conditions of your city by complying with the philanthropic request of the public spirited pioneers of your community, who gave to it what is now the Lebanon high school campus.

Although the donors of the fund for making the improvement now being started by your citizens may not have thought it possible for so great a change to come in Lebanon as has in so short a time, yet they doubtless visioned a time in the future when your city, like all others that wisely provide for the recreational and health conditions of their people, would need a conveniently located public park, but time has revealed their wisdom and that of those other praiseworthy pioneers of your community who took part in starting here an educational institution that, in the village days of Lebanon and for many years after, made it attractive to the class of homeseekers who wished to cast their lot and bring up their children amid wholesome educational and religious conditions.

Since reading of the present interest manifested by Dr. Booth and others in improving the high school campus I have wondered if this will prove to be the first step of a concerted move of your citizens in beautifying their city and safeguarding the health of its people by providing ample recreational grounds conveniently located to that large class of people of all cities that haven't the means nor spare time to go to the mountains or the seashore when they need, and can get, a short release from the grind of daily toil.

It seems to me that the old cemetery located near the high school campus could be converted into a city park of this kind and thus change what now is a neglected, unsightly part of your city into a place of beauty to all, and a material benefit to all the home owners immediately surrounding it.

Many cities in this country and other parts of the world have, like Lebanon at present, grown until they surround cemeteries that once were outside their boundaries. To suggest that such cemeteries be converted into public parks may seem to some like proposing a sacrilegious innovation, yet it frequently has been done in this country and elsewhere. A recent example is the century old St. Bartholomew cemetery in London which last year was made a public park for the many poor people of that part of the great city.

In this practical age, we do many things that formerly were not done because of slavery to custom which now is fast being cast off, especially by Americans.

In cases of changing cemeteries into city parks people merely consider the welfare of the living more important than reverence for the dead."

L.A. SIMONS.

Sodaville, Sept. 24, 1931

Lebanon Express, Sept. 16, 1937

PIONEER RESTING PLACE MAY BECOME A MEMORIAL PARK

Plans to make a state memorial park of the pioneer cemetery located on North Main street are being rapidly made by a committee of interested Lebanon citizens it was announced early this week. S.C. Myers is chairman of the group sponsoring the protected plans and Senator Cortis D. Stringer is also prominent in the committee which was organized at a meeting held Tuesday evening Sept. 14.

Headstones on the plot which was given by the Kees family, mark the resting place of many who in early days played a leading part in the development of the city and the county. Use of the cemetery was first made about the same time that the old academy was being conducted on adjoining property also donated in part by another member of the Kees family.

Committee members will make a report of progress on this project at the meeting of the Garden club to be held at the Presbyterian church next Monday evening Sept. 20.

Lebanon Express, Sept. 30, 1937

Recalling Early History

By CLAUDE RIDDLE

Quest for material from which to compile an "old time" article for this week's Express, led the writer of this column to the pioneer cemetery in the north park of Lebanon. It is old time sure enough and would almost lead one to think that this burying ground belonged to a long-forgotten age, for many of the graves have been sadly neglected and the markers are stoppled (sic) over and broken, scattered from their original places and overgrown with rank weeds and briars, as though all the grief which accompanied the loved ones to their last resting place had taken root and overspread the sacred plot.

However that may be, plans are now in the making to remove this civic blot so far as possible, to make it a place of beauty and of due respect to the memories of Lebanon's first dead, by transforming it into a memorial park.

The earliest death recorded on the tombstones examined by the writer was that of Sarah J. Settle, who passed away Aug. 7, 1850. She was aged 13 years, 2 months and 19 days. In that same year Mary Kees died Nov. 25, aged 58 years and 6 months. Among present day descendants of the Settle family is Mrs. C.H. Mitchell; the Kees family were prominent in the early activities of this area.

Elizabeth Clymer, wife of Christian Clymer, passed on Jan. 17, 1853, aged 60 years, 4 months and 21 days. Christian Clymer died in 1877 aged nearly 82 years. There are many graves of Clymer dead in this old cemetery, several dating in the '50s.

Morgan Kees died in 1866. He was born in Pennsylvania. Mary Kees, his wife, born in Virginia, lived until 1882. Isaac D. Kees died in 1866 and C.R. Kees in 1896.

Rev. Richmond Cheadle was undoubtedly a prominent character of his time. He died in 1875. Mary H. Cheadle, his wife, died Aug. 28, 1861. Relatives of the same name yet live at Lebanon.

David Claypool died July 17, 1857, aged 61. Nancy, his wife in February 1866. Mary A. Backus died March 5, 1868, aged 44 years. Enoch G. Shields, a son of J. and M.M. Shields, died May 13, 1857.

An unassuming marble slab bears only these words; J.W. Ricks, Co. D., 36th Indiana Infantry.

Luther Elkins, born in Maine in 1809, came to Oregon in 1852. He died Dec. 13, 1887. Philotheta Elkins, his wife, was born in Chanango county, New York, in 1806 and passed on in 1881.

A somewhat ironical case caught the reporter's attention. An ancient looking stone had fallen over and was broken stark through the middle, and when cleared of the growth of weeds, briars and moss stains the following "Resurgam" was deciphered as a tribute to a noble woman who had died nearly 60 years ago:

"Plain as her native dignity of mind Arise the tomb of her we have resigned. Unflawed and stainless be the marble scroll Emblem of lovely form and candid soul."

At this day and date everything is just like it says on the carved marble -- except that the tomb is fallen down instead of "Arised," the marble scroel (sic) is sadly broken instead of "flawless," and its "stainless" condition is anything but that.

But like most every other where, "Time Moves On" in this old cemetery where sleep many of the dead who were the people of Lebanon in their time, even as we are now. From week to week we hope to gather facts of local interest pertaining to the lives and activities of some of those pioneers.

On one of the marble slabs above a woman's resting place in this old burial ground it says; "She hath done what she could." Me thinks they all did that

Lebanon Express, Oct. 14, 1937

Senator Stringer Describes History of Pioneer Cemetery

An absorbing account of the history of the old cemetery -- how the property was deeded to the board of trustees of the Lebanon Methodist church and other interesting detail -- is contained in a letter from Sen. Cortis D. Stringer to the Express. What the Lebanon Garden club found in its research in old records, as well as the Linn legislator's own suggestions in regard to improving the property and his memories of the site are described in the letter which follows:

"To the Editors:

"Your live-wire reporter, Claude Riddle, writes in your last issue upon an interesting and timely subject, the old cemetery in Lebanon.

"May I add a few remarks upon the same subject: Probably many of your readers, until they read Mr. Riddle's article, did not know this old pioneer cemetery existed as it is out of the line of business and travel. The Lebanon Garden club is interesting itself in having something done about this historically important but sadly neglected 'graveyard' which constitutes a link between the old pioneer-frontier town of Lebanon and the modern, bustling city that has taken its place. A committee appointed by the club president, including the writer, determined the ownership, and after searching the record, found as follows:

"Name: cemetery at Lebanon. The title descends from the Luther T. and Elizabeth Woodward D.L.C. for which patent was issued in 1866, and was signed by President Johnson. On March 3, 1873, the Woodwards transferred the title to J.M. McDonald, Jacob Kees and Amos Blue, trustees of the Lebanon Methodist church. Premises comprise two acres and 25 rods. Purpose: cemetery at Lebanon. Premises 'greater portion' of property deed by Woodward Nov. 3 same year. The trustees recorded their (unreadable) cemetery at Lebanon. The plat may be viewed in Linn county's oldest plat book, Vol. 1, P. 12.

"No other record of transfer being found, the title descending through succeeding boards of trustees, apparently rests in the Lebanon Methodist church.

"When a child the writer, with his parents, attended many a burial at this place. Those graves

were covered with wild roses and flowers grown in the 'flower garden' and gathered by loving hands and sorrowing friends and neighbors. There were no 'hot house plants' then.

"Many a coffin in which they were 'laid to rest' my father worked all night to build and to have ready next day when the 'hack' called for it. Father's work came to \$5 (when and if collected); flowersnothing; hack-nothing. Mother helped make many a shroud and that was nothing.

"It would be well for the harried soul of anyone to wander alone at eventide among those time worn, moss covered stones that mark the resting place of those who once upon a time tied their steaming teams to the hitching rack and trod the board sidewalks of Lebanon town and there regain peace and wisdom. An hour spent there with the poet, and you too will wonder 'Oh, why should the spirit of mortal be proud'.

"We cannot disturb their mortal remains, and there are none, for nature has completed its cycle of Earth to Earth. We can, however, rescue this spot hallowed in memory from its disuse and neglect. We can make of it a resting place for the living also. And within this park cause to be placed a beautiful monument, with their names enscrolled thereon, in memorium to the honored pioneers who there found peace and rest. We believe they would have it so."

CORTIS D. STRINGER

Lebanon Express, Jan. 20, 1938

OLD CEMETERY REPAIR PLANS GAIN HEADWAY

Restoration Program in Favor of City Council; Promise all Aid Possible

The plan to beautify and provide permanent maintenance for the pioneer cemetery north of Lebanon, a plan originated and strongly promoted by many of Lebanon's most prominent women citizens, approached so much the closer to realization Tuesday night when councilmen went on record as giving the proposal all the support possible within their authority.

If present barriers are overcome, or are found not to exist, the program provides for the city to take over the deeds to unplotted property of the cemetery, use funds of \$750 already provided to beautify and repair it, and allot approximately \$250 per year in the budget for its maintenance.

The entire program hinges, however, upon the Keyes (sic) will which originally deeded the property to the Methodist Cemetery association, which is also in charge of the \$750 fund which sponsors hope will be used for repair. City Attorney F.D. Mayer has been instructed to study the deeds on file in the county clerk's office, to see if their terms prevent transferring the title to the city, or prohibit turning over the \$750 sum. Also, while the present personnel of the council favors budgeting funds for maintenance, it could not promise them for such matters are up to the budget board and to a council which may change its membership in the coming election.

Mrs. Joel C. Mayer, president of the Lebanon Garden club which is at present the most active supporter of the plan, addressed the council on Tuesday night, describing efforts to bring about the improvement. Improvement would include installation of a water system, planting of a lawn and erection of some sort of memorial for the dead, as well as the planting of many trees offered by the U.S. Forest service. All improvements could be well financed by the \$750 trust fund.

Another contemplated improvement is construction of an entrance on the west side onto Main street. This might be accomplished, Mrs. Mayer said, by exchanging unplotted lots on the east side for one on the west.

Mrs. Mayer said careful investigation showed maintenance cost would be about \$250 a year; including services of a caretaker and cost of water over a six months' period.

Lebanon Express, May 19, 1938

'DADS' REFUSE OWNERSHIP OF OLD CEMETERY

Ask More Time For Consideration Before Accepting Deeds

Pleading more time to consider the matter more carefully from every angle, the city council Tuesday night refused to accept conveyance of deeds turning over ownership of the old cemetery from the Methodist church trustees to the city.

The transfer was the first step outlined in a program of the Lebanon Garden club which several months ago launched efforts toward beautifying the grounds. The club seeks the city's aid in the matter for several reasons, one of the chief is being the city as a political subdivision is eligible to apply for a WPA project to work on the property. The club is also requesting an annual appropriation.

While councilmen declared they were highly interested in doing all they were able to aid the club in its efforts and may make the

appropriation, they said they had never gone on record as willing to accept ownership. If they did, the city would be liable for perpetual upkeep of the property and may bring unwarranted expense, it was pointed out.

Approximately \$750 in notes and cash were to have been turned over along with the deeds.

It was understood councilmen would seek out the feeling of taxpayers before taking action.

Lebanon Express, Sept. 8, 1938

CITY'S TENURE OF CEMETERY UP TO VOTERS

Dads Again Refuse Deeds To Burying Ground; Put Matter on Fall Ballot

The Lebanon electorate will decide in the fall election Nov. 8 whether the city should accept ownership of the old pioneer cemetery and provide in its annual budget costs for maintenance of the property.

This was the final decision in council meeting Tuesday night after Mrs. Joel C. Mayer of the Lebanon Garden club presented petitions endorsed by some 80 property owners urging the council to accept the deeds immediately -- a move, however, which met with the same refusal as did efforts of several weeks ago.

The decision of the council to place the matter before the people for vote followed commitments on the part of all councilmen. All indicated they had not changed their minds since the matter was last brought to their attention, intimating they had nothing against the proposal to beautify the grounds, but that the city had too many burdens already and to add more to the taxpayers' load without consulting them seemed unwise.

In presenting the petitions, Mrs. Mayer said all the endorsements were secured in a few hours and that there had been but two refusals. There had not been time, she said, to do anything but touch the edges of thing (sic) but touch (sic) told the council she had the support of other organizations in the proposal, which would cost, according to estimate, about \$250 a year in maintenance. Some additional costs would be necessary in making the first improvements, it was explained.

About \$700 in cash would also be turned over to the city if it accepted the deeds, Mrs. Mayer said. Sponsors of the plan recommended a WPA

labor project be applied for to cut the costs of maintenance and improvement.

The deeds are now in the hands of the Methodist church trustees.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 5, 1954

City Sets April 13 Date For Public Hearing On Cemetery Condemnation

A public hearing to determine advisability of initiating condemnation proceedings to allow the city to gain title to the pioneer cemetery on Dodge street was set for 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, April 13.

The action was taken by the city council Tuesday night following receipt of petitions bearing 370 names of Lebanon voters, certified by the county clerk. The petition requires the council to hold the hearing.

The city desires to obtain the property to allow extension of Park street to connect with the Santiam highway near the Crown Zellerbach paper mill

Much of the work of securing the signatures on the petition, more than 10% of the registered city voters, was done by William Goold, who had the signatures verified by the county clerk, and who presented them to the city Tuesday.

City Attorney Kenneth Wilshire, and Attorney William Thomas, who have handled nearly all the legal work in seeking to clear title to the block long plot of ground, were in attendance, to explain points of the program.

Legal Points Outlined

The attorneys said that condemnation would be determined by the council at the hearing upon the basis of the area's threat to the health and welfare of residents.

It was pointed out that the area has been abandoned for a period in excess of five years, and that since the cemetery was last used, believed about 1922, it has become overgrown with weeds, trees, grass and shrubs. The ground is in the heart of the northside residential district.

The attorneys warned that if the city finds evidence to condemn the area, and then acts to initiate suit for condemnation, it is legally responsible to carry out the condemnation to completion.

Cost that will be involved includes removal of all bodies interred in the cemetery, reburial in an appropriate place, and erection of markers on the new graves.

Costs Run High

Cost of finding the bodies by the least expensive method of probing, will be \$100 per grave,

in addition to reburial costs. A major amount of paper work is also involved, the lawyers stated.

Both Thomas and Wilshire said the completed transaction could not be expected in less time than two years.

Legal advice to the city indicated that it would not be possible under existing laws to remove bodies from a portion of the area, leaving other graves unopened. If the land is condemned for welfare and health reasons, the entire area must be considered in its entirety.

It was also questioned by Goold if select graves could be left in the plot with the express approval of all heirs of the deceased. The attorneys indicated no graves could be left, but that all bodies must be moved out of the area.

With at least 100 known graves in the area, many of them located in unknown parts of the cemetery due to lack of any burial records, and disappearance of a major number of headstones, and the probability of numerous additional unknown graves, it could cost a minimum of \$10,000 for location of bodies and their removal from the ground. This would be in addition to reburial costs, it was disclosed.

Lebanon Express, Apr. 13, 1954

Public Hearing on Condemnation of Pioneer Cemetery Scheduled Tuesday Night at 7:30 in City Hall Council Room

Possible condemnation of the weed-infested and brushy pioneer cemetery in the heart of the north side residential district may take one step forward this Tuesday evening when the city holds a public hearing at the city hall to determine advisability of proceedings to allow the town to gain title to the ground.

The hearing will be held at 7:30 p.m., in the council room of the building. The room is located on the ground floor.

The hearing was required when petitions bearing 370 signatures of city voters were presented to the council on March 2 requesting the hearing.

Many residents in the area reportedly support the measure, declaring the area to be rodent infested, unsightly, has gone untouched for several years, and is a potential hazard to the health and welfare of all citizens in the city.

If the city should continue legal proceedings and ultimately gain title to the gound (sic), plans call for removing all bodies interred in the various plots to a suitable cemetery where markers will be erected to identify each grave.

All records to the pioneer cemetery have become lost. Headstones to many graves have long been destroyed or lost, due to time and vandalism.

Even the number of persons buried there, and location of graves are unknown in most cases.

Last known interment was made in 1922. Since that time no care has been given the ground.

The city needs the property to allow extension of Park street north to connect with the Santiam highway near the Crown Zellerbach paper mill. This would make a traffic separation at the north end of town similar to the one on south Main street near U & R Pontiac.

Cost of finding the unmarked graves by the least expensive method of probing will be \$100 per grave, in addition to reburial costs. A major amount of paper work is also involved, lawyers have stated.

Legal advice to the city indicated that it would not be possible under existing laws to removed bodies from a portion of the area, leaving other graves unopened. If the land is condemned for welfare and health reasons, the entire area must be treated the same.

At least 100 known graves are in the area, many of them lost as to their exact location. It would cost \$10,000 merely to open the graves and more to relocate them, it was disclosed.

Lebanon Express, Apr. 16, 1954

Fate of Pioneer Cemetery Lies In City's Hands

Ultimate fate of Lebanon's neglected and over grown pioneer cemetery now lies in the hands of the city council, following Tuesday night's public hearing to determine future proceedings toward condemning the abandoned plot.

More than 50 persons attended the hour and 40-minute long sessions, and everyone agreed that something should be done to eliminate the hazards deemed to exist at the site bordered by Grove and Dodge streets.

Just what should be done, however, was not immediately evident. Many persons had different ideas. Many of the city's founders and earliest residents are interred in the old burial grounds.

During the hearing it was brought out by several persons that the cemetery is overgrown with weeds, brush and trees; that gravestones have been moved and damaged by vandals; that the area has been used as a refuge for tramps and undesirables and that it has been used as a hideout for lawnessness (sic) and immorality.

Council Just Listens

City council members took no part in the proceeding Tuesday night other than to listen to 15 persons who spoke on the matter or asked questions

of City Attorney Kenneth Wilshire and William Thomas, who prepared the law under which the petition calling for condemnation was taken. About 50 persons were present at the meeting held in the council chambers of the city hall.

On the advice of the city attorney, the council delayed until a future meeting any action on the petition.

As explained by Thomas, purpose of Tuesday's hearing was for the council to determine whether or not the cemetery is abandoned and if it is abandoned whether or not it is contrary to the public health and safety. If it is found to be contrary to the public health and safety the council may then decide to condemn the property.

Possibility that the entire matter may go before the voters was indicated when City Attorney Wilshire said he felt the matter should be submitted to a public vote. Suggestion of a vote also came from J.C. Mayer who said "Why not a bond measure on the ballot to take care of this thing? If we want to pay for it the cemetery can be kept up."

Many People Desire Park

Much of the discussion made by those present revolved around the possibility of making the area into a park without disturbing the graves. However, L.E. Arnold asked Thomas if any thought had been given to erecting a memorial in the area without moving the graves. He said his wife had relatives interred in the cemetery.

Thomas explained that a lot of thought had been given to the problem of taking over the area.

Earlier Thomas had discussed the tangled legal rights to the cemetery property saying that many deeds had been issued for the cemetery plots.

"We can't see any way to go halfway -- to make the area half park and half cemetery," he said. He explained that to take the area over the city would have to get title and to get title to the area the city under the present law would have to condemn the cemetery and move the graves.

Removal Cost is Large

Thomas also explained that the cost of the grave removal would be large. "It's going to cost some money," he said.

While the idea of establishment of a park in the area was favored by most who spoke, the extension of Park street through the area also received some discussion.

One of the speakers present was George H. Otten, Portland, a former state highway department employee who is married to a great granddaughter of Jeremiah Ralston, founder of the city.

He told those present that his wife's grandfather and great grandfather were buried in the cemetery. He then explained the difficulties

involved in highway construction because of graveyards.

Otten said that he knew of whole road lines which had to be abandoned because they conflicted with cemeteries. He also noted that Waverly lake, on the outskirts of Albany, is no higher than it is because if it were any higher it might flood a grave in a nearby cemetery.

He then explained that if Park street were to be extended through the cemetery property only 13 graves would be involved. He added the project had become practically a closed matter because it was impossible to locate all the owners. "I know the highway department as a whole will be grateful because of this law," Otten said.

Would Preserve Cemetery

He told of going through the cemetery and that it was sadly neglected. "The thing to keep in mind is that this is a hallowed piece of ground," he said.

"It would be a wonderful thing for Lebanon to preserve the land where sleep the pioneers who carved this country out of the wilderness," he said.

A prepared statement was read by Sigurd Landstrom in which he favored the erection of a historical monument and the creation of a play park for children. He asked if within the law part of the grounds might be condemned.

J.P. McKinney described the cemetery as "a sore eye of a place." He said he had relatives buried there and that what he would like to see and would fight for would be a park. He said he was opposed to a highway running through but said "I'm with the public 100 per cent."

George Simons, who said that his grandfather who came to Lebanon in 1847 was interred in the cemetery, also told of the state of the burial place and said he favored it being made into a park. He said that it would be useless to try to find the remains of many of those buried after so many years. He said also that many of the grave markers had been moved.

Another view was that of Cortis Stringer, whose father and mother, pioneers of 1849, are in the cemetery. Stringer said, "We are living on top of a cemetery of those who have gone before. We want the place fixed up. We want a road through it."

Laurence Morley told of a project of cleaning up the cemetery taken by the active club here six or seven years ago when 30 to 40 men worked four or five hours two evenings a week through a spring and summer and cleared less than a quarter of the area.

William Goold, who had circulated the petitions, which brought about last night's hearing, also told of the condition of the cemetery and said

that most of those he had contacted favored the park plan.

Albany Democrat, May 30, 1955

Neglected Lebanon Graveyard Marks Resting Place of Pioneer Founders -- Brush, Weeds Hide Toppling Stones

Lebanon -- Memorial Day, 1955, finds Lebanon's first burying ground, a historic landmark in which repose the remains of the city's forebears, swamped with dense growth, strewn with toppling tombstones, threatened by a proposed highway relocation -- and all but forgotten in the hum of a civilization undreamed of by the pioneers.

Known as the old Methodist Cemetery, its appearance of having been untended for years recalls the words of Thomas Gray's famous Elegy:

"Perhaps in this neglected spot is laid a heart once pregnant with celestial fire ..."

Gave School Land -- Only a few hundred feet from the jungle that hides the marred and broken tombstones of Jeremiah Ralston and Morgan Kees lies the gift they gave to Lebanon, one of the most beautiful high school campuses in the state. The men who's foresight and public-spiritedness contributed so generously to the growth and development of the town they founded more than a century ago now lack a friend with a lot of pride, a strong arm, and a sharp sickle to keep clean perpetually the weeds from their graves.

Records of the old graveyard have been either lost, misplaced or destroyed with the passing of the years, and only fragmentary material gathered from many sources is available.

Only official records available were found in a title report on property in Linn County which shows that on Aug. 25, 1873, trustees of the Methodist church and their successors, acquired a deed from L.T. Woodward for a certain piece of ground in northeast Lebanon, bounded on the South by Carolina St., on the East by Grove St., on the North by Dodge St., and having a West boundary about 70 feet west of the Park St. line. Its area totals 2 1/2 acres.

Homes Nearby -- An unusual situation exists on the south side of the cemetery. From Grove St. on the East to about 70 feet west of Park St. on the west, a strip of ground about 60 feet deep, lies between Carolina St. and the South boundary of the cemetery. On this narrow strip of ground are several homes with their rear walls abutting the cemetery boundary.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Hauxwell at 151 E. Carolina St., in which they have lived for about 25 years, is adjacent to two graves, their

identity obscured by corrosion and the ravages of time. East of these graves in a clean strip of ground cleared by the Hauxwells for a firebreak and a small garden, stands a lonely marker like a sentinel on guard, bearing the inscription, "G.B. McKinney, born July 27, 1840, died Aug. 10, 1888."

Use Plot for Garden -- The only part of this old burial place that shows even a remote link with civilization is the clearing back of the Hauxwell home and the garden spot of Mr. and Mrs. H.E. Blackburn on 191 Carolina and Grove St. The Blackburns moved to their present location in 1928, and since that time have used a small plot on the east end of the cemetery for a garden.

Many plans have been proposed over the years by various civic groups to clean up and beautify this historic spot and give it the place of dignity and respect in our community life it so richly deserves.

During the depression days of the 1930's, the late Mrs. J.C. Mayer, wife of Lebanon's distinguished senior citizen and father of the Strawberry Festival, J.C. Mayer, worked hard to have it included in one of the WPA projects, and even through plenty of manpower was available for the work, sufficient public interest was lacking, so the project failed. In spite of lack of public support, Mrs. Mayer left a monument in the form of two small Cedars of Lebanon obtained from the OSC nursery at Corvallis, and planted them on the east end of the cemetery, where they still stand as a tribute to her effort.

First Burial in 1859 (sic) -- One of the unbelievable paradoxes of our time is how and why this cemetery, final resting place of our pioneer dead, has been allowed to fall into such utter ruin and neglect.

The first known burial in the cemetery was that of Elmore Kees (sic), the date on the broken tombstone, which lies flat on the ground, is the inscription: Born 1813, died 1859." This leaves a time gap of some 12 years between the arrival of the pioneers in 1847 and the burial of Elmore Kees. The marble monument that marks the grave of Lebanon's pioneer founder, Jeremiah Ralston and his wife Jemima is only fairly well preserved. Jeremiah was born Feb. 7, 1798 and died Aug. 12, 1877, at the age of 79. His wife, Jemima, died on Christmas day in 1894. The grave of Morgan Kees, who died in 1866, is but a short distance from the Ralstons.

Around 1912 the old cemetery was discontinued as an active burial ground although some old timers claim that a few burials were made as late as 1925.

NOTE: Dates of first and last burials are incorrect in the above article. The oldest stone in the cemetery is that of Sarah J. Settle who died Aug. 7, 1850, though there may have been earlier burials. The last burial was that of Cyril David Alexander who died in May of 1939.

Photo Captions

(Under photo of headstone of Jeremiah Ralston)

NAMED CITY -- Jeremiah Ralston, whose claim site became the nucleus of a new South Santiam valley settlement which he named Lebanon, is buried in a virtually abandoned grave marked by this headstone. In view of fact that a possible widening of Highway 20 would mean that his remains must be moved, inscription on stone is especially ironic: "Mark thou the perfect and behold the upright, for the end of that man is peace." Large column broken from headstone lies across graves of Ralston and his wife, Jemima.

(Under photo of large tree)

CEDAR OF LEBANON -- This Cedars of Lebanon tree is one of two placed at what was one an entrance to the large cemetery by the late Mrs. J.C. Mayer. Lack of public support at the time kept the cemetery from becoming a perpetual park. Overgrown with brush and weeds, the cemetery has been a favorite target of vandals, and has been otherwise despoiled over the years.

NOTE: Only one of the Cedars of Lebanon trees remains. We have been told one was removed to replace a dying tree on the present Lebanon High School campus.

(Under photo of McKinney headstone)

SENTINEL IN GARDEN -- Residents whose homes on Carolina St. are near cemetery have cleared strip of ground for firebreak and small garden, in which this monument to the memory of G.B. McKinney stands. He died in 1888. Overgrown condition of the large plot in summer constitutes a serious fire threat to the cemetery's neighbors.

(Under photo of Kees headstone)

FALLEN CROWN -- Morgan Kees with Jeremiah Ralston donated ten acres of land 102 years ago toward establishment of old Santiam Academy, one of the first schools of its type in Oregon. Site is now campus of Lebanon High school. Stone above, put up after Kees' death in 1866, bears name of makers, Monroe & Mellen, Salem. Like co-pioneer Ralston, inscription on Kees' stone bears an ironic prophesy: "And when the chief Shepherd shall appear, ye shall receive a crown of glory that falleth

not away." High column that once adorned the monument lies broken about its base, could be restored.

(Under photo of William Ralston headstone)

DESCENDANT -- William M. Ralston, son of the city's founder, is buried with his wife beneath this imposing stone that is almost completely hidden by rank growth. A partner with his father in Lebanon's first store, William died in 1906. A biography published three years before he died, said of him: "He has been identified with the interests of Linn county for over half a century, and has long been recognized as one of its best citizens, aiding and maintaining it in reaching its present position among the first-class communities of the state."

Newspaper clipping, source unknown, Apr. 29, 1957

Long-Neglected, Vandalized Pioneer Burial Ground Gets Attention of Church, City

The old cemetery located in the city limits at the north end of Park street, soon may regain the dignity and beauty it held many years ago when Lebanon's pioneer settlers were buried there.

City workmen have removed much of the long neglected brush and shrubbery from the cemetery boundaries, preparing it for the enclosure which a First Methodist church cemetery fund will purchase. The city has agreed to erect the fence.

After that chore is completed, steps are planned to start reconstructing wrecked memorials, trim decorative shrubbery and, remove surplus growth and replant grass and flowers.

Mayor Ralph Scroggin said city funds will be available for some of that work next fiscal year, and that garden clubs and other organizations will be invited to help beautify the plot.

At present and for the past several years, the pioneer burial ground has been an unrecognizable eye-sore, where vandals have destroyed and wrecked memorials and even household debris has been dumped and well-hidden in the tangle of untended shrubbery.

Newspaper clipping, source unknown, 1959

Cemetery Crash Results in Suit

The driver of a car which allegedly damaged tombstones in a Lebanon cemetery in 1957 was sued for \$20,820 in a complaint filed Friday in circuit court.

Winifred Raines, who is seeking the sum from Alvin L. Ludwig, charged that on Oct. 26,

1957, Ludwig's car left the highway at a turn in the road and damaged an iron fence, tombstones, and a footstone on her two family lots in the Lebanon Pioneer cemetery.

She asked \$820 for property damage, \$10,000 for humiliation and mental anguish, and \$10,000 punitive damages, charging that his conduct was reckless and done without exercise of any care.

The complaint said that Ludwig was driving too fast and that he permitted his car to leave the road and destroy property.

Lebanon Express, Aug. 10, 1964

(Under photo of broken marble markers)

BROKEN TOMBSTONES -- Many of the tombstones at the Pioneer Cemetery at the end of Park Street have become broken and moved from their original sites. Many of the Stones are piled together, some remaining whole while others are only in pieces. The Lebanon Junior Women have been asked by the Oregon Historical Society to look into the resurrection of stones to their former places. Presently the club is trying to make contact with those having relatives buried in the cemetery, they are asked to get in touch with either Mrs. Eugene Rhoades or Mrs. Richard Schaefer.

(Under photo of women working in cemetery)

CEMETERY CLEANED -- The Saltmarsh plots at the Pioneer Cemetery have been kept clean, with the weeds cut and the tombstones cleaned. The Junior Women have hopes of restoring the remainder of the cemetery, also. They plan to spread out weed killer, and are asking the city's aid in getting water piped to the site.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 30, 1966

Junior Women's Project.

(Under photo of sign reading "PIONEER CEMETERY -- SPONSORED BY LEBANON JR. WOMEN'S CLUB)

Members of the Lebanon Junior Women's Club have advanced their project of restoring the old pioneer cemetery on the end of Park Street by installing an identifying sign. A general clean-up, planting of shrubs and restoration of head stones has been a part of the project. Mrs. Gordon McPherson is the current president of the club. (Express photo)

NOTE: The sign referred to in this article no longer exists. The cemetery is currently marked

by wooden signs made by wood-shop students at the Lebanon Middle School.

Lebanon Express, October 23, 1975

Save the cemetery during Bicentennial

To Mayor Martha Gonzales:

I was very disturbed to receive a clipping from the Lebanon Express recently regarding your plans to extend Park Street through the Pioneer Cemetery.

The graves of my great grandfather, John Settle, two great grandmothers, Julia and Martha Settle, and great aunt Sarah Settle would all have to be removed if such a plan was executed. Also the graves of Jeremiah Ralston, the founder of Lebanon, and his family stand in the way of his plan. To do this would be a disgrace to the present government of Lebanon.

These two families were friends and neighbors in Illinois during the founding of that state. They decided to migrate to the Oregon country and suffered hardships that the present generation is unable to comprehend. After arrival in the Oregon country, they literally established the town of Lebanon and four generations of us have watched it grow to what it is today.

To extend Park Street north through the cemetery would only move the abrupt, hazardous left turn three blocks north onto Wheeler Street and complicate the truck route at the intersection of Wheeler and Main Streets.

Next year we will celebrate the Bicentennial of our country. Instead of desecrating the graves of the founders of Lebanon, the citizens should try to improve them. I understand that the Junior Chamber of Commerce is responsible for cleaning up the bramble patch that existed in the Pioneer Cemetery for many sad years, and I heartily congratulate them for their inappreciable efforts. It was a great discredit to them for The Express to publish a picture showing the condition of the cemetery as it was 13 years ago without an explanation that such a situation no longer exists—thanks to the JC's.

Jacob Kees left a substantial sum in his will for perpetual care of the entire cemetery but some unknown, irresponsible trustee managed to abscond with those funds and as a result it was a neglected eyesore for many years. Now that it has been cleaned and many descendants of those pioneers are making their presence known, why don't we try to get those stones reset properly and do anything else that is necessary to make the cemetery a fitting

memorial to those brave and hardy people? I understand that the city has a chart of the placement of all the graves, so it should be possible to have them reset in their proper spaces. Can't some of the federal funds available to the city be used for this purpose?

My husband and I have visited at least 50 pioneer cemeteries in the western half of the United States and not one -- not even the Johnson family cemetery on the LBJ Ranch -- has a more beautiful setting. The trees here are magnificent and the stones tell a story beyond the imagination of most historical authors. How many have read the story told by the Saltmarsh stones? Thanks to modern medicine, it can't be repeated today. Almost all old cemeteries are located on either very valuable property or where they block important streets, but other cities do not attempt to move them. Portland, Eugene and Salem respect the graves of their founders.

I should like to be able to say that Lebanon has made a contribution to our Bicentennial celebration that we can all be proud of. Save and restore the Pioneer Cemetery.

Mrs. Joe S Bally 4335 S.W. 42nd Ave. Portland

Lebanon Express, Mar. 31, 1983

Young man hopes to groom cemetery, by Gil Rocha - Express staff writer

At 15 years old, people are already calling him "digger."

But Shannon McNair doesn't mind because, in a way, that's exactly what he'd like to be someday.

McNair's intense fascination and respect for people and places of the past have propelled him into what he hopes is the first of many projects of his budding archaeological career.

It all started about three weeks ago when McNair, son of Susan and Roger McNair, 773 Randall St., and a friend were strolling through Lebanon's Pioneer Cemetery.

Buried there are some of Lebanon's first settlers, including the city's founder, Jeremiah Ralston. In many towns, "pioneer" cemeteries are usually afforded first-class treatment and respect. That's not the case here in the opinion of McNair.

"I think it's important that we keep the town's tradition," he says, while pointing out many of the cemetery's broken and misplaced tombstones. "There's a lot of local pioneers here. I don't think we should let it go to waste like that."

McNair thinks it took some "pretty desperate" people to destroy some of the cemetery's stone and cast iron tombstones. Many of them are

broken beyond recognition and McNair speculates the deeds must have been done with sledgehammers.

Neither does he like the breezy attitude apparently shown by the city's Public Works Department whose duty it is to keep the grounds mowed. Many tombstones are neatly stacked in convenient, out-of-the-way places.

"A guy from the city said to me the other day that I'd better not move the tombstones back in the way of his mowing," McNair said.

Although no one has been buried at the cemetery -- located at Grove and Dodge streets -- for almost 50 years, McNair believes something should be done for the people already there.

Last week, he obtained a chart from the city indicating the proper locations of tombstones. He also was given a document briefly explaining the history of the cemetery.

McNair learned that the land was donated to the city by Ralston in 1847 and that the first person buried there was Gideon Backus in 1850 (sic). The last person buried was Adda C. Howard in 1934 (sic).

This week, using garden tools provided by the city, McNair has set about placing the tombstones securely in their proper places. He knows the job won't be easy; he can use all the help he can get.

"I think it's good that somebody is trying to do this," McNair says, "But I can't do it all myself."

For the tombstones that are beyond repair, McNair would like to be able (to) provide some kind of marker on the graves. But that would take money, which neither McNair nor the city has. He is open for suggestions.

In the meantime, McNair is willing to hold up his end of the deal.

"Usually, this isn't something that gets much enthusiasm but that's not the important thing," he says. "The import thing is getting the job done."

NOTE: The misinformation about Gideon Backus being the earliest burial was based on a typing error. Gideon actually died in 1859. A similar error on the date of death of Cyril David Alexander made it appear that Adda Howard's burial had been the last in the cemetery.

This book is arranged in alphabetical order. Sexton's records indicating burial locations have been lost for decades making entry by rows impossible. At publication time, although there are more than three hundred known burials, there are less than seventy grave markers at the cemetery, and several of those are propped against trees. We trust this deviation from standard cemetery recording format will be overlooked.

Some of the burials listed are assumed to be here, although no stone, family record, or obituary information is available to confirm that assumption. In general those burials are place here due to the proximity of other family members. In each of these cases, the records of other neighboring cemeteries were checked without positive results. Such assumptions are clearly indicated throughout the book.

Proceeds from the sale of this book are placed in a fund to restore, maintain, and protect the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery.

Additional copies of this book, as well as prints of included photographs, may be ordered by contacting:

City Hall 925 Main Street Lebanon, OR 97355

MEDICAL GLOSSARY

catarrh

Inflammation of a mucous membrane with a free discharge.

cholera

A name applied to a condition marked by diarrhea and vomiting, specific entities usually being indicated by a modifying term or phrase. Frequently used alone to designate Asiatic cholera, an acute infectious disease, chiefly epidemic, marked by severe diarrhea, vomiting, dehydration, cramps, prostration, and suppression of the urine. Death results from convulsions and exhaustion or from congestion of the lungs.

congestion

Excessive or abnormal accumulation of blood.

consumption

A wasting away of the body, applied especially to pulmonary tuberculosis.

croup

A condition resulting from acute obstruction of the larynx caused by allergy, foreign body, infection, or new growth, occurring chiefly in infants and children, and characterized by resonant barking cough, hoarseness, and persistent harsh, high-pitched sounds.

diphtheria

An acute infectious disease or toxicosis due to the presence of Corynebacterium diphtheriae, with swelling of the larynx and pharynx, and consequent difficult breathing, loss of voice, and difficulty swallowing. The general symptoms are fever, heart weakness, anemia, and great exhaustion.

dropsy

The abnormal accumulation of serous fluid in the cellular tissue or in a body cavity.

dysentery

A term given to a number of disorders marked by inflammation of the intestines, especially of the colon, and

attended by pain in the abdomen, painful and ineffectual straining, and frequent stools containing blood and mucus. The causative agent may be chemical irritants, bacteria, protozoa, or parasitic worms.

erysipelas

A contagious, intectious disease of the skin and subcutaneous tissue, marked by redness and swelling of affected areas. Sometimes accompanied by vesicular and bullous lesions.

la grippe

influenza

mountain fever

Commonly called Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever, an infectious disease formerly believed to be peculiar to the region of the Rocky Mountains, but now to occur in other parts of the western hemisphere. It is characterized by high fever, pains in the bones and muscles, headache, a red, spotted eruption which may become dark and confluent, and by mental symptoms.

palsy

paralysis

pneumonia

inflammation of the lungs

pyemia

A general septicemia (toxins in the blood) in which multiple abscesses are formed. The condition is marked by fever, chills, sweating, jaundice, and abscess in various parts of the body.

scrofula

Tuberculosis of the lymphatic glands, and sometimes of bones and joint surfaces, with slowly suppurating abscesses and fistulous passages, the inflamed structures being subject to a cheesy degeneration.

sepsis

A toxic condition resulting from the spread of bacteria from an infection.

summer complaint

Cholera morbus, a popular name for an acute gastroenteritis (inflammation of the stomach and intestines), with diarrhea, cramps, and vomiting, occurring in summer or autumn.

tapeworm

A parasitic intestinal cestode worm which consists of a head, neck, and a various (often very great) number of oblong joints or segments, each of which is hermaphroditic and produces eggs.

tuberculosis

An infectious disease caused by Mycobacterium tuberculosis, and characterized by the formation of tubercles (nodules) in the tissues. They tend to spread in all directions. When the infection is not strictly localized, the general symptoms of septic infection are present, such as hectic fever, increasing emaciation, and night-sweats.

typhoid fever

A specific eruptive communicable fever, due to Salmonella typhosa, and marked by enlargement of the spleen and mesenteric glands, and catarrhal inflammation of the intestinal mucous membrane.

NOTE: Pioneers referred to 1852 as "the dreadful cholera year." Also, there was a diphtheria epidemic in the early 1880's.

SAMPLE DONATION LAND CLAIM

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

To all to whom these presents shall come, greeting:

Whereas, There has been deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the UNITED STATES a Certificate numbered Eleven hundred and sixty-two of the Register and Receiver at Oregon City, Oregon, whereby it appears that under the provisions of the act of congress approved the 27th day of September, 1850, entitled "An act to create the Office of Surveyor General of the Public Lands in Oregon, and to provide for the survey and to make donations to settlers of the said Public Lands," and the legislation supplemental thereto the claim of Joseph Moist and his wife Elizabeth J. Moist of Linn county, Oregon, Notification No. 1188 has been established, is a donation of one section, of six hundred and forty acres of land, and that the same has been surveyed and designated as Claim number fifty-eight being parts of sections twenty-seven, twentythirty-three and thirty-four Township eleven South of Range two West according to the Official Plat of Survey returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL, being bounded and described as follows, to wit, Beginning at a point eight chains and thirtyfour links West from the North East corner of said section thirty-three and running thence North one degree and fifty minutes West fifty-one chains and sixty-five links, thence North eighty-six degrees and thirteen minutes East eighty chains and fifty-eight links, thence South one degree and twentyseven minutes East seventy-nine chains and ninety-two links, thence South eighty-six degrees and thirteen minutes West seventynine chains and eighty-two links, and thence North one degree and fifty minutes West twenty-eight chains and twenty-five links to

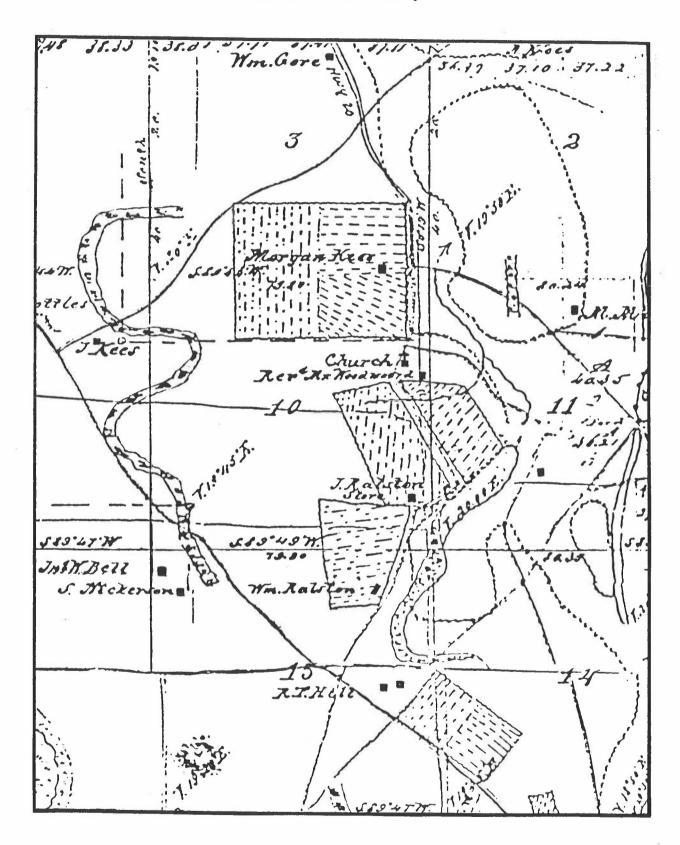
the place of beginning in the district of lands subject to sale at Oregon City, Oregon, containing six hundred and thirty-eight acres and ninety-two hundredths of an acre.

Now know ye, That the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, in consideration of the premises, and in conformity with the provisions of the act aforesaid, HAVE GIVEN AND GRANTED, and by these presents DO GIVE AND GRANT, unto the said Joseph Moist and to his heirs the South half, and unto his wife, the said Elizabeth J. Moist and to her heirs, the North half of the tract of Land above described, to have and the said with hold tract, appurtenances, unto the said Joseph Moist and his wife Elizabeth Moist and to their heirs and assigns forever, their respective portions as aforesaid.

In testimony whereof, I, Andrew Johnson, PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES, have caused these Letters to be made Patent, and the SEAL of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, this ninth day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty-six and of the Independence of the United States the ninetieth.

BY THE PRESIDENT: Andrew Johnson



This survey map, completed March 1, 1853 by the Surveyor General's Office in Oregon City, Oregon, shows the donation land claims of Jeremiah Ralston and Morgan Kees, and the Methodist church which bordered the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery.

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By 1868, the land surrounding the Lebanon settlement was rapidly becoming inhabited.

The Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery is part of the donation land claim of Luther (Luke) T. Woodward, shown between those of Morgan Kees (Keese) and Jeremiah Ralston, above.

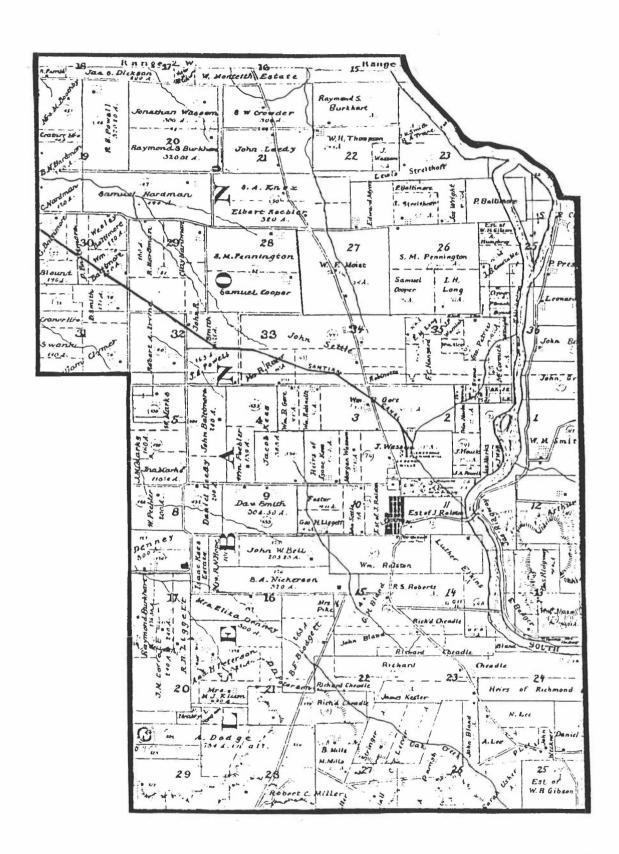
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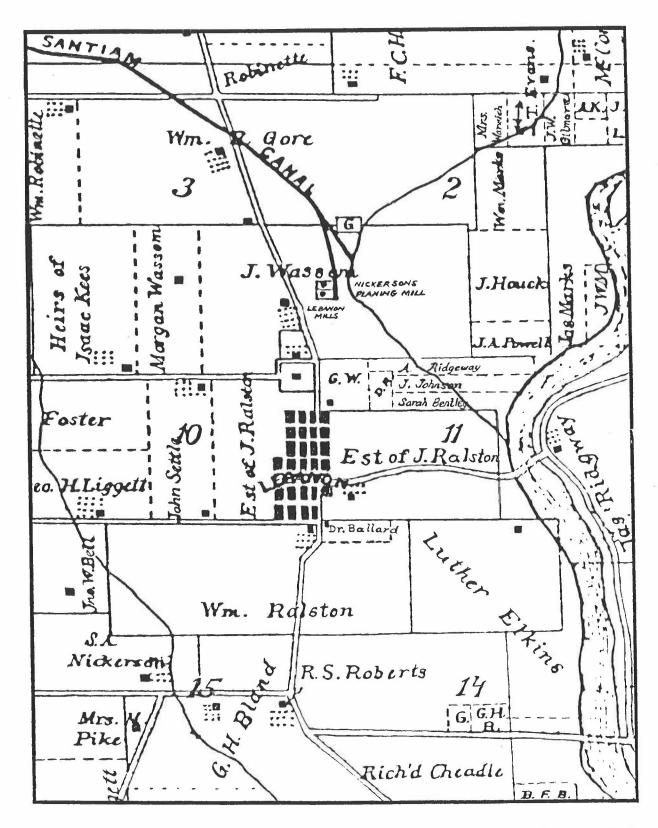
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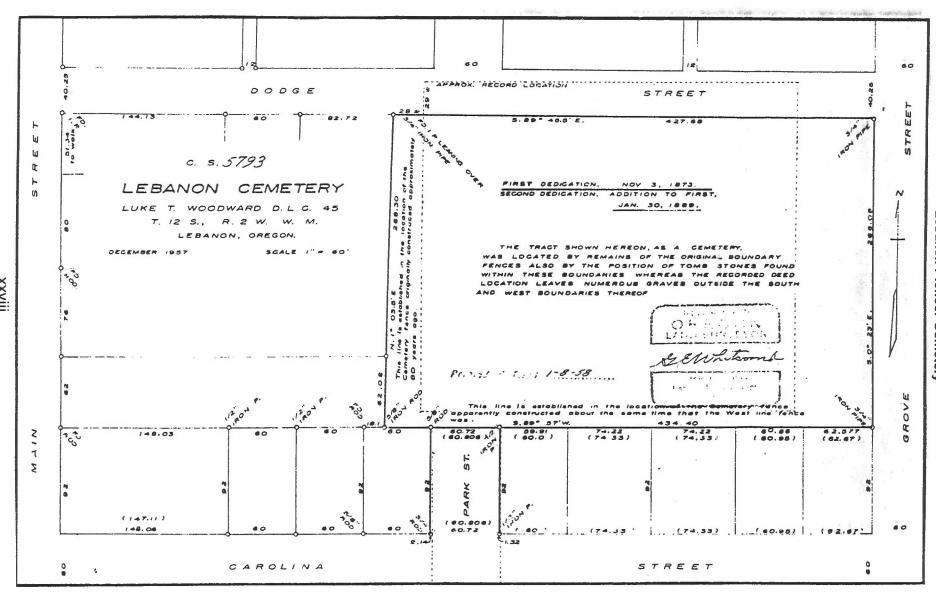


This enhanced close-up of the 1878 survey map of Lebanon, Oregon, shows clearly the realization of Jeremiah Ralston's dream of a city rising from the fields which surrounded his store in 1848.

The small square of land marked "G.W." in the center of the map includes the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery.

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By 1889, the trustees of the Methodist Episcopal Church found it necessary to request an addition to the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery.



ABBREVIATIONS

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abs. absent

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b. born

bur buried

c claim

c. children

ca. circa, year approximate

Cav. Cavalry

cem. cemetery

co. county

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DLC donation land claim

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T Territory

tp township

W west

WT Washington Territory

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HOW TO USE THIS BOOK

This listing of the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery is arranged alphabetically with each entry containing genealogical information gathered from headstones, family bibles, marriage records, census records, obituaries, histories, donation land claims, etc.

Information is entered as in the following format:

ELKINS, Adaline (nee Burkhart) "Wife of WS Elkins"

- b. 24 Dec 1843 Des Moines, IA d/o Raymond Sanderson and Elizabeth Jane (Wassom) Burkhart
- m. William S. Elkins 29 Jun 1865 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 1 May 1837 OH s/o Luther and Philotheta (Williams) Elkins
 - m. #2 Margaret J. Grant 1 Oct 1868 Polk Co., OR
- <u>d.</u> 9 May 1866 Linn Co., OR age 22v4m15d
- c. Willie Chester (est. 26 Feb 1866 OR)

"Sleep on dear daughter and take thy rest For God that's called thee home The lord is my shepherd I shall not want."

Throughout this book, all names shown in bold type are those of people buried in the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery. Additional information about that person is found elsewhere in this book.

All information underlined or in quotes in the genealogical portion of each entry indicates information found on the gravestone. For instance, in the example above, Adaline Elkin's stone reads, "Ada Elkins, Wife of WS Elkins, died May 9, 1866, age 22 yrs, 4 mo, 15 dvs."

All married women are entered by the name shown on their stone, with their maiden name, when known, following. Ada Elkins, above, was born Adaline Burkhart.

In addition to information found on the gravestones, we have entered as much genealogical information as possible for each entry. In addition to the dates of birth, we entered places of birth and names of parents including the mother's maiden names. We recorded marriage dates and places. When a spouse is buried elsewhere, we entered birth, additional marriage/s, and death information.

We listed all known children with their dates and places of birth, and names of their spouses.

Following the genealogical information for each entry we included any information found in Donation Land Claim records, history books, newspaper articles, obituaries, family histories, etc. In most cases, these entries are entered in chronological order.

A number of entries are not found in any previous Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery listings. Those lists were compiled from readings of extant stones. This book includes many burials for which no stones were ever placed or have been stolen or vandalized. These entries are verified by obituaries carried in the local newspapers or are assumed based on the proximity of other family burials. In the case of assumed burials, records of burials at neighboring cemeteries were examined to make certain the person was not buried there.

Burials for which there is no gravestone are indicated as follows:

RALSTON, Robert

No Stone

ALEXANDER, Cyril David

Removed

- b. 6 Jan 1894 New Richmond, WI s/o George and Louise (Beebe) Alexander
- d. 8 May 1938 Clackamas Co., OR age 44v4m2d

NOTE: A typing error on a cemetery listing prepared in 1939 indicated Cyril's date of death as 1839. We assumed the correct date was 1893, therefore Cyril was probably the husband of Louise (Beebe) Alexander. That information appeared in the first edition of Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery. We have since learned that Cyril died in 1938, and he was the son, not the husband, of Louise Alexander. We regret any confusion our error may have caused Beebe or Alexander researchers.

Cyril David Alexander was the last buried at the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery. He was also buried there the shortest length of time -- less than five years. In July of 1942, descendants moved the graves and markers of the Beebe and Alexander family members to the Lebanon I.O.O.F/Masonic Cemetery.

Oregon City Enterprise, June 7, 1938

OBITUARY

Cyril David Alexander

Graveside services for the late Cyril David Alexander, 44 year-old disabled American war veteran, whose body was found floating in the Willamette river at Meldrum, Saturday, were held at the Lebanon cemetery Monday afternoon, interment being in the family plat.

Mr. Alexander was born January 6, 1894, in New Richmond, Wisc., and had made his home in Clackamas county, for about 20 years, residing at Colton and Park Place, also in Portland for some time before coming to Clackamas county.

Surviving are three sisters and three brothers, Mrs. Anna Aronson, Beaver, Ore.; Mrs. Agnes Loveall, Hillsboro; Mrs. Florence Ruzicka, Vancouver, Wash.; V.G. Alexander, St. Johns; Ross R. and W.S. Alexander, Ocean Lake, Ore.

NOTE: Cyril served military duty in W.W. I, as a private, in the 62nd Infantry, 8th Division.

ALEXANDER, Louise A. (nee BEEBE) Removed

- b. 1857 WI d/o Selah Jacob and Emma Louise (Ervin) Beebe
- m. George Alexander ca. 1880 WI?
- 12 May 1913 Oregon City, OR age 55y d.
- William "Will" S. (ca. 1882 WI, m. Pearl C. Miller)

Vernon G. (ca. 1885 WI, m. Alma Frv/Frav)

Ross R. (ca. 1887 WI, m. Minnie Devine)

Agnes (WI, m. Edward A. Loveall) Anna (WI, m. G. Aronson)

Cyril David (6 Jan 1894 New

Richmond, WI) Florence M. Risenberg (ca. 1895)

adopted, m. Mr. Ruzicka)

NOTE: Body and stone removed to Lebanon 1.O.O.F./Masonic Cemetery, July 1942.



Louise A. Alexander

Oregon City Enterprise, May 13, 1913

MRS. L.A. ALEXANDER CALLED BY DEATH

News of the death of Mrs. L.A. Alexander, who died at her residence in West Oregon City, Monday morning at 9:45 will be a surprise to her many friends in this city, who believed that she was

improving from her recent illness. Mrs. Alexander was taken suddenly worse Sunday. She had been sick for more than a week and the latter part of last week she showed a marked improvement.

Mrs. Alexander has been a resident of Oregon City for many years and had a wide circle of friends. She was an active member of the Baptist church. She is the mother of six children, all of whom are living. There is also one adopted child, Miss Florence Reisenberg (sic), of Portland. The children are; William Alexander, Lebanon; Ross Alexander, Lebanon; Mrs. Edward Leveall (sic), of Hubbard; Mrs. G. Aronson, of Newport; Vern Alexander, of Astoria; and Cyral (sic) Alexander, of Newport. Mrs. Alexander's husband, George Alexander is living at present in Wisconsin.

Funeral arrangements have not been made, but it is believed that funeral will be Wednesday in Oregon City, and that the interment will be in Lebanon. Mrs. Alexander expressed a wish before her death that she be buried beside her moth(er) and father in Lebanon, and this wish will probably be carried out.

Lebanon Criterion, May 16, 1913

Mrs. L.A. Alexander, mother of Will and Ross Alexander, and a former resident of Lebanon, died at her home in Oregon City, Monday morning, at the age of fifty-five years.

Funeral services were held at Oregon City Wednesday morning and the body brought to Lebanon for interment.

Mrs. Alexander was the mother of seven children, all of whom survive her. They are William and Ross of this city; Mrs. Edward Loveall, of Hubbard; Mrs. Aronson, of Newport; Vern, of Astoria; and Cyril, of Newport, besides an adopted daughter, Miss Florence Reisenberg (sic), of Portland.

BACKUS, Frederick E.

- b. est. 29 Dec 1862 Linn Co., OR <u>s/o</u>
 <u>G</u>ideon <u>W</u>. <u>and Mary Ann</u>
 (Hardman) <u>Backus</u>
- <u>d.</u> 29 Nov 1876 Linn Co., OR age 13y11m

BACKUS, Gideon M.

- b. est. 11 Nov 1855 OT <u>s/o</u> <u>G</u>ideon <u>W</u>. and <u>Mary Ann</u> (Hardman) <u>Backus</u>
- <u>d.</u> 19 Jan 1859 Linn Co., OT <u>age</u> 3y2m15d

NOTE: A 1939 listing of Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery incorrectly indicated that Gideon was the first burial here. His date of death had been mistyped as 1850.



Mary Ann Backus

BACKUS, Mary Ann (nee Hardman) "Wife of G.W. Backus"

- b. 1 Apr 1823 Wayne Co., IN d/o Benjamin J. and Catherine (Hostetler) Hardman
- m. Gideon W. Backus 24 Sep 1840 St. Joseph Co., IN
 - b. 1817 Butler Co., OH
 - m. #2 Mrs. Esther Howe 23 Mar 1887 Wasco Co., OR
 - d. 8 Aug 1900 Hood River, OR, bur. Idlewild Cem. Hood River, OR
- <u>d.</u> <u>5 Mar 1868</u> Lebanon, OR age <u>44y</u>11<u>m4d</u>
- c. Levi Oakes (1843 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. #1 Polly J. Ritter [see

Backus, Polly J., m. #2 Ardelia Persephone McDermott) Sarah (1844 St. Joseph Co., IN) Cyrus Franklin (3 May 1845 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Elizabeth Leedy) Aaron R. (Mar 1847 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Mary E. Circle) Joseph A. (1849 MO) Mary Jane (1852 Linn Co., OT, m. Vincent Circle) Sylvester James (15 Oct 1853 Linn Co., OT, m. Louisa Crabtree) Gideon M. (est. 11 Nov 1855 Linn Co., OT) Flora A. (ca. 1857 Linn Co., OT, m. Oliver P. Mauzey) Irene Ellen (13 Dec 1859 Linn Co., OR, m. Ephriam Scott Olinger) Frederick E. (29 Dec 1862 Linn Co., OR) Rosa (ca. 1867 Linn Co., OR)

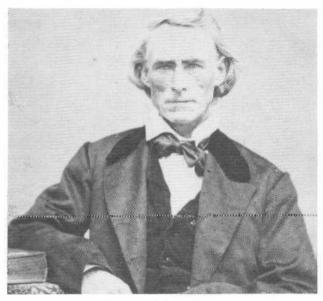
The Gospel Visitor, May 1868

Died, in Linn county, Oregon, March 5, 1868, Mary Ann Bachus (sic), wife of Gideon Bachus, aged 44 years, 11 months and 4 days. Funeral service by the writer, from 1 Cor. 15: 2-23 -- Daniel Leedy.

NOTE: Gideon Backus held D.L.C. #2041, T11S, R2W, secs. 29, 30, 31 and 32 about 4 miles northwest of Lebanon. He sold his Linn county land in 1876 and moved to Hood River, OR.

<u>Scrapbook 57</u>, pg. 191, Oregon Historical Society Library

Hood River, Aug. 8, 1900 -- Gideon M. Backus, a pioneer of 1848, died here this morning, after an illness of about three months. He was well known in this state having settled in Linn County when he first came to Oregon, living on a farm there for 23 years. He sold out there and 23 years ago came to Hood River, where he has since resided. He was born in Butler County, Ohio, in 1817, but came to Oregon by ox-team in 1848 from Indiana. He left seven children, among whom is a daughter, Mrs. F.A. Mauzey, of this city; Judge Backus, of Spokane; Aaron and Vess Backus, of Idaho; Mrs. E.S. Olinger, of Hood River; Mrs. Vince Circle, of Paulina, Ore.; and Mrs. Lucinda Kyger, of Tucson, Ariz. The burial will take place here Friday.



Gideon W. Backus



Levi Oakes Backus
Levi was Polly's second cousin. They were
members of the Brethren faith which
discouraged marriage to "outsiders." Frequently
this meant the only available marriage partner
was a first or second cousin.

BACKUS, Polly J. (nee Ritter)

b. est. 17 Dec 1842 St. Joseph Co., IN d/o John H. and Rachel (Hardman) Ritter

m. Levi Oakes Backus 4 Jun 1863 Linn Co., OR

> b. 1843 St. Joseph Co., IN s/o Gideon W. and Mary Ann (Hardman) Backus

> m. #2 Ardelia Persephone McDermott 13 Jul 1873 Linn Co., OR

d. May 1885 Columbia Co., OR?

<u>d.</u> <u>26 May 1868</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> 25y5m9d

c. Emeline O. (1864 OR, m. George Samuel Smith) John (1866 OR) Albert (1867 OR)

BACKUS, Rosa

b. ca. 1867 Linn Co., OR <u>d/o</u> <u>Gideon W.</u> <u>and Mary Ann (Hardman) Backus</u>

d. 10 Nov 1870 Linn Co., OR age 3y

BALLARD, Amanda D.

b. est. 10 Nov 1851 IN? <u>d/o David W. and Jane E.</u> (Rooker) <u>Ballard</u>

<u>d.</u> 6 Aug 1853 Linn Co., OT age 1y9m26d

BALLARD, David W., M.D. No Stone Governor of Idaho Territory 1866-1870

b. 2/21 Feb 1824 Bridgeport, IN s/o John and Kitty (Mendenhall) Ballard

m. Jane E. Rooker 14 Jun 1848 Morgan Co., IN (see Ballard, Jane E.)

d. 18 Sep 1883 Lebanon, OR age 59v7m16d

c. Amanda D. (est. 10 Nov 1851 IN?) Lonnor L. (est. 26 Dec 1853 Linn Co., OT)

Oscar (ca. 1856 OT)

Mary J. (est. 20 Jun 1859 Linn Co., OR)

Florence (ca. 1862 OR, m. John B. Slater)

Carrie B. (ca. 1864 OR, m. C.C. Hackleman)

Frank R. (ca. 1867 OR, m. Stella Finch) Maud M. (ca. 1871 OR, m. Robert N. Wright) Ora (ca. 1876 OR, m. Mr. Stoddard)

Donation Land Claim # 2829 (T11S R1W Sec 33)

BALLARD, David W., Linn Co. b. 1824, IN; Arr. OR 1 Sept/Oct/Nov 1852: SC 10 Jul 1853; m Jane E. 14 June 1848, Morgan Co., IN. Signed Oath of Allegiance 1 Jan 1864. Aff: Wm. S. Claypool, Wm. Bond, Jason Wheeler, James Elkins, Harvey Smith, J.P.



David Ballard

Albany Democrat, Sept. 21, 1883

OBITUARY

Died of dropsy, at Lebanon, Oregon, Sept. 18th, 1883, Dr. D.W. Ballard; in his 59th year. The deceased was born in the State of Indiana in the year

1824. He studied medicine for some time in his native town and afterwards graduated at the medical college at Cincinnati, Ohio. He immediately went into practice of his chosen profession at Moravia, Morgan county, Ind., where in a few years his practice became very large. Having a desire for the far west and the cheering reports from Oregon, finally led him with his wife in 1852 to brave the dangers of an overland trip to found a new home in this far away Territory. He and his family arrived safely and founded their new home in Linn county, about six miles east of Lebanon. His worth as a physician soon became known, his practice became large and continued so until the fell destroyer seized upon him and laid him low.

As a physician he was not only well read but he assumed to have an intuitive mind that enabled him to pursue the treatment that would be the most effective. In the arduous duties of his profession, he did not neglect the improvement of his mind in other directions. The people of Linn county feeling that they could trust his honesty as well as his knowledge elected him (to the) State Senate soon after the admission of the State. His career as a Senator was marked by the efforts displayed in shaping the future legislation of the state. In 1866 he was called to the discharge of still higher official duties, having secured the appointment of Governor of Idaho Territory. For four years he served in this capacity with the hearty approval of the citizens of that Territory. When the robes of office were laid aside, he and his esteemed family returned to their old home in Linn county. He soon after moved to Lebanon and from that time on until his last sickness his practice constantly increased until he probably had the largest practice of any physician in the State.

As a man he possessed a large, generous disposition. The call of the poor was attended to with the same promptness and care as that of the rich. His charity knew no bounds and was only ended when the last was given. His family was his pride and no efforts were spared to rear and educate his children.

A generous man has fallen, one of the foremost physicians of the valley has answered his last call. Thousands will not soon forget the attention and kindness received at his hands. To the public he was a benefactor, to his family an indulgent father. He sleeps now in the midst of his life's work, borne to the tomb by a large concourse of sympathizing friends.

F.M.M.

The Weiser (ID) City Leader, Sept. 29, 1883

EX-GOV. BALLARD

D.W. Ballard, once Governor of Idaho, died at Lebanon, Oregon, on the 18th of this month. His wife, son, and four daughters survive him.

Gov. Ballard was a physician by profession, and incidentally a politician only. He early recognized the mistake he made in accepting the appointment of Governor of Idaho, and removing from the familiar haunts and pursuits of his Yamhill life; and soon after his term here, expired in 1869, gladly returned to Oregon. The position he held in the Oregon State Senate, on certain important measures secured the Senatorial influence that named his appointment at Washington and seduced him from his profession, and the State he loved. He was an honest man, and as Governor of Idaho, made a conscientious, faithful executive; but he was never at home as Governor, and always seemed to feel it. Nature designed him for a doctor, and in that capacity he was keen and skillful. Feeling this he returned to his Oregon patients as soon as his fourvear term expired here, and lived and died among his old friends and associates. He was a genial gentleman, and his death is regretted by many old friends in Idaho.

The (Salem) Oregon Statesman, June 27, 1936

Bits for Breakfast, by R.J. Hendricks

Address of C.P. Bishop to Linn county pioneers on life and works of Rev. Spalding, the missionary aiding Dr. Whitman:

Dr. David W. Ballard of Lebanon, Oregon, was, in June, 1866, appointed by President Andrew Johnson governor of the territory of Idaho; that former part of Oregon having been made a territory March 3, 1863...

...Dr. Ballard returned to Lebanon and to his practice there after his term as governor of Idaho, in which he left a good record, compared with what had preceded him in that office in the territory of Idaho.

Governor Ballard and wife died and were buried at Lebanon...

<u>Idaho "The Place and Its People",</u> by Byron Defenbach, 1970

David W. Ballard February 21, 1824-September 18, 1883

Governor, June 14, 1866-July 16, 1870 (actual service)

Serving as governor from June 14, 1866-July 16, 1870, D.W. Ballard had the longest term, in actual service, of any of Idaho's territorial chief executives. Born in Bridgeport, Indiana, February 21, 1824, Ballard crossed the plains over the Oregon Trail when he was about thirty years of age. After practicing medicine for a decade in his new home town of Lebanon, Oregon, during which time he served in the state legislature several terms, he was appointed governor of Idaho. Associates in Idaho described him as "a mild mannered man, but fearless," and as "a good natured sort of fellow," who was "usually laughing or in agreeable humor." His chief misfortune was to be a Republican governor during the stormy period of Radical Reconstruction, when political life in Democratic Idaho was far from placid.

Just after the Civil War, Idaho's population sympathized mainly with the South and the Confederate cause; Ballard scarcely had taken up his duties before the strong majority party of secessionist sympathizers started a campaign to drive him out of office. Most of the members of the fourth session of the legislature -- called the "satanic" session by its Radical opponents -- got into such a violent dispute with Governor Ballard that troops were summoned from Fort Boise to protect the territorial executive officers from attack. By 1868, Ballard had been dismissed from office no less than four times by President Andrew Johnson; only the tenure of office act saved him from being replaced altogether. During the fight to oust Ballard, he went unpaid as governor for a whole year, so that he had to support himself entirely from the fees of his Boise medical practice. But after the removal proceedings failed, Dr. Ballard was able to make peace with his political enemies, and from then on his relations with the secessionist Democratic legislature harmonious.

Idaho territory declined considerably during the years that Governor Ballard held office. An exodus of placer miners -- including ones who had succeeded as well as ones who had failed -- left the territory with a population somewhat reduced. Quartz mining had great promise, but was getting off to a poor start. Armed battles over rich claims convulsed some of the more important communities: Ballard, in fact, had to call upon the army from Fort Boise to send out a force to suppress one such war in Owyhee, April 2, 1868. But stable institutions were developing. Governor Ballard, himself, was one of

the founders of the First National Bank in the spring of 1867

Before his term ended, Ballard was able to bring order out of the chaos into which Idaho's government had fallen before 1866, and even though he failed to obtain his party's nomination for Congress in 1870, he left the territory as one of the most popular of Idaho's appointed governors. After waiting vainly for several months for his successor to arrive in Boise, Ballard returned to Oregon to resume his medical practice in Lebanon. He died there September 19 (sic), 1883.

<u>History of the Willamette Valley</u>, H.O. Lang, 1885, pg. 751

Ballard, David W., M.D.

Born in Bridgeport, Indiana, February 2, 1824; in 1852 arrived in Oregon and settled at Lebanon, and engaged in the practice of medicine. He married Jane E. Rooker in June, 1849, and their children's names are -- Lonnor, Oscar, Florence, Carrie, Frank, Maud and Ora.

Land of Linn, Floyd C. Mullen, 1971 pg., 123

D.W. Ballard, one of the incorporators of the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Road Co., formed in Lebanon on May 18, 1864.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 27, 1928

C.B. Montague and ... Dr. Ballard, were "among those present" when a small company of men, representing the president of the United States, accepted Alaska from the delegation of Russian officials sent by their government to complete the formalities of that little land deal. Mr. Montague enjoyed telling how the company of United States citizens up there in Alaska worried because their interpreter failed to arrive on the Seattle boat. The day appointed for the ceremonies came and the men lined up to do their part; but not one of them could understand or speak the language of Russia. The Russian delegation, in court regalia, took their places opposite them; and the Russian prince, when delivering the Alaskan country to America, made his speech in polished English. The captain, who received Alaska replied in plain English, as became an American citizen.

BALLARD, Jane E. (nee Rooker) No Stone

 ca. 1831 IN possible d/o Jesse B. Rooker

m. David W. Ballard 14 Jun 1848 Morgan Co., IN

d. 27 Apr 1891 Colville, WA age about 60

c. Amanda D. (est. 10 Nov 1851 IN?) Lonnor L. (est. 26 Dec 1853 Linn Co., OT)

Oscar (ca. 1856 OT)

Mary J. (est. 20 Jun 1859 Linn Co., OR)

Florence (ca. 1862, m. John B. Slater) Carrie B. (ca. 1864 OR, m. C.C. Hackleman)

Frank R. (ca. 1867 OR, m. Stella Finch) Maud M. (ca. 1871 OR, m. Robert N. Wright)

Ora (ca. 1876 OR, m. Mr. Stoddard)

Lebanon Express, April 24, 1891

Mrs. Dr. Ballard is dangerously ill at Colville, Washington. Mrs. C.C. Hackleman of this place has been attending her for some time.

Lebanon Express, May 1, 1891

Death of a Pioneer Lady -- Died, in Colville, Washington, April 27, Mrs. D.W. Ballard. Deceased was the widow of Dr. Ballard, of Lebanon, Or., who died in 1883. Mrs. Ballard came to Oregon in the year 1852. In 1869 (sic) her husband was appointed Governor of Idaho, which office he held for four years. After retiring from the governorship he resumed the practice of his profession in Lebanon until the close of his life in 1883. At the time of her death, Mrs. Ballard was making her home with her daughter, Mrs. J.B. Slater of Colville. The remains will be brought to Lebanon and interred in the old cemetery. Funeral services will be held in the M.E. church to-day (Friday) at 2 P.M. Rev. T.P. Boyd officiating.

Of the five children living, two, Mrs. C.C. Hackleman and Mrs. R.N. Wright, live in Lebanon; Dr. F.R. Ballard in Fremont, and Mrs. J.B. Slater and Miss Ora Ballard in Colville, Washington.

The many friends of the deceased will be grieved to hear of her death. The world is always poorer when such a one leaves it.

NOTE: Jane (Rooker) Ballard was probably a niece of Nancy (Rooker) Claypool.

BALLARD, Lonnor L.

b. est. 26 Dec 1853 Linn Co., OT <u>s/o</u>
<u>David W. and Jane E.</u> (Rooker)

Ballard

d. 4 May 1875 Linn Co., OR age 21y4m9d

BALLARD, Mary J.

b. est. 20 Jun 1859 Linn Co., OR <u>d/o</u>
<u>David W. and Jane E.</u> (Rooker)
Ballard

d. 4 Oct 1860 Linn Co., OR age 1y3m14d

BARTON, Margaret (nee Thompson) See Clymer, Margaret



Emma (Ervin) Beebe The caption on the back of this photograph

The caption on the back of this photograph reads, "Aunt Ada Beebe made this dress."

BEEBE, Emma Louise (nee Ervin) Removed

b. 11 Nov 1835 Elizabeth, NJ

m. Selah Jacob Beebe 1 Aug 1856 St. Croix Co., WI

 d. 21 Dec 1905 Lebanon, OR age 70y1m10d

c. Louise A. (1857 St. Croix, WI, m. George Alexander)
Grace Ervin (m. D.W. Wolcott)
Elizabeth Louise (m. H.A. Nicholson)
J. Ervin
Charles W. (5 Aug 1872 Cylon, WI, m. Jennie M. ____)
child
child

"At Rest"

Lebanon Express, Dec. 22, 1905

Mrs. Emma L. Beebe passed away at her home in Lebanon, Oregon, at 12:15 a.m., Wednesday, Dec. 21, 1905, after a long illness, aged 70 years 1 month and 10 days.

The maiden name of the deceased was Erving (sic), and she was born in Elizabeth, New Jersey, November 11, 1835. She moved with her parents to Walworth county, Wis., in 1854, and from there to St. Croix County, Wis., in 1856. On August 1, 1856, she was married to S.J. Beebe, who survives her. In 1878 they moved from Wisconsin to Otter Tail County, Minn., where they resided until 1903, when they came to Lebanon, Oregon. Seven children were born to them, two of which preceded her to the great beyond. Those living are: Mrs. Louisa (sic) Alexander, of Lebanon, Or.; Mrs. D.W. Wolcott, of Portland, Or.; Mrs. H.A. Nicholson, of Crary, N.D.; J.E. Beebe, of Fergus Falls, Minn., and C.W. Beebe, of Lebanon, Or.

Deceased was an excellent woman and had the respect and esteem of all who knew her. She had been an earnest and faithful Christian for about 44 years. She first united with the M.E. church, afterwards united with the Congregational church, and had been a member of the Presbyterian church for the past several years.

Funeral services were held at the home at 10 o'clock this morning, conducted by Rev. W.T. Wardle, pastor of the Presbyterian church, after which the remains were laid to rest in the city cemetery.

NOTE: Mrs. Beebe's body and stone were removed to the Lebanon I.O.O.F./Masonic Cemetery in July of 1942.

BEEBE, Selah Jacob

Removed

b. est. 15 Nov 1835 NY s/o Whiting Beebe

- m. Emma Louise Ervin 1 Aug 1856 St. Croix Co., WI (see Beebe, Emma Louise)
- d. 1 Feb 1908 Lebanon OR age 72y2m17d
- c. Louise A. (1857 St. Croix, WI, m.

George Alexander)
Grace Ervin (m. D.W. Wolcott)
Elizabeth Louise (m. H.A. Nicholson)

J. Ervin
Charles W. (5 Aug 1872 Cylon, WI, m.

Jennie M.)

child child



Selah Jacob Beebe

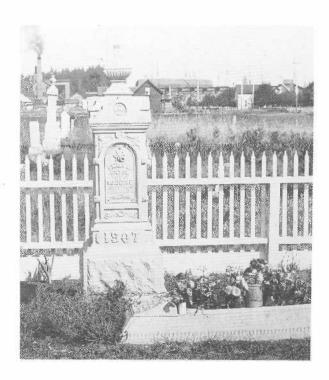
Civil War Veterans, by Spencer Leonard

SJ Beebe -- G4 Wis Cav

Lebanon Express, Mar. 10, 1905

N.R. Beaman has sold his residence property in the northern part of town to S.J. Beebe, for \$850 ... Mr. Beebe will move into his new property as soon as Mr. Beaman leaves.

NOTE: Mr. Beebe's body and stone were removed to the Lebanon I.O.O.F./Masonic Cemetery in July of 1942.



The Beebe monument at Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery. Remains and markers were removed to Lebanon I.O.O.F. Cemetery in 1942.

BELL, John W.

No Stone

b. Apr 1816 Circleville, OH
m. #1 Lurana Nickerson 23 Mar 1842 Morgan Co., OH (see Bell, Lurana) #2 Melissa ???
b. ca. 1847 OH
#3 Viola C. ??? ca. 1886
b. Jun 1861 IA
d. 23 Jan 1901 Tallman, OR age 85y
c. (of Lurana Nickerson)

Rebecca Nancy (20 Feb 1843

Zanesville, OH, m. Joseph

Holmes Pheris Hope)

Carolinea (1847 OH, m. James L.

Harris)

Emma B. (est. 13 Mar 1855 Linn Co., OT, m. Dan C. Byland) (of Viola ???) Delbert J. (Oct 1895 OR)

Donation Land Claim # 2147 OC

BELL, John W., 305.23 ac T12S, R2W Sec 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17

Also, BELL, John W; Linn Co; b. 1816 Pickaway Co,. Oh; Arr Ore 15 Sep 1851; SC 15 Feb 1853; m. Laura 27 Mar 1842, Morgan Co., Oh. Letter to Surveyor General regarding (11) eleven claims that need surveying, Moses Bland, Royal Cottle and Jacob Rees (sic) overlapped. Mr. Bell's land overlapped David P. Lambert's and he petitioned the surveyor for an adjustment. Henry W. Geer and Simon A. Nickerson signed aff. that Bell did not abandon c. but lived with a neighbor while building his house. Aff. Henry W. Greer, Simon A. Nickerson, H.N. George.



John Bell and wife

Brownsville Times, Feb. 1, 1901

J.W. Bell died at his home at Tallman Wednesday morning, Jan. 23, 1901, after a lingering illness of several years, at the advanced age of 85 years.

Mr. Bell was born at Circleville, OH, in 1816. In 1842 he was married to Miss Lurana Nickerson. In 1851 he crossed the plains and came directly to this place and took up a donation land claim one mile west of Lebanon. Mr. Bell was the first postmaster ever appointed for Lebanon. When he was appointed this place was known as Washington Butte. In early days he was Justice of Peace for this place a number of terms.

BELL, Lurana (nee Nickerson)

No Stone

- b. 1816 ME
- m. John W. Bell 23 Mar 1842 Morgan Co., OH
- d. 19 May 1877 Linn Co., OR age about 61

Willamette Farmer, June 1, 1877

In Memorium

At a regular meeting of the Lebanon Grange No. 21, P. of H., following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, the Master of the Great Grange above has seen fit to remove from our midst our beloved Sister Lurana Bell, who departed this life on the 19th day of May, 1877;

and whereas, we realize that in going from us she has gone to receive the higher Degrees above to which we all aspire; therefore,

Resolved, That in the death of Sister Bell her husband has lost a kind and loving wife, Lebanon Grange one of its most faithful members, and the Patrons of Husbandry one of their warmest supporters and admirers.

Resolved, That in the loss of Sister Bell our Grange has only temporarily lost a member, and although we shall miss her in our councils, we realize that our loss has been her gain.

Resolved, That in this great bereavement the family of our deceased Sister has our most heartfelt sympathy, and that a copy of these resolutions be furnished the friends of deceased and the Willamette Farmer, Albany Register and Democrat, with request to publish the same.

I.N. McDonald, Sarah Saltmarsh, Margaret Gore, Committee

Frank Pike, Sec. Pro. Tem.

BLAND, Barbara Ann (nee Leedy) "Wife of George H." M & M Salem

- b. 11 Jul 1843 Wabash Co., IN d/o Daniel and Mary (Huston) Leedy
- m. George Hester Bland 15 May 1862 Linn Co., OR
- <u>d.</u> 6 <u>Dec</u> 1864 Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> 21y4m23d
- c. William Anderson (19 Mar 1863 OR, m. Minnie May Robner)



Clara Malisia Bland

BLAND, Clara Malisia/Melissa (nee Powell)

- b. est. 5 Jul 1848 Fulton Co., IL d/o Charles Wesley and Clara Jane (Louk) Powell
- m. George Hester Bland 4 Jan 1866 OR
- d. 5 Apr 1897 Linn Co., OR age 48y9m
- c. Matilda Olive "Ollie" (29 June 1872 OR, m. John H. Miler/Myler)

Minnie Lyda/Lydia (3 Jan 1877 OR, m. Marion Jasper Needham)
Samantha Ruby (3/8 Jun 1878 Linn Co., OR, m. Daniel Wesley Lawrence)
Clara Pearl (11 Mar 1885 OR, m. Loffie Earl Arnold)
child

"Rest darling wife rest,/ Beautiful toiler thy work all done,/ Beautiful life with its crown now won,/ God give thee rest."

Lebanon Express, Apr. 8, 1897

Mrs. G.H. Bland died at her home, just south of this city, last Sunday night, after a short illness from blood poisoning, at the age of 48 years and 9 months. Mrs. Bland crossed the plains with her parents in 1853 and settled in Oregon. She married in 1866. She was the mother of 6 children, 4 of whom still survive her. Rev. Harmon conducted the funeral services in the M.E. Church Tues., after which her remains were laid to rest in the Lebanon cemetery. The family have the sympathy of all.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 16, 1898

G.H. and John Bland, with their families, have moved back to Lebanon from Wasco county, where they went nearly a year ago.

BLAND, George Hester "Hester"

- b. 9 Nov 1840 Bartholomew Co., IN s/o Moses and Martha (Needham) Bland
- m. #1 Barbara Ann Leedy 15 May 1862 Linn Co., OR (see Bland, Barbara Ann) #2 Clara Malisia/Melissa Powell 4 Jan 1866 OR (see Bland, Clara Malisia/Melissa)
- d. 7 Aug 1905 Linn Co., OR age 64y9m29d
- c. (by Barbara Leedy)
 William Anderson (19 Mar 1863 OR, m.
 Minnie May Robner)
 (by Clara Powell)
 Matilda Olive "Ollie" (29 June 1872
 OR, m. John H. Miler/Myler)
 Minnie Lyda/Lydia (3 Jan 1877 OR, m.
 Marion Jasper Needham)

Samantha Ruby (3/8 Jun 1878 Linn Co., OR, m. Daniel Wesley Lawrence) Clara Pearl (11 Mar 1885 OR, m. Loffie Earl Arnold) child

child



George Hester Bland

Linn County Militia List, 1874

Bland, Geo. H.

Lebanon Express, Aug. 11, 1905

George Hester Bland was born in Indiana on the 9th day of November 1840 and died August 7, 1905. He was married to Barbara A. Leady (sic), May 15, 1862. To them was born one son. Mrs. Barbara A. Bland died the 6th day of December, 1864.

On January 4, 1866 Mr. Bland was married to Clara Melissa (sic) Powell. To them were born six children, three of whom are living. Mrs. Clara Melissa Bland died April 5, 1897.

In the fall of 1851 Mr. Bland came with his parents and settled in the vicinity of Lebanon where he has since resided.

George Hester Bland was a conscientious Christian man, upright and honest in his actions with his fellow men, always ready to lend a helping hand to the needy. He gave his heart to God when about 16 years of age, and has been an active and faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church ever since. As a class leader for several years he faithfully represented his master and both by precept and example taught the living truth of our holy religion. Mr. Bland was also for many years steward and trustee of the church, and also of the Santiam Academy. In these offices he faithfully performed his duties and gave entire satisfaction. All of these positions he held at the time of his death.

He was a member of Lebanon Lodge No. 47, I.O.O.F., for about twenty years, and was also a member of the Encampment.

He leaves to mourn his demise, one brother, J.W., one son, W.A., and three daughters, Mrs. Ollie Miler, Mrs. Lida Needham and Mrs. Pearl Arnold, and ten grandchildren. His only sister Mrs. Samantha Ann Powell, died Jan. 26, 1904, she being the wife of Joseph Powell who died Feb. 19, 1904.

Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.



The Bland monument then and now. Vandals have completely destroyed the name plates leaving only the ornate capped obelisk of this once beautiful white zinc marker.

BLAND, Lucy Jane

No Stone

- b. 31 Mar 1878 Lebanon, OR d/o John Wesley and Elizabeth Jane (Powell) Bland
- d. 27 Aug 1882 OR? age 4y4m27d

NOTE: Lucy is assumed buried here along with others of her family.

BLAND, Martha (nee Needham)

- <u>b.</u> <u>28 Mar 1808</u> Randolph Co., NC probably d/o John and Nancy (Bland) Needham
- m. Moses Bland 14/15 Mar 1837/8 Bartholomew Co., IN
- <u>d.</u> <u>18 Jul 1895</u> Lebanon, OR age 87y4m20d
- c. Elizabeth F. (Jan 1839 IN, m. Isaac McClung)

George Hester (9 Nov 1840
Bartholomew Co., IN, m. #1
Barbara Ann Leedy, m. #2
Clara Malisia/Melissa Powell)

Samantha Ann (17 Jul 1843 Jennings Co., IN, m. Joseph Ambrose Powell)

John Wesley (4 May 1846

Bartholomew Co., IN, m.

Elizabeth Jane Powell)

Noah (IN - remained in the east)

William (IN - remained in the east)

Lebanon Express, Aug. 2, 1895

Grandma Bland died at the home of her son last Thursday, July 18, after a lingering illness. Rev. D.T. Summerville conducted the funeral service in the M.E. church Saturday, after which the remains were buried in the Masonic Cemetery. Obituary next week.

Obituary -- Martha Bland, whose maiden name was Needham, was born in N.C., Mar. 28, 1808, and in her youth moved with her parents to Indiana, where she matured, was married to Moses Bland and had her home until she left with her husband for Oregon, where they arrived in 1851, and at once settled near Lebanon, in the neighborhood of which has been her home until her decease, July 18, 1895.

Early in life she was converted to Christ and became a member of the Methodist Episcopal church, in whose communion she remained until admitted into the Church Triumphant. Membership

in the Church with her was not a mere nominal relation without action, sympathy or sacrifice for Christ her master, but a connection with the Church of God which she honored with a consecrated life, a faithful service and regular attendance upon the means of grace until the infirmities of age resulting in feebleness of body prevented her. Nearly all the old Christians of Linn Co., and many of their children remember "Grandma" Bland as a faithful attendant and active worker at the camp meetings and quarterly lovefeasts of the Methodist Church. Her experience was positive and clear, her life consistent, and as a result her departure was a glorious translation and not a reluctant death. As in the case of Elijah, may her mantle fall upon some worthy Elisha who shall encourage and help forward the armies of God's modern Israel.



Martha Bland

Mrs. Bland was the mother of six children - five sons and one daughter -- of whom G.H. and J.W. Bland and Mrs. H.J. (sic) Powell are living. Her husband died in 1873, since which time she has made her home with one or the other of the children, but mostly with G.H., from whose home she passed away from earth.

The funeral services were held at the M.E. Church at 1:00 o'clock July 18, from which her body, followed by a large number of relatives and friends, was borne to the family lot in Lebanon cemetery and committed to the ground according to the burial service of the Methodist Episcopal church.

BLAND, Moses

- b. est. 21 Jan 1819 Jackson Co., IN
- m. Martha Needham 14 Mar 1838 Bartholomew Co., IN (see Bland, Martha)
- <u>d.</u> <u>18 Sep 1873</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> <u>54y7m28d</u>
- c. Elizabeth F. (Jan 1839 IN, m. Isaac McClung)

George Hester (9 Nov 1840
Bartholomew Co., IN, m. #1
Barbara Ann Leedy, m. #2
Clara Malisia/Melissa Powell)

Samantha Ann (17 Jul 1843 Jennings Co.,IN, m. Joseph Ambrose Powell)

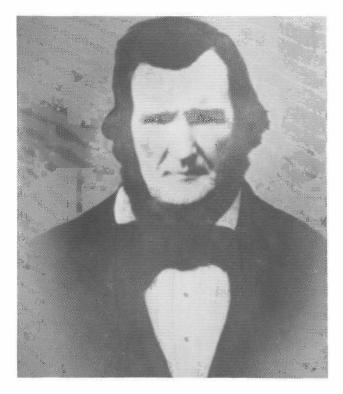
John Wesley (4 May 1846

Bartholomew Co., IN, m.

Elizabeth Jane Powell)

Noah (IN - remained in the east)

William (IN - remained in the east)



Moses Bland

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BLAND, Moses, b. 18 Feb. 1819 Jackson Co., IN; m. Martha Needham 15 Mar 1837 Bartholomew Co., IN d 18 Sept 1873 Linn Co. -bur. Pioneer cemetery, Lebanon, Linn Co.

Christian Pacific Advocate, Dec. 11, 1873

Moses Bland was born in the state of Indiana, January 16, 1819. He died of Typhoid Fever at the residence of J. A. Powell, at Lebanon, Oregon, on the 23rd day of September 1873.

He was converted and joined the M.E. Church, during the year 1848. In the fall of 1851 with a company of others crossed the plains and took up his residence at Lebanon, where he lived until the day of his death.

He was devotedly attached to his home, to his family, and was highly esteemed in all the relations of father, husband, neighbor, and citizen. He had been for many years a trustee and director of the Santiam Academy, and had contributed largely of his time to build up that Institution.

He died peacefully, and calmly, trusting in Jesus his savior. His wife will miss the peace and sympathy of a devoted husband, and his children the counsels of a loving father. L.M. NICKERSON

Lebanon Express, Jan. 16, 1896

A Pioneer's Monument -- At the Lebanon cemetery today we noticed a beautiful double column monument, of fine workmanship and material, being of the finest grade of imported Italian marble. A close inspection showed it to be at the graves of two of our old pioneers, Moses Bland and wife, and is a fitting tribute of respect to that class of pioneers who braved the dangers and privations incident to the settlement of this country, but who are now fast passing away.

<u>Pioneer Stories of Linn Co., OR, Vol. I, Interview</u> with William Anderson Bland, Leslie L. Haskin et al, 1939 WPA Project

"My grandfather's name ... was Moses Bland. He started for Oregon on February, 1851, and arrived in Linn County in September of the same year. ...

When the Blands started for Oregon, they had five yoke of oxen, one cow and a mare ...

When I was nine years old, Grandfather sold his claim to Dave Smith for \$10,000 and bought

land just south of Lebanon from Jess George. The same year Grandfather died (1873). My father and my uncle, John W. Bland, divided the new place between them and both lived there until their death



John Bland and Family, ca. 1908. John is the bearded man on the left. Lizzie Bland is in front of and to his left.

<u>Bland Family Group Sheet</u>, Samuel Arthur Randle, Feb. 1992

Moses came to Oregon in 1849 to locate a Donation Land Claim. He returned to Indiana and brought his young family and an elderly black couple to his claim DLC 1961 OC SC 30 Oct 1851 Twp 12S R2W Sec 9 304.51 ac. 1 & 1/2 mi W Leb. They left Indiana Feb 1851 arrived Oregon Sep 1851 with 5 yoke of Oxen 1 cow and 1 mare.

The black couple died and are buried on the farm.

BLICK, John N. (Jr.)

- b. est. 1 Feb 1884 OR ? s/o John N. and Sarah B. (Burres) Blick
- d. 13 Feb 1885 OR age 1y12d

BLICK, John N. (Sr.)

- b. est. 3 Apr 1853
- m. Sarah B. Burres 10 Apr 1883 Linn Co., OR
- <u>d.</u> 10 Oct 1883 Linn Co., OR age 30y6m7d

c. John N. (est. 1 Feb 1884 OR ?)

Willamette Farmer, October 5, 1883

On last Friday, 21st, a gunsmith by the name of John Blick, at Lebanon, was handling a Winchester rifle when it was accidentally discharged and crushed the bone so badly above the left knee that it was necessary to amputate the leg.

<u>Historical and Biographical Notes</u> - Lebanon Cemetery Survey, Leslie L. Haskin, June 1939

1853-1883 A blacksmith and gunsmith at Sodaville in early days. He bled to death following an accidental gunshot wound in his shop.

BLODGETT, Berry F.

- b. 1830 VA
- m. Sarah Ann Hardman 30 Dec 1858 Linn Co., OT (see Blodgett, Sarah Ann)
- d. <u>1901</u> Linn Co., OR ? age 71y
- c. Jennie L. (ca. 1861 WT, m. William W. Crawford)

Ellen/Ella M. (ca. 1863 Waitsburg, WT, m. Alvin W. Marks)

Charles A. (5 Apr 1865 Independence, OR, m. Frances Lillie Bland)

Sylvanus V. (26 Aug 1868 OR, m. Addie G. Coyle)

Ira (ca. 1872 OR)

Eunice (ca. 1876 OR, m. Mr. McCallum) Eva (ca. 1882 OR, m. Frank Britchford)

NOTE: Berry was probably a brother of Margaret H. (Blodgett) McDonald.

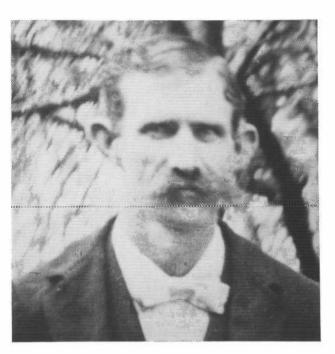
Linn County Militia List, 1874

Blodgett, B.F.

BLODGETT, Charles A.

No Stone

- b. 5 Apr 1865 Independence, OR s/o Berry F. and Sarah Ann (Hardman) Blodgett
- m. #1 Lillian "Lillie" Frances Bland 3 Sep 1896 Linn Co., OR (see Blodgett, Lillian "Lillie" Frances) #2 name unknown
- d. 20 Feb 1915 Sedro Wooley, WA age 49y10m15d
- c. child



Charles Blodgett, ca. 1900

Lebanon Criterion, Feb. 26, 1915

OBITUARY CHAS. A. BLODGETT

The body of Charles A. Blodgett, who died at his home in Sedro-Wooley, Washington, on Saturday, February 20, was brought to Lebanon Tuesday and funeral services were held at the cemetery Wednesday afternoon by Rev. Robt. Sutcliffe.

The deceased was formerly a resident of Lebanon and went from here to Sedro-Wooley in 1903 where he has since resided. His illness was of several months duration and his death was not unlooked for. He was born at Independence, April 5, 1865, and was 49 years, 10 months and 15 days of age when his death come (sic).

He leaves a wife and two small children together with two brothers and three sisters, of whom S.V. Blodgett and Mrs. Eunice McCallum are residents of Lebanon.

Among those who attended the funeral was the members of the Lebanon fire department, of which he was formerly a member, all of whom attended in a body and the pall bearers were selected from their number.

BLODGETT, Ira

No Stone

b. ca. 1872 OR s/o Berry F. and Sarah Ann (Hardman) Blodgett

- m. name unknown
- d. 7 Mar 1920 Albany, OR age about 47
- c. Neva (m. Mr. Lyons) Vivia

Lebanon Express, Mar. 10, 1920

IRA BLODGETT, A NATIVE SON, LAID TO REST

There is one historic spot in Lebanon that claims little attention from the present generation. but it is very dear to the hearts of members of pioneer families. It is a little cemetery near North Main street, and while it is no longer possible to purchase lots the relatives owning family burial lots are privileged to use them for burial purposes. This cemetery was the scene of the funeral of Ira Blodgett on Sunday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Yarnes of the Methodist church. Mr. Blodgett, who passed away at Albany on Saturday, March 7th, was a native son of Linn county, born to pioneer parents, and grew to manhood in this vicinity. Later he went to Spokane, Washington, where he spent 24 vears returning to Albany about two years ago, where he resided until his death. When the automobile funeral train arrived, with a large number of relatives and friends from Albany, it found a sympathetic group of old-time neighbors and friends awaiting it. It was an ideal spring day and the open air service was most impressive. Mr. Blodgett was esteemed by all who knew him for his great kindness of heart, and is sincerely mourned by a large circle of relatives and friends.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Neva Lyons, of Shelby, Mont., and Miss Vivia Blodgett of Spokane, Washington, and two sisters, Mrs. A. W. Marks of Oakland, Calif., and Mrs. Frank Britchford of Cedro Woolley (sic), Washington.

Lebanon Criterion, Mar. 12, 1920

NATIVE LEBANON MAN DIES AT ALBANY

The body of Ira Blodgett, who died at Albany Friday, was brought to Lebanon Saturday and buried in the Lebanon cemetery on Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. T.D. Yarnes holding a short service at the grave. Mr. Blodgett was born in Lebanon 47 years ago and most of his boyhood days were spent here, but when a young man he went to Spokane where he lived until about two years ago when he returned to Linn county locating in Albany where he has since been employed as a mechanic in the Ford garage. He was a brother of S.V. Blodgett of Cascadia and is survived by two daughters who reside in Spokane.

<u>BLODGETT,</u> Lillian "<u>Lillie</u>" Frances (nee Bland)

"Wife of C"

- b. 3 Jan 1867 Linn Co., OR <u>d/o</u> <u>J</u>ohn <u>Wesley and Elizabeth</u> Jane (Powell) <u>Bland</u>, gd/o <u>Moses and Martha</u> (Needham) Bland
- m. #1 Dexter Henry Harris 25 Dec 1884 Lebanon, OR
 - b. 4 Jul 1864 Bogart, MO s/o David Holman and Alvira (Ewer) Harris
 - d. 2 Jun 1892 Eugene, OR age 27y10m29d (appendicitis) bur. Mulkey Cemetery, Eugene, OR

#2 Charles A. Blodgett 3 Sep 1896 Linn Co., OR

- d. 4 Mar 1901 Lebanon, OR age 34y2m1d (by Dexter Harris)
 - Myrtle Elsie (30 Jun 1886 Lebanon, OR, m. George Havelock Randle)

Sylvia (25 Oct 1891 Eugene, OR, m. #1 Dell R. Jacobs, m. #2 Albert Day Sickafoose)



Wedding portrait of Lillian and Dexter Harris

Albany Democrat, Mar. 8, 1901

Lebanon -- Mrs. Lily Blodgett died at her home in this city early yesterday morning, after a long illness. Deceased was a daughter of J. Bland and was a highly respected woman. She leaves two daughters, one about 14 years of age and the other about 9.



Lillie Blodgett shortly before her death, ca. 1900

BLODGETT, infant daughter

<u>Cemetery Survey, Lebanon (Old) Cemetery,</u> by Leslie L. Haskin, June 1939

Blodgett, Infant dau d.

NOTE: This child does not appear on an earlier DAR list. Only a small stone fragment remains.

BLODGETT, Sarah Ann (nee Hardman) "His Wife"

- b. 14 May 1842 St. Joseph Co., iN d/o
 Aaron and Eunice (Backus) Hardman,
 gd/o Benjamin J. and Catherine
 (Hostetler) Hardman
- m. Berry F. Blodgett 30 Dec 1858 Linn Co., OT
- d. 8 Oct 1908 Lebanon, OR age 66y4m24d (OR Death Index)

c. Jennie L. (ca. 1861 WT, m. William W. Crawford)

Ellen/Ella M. (ca. 1863 Waitsburg, WT, m. Alvin W. Marks)

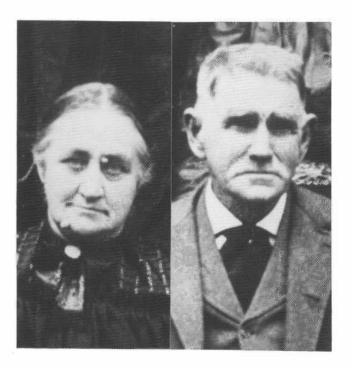
Charles A. (5 Apr 1865 Independence, OR, m. Frances Lillie Bland)

Sylvanus V. (26 Aug 1868 OR, m. Addie G. Coyle)

Ira (ca. 1872 OR)

Eunice (ca. 1876 OR, m. Mr. McCallum)

Eva (ca. 1882 OR, m. Frank Britchford)



Sarah Ann and Berry Blodgett, ca. 1900

Albany Democrat, Oct. 23, 1908

Died at Lebanon -- Mrs. S.A. Blodgett passed away early yesterday morning at the home of her son-in-law, W.W. Crawford, four miles west of Lebanon, after a long illness, aged 66 years 4 months and 24 days. The deceased was born in St. Joseph County, Indiana, May 14, 1842. She came to Oregon at an early day and was one of the best known and most highly respected pioneer ladies of this community. She leaves six children.

Mrs. A.W. Marks, of Hillsboro and Mrs. McCallum, of Westminster, B.C. will be here tomorrow to attend the funeral of their mother, Mrs. Blodgett.

BOYD, Hannah (nee Tedrow/Tetherow)

- b. <u>1841</u> IL d/o John and Rachel Tedrow/Tetherow
- m. John O. Boyd 9 Nov 1856 Polk Co., OT
- d. 9 Nov <u>1893</u> Fern Ridge, OR age 52y
- c. Mary M. (ca. 1868 OR, m. #1 P.C. Clark, m. #2 Thomas I. James) Samuel Thomas (11 Jun 1870 OR, m. Edith Prine)

N.A. "Arky" (daughter, ca. 1873 OR, m. O.P. Holman)
Martha M. (ca. 1876 OR)

Lebanon Express, Nov. 16, 1893

Mrs. John O. Boyd, wife of a well known citizen of Fern Ridge, while attending a revival meeting conducted by Rev. Mr. and Mrs. Brown at the Fern Ridge schoolhouse, Thursday of last week, was stricken with heart failure and died in a few minutes. She was as well as usual when she left home, but while in church was seized with pains in the region of the heart, and died within five minutes. She was a most estimable woman and leaves a husband and several grown children. The remains were interred on Saturday in the Lebanon cemetery.

BOYD, John O.

- b. <u>1834</u> Greene Co., TN
- m. Hannah Tedrow/Tetherow 9 Nov 1856 Polk Co., OT (see Boyd, Hannah)
- d. 8 Jun 1905 Linn Co., OR age about 71y
- c. Mary M. (ca. 1868 OR, m. #1 P.C. Clark, m. #2 Thomas I. James) Samuel Thomas (11 Jun 1870 OR, m. Edith Prine)

N.A. "Arky" (daughter, ca. 1873 OR, m. O.P. Holman)

Martha M. (ca. 1876 OR)

Donation Land Claim # 3064 T10S R6W Sec 8

BOYD, John O., Polk Co; b. 1834, Green Co. TN; Arr OR Oct 1852; SC 4 July 1855; m. Hannah 9 Nov 1856 Polk Co., Ore. T. 23 Nov 1865 James Bidwell (Bridwell) signed Oath of Allegiance as purchaser of c. Aff: James A. Cardwell, Arch Holman, John W. Tedrow, Richard J. Grant.

Lebanon Express, Jun. 6, 1905

Lacomb Topics -- J.O. Boyd is very sick and slight hopes are entertained for his recovery. Dr. J.C. Booth is in attendance.

Lebanon Express, Jun. 13, 1905

J.O. Boyd, a well-known pioneer living near Lacomb, died last Thursday at the age of about 74 years. He was an honest, upright man and leaves many friends

In the estate of J.O. Boyd, W.L. Barton was appointed admin., value of estate \$500.

Mr. J.O. Boyd died at his home near Salt Lake June 8, and was buried at Lebanon Saturday.

BRANDENBURG, John W.

- b. est. 30 Jan 1804 MD s/o William Brandenburg of Germany, gs/o Solomon Brandenburg
- m. Lydia J. Sisney 7 Sep 1837 Richland, OH
 - b. ca. 1822 OH
 - d. 4 Dec 1904 Portland, OR age 82v
- d. 16 Apr 1864 OR age 60y3m16d
- c. John W. (14 Nov 1840 Richland Co., OH, m. Melissa M. Cooper)

Otho S.

George W. (ca. 1843, m. Sarah J.

Martha (1845 Ottumwa, IA, m. Mr. Countiss)

Annie (m. Mr. Kiehlmeyer)

<u>An Illustrated History of Central Oregon,</u> Western Historical Publishing Co., 1905

... (John W. Brandenburg) came to the coast in 1850 and settled in Linn county and there remained until his death in 1864, being aged sixtyone. ... (Lydia J. Sisney) was a granddaughter of Colonel Conine, who was a commissary officer under General Washington, in the Revolution. She crossed the plains several years after her husband and died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. M.J. Countiss, at Portland, December 4, 1904, aged eighty-two.

... went ... to Ottumwa, Iowa, in 1845 ... (daughter Martha was) ... first white girl born there.

It is of interest to note that Count Brandenburg, who was prime minister of Germany in 1848, was of the same family as our subject.

Lebanon Express, May 23, 1990

... The search for lower and better routes across the Cascades continued until the fall of 1859, when Andrew Wiley, John Brandenburg and John Grey first discovered the South Santiam Pass. It was to become one of the most traveled passes, not only for settlers who were continuing to move into the Willamette Valley, but also for stockmen who could now drive their herds to the eastern Oregon range each summer. This route is now U.S. 20, an all-weather east-west transcontinental route that forms the linear core around which Lebanon has grown.

BUHL, Joseph

b. 9 Oct 1863 Charleston, WI ?

m. Minnie F. Gilson 7 Oct 1896 Lebanon, OR

> est. 28 Dec 1869 Linn Co., OR d/o William B. and Ellen Jane (Skinner) Gilson

> m. #2 Charles R. Butler 5 Sep1900 Linn Co., OR#3 George W. McKilligan 24Aug 1910 Linn Co., OR

d. 13 Oct 1910 OR age 40y9m16d

d. <u>2 Oct 1897</u> OR age 33y11m23d

"Not lost but gone before"

Lebanon Express-Advance, May 27, 1898

A fine monument has been placed in the Masonic cemetery in memory of Joseph Buhl. It is of dark blue Vermont marble, with gates ajar on front and the book of the Maceabees on sloping top. The monument is the work of F.N. Wood of Albany.

NOTE: The Masonic cemetery in Lebanon has no record of the burial of Joseph Buhl. The stone described above is located at the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery in the Gilson plot.

Joseph was probably the brother of George H. Buhl, born 7 Sep 1865 in Charleston, WI, who was a member of the mercantile store of Bach & Buhl for more than 30 years in Lebanon.

Lebanon Express, May 2, 1935

"Death of George H. Buhl"
... the (Buhl) family came to Oregon ... in
1875, locating near Sublimity in Marion county ...
later moving to Lebanon.

BURKHART, Albert Claude

- b. 24 Feb 1871 Linn Co., OR <u>s/o</u>
 <u>Raymond Sanderson and Mary</u> (Scott)
 Burkhart
- d. 25 Mar 1871 Linn Co., OR age 1m1d

NOTE: One source indicates Albert is buried at the Masonic Cemetery in Lebanon, although they have no record of his burial.

BURKHART, Elizabeth Jane (nee Wassom) "Wife of RS"

- b. 27 Jan 1822 IA d/o Jonathan and Mary (Beeler) Wassom
- m. Raymond Sanderson Burkhart 23 Jun 1842 Hancock Co., IL
- d. 1 Oct 1862 Linn Co., OR age 40y8m4d

c. Adaline "Ada" (24 Dec 1843 Des Moines Co., IA, m. William S. Elkins)

> Elizabeth R. (21 Jan 1845 Des Moines Co., IA, m. Martin T. Lindsey)

George Fred (26 Oct 1846 Whitman Station, OT, m. #1 Sarepta Cornelius, m. #2 Margaret J. Chaffee, m. #3 Ella Fenton)

Marion (1 Nov 1848 Linn Co., OT, m. Aurelia Thomas)

Calvin (19 Apr 1850 Linn Co., OT, m. Kate Connor)

Jonathan Wassom (13 Nov 1851 Linn Co., OT, m. #1 Sarah J. Bilyeu, m. #2 Stella K. Fronk, m. #3 Phebe ______)

Raymond (15 Jun 1853 Linn Co., OT) Franklin (2 Nov 1854 Linn Co., OT) Adelia Frances (5 Nov 1856 Linn Co.

OT)

Selena (3 May 1858 Linn Co., OT) Edwin Milton (10 Oct 1860 Linn Co., OR, m. Minerva R. Curl) infant son (d. 26 Sep 1862)

"For I know that my redeemer liveth/ and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth/ and though after my skin worms destroy this body/ yet in my flesh shall I see God."

<u>Centennial History of Oregon 1811-1911</u>, Vol. 4, Joseph Gaston, p. 839-840

Raymond S. and Eliza (Wassom) Burkhart. Raymond b. Knoxville, TN. Eliza b. IA. Raymond removed to Iowa, crossed plains in 1846 to Oregon, arrived in Linn Co. Feb 1847, settled 4 mis no. of Lebanon. DLC of 640a. Resided there until 1871 when he divided it between children. He died 1888. Eliza d. 1861. Children by 1rst wife: Edwin M., Albany; Adelia F., Duarte, CA; Jonathan W. (12 total). By 2nd wife Almira m Thomas Donnelly, CA; Laura, Los Angeles, CA; Arthur, Linn Co; Emma m. Walker Lovall, Bellingham, WA.

Jonathan W. m. #1 Sarah Bilyeu 1875, #2 Stella K. Fronk.

BURKHART, Franklin

- b. 2 Nov 1854 Linn Co., OT <u>s/o</u> <u>Raymond</u>
 <u>Sanderson and Elizabeth Jane</u>
 (Wassom) <u>Burkhart</u>
- d. 2 Jul 1855 Linn Co., OT age 8m

BURKHART, Infant Son

- b. ca. 1862 OR ? <u>s/o</u> Raymond Sanderson and <u>Elizabeth</u> Jane (Wassom) <u>Burkhart</u>
- d. 26 Sep 1862 Linn Co., OR

BURKHART, Marion

No Stone

- b. 1 Nov 1848 Linn Co., OT s/o Raymond Sanderson and Elizabeth Jane (Wassom) Burkhart
- m. Aurelia Thomas 20 Dec 1874 Linn Co., OR
- d. 6 Dec 1901 Linn Co., OR age 53y1m5d

BURKHART, Mary Scott (nee Scott)

- b. 16 Aug <u>1834</u> Belmont Co., OH
- m. Raymond Sanderson Burkhart 31 Mar 1864 OR
- d. 4 Apr <u>1897</u> Linn Co., OR age 62y7m18d
- c. Almira Belle (26 Jan 1865 Linn Co., OR, m. Thomas Paschal Donlay/Donnelly)

 Laura Catherine (8 Jul 1867 Linn Co., OR, m. Mr. Stansburg)

 Arthur James (Jun 1869 Linn Co., OR, m. Martha Ruenna King)

Albert Claude (24 Feb 1871 Linn Co., OR) Mary Emma (15 Oct 1874 Linn Co., OR. m. Walker Lovall)

Lebanon Express, Apr. 8, 1897

We Deeply Sympathize -- Mary Scott Burkhart was born near St. Clairsville, Ohio, August 16, 1834, and died, at her home near Lebanon, on Sunday, April 4, 1897, aged 62 years, 7 months and 18 days.

At an early age she removed with her parents to Iowa, where she lived until her marriage with R.S. Burkhart, which occurred in 1864. Soon after this she came with her husband to Oregon, and located near Spicer, in this county, where she resided for 12 years, and then removed to the place now occupied by the family, at the foot of Peterson's Butte, where she has resided continuously for more than 23 years, having been a citizen of this community for 35 years.

As a friend and neighbor, she was universally respected and beloved. "She was a true, noble, good woman," was the verdict of her neighbors.

She was of a quiet, gentle disposition; rather reserved in manner, but generous, sympathetic and hospitable. She was fond of home and its attractions, and tenderly attached to her family. Her influence as a christian mother is felt in the community, and is a precious legacy to her children. She was a true and faithful friend, a kind neighbor, and firm and steadfast in her religious life and character.

For the last four months she contended with the disease which resulted in her death. At times she was a great sufferer. The last few days of her sickness her sufferings were extreme. Though, at times, she expressed anxiety for the Master's coming, yet she was resigned and patient through the entire ordeal.

Sister Burkhart united with the M.E. church, South, under the ministry of Rev. T.B. White, many years ago, and has lived a consistent and faithful member ever since that time.

She was ready and willing to go when the summons finally came. As a true mother, her heart clung tenderly to her children, and her only regret was the necessity of leaving them behind in this world of sin and sorrow. She leaves three daughters and one son of her own family, and seven members of her husband's family, to whom she seemed equally attached, to mourn her loss.

Farewell, mother. We shall see you again in the resurrection at the last day. J.W.C.

BURKHART, Raymond

No Stone

- b. 15 Jun 1853 Linn Co., OT s/o Raymond Sanderson and Elizabeth Jane (Wassom) Burkhart
- d. 6 Dec 1853 Linn Co., OT age 5m21d

BURKHART, Raymond Sanderson

- <u>b.</u> <u>2 Feb 1817</u> Knoxville, TN s/o John and Rebecca (Baltzell) Burkhart
- m. #1 Elizabeth Jane Wassom 23 Jun 1842 Hancock Co., IL (see Burkhart, Elizabeth Jane) #2 Mary Scott 31 Mar 1864 IA (see Burkhart, Mary)
- <u>d.</u> <u>28 Oct 1888</u> Lebanon, OR <u>age</u> 71y8m26d
- c. (by Elizabeth Wassom)
 Adaline "Ada" (24 Dec 1843 Des
 Moines Co., IA, m. William S.
 Elkins)
 - Elizabeth R. (21 Jan 1845 Des Moines Co., IA, m. Martin T. Lindsey)
 - George Fred (26 Oct 1846 OT, m. #1 Sarepta Cornelius, m. #2 Margaret J. Chaffee, m. #3 Ella Fenton)
 - Marion (1 Nov 1848 Linn Co., OT, m. Aurelia Thomas)
 - Calvin (19 Apr 1850 Linn Co., OT, m. Kate Connor)
 - Jonathan Wassom (13 Nov 1851 Linn Co., OT, m. #1 Sarah J. Bilyeu, m. #2 Stella K. Fronk, m. #3 Phebe

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Selena (3 May 1858 Linn Co., OT) Edwin Milton (10 Oct 1860 Linn Co., OR, m. Minerva R. Curl)

infant son (d. 26 Sep 1862) (by Mary Scott)

Almira Belle (26 Jan 1865 Linn Co., OR, m. Thomas Paschal Donlay/Donnelly)

Laura Catherine (8 Jul 1867 Linn Co., OR, m. Mr. Stansburg)

Arthur James (Jun 1869 Linn Co., OR, m. Martha Ruenna King)

Albert Claude (24 Feb 1871 Linn Co., OR) Mary Emma (15 Oct 1874 Linn Co., OR, m. Walker Lovall)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 103</u> (T11S R2W Sec 17 and 20)

BURKHARD, Raymond Sanderson, Linn Co. b. 1-2-1817 d. 10-28-1888; m. Elizabeth Wassom (Wasson) b. 1-17-1822 d 10-1-1862 m. 2nd Mary Scott (1834-1897).

Also BURKHART, Raymond S., Linn Co, b. 1817, Sullivan Co, TN; SC 5 Aug 1847; m Elizabeth 23 Jun 1842 Hancock Co, Ill. Temp abs. 24 Sep 1849 to 3 Apr 1850, family remained on claim. Aff: Henry V. Clymer, Joel Ketchum, Elizabeth Jane Baker.

<u>Interview with Mrs. Lucinta C. (Clymer) McQueen,</u> by Leslie Haskin, 1939

...The Spicer school was first known as the "Burkhart" School and was established on the claim of R.S. Burkhart. He gave the land for the school and also was materially interested in erecting the first schoolhouse...

Lebanon Express, Nov. 2, 1888

An Old Landmark Gone -- Mr. R.S. Burkhart departed this life on last Sunday, the 28th of October. He was one of the pioneer settlers of this county. He crossed the plains in 1846 and in the fall of that year took up his donation land claim four miles of this place. He was born in East Tennessee in 1817. He raised a large family, all of whom are honored and respected citizens of this county. Mr. Burkhard was noted for his industrious and temperate habits, for his integrity and fair dealing and by economy and good management he succeeded in accumulating a fine estate and providing well for his family. He was a true friend, a kind and hospitable neighbor, willing always ready to lend a helping hand to the needy.

With an unfaltering trust in his redeemer, he was a member of the M.E. Church South and died in peace.

The funeral services were held in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church on Monday afternoon, and were conducted by Elder Craig.

One by one the Grand Old Men are crossing over. One by one the summons comes to us all.

Albany Democrat Herald, Apr. 5, 1990

Clarification from Virginia Burkhart regarding previous article on the Burkhart family

Nine Burkharts came to Albany during 1846 and 1847, and it becomes confusing. John Burkhart, Albany's first postmaster and father of the rest, was in the October 1847 (1846) wagon train. ...Raymond ... came in the spring of 1847, having detoured to Whitman Mission for the winter because of the birth of child no. 3 ... there were a number of Burkhart farmers, but there was also a druggist, a harness maker, a brickyard owner and an owner of a lumber mill.

Albany Democrat, Old Time Albany, Fred P. Nutting, Nov. 9, 1935

From 1847 there have been representatives of the family of Burkhart around Albany, starting out on what has been known as Albany Prairie, covering quite an area, that gradually brought into the play many prominent families. John Burkhart was the head of all of them, coming here from Maryland in 1847, and there have been numerous Johns since and are now. John had four sons and they had children, about whom we will narrate as far as possible with our limited information. The sons were Cril, Calvin, Raymond and Leander.

1847 to 1935 is 88 years. That means that every Burkhart now alive was born in Oregon, for we know of none that old. And the sons of the original John Burkhart are all gone. Many of their children, though are alive. We have no list so we can refer only to those with whom we are familiar.

... Among the children of Raymond were Geo. W. a former marshall of Albany, whose wife is a survivor, over 80 years of age; Calvin, who married Miss Kate Connor, daughter of Banker John Connor, Mrs. Thompson, Foster, mother of E.L. Thompson and Mrs. Dr. Templeton and Raymond, prominent farmer and horse raiser, near Lebanon, for whom the writer as a J.P., had the honor of performing the marriage ceremony for him and Miss Clara Johnson over thirty years ago.

BURKHART, Selena

- b. 3 May 1858 Linn Co., OT <u>d/o</u> <u>Raymond</u> <u>Sanderson and Elizabeth Jane</u> (Wassom) <u>Burkhart</u>
- d. 19 Nov 1858 Linn Co., OT age 6m16d

BYLAND, Emma B. (nee Bell) "Wife of DC"

- b. est. 13 Mar 1855 d/o John W. and Lurana (Nickerson) Bell
- m. Dan/Donald C. Byland ca. 1870-75
 - b. ca. 1847 SC probably s/o Madison D. and Lodoiska (McPherson) Byland
 - d. 27 Jan 1890 Woodburn, OR
- <u>d.</u> <u>28 Oct 1875</u> OR <u>age 20y7m15d</u>
- c. R.D. (son, ca. 1875)

"We saw not the Angels who meet her there/ the gates of the city we could not see/ over the river, the mystic river/ my darling is waiting for me."

<u>CARTER</u>, <u>B</u>enjamin <u>F</u>. "Dear Father"

- <u>b.</u> <u>5 Sep 1833</u> Henry Co., IN
- m. Charlotte Beeler 4 Jul 1855 Linn Co., OT
 - b. ca. 1840 MO d/o John W. and Jane (Powell) Beeler
 - m. #2 J.T. Walker 9 Jul 1882 Linn Co., OR
 - d. (date unknown) bur. Bellingham, WA
- <u>d.</u> 6 Oct 1870 Lebanon, OR age 37y1m1d
- c. Cornelius Lycurgis (24 Apr 1856 OT)
 Launor Benjamin (6 Oct 1857 OT, m.
 Mary Couey)

Lenora V. (5 May 1858 OT, m. R.L. Creed)

Nancy "Nellie" Cleora (25 Dec 1860 Linn Co., OR, m. Austin Agustus Kees)

Lottie Bell (ca. 1868 OR)

Donation Land Claim # 2675 (T11S R1W Sec. 16, 17 and 18)

CARTER, Benjamin F., Linn Co; b. 5 Sept 1833, Henry Co. IN. Arr. Ore. 30 Aug 1852; SC 4 Oct 1855; m. Charlotte Bealer 4 July 1855 Linn Co., Ore T. Aff: John Bealer, Elias Powell

Will: File No. 64

Died 6 Oct 1870 Linn Co., OR., widow Lottie, children: Cornelius L, age 15, Launer, age 13, Lenora, age 12, Nancy Cleora, age 10 and Lottie Bell, age 22 months. Appraisers: J.H. Johnson, John Jones, James Charlton.

CHEADLE, Gertrude

<u>b.</u> 6 Jul 1876 Linn Co., OR <u>d/o</u> <u>Richard and Louisa Lodema (Lee) <u>Cheadle</u> gd/o Richmond and Mary H. (Keyes) Cheadle
</u>

<u>d.</u> 19 Mar 1889 Lebanon, OR age 12y8m13d



Richard and Louisa Cheadle, Gertrude's parents, held Donation Land Claim #2000 in Linn county. Richard is buried at the Lebanon Masonic Cemetery.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 22, 1889

Gertrude Cheadle, a very promising young daughter of Mr. & Mrs. R. Cheadle, died on Tuesday evening at six o'clock. She was in many respects a very charming young girl, and the pride of her parents and many loved ones. The funeral services took place yesterday at the Lebanon Cemetery by Rev. G.W. Gibony.

CHEADLE, Mary H. (nee Keyes) "Wife of RR"

- b. 11 May 1803 Holden, MA d/o Jotham and Mary (Everett) Keyes
- m. Rev. Richmond Cheadle 29 Jan 1824 Morgan Co., OH
- <u>d.</u> <u>28 Aug 1861</u> Lebanon, OR <u>age</u> <u>58y3m17d</u>
- c. Adeline Marie (18 Oct 1825 OH, m. #1 Aaron Chamberlain, m. #2 Mr. Jones)

Sarah E. (19 Jun 1828 Morgan Co., OH, m. Rev. Lewis Thompson)

Richard (13 Jun 1830 Morgan Co., OH, m. Louisa Lodema Lee)

Martha (24 Jan 1837 MI)

Mariette/Mary Etta C. (24 Jul 1839 MI, m. Alfred W. Wheeler)

Austin E. (7 Feb 1843 MI)

Victoria (1 Mar 1848 Wapello Co., IA)

CHEADLE, Rev. Richmond "Sacred to the memory of"

- <u>b.</u> <u>26 Dec 1801</u> Morgan Co., OH s/o Richard and Sarah (Richmond) Cheadle
- m. Mary H. Keyes 29 Jan 1824 Morgan Co., OH (see Cheadle, Mary H.)
- <u>d.</u> 30 Oct 1875 Lebanon, OR <u>age</u> 73y10m4d
- c. Adeline Marie (18 Oct 1825 OH, m. #1 Aaron Chamberlain, m. #2 Mr. Jones)

Sarah E. (19 Jun 1828 Morgan Co., OH, m. Rev. Lewis Thompson)

Richard (13 Jun 1830 Morgan Co., OH, m. Louisa Lodema Lee)

Martha (24 Jan 1837 MI)

Mariette/Mary Etta C. (24 Jul 1839 MI, m. Alfred W. Wheeler)

Austin E. (7 Feb 1843 MI)

Victoria (1 Mar 1848 Wapello Co., IA)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1975</u> (T12S R1W Sec 19 and T12S R2W Sec 21, 22, 23 and 24)

CHEADLE, Richmond (Rev), Linn Co, b. 12-26-1801 d. 10-30-1875; m. Mary H. Kees (sic) who d. 8-28-1861 ae 58 yrs. Both bur. Lebanon Pioneer Cem.

... SC 8 Apr 1850, m. Mary H. 29 Jan 1824, Morgan Co., OH Aff: Samuel Carroll, Richard Cheadle, R.S. Coyle, J.W. Bell.

NOTE: Richmond was an early Baptist preacher to this region. His D.L.C. was about two miles south of Lebanon. He helped in the organization of many Baptist churches including some of the first.

Will -- File No. 42, Richmond Cheadle

Heirs: Adeline M. Jones, dau., age 50,
Humboldt Co., CA
Sarah E. Thompson, dau., age 47,
Sacramento, CA
Richard Cheadle, son, age 45, Linn
Co., OR
Maryette C. Wheeler, dau., age
36, Linn Co., OR

Deceased left no widow. Petition for administration filed by son Richard Cheadle, 2 Nov 1875. Final settlement 2 Apr 1878.

CLAUGHTON, Eva E.

- b. est. 20 Aug 1863 OR <u>d/o Samuel H. and</u> Eliza Jane Claughton
- d. 25 Feb 1867 OR age 3y6m5d

"Little sister can you tell/ where the holy angels dwell/ is it very very far/ up above the moon and stars."

NOTE: S.H. Claughton was a merchant and saddlemaker from MO. In 1867 he was a Justice of the Peace. In 1881 he built and ran the St. Charles Hotel in Lebanon.

American Unionist (Salem), Mar. 11, 1867

DIED-At Lebanon, Linn County, February 25th, of croup, Eva E., daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S.H. Claughton.

Angels gather flowers on earth that they may grow more beautiful in Heaven --

CLAYPOOL, Catherine (nee Morris) No Stone

- b. 16 Nov 1834 Adams Co., IL d/o Preston Green and Adeliza (Miller) Morris
- m. William Strange Claypool 19 Jun 1851 Linn Co., OT
 - b. 13 Mar 1827 Mooresville, IN s/o
 David Jr. and Nancy (Rooker)
 Claypool
 - m. #2 Martha A. (Thurman) Dyer 27 Aug 1857 Linn Co., OR (see Claypool, Martha A.) #3 Mariah M. Coryell 18 Apr 1868 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 14 Mar 1842 Jefferson, IN d/o Isaac and Lucinda Coryell
 - d. 1 Jan 1912 Umatilla
 Co., OR age 69y9m18d
 - d. 13 Nov 1889 Umatilla Co., OR age 62y8m bur. Athena, OR
- d. ca. 1854 Linn Co., OT age about 20y
- c. Nancy Adaliza (3 Nov 1852 Linn Co., OT, m. Andrew Carothers) Lucy (1854 OT)

NOTE: Catherine is assumed buried here with others of the Claypool family. She was a sister of Sarah Jane (Morris) Griggs.

CLAYPOOL, David Jr.

- b. 18 Apr 1796 Powell Valley, VA s/o David Sr. and Ann (Dunbar) Claypool
- m. Nancy Rooker 11 Jul 1822 Morgan Co., IN (see Claypool, Nancy)
- d. 17 Jul 1857 Linn Co., OT age 61y
- c. Sarah Ann (9 May 1825 IN, m. William Brooks Howell)

William Strange (13 Mar 1827 Mooresville, IN, m. #1 Catherine Morris, m. #2 Martha A. [Thurman] Dyer, m. #3 Mariah M. Corvell)

Eliza Dunbar (22 Nov 1830 IN, m. Jason Wheeler)

David Wayne (8 Oct 1834 Hendricks Co., IN, m. Louisa Elkins)

Samuel Rooker (28 Aug 1836 Hendricks Co., IN, m. America Crabtree)

John Hay (1 Jun 1838 IN, m. #1 J. "Jennie" Pennington, m. #2 Jane E. Cline)

Elizabeth Caroline (est. 25 April 1840 MO)

Mary "Polly" Jane (20 Oct 1842 Andrew Co., MO, m. #1 Freeland T. South, m. #2 James P. Crabtree, m. #3 Barton S. Wishard, m. #4 Andrew [T.J.] Purcell)

Martha M. (1845 Andrew Co., MO, m. John Parker)

Louisa Eleanor Nancy Rooker Margaret

<u>Donation Land Claim # 285</u> (T11S R1W Sec 34 and 35)

CLAYPOOL, David, Linn Co, b. 1796 Lee Co, VA. d 7-15-1857 61 yrs; m. Nancy Rooker 7-11-1822, Morgan Co, Ind. She d. 2-11-1860 57 yrs 1 mo 17 das. Both bur (old) Lebanon Cem.

Also CLAYPOOL, David, Linn Co; b. 1796, Lee Co, VA; SC 8 Jan 1848; m. Nancy 11 Jul 1822, Morgan Co, Ind. Aff: Phebe Luelling, Dela F. Crabtree, Wm. Crabtree.

<u>Portrait and Biographical Record of the Willamette Valley, OR</u>, Chapman Publ. Co., Chicago, 1903, p. 1173

DAVID CLAYPOOL -- David was the son of Reuben who was of Irish descent and who died after establishing his family in Virginia. David left Virginia in 1818 along with his brother and located in Hendricks County, Indiana.

In 1841 David moved to Andrew County, Missouri on a farm near St. Joseph, bringing with him his wife, Nancy (Rooker) Claypool, who was born in Tennessee. John Rooker, her father, was born in London, England and came to the United States long before the Colonies revolted against English tyranny. During the Revolutionary war he served as a butcher in the commissary department. His death occurred in Indiana at an advanced age.

David Claypool was an ambitious man and the prospects of life in the far west appealed to him with irresistible force. He sold his farm in Andrew County and with his family and entire worldly possessions crossed the plains in 1846.

The town of Marquam occupies his first location for land in Oregon, but for some reason he failed to remain there and moved on to the forks of the Santiam in Linn County where he took up a claim in 1848.

He was a Democrat in Politics and a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

NOTE: The above information regarding David's and Nancy's parents is incorrect based on research published by Claypool descendants.

The Claypoole Family in America, Vol. II, 1986, p. 27

David Claypool (Sr.) "was born 4/6/1762 in Hardy Co., VA; died 6/12/1846 N. Salem, Hendricks, Indiana. Married Ann Dunbar, born 2/28/1759, Augusta Co., Va; died 5/30/1831, dau. of John Dunbar II. Lived in Greenbriar & Wythe Co., Va., Tennessee, and N. Salem, Hendricks, Indiana." (Mrs. Mary Claypool, 1330 Kenmore Rd., 157 A, Seal Beach, Ca. 90740)

Also, p. 45 -- David Claypool, Jr. "was born 1796 in Virginia; died 7/17/1857 in Oregon. Married 7/11/1822, Nancy Rooker, born 12/25/1802, Blount Co., Tenn.; died 2/11/1860 in Oregon, dau. of Wm. & Nancy (Saffel) Rooker, Blount Co., Tenn. (William served in the Revolution, son of John D. Rooker, a wealthy silversmith in London.) Lived in Indiana & Missouri until April 4, 1846 when a large party of emigrants started for Oregon with ox teams. Polly Jane (Claypool) Purcell, their daughter, told of their encounters with Indians and the hardships they faced in her "Autobiography and Reminiscences": "I have often heard my mother tell how she felt with our lives trusted to the Indians, yet at such times she had implicit faith in the One who cares for the lilies and the unseen eye that guided them along the greatest of all modern pilgrimages ... My father had only 75 cents in money when we got through but we knew Uncle John Howell would not let us starve ... Wild game was very plentiful, deer, grouse, pheasants and quails. There were fine wild strawberries ... When we came to Oregon territory we had only one neighbor ... There is a warm spot in my heart when I think of the good times we enjoyed there ... The Lord has been good to me and I am still trusting Him."

Also, p. 94 -- Polly Jane Claypool ... She told the story of "The Oregon Trail" and the hardships they faced in her Autobiography. "There were about 160 wagons in our train. Father (David Claypool Jr.) started with three wagons and plenty of provisions but later on was forced to leave one wagon and one by one the oxen died until by the time we reached the Grand Round (Ronde) Valley we had one ox left and were forced to work the cows, so necessarily our progress was slow ... Yet my father was still hopeful the good Lord would protect

us and lead us on to where we had started. Our family all lived to get through ... after a long trip of six months on the road. Thomas Howell let us live in his log house until spring and loaned us wheat for bread ... In 1848 my father and mother took up a donation land claim six miles east of Lebanon on Beaver Creek.. We lived in a camp made of shakes ... We lived for years without glass in our windows, made shutters of boards to keep out the cold at night ... I never went to school until I was 12 years old although I could read, write and was well up on my arithmetic ... In 1855 father bought property in Lebanon of Rev. Helm, and I attended school there one year ... I went three months in the country where the Providence church stands ... In 1868 the Ochoco was settling up fast. Our claim was two miles from where the city is now ... I did not fear the Indians very much ... I could talk their Chinook and sing it. My father raised an Indian boy, George."

CLAYPOOL, Elizabeth Caroline

- b. est. 25 Apr 1840 MO <u>d/o</u> <u>David Jr. and</u> <u>Nancy (Rooker) Claypool</u>
- d. 23 Feb 1862 OR age 21y9m28d

Will -- File No. 63, Elizabeth Caroline Claypool

Died 23 Feb 1862, Linn Co., OR. Date of Will 7 Feb 1862. Proved 4 Nov 1862. Witnesses: James Elkins, Helen A. Millard Elkins. Samuel R. Claypool named executor in will. Bondsmen: S.R. Claypool, D. Wayne Claypool, John H. Claypool, Appraisers: James Shields, D. Wayne Claypool, Benjamin F. Carter. Heirs: Samuel R. Claypool, brother; John H. Claypool, brother; Martha M. Claypool, sister.

CLAYPOOL, Martha A. Dyer (nee Thurman) No Stone

- b. 1831 Fulton Co., IL d/o Edward and Maria (Buffum) Thurman
- m. #1 Alexander M. Dyer 27 Mar 1851 Fulton Co., IL #2 William Strange Claypool 27 Aug 1857 Linn Co., OT
 - b. 13 Mar 1827 Mooresville, IN s/o
 David Jr. and Nancy (Rooker)
 Claypool
 - m. #1 Catherine Morris 19 Jun 1851 Linn Co., OT (see Claypool, Catherine)

#3 Mariah M. Coryell 18 Apr 1868 Linn Co., OR

- b. 14 Mar 1842 Jefferson, IN d/o Isaac and Lucinda Corvell
- d. 1 Jan 1912 Umatilla
 Co., OR age 69y9m18d
- d. 13 Nov 1889 Umatilla Co., OR age 62y8m bur. Athena, OR
- d. 20 Mar 1859 OR ? age 28y
- c. (of William Claypool)

 Nettie (est. 27 Nov 1858 OT see

 Knox, Nettie)

NOTE: Martha is assumed buried here with others of the Claypool family.

CLAYPOOL, Nancy (nee Rooker) "Wife of David"

- b. 25 Dec 1802 on the Holston River,
 Blount Co., TN d/o William and Nancy
 (Saffel) Rooker
- m. David Claypool Jr. 11 Jul 1822 Morgan Co., IN
- <u>d.</u> <u>11 Feb 1860</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> <u>57y1m17d</u>
- c. Sarah Ann (9 May 1825 IN, m. William Brooks Howell)

William Strange (13 Mar 1827 Mooresville, IN, m. #1 Catherine Morris, m. #2 Martha A. (Thurman) Dyer, m.

#3 Mariah M. Coryell)

Eliza Dunbar (22 Nov 1830 IN, m. Jason Wheeler)

David Wayne (8 Oct 1834 Hendricks Co., IN, m. Louisa Elkins)

Samuel Rooker (28 Aug 1836 Hendricks Co., IN, m. America Crabtree)

John Hay (1 Jun 1838 IN, m. #1 J. "Jennie" Pennington, m. #2 Jane E. Cline)

Elizabeth Caroline (est. 25 Apr 1840 MO)

Mary "Polly" Jane (20 Oct 1842
Andrew Co., MO, m. #1
Freeland T. South, m. #2
James P. Crabtree, m. #3
Barton S. Wishard, m. #4
Andrew [T.J.] Purcell)

Martha M. (1845 Andrew Co., MO, m. John Parker)

Louisa Eleanor Nancy Rooker Margaret

CLYMER, Christian Jr.

- <u>b.</u> 10 Mar 1795 PA s/o Christian Clymer
- m. #1 Elizabeth (Vance) Robbins 24 Dec
 1820 PA (see Clymer, Elizabeth)
 #2 Elizabeth (Rowley) Thorp bef. 21
 Sep 1857 OT ?
 - b. 1 Jun 1804 Claiborne Co., TN m. #1 William Thorp 31 Mar 1825 Clay Co., MO (DLC #490)

b. 1802 KY

- d. 1850 CA
- d. 22 Jun 1875 age 70y11m22d bur. Miller Cem., Scio, OR
- d. <u>23 Jan 1877</u> Linn Co., OR "<u>Departed</u> this life" age 81y10m13d
- c. Mary Ann (17 Jan 1822 Rush Co., IN, m. Rev. John W. Short)

Henry Vance (28 Mar 1824 Rush Co., IN, m. Mary Johnson)

John (13 Jan 1826 Rush Co., IN, m. Mary Gilmore)

Lucinda "Katie" (30 Oct 1827 Rush Co., IN, m. Beverly W. Gilmore)

Minerva (13 Nov 1829 IN)

William (24 Feb 1831 IN, m. Margaret Thompson)

Christian III (Jr., 1 Oct 1833 IN, m. Rachel Thompson)

Sarah Emeline (17 May 1835 IN) George Washington (16 Aug 1838 IN)

Donation Land Claim # 4605 (T11S R2W Sec 31)

CLYMER, Christian, Linn Co. b. 1795, VA; Arr Ore 3 Sep 1852 SC 1 May 1853. 30 Dec 1863 signed Oath of Allegiance. Aff: Wm. Clymer, Allen Parker, Creed H. Amos, James Tallman.

NOTE: A cousin of Christian Clymer, George Clymer, was a signer of the Declaration of Independence.

Christian was a member of the Primitive Baptist Church.

Will -- File No. 45, Christian Clymer

Heirs: Meary (sic) A. Short, age 55, OR; John Clymer, age 51, IA; William Clymer, age 46, OR; Christian (Jr.), age 44, WT; (following are children of Henry Clymer) Sarah E. Zumwalt, age 25, OR; Morgan E. Clymer, age 24, OR; George W. Clymer, age 23, OR; Mary F. Clymer, age 21, OR; Eugene Clymer, age 16, OR; Julian Clymer, age 16, OR; Henry B. Clymer, age 14, OR; (following are

children of Beverly W. and Lucinda [Clymer] Gilmore) Sarah Gilmore, age 31, OR; James L. Gilmore, age 27, WT; William H. Gilmore, age 29, OR; Elizabeth Halfpenny, age 24, OR; James (Jane) A. Hess, age 22, OR; Lott Gilmore, age 16, OR; Mary F. Gilmore, age 14, OR; and Christian Gilmore, age 11, OR.

William Clymer filed petition for Adm. 1 Dec 1877.

CLYMER, Clara E.

b. est. 27 Jun 1859 OR <u>d/o</u> <u>William and</u>
<u>Margaret (Thompson) Clymer</u>

d. 30 Aug 1859 OR age 2m3d

<u>CLYMER</u>, <u>Elizabeth</u> Robbins (nee Vance) "Wife of Christian Clymer"

b. 26 Aug 1792 PA d/o David Vance

m. #1 Jacob Robbins ca. 1813

d. IN

#2 Christian Clymer 24 Dec 1820 PA

d. 17 Jan 1853 OR age 60y4m21d

c. (by Jacob Robbins)

Jacob (24 May 1814 IN)

(by Christian Clymer Jr.)

Mary Ann (17 Jan 1822 Rush Co., IN, m. Rev. John W. Short)

Henry Vance (28 Mar 1824 Rush Co., IN, m. Mary Johnson)

John (13 Jan 1826 Rush Co., IN, m. Mary Gilmore)

Lucinda "Katie" (30 Oct 1827 Rush Co., IN, m. Beverly W. Gilmore)

Minerva (13 Nov 1829 IN)

William (24 Feb 1831 IN, m. Margaret Thompson)

Christian III (Jr., 1 Oct 1833 IN, m. Rachel Thompson)

Sarah Emeline (17 May 1835 IN) George Washington (16 Aug 1838 IN)

CLYMER, Horace L.

- b. est. 21 Aug 1855 OT s/o Christian III and Rachel (Thompson) Clymer, gs/o Christian and Elizabeth (Vance) Robbins Clymer
- d. 27 Aug 1858 OT age 3y6d

NOTE: Stone signed P. Miller, Albany, OR.
Christian Clymer III, Horace's father,
held D.L.C. #4607.

CLYMER, Margaret (nee Thompson)

b. <u>1839</u> Rushville, IN d/o Robert Thompson

m. #1 William Clymer 16 Sep 1858 Linn Co., OT #2 Hiram E. Barton 4 Oct 1905 Linn Co., OR

d. 10 Nov 1907 Jefferson, OR age 69y

c. Clara E. (est. 27 Jun 1859 OR)
Mary Ann (est. 11 Nov 1860 OR)
Rachel E. (2 Nov 1863 OR, m. Achilles
D. Hartley)
Lucinta (22 Jun 1865 Llnn Co., OR, m.

Alonzo D. McQueen)

Margaret E. (est. 30 Jan 1869 OR)

Henry Susie

Fannie (m. Aaron Bullock)

<u>Interview with Mrs. Lucinta (Clymer) McQueen</u>, by Leslie Haskin, 1939

My mother was Margaret (Thompson) Clymer and she was an orphan who came to Oregon with another party of my father's people in 1853 ...

That it might be plainly understood. I will list the various family immigrations here. The first to come to Oregon was my father's brother. Henry V. Clymer. He came in 1847. Next after that my father came alone in 1851. My grandfather and grandmother, Mr. & Mrs. Christian Clymer, with one son and two daughters, my aunts and uncles, came in 1852. Elder John Short and his wife, who was my father's sister, came in 1853. With them were my mother, Margaret Thompson, her sister, Esther Thompson, and a brother, John Thompson. Another of mother's sisters, Rachel Thompson who later married Christian Clymer, Jr. (III), and her brother, David Thompson, came to Oregon with my grandfather in 1852. ...all these Thompson children were orphans, their parents having died in 1846. When my mother came to Oregon, she was fourteen vears of age. My maternal grandfather was Robert Thompson. He died in Indiana.

Lebanon Express, Oct. 10, 1905

Barton-Clymer -- Married at the home of and by Elder Silas Williams, on Oct. 5th, 1905, Mr. Hiram E. Barton, of Eldorado county, Cal., and Mrs. Margaret Clymer, of Linn county, Oregon. They both are old pioneers, having crossed the plains together in the same company in 1853. Mr. Barton is a wealthy stock farmer of California. The happy

couple started for their home Saturday followed by the best wishes of their many friends.

Lebanon Express, Nov. 12, 1907

Mrs. Barton, formerly Mrs. Wm. Clymer, died at the home of her daughter in Jefferson yesterday. The remains were brought to Lebanon this afternoon for interment.

Jefferson Review, Nov. 15, 1907

Mrs. Margaret Barton, aged 69 years, died Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. A.D. McQueen, in this city, from ills incidental to old age. Deceased was a native of Iowa, coming to Oregon about 40 years ago. Her home was at Tallman, Linn county. She leaves a husband, daughter and a niece, Mrs. W.A. Terhune, of Albany. The body was taken to Lebanon for interment.

CLYMER, Margaret E.

b. est. 30 Jan 1869 OR <u>d/o</u> <u>William and</u> <u>Margaret (Thompson) Clymer</u>

<u>d.</u> <u>6 Sep 1875</u> OR <u>age 6y7m7d</u>

CLYMER, Mary Ann

b. est. 11 Nov 1860 OR <u>d/o</u> <u>William</u> <u>and</u> <u>Margaret</u> (Thompson) <u>Clymer</u>

d. 24 Sep 1875 OR age 14y10m13d

CLYMER, Sarah Emeline

b. est. 17 May 1835 IN <u>d/o</u> <u>Christian and</u> <u>Elizabeth (Vance) Robbins Clymer</u>

d. 6 Mar 1858 OT age 22y9m19d (family bible gives date of death as 7 Mar 1859, age 22y10m13d)

NOTE: Sarah never married.

CLYMER, William

b. 24 Feb <u>1831</u> IN s/o Christian and Elizabeth (Vance) Robbins Clymer

m. Margaret Thompson 16 Sep 1858 Linn Co., OT (see Clymer, Margaret)

d. 30 May <u>1903</u> Linn Co., OR age 72y3m6d

c. Clara E. (est. 27 Jun 1859 OR)
Mary Ann (est. 11 Nov 1860 OR)
Rachel E. (2 Nov 1863 OR, m. Achilles
D. Hartley)

Lucinta (22 Jun 1865 Linn Co., OR, m. Alonzo D. McQueen)

Margaret E. (est. 30 Jan 1869 OR)

Henry
Susie
Fannie (m. Aaron Bullock)

"At Rest"

Linn County Militia List, 1874

Clymer, William

<u>Linn County Estate Records</u> -- Clymer, Wm, 30 May 1903

(7.125/469.75) Adm. Margt. Clymer of Tallman. Heirs: Margaret, dau., of Tallman, Kate McQueen, dau., of Tallman, and Nora Terhune, gr. dau., of Tallman.

NOTE: William Clymer arrived in Oregon in 1851. He was an Indian War veteran who served in 1855 and 1856.

COMBS, Robert

b. est. 20 Nov 1853 Linn Co., OT <u>s/o</u>
<u>James Parker and Jane (Dyer) Combs</u>

<u>d.</u> <u>15 Apr 1859</u> OR <u>age 5y4m25d</u>

COMBS, Samantha

b. est. 19 Dec 1849 Fulton Co., IL <u>d/o</u>
<u>James Parker and Jane (Dyer) Combs</u>

<u>d.</u> 8 Sep 1867 OR age 17y8m19d

COMBS, Sarena

b. est. 7 Oct 1857 Linn Co., OT <u>d/o</u>
<u>James Parker and Jane (Dyer) Combs</u>

d. 22 Oct 1858 OT age 1y15d

NOTE: James P. Combs, father of the above Combs children, held D.L.C. #2557 in Linn county. James was born in 1822 in Highland Co., OH, Arr Ore 22 Sep 1852; SC 1 Dec 1852; m. Jane 7 Mar 1847 Fulton Co., III. Aff: James M. Cottrell, Wm. H. Cooper, James (x) Ridgeway.

<u>History of Crook County</u>, Crook County Historical Society, 1981

James P. Combs was born in Highland Co., Ohio and moved with his parents to Illinois. Jane Dyer was born in Hamilton Co., Indiana and her family moved to Illinois about 1836. After marriage, James and Jane left for Oregon by wagon train with 3 small children and settled near Lebanon. In 1870 Mr. Combs came to Central Oregon and engaged in farming and sent for his family and they continued living on Ochoco Creek. His land extended south to what is now called Combs flat.

The Prineville Review, Jan. 9, 1913

Death of Jane Combs

Intelligence was received at Prineville Tuesday morning that Mrs. James P. Combs had just died in Portland from the effects of a severe cold, followed by an attack of La Grippe, incident to the rapid change in the weather. The end was calm and peaceful and Mrs. Combs passed quietly away in the eternal sleep.

Jane Dyer was born in Hamilton Co., Indiana on the 19th day of March 1827 and moved to Illinois with her parents while yet a girl. She was married to J.P. Combs in that State March 7th, 1847 and with her Husband crossed the plains to Oregon in 1852, settling near Lebanon in Linn County. In 1870 the family came across the Cascades and settled on the Ochoco, 4 miles east of Prineville, at a time when all of Central Oregon was known as the Ochoco country, where they resided until shortly before Mr. Combs death, which occurred about 12 years ago.

For the last 10 years Mrs. Combs has traveled extensively over the United States enjoying the competency acquired through a long and frugal life, visiting her old home in Illinois and spending the winter in California.

The Combs name is a honored name in Eastern Oregon and the achievements of these noble Pioneers will live and be remembered and cherished long after those who have followed have been forgotten.

A large family of 11 children were born to their union, 8 of whom still survive. These are Joseph D., Mrs. Serepta Hamilton, William Combs, John Combs, Mrs. Mary Howard and Mrs. Charles M. Elkins, all of Prineville and Mrs. Victoria Kundret and Mrs. Jennie King of Portland.

The body was brought to Prineville and interred in the Masonic cemetery beside that of her husband. The funeral was held from the Methodist church today.

CONSTABLE, Ann Eliza "Wife of JB"

<u>b.</u> <u>5 Mar 1850</u> East TN

m. #1 Petree/Petrie

#2 James Barton Constable 22 Sep 1879 Linn Co., OR

m. #1 Sarilda (Smith) Willard 6 Jan 1869 Linn Co., OR

m. #3 Jessie Sim 31 Jan 1882 Linn Co., OR

d. 16 Jun 1880 OR age 30y3m11d

NOTE: When Anna married J. Barton Constable of Missouri she was a widow with several children, probably three daughters.

CORYELL, David

No Stone

est. 20 Mar 1838 Jennings Co. (?), IN probably s/o Isaac and Lucinda Coryell

d. 7 Feb 1860 OR age 21y10m17d

CORYELL, Isaac

No Stone

b. 1811 Seneca Co., NY

m. Lucinda _____ 13 Oct 1830/31 Steuben Co., NY (see Coryell, Lucinda)

d. 3 Apr 1871 Linn Co., OR age 50y7m5d

c. Francis M. (25 Sep 1832 Steuben Co., NY, m. Mary E. Hamilton) David (est. 20 Mar 1838 Jennings Co.

[?], IN)

Valorous B. (1840 Jennings Co. [?], IN) Mariah M. (14 Mar 1842 Jefferson Co., IN, m. William Strange Claypool)

Daniel L. (ca. 1846 IN)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1896</u> (T12S R2W Sec 14, 15, 22, 23 and 24)

CORYELL, Isaac, Linn Co., b. 1811 Seneca Co., NY, Arr. Ore. 19 Sep 1851, SC 3 Mar 1854. m. Lucinda 13 Oct 1830/1 in Steuben Co., N.Y. Aff: John W. Bell, Thomas S. Summers, Samuel Carroll, J.M. Marks.

Pacific Christian Advocate, Apr. 15, 1871

OBITUARY

Died, near Lebanon, Linn county, Oregon, April 3, 1871, of bronchial affection, Isaac Coryell, aged 50 years, 7 months, 5 days. Mr. Coryell was a native of Seneca county, N.Y. He emigrated to the

state of Indiana, in early life, and to Oregon in 1851. He was a consistent and practical professor of Christianity, for almost 40 years. He was a Baptist in his faith. As a citizen and neighbor, he was universally beloved, being by every one esteemed "The noblest work of God -- an honest man." In his death a family has lost a kind husband and father, society an ornament, and the community one of its best citizens, but, yet we are assured that our loss is his eternal gain. Let us prepare to meet him where parting is no more. S.T. Miller

NOTE: Isaac is assumed to be buried here.

CORYELL, Lucinda

No Stone

b. ca. 1814 NY

m. Isaac Coryell 13 Oct 1830/31 Steuben Co., NY

d. unknown

c. Francis M. (25 Sep 1832 Steuben Co., NY, m. Mary E. Hamilton)

David (est. 20 Mar 1838 Jennings Co. [?], IN)

Valorous B. (1840 Jennings Co. [?], IN) Mariah M. (14 Mar 1842 Jefferson Co., IN, m. William Strange Claypool)

Daniel L. (ca. 1846 IN)

NOTE: Lucinda is assumed to be buried here.

COTTON, Stella E.

b. est. 10 Jun 1886 OR <u>d/o George T. and</u> Jennie F. (Barker) Cotton

<u>d.</u> 23 Feb 1887 OR age 8m13d

NOTE: Stella's father, George T. Cotton, was born 7 Jun 1846 in Fayette, MO and died 4 Mar 1920. Jennie Cotton was born in Iowa 17 Nov 1847, the daughter of Benton and Margaret (McCoy) Barker. They were married 9 Jul 1876 in Linn Co., OR.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 15, 1889

G.T. Cotton -- Groceryman, Mr. Cotton has spent nearly all his life in Oregon, and eight years of that time in Lebanon; five years as railroad agent and three years in the grocery business. He is a quiet, good citizen and has built up a most excellent trade. Unassuming and modest, it is surprising how he can succeed so well, but he gets there all the same.

Lebanon Express, Apr. 26, 1889

G.T. Cotton has laid out Cottonwood addition to Lebanon.

Lebanon Express, Oct. 19, 1915

Mrs. G.T. Cotton Passed Away Sunday -- Mrs. G.T. Cotton, one of the oldest residents and best known ladies of Lebanon, passed away at her home in this city Sunday, October 17, 1915, after a long illness at the age of 67 years and 11 months.

Her maiden name was Jennie Barker, and she was born at Keosaqua, Iowa, Nov. 17, 1847. She came to Oregon in 1873 and made her home with her brother, A.D. Barker in Albany, until her marriage to G.T. Cotton on July 10, 1876. They made their home in Lebanon, and continued to reside here until her death, with the exception of about a year spent in Portland.

Besides her husband, she leaves three children; Geo. Cotton of Portland; and Miss Maggie and Bert L. Cotton of Lebanon. She is also survived by two brothers; A.D. Barker of Portland; and Dr. E.R. Barker of Gold Hill, and two sisters; Mrs. J.A. Lanham of Gold Hill; and Mrs. C.P. Davis of Seattle.

The deceased was a faithful Christian and an excellent woman, and had many friends among the older residents.

Funeral services were conducted in the Presbyterian Church this afternoon by the pastor, Rev. W.S. McCullagh, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Masonic cemetery. The business houses of the city were closed during the funeral out of respect to her memory.

A brother of Mrs. Cotton, Benton H. Barker, died October 8th, nine days before her death, at Talent, Ore., and was buried at Lebanon.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 10, 1920

George T. Cotton Passes To The Great Beyond -- One of Lebanon's Best and Oldest Business Men -- While Oregon is welcoming newcomers to the state, the ranks of the pioneers who founded the great commonwealth is constantly being thinned by the hand of death. In the passing of George T. Cotton at home in this city on Thursday Lebanon has lost a respected citizen and his presence will be missed in many circles.

Born in Fayette county, Mo., in 1846, he was brought by his parents to Oregon in 1847, the family making the journey by ox team. The family

first settled on Mary's river in Benton county, but later moved to Clackamans (sic) county, where Mr. Cotton grew to manhood. During this period he endured all the hardships of pioneer times and enjoyed its pleasures as well. The winter of 1861-62 he spent in Lebanon and at that time formed friendships that have endured until the final parting. For a number of years Mr. Cotton was an employe (sic) of the Oregon-California R.R. company during the period when Ben Holliday was considered the railroad king of the Northwest. When the branch road was built to Lebanon in 1880 Mr. Cotton was made the first station agent and served in that capacity for five years. Later he became identified within the business life of the town and until his retirement a few months ago was one of the most familiar figures on the streets of our town.

Shortly after his arrival in Lebanon he became a member of the Masonic order, and for forty years has been a faithful and active member. During that time he enjoyed the honor of filling the various chairs in the order, always with credit to himself and to the organization. Of a social nature in the lodge Mr. Cotton found great enjoyment, and formed lasting friendships. Possessing a fine sense of humor and having a remarkable memory for passing events. at all social gatherings he was the center of an interested group of listeners, as he recalled memories of the earlier days of the lodge in Lebanon. In the 40 years he spent in Lebanon he watched a struggling village grow into an attractive town, and it was satisfaction to him to note its progress. Funeral services, conducted by the Masonic order, were held in the Masonic cemetery on Saturday afternoon and at the close of the impressive rites the mortal remains of George T. Cotton were lowered to their last resting place beside those of his wife, who preceded him to the great beyond a few years ago.

He is survived by two sons and one daughter; George Cotton of Portland; Bert L. Cotton and Miss Margaret Cotton of Lebanon.

COURTNEY, infant son

No Stone

- b. Mar 1890 OR s/o Joseph S. and Ida Susan (Montague) Courtney
- d. 24 Mar 1890 Lebanon, OR aged a few days

Lebanon Express, Mar. 28, 1890

Died. In Lebanon, March 24, the infant son of Dr. and Mrs. J.S. Courtney. The deceased was but a few days old. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. G.W. Giboney at the residence of Dr.

Courtney. The parents have the sympathy of many friends.

COURTNEY, infant

No Stone

- b. ca. 1896 c/o Joseph S. and Ida Susan (Montague) Courtney
- d. Mar 1896

Lebanon Express, Mar. 26, 1896

The remains of the infant child of Dr. and Mrs. Courtney reached here yesterday, and were met at the depot by C.B. Montague and family, and were interred in the cemetery at this place.

NOTE: Dr. Joseph S. Courtney graduated from Rush Medical College, Chicago, in 1886. He then came to Lebanon and started a medical practice, making house calls with a horse and buggy.

Dr. Courtney married Ida Susan Montague, the daughter of Charles Bruce Montague, who had a large mercantile store in Lebanon for many years and was mayor of the city.

The Courtney family eventually settled in Washington. Stones in the White Salmon Cemetery in Klickitat, WA read:

Joseph S. Courtney, father 1856-1946 Ida M. Courtney, mother 1870-1956 Genevieve Courtney Maurer 1891-1938

COYLE, Martha M. (nee Parrish) No Stone

- b. 5 Mar 1854 OT d/o Jesse Busse and Delia (Thorla) Parrish
- m. Stephen Bluford Coyle 3 Sep 1870 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 6 Jan 1848 OT s/o Reuben S. and Hannah (Carroll) Coyle
 - d. 15 Jun 1907 Portland, OR age 59y5m9d bur. I.O.O.F. Cem., Lebanon, OR
- d. 21 Dec 1885 OR age 31y9m16d
- c. Loren (1871 OR)

Clarence M. (1873 OR)

Addie G. (8 Feb 1876 OR, m. Sylvanus V. Blodgett)

Minnie E. (ca. 1877 OR, m. Allen B. Nickerson)

Pearl (ca. 1879 OR, m. B.C. Amos)

Ebert (Mar 1881 OR)

Thomas Jefferson (22 Sep 1882 OR)

Lebanon Express-Advance, June 18, 1907

Stephen Bluford Coyle was born Jan. 6, 1848 four miles south of Lebanon in the early history of Linn county. His early life was mostly spent here. At the age of about 23 he was married to Miss Martha Parrish. To this union seven children were born, of whom six are living and all were present at the funeral service.

About twenty-two years ago his wife passed away and since that time Mr. Coyle has lived in Lebanon and vicinity until last year. He went into business in Portland, where he was stricken with paralysis a couple of months ago and he died June 15, 1907, at the age of 59 years, 5 months and 9 days.

Besides his own family he leaves two brothers and one sister.

About twenty years ago he made a profession of Christianity and united with the Methodist Episcopal church in Lebanon, July 15, 1898. He was an honest and industrious man and had many friends in this community.

The funeral was held in the M.E. church in this city yesterday afternoon, conducted by the pastor, after which the remains were laid to rest in the I.O.O.F. cemetery.

Land of Linn, Floyd C. Mullen, 1971, p. 73

Sodaville -- Oct. 1848. Ruben Coyle came upon a spring while searching for stray oxen. He dismounted and drank from spring (rocks with rust-red deposit). Water had a pungent taste but proved to be good clean mineral-water.

DAVENPORT, Betsy (see Mills, Betsy)

<u>DAVIDSON</u>, <u>Clara</u> N. <u>Montague</u>, <u>M.D.</u> (nee Montague)

- b. <u>27 Oct 1863</u> Vancouver, WT d/o Hon. Charles Bruce and Martha Melinda (Peebler) Montague
- m. James Davidson Jr. 12 Jul 1882 Linn Co., OR
- d. <u>20 Apr 1905</u> Newberg, OR age 41y5m23d
- c. Genevieve (16 May 1885 OR) Charles

Lebanon Express, Sep. 21, 1888

Mr. Jas. Davidson and family, of San Bernardino, Cal., are visiting in town, and will

probably make this their future home. Mrs. Davidson is a daughter of Mr. C.B. Montague. Mr. Davidson is clerking in Mr. Montague's store.

Lebanon Express, May 19, 1893

Mrs. Clara M. Davidson has received the degree of M.D., at the Woman's Medical College at Philadelphia. There were 47 graduates awarded diplomas at the college this year. This is one of the best medical schools in the country. Mrs. Davidson expects to return to Lebanon for a short time before engaging in her chosen profession.

NOTE: James Davidson also studied to be a physician but didn't complete his studies due to illness.

<u>Lebanon Express</u>, Apr. 30, 1896 (first published in Salem Post)

What a Wild Oat Did -- Dr. Clara M. Davidson had a peculiar surgical case on hand Mrs. J.W. Carr, living on South vesterday. Commercial street, in this city, while eating some canned wild berries, swallowed a wild oat which had been allowed to remain in the fruit while it was being canned. She did not know what the foreign substance was, but was conscious that it had lodged in her throat causing her great pain and annovance. Her efforts to dislodge it seemed only to make the matter worse. When she called at the doctor's office. the latter made an examination, which resulted in the discovery of the wild oat sticking in the tonsil, being deeply imbedded in that organ through the efforts to swallow it. The beard of the oat projected from the tonsil. Dr. Davidson finally removed the obnoxious substance, using a pair of artery forceps in the operation.

Lebanon Express, Apr. 21, 1905

Dr. Davidson Passes Away -- Dr. Clara M. Davidson died at her home in Newberg at 1:30 o'clock Thursday morning, Apr. 20, 1905, aged 41 years. Death was caused by blood poisoning, which she contracted while performing a surgical operation upon a child for abscess. She formerly lived in Lebanon and had many friends in this place who are much grieved to learn of her death. She was a daughter of Hon. C.B. Montague of this city, and leaves a husband and one son.

Mr. & Mrs. Montague were at her bedside during her last few days.

Funeral services will be held in the Presbyterian Church this afternoon immediately upon the arrival of the train, after which interment will take place in the Lebanon cemetery. We will publish in our next issue.

Mrs. Dr. Clara M. Davidson -- The subject of this sketch was born Oct. 24th, 1863, at Vancouver, Wash., at the home of her father, the Hon. Charles B. Montague. She died on the 20th day of April, 1905 at her home in Newberg, Yamhill county, Oregon, and was buried at Lebanon on the following day, after an impressive funeral service at the Presbyterian church. She spent her youth in this city and was educated in the schools of this state. On July 12, 1882, she was married to Mr. Jas. Davidson, who with Chas. Davidson, their only son, survives her.

Mrs. Davidson, when quite young, evinced a fondness and an aptness for the science and practice of medicine. As she grew older, she became convinced that it was her duty to devote her life to the work of a physician. In order that she might thoroughly equip herself for this work, she attended the Woman's Medical College of Philadelphia, from which she graduated with the highest honors in 1892. She then returned to Oregon and spent some time in the hospitals of this state to gain the experience that would fit her for an active and arduous practice. She located at Newberg, and there began the practice of her chosen profession. Thoroughly educated in the science of medicine, well drilled in the varied experiences of hospitals, possessed of a worthy ambition to excel in her profession, she deserved and soon won gratifying success. Her devotion to her patients and the skill with which she treated them overcame the prejudice against women physicians, and she earned a position in her profession that but few women have ever achieved. Her death coming in the prime of her womanhood and in the midst of well-merited success, is peculiarly sad and pathetic in that it was the direct result of patient devotion and unceasing care that she gave a sadly afflicted child of her practice. The announcement of her death called forth the regret and sympathy of a wide circle of acquaintances. To recall the useful and beautiful life that she lived should be a potent inspiration to her young son and a sweet consolation to her family. A Friend.

DAVIDSON, Genevieve

No Stone

- b. 16 May 1885 CA/OR (?) d/o James Jr. and Clara N. (Montague) Davidson
- d. 17 Oct 1888 OR age 3y5m1d

Lebanon Express, Oct. 19, 1888

Death of a Bright Little Girl -- It is with sadness that we chronicle the death of little Genevieve Davidson, daughter of Jas. and Clara M. (sic) Davidson. She was taken sick on Sunday and died on Wednesday morning. She was a bright and beautiful child, aged 3 years, 5 months and 1 day. Mrs. Davidson is a daughter of C.B. Montague. The funeral took place Thursday at 2 P.M. Services were conducted by Rev. G.W. Giboney, assisted by Dr. Pettigrew, of McMinnville.

Lebanon Express, Oct. 26, 1888

OBITUARY.

A week ago our attention was called to the announcement of the death of little Genevieve Davidson, which occurred on Wednesday morning. Oct. 17, 1888. She was sick but two days before her death. Only those who knew little Genevieve can realize what a jewel has been taken from another household. She was of a kind and loving heart and of a sweet and tender disposition. Her presence made glad the home where she dwelt, and only those who have lost dear children are able to sympathize with Mr. and Mrs. Davidson in this their sad bereavement. This visitation of God's inscrutable providence brings sorrow to our hearts as well as lessons for our lives. That a little girl in the bloom of childhood, and so dear to her parents, should thus suddenly be snatched from their presence, is mysterious indeed. But it is simply an example of what our Heavenly Father is doing every day throughout the world. He is simply claiming His own, and carrying out that injunction of His Word which says; "They shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day, when I make up my jewels." He removes the children from the troubles, cares and trials of this world and transplants them in the garden of heaven. And, while parents sorrow for their children "because they are not," yet they may comfort themselves with that blessed assurance that their heavenly condition is infinitely superior to all that is earthly. Thus God is teaching us as He speaks to us in the harsh tones of command and in the gentle voice of love. Shall we not all heed His appeals and admonitions? The heartfelt sympathy and Christian love of this entire community go out to Mr. and Mrs. Davidson in this their sad bereavement. We can only commend them and their remaining child to the tender love and care of Him who hath said: "Even so, it is not the will of your Father which is in heaven that one of these little ones should perish."

DAVIS, Saphrona Elizabeth "Lizzie" (nee McKinney) No Stone

- b. 10 Mar 1870 OR d/o George Buhl/Bula and Emily (Parrish) McKinney
- m. Alexander E. Davis 28 Nov 1888 Linn Co., OR
 - m. #2 Ida M. Fuller 30 Apr 1894 Linn Co., OR
- d. 9 Feb ____ at farm at Hamilton Creek
- c. Georgia "Georgie" May (m. Harry Crose)



Alexander and Saphrona Davis

NOTE: Family tradition says Lizzie is buried to the left of her father, George Buhl McKinney.

DENNEY, Christen

- b. <u>30 May 1813</u> VA s/o Christopher and Mary Denney
- m. Elizabeth (Eliza) B. Nickerson 28 Sep 1834 Morgan Co., OH (see Denney, Elizabeth [Eliza] B.)
- d. <u>20 Oct 1852</u> Lebanon, OR age 39y4m20d
- c. Laura Ann (7 Aug 1835 Athens Co., OH, m. William McKnight Ralston)
 - Sarah Elinor (15 Oct 1836 OH, m. William H. Goltra)
 - Owen Nickerson (4 Sep 1838 Morgan Co., OH, m. Gertrude Jane [Hall] White)
 - John (6 Sep 1840 OH, m. Sarah Frances "Fannie" Kester)
 - Mahala (30 Oct 1842 OH, m. B. Frank Pike)
 - Presley Nickerson (20 Aug 1846 OH, m. Isabel Lowe)

<u>The Ralston Family</u>, by William Cato Ralston, 1973 (unpublished)

1852 also witnessed another event ... the arrival of Christian (sic) and Eliza Nickerson Denny (sic) and their six children in Lebanon. Unfortunately Christian had been injured enroute, while trying to break a wild Cayuse horse, and died three weeks after he arrived at Lebanon.

Oregon Territory Donation Land Claim Families, Vol. 6, p. 24-25

DENNEY, Christian b. 30 May 1813 m. 28 Sep 1834 Morgan Co. OH. d. 20 Oct 1852 Lebanon, Linn Co., OR. bur. Pioneer Cem. Lebanon, Linn Co. OR. m. Nickerson, "Eliza" Elizabeth ...

Christian b. VA and went to OH at an early age, moving in 1853 to OR, where he settled in Linn Co. near the city of Lebanon, but lived only a short time after his arrival.

The History of Oregon, Rev. H.K. Hines, D.D., 1903, p. 1051-52

Judge O.N. Denney, ex-U.S. Consul General to China, was born in Morgan Co., OH Sept. 4, 1838, son of Christian and Eliza B. (Nickerson) Denney, natives of West Va., and Mass. respectively. They came to Lebanon, Linn Co., Oregon where Christian Denney died 10 days after their arrival in Sept 1852.

(Portland) Oregonian, Aug. 5, 1933

Obituary of Gertrude J. (White) Denney: Born May 15, 1837 at Ten Mile Run, N.J., daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Peter Hall. Came to Oregon in 1847. Her father was killed at the Whitman's (Whitman Massacre). Mrs. Hall took up a claim across the river from Butteville. Gertrude Jane Hall married first, in 1853, Capt. Leonard White of Clackamas at Salem; second, Dec. 23, 1868 to Judge Owen N. Denney, at Vancouver, Wash. He died June 30, 1900. She died Aug. 4, 1933; survived by her daughter, Mrs. Bernard Orme Scott.

DENNEY, Elizabeth (Eliza) B. (nee Nickerson)

- b. <u>5 May 1811</u> Cape Cod, MA
- m. #1 Christen Denney 28 Sep 1834
 Morgan Co., OH
 #2 Jeremiah Gould 24 Apr 1853 Linn
 Co., OT
- d. <u>3 Aug 1894</u> Jefferson, OR age 83y2m28d
- c. Laura Ann (7 Aug 1835 Athens Co., OH, m. William McKnight Ralston)

Sarah Elinor (15 Oct 1836 OH, m. William H. Goltra)

Owen Nickerson (4 Sep 1838 Morgan Co., OH, m. Gertrude Jane [Hall] White)

John (6 Sep 1840 OH, m. Sarah Frances "Fannie" Kester)

Mahala (30 Oct 1842 OH, m. B. Frank Pike)

Presley Nickerson (20 Aug 1846 OH, m. Isabel Lowe)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 3355</u> (T12S R2W Sec 17 and 18)

DENNY (sic), Eliza, widow of Christian (sic) Denny, dec., Linn Co; She was b 1810/11, Mass; Arr. Ore 25/30 Sep 1852; SC 25 Feb 1854; m Christian "last Thursday (28) Sept 1834" Morgan Co., OH. He d on or abt 20 Oct 1853, Linn Co, OR Terr. Claim was made fractional by c of John W. Gilmore, A.J. Hyde, Caleb Brooks & David Lambert. There was also some trouble over the land with Lewis C. Cooper. 24 Oct 1864 document was sent to

Land Office by O.N. Denny, son. Aff: John W. Bell, Simon A. Nickerson, Caleb Brooks, O.N. Denny.



Eliza Denney



Denny Boys -- John, Presley and Owen

NOTE: Elizabeth settled with her family on the north point of Washington (now known as Peterson's) Butte.

The spelling of the family name on the massive granite monument is DENNEY. Most histories and some newspaper articles list the name as DENNY.

Lebanon Express, Sept. 18, 1891

Monday the entire Denny (sic) family now living were together in Albany for the first time in twenty-three years (unreadable) afternoon by the photographer taking their pictures in a group. Mrs. Denny, now over eighty, was the center. Hon. O.N. Denny, of Portland, John Denny, of Lebanon, Presley Denny, of Salt Lake City, Mrs. Pike, of Wasco county, Mrs. Wm. Ralston and Mrs. W.H. Goltra, of Albany, her only children and several grandchildren formed the group. As Mrs. Denny is greatly improved in health, the union proved a happy one. -- From the Democrat.

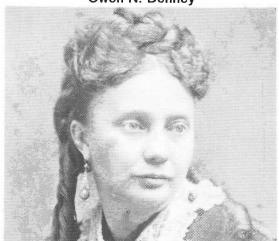
Lebanon Express, Aug. 10, 1894

OBITUARY -- Another Pioneer Gone --After a lingering illness, Elizabeth Denny (sic) passed away at Jefferson, Marion county, at 5 A.M., Friday, August 3, 1894. She was aged 87 years. Mrs. Denny was born in Massachusetts, moving to Ohio, and from there to Oregon in 1852. maiden name was Nickerson. A while after reaching Oregon her husband died at the home of William Ralston in this city, and she was left with several children to battle with the world. She leaves six children, one, Hon. O.N. Denny; another, Presley Denny, is a leading attorney of Salt Lake City; Mr. John Denny is a prosperous farmer near this city; Mrs. William Ralston and Mrs. W.H. Goltra are among Albany's most respected citizens, and Mrs. Pike, a resident of Eastern Oregon. The deceased has been a member of the M.E. church for probably over 50 years. The funeral was one of the most notable that has occurred in Linn county, and was largely attended by relatives and friends from Portland, Salem, Jefferson and Albany, as well as many of the leading citizens of Lebanon and vicinity. Rev. B.F. Dennison, pastor of the Centenary M.E. church, of Portland, preached a most earnest, sympathetic funeral discourse in such tender language as to reach the hearts of the large congregation. The death of Mrs. Denny removed from our country another of those magnificent pioneer women who will always be the pride and joy of the early history of Oregon.

NOTE: The following information about Owen Nickerson Denney and John Denney is included because of the background material it contains regarding the Denney family and their contribution to the history of Lebanon and the entire state of Oregon.



Owen N. Denney



Gertrude Denney

<u>History of the Willamette Valley</u>, H.O. Lang, 1885, pg. 760

Denny (sic), O.N. -- Born in Ohio in 1838. Crossed the plains in 1852 and settled with his parents near Lebanon, Linn County. Was educated at the Willamette University, studied law and was admitted to practice in 1862. Located in Portland about 1870 and began practice. Was elected police judge in 1871 and 1873. In 1875 was appointed collector of internal revenue. Was appointed consul at Tientsin, China, in 1877, and in 1879 was promoted to Consul-General to China.

NOTE: Owen was the western advisor to the King of Korea for ten years.

Civil War Veterans, by Spencer Leonard

J.N. Denney - d42 (Lebanon) F1, Ore I (C).



John Denney

Illustrated Historical Atlas Map of Marion & Linn Counties, OR, Edgar Williams & Co., 1878

John Denny (sic) -- ... His ancestry was Scotch and came to America before the Revolution, and settled in New England and Virginia. He lived in Athens Co., until he was five years old, when his parents went to Morgan Co., Ohio, where they remained until he was about ten years of age. They went to Oregon in 1852, going overland with an ox train, and Mr. D., although so young at the time, distinctly remembers the incidents of the journey, which was long and tedious, occupying six months.

The family arrived in Oregon in October, and went to Lebanon, in Linn Co., where Mr. Denny's father died of mountain fever, which he caught in the Cascade Mountains. The family moved on the farm that Mr. D. now owns.

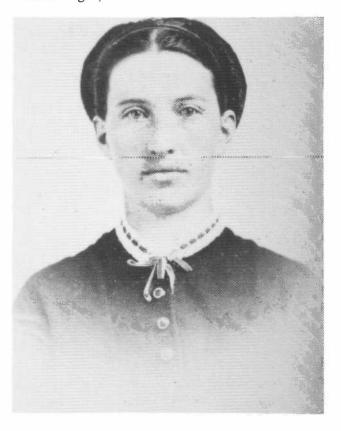
On account of his father's death, he had to commence hard work in real earnest; consequently, he had little opportunity for school during the first few years; but when he was about seventeen years old, he found time to attend long enough to acquire a good common school education. This, with good habits of industry and economy, acquired in early life, contributed to the success he afterwards met with.

In 1864, he enlisted in Company F, of Curry's regiment, and went east of the mountains, where they engaged in the Indian War, then raging. He remained in the service about twenty months, when he came back and resumed his farming operations, meeting with encouraging success.

In 1868, he married Miss Fannie Kester, who came to Oregon in 1865, from Iowa. She was the daughter of Louis Kester. Mrs. D. was born in Ohio, where she lived up to seven years of age, and then went with her parents to Indiana, where they remained one Summer, going from thence to Iowa, where they remained until they came to Oregon. At thirteen years of age her mother died; she was thus obliged to take the responsibility of looking after the family at a very early age. At the present time she is an accomplished and much esteemed woman.

Mr. Denny's farm is located about three miles west of Lebanon, and comprises about 300 acres of fine farming land, in a high state of improvement, having good houses, barns, orchards, well fenced, etc., and is, in fact, one of the best places in Lebanon Precinct.

He is not an active politician, taking only sufficient interest in public matters to comply with his duties as a citizen. He is devoted to his farming pursuits, and possesses the esteem and confidence of his neighbors. He had two children; the oldest, Effie S., born in Oregon, in 1869; the second, Malcolm, born in Oregon, in 1872.



Fannie Denney

Lebanon Express, July 9, 1912

Death of John Denny (sic) -- A Prominent Pioneer Passes Away in Albany.

John Denny died Friday evening at his home in Albany aged 72 years, after being confined for the past year with paralysis. Mr. Denny was born at Athens, Ohio, September 6, 1840, and spent the first twelve years of his life there. His father brought his family across the plains with ox teams in 1852 and settled at Lebanon. After completing his early education in the Santiam Academy, in this place, John Denny had charge of the home farm until 1864, when he enlisted in the First Oregon Infantry for three years. Returning to the farm, he remained there until he removed to Albany a few years ago to spend the declining years of his life.

In 1881 Mr. Denny received from his brother, Owen, then Consul to China, 26 Chinese pheasants, the first to be received in this country and released them near Peterson's Butte.

Mr. Denny was school clerk for 14 years and known throughout the country as a staunch

Republican. He was a member of the Universalist Church and bore a reputation for integrity and straightforwardness among his neighbors and business associates. He leaves a wife and one son, Malcolm J. Denny, a well known physician in Portland.

The funeral services were held at the family residence in Albany Monday morning and the remains were brought to Lebanon for burial, accompanied by 30 members of McPherson Post and 25 members of Fair Oaks Circle, Ladies of the G.A.R. Nearly a hundred Albany people who have been life long friends of the deceased.

DODGE No Stone

NOTE: Artemus Dodge purchased a lot in the cemetery on May 21, 1877. It is unknown if a member of the Dodge family is buried here or not. Possibly the lot was never used, as a daughter, Arvilla, who died March 9, 1878 at about 8 years of age, was buried in the Rock Hill/Dodge Cemetery. Artemus and a number of Dodge and related families are buried there also. Dodge had a blacksmith shop on the corner of Dodge and Main streets.

Illustrated Historical Atlas Map of Marion & Linn Counties, OR, Edgar Williams & Co., 1878

ARETMUS DODGE

Was born in Waldo County, Maine, on the 14th of February, 1826; his ancestors were English and Irish, who came to America prior to the Revolutionary War; he lived in Waldo County until he was of age. Like most boys of his time, he had to work hard, and had no opportunity of going to school, nevertheless he graduated in the rough school of experience, which served to fit him for future struggles in life. When he was seventeen vears old, he went to sea, bound for the port of Savannah, but was shipwrecked between Savannah and New Bedford. After this disaster he returned to the parental roof, and remained there until he was twenty-one years of age, when he commenced life for himself. His first work was lumbering during the Winter and farming during the Summer.

In 1848 he bought a piece of land, which he kept until 1850; he then sold it, and started for California by way of the Isthmus of Panama. In California he commenced mining on the Yuba River, but after a while he went to San Francisco, from whence he sailed for Portland in 1850. When at Portland he followed his old occupation of lumbering, furnishing the mills at Portland with logs

for one year, when he went prospecting for a farm. He then went to Salem, and remained there a year. From Salem he went to Rogue River Valley, and purchased a ferry and took up a claim; this was in 1852. Here he remained about two years, and during this time he had almost constant trouble with the Indians, losing about\$2,000 through them. He then sold out and returned to his old home in Maine. After a short time, he took a tour through the northwestern states, and finally settled in Iowa, where he bought a property. He remained in Iowa until 1857, when he sold out and went to Missouri. where he staid (sic) about eighteen months, engaged in farming and dealing in stock. He then fitted out ox teams for a journey to Oregon. The trip took five months to accomplish it, and proved a most trying and arduous one. He arrived in Walla Walla, in September, 1859. At Walla Walla, he pre-empted a claim, on which he remained four years. He then went to Linn County and purchased the farm which he now owns, and which is situated about three miles south of Lebanon, on the Lebanon & Brownsville wagon road. The farm is an excellent one for stock and grain, and contains about 860 acres. At one time he owned about 1,100 acres. In 1855, he married Miss Fanny Cilley, in Rock County, Wisconsin. She was the daughter of William Cilley.

Mr. Dodge is the father of fourteen children, eight of whom are living, two of whom are grown, and the remainder living at home.

Mr. D. is a thorough farmer and a successful stock raiser, and has a large herd of horses, together with a band of sheep east of the mountains.

At the present time, Mr. Dodge is included among the solid men of Linn County, and his success has been attained by hard work and rigid economy.

<u>Lebanon Express</u>, obituary of Sarah Jane Dodge, Nov. 30, 1951

... Dodge street in Lebanon is named for ... Artemas (sic) Dodge, pioneer resident of Rock Hill community...

DYER, Alexander M.

No Stone

- b. 1830 Hamilton Co., IN
- m. Martha A. Thurman 27 Mar 1851 Fulton Co., IL (see Claypool, Martha A. Dyer)
- d. 2 Feb 1855 on claim in Linn Co., OT age 25y

NOTE: Alexander Dyer is assumed buried here. His sister Jane was married to James P. Combs. Three of their children are buried here.

<u>Donation Land Claim # 5263</u> (T12S R1E Sec. 4 and 9)

DYER, Alexander, Arr Ore 1852 SC 1 Aug 1853, m. Martha 27 Mar 1851 Fulton Co., Ill. Alexander died 2 Feb 1855 on claim.

ELKINS, Adaline (nee Burkhart) "Wife of Wm. S. Elkins"

- b. 24 Dec 1843 Des Moines Co., IA d/o Raymond Sanderson and Elizabeth Jane (Wassom) Burkhart
- m. William Samuel Elkins 29 Jun 1865 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 1 May 1837 Jacobsburg, OH s/o Luther and Philotheta (Williams) Elkins
 - m. #2 Margaret "Maggie" Jane Grant 1 Oct 1868 Polk Co., OR
 - d. 22 Mar 1907 Portland, OR age 69y10m21d
- <u>d.</u> 9 May 1866 Linn Co., OR age 22y4m15d
- c. Willie Chester (est. 26 Feb 1866 OR)

"Sleep on dear daughter and take thy rest/ For God that's called thee home./ The Lord is my shepherd I shall not want."

History of the Willamette Valley, H.O. Lang, 1885, p. 762

Elkins, W.S. -- Born in Ohio, May 1, 1837, and came with his parents to Oregon in 1852; settled with them in Linn County, being among the first settlers there. He and his brother built the Lebanon flouring mills in 1872, and were in business until 1878, when they moved to Polk County, where Mr. Elkins followed merchandising for seven years. Was elected a member of the legislature in 1870; was instrumental in building the Cumberland Presbyterian church in Lebanon, and is an elder of the church; also a member of the Masonic fraternity. Married Miss Addie Burkhart, in 1866, who died in 1867, after one child had been born to them, which died in infancy. Mr. Elkins married again, in 1868, to Miss Maggie Grant and they have now four children -- Nettie, Eva, Arthur G., and Attie. Reside at Dallas.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 26, 1907

DEATH OF WILLIAM ELKINS.

William S. Elkins died at the North Pacific Sanitarium, Portland, Mar. 22, at 9:15 o'clock, of heart weakness, at the age of 70 years. He was a pioneer of Oregon, taking a prominent part in the upbuilding of the state. He and his brother Joseph built the first flour mill at Lebanon in 1860 (sic). He was a Christian man, active in the work of his church.

He leaves three children, Arthur, in Colorado, and Mrs. Atta Hare and Ross Elkins, of Portland

Mr. Elkins was a resident of Dallas for many years, a few years ago going to Redland, Cal., for his health, returning a year or two ago to Portland.

He was a brother of County Treasurer Elkins, Jos. Elkins of Lebanon, and Mrs. Clara Welch, of Long Beach, Cal.

ELKINS, Luther

- <u>b.</u> 26 May 1809 Cornville "in Somerset
 <u>Co., ME</u>" s/o Samuel and Lydia (Smith)
 Elkins
- m. #1 Philotheta Williams 30 Dec 1830 Wheeling, VA (WV) (see Elkins, Philotheta)
 - #2 Mrs. Mary Ann Murray 4 Mar 1882
- d. 13 Dec 1887 OR age 78y6m17d
- c. James (16 Oct 1831 Jefferson Co., OH, m. Helen Amelia Millard)
 - Joseph (16 Mar 1833 Belmont Co., OH, m. Mary Belle Wilson)
 - Louisa (1/2 Feb 1835 Belmont Co., OH, m. David Wayne Claypool)
 - William Samuel (1 May 1837 Jacobsburg, OH, m. #1 Adaline

Burkhart, m. #2 Margaret
"Maggie" Jane Grant)

Elizabeth (1839 Belmont Co., OH)

Clara/Clarissa E. (ca. 1843 Belmont Co., OH, m. George B. Welch)

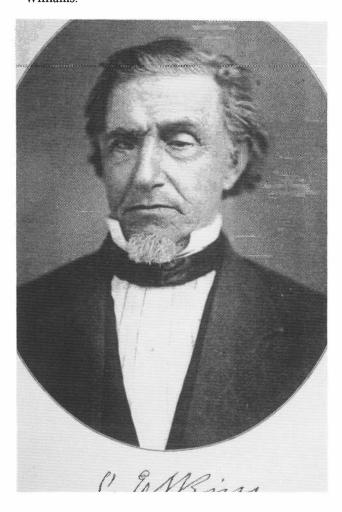
Julia Ann (ca. 1844 Belmont Co., OH, m. Patrick H. Farrell)

Charles W. (3 Oct 1847 Belmont Co., OH)

"<u>Emigrated from Ohio to Oregon 1852 -- God is</u> Just"

<u>Donation Land Claim # 3965</u> (T11S R1W Sec. 4 and 9)

ELKINS, Luther, Linn Co; b. 1808/9, Somerset Co, Me; Arr. Ore. 26 Aug 1852; SC 6 Sept 1852; m. Philotheta (Theta) 30 Dec 1830, Wheeling, Va (W. Va). Aff: James Elkins, Phillip G. (x) Carmical, James (x) McDowell, Jason L. (x) Williams.



Luther Elkins

Lebanon Express, Dec. 16, 1887

ELKINS -- At the residence of his son, Joseph Elkins in Lebanon, Linn Co., Oregon, on Tuesday evening, Dec. 13, 1887, Hon. Luther Elkins departed this life at the age of 78 years. Among the pioneers of Oregon, who are rapidly passing over the River, but few leave a history more remarkable than the subject of this notice. Born in the state of Maine, his father, when Luther was a mere boy, immigrated to Pennsylvania. Not liking the country and having

a strong desire for the wild West, he with his family removed to the southwestern part of Indiana where his father died. After remaining some time after his father's death -- until he became of age -- he left Indiana and engaged in business in Ohio, previous to which, however, he married Philotheta Williams, with whom he lived near a half century -- until her death -- which took place 6 years ago. After leading an active business life in Ohio for many years, his desire for the frontier induced him to start for the distant land of Oregon, arriving here with his family after a long and toilsome journey over the plains in 1852. Soon after his arrival he entered into business relations, and being a man of strong force and strong views, he readily attracted prominent notice, and in time was chosen to represent the people in the council of the Territorial legislature. He was a member of the Constitutional Convention, and also served as Senator after the state was admitted.

At one time he was one of the most prominent men of the democratic party, but his friendship for Sen. F.D. Baker placed him at enmity with the leaders of that party. From that time on, he ceased to be held as a leader while still being classed as a democrat, and he frequently acted independently.

Among the leading enterprises of this part of the state, which will embalm his memory in the hearts of those who survive him, and which are almost the productions of his own efforts, are the construction of the Cascade Mountain Wagon Road, and the Albany and Santiam Canal or Ditch, and other improvements of minor importance.

He was a man who believed in education, and built the first school house in the "Forks of the Santiam" in this direction we find him associated with other pioneers of Lebanon as one of the founders of the Santiam Academy, which is today a flourishing seat of learning.

Luther Elkins was a firm believer in the doctrine of Christianity, led a busy and active life and was one well calculated to be a pioneer. Though amassing fortunes at various times in his eventful life, he died poor. The last few years of his life were spent in retirement suffering in his old age with a general breaking down of his physical and mental powers. He leaves 7 children and a large number of friends to remember the industry of a total father and a man to whom Linn Co., is more indebted for her material prosperity than to any other individual within the knowledge of those who composed the assembly that yesterday afternoon (accompanied) the remains to their last resting place in the Lebanon cemetery.

<u>Letter to Ann Mason Clark of North Carolina</u>, James Elkins, Apr. 10, 1906

"...father (Luther Elkins) and family arrived in Cannelton in March 1852, on our way to Oregon ... I was then 20 years of age, the eldest of our family of 4 boys and 4 girls.

... We departed for our long journey by boat to St. Louis and thence took the old boat "Timour" and after a tedious trip of 10 days up that muddy, treacherous river - hanging on bars too often to be pleasant.

At St. Joseph we made our outfit of 2 teams of 4 oxen to each wagon. Brother Jo and I were put at the helm and the third day were out on the wild plains. After a stirring drive with our new cattle, over a smooth road, we camped in a beautiful lone valley, taking our evening meal in apparent quiet security, while our oxen were feeding across the way and over a little ridge. The bells getting out of hearing, a helper was sent hurriedly afoot to learn the cause. when we heard him yell desperately, "Indians!" Father jumped to the one horse fortunately at hand, and away he flew alone to recover the stock, for if not, we were stranded in a lonely region among the "Pawnees." The sun was down and darkness coming on fast, yet he fearlessly rode in their direction until he heard the clattering bells, and it was but a moment till he ran onto the herd and calling, "Whoa!" the cattle stopped. The three Pawnees, who had been flitting their blankets had skulked aside and we were rejoiced in an hour, after intense anxiety in hearing the returning bells. We all thanked God for our deliverance and took courage, moving on the next morning, the 4th day of May, by keeping a sharp look-out had no further such trouble, traveling every day, for 5 months, we entered the settlement of Western Oregon, looking from the western slope of the great Cascade Mts. near Mt. Hood, down into the beautiful Willamette Valley, on the 26th day of Sept. 1852 beholding the land of promise, so patiently and persistently sought for, as it was with Moses looking upon Canaan. We were allowed to enter therein after a journey over the wilderness of 2000 miles.

Descending to the valley after our meager meal from the last dust of flour and bit of bacon, with one wagon and remnant of team. We descended into the valley with buoyant hopes after this prolonged journey. Passing through numerous tribes of Indians more or less treacherous and only kept in awe by the long string of emigrants watchful against a surprise. We had to contend with awful storms of hail and rain for the first two months along

the Platte river and through the Black Hills had privations from want of grass and lack of rest, met swollen rivers, saw a hundred new graves, hauled our father and mother for 3 weeks sick with mountain fever, crossed a desert 60 miles over, driving all day and all night till next day at eve we reached Green river, exhausted, yet we boys stood at the helm while father and mother were too ill to leave their wagon beds. We swam the stock and were ferried over at 5c. a wagon with not a cent to pay it.

Arriving at our destination 100 miles south of the great Columbia river and 75 miles east of the Pacific ocean, we settled on government land in the heart of the Willamette Valley. The country sparsely settled, deer skipping over the prairies, native grasses a foot high, game-birds plenty, Salmon two feet long in schools in our creeks. A land of beauty and of promise. Young, enthusiastic, we started new homes, built school houses and aided every laudable enterprise according to our means.

Father and mother passed away over 16 years ago after reaching well into their 70 years. And thus it is, and will be, we are to pass from earth, one by one and thus it has been since the world has been inhabited. We will not falter, but be brave and meet each responsibility as it comes up for action and try to make our last days our best morally. "Cleave unto that which is good and eschew evil."

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Elkins, Luther (Senate, Linn, 1860, President)

NOTE: For additional information about Luther Elkins, read Portrait and Biographical Record of the Willamette Valley, OR, Chapman Publishing Co., Chicago, IL, 1903, p. 881-883.

ELKINS, Mattie Winella

- b. 22 May 1874 OR <u>d/o William Samuel</u>
 <u>and Margaret "Maggie" Jane (Grant)</u>
 <u>Elkins gd/o Luther and Philotheta</u>
 (Williams) Elkins
- d. 9 Oct 1874 OR age 4m17d

<u>ELKINS</u>, Philotheta "Theta" (nee Williams) "Wife of Luther Elkins"

b. 29 Dec 1806 "in Chenango Co., NY"

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 m. Luther Elkins 30 Dec 1830 Wheeling, VA (WV)
 d. 14 Jun 1881 OR age 74y5m15d

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James (16 Oct 1831 Jefferson Co., OH,
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Julia Ann (ca. 1844 Belmont Co., OH,

m. Patrick H. Farrell)
Charles W. (3 Oct 1847 Belmont Co.,
OH)

"Our Mother, ... She hath done what she could."



Philotheta Elkins

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, June 17, 1881

ELKINS -- At her residence, in Lebanon on Tuesday, June 14th, 1881, PHILOTHETA, wife of

Hon. Luther Elkins -- aged 74 years, 5 months and 14 days.

Mrs. Elkins was born in Chenango county, New York, and came here with her husband at an early day. She is the mother of a large and interesting family well known in this locality. She was buried at Lebanon last Wednesday.

ELKINS, Willie Chester

b. est. 26 Feb 1866 OR <u>s/o</u> <u>W</u>illiam <u>Samuel and Adaline (Burkhart) Elkins</u>

d. 21 Jun 1866 OR age 3m23d

"Early blessed"

ERVIN

No Stone

NOTE: A. Ervin of Linn county bought a cemetery lot here on Feb. 15, 1876. An Abraham/Abram Ervin family was enumerated in the Lebanon census in 1870 and 1880. They had one child in 1870 and four in 1880. Perhaps this lot was purchased for a child who was born and died between 1870 and 1876.

FUNK, Daniel Matthew "Matt"

b. 22 Sep 1854 IL s/o Daniel M. Funk

m. Flora M. Smith 11 May 1884 Linn Co., OR

b. ca. 1861 OR d/o John R. and

Ann E. Smith d. 11 Jul 1885 OR age 30y10m19d

NOTE: In 1880 Matt was an engineer living with his father, D. Marr (?) Funk, wagon shop laborer, in Harrisburg, OR.

Flora (Smith) Funk was a teacher.

GAGER, Mary Jane Rogers Kees (nee Courtney) No Stone

b. 24 Oct 1819 Clark Co., IN d/o John B. and Agnes (Bolton) Richey Courtney (DLC #753 OC)

m. #1 Caleb Rogers 5 Jan 1848 Linn Co.,

OT

d. Soon after their marriage #2 Elmore D. Kees 6/8 Nov 1851 Linn Co., OT

#3 Rev. Stephen D. Gager 18 Dec 1872 Linn Co., OR

d. 6 Apr 1894 Lebanon, OR age 74y5m12d

c. (by Elmore Kees)

Mary A. (ca. 1853 OT, m. James D. Gibson)

Margaret "Maggie" E. (ca. 1855 OT, m. M.S. Glass)

Elmore Morgan (est. 3 May 1858 OT)

Old minutes book, Associate Reformed Presbyterian Church, entry of June 18, 1849

Cal. Lyn. Co. In the Spring of forty-six John B. Courtney emigrated to this neighborhood ...

... during the summer, Isaac B. Courtney and Mary Jane Courtney came into the neighborhood, which made five members of the church ...

Jane Courtney was thrice married. She first married a Mr. Caleb Rogers who settled in Linn County, and was a brother of the Missionary, Rogers, who was at Whitman Station in an early day. Her second husband was Elmer Kees brother of Morgan Kees. Elmer Kees was the man who settled at Waterloo and there erected a mill in 1848. Her third husband was Rev. S.D. Gager, a Presbyterian minister also located at Waterloo.

GAGER. Rev. Stephen D.

No Stone

- 2 Oct 1813 Windham, CT s/o David and Polina Gager
- m. #1 Emily J. Cropsey 12 Jun 1844
 Newburgh, NY
 d. ca. 1870 Lane Co., OR
 #2 Mary Jane (Courtney) Rogers
 Kees 18 Dec 1872 Linn Co., OR (see
 Gager, Mary Jane Rogers Kees)
- d. 4 Apr 1894 Waterloo OR age 81y6m2d
- c. (By Emily J. Cropsey) Isaac W. (ca. 1845 NY) David H. (ca. 1849 NY)

Donation Land Claim # 2937 (T17S R2W Sec 33 and 34 and T18S R2W Sec 3 and 4)

GAGER, Rev. Stephen D., Lane Co; b. 1813, Windham Town & Co, Conn; Arr. Ore. 25 Sept 1851; SC 1 Sept 1852; m. Emily J. Cropsy 12 June 1844, Newburgh, Orange Co, NY. John McNutt contested c. Oath of Allegiance signed 26 Sept 1862. Aff: Geo. Marshall, Austin W. Hammitt, R.G. Hixson, Jefre H. Smith.

Came to Oregon around Cape Horn in 1851.

<u>Linn County Pioneer Settlers</u>, Oregon Territory Donation Land Claim Families to 1855, Vol. 6, pg. 8, 11, 13 and 14

Mary Jane Courtney's third husband, the Rev. Stephen D. Gager was born 2 October 1813, died 4, April 1894, aged 81 years, six months, and 2 days. He was son of David and Polina Gager. He had come to Oregon around Cape Horn in 1851. Mrs. Maggie Glass was a daughter. Stephen D. Gager had a DLC #2937 in Lane County, OR. Family records state Mary Jane Courtney married Caleb Rogers, January 5, 1848 and was soon left a widow by death. She was married 2nd to Elmer Kees, 6, November 1851, and was left a widow a second time by death. (3rd marriage to Rev. Gager - they were laid away in one grave in the Lebanon grave-yard).

Lebanon Express, Apr. 6, 1894

Rev. Gager, an old and highly respected citizen of Waterloo died at his home at that place Wednesday.

Oregon Geographic Names, Lewis A. McArthur, 1952

WATERLOO ... Waterloo post office was established ... on January 5, 1875, with S.D. Gager postmaster.

GALLAHER, Francis

- <u>b.</u> <u>26 Dec 1853</u> Linn Co., OT <u>s/o</u> <u>W</u>illiam <u>C</u>rawford II <u>and</u> Sarah <u>A</u>my (Kees) Gallaher
- d. 9 Jan 1854 Linn Co., OT age 14d

GALLAHER, Isaac Newton

- <u>b.</u> 6 Sep 1850 Linn Co., OT s/o William Crawford II and Sarah Amy (Kees) Gallaher
- d. 19 Aug 1871 OR ? age 20y11m13d

NOTE: Family tradition says Isaac died of accidental gunshot.



Isaac Newton Gallaher



Jacob Gallaher

GALLAHER, Jacob

<u>b.</u> 28 May 1847 IA s/o William
 <u>Crawford II and Sarah Amy (Kees)</u>
 <u>Gallaher</u>

d. 16 Sep 1869 OR ? age 22y3m19d

NOTE: Family tradition says Jacob died of tuberculosis.

GALLAHER, Morgan Kees

<u>b.</u> 9 Aug 1844 IA s/o William Crawford II
 <u>and Sarah Amy (Kees) Gallaher</u>
 <u>d.</u> 26 Jul 1863 OR ? age 18y11m17d

NOTE: Family tradition says Morgan died of tuberculosis.



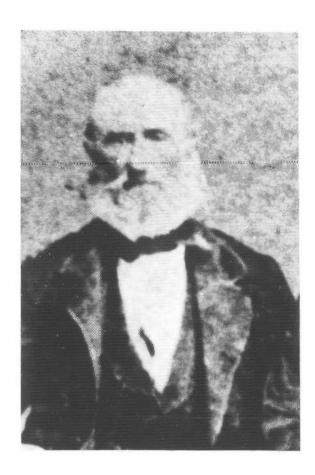
Robert Gallaher

GALLAHER, Robert

No Stone

- b. 11 Jan 1852 Linn Co., OT s/o William Crawford II and Sarah Amy (Kees) Gallaher
- d. 9 May 1871 OR age 19y3m28d

NOTE: Robert is assumed buried here with others of his family.



William C. Gallaher

GALLAHER, Sarah Amy (nee Kees)

b. 10 Dec 1810 Washington Co., PA d/o Jacob and Mary Eva? Kees

m. William Crawford Gallaher II 7 Aug 1827 Washington Co., PA

b. 22 Dec 1803 Greene Co., PA

m. #2 May Lydia (McCoy) McFarland 4 Nov 1856 Linn Co., OT

d. 27 Jan 1877 Walla Walla Co., WT, bur. Dry Creek Cem., Walla Walla, WA

<u>d.</u> <u>21 Apr 1856</u> Lebanon, OT age 45y4m11d

c. Elmore "Elmer" K. (3 Nov 1828
Washington Co., PA, m.
Harriet Marie Snyder)
Oliver Crawford (15 Dec 1830 Greene
Co., PA, m. #1 Mary Elizabeth

Mealey/Maley, m. #2 Clara Emmeline [Junkin] Kellogg) Joseph M. (19 Aug 1833 Putnam Co., IL, m. Mary Ann Kees) William Crawford Jr. (22 Apr 1835, Putnam Co., IL, Elizabeth [Hoskins] Coplen/Copeland) Mary Jane "Sarah" (7/8 Nov 1837 IA, m. Andrew Jackson Richardson) Thomas Jefferson (4 Mar 1840 Henry Co., IA, m. Rebecca Elizabeth Junkin) James Jackson (12 June 1842 IA, m. #1 Elizabeth Cordelia Edwards, m. #2 Elnora Jackson) Morgan K. (9 Aug 1844 IA) Jacob (18/28 May 1847 Linn Co., OT) Isaac Newton (6 Sep 1850 Linn Co., Robert (11 Jan 1852 Linn Co., OT) Francis (26 Dec 1853 Linn Co., OT) J. J. (3 Jul 1855)

NOTE: William C. Gallaher held D.L.C. #1348 in Linn Co. T12S R2W Sec. 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, and 33.



Frank Galloway

GALLAWAY, Frank Sherman

b. <u>25 Sep 1865</u> OR <u>s/o</u> <u>James and</u> <u>Nancy Amelia (Walker) Gallaway</u>

d. <u>28 May 1890</u> Lebanon, OR age 24y8m3d

NOTE: Spelling on all stones in Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery is Gallaway. Family and other records spell the name Galloway.

Frank, James and Nancy A. Galloway all share one grave marker.

Lebanon Express, May 30, 1890

Died -- Frank S. Galloway, who had been lying at the point of death for several days, died Wednesday afternoon, June 28th. He was afflicted with sepsis erysipelas, with pyemia (blood poisoning) which originated in a wound received on the head a short time since. He formerly had to sustain a double amputation of the arm on account of the same trouble. Frank was well known, having lived here all his life. He was a young man of good habits, and was very industrious. He was about 23 years of age. He leaves a stepmother and 3 brothers and 3 sisters.

GALLAWAY, James

b. <u>5 Feb 1828</u> PA probably s/o Robert and Nancy Galloway

m. #1 Nancy Amelia Walker 4 Oct 1860 Eugene City, OR (see Gallaway, Nancy Amelia) #2 Mary (Sill) McHargue 2 Dec 1879 Linn Co., OR (see Gallaway, Mary McHargue)

d. 30 Jul 1888 OR age 60y5m25d

c. (by Nancy Walker)
Mary Jane (27 Nov 1861 OR)
William Harvey "Harvy" (13 Dec 1863
OR, m. Mrs. Emma Wegmiller)
Frank Sherman (25 Sep 1865 OR)
Mary Julia (23 Nov 1866 OR, m.
Thomas J.M. Riggs)

John Eagleton (29 Jan 1869 OR, m. Ella Violena "Lena" McLin)

Viney/Vina Ann (22 Jun 1873 OR, m. #1 George Edward Skinner, m. #2 Daniel Francis Sturtevant)

Charles "Charley" Grant (12 Nov 1875 OR, m. Ann Katherine Miller) NOTE: Family tradition says that James Galloway came to Oregon alone on horseback in 1860, living with Indians along the way.

GALLAWAY, Mary McHargue (nee Sill) No Stone

b. ca. 1826 KY

m. #1 William McHargue 12 Nov 1871 Linn Co., OR #2 James Gallaway 2 Dec 1879 Linn Co., OR

d. Dec 1893 age about 67

NOTE: Mary Galloway is assumed buried here with others of this family.



Nancy and James Gallaway and child

GALLAWAY, Nancy Amelia (nee Walker) "Wife of J"

b. <u>12 Dec 1838</u> TN d/o William and Mary "Polly" (Shields) Walker

m. James Gallaway 4 Oct 1860 Eugene City, OR

d. <u>2 May 1879</u> OR age 40y4m24d

c. Mary Jane (27 Nov 1861 OR)
William Harvey "Harvy" (13 Dec 1863
OR, m. Mrs. Emma Wegmiller)
Frank Sherman (25 Sep 1865 OR)
Mary Julia (23 Nov 1866 OR, m.
Thomas J.M. Riggs)

John Eagleton (29 Jan 1869 OR, m. Ella Violena "Lena" McLin) Viney/Vina Ann (22 Jun 1873 OR, m. #1 George Edward Skinner, m. #2 Daniel Francis Sturtevant) Charles "Charley" Grant (12 Nov

Charles "Charley" Grant (12 Nov 1875 OR, m. Ann Katherine Miller)



Silvanus George

GEORGE, Silvanus Eckler

- b. est. 2 Feb 1862 OR s/o Jesse W. and Cassandra (Eckler) George gs/o Presley and Mahala (Nickerson) George
- d. 16 Oct 1866 Linn Co., OR age 4y8m14d

(Salem) American Unionist, Oct. 29, 1866

DIED - Near Lebanon, Linn county, October 16th, Sylvanus Eckler, son of J.W. and C.E. George, aged four years, eight months and fourteen days.

Index of U.S. Marshals 1789-1960, Virgil D. White, 1988

George, Jesse W., WA Terr., 2 Jul 1884, Vice Hopkins (term expired), source 24 SEJ 297, 315, 316.



Jesse George

NOTE: Jesse W. George was a U.S. Marshal of Seattle. His brother, Melvin Clark George, was a principal of Albany Public Schools, State Senator for Multnomah county, and a Congressman.

History of Washington, by Hines, p. 519-20

Presley George was a native of Virginia where his ancestry settled prior to the Revolutionary war and took active part in that memorable conflict. Presley George moved to Ohio about 1820 and engaged in farming, subsequently marrying Miss Mahala Nickerson, a native of Massachusetts and of Puritan stock. Mr. George followed farming in Ohio up to 1851, when, with his wife and three sons, Hugh N., Jesse W. and M.C. George, he started for Oregon. The first stage was by steamer down the Ohio and up the Missouri river to a little town called Weston, seven miles above Fort Leavenworth. There they purchased their prairie outfit, consisting of two wagons, ten yoke of oxen, a number of cows and two American mares. They were accompanied by several families from Ohio and their entire train numbered about seventy-five people. The journey was without incident, and particular very successfully accomplished to The Dalles. There the families shipped by water to Portland, the young men crossing the mountains with the stock. It being late in the fall they were overtaken by a snow storm, and with no feed for the cattle, already in weakened condition, many of the animals died from hunger and exposure. They got through with seven yoke of oxen, five cows and both mares, the horses being very valuable in that early day. Proceeding to Portland the families united and Mr. George pushed up the valley to Linn County, and passed the winter near Washington Butte, where they found a little log cabin about twelve feet square. In the spring of 1852 Mr. George took up his donation claim (DLC #2146 OC) of 320 acres (T12S R2W Sec. 21, 22), and there resided up to 1875, when he moved to Portland.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 29, 1895

Mr. Jesse W. George died in Seattle, Wash. Saturday morning at 10 o'clock of pneumonia at the age of 59 years. He leaves a wife and four children, two sons and two daughters. Mr. George was a prominent and wealthy citizen of Seattle. He was a brother of Hon. Melvin C. George of Portland, and a nephew of Simon A. Nickerson, of this city. He was a pioneer of Oregon, having crossed the plains in 1851, first settling on a farm now owned by the Dodge boys at the foot of Peterson's Butte 3 miles from Lebanon.

... Mr. George was born in Morgan County, Ohio, November 11, 1835, and was the second son of Presley and Mahala (Nickerson) George. His father was a native of Virginia, but early in life migrated to Ohio, where he married and lived for 40 years. His mother was a descendent of an old Puritan family in the Bay State (Maine), and in 1817 removed with the family to Ohio. His grandfather on his father's side drew a pension for services as a soldier in the revolutionary war. In 1851 the family crossed the plains, settling on a donation claim near Lebanon, Linn County, which is still known by his He received his rudimentary father's name. education in Ohio, and also attended the Santiam Academy in Linn County. He remained in this county, taking a prominent interest in local affairs and developed unusual business capacity, until 1872, when he removed to Seattle, Washington. During his residence in that city he was prominently identified in various enterprises, and was one of the three original organizers of the Washington Iron Works. In all these enterprises he displayed sound business judgement and firmness of character.

GIBSON, Rebecca (nee ???) "Wife of WE Gibson"

- b. est. 6 Nov 1802
- m. W.E. Gibson
- d. 12 Apr 1877 OR age 74y5m6d
- c. names unknown

"Farewell our Mother"

GILSON, William B.

- b. est. 25 Apr 1833 Canada
- m. Ellen Jane Skinner 9 Sep 1857 MI or NE
 - b. 29 Aug 1840 Barney Co., MI d/o Joseph and Juliette C. (Bugbee) Skinner
 - m. #2 Alpheus M. Wilson 23 Mar 1876 OR
 - d. 2 Feb 1934 Lebanon, OR age 93y5m3d bur. I.O.O.F. Cem., Lebanon, OR
- <u>d.</u> 1 Oct 1874 Sodaville, OR age 41y5m6d
- c. Edgar D. (ca. 1859 NE)
 William B. (ca. 1861 OR)
 Robert L. (ca. 1868 OR, m. Ollie
 Thompson)
 Minnie F. (est. 28 Dec 1869 Linn Co.,
 OR, m. #1 Joseph Buhl, m. #2

Charles R. Butler, m. #3 George W. McKilligan)

"How blest the righteous when he diest/ when in his weary and to rest/ how mildly leaves the

drowsing eye/ how gently leaves the expiring breath."

Linn County Militia List, 1874

Gilson, William B.

Lebanon Criterion, Aug. 14, 1914

Edgar D. Gilson, of Ritzville, Washington, is in Lebanon this week visiting with his mother and brothers, Mrs. A. M. Wilson, Alfred Wilson and R.L. Gilson. Mr. Gilson is a former resident of Lebanon and although he has been absent for more than thirty years, has a fondness for the old town yet.

Lebanon Express, Feb. 14, 1923

PIONEER WOMAN OF LEBANON TELLS HER LIFE STORY

"...My maiden name was Ellen Jane Skinner. I was born August 29, 1840. When I was 17 I married William B. Gilson, a teacher. We were married by Rev. L. Gee, September 9, 1857. During the Civil war my husband taught in Missouri. Four years of civil war in Missouri was enough to try the patience of a saint, for Missouri was badly mixed in sentiment. Some families had men folks on both sides, so it was literally brother against brother.

"We left Missouri in the spring of 1866. We started May 1 and reached Portland August 1. We went to Belpossi (sp?), where I spent the winter while my husband taught school in Gervais. The next spring we went to Albany, where my husband secured a place as teacher. He bought a farm near Tallman, four miles from Lebanon. He taught every winter and ran the farm in the summer. In about 1871 or 1872 we bought a 320 acre farm at Sodaville. He died there, October 1, 1874.

"...I had four children by my first husband. E.D. Gilson, my eldest child, is in the real estate business at Bend. My next boy, W.B. Gilson, is a barber and lives at Salem. My third son, Robert L. Gilson, is a hardware man here in Lebanon. Minnie, who married C.F. Butler, is dead...

"When I came to Lebanon there were one store, a mill, a blacksmith shop and saloon here. It has become a modern and up-to-date city during the half century or more I have lived here."

Lebanon Express, Feb. 7, 1934

Mrs. Ellen Jane Wilson ... She was united in marriage with William B. Gilson September 9, 1857. To this union three sons and one daughter

were born. One son, Robert L. Gilson, for many years fire chief of Lebanon, and her daughter Minnie F. Gilson, preceded her in death.

In 1866 Mr. and Mrs. Gilson and their family crossed the plains from Nebraska to Oregon and located in Albany where they lived for one year; during which time Mr. Gilson taught in the Albany schools. The following winter they moved to Sodaville, where he became principal of the school in that place. He died at Sodaville October 1, 1874.

GORE, John Thomas

No Stone

- b. est. 24 May 1858 OT s/o William B. and Margaret (Morgan) Gore
- d. 24 Mar 1864 OR age 5y10m

<u>Linn County Cemetery Survey</u>, Lebanon (Old) Pioneer, Leslie L. Haskin, 1939

This grave and stone are overgrown and crowded by trunks of twin cedar trees of great size which have evidently grown up since the grave was made.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 16, 1894

Wm. B. Gore, the subject of this notice, was born Jan. 6, 1811, in Jefferson county, Indiana. The old home country he did not forsake for twenty-five years; but, in 1836 the Western fever began to burn and it got him to the Prairie state of Illinois. This great state had the honor of furnishing him with a "help meet," which it most handsomely did in the person of Miss Margaret Morgan, and which has proven to be a blessed union. The following year found the fever still burning for Western travel, this time carrying him to the historic country known in the geography as Des Moines county, Iowa. The Western fever had become chronic by this time; so that by April, 1845, he determined that the setting sun alone should be his stopping place. So, after the few preparations necessary to be made were completed, the long and dangerous journey was begun, over an almost trackless plain, across which, at that early date, but few persons had dared to venture, arriving at The Dalles, one of the most historic places on all the Northwest coast, situated at the east end of the renowned gorge that cuts the Cascade mountains in to (two), through which the mighty Columbia river makes its way to the sea. From this point it was wholly impracticable to undertake to reach the Willamette valley by wagon road. The only alternative left, was to go through the mountains by water. But how could this be done

without a boat to navigate the river. But necessity, which is the mother of invention, came to their relief. With hands made brawny by use, they raided the pine forest where the woodsman's ax had not yet gone, and soon a rude raft is constructed from these pines, upon which wagons with their cargoes, and women and children, with a few men to manage it, embark on the untried and dangerous waters, to make the perilous trip to the safer waters and a better craft below the Cascade falls. That we may the better understand and appreciate the situation of these travel-stained and footsore home-seekers in the far-off Oregon, the glorious land of the occident, when this cargo was in its place, the raft sank so deep in the water that the wagons were hub deep.

The trip down the river was progressing as favorably as could be expected, when suddenly there met them one of those fierce wind storms with which navigators have become so familiar since. There seemed to be no hope, but all must perish. Though dreadfully alarmed, no harm came to them, and in due time the vicinity of Portland was reached, where the winter was passed.

In the spring, he, with others of the company, came to this (Linn) county, locating his donation of 640 acres about three-quarters of a mile north of this town, where he continuously resided until a year or so ago, when he bought property in the town and became one of its citizens.

His sterling worth has contributed no little to the prosperity of this country, causing it to blossom like the rose. The greatest event in his history, the beginning of his religious life, occurred in 1844. His first church affiliations was with the Missionary Baptist, in which communion he lived up to 1868, when he withdrew and united with the Methodist Episcopal church. (unreadable) where he lived and labored, trusted and loved by all, until death, who loves a shining mark, claimed him for his own; which sad, but no unexpected event came, unbidden, March 12, 1894.

In his religious life, Brother Gore was not demonstrative, but steady. Was not what could be called aggressive, but could always be relied upon to help. Our interests at Lebanon have been fostered by him with most fatherly solicitude and care from the beginning. His first labor and money for the church was put here, and he, like the seasons, kept it up to the very last. Our property holdings here, are largely the results of his consecration to the church he most tenderly loved. His last moments were preeminently peaceful. His was a glorious victory in the last hour, and over the last enemy.

Sister Gore and eight children and numerous grandchildren are left to sorrow, but not as those who have no hope, for the husband, father and grandfather can easily be found; to the Heavenly mansions is where he has gone. Wide did the pearly gates swing on their golden hinges to let one of God's saints into glory. A good man is gone. Earth is poorer but heaven is richer. D.C. McFarland

NOTE: Wm. B. Gore is buried at the I.O.O.F. Masonic Cemetery, Lebanon, OR.

GRIGGS, Aley B.

"In Loving Rememberence"
(Masonic symbol)

 b. 27 Sep 1827 Payson, IL
 m. #1 Sarah Jane Morris 31 Dec 1848 Adams Co., IL (see Griggs, Sarah Jane)

#2 Mrs. Ruth G. Gard 31 May 1881 Polk Co., OR

b. 15 May 1834 Fairfield, OH

m. #1 James H. Gard 2 Dec 1852 Fairfield, OH

d. 7 Nov 1905 Albany, OR age 71y5m23d

d. 6 Apr 1903 Albany, OR age 75y6m9d (by Sarah Morris)

Amanda Melvina (11 Oct 1849 IL, m. Norman E. Lee)

Sarah Catharine (12 Feb 1852 OT, m. Charles H. Ralston)

Frances "Fannie" L. (12 Feb 1854 OT) Mary P. (15 Jan 1856 OT, m. William A. McClain)

Ada "Addie" (7 May 1858 OT, m. Joseph L. Nixon)

John L. (7 Nov 1860 OR, m. Mary Claypool)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 575</u> (T11S R1W Sec 7, 18, 19, 20 and 21)

GRIGG(S), Aley B., Linn Co, d. Apr 1904; m. Sarah Jane Morris who d Sep 1862.

Also #575, GRIGG, Aley B. Linn Co; b 1827, Montgomery Co., MO. Arr. Ore. 21 Sept 1850; SC 15 Jun 1852; m Sarah Jane 31 Dec 1848, Ill. Aff: Terpin T. Thomas, Bushrod W. Hamilton, Wm. M. Prine.

History of the Willamette Valley, H.O. Lang, 1885

Griggs, A.B., Whose residence is Monmouth, and occupation that of butcher, was born in

Adams County, Illinois, in the year 1827, and worked at the blacksmithing trade in that State. He came to Oregon in 1850, and settled in Linn County; is owner of a farm six miles from Lebanon in that county. In 1852 mined in Jackson County. Mr. Griggs was married to Miss Sarah J. Morris in 1849, and had by her six children, viz -- Amanda M., Sarah C., Fannie, Mary P., Addie and John. He was married a second time, to Mrs. R.G. Gard in 1881, and by her has two children -- Clara and Lucy. (These are step-daughters).

Lebanon Express, Apr. 6, 1898

Family Reunion.

A.B. Griggs had a family reunion of his children, grandchildren, and their families, including two great-grandchildren, at his residence on the corner of Fifth and Jackson street in Albany, last Sunday, April 3. His home had been beautifully decorated for the occasion, and everything that could be done to make the event a success was prepared. There were twenty-five present. Mr. Griggs is an old pioneer, having crossed the plains in '47, taking up a donation land claim near Albany, which donation he still owns. This is the second reunion of his family that he has had, the other being about twelve years ago. As fine a dinner was served at noon as one ever sat down to. It was a day to never be forgotten by those present. The following persons were there; Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Griggs, Dr. and Mrs. N.L. Lee, of Junction City, Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Ralston, of Portland, Mrs. Addie Nixon, of Farmington, Wash., Mr. and Mrs. W.A. McClain, of Albany, Mr. And Mrs. J.L. Griggs, of Lebanon, Mr. and Mrs. H.Y. Kirkpatrick, of Lebanon, Mrs. Fred Fortmiller, of Portland, C.D. Lee, druggist of Junction City, Misses Fanny Griggs, Clara and Lucy Gard, Zoe and Norma McClain and Kathrine Kirkpatrick, Masters Wright and Clare Lee, Frank Nixon and Hugh Kirkpatrick. -- Albany Herald.

Albany Democrat, Apr. 10, 1903

A.B. Griggs' Death -- A.B. Griggs died at his home in this city at 12 o'clock to day, of pneumonia.

He was born near Pason, Adams Co., Ill., in 1829. He crossed the plains in 1850. He took up a donation claim six miles east of Lebanon, which is still in his possession. He resided at Lebanon and Monmouth and came to Albany in 1890. He leaves a wife and the following children: Mrs. N.E. Lee, Junction City; Mrs. C.H. Ralston, Portland; Mrs. J.L.

Nixon, Farmington, Wash.; Mrs. W.A. McClain, Albany; J.L. Griggs, Lebanon, and Miss Frances Griggs, Albany, and two step-daughters Misses Clara and Lucy Gard.

Owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Griggs there will be no services at the house. Friends can view the remains at the home 505 E 5th St, from 10 to 2 o'clock tomorrow.

A special train will leave the depot at 12:30 o'clock for Lebanon, where he will be buried, with Masonic services at the grave, returning on regular train.

GRIGGS, Sarah Jane (nee Morris) "Wife of Aley B."

- b. 19 Aug 1830 Washington Co., MO
 d/o Preston Green and Adaliza
 (Miller) Morris (DLC #1795)
- m. Aley B. Griggs 31 Dec 1848 Adams Co., IL
- d. 5 Sep 1862 Linn Co., OR age 32y17d
- c. Amanda Melvina (11 Oct 1849 IL, m. Norman E. Lee)

Sarah Catharine (12 Feb 1852 OT, m. Charles H. Ralston)

Frances "Fannie" L. (12 Feb 1854 OT) Mary P. (15 Jan 1856 OT, m. William A. McClain)

Ada "Addie" (7 May 1858 OT, m. Joseph L. Nixon)

John L. (7 Nov 1860 OR, m. Mary Claypool)

GUY, Infant Son

b. 6 Mar 1882 OR s/o William James and Clara (Williams) Guy

<u>d.</u> 8 Mar 1882 OR age 2d

GUY, Infant Son

b. 30 Apr 1885 OR s/o William James and Clara (Williams) Guy

<u>d.</u> <u>2 May 1885</u> OR age 2d

GUY, Pansy Irene

b. 3 Jan 1887 OR d/o William James and Clara (Williams) Guy

d. 8 Sep 1887 Lebanon, OR age 8m5d

Lebanon Express, Sept. 16, 1887

Notice: Guy, -- In Lebanon, Linn county, Oregon, on Thursday evening, Sept. 8, 1887, of

summer complaint, PANSY, infant daughter of W.J. and Clara Guy. The remains of little PANSY were quietly laid to rest in the Lebanon cemetery on Friday afternoon.

NOTE: The three Guy children share a single monument which includes the inscription, "Infants of W.J. and Clara Guy."

GUY, William James

"No. 359 B.P.O.E."

- b. <u>1858</u> s/o Mahlon and Saymanthia (Henry) Guy
- m. Clara Williams 23 Jan 1881 Dallas, OR (see Keefhaver, Clara Guy)
- d. 25 Oct <u>1901</u> Albany, OR age 43y
- c. Edwin Floyd (11 Apr. 1881 OR, m.
 Bessie E. Plaster)
 infant son (6 Mar 1882 OR)
 Hattie B. (30 Apr 1883 Lebanon, OR, m.
 Byron O. Nichols)
 infant son (30 Apr 1885 OR)
 Pansy Irene (3 Jan 1887 OR)

"Gone but not forgotten"

NOTE: William Guy shares a monument with his wife, Clara Guy Keefhaver.
W.J. Guy was a bartender/owner.

Albany Democrat, Oct. 25, 1901

W.J. Guy is dangerously ill with little prospect of recovery. The Order of Elks, of which he is a member, have employed Amos Tenny and Frank Parrish to attend on him.

Albany Democrat, Nov. 8, 1901

The inventory has been filed in the estate of W.J. Guy. Real property \$1900, personal property \$908.50.

HAAS, Frank H.

- b. <u>20 Aug 1861</u> "Grandview, IA" s/o P. and E. Haas
- d. 2 Jun 1888 OR age 26y9m13d

Lebanon Express, Oct. 28, 1887

Mr. F.H. Haas, formerly of Iowa and exeditor of The Muskatine (Iowa) Journal, commenced

teaching school in district No. 34, on Monday of last week.

Lebanon Express, June 8, 1888

F.H. Haas died Saturday June 2 of inflammation of the stomach and bowels and was buried at Lebanon Cemetery June 3, 1888. (An earlier paper mentioned that Prof. Haas was ill).

HAGUE, Frank

"Farewell"

- b. est. 16 Feb 1859
- d. 7 Aug 1879 OR age 20y5m19d

"Amiable he won all/ Intelligent he charmed all/ Fervent he loved all/ Dead he saddened all"

HARDMAN, Benjamin J.

- b. 3 Jan 1788 Washington ? Co., PA s/o Solomon and Ann Mary (Wise) Hardman
- m. Catherine Hostetler 25/27 Oct 1811 Shelby Co., KY
 - b. 10 Sep 1794 Somerset, PA d/o
 Abraham and Agnes (Hardman)
 Hostetler (Benjamin and
 Catherine were first cousins)
 - d. 26 Mar 1848 St. Joseph Co., IN age 53y6m16d bur. Portage Prairie Cem., St. Joseph Co., IN
- <u>d.</u> 7 Feb <u>1864</u> Linn Co., OR age 76y1m4d
- c. Susanah (21 Dec 1812 Montgomery Co., OH, m. Isaac Miller)
 - Joshua (2 Sep 1814 Montgomery Co., OH, m. Martha Eliza McCombs)
 - Aaron (24 Sep 1816 Montgomery Co., OH, m. Eunice Backus)
 - Samuel (11 Nov 1818 Wayne Co., IN, m. Mary Backus)
 - Levi Wise (7 Dec 1820 Wayne Co., IN, m. Alice Broadhurst)
 - Mary Ann (1 Apr 1823 Wayne Co., IN, m. Gideon W. Backus)
 - Joseph H. (1824 Wayne Co., IN, m. Barbara Ritter)
 - Catherine (18 Dec 1826 Wayne Co., IN, m. Francis L. Bellinger)
 - Benjamin F. (8 Sep 1829 Wayne Co., IN, m. Margaret Ann Ritter)
 - David N. (8 Sep 1838 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Nancy E. Royce)

Donation Land Claim # 6150

HARDMAN, Benjamin, Linn Co., T12S, R1W, Sec 24, 320a, b 1788 PA, Arr. Ore. Sept 20, 1850, SC Mar 17, 1855, Mar. 24, 1855 secured all.

NOTE: Benjamin Hardman was a deacon in the South Santiam German Baptist Brethren church northwest of Lebanon. He was a tanner by trade. The ghost town of Hardman, OR in Morrow county was established by Benjamin's son David who set up a general store and post office there. Benjamin's father Solomon Hardman and Solomon's brother David were with Daniel Boone at the siege of Blue Lick and Boonesboro.

Letter from John R. White of Waitsburg, WA, date unknown

In the winter of 1898 I was on a visit with my parents, visiting some of my uncles and cousins, around Lebanon, Oregon, and I attended the little old Dunkard church, located in the valley between Albany and Lebanon. The minister was one of the resident farmers by the name of Bowers. The building had moss all over the roof and almost hung to the ground, and in the yard was one of those old wooden pumps with a brass bucket. During church services the women and girls sat on one side of the church and the men and boys on the other side. The women wore bonnets and some wore aprons also. They also held the "feet washing" ceremony that day, which to me as a child of eleven years was very impressing in more ways than one.

Gospel Visitor, Vol. XIV No. 6, June 1864

Died in Linn County, Oregon, Feb. 7, 1864, of Palsy, after an illness of only about eight days, our old brother Benjamin Hardman, aged 76 years, 1 month, 4 days. He was a member of the church for 54 years and a deacon 45 years, and a great exemplar and pillar in the church. He leaves 8 children to mourn his loss, his wife having died some fifteen years ago. Funeral by Bro. Spurlock from Rev. 14:13.

HARDMAN, Benjamin N. "Newton"

- b. 10 Aug 1843 St. Joseph Co., IN s/o Samuel and Mary (Backus) Hardman
- m. #1 Rebecca Ann Powell 9 Jun 1867 Linn Co., OR (see Hardman, Rebecca Ann)

#2 Rosella R. Ramsay 2 Oct 1877 Linn Co., OR (see Hardman, Rosella R.)

- d. 9 Nov 1895 Spicer, OR age 52y2m29d
- c. Matilda J. (20 Feb 1868 Linn Co., OR) Lorena E. (Nov 1869 Linn Co., OR, m. John Buchner)

Wilfred B. (11 Aug 1883 Linn Co., OR)

NOTE: Benjamin, his wife Rebecca, and their daughter Matilda, share a single stone which lists only their names.

Linn County Militia List, 1874

B.N. Hardman of Lebanon

Lebanon Express, Nov. 14, 1895

Mr. B.N. Hardman, a merchant of Spicer, died at his home at 2 o'clock Sat. morning of pneumonia, after an illness of only a week. The deceased was a man highly respected by all who knew him, and his death is keenly felt in the community. He leaves a wife, son and daughter. He was 52 years old in Aug. last; was born in St. Joseph Co., IN, near South Bend, Aug 10, 1843. He came to Linn Co., OR, with his parents in 1850, and resided on a farm until about 5 years ago, when he began the mercantile and warehouse business at Spicer. The funeral service was held in Spicer on Sunday, conducted by Rev. Molloy, and the remains laid to rest in the Lebanon cemetery.

HARDMAN, Christopher (Jr.) "Guy"

- <u>b</u>. <u>2 Aug 1889</u> Linn Co., OR <u>s/o</u> <u>Christopher and Mary Ann (Moore)</u> Hardman
- d. 10 Sep 1892 Linn Co., OR age 3y1m8d

HARDMAN, Christopher (Sr.)

- b. est. 12 May 1845 St. Joseph Co., IN s/o Samuel and Mary (Backus)
 Hardman
- m. Mary Ann Moore 13 Dec 1868 Linn Co., OR (see Hardman, Mary Ann)
- <u>d.</u> <u>9 Apr 1891</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> 45y10m27d
- c. Melvin R. (30 Sep 1869 Linn Co., OR) Silvan M. (4 Sep 1876 Linn Co., OR) Ocy Estella (4 Aug 1878 Linn Co., OR)

Christopher "Guy" (Jr.) (2 Aug 1889 Linn Co., OR) Mary B. (Sep 1885 OR, m. Mr. Dowers) Sylvia (ca. 1890 OR, m. Mr. Douglas) child child child

"A precious one from us is gone/ A voice we loved is stilled/ A ...

Lebanon Express, Apr. 17, 1891

Died -- At his home near the Santiam, on Thurs. evening, April 9, 1891, Mr. Cris (sic) Hardman, aged 45 years.

Mr. Hardman was taken with the la grippe a week or two ago, which ran into pneumonia, causing his death. He leaves a wife and 7 children and many friends to mourn his death. The deceased was an Oregon pioneer, having removed to Oregon when a boy in 1859 (sic). He has resided in Linn Co. continuously since, and was well and favorably known.

Gospel Messenger, May 19, 1891, p. 318

Hardman -- In the Lebanon congregation, Linn Co., Oregon, April 9, 1891, Bro. Christopher Hardman, aged 45 years, 10 months and 27 days.

Deceased leaves a wife and seven children. He was a member of the church (Brethren) about twenty years, and faithfully served the church in the office of Deacon fifteen years. Jacob Bahr

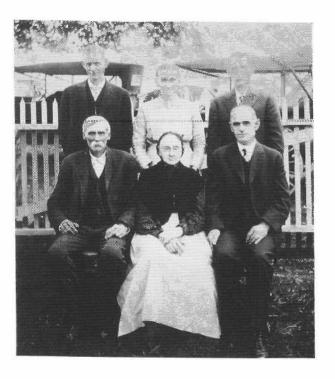
HARDMAN, Elisabeth Ann

- b. 25 Oct 1850 Linn Co., OT <u>d/o</u> <u>J</u>oseph <u>H. and B</u>arbara (Ritter) <u>Hardman</u>
- <u>d</u>. <u>9 Sep 1864</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> <u>13y10m15d</u>

NOTE: Elizabeth's parents moved to Grant Co., OR before 1870. They are buried there at the Prairie City Cemetery. Joseph held DLC #2085 in Linn County.

Gospel Visitor, Feb. 1865

Died in Lynn (sic) Co., Oregon, Sept. 9, 1864, Elizabeth Ann Hardman, daughter of brother Joseph and sister Barbara Hardman, aged 13 years, 10 months and 15 days. Funeral services by Rev. McKinney and the writer from John 5:28, 29; Rev 14; 13. Daniel Leedy



Taken on Mary Hardman's 90th birthday, July 10, 1913, with her surviving children; standing (left to right): Frank, Lizzie Long, Clint. Seated: Riley, Mary, Clay.

HARDMAN, Mary (nee Backus)

- b. 10 Jul <u>1823</u> Butler Co., OH d/o Seth and Elizabeth (Hammel) Backus
- m. Samuel Hardman 8 Sep 1842 St. Joseph Co., IN
- d. 5 Oct <u>1914</u> Linn Co., OR age 91y2m25d
- c. Benjamin N. (10 Aug 1843 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. #1 Rebecca Ann Powell, m. #2 Rosella R. Ramsay)

Christopher (12 May 1845 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Mary Ann Moore)

Elizabeth Ann (22 Nov 1846 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. #1 Thomas LeRoy Ramsay, m. #2 Isaac Joseph Long)

Sarah E. (18 May 1849 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. James Monroe Stafford)

William Riley (27 Jun 1852 Spicer, OT, m. Eleanor Catherine Overholser)

Mary E. (28 Jun 1854 Linn Co., OT)

Henry Clay (Jan 1856 Linn Co., OT)

David Frank (27 Jun 1860 Linn Co., OR, m. Ida M. Welch)

James Clinton (24 Oct 1863 Linn Co., OR, m. Elizabeth Hanna Ramsay)

NOTE: Mary and Samuel share a single grave marker, and Samuel has an older, more ornate, marble slone.

Gospel Messenger, Jan. 2, 1909

A PIONEER SISTER BY GEORGE C. CARL.

Sister Mary Hardman was the first member of the Church of the Brethren to cross the Rocky Mountains, so far as the writer has been able to learn. She was born July 10, 1823, near Oxford, Butler Co., Ohio, -- the daughter of Seth and Elizabeth Backus. Her early life was spent in Ohio, and Portage Prairie, Ind., near the town of South Bend. When nineteen years of age she was married, Sept. 8, 1842, to Samuel Hardman.

After six years of married life, blessed with two sons and two daughters, they decided to go to the Far West. Oct. 9, 1848, their ox team was directed towards the setting of the sun. After nine weeks of travel, crossing the Mississippi River at Burlington, Iowa, they stopped for the winter in Andrew County, Mo. There Bro. Hardman was confined to his bed with a severe illness for about two months. It was a hard, cold winter and brought to them no little hardship.

They remained in Missouri for some time, in order to make more complete preparation for the long journey across the plains. By this time seven families, numbering twenty-three adults and fourteen children, joined their company. They crossed the Missouri River in the early spring of 1850. Bravely facing the many dangers of such a journey, they moved slowly westward, among large herds of wild buffalo, antelope, and other wild game of the plains. The crossing of rivers, and dangerous places in the mountains, the long, tedious drives, the difficulty of securing suitable camping grounds, where water could be found, -- all this furnished to the weary travelers a great variety of experience, with plenty of hardships to endure.

Sister Hardman relates that in places ropes had to be tied to the wagons so that the men, women, and children, could hold the wagons from going over the mountain side, while the oxen slowly crept forward, until the place of danger was passed.

The Indians had to be watched day and night. Sister Hardman says that sometimes in the evening, when they stopped for the night, only a few Indians were around, but by morning hundreds of them would be around their camp, and sometimes would follow them all day. With much watchfulness, and by treating the Indians kindly, they managed to escape any serious clash with them, only losing one of their horses.

After months of hard traveling, amidst many dangers, they reached, what is now known as Albany, Oregon, Sept. 20, 1850. They at once set about to build up a home in the Golden West. Four sons and one daughter were born to Brother and Sister Hardman in Oregon. Bro. Hardman was soon able, after their arrival in Oregon, to develop a good farm, where he resided until his death some years ago. Sister Hardman is now living on the old farm, with one of her sons. She is strong and vigorous for one of her age. The writer called to visit her in her old home, about two months ago, and found her busily engaged in picking geese. She said that work was a pleasure to her.

Sister Hardman was baptized in the Church of the Brethren sixty-five years ago last May. She is much loved and honored by all, who have formed her acquaintance. May her remaining days on earth be joyful, and her departure the death of the righteous! Portland, Oregon.

Albany Democrat, July 1913

Mary Backus Hardman celebrates Birthday.

Has 77 grandchildren; five generations; was born in Ohio in 1823.

A family reunion was held at the old home of Mrs. Mary Hardman in honor of her ninetieth birthday (about 50 relatives present).

Mary Backus was born in Butler Co., OH, July 10, 1823. At the age of 12 years, with her parents, she moved to Indiana. Sept. 8, 1842 she was married to Samuel Hardman.

In 1850 they crossed the plains by ox team to Oregon, settling on the donation claim where the aged lady still resides.

Mr. Hardman passed away June 16, 1883. To Mr. and Mrs. Hardman were born 9 children, 5 of whom are living: - Mrs. Elizabeth Long, of Albany, W.R. Hardman of Lebanon; H.C. and D.F.

of Portland and J.C. of Albany. There have been 46 grandchildren, 30 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grand child, making a total of 86 descendants of 5 generations.



Mary Hardman with about half of her descendants in 1913. In spite of the large crowd, only two automobiles carried guests to the Hardman family home that day. All the others arrived in horse drawn wagons and buggies.

Lebanon Criterion, Oct. 9, 1914

Mrs. Mary Hardman, pioneer of Oregon and one of the oldest of the old settlers of Linn Co., died at the family home near Spicer station, Monday, Oct. 5, at the extreme old age of 91 years, 2 months and 25 days.

Mrs. Hardman was born in Ohio July 10, 1823, where she grew to womanhood and was married to Samuel Hardman. The couple came to Oregon in 1850 and settled on the donation claim a few miles southwest (sic) of this city that has since been her home. Mr. Hardman died Jan. 18, 1883, and with her children the deceased has since made her home at the old homestead where her death occurred.

She was the mother of 9 children, 5 of whom survive her. They are W.R. Hardman, who lives on the home place; H.C. and D.F. Hardman, of Portland; J.C. Hardman of Millersburg, and Mrs. Elizabeth Long of Albany.

Those passing away before their mother were Chris and Benjamin and Mrs. G.M. Stafford, all of whom lived until middle age and raised

families, and Miss Mary, who died at the age of seventeen. There are also a large number of grandchildren surviving her.

Funeral services were held at the home on Wednesday morning at 10 o'clock by Rev. Hiram Smith, of the Church of the Brethren, interment being made at the City cemetery by the side of her husband.

Newspaper clipping, date and source unknown

J.C. Hardman was on Monday named executor of the estate of the late Mary Hardman, who died October 6, 1914, leaving an estate valued at \$10,000. There are 22 heirs to the state (sic). Mrs. Hardman was the mother of W.R. Hardman of this city. Her estate consisting of a farm near Spicer station.

HARDMAN, Mary Ann (nee Moore) "Sacred to the Memory of .. Wife of Christopher"

- b. 2 Oct 1851 OR
- m. Christopher Hardman 13 Dec 1868 Linn Co., OR
- d. 6 Aug 1892 OR age 40y10m4d
- c. Melvin R. (30 Sep 1869 Linn Co., OR)
 Silvan M. (4 Sep 1876 Linn Co., OR)
 Ocy Estella (4 Aug 1878 Linn Co., OR)
 Christopher "Guy" (Jr.) (2 Aug 1889
 Linn Co., OR)
 Mary B. (Sep 1885 OR, m. Mr. Dowers)

Mary B. (Sep 1885 OR, m. Mr. Dowers Sylvia (ca. 1890 OR, m. Mr. Douglas) child

child child

Gospel Messenger, Oct. 18, 1892, p. 654

Hardman -- In the Lebanon congregation, Linn County, Oregon, Aug. 6, 1892, sister Mary Ann Hardman, widow of Christian Hardman, aged 41 years. She was a member of the church for over twenty years, and served as deaconess about fourteen years. She was always faithful to her calling. Funeral by the Brethren. M.M. Bashor

HARDMAN, Mary E.

- b. 28 Jun 1854 Linn Co., OT d/o Samuel and Mary (Backus) Hardman
- <u>d.</u> 25 Oct <u>1873</u> Linn Co., OR age 19y3m27d

HARDMAN, Matilda J.

- b. 20 Feb 1868 Linn Co., OR d/o
 Benjamin N. and Rebecca Ann
 (Powell) Hardman
- d. 17 Mar 1870 OR age 2y25d

HARDMAN, Melvin R.

- b. 30 Sep 1869 Linn Co., OR <u>s/o</u>
 <u>Christopher and Mary Ann (Moore)</u>
 Hardman
- d. 17 Jul 1873 OR age 3y9m17d

HARDMAN, Ocy Estella

- <u>b.</u> 4 Aug 1878 Linn Co., OR d/o
 Christopher and Mary Ann (Moore)
 Hardman
- d. 9 Oct 1892 Linn Co., OR age 14y2m5d

"He giveth His beloved sleep"

HARDMAN, Rebecca Ann "Anna" (nee Powell)

- b. 27 Jan 1850 Jackson Co., MO d/o Peter and Nancy (Cyrus) Powell (DLC #4400)
- m. Benjamin N. Hardman 9 Jun 1867 Linn Co., OR
- d. 23 Feb 1873 Linn Co., OR age 23y26d
- c. Matilda J. (20 Feb 1868 Linn Co., OR) Lorena E. (Nov 1869 Linn Co., OR, m. John Buchner)

HARDMAN, Rosella R. (nee Ramsay)

- b. 17 Jul 1849 IA d/o William Sr. and Maria (???) Ramsay
- m. Benjamin N. Hardman 2 Oct 1877 Linn Co., OR
- d. <u>12 Nov 1923</u> Portland, OR age 74y3m26d
- c. Wilfred B. (11 Aug 1883 Linn Co., OR)

Lebanon Express, Nov. 14, 1923

Rosella Hardman -- The remains of Mrs. Rosella Hardman, who died in Portland November 12, were brought to Lebanon last evening and the funeral service was held this afternoon at the Poole undertaking parlor, conducted by Rev. H.T. Atkinson. Interment was in the old Lebanon cemetery beside the remains of her deceased husband, Ben Hardman, who passed away a number of years ago. She leaves one son, Wilfred Hardman

of Portland and three sisters. The family resided at Spicer prior to Mr. Hardman's death.

HARDMAN, Samuel

"Sacred to the memory of"

- b. 11 Nov <u>1818</u> Wayne Co., IN s/o
 Benjamin J. and Catherine (Hostetler)
 Hardman
- m. Mary Backus 8 Sep 1842 St. Joseph Co., IN (see Hardman, Mary)
- <u>d.</u> 16 Jan 1883 Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> 64v2m5d
- c. Benjamin N. (10 Aug 1843 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. #1 Rebecca Ann Powell, m. #2 Rosella R. Ramsay)
 - Christopher (12 May 1845 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Mary Ann Moore)
 - Elizabeth Ann (22 Nov 1846 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. #1 Thomas LeRoy Ramsay, m. #2 Isaac Joseph Long)
 - Sarah E. (18 May 1849 St. Joseph Co., IN. m. James Monroe Stafford)
 - William Riley (27 Jun 1852 Spicer, OT, m. Eleanor Catherine Overholser)
 - Mary E. (28 Jun 1854 Linn Co., OT)
 - Henry Clay (Jan 1856 Linn Co., OT)
 - David Frank (27 Jun 1860 Linn Co., OR, m. Ida M. Welch)
 - James Clinton (24 Oct 1863 Linn Co., OR, m. Elizabeth Hanna Ramsay)

NOTE: A hand, forefinger pointing up, is depicted on Samuel's stone.

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1801</u> OC (T11S R2W Sec 19, 20, 29 and 30)

HARDMAN, Samuel b 11 Nov 1818 Wayne Co IN m. Mary Backus 8 Sep 1842 St. Joseph Co IN d. 16 June 1883 Linn Co OR. bur. Pioneer Cemetery, Lebanon, Linn Co. OR. Settled claim, 6 Jan 1851, Spicer area. Mary Backus b. 10 Jul 1823 Butler Co OH d. 1914 Linn Co. OR bur. Pioneer Cemetery, Lebanon, Linn Co., OR

Also HARDMAN, Samuel, Linn Co. b 1818 Wayne Co, Ind; Arr. Ore. prior 1 Dec 1850; SC 6 Jan 1851; m. Mary 8 Sept 1842, St. Joseph Co. Ind. Aff: Gideon W. Backus, James R. Backus.

Also, HARDMAN, Samuel, b. Oh 1818 m. at age of 24 c 1842 res. in Ind. Left for Ore in 1847.

DLC 640a, 6 mis NW of Lebanon, m. 8 Sept 1842 Mary Backus b. Oh. Children: Benjamin; Christopher; Elizabeth m. Isaac Long; Riley m. Ellie Overholser; Clarence; Alva; Ethel; Walter; Clay; David F.; Clinton; Sarah E. and Mary E. German Baptist.

NOTE: The above list of children, reproduced as it appeared in print, is incorrect. Clarence, Alva, Ethel and Walter are grandchildren of Samuel.



Samuel Hardman built this house on his donation land claim. The long, low portion was the kitchen with attached woodshed. The small structure on the right was a well-insulated "keeping room." The house was moved after Mary's death, and torn down in the 1920's.

Centennial History of Oregon, Joseph Gaston, 1912

... when Linn county was still but a wild and sparsely settled region, Samuel Hardman took up his abode within its borders and assisted in the work of pioneer development. He was a leading factor in the building of Albany and throughout his active business career was identified with general agricultural pursuits following both farming and stock-raising. In his demise the community lost one of its most respected and honored pioneer settlers and his record well deserves a place in its annals. ... he and his wife spent the first six years of their domestic life in Indiana. In 1847, having determined to establish their home in the far west, they crossed the plains with ox teams and after arriving in Oregon took up a donation land claim of six hundred and forty acres in Linn County. ... Our subject found the place wild and primitive but resolutely undertook the arduous task of cultivation and improvement and transformed it into a highly productive and valuable farm. ... He assisted in the building of schoolhouses and roads, helped to erect and organize a large flour mill in Albany and ... took a leading part in the upbuilding of that town.

... Samuel Hardman gave his political allegiance to the republican party but his aspirations were not in the line of public office holding. He was a devout member of the German Baptist church and exemplified its teachings in his daily life.

Old Time Albany, by Fred P. Nutting, 1935.

The Hardmans were well known people, with a farm, near Albany, only a few miles from the McKnights and Crawfords. Samuel Hardman was the head of the family of nine children, of whom three are now living. They are Mrs. Elizabeth Hardman Long, now residing in Albany at 1126 East Water Street; she was born in 1846. H. Clay Hardman, now an invalid in an armchair, who was born in 1856 in this county, and Frank, born in 1860, who was in the city recently on a visit with his more aged sister, now an invalid.

HARDMAN, Silvan M.

- b. 4 Sep 1876 Linn Co., OR <u>s/o</u>
 <u>Christopher and Mary Ann (Moore)</u>
 Hardman
- <u>d.</u> 4 Jan 1879 Linn Co., OR age 2y4m

HARDMAN, Wilfred B.

- b. 11 Aug 1883 near Spicer, OR s/o
 Benjamin N. and Rosella R. (Ramsay)
 Hardman
- d. <u>6 Feb 1924</u> Portland, OR age 40y5m26d

Lebanon Express, Jan. 30, 1914

Fred Hardman, who was brought here last week on the charge of passing bad check, was taken to Albany where he was declared insane after an examination before Dr. W. H. Davis. Judge McKnight committed him to the State Insane Asylum and he was taken there Friday evening by an attendant.

NOTE: Admitted to the State Asylum Jan. 24, 1914, Fred Hardman, born Linn county, Oregon, age 31, single, laborer, for morphine and cocaine condition.

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Lebanon Express, Feb. 13, 1924

Wilfred B. Hardman -- son of the late Benjamin and Rosella Hardman, died in Portland Feb. 6, of bronchial pneumonia, aged 41 years, 5 months and 25 (sic) days. He was born and reared near Spicer, northeast of Lebanon.

The surviving members of the family are: One sister, Mrs. John Buchner of Albany; three uncles, W.R. and J.C. Hardman of Lebanon, and D.F. Hardman of Portland; and three aunts, Mrs. E.A. Long of Albany, Mrs. Jane Miller of California, and Mrs. Anne Lemon, of Garfield, Wash.

The funeral was held from the Lebanon funeral home Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. H.T. Atkinson, and interments was in the family lot in the Lebanon cemetery.

Lebanon Criterion, Feb. 14, 1924

Wilfred B. Hardman -- Wilfred B. Hardman, son of Benjamin and Rosella Hardman, was born on the Hardman farm north and east of Lebanon, August 11, 1882 (sic), passed away at the Multnomah Hospital, Portland, Feb. 6th, being 41 years 5 months and 25 (sic) days of age. His early life was spent at the country home and about 20 years ago the family moved to Portland which had since been their home. The last sickness was of short duration, the end coming suddenly from bronchial pneumonia.

Those remaining of the family are: one sister, Mrs. John Buchner and her family all of Albany, three uncles, D.F. Hardman of Portland, W.R. and J.C. Hardman of Lebanon, and three aunts: Mrs. E.A. Long, of Albany, Mrs. Jane Miller of California, and Mrs. Anne Lemon of Garfield, Washington, who mourn his death.

The funeral was held from the Lebanon Funeral Home Sunday afternoon, Rev. Henry T. Atkinson of the Methodist church officiated, and interment was in the Lebanon Cemetery.

HARNETT, Cable H. "Co. I 1 Wash. Inf."

- b. est. 22 Jun 1836 NJ
- m. Lucinda Anne Ridgeway 8 Dec
 1864 Fort Boise, ID (see Harnett, Lucinda Anne)
- d. 12 Jan 1911 Lebanon, OR age 74y6m20d

Sarah Samantha "Maude" (5 Mar 1866 Linn Co., OR, m. Dal Daly/Dally) Parmella Jane (24 Sep 1867 Linn Co., OR) Rosetta (4 Oct 1869 Linn Co., OR) Anna Laurel (13 Nov 1871 Lebanon, OR, m. #1 Mr. Buchanan, m. #2 Robert E. Riggs) Clara Gertrude (1 Oct 1873 Linn Co., OR) Cable (5 Jan 1874 Linn Co., OR) Lemuel (13 Nov 1875 Linn Co., OR) Melvin Wesley (22 May 1878 Lebanon, James Garfield (23 Jul 1880 Lebanon, OR) Lorena Evelvn (29 Apr 1882 Lebanon, OR, m. Clarence Marshall Wilson) Effie (6 Jul 1884 Lebanon, OR) Charles (3 Oct 1886 Lebanon, OR, m. Myrtle Bruckman) Marion "Shasta" (19 Feb 1889 Lebanon, OR, m. #1 Ethyl Kemp, m. #2 Rachel [Scherzinger] Sterns)

[Scherzinger] Sterns)
Frances "Fannie" (23 Feb 1893
Lebanon, OR, m. John Herbert
"Orbie" Fetters)

NOTE: This stone gives the name CABLE although other records list CALEB.

Cable Harnett was a plasterer. He served in Co. I, 1st Wash. (Ore.) Infantry in the Civil War. His son Marion "Shasta" Harnett became Chief of Police of Lebanon.

Civil War Veterans, by Spencer Leonard

Caleb (sic) H. Harnett, d 42 (Lebanon) I1, Ore I (C).

Lebanon Criterion, Jan. 19, 1911

Death of Cable Harnett -- Cable Harnett, an old time resident of this city, died at the family home last Thursday evening at the age of about 75 years, of paralysis, after a lingering illness of nearly a year, most of which time he had been nearly helpless. The deceased had been living in this city for many years. He was a veteran of the Civil War, and served several years in the regular army before and after the war. He leaves a widow and several children, all grown. The funeral was held Saturday and the interment was in the cemetery at this city.

HARNETT, Cable (Jr.)

No Stone

- 5 Jan 1874 Linn Co., OR s/o Cable H.
 and Lucinda Anne (Ridgeway)
 Harnett
- d. 5 Jan 1874 Linn Co., OR

NOTE: Cable is assumed buried here with others of his family.

HARNETT, Clara Gertrude

No Stone

- b. 1 Oct 1873 Linn Co., OR d/o Cable H. and Lucinda Anne (Ridgeway)
 Harnett
- d. 27 Nov 1875 Linn Co., OR age 2y1m26d

NOTE: Clara is assumed buried here with others of her family.

HARNETT, Effie

No Stone

- 6 Jul 1884 Lebanon, OR d/o Cable H.
 and Lucinda Anne (Ridgeway)
 Harnett
- d. 9 Aug 1905 Lebanon, OR age 21y1m3d

NOTE: Effie is assumed buried here with others of her family.

Lebanon Express, Aug. 11, 1905

Charles Harnett, who is working in the Salem woolen mill, is here to attend the funeral of his sister.

Miss Effie Harnett, formerly of this city, committed suicide in Portland Wednesday by taking carbolic acid. The remains will be brought to Lebanon this evening for interment.

HARNETT, Lemuel

- b. 13 Nov <u>1875</u> Linn Co., OR s/o Cable H. and Lucinda Anne (Ridgeway) Harnett
- d. 27 Jun <u>1916</u> Linn Co., OR age 40y7m14d

Lebanon Express, June 27, 1916

Lemuel Harnett Died From Poisoning Today -- Lemuel Harnett, a well-known young man

of this city, died this morning at 9:20 o'clock from the effects of poisoning, taken yesterday afternoon with suicidal intent, while under the influence of strong drink of some kind. Formaldehyde was the poison taken, and it is supposed that he took about three ounces of the fluid. He was born in Lebanon 38 or 40 years ago and lived here nearly all his life. He was a hard working young man, being a splendid painter and paper hanger, also a concrete worker, and is said to have been able to turn off work in these lines faster than most anyone else. He was kind-hearted and a liberal spender, but was his own worst enemy, being unable to overcome his thirst for strong drink. He leaves a mother, two brothers and three sisters to mourn his loss.

Card of Thanks -- We wish to express our gratitude to our neighbors and friends for the faithfulness and kindness with which they assisted us during the short illness of our loved one, Lemuel Harnett.

We also desire to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to our pastor, Brother Blackman, for loving tenderness with which he attended us.

We also wish to thank the attending physicians for we believe that everything was done that could have been done to save him. Marion Harnett, Mrs. L.A. Harnett, R.E. Riggs, Mrs. R:E. Riggs, Mrs. Maud ______.

Lebanon Criterion, June 30, 1916

DIES BY POISON ROUTE

Word came up town about four o'clock Monday afternoon that Lem Harnett had drank a half pint of formaldahyde and was dying at the home of his sister on Sherman and Grove streets.

That he was going to kill himself was one of his frequent threats and at the time little attention was paid to the rumor, but later the fact that he had drank such an amount of this deadly stuff became assured and the people of Lebanon knew that intoxicating liquor had again left its mark upon the city.

Lemuel Harnett was born in Lebanon a little more than forty years ago and has lived here the greater part of his life. He was one of those men easily lead away and drink has been his one serious failing throughout his entire life. Apt, energetic and industrious, he could and probably would have been a good and useful citizen had it not been for this one failing which broke every good resolution he ever made and carried him further and further down the

drift of life until he ended it all by committing suicide in a most horrible manner.

His sufferings were intense from the time he took the poison until death relieved him about nine o'clock Tuesday morning. Everything that could possibly be done to lessen his pain was tried, all three of the resident physicians working over him and using every known means of counteracting the poison without avail.

He was unmarried and made his home the greater part of the time with his sister, Mrs. Daly, and it was at her home that he committed the act that ended his life.

He is one of a family of six children, four of whom, one brother and three sisters, together with the mother survive him. Two sisters, Mrs. Daly and Mrs. Riggs, and the mother are residents of Lebanon.

Funeral services were held yesterday afternoon at the Baptist church, Rev. P.E. Blackman officiating, where a large number of his relatives and friends gathered to pay their last respects to one who was friend to everyone, and enemy to no one but himself. Burial took place in the family lot in the city cemetery.

HARNETT, Lucinda Anne (nee Ridgeway) No Stone

- b. 28 Aug 1847 Logan Co., IL d/o William and Sarah Anne (Dannals) Ridgeway
- m. Cable H. Harnett 8 Dec 1864 Fort Boise, ID
- d. 31 Aug 1927 Lebanon, OR age 80y3d (OR Death Index)
- c. Sarah Samantha "Maude" (5 Mar 1866 Linn Co., OR, m. Dal Daly/Dally)

Parmella Jane (24 Sep 1867 Linn Co., OR)

Rosetta (4 Oct 1869 Linn Co., OR) Anna Laurel (13 Nov 1871 Lebanon, OR, m. #1 Mr. Buchanan, m. #2 Robert E. Riggs)

Clara Gertrude (1 Oct 1873 Linn Co., OR)

Cable (5 Jan 1874 Linn Co., OR) Lemuel (13 Nov 1875 Linn Co., OR) Melvin Wesley (22 May 1878 Lebanon,

James Garfield (23 Jul 1880 Lebanon, OR)

Lorena Evelyn (29 Apr 1882 Lebanon, OR, m. Clarence Marshall Wilson) Effie (6 Jul 1884 Lebanon, OR)
Charles (3 Oct 1886 Lebanon, OR, m.
Myrtle Bruckman)
Marion "Shasta" (19 Feb 1889
Lebanon, OR, m. #1 Ethyl
Kemp, m. #2 Rachel
[Scherzinger] Sterns)
Frances "Fannie" (23 Feb 1893
Lebanon, OR, m. John Herbert
"Orbie" Fetters)

Lebanon Criterion, Sep. 8, 1916

Melvin Harnett, son of Mrs. L.A. Harnett, who left Lebanon early in the year 1903 and went to the Klondyke region in Alaska and was last heard of there in 1907, has within the last few weeks again communicated with his mother and sisters. The first heard of him was a little memorial from England; an apparent reward of merit for army service was received by them naming him as a member of the 49th battalion Canadian expeditionary force. By means of communication with Canadian authorities they later learned that he had been wounded in one of the battles along the west front and had been in the hospital in England, but was now out and back with his regiment somewhere in France. As a boy he was well known in Lebanon, and is perhaps the only Linn county boy that is now in the ranks of any of the European armies.

Lebanon Express, Sep. 7, 1927

Lucinda Ann Harnett -- Lucinda Ann Ridgeway, daughter of William and Sarah Ann Ridgeway, was born in Iowa, August 28, 1847. She passed away in Lebanon, August 30, 1927, aged 80 years and two days.

While a small child the family moved to Illinois, where they lived until 1864, when they crossed the plains by ox team, spending six months on the journey.

They passed the winter at Fort Boise, Idaho, where on December 8, 1864, Lucinda Ridgeway was united in marriage to Caleb (sic) Harnett of Company 1, 2nd Regiment of volunteer infantry of Washington territory. The marriage took place at the barracks at Fort Boise, where they remained until the fall of 1865, her father's family coming on to Oregon in the spring.

At the time of President Lincoln's funeral she had a responsible part in the funeral arrangements conducted at the fort. She knew Abraham Lincoln personally in her girlhood and was

conversant with the history making events of that day.

After coming to Oregon she and her husband located on a soldiers' homestead south of the present location of the Salt Lake school house. Thirteen children, eight daughters and five sons were born to them.

After leaving the homestead they moved to Lebanon, where Mrs. Harnett has lived more than fifty years. Her husband passed away in January, 1911.

Death was due to the infirmities of age. Her health has been frail at times for several years. Her last illness was (unreadable) after the first relapse she grew rapidly worse until the end.

She united with the Church of Christ at Chico, California many years ago. The pioneer settlers of Beaver Creek tell of many acts of devotion as she nursed from house to house during the diphtheria epidemic in the early eighties, exposing herself to the dread malady and serving without pay.

She is survived by four children; Mrs. Evelyn Wilson of Chico, California, Mrs. Frances Fetters and Charles Harnett of Lansing, Michigan and Marion Harnett of Lebanon, fourteen grandchildren and two great grandchildren, one sister, Mrs. Ella Thorpe of McMinnville; three brothers, C.P. Ridgeway of Lebanon, Daniel Ridgeway of Clackamas and Frank Ridgeway at the Odd Fellows House, Portland.

Funeral services were conducted at Lowe's funeral parlors Friday afternoon at 2:30. Elder George Simons in charge. He read the 90th psalm. The floral offerings were profuse.

Interment was in the Lebanon cemetery.
Pall bearers were overseas veterans

HARNETT, Parmella/Permelia Jane

No Stone

- b. 24 Sep 1867 Linn Co., OR d/o Cable H. and Lucinda Anne (Ridgeway) Harnett
- d. 5 Feb 1885 Lebanon, OR age 17y4m11d

NOTE: Parmella is assumed buried here with others of her family.

HARNETT, Rosetta

No Stone

b. 4 Oct 1869 Linn Co., OR d/o Cable H. and Lucinda Anne (Ridgeway) Harnett

 d. 22 Apr 1871 Linn Co., OR age 1y6m18d

NOTE: Rosetta is assumed buried here with others of her family.

HARTLEY, Rachel E. (nee Clymer) "Wife of AD Hartley"

- <u>b.</u> <u>2 Nov 1863</u> d/o William and Margaret (Thompson) Clymer
- m. Achilles D. Hartley ca. 1883 OR ?
- d. 25 Feb 1885 OR age 21y3m23d
- c. Mary Winona "Nona" (ca. 1884 OR, m. William A. Terhune)

"Gone but not forgotten -- R.E.H."

HEALY, Fernando

- b. est. 31 Oct 1816 VT
- m. Olivia Terrell 7 Dec 1841 Lorain Co.,
 OH (see Healy, Olivia)
- <u>d.</u> <u>11 Mar 1889</u> Sodaville, OR <u>age</u> 72y4m10d
- c. Franklin H. (11 Aug 1844 IA) Livonia Minerva (12 Jul 1848 IA, m. George Milton Westfall)

Horace Jefferson (14 Jun 1851 Eddyville, IA, m. Mary Louise Frum)

Robert Bruce (20 Dec 1853 Monroe Co., IA, m. Martha M. Stimson)

Oscar (4 Feb 1857 IA, m. Emma Simons)

Viola "Olie" (28 Oct 1858 IA, m. Thomas Arnold)

Clara J. (est. 3 Jun 1859 IA)

Ursula (17 Sep 1860 Monroe Co, IA) Francis F. (2 Oct 1866 Linn Co, OR)

Lebanon Express, Mar. 15, 1889

Died -- Mr. F. Healy, an old and esteemed citizen of Linn County, died at Sodaville on the 11th inst., and was buried in the Lebanon Cemetery on Tuesday. He has been a respected and useful citizen of Sand Ridge for more than 20 years but at the time of his death lived at Sodaville.

Albany State Rights Democrat, Mar. 22, 1889

Died -- HEALY -- At Sodaville, on Sunday, March 11th, 1889, Mr. F. Healy, aged about 71. Mr. Healy was a pioneer of the 60's, and has resided at or near Sodaville for over twenty years. He

was a man of peculiarly upright character, a friend to everybody and was respected and esteemed by all who knew him. Mr. Healy was born October 31st, 1817, and moved to Oregon in 1865, coming here principally for his health, his physicians in that State telling him then that he would not live another winter, but he enjoyed moderate health here for twenty three years after being given up. He leaves a wife and five children.

HEALY, Francis F. "Frank"

- b. 2 Oct 1866 Linn Co., OR <u>s/o</u> <u>Fernando</u> and <u>Olivia</u> (Terrell) Healy
- <u>d</u>. <u>27 May 1886</u> Sodaville, OR <u>age</u> <u>19y7m25d</u>

Albany Democrat, May 20, 1886

Frank Healy is lying very low with consumption.

June 4, 1886

DIED -- HEALY -- At Sodaville, Friday May 28th 1886, of Consumption, Mr. Frank Healy.

HEALY, Olivia (nee Terrell)

No Stone

- b. 6 Mar 1824 Huron ? Co., OH d/o Horace J. and Menerva (McNeal) Terrell
- m. Fernando Healy 7 Dec 1841 Lorain Co., OH
- d. 4 Jun 1908 near Coburg, OR age 84y2m28d
- c. Franklin H. (11 Aug 1844 IA) Livonia Minerva (12 Jul 1848 IA, m. George Milton Westfall)

Horace Jefferson (14 Jun 1851 Eddyville, IA, m. Mary Louise Frum)

Robert Bruce (20 Dec 1853 Monroe Co., IA, m. Martha M. Stimson)

Oscar (4 Feb 1857 IA, m. Emma Simons)

Viola "Olie" (28 Oct 1858 IA, m. Thomas Arnold)

Clara J. (est. 3 Jun 1859 IA) Ursula (17 Sep 1860 Monroe Co, IA)

Francis F. (2 Oct 1866 Linn Co, OR)

Lebanon Express, Jun. 9, 1908

Mrs. Olivia Healey (sic) died at the home of her son, R.B. Healey, near Coburg, June 4, 1908, of old age, aged 84 Years.

The remains were brought to Lebanon Saturday for interment. The deceased lived in Lebanon and vicinity for a good many years and had many friends in this county. She was an excellent woman and was held in the highest esteem by her friends and acquaintances. She was the grandmother of Mrs. H.G. Everett of this city.

HEALY, Ursula "Sula"

- b. 17 Sep 1860 Monroe Co., IA <u>d/o</u>
 Fernando <u>and Olivia (Terrell) Healy</u>
- d. 14 Dec 1888 Sodaville, OR age 28y2m27d

Lebanon Express, Dec. 21, 1888

Miss Sula Healy died Saturday, Dec. 15, and was buried on Sunday. It is sad to lose friends and relatives, but we are assured that we will meet again on the resurrection.

Albany States Rights Democrat, Dec. 21, 1888

Died.. -- At Sodaville, Or., on Saturday, Dec. 13th 1888, Ursual (sic), daughter of Mr. F. Healy. Consumption was the cause of her death.

<u>HENDERSON</u>, <u>Bethel</u> "Infant Daughter"

- b. 22 Jul 1907 Linn Co., OR <u>d/o</u> <u>Lewis</u> Ross and Barbara J. (Rolfer) Henderson
- <u>d.</u> <u>28 Sep 1908</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> 1y2m6d "<u>14m6d</u>"

NOTE: This child died of acute dysentery.

HENDRICKS, Bernard

No Stone

- b. ca. 1877
- d. 9 Feb 1894 Lebanon, OR age 17

Lebanon Express, Feb. 16, 1894

Bernard Hendricks, aged 17 years, died at the home of his parents in this city, last Friday, February 9, of obstruction of the bowels. The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. Summerville. The body was interred in the Lebanon cemetery.

<u>HOPE</u>, <u>Joseph Holmes Pheris</u> (Known as Joseph H.P. Hope)

b. <u>25 Jun 1826</u> IN

m. Rebecca Nancy Bell 4 Oct 1868 Linn Co., OR (see Hope, Rebecca Nancy)

d. <u>3 Sep 1899</u> OR age 73y2m8d

c. John B. (July 1866 OR)

NOTE: Joseph was a physician, surgeon, and one-time postmaster in Lebanon.



Dr. Joseph Hope

HOPE, Rebecca Nancy (nee Bell)

- b. <u>20 Feb 1843</u> Zanesville, OH d/o John W. and Lurana (Nickerson) Bell
- m. Joseph H.P. Hope 4 Oct 1868 Linn Co., OR
- d. <u>16 Jan 1920</u> Lebanon, OR age 78y10m26d
- c. John B. (July 1866 OR)



Rebecca Hope

<u>Lebanon Express</u>, date unknown (reprinted Oct. 6, 1938)

"We settled near Lebanon in the fall of 1851," said Mrs. J.H. Hope of Lebanon. "At that time there was only one house on the site of the present city of Lebanon. That was owned by Jeremiah Ralston, whose son, Charles H. Ralston, still lives on the original donation land claim of his father.

"We reached Ralston's on September 9. It was a hot day. We stopped to get a drink, near the wooden pump a little fair-skinned yellow-haired boy was playing. His name was Robbie. We children were dirty and tanned until we looked as dark as gypsies. I thought I had never seen as pretty a baby as little Robbie Ralston.

"Mrs. George was sick. Mr. Ralston advised father to settle near his place. Mr. Ralston

had a log cabin on a place joining his claim, which he rented to us. When we were settled father and the George boys went to Portland to lay in a supply of provisions for the winter. Father brought back a cook stove for mother. It was a two-story affair. It had two lids in front and two lids on the upper story in the back. He also brought back a barrel of dried apples. He sawed the barrel in two so the Georges could have a half of them. I was delighted with the smell of the dried apples. The grown folks laughed at me and explained the apples had been put up in brandy to keep them from spoiling and to keep the worms out and the 'good smell' was due to the brandy.

"Hugh George taught school that winter and the other children and I went to school in the log house that had been built by the Methodists for a church. This was Lebanon's first school.

"The next teacher was Mrs. L. T. Woodward. Her husband was a Methodist preacher and held services in the scattered communities throughout Southern Oregon. He was often here between preaching trips, and he started to take subscriptions for an educational institution to be known as Santiam Academy. Jeremiah Ralston gave five acres of land, so did Morgan Kees. Others gave labor, lumber, wheat or money, and pretty soon we had our academy. Jesse and Melvin George went there, so did Volney Smith and James Douglas and many others who later became well known. Melvin George is now Judge M.C. George of Portland. James Douglas became a Methodist preacher. Volney Smith was the son of U.S. Senator Delazon Smith and was appointed to West Point and became an army officer.

"Col. E.D. Baker and Senator Joe Lane and Senator Kelly and Judge George H. Williams used to talk at the chapel exercises whenever they were in Lebanon on a political campaign.

"There used to be a double plank walk from town to the Santiam Academy, and whenever a couple were in love they would walk close together and only use one plank. Oh yes, I have walked the plank a good bit myself.

"I used to be at home on horseback when I was a girl. I usually rode in the contests at the county fair. I used to win out, too. I remember how proud I was the first time I took the first prize, and they fastened the blue ribbon on my horses' bridle.

"The best girl rider in the state in those days was 'sis' Waldo. She used to say any fellow who could overtake her on horseback could marry her. Many a young fellow tried it, but she had the best horse in the country. Yes, she got married, but I

rather think when the right young man came along she pulled her horse in a little so she could be overtaken.

"I was married on October 16, 1875 (sic), to Dr. Joseph Holmes Pheris Hope. We took a wedding trip to California and stayed there five years. My husband died in 1899. The first store here in Lebanon was kept by Jeremiah Ralston. The next one was owned by Conner & Wakefield. D.W. Wakefield, one of the charter members of the Portland Y.M.C.A., used to be a clerk in the store. My father was postmaster when you could bring all the mail that Lebanon got in an ordinary pair of saddle bags. Writing or receiving a letter in those days was an event. A few of those who were here 50 years ago are still here, but most of them have passed on "

Lebanon Express, Jan. 21, 1920

Rebecca N. (Bell) Hope -- born at Zanesville, Ohio Feb. 20, 1841, died at Lebanon, Oregon Jan. 16, 1920, age 78 years, 10 months, 26 days.

When still a little girl of 11 years of age, she came across the plains with an ox team to Oregon, where her father took up a donation land claim about three-fourths of a mile west of Lebanon. There she grew to womanhood. She attended school in an old log cabin, which was the first original building of which later became Santiam Academy.

In the year 1867 she was united in marriage to Joseph Hope, to which marriage was born one child, John Hope, of this city.

Mrs. Hope was very active in the work of the church until her strength and health no longer permitted. She was one of the charter members of the Methodist Church at this place, and has been active in Sunday School work and in the work of the Woman's Foreign Missionary Society, especially.

She has lived in and around Lebanon, with the exception of a short time spent in California, for about 68 years, being one of the early settlers.

She will be greatly missed, both in the church and in the community for her kindly Christian character, and her noble womanhood have endeared her to all who knew her.

Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist Church Sunday afternoon by the pastor, Rev. T.D. Yarnes, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Lebanon Cemetery.

Lebanon Criterion, Jan. 23, 1920

Rebecca N. Hope -- Mrs. Rebecca N. Hope, died at her home in this city last Friday at the age of 78 years after a residence here of about sixty-seven years. She was born in Ohio and came to Oregon with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Bell, in the year 1852 and her father took up a donation land claim two miles west of Lebanon, a part of which Mrs. Hope owned at the time of her death. She came across the plains in company with M.C. George who was a small boy at the time and whose parents also settled on a claim a mile south of Lebanon. The two families lived here as neighbors for many years.

Mrs. Hope was married in the latter sixties to Dr. J.H. Hope, who for many years was a practicing physician of this city and was at one time postmaster of Lebanon. He died twenty-one years ago. The deceased had been a member of the Methodist church of this city for half a century. The funeral was held Sunday afternoon in the Methodist church and largely attended. The services being conducted by Rev. T.D. Yarnes. Burial took place in the Lebanon cemetery beside the grave of her husband.

She is survived by one son, John B. Hope, of this city.

<u>HOWARD</u>, <u>Adda</u> "Addie" <u>C</u>atherine (nee Smith) "<u>Wife of AJ</u>"

- b. <u>15 Nov 1870</u> OR d/o Phillip M. and Ann Missouri (Starr) Smith
- m. A.J. Howard 23 Sep 1891 Linn Co., OR
- d. <u>6 Aug 1894</u> Lebanon, OR age 23y8m21d

Lebanon Express, July 27, 1894

Mrs. Addie Howard, who went to the Hot Springs in Colorado about two months ago, arrived in Lebanon Monday, accompanied by her husband, the change having failed to benefit her. She is now at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. P.M. Smith. She is very low and her husband is constantly at her bedside.

Lebanon Express, Aug. 10, 1894

Died -- Mrs. Addie Catherine Howard died in Lebanon, Oregon, Aug. 6th, 1894, at 7:30 A.M. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Smith of this place, and the wife of Mr. A.J. Howard, of Portland. Mrs. Howard has been sick a long time and very earnest has been the effort of her faithful

husband to prolong her life. They have been for some time past in Colorado at the famous Colorado Springs to see what the climate there would do for her but no avail, for the dread disease, consumption, had too firmly established itself to be so easily unseated. She came home two weeks ago to bid the home folks and friends good bye, ere she went to the long home, whence none ever return. Mrs. Howard died trusting in Jesus as her Savior. She was converted at the Academy at some meetings several years ago, but like a great many others neglected her duty in regard to coming out and making proper profession of it before the world. The funeral was very largely attended by the town people, beside many friends and relations who came from a distance. Her body was interred in the old Cemetery. near the main part of town, by the side of her brother, Rial, who died about 6 years ago. The many tributes of love in the way of flowers and kindly attention are highly appreciated by the bereaved family. The flowers were especially beautiful, there being in the neighborhood of 50 floral pieces besides bouquets. The services were conducted by the Rev. Edward Eccleston, who was here on a visit from California. Mrs. Howard was 23 years and 9 months old at the time of her demise. She was married on the 23d, of Sept., 1891 to A.J. Howard, who is left to mourn her loss. At her own request the 14th chapter of the Gospel of St. John was read at the service. Her longing seemed to be to hasten to those mansions which her Savior had gone to prepare.

HUDELSON, John B.

- b. 8 Nov 1829 Morgan Co., IL
- m. Nancy Jane Hamilton 4 Jul 1851/2 IL ? (see Hudelson, Nancy Jane)
- d. 1 Dec 1913 Waterloo, OR age 84y23d
- c. William (ca. 1855 IL, m. Alice Squires)
 Luella (ca. 1857 IL, m. P. D. McCarty)
 Nelson Newton (Jan 1859 IL, m. Maud
 Ruttledge)

Arthur S. (ca. 1860 IL, m. Ada A. Gross)

Emma Della (20 Apr 1862 IL, m. Joseph Holt Templeton)

Albert (ca. 1865)

John W. (1866 IL, m. Gennette "Nettie" Rose Gibheard)

Nancy J. (ca. 1870 IL, m. Frank Jennings)

Drusilla (ca. 1875 KS, m. Thomas Skelly)

Bertha (ca. 1877 OR, m. A.D. Smith)

Lebanon Criterion, Dec. 5, 1913

John B. Hudleson (sic), an aged resident of Waterloo, died Monday evening at his home near that place, following several months of sickness incident to old age. He was 84 years and 23 days of age. The body was brought to Lebanon, Wednesday, and interred in the City Cemetery. A short funeral service was held at the grave by Rev. George Simons.

Lebanon Criterion, Dec. 12, 1913

John B. Huddleson (sic) was born in Morgan Co., IL, Nov. 8th, 1829. He was married July 4th, 1852, to Nancy Jane Hamilton, and with her and their children came to Oregon in 1876, and have since lived in this vicinity where he was well and favorably known, and is remembered by the older residents of the then sparsely settled community.

His death, which occurred on Dec. 1st 1913, was due to general decline natural to one of such advanced age.

His aged wife, also long past the allotted three score and ten years, still waits the call of the Reaper, and with children and many friends will miss the loved husband, father and friend.

After a brief reading of the promises of the Word, by Elder Geo. W. Simons, the remains were laid to rest in the old City Cemetery at Lebanon, Oregon.

HUDELSON, John W.

- b. <u>1866</u> s/o John B. and Nancy Jane (Hamilton) Hudelson
- m. Gennette "Nettie" Rose Gibheard 16 Feb 1887 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 2 Mar 1870 River Falls, WIm. #2 Charles G. Bruce 16 Mar
 - m. #2 Charles G. Bruce 16 Mar 1890 Lebanon, OR #3 John Glass
 - d.12 May 1956 Waterloo, OR, bur. Klum Cemetery
- d. 22 Jan 1889 Linn Co., OR age about 23

Lebanon Express, Jan. 26, 1889

A Fatal Accident -- Last Monday some young men were on a deer stand, about three miles above Sodaville, when Joseph Klum, in handling his gun accidentally discharged it, shooting and instantly killing John Huddleson (sic), one shot

taking effect in the back of the head and one in the neck. They were occupying a stand together, when, about 10 o'clock, their dogs drove up a deer. Just as it came in sight Klum raised his gun to fire, but, being wet, it slipped sideways and was discharged just as it came in range with the head of Huddleson, who was standing near him. He was taken to his parents, a spectacle to shock anyone, much less parents and brothers and sisters. The deceased was about twenty years of age, and was a young man highly respected by those who knew him. funeral took place at Lebanon last Tuesday evening, and there being no minister present, appropriate and well timed remarks were made by Mr. C.B. Montague. "In the midst of life we are in the midst of death."

Friday Feb. 1, 1889

Card of Thanks -- I hereby extend my most grateful thanks to all the friends and neighbors, who, in my hour of sad affliction and sore bereavement, so kindly sympathized with me, and so generously aided me in my sad calamity. I shall always remember your kindness with a grateful heart. Mrs. Nettie Hudelson

HUDELSON, Nancy Jane (nee Hamilton)

- b. 2 Oct 1834 Minard Co., IL
- m. John B. Hudelson 4 Jul 1851/2 IL ?
- d. 28 Mar <u>1919</u> Portland, OR age 84y5m26d
- c. William (ca. 1855 IL, m. Alice Squires) Luella (ca. 1857 IL, m. P. D. McCarty) Nelson Newton (Jan 1859 IL, m. Maud Ruttledge)

Arthur S. (ca. 1860 IL, m. Ada A. Gross)

Emma Della (20 Apr 1862 IL, m. Joseph Holt Templeton)

Albert (ca. 1865)

John W. (1866 IL, m. Gennette "Nettie" Rose Gibheard)

Nancy J. (ca. 1870 IL, m. Frank Jennings)

Drusilla (ca. 1875 KS, m. Thomas Skelly)

Bertha (ca. 1877 OR, m. A.D. Smith)

Lebanon Express, Apr. 2, 1919

Mrs. J.B. Huddleson (sic) -- Nancy Jane Hamilton was born in Minard Co., IL, Oct 2, 1834, and died March 28, 1919. She was married July 4, 1851, to J.B. Huddleson, who died Dec. 4, 1913.

Ten children were born to them, six of whom are living and who are, William Huddleson of Mill City, Mrs. Luella McCarty of Fisher, Wash., Newton and Arthur S. Huddleson of Portland, Mrs. Drusilla Skelly of Albany and Mrs. Bertha Smith of Mist

The family came to Oregon in 1876, and settled in Polk Co. Eight years later they came to Linn Co. and bought the old home place near Waterloo. Mrs. Huddleson suffered a stroke of paralysis about one year ago and has since been an invalid, but during the last few months was much improved in health and up to the night of her death was in splendid spirits, cheerful and happy with no indication of the approaching death, but passed quietly away during her sleep.

At the time of her death she was visiting in Portland but made her permanent home with Mrs. Skelly of Albany.

Funeral services were held Sunday at the old city cemetery in Lebanon where her remains were laid to rest beside those of her husband. Elder George W. Simons, the Christian minister, conducted the services.

Lebanon Criterion, Apr. 4, 1919

MRS. J. B. HUDDLESON (sic)

At the home or (sic) her son, in Portland, March 28, Mrs. J.B. Huddleson died at the age of 84 years, 4 months and 26 days, after a year's illness of paralysis.

Nancy Jane Hamilton was born in Minard county, Illinois, October 4, 1834 and was married July 4, 1851, to J.B. Huddleson who died in 1913.

The deceased came to the vicinity of Waterloo in 1884 and had lived there most of the time since. She was visiting at the home of her son at the time of her death, but had been living with her daughter near Albany.

The funeral was held Sunday at the old city cemetery in Lebanon and the remains buried by the side of those of her husband. Elder G.W. Simons conducted the services.

INMAN, infant son "Son of"

b. 20 Jan 1885 OR <u>s/o J.W. and S.L.</u> <u>Inman</u>

d. 27 Jan 1885 OR age 7d

JACKSON

No Stone

NOTE: An Emma Jackson purchased a cemetery lot on 15 Apr 1899. She is not

recorded in the 1880 or 1905 census. The only reference found was the marriage of M.E. Wilson to B.K. Jackson 8 Aug 1894.

JONES, Archibald M.

b. est. 31 Dec 1816

d. 8 Feb 1879 OR age 62y1m8d

NOTE: Mr. Jones was a sawyer.

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, Mar. 28, 1879

IN MEMORIAM -- The following resolutions were adopted by the Lebanon Grange, No. 21, P. of H., on the 8th of March, 1879, relating to the death of Archibald H. Jones, who was a member of said Grange at his death.

WHERRAS (sic), It has pleased God in his all wise providence to call our beloved brother, A.H. Jones, from the midst of his labors on earth to his reward in eternity.

RESOLVED, That in the death of Brother Jones, our community sustains the loss of an active, upright and honorable citizen, our Grange the loss of a beloved and worthy brother, and his relatives the loss of an affectionate brother.

RESOLVED, That with chastened spirits and subdued hearts we bow in humble submision (sic) to the will of Him who doeth all things well, being by this providence reminded of our approaching dissolutions and the futility of all earthly hopes, and being further reminded of the great importance of being ever ready to be called from labor here to eternal refreshments hereafter.

RESOLVED, That our Sect'y. be directed to furnish the bereaved family a copy hereof, and that he be instructed to present to them in their moments of grief the kindest sympathies of the Grange, and that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Grange, also that they be sent to the "Register," STATE RIGHTS DEMOCRAT and "Willamette Farmer" with request to be published.

R.A. Irving, J.N. McDonald, F.C. Hansard, Committee.

JONES, David

b. 6 Dec 1799 Ohio Co., VA (WV)

m. Rebecca F. Kees ? 15 Sep 1834 VA (see Jones, Rebecca F.)

<u>d.</u> <u>2 Feb 1863</u> OR <u>age 63y2m</u>

c. Morgan (est. 29 Sep 1834 Marshall
Co., VA [WV])

Mary Elizabeth (est. 27 May 1836 VA
?, m. Owen Kees)

Sarah S. (ca. 1840 VA)

Thomas M. (est. 15 Feb 1841 Marshall
Co., VA [WV])

Udora V. (ca. 1845 VA m. Alfred E.
McCullough)

Robert M. (13 Jun 1848 Des Moines
Co., IA)

William S. (ca. 1853 OT)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 2024</u> (T11S R2W Sec 36 and T11S R1W Sec 31)

JONES, David, Linn Co, b. 1799, VA or OH; d between 1857-1864; m 9-15-1834, VA, Rebecca F.

Also JONES, David, Linn Co; b. 1799, VA or OH; Arr. Ore 1 Sept 1852; SC 13 Sept 1852; m. Rebecca F. 15 Sept 1834, Va. David Jones d. between June 1857 and June 1864. Aff: Isaac Kees, Owen Kees.

Oregon Statesman, Feb. 16, 1863

David Jones, of Linn county was found dead on the 3d day of February. A coroner's jury called, found the following verdict:

We, the undersigned, coroner's jury, having been duly sworn, in the case of one David Jones, who was found dead about one mile from his residence, on the morning of the 3d of February, A.D., 1863, after due examination of the body of the deceased, by Dr. D.W. Ballard, and on his evidence (and there being no marks of violence on the body) find that the aforesaid David Jones came to his death from a heart disease of long standing.

Witness -- D.W. Ballard
Jury -- F.M. Smith, Job Crabtree, William
Smith, J.P. Combes, Jason Wheeler, David Prine
H.J. Johnson
Justice of Peace

JONES, Morgan

b. est. 29 Sep 1834 <u>Marshall Co., VA</u>
 (WV) <u>s/o David and Rebecca F. Jones</u>
 d. 22 Oct 1859 OR age 25y23d

JONES, Rebecca F. (nee Kees?) No Stone

b. ca. 1811 DE

m. David Jones 15 Sep 1834 VA

d. unknown

c. Morgan (est. 29 Sep 1834 Marshall
Co., VA [WV])
Mary Elizabeth (est. 27 May 1836 VA
?, m. Owen Kees)
Sarah S. (ca. 1840 VA)
Thomas M. (est. 15 Feb 1841 Marshall
Co., VA [WV])
Udora V. (ca. 1845 VA m. Alfred E.
McCullough)
Robert M. (13 Jun 1848 Des Moines
Co., IA)
William S. (ca. 1853 OT)

NOTE: Rebecca Jones sold two acres of land to the M.E. Church on 6 Jan 1888.

Lebanon Express, June 5, 1891

Yesterday morning Mrs. Rebecca F. Jones, and her daughter Sarah Jones, a middle-age woman, who have been residing in the southern suburbs of the city, were taken before Judge Blackburn, and a board of examining physicians, consisting of Drs. G.W. Maston and J.P. Wallace, and were declared insane and taken to the asylum at Salum (sic). They have been a terror to the neighborhood and had used insulting and abusive language in a public manner until it became unbearable. -- Herald (Albany Democrat)

Mrs. Jones and her daughter formerly lived in Lebanon and are known to many of the people here.

NOTE: Sarah had been declared "idiotic" in 1875. Both passed away at the Asylum and were likely buried at the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery with other family members. The dates of their deaths are unknown.

JONES, Robert M.

b. 13 Jun 1848 Des Moines Co., IA s/o
 David and Rebecca F. Jones
 d. 2 Jan 1869 OR age 20y6m10d

JONES, Sarah S.

No Stone

- b. ca. 1840 VA d/o David and Rebecca F. Jones
- d. date unknown

NOTE: See Rebecca F. Jones

JONES, Thomas M.

b. est. 15 Feb 1841 Marshall Co., VA (WV) s/o David and Rebecca F. Jones

<u>d.</u> <u>22 Nov 1861</u> OR <u>age 20y9m7d</u>

KEEFHAVER, Clara Guy (nee Williams)

b. 25 Mar <u>1861</u> Corvallis, OR d/o John J. and Sarah A. Williams

m. #1 William James Guy 23 Jan 1881
Dallas, OR
#2 Nicholas D. Keefhaver 3 Jul 1904
Linn Co., OR

 7 Nov <u>1913</u> Lebanon, OR age 52v7m12d

c. (by William Guy)

Edwin Floyd (11 Apr 1881 OR, m. Bessie E. Plaster) infant son (6 Mar 1882 OR) Hattie B. (30 Apr 1883 OR, m. Byron O. Nichols) infant son (30 Apr 1885 OR) Pansy Irene (3 Jan 1887 OR)

NOTE: Clara shares a monument with her first husband, William J. Guy.

Lebanon Criterion, Nov. 14, 1913

Mrs. N.D. Keefhaver -- Clara Williams was born at Corvallis, March 25, 1861, her childhood and early womanhood being spent at the place of her birth and at Dallas, where in 1879 she was married to William J. Guy, shortly after which she came to Lebanon with her husband and has since made her home here. Two children were born to this marriage, Mrs. Hattie Nicholls (sic) and Edward (sic) F. Guy. Mr. Guy died October 25, 1902, and after nearly three years of widowhood she was again married, to N.D. Keefhaver, who, with the two children and four grandchildren survive her.

Mrs. Keefhaver's death was caused by heart trouble and occurred Friday morning, November 7, at about eleven o'clock. She was alone with her little granddaughter at home and the first that was known of her death was when the little child ran to her home and between her tears told her mother that Grandma had fallen down on the porch and would not speak to her.

Mrs. Nicholls (sic) hastened to the home of her mother, informing Mr. Keefhaver on her way, and both with the assistance of Dr. Jones did everything possible to revive her, but without avail. Life had apparently departed when she fell to the floor

Funeral services were held at the home Sunday afternoon at 5:30 o'clock by Rev. C.R. Lamar of Lacomb, assisted by Rev. Jamison, of the Baptist church. Following which interment was made in the City cemetery.

Lebanon Criterion, Feb. 13, 1914

A petition appointing Edwin F. Guy administrator of the estate of Clara Keefhaver who died November 6 (sic), 1913, was granted in the County Court session in Albany Tuesday morning. According to the petition the deceased left real and personal property to the value of \$2500, with an annual rental value of \$100. Appraisers were appointed as follows; Alex Power, J.C. Mayer and Miss C.M. McDaniel. Bonds for the adminstrator were fixed at \$200.

KEES, Catharine R. Lambert (nee Wilson)

b. 16 Jun 1826 "in Virginia"

m. #1 John Lambert 1851

d. 1852 OT

#2 Isaac D. Kees 1854 OT

d. 4 Jan 1896 Linn Co. "near Lebanon,

OR" age 69y6m18d

c. (by John Lambert)

infant (ca. 1851)

(by Isaac Kees)

Austin Agustus (1855 Linn Co., OT, m.

#1 Nancy "Nellie" Cleora Carter, #2 Harriet [Cox]

Carlisle)

Ella May (1859 Linn Co., OR, m.

Charles Woodward)

Joseph (ca. 1865 OR ?)

Lebanon Express, Jan. 9, 1896

Another Pioneer Gone -- Mrs. Isaac D. Kees died at her residence, in the suburbs of Lebanon, on Sat. morning, the 4th inst. Her maiden name was Catharine R. Wilson. She was born in W. Va. in 1826, hence was in the 70th year of her age at the time of her decease. She was married to John Lambert in 1851. They crossed the plains in 1852. Mr. Lambert, however, died just as they were entering the valley. In 1854 she married Isaac D. Kees. She professed religion in early life and continued in that faith until her death. Her funeral service, conducted by Rev. J.H. Cornwall, at the

family residence, was attended by a large number of relatives and neighbors. J.H.C.

Who shall write the history of the noble pioneer women of Oregon? Their patient endurance under trials and perils, their sacrifices, their sorrows and sufferings, their many discouragements, far surpassing those under which strong men have lain down their burdens in despair, but out of which many of our pioneer women by patient endeavor and indomitable courage have won victory.

Aunt Kate Kees' experience has been that of hundreds of our pioneer women whose ranks, alas! are sadly thinning as the years go by. She, with her young husband and her babe, started on the long and weary journey across the plains some 43 years ago. their young hearts elate with the thought that in the far off west a comfortable home could be built up. The year of 1852 is known to all the early emigrants of that time as the dreadful cholera year, but the young people passed through all the discomforts and tribulations of that dreary journey until the Blue mountains was reached, when their babe sickened and died. Sadly leaving the lonely little grave, the bereaved young couple pressed on toward their goal -- the Willamette Valley. The husband sickened on the way, and he, too, died just as they were entering The young widow, the valley, in 1852. notwithstanding the loss of both child and husband, with invincible courage went to work to make for herself a home, and in 1854 her perseverance and industry attracted to her Mr. Isaac D. Kees, to whom she was married that year. Two children, Mr. Austin A. and Ella, survive as the fruit of this union. Mr. Isaac D. Kees died on his farm near Lebanon, some thirty years ago, and on Sat. morning, Jan. 4th 1896, at the same place, the faithful wife and mother, Catharine Wilson Kees, bade a last adieu to earthly joys and sorrows and passed over to join her beloved in that land where partings never come and where sorrows do not enter.

Old and young of Lebanon knew and loved Aunt Kate Kees, as she was familiarly called by everyone. For 40 years or more her home has been in our near neighborhood. Through all these years Aunt Kate has lived in the respect and esteem of her neighbors, and her death leaves a void in the hearts of her relatives and friends to whom she was endeared by her many deeds of kindness and her unswerving devotion to duty amid the joys and sorrows of life.

It will be a source of comfort to our friend, Mr. A.A. Kees, to know that his filial love and affection for his aged mother during these many years has won for him the respect and esteem of the citizens of Lebanon and vicinity. C.B.M.

KEES, Cora A.

- 14 May 1856 OT d/o Owen and Mary Elizabeth (Jones) Kees
- <u>d.</u> 12 May 1858 OT age 1y11m28d

KEES, Elmore D.

- est. 28 Aug 1812 Washington Co., PA s/o Jacob and Mary Kees
- Mary Jane (Courtney) Rogers 8 Nov m. 1851 Linn Co., OT (see Gager, Mary Jane)
- 24 Mar 1859 OR age 46v6m26d <u>d.</u>
- Mary A. (ca. 1853 OT, m. James D. Gibson)

Margaret "Maggie" E. (ca. 1855 OT, m. M.S. Glass)

Elmore Morgan (est. 3 May 1858 OT)

Donation Land Claim # 2421 (T12S R1W Sec 28,29, 32 and 33)

KEES, Elmore, Linn Co.; b 1812, Washington Co, Pa; Arr. Ore. Dec 1845 SC 20 Nov 1851; m. Mary Jane 6 Nov 1851, Linn Co. Ore. Elmore Kees d between 15 Dec 1855 and 31 Mar 1865. Aff: Russell T. Hill, Frederick Benneker (MA), Andrew Kees, Jacob Kees.

Also, KEES, Elmore, Linn Co, b. 1812, m. 11-6-1851 Linn Co O.T., Mrs. Mary Jane (Courtney) Rogers d/o John B. Courtney & Agnes B. Ritchey (Ritchie) #753 b. 10-24-1819 Clark Co., OH d 1894 Linn Co, Ore. She was m 1st 1-5-1848 Caleb Rogers (Rodgers) and 12-18-1872 she m 3rd Rev. S.D. Gager.

Pioneer Stories of Linn Co., Vol 2, Interview with Mrs. Nettie Glass, by Leslie L. Haskin, Aug. 9, 1937

"...Elmore Kees ... took up the first land here at Waterloo. In 1847, Elmore Kees left his home in the East. He was then a single man, for he was not married until after he reached Oregon. Elmore Kees was the captain of the emigrant train with which he came to Oregon. They were six months in crossing the plains.

"Elmore Kees first stopped over winter at Oregon City, but the next spring he came on to Linn County and located about five miles above the present town of Brownsville. After a short time, however, he left that place and took up a claim of

637.12 acres of land here at Waterloo. His claim included the falls and water power and the soda spring, with land on either side of the Santiam River. He platted a townsite of six blocks on the south side of the river. The place was at first called Kees Mills, from the flouring mill and the sawmill built here. The mills were built by Elmore Kees in partnership with his brother, J. Kees...

"In the town that sprung up about these mills there was a wagon shop, one blacksmith shop, three dwelling houses, a store, a post office, a feed or livery barn. To bring logs down to the sawmill there was built a wooden railroad three-fourths of a mile long. The cars were drawn by oxen and the rails were made from sawed four-by-fours...

"In the early days all supplies were brought from Oregon City by ox team and it took from four to six weeks to make the trip, drawing their heavy trail-wagons and winding about across the valley as best they could. To the little store at Waterloo, the Indians came to trade their furs for goods. These furs were trucked to Oregon City and sold. Mail came from Lebanon once a week by horseback. Today a very large old maple tree still stands in the eastern part of Waterloo, which, in pioneer days, was used for a stable and shelter for stock. Beneath this tree an ox manger was built, for it was a wide, deep shelter as early as the 1850's...

"A ferryboat was built by the Kees to assist in crossing the river...

"The Keys (sic) planted an orchard at Waterloo in 1863. Among other trees, there was a Black Republican cherry tree and a fine yellow seedling cheery (sic). One of these trees is still standing in the old orchard. It is situated on the second street west from the river.

"The first schoolhouse was located on the (old) Sweet Home road, about one mile from Waterloo...

"A church was built one-half mile above the schoolhouse. It was of the Christian Advent denomination and E.O. Norton was the pastor.

"The soda spring was discovered when it was noticed that ranging stock continually resorted to one certain spot among the rocks by the riverside to drink.

"On the 3d of January, 1885 ... heavy snows broke in the roof of the sawmill. The flour mill continued to run for two years longer but only to grind feed for stock. Then the machinery of both mills was moved away.

"In 1889 an open bridge was built over the river at Waterloo. Four bridges altogether have spanned the river here. One built in 1913 was a

wooden suspension bridge hung upon steel cables. The present bridge ... uses the same cables but is of much stronger, sturdier construction.

"In 1892 a hosiery mill was built upon the site of the older saw and flour mills. In 1893 the town was incorporated, and from that time on the village grew rapidly. The hosiery mill was soon found to be unprofitable and was changed to a woolen mill where cloth was woven...

"In 1893 a church was built in the town by the Evangelical denomination. The first school at Waterloo was taught by Mr. W.L. Jackson, later, and for many years, County School Superintendent of Linn County. A four room schoolhouse was built in 1893.

"The woolen mill operated successfully for about six years, but on the 9th day of April, 1898, it was destroyed by fire and has never since been rebuilt. This was the beginning of the end for Waterloo...

"In 1910 the Santiam Power Company bought the water power and built a large dyke (sic), but has done nothing further to develop the property.

"The first telephone was used in Waterloo in 1900. It was installed by J.H. Turpin...

Land of Linn, Floyd C. Muller, 1971, p. 79

Waterloo -- was first known as Kees Mill. In 1848 Elmore Kees came from Brownsville and filed a claim which included the falls in the South Santiam River & upon all land west of present Waterloo to what is now known as Hiway 20. Because of the falls in the river, with plenty of water power available, he saw this as an ideal site around which to build manufacturing plants. Mr. Kees built a flouring mill & sawmill, and around these industries developed stores, a blacksmith shop, woolen mill, wagon shop, livery stable & hotel. Waterloo became a trading town ...

NOTE: Elmore was one of the founders of Lebanon and of the Santiam Academy.

KEES, Elmore Morgan

- b. est. 3 May 1858 OT <u>s/o</u> <u>Elmore</u> D. <u>and</u> <u>Mary Jane</u> (Courtney) Rogers <u>Kees</u>
- d. 5 Jan 1859 OT age 8m2d

KEES, Isaac D.

b. 2 May 1829 Washington Co., PA s/o Jacob and Mary Kees

m. Catharine R. (Wilson) Lambert 1854 OT (see Kees, Catharine R. Lambert)

<u>d.</u> <u>5 Feb 1866</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age 36y9m3d</u>

c. Austin Agustus (1855 Linn Co., OT, m. #1 Nancy "Nellie" Cleora
Carter, #2 Harriet [Cox]
Carlisle)

Ella May (1859 Linn Co., OR, m. Charles Woodward) Joseph (ca. 1865 OR ?)

NOTE: Isaac shares a large marble monument with his wife. Catharine Kees.

Donation Land Claim # 1626 (T11S R1W Sec 31, T12S R1W Sec 6, T11S R2W Sec 36 and T12S R2W Sec 1)

KEES, Isaac, Linn Co., b. 1829, Washington Co, PA; Arr. Ore. 13 Sept. 1850; SC 1 May 1852 Aff: Owen Kees, Jason Wheeler, David Jones. John A. Ambler, surveyor. T11S R1W sec. 31, T12S R1W sec. 6, T11S R2W sec. 36 & T12S R2W sec. 1 -- 307.55a.

Pacific Christian Advocate, Feb. 24, 1866

Died -- In Linn County, near Lebanon, Feb 5th, 1866, of typhoid fever Isaac D. Kees in his 37th year. By this sudden death his family is deprived of an affectionate husband and father, and the community of a valuable citizen. But his end was peace, just such as all might covet, a tranquil hour in which to die. He found strong consolation in the gospel of our blessed Lord, and a pleasing hope of immortality and eternal life in heaven. His family and many friends feel sorely bereaved, and yet they indulge the glorious anticipation of a re-union in that place which the Savior has gone to prepare for those who love him. L.T. Woodward -- Lebanon, Feb 7th, 1866

KEES, Jacob

b. 24 Aug 1784

m. Mary ??? ca. 1805 PA ? (see Kees, Mary)

d. 8 Oct 1850 OR age 66y1m14d

c. Sarah Amy (10 Dec 1810 PA, m. William Crawford Gallaher)

Elmore D. (est. 28 Aug 1812
Washington Co., PA, m. Mary
Jane [Courtney] Rogers)

Morgan (25 May 1814 Washington Co., PA, m. Mary Banning) Joseph Tague)
Andrew F. (9 Dec 1817 Washington
Co., PA, m. #1 Zerelda
Rebecca Fry, m. #2 Nancy Ann
Osborne)
Mary (1818 Washington Co., PA, m.
Jackson Hillary)
Jacob Jr. (26 Jan 1820 Washington
Co., PA, m. Jane Greer)
Ruth Ellen (15 Jan 1827 Washington
Co.,PA, m. Jonathan Wassom)

Lucinda (1815 Washington Co., PA, m.

Isaac D. (2 May 1829 Washington Co., PA, m. Catharine R. [Wilson] Lambert)

Sarah (1831 Washington Co., PA, m. Benjamin King)

Owen (10 May 1832 Marshall Co., IL, m. Mary Elizabeth Jones)

Samuel M. (21 Feb 1836 IL, m. Elizabeth M. Coyle)

NOTE: An amendment to the original 1850 donation land claim act, dated July 17, 1854, stated if it was the intention of the parents to file on a claim when they arrived in Oregon, but the parents died on the way or soon after arrival, the minor children were entitled to file.

Donation Land Claim # 2375 (T12S R1W Sec 6)

KEES, Samuel M. (Morgan Kees, Guardian), Linn Co; b Jan 1836; Arr. Ore. 1850; SC before 24 Apr 1855. Isaac D. & Morgan Kees gave aff. in 1855, "Jacob and Mary Kees emigrated from Ia. bound for Ore. T. for purpose of settling in Ore. Left Ia. Mar 1850, arr. Ore. Sept 1850. Jacob d Linn Co. 8 Oct 1850 & Mary d Linn Co. 25 Nov 1850, leaving one son, Samuel M. Kees who was then a minor b Jan 1836." Morgan Kees appt. guardian 29 Dec 1854, Linn Co, by S.D. Haley, Judge of Probate Court. Error in description placed part in Allen Parker c. Aff: Wm. B. Gore, Jacob Kees, Jr. (older bro.).

KEES, Joseph

No Stone

b. ca. 1865 s/o Isaac D. and Catharine R. (Wilson) Lambert Kees

d. 1 Feb 1866 OR age about 1 year

KEES, Mary (nee ???)

b. 25 Mar 1792

m. Jacob Kees ca. 1805 PA?

d. 25 Nov 1850 OR age 58y6m

c. Sarah Amy (10 Dec 1810 PA, m. William Crawford Gallaher)

Elmore D. (est. 28 Aug 1812 Washington Co., PA, m. Mary Jane [Courtney] Rogers)

Morgan (25 May 1814 Washington Co., PA, m. Mary Banning)

Lucinda (1815 Washington Co., PA, m. Joseph Tague)

Andrew F. (9 Dec 1817 Washington Co., PA, m. #1 Zerelda Rebecca Fry, m. #2 Nancy Ann Osborne)

Mary (1818 Washington Co., PA, m. Jackson Hillary)

Jacob Jr. (26 Jan 1820 Washington Co., PA, m. Jane Greer)

Ruth Ellen (15 Jan 1827 Washington Co.,PA, m. Jonathan Wassom)

Isaac D. (2 May 1829 Washington Co., PA, m. Catharine R. [Wilson] Lambert)

Sarah (1831 Washington Co., PA, m. Benjamin King)

Owen (10 May 1832 Marshall Co., IL, m. Mary Elizabeth Jones)

Samuel M. (21 Feb 1836 IL, m. Elizabeth M. Coyle)

KEES, Mary (nee Banning) "Wife of Morgan"

<u>b.</u> <u>18 Apr 1813</u> VA

m. Morgan Kees 23 Mar 1841 Henry Co., IA

d. 2 Jun 1882 San Francisco, CA age 69y1m15d

Albany Democrat, June 9, 1882

Mrs. Morgan Kees, better known as Aunt Polly Kees of Lebanon died in San Francisco last week and her body was brought to Oregon on the last steamer.

She was about 65, and was one of our oldest settlers. Known by nearly everybody in the county it was only to be respected and loved. No one has ever died here leaving behind more genuine friends.

<u>KEES</u>, <u>Mary</u> <u>Elizabeth</u> (nee Jones) "<u>Wife of</u> Owen"

b. 27 May 1836 VA <u>d/o</u> <u>David and</u> Rebecca F. Jones

m. Owen Kees 29 Nov 1854 Linn Co., OT

<u>d.</u> <u>29 Sep 1860</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> 24y4m2d

c. Cora A. (14 May 1856 OT)

"Dearest Sister"

The (Albany) Oregon Democrat, Oct. 2, 1860

Died -- In Lebanon, September 29th of consumption, Mary Elizabeth, wife of Owen Kees, aged 24 years.

KEES, Morgan "My Husband"

b. 25 May 1814 Washington Co., PA s/o Jacob and Mary Kees

m. Mary Banning 23 Mar 1841 Henry Co., IA (see Kees, Mary)

<u>d.</u> 7 Mar 1866 Linn Co., OR age 51y9m12d

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1583</u> (T12S R2W Sec 1, 3, 4, 9, 10 and 11)

KEES, Morgan, Linn Co., b 1814, Washington Co, Pa; SC 12 July 1849; m Mary 23 March 1841, Henry Co, Ia. Aff: Wm Ralston, Wm M. (x) Smith, O.C. Gallaher, John Burkhart

Also KEES, Morgan, Linn Co; b 1814 Washington Co., Pa. d 3-7-1866, Linn Co, Ore.; m 3-21-1841, Henry Co, Ia. Mary Banning (b. 4-18-1813 Va. d. 1-2-1882 Linn Co, Ore.)

NOTE: Name given as Rees in DLC index.

<u>History of Linn County, Oregon,</u> WPA Writer's Project

The County adjacent to Lebanon was first called Kees's Precinct, after Morgan and Jacob Kees, who settled there in 1848. The first elections were held in 1848 at the house of Morgan Kees, and which stood on the site of Lebanon, the poll being 38 votes. Judges were Morgan Kees, Jeremiah Ralston and William Gore; Clerks Elmore Gallaher and Asa H. Peterson.

On March 10, 1864, Luther Elkins, D.W. Ballard, John Settle, Isaac Coryell, Morgan Kees, Jacob Kees, James A. Richardson and John Powell had articles of incorporation drawn up, and on March 25th filed them, their object to build a wagon road across the Cascades, from the Willamette to the Deschutes River, to be known as the "Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Wagon Road."

In Lebanon a term-school was conducted in a log cabin in 1852. Jeremiah Ralston and Morgan Kees each donated five acres, money was raised by subscription, and a two story building containing four large school rooms was built, 1854-55. A small frame building had been constructed the year before. Out of this beginning grew Santiam On January 18, 1854, the Oregon Academy. Legislature passed an act making John McKinney. Aaron Hyde, Thomas H. Hearne, William C. Gallaher, Andrew Kees, Alvan F. Waller, Morgan Kees, Jeremiah Ralston, Luther T. Woodward, Delazon Smith, Luther Elkins, John Settle and David Ballard, trustees of Santiam Academy at Lebanon. The yearly income was limited to \$10,000. The trustees were to meet and divide themselves into three classes to retire in rotation.

(Salem) American Unionist, June 3, 1867

Monument to Morgan Kees

Mrs. Kees, the estimable widow of Morgan Kees, late of Linn county, Oregon, has left an order with Monroe & Mellen, marble dealers and workers in this city, for a fine monument to be erected to the memory of her late husband. The material of the monument is to be fine Italian marble, and when standing will measure twelve feet from the ground to top. The pedestal will be of granite two feet thick and thirty-two inches square. The marble base will be twenty-four inches square and eleven inches thick. The dice resting on the marble base will be nineteen inches square, twenty-one inches high, with Gothic cap. -- The shaft is an octagon five feet long, thirty-seven inches in circumference at the lower end resting on the Gothic cap, and twenty-five inches circumference at the top. On the top of the shaft rests a cap six inches in thickness, with two inches projection. Around the middle of the shaft is a wreath of flowers chiseled in relief. Resting upon the cap of the shaft is to be an octagonal urn, partly covered with drapery, and surmounted by a dove poised for flight. The whole structure will, when completed, be the finest monument in the State, and when set in position will cost nine hundred dollars.

It was our good fortune to be intimately acquainted with the late Morgan Kees, and with a lively remembrance of his many virtues and sterling qualities, we can but feel though the finest monumental marble is to mark the place of his earthly resting, it is not in the power of the sculptor's genius or the enduring qualities of marble to do more than express a desire on the part of the living to do appropriate honor to a man whose many acts of

goodness while living, carved for himself a monument more imperishable than brass.

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, Sept. 28, 1867

A Fine Monument to be erected to the memory of Morgan Kees, late of Linn county, may be seen at the Marble works of Messrs. Monroe & Mellin, of this city. This monument is now complete and is the finest one in the State -- Salem Unionist.

Land of Linn, Floyd C. Mullen, 1971, p. 123

Jacob and Morgan Kees were incorporators of the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Road Co. formed in Lebanon May 18, 1864.

History of the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Wagon Road, Cleon L. Clark, 1987, p. 19-20

Morgan Kees (Bancroft i, p. 529) was born May 14, 1814, in Washington County, PA, the second son of a family of 12 children. He came to Oregon in 1845 with his wife Mary (Banning) and settled along the Santiam River (near Lebanon) where he lived for twenty years until his demise on March 7, 1866. He appears to have been a farmer, though he is not shown as having taken a D.L. Claim. Under Samuel M. Kees data is given that Jacob & Mary Kees, father and mother of Morgan, arrived in Oregon in Sept. 1850, apparently accompanied by several other of their children. The father and mother died in Oct. and Nov. of that year leaving a minor son, Samuel, to whom Morgan was appointed guardian.

Pacific Christian Advocate, Mar. 31, 1866

Morgan Kees was born of pious parents in Washington County, Pennsylvania, May 14th, 1814, being the second son of a family of twelve children. In the year 1832, the family moved westward to Illinois and from thence in 1837 to Iowa. Here on the 21st of March, 1841, Morgan married Miss Mary Banning, who is now his sorely bereaved widow. The same year of their marriage, they both made a public profession of religion and united with the Baptist Church, where they have continued endeavoring to live a life of faith in Christ.

In 1845 he emigrated to Oregon, and on the 1st of April, 1846 located on the Santiam in Linn County, where, for the last twenty years, he has been extensively and favorably known as a first class

citizen. Of a quiet and retiring spirit, he was, never the less, an ardent patriot, a zealous patron of the Santiam Academy and a liberal.

He died on March 7th, 1866, after a short illness, from typhus (typhoid) fever, much lamented, but cheered with the soul inspiring hope of eternal life. "The memory of the just is blessed." L.T. Woodward

KEES, Nancy "Nellie" Cleora (nee Carter) "Wife of AA"

- <u>b.</u> 25 Dec 1860 Linn Co., OR d/o
 Benjamin F. and Charlotte (Beeler)
 Carter
- m. Austin Agustus Kees 28 Sep 1882 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 1855 Linn Co., OR s/o Isaac D. and Catharine R. (Wilson) Lambert Kees
 - m. #2 Henrietta (Cox) Carlile, Weston, OR
 - b. 4 Jul 1860 Cedar Co., MO d/o James R. Cox
 - d. 31 May 1944 Omaha,NE age 83y10m27d
 - d. 14 Jun 1929 Ogden, UT age74y bur. Weston Cem., Weston,OR
- d. 31 Dec 1889 Linn Co., OR age 29y6dc. Ora Bell (31 Dec 1885 OR)

"Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall ..."

Lebanon Express, Jan. 3, 1890

Nellie C. Kees was born in Linn Co., Oregon on Dec. 25, 1860. Her father B.F. Carter, died, leaving her mother, who was an invalid, with 5 children, Nellie being at that time 10 years of age. The loss of the father throwed (sic) the care of the mother and rugged battles of life upon those of tender years, and in a great measure deprived the children of the advantages of securing an education, the eldest sister marrying when Nellie was about 15, her girlhood developed those traits of character that made her a favorite with all who knew her.

Always turning to the bright side of every cloud, during her last illness of some 9 weeks, 5 of which were spent on a bed of pain and great suffering, which she bore without a murmur, often speaking cheerfully to those who ministered to her wants.

Nellie C. Carter was married to A.A. Kees on Sept. 28, 1882, and from that time to her death on

Dec 31, 1889, she proved a loving and devoted wife. The birth of their only child crowned her with the richest diadem -- a mother's love. She was converted some 4 years ago. While not uniting with any particular branch of the church she lived a consistent Christian. A short time prior to her death she said: "If my Savior calls, I am ready to go." She leaves a mother, 2 brothers, 1 sister, a husband and a little daughter 4 years of age, and a large circle of relatives and friends, for she was a friend to all who knew her. A.

Lebanon Express, June 26, 1929

Austin A. Kees - dies

A.A. Kees, a former well known Lebanon man, died at Ogden Utah, June 14th, aged 74 years. He was born in Lebanon in 1855. His parents came to Oregon in 1852. He had resided for many years at Weston, Oregon, where he married his surviving wife, Harriet Carlisle. In addition to his widow, several step children survive him. He had been living at Ogden only for a short time. Interment was made at Weston under the auspices of the IOOF lodge, of which the deceased had long been a member.

KEES, Ora Bell "Only child of"

- <u>b.</u> 13 Dec 1885 OR <u>d/o</u> Austin Agustus and Nancy "Nellie" Cleora (Carter) Kees
- d. 8 Jun 1891 Lebanon, OR age 5y5m25d

"Suffer little children to come unto me"

Lebanon Express, June 12, 1891

Obituaries -- Ora Bell Kees, only child of A.A. Kees was born Dec. 13, 1885, died June 8, 1891. On the morning of the 3rd she complained of a sore throat which as it developed, proved to be diphtheria; which together with croup terminated fatally. She was a faithful member of the Baptist Sunday school, and on the Sunday before she died expressed her regret at being too sick to attend her class. Only a short time ago, when the teacher had asked all who loved Jesus to hold up their hand, her little hand went up and she whispered to the teacher "I love Jesus too." When talking of going to be with her mother who died Dec. 31, 1890, she said "I want to stay and love my papa." Her last request of her father was to gather her some flowers. Many friends sympathize with the grief-stricken father and commend to him the grace and consolation of Christ

who said, "Suffer little children to come unto me, and, forbid them not, for of such is the Kingdom of Heaven." A brief service was conducted at the grave, by Rev. T.P. Boyd; "God be with you till we meet again" was sung by the friends, after which they dispersed to meet the little one in Heaven, we trust.

KEES, Owen

- b. 18 May 1832 Marshall Co., IL s/o Jacob and Mary Kees
- m. Mary Elizabeth Jones 29 Nov 1854 Linn Co., OT (see Kees, Mary Elizabeth)
- d. 4 Jun 1861 OR age 29y16dc. Cora A. (14 May 1856 OT)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 3222</u> (T11S R1 and 2W Sec 31 and 36)

KEES (x) Owen, Linn Co; b. 10 May 1832, Marshall Co., IL; Arr. Ore. 24 Sept 1848; SC 26 Aug 1852. 8 Jan 1864 Ashly Pearce signed Oath of Allegiance as purchaser of c. Aff: Isaac Wheeler, Isaac Kees, David Jones (T11S R 1 & 2W sec. 31, 36 - 313.42a, about 2 mis north of Lebanon on east side of river).

Will -- Owen Kees, Drawn May 7, 1861, Filed July 1, 1861

Heirs: Mary, wife of Morgan Kees, Isaac Kees - for his heirs scholarships to Santiam Academy; Jonathan Wassam for benefit of his children for education, rest of estate to Santiam Academy to keep up fences around grounds, to keep up graves for himself, wife and his parents. Morgan Kees, brother, Executor. Witnesses: James Elkins, William Combs

(Salem) Oregon Statesman, Nov. 17, 1935

OWEN KEES ENDOWMENT FUND IS CLOSED

ALBANY, November 16 -- An endowment fund created by the will of Owen Kees, who died in June, 1861, for the Santiam Academy at Lebanon, was closed this week at the office of County Clerk Russell, when J.M. Burtenshaw, final administrator of the fund, filed his tenth annual and final report of his trusteeship of the fund.

Originally the fund consisted of \$1,847.00, residue of the estate of Owen Kees, an early Oregon Pioneer. The academy was established at Lebanon in 1854, and was one of the early institutions of learning in Oregon. In 1902 the academy was discontinued and the grounds leased to the Lebanon school district for 99 years. The Lebanon High School now stands on the site of the old academy buildings. So for 33 years the original endowment fund has outlived the institution which it endowed.

During the 74 years the fund was run, many men have acted as administrators. The first administrator was Morgan Kees, who according to his final account on file in the office of the county clerk settled the entire estate with the exception of the endowment fund, which according to the terms of the will, was to be loaned at 12 percent interest if possible and this could not be obtained then at 10 percent. According to the records Morgan Kees died in 1866 and some three years later, Jacob Kees was named administrator, the estate at that time consisting of the endowment fund of \$1,847.00.

For 14 years Jacob Kees continued to administer the fund, then the board of trustees seemingly became dissatisfied with his methods of doing business, called for a report and according to their claims, found him to be short in his payments to the academy some \$167.00. Claiming that his books were in such a condition that it was impossible to find just what disposition had been made by him of the funds, the board asked for his removal by the county court. Kees, however, made restitution to the amount of \$120.00, explaining that it was impossible to keep the money out continually at interest and that he was money out of his own pocket at times in protecting the endowment against loss, and as a result of the trouble he resigned as administrator.

Mercer Thompson replaced Jacob Kees as administrator, being recommended to the county court by the board of trustees for the position and held the office from 1881 to 1897. Following Thompson a number of persons administrated the fund, until finally J.M. Burtenshaw became the last administer. According to Burtenshaw's final report, in 1931, when he made his ninth report, the fund consisted of \$3,110.84. Since then he has spent all but \$212.00 in improving the old campus, adding a water system and other improvements to beautify the grounds. A monument has also been erected to mark the site of the old academy.

NOTE: Memorial reads "Owen Kees gave \$1800 to endow Santiam Academy July 1, 1861."

KEES, Zerelda Rebecca (nee Fry) No Stone

- b. unknown
- Andrew F. Kees 29 Dec 1839 or 2 Jan m. 1840 Monroe Co., MO
 - 9 Dec 1817 Washington Co... PA s/o Jacob and Mary Kees
 - #2 Nancy Ann Osborne 31 Jul m. 1860
 - b. 24 May 1840 Warren Co., IL, d/o Josiah and Margaret (Findley) Osborne
 - #2 William Warren m. Jacobs 30 Sep 1890
 - 20 Aug 1929 Portland, d. OR age 89v2m26d
 - d. 18 Feb 1886 Centerville, OR age 68v2m9d, bur, Kees or Blue Mountain Cemetery, Weston, OR
- d. 1856 OR ?
- Mary Ann (1841, m. Joseph M. C. Gallaher)

William Henry (1844, m. Harriet N. Courtney)

Aaron S. (13 Feb 1846 MO, m. Louisa White)

Jacob M. (1849)

Lucy E. (14 Dec 1851 Lebanon, OR, m. E.A. Freed)

NOTE: Zerelda Kees is assumed buried here with others of the Kees family. Andrew Kees held DLC #2419 (T11S R2W Sec. 35, 36, and T12S R2W Sec. 1, 2 - 639.71a just NE of Lebanon). He arrived in Oregon in September of 1850.

Pacific Christian Advocate, Mar. 4, 1886

ANDREW KEYES.

In the death of Andrew Keyes the Methodist Episcopal Church in the northwest coast has lost one of her members whose life of active Christian work spanned the larger part of her own history. He was born Dec. 9, 1817 in Washington county, Pennsylvania, removing, when a boy, with his parents to Illinois, where, at nineteen years of age,

he was converted under the ministry of Rev. David Nelson, author of "Nelson on Infidelity," but a short time after united with the Methodist Episcopal Church. From Illinois he removed to Missouri, residing at Hannibal and St. Joseph. He was married in 1840 to Miss Z. Fry. In 1850 he emigrated with his family to Oregon and settled in Linn county, near Lebanon, where his wife died in 1856. In 1860 he was united in marriage with Miss Nancy Osborn, one of the survivors of the Whitman massacre of 1847. In the same year he removed to Walla Walla county, W.T., thus, according to the instincts of his life, keeping in the front of settlement and Christian work. In 1874 he removed to Umatilla County, Oregon and settled near Weston. In this vicinity he resided until his death, which occurred at Centerville in that county. Feb. 18, 1896, when he was a little over 68 years of age, leaving a widow and five children; three by his first and two by his second marriage....

The death of Brother Keyes was, like his life, calm and peaceful and business-like. When the decision of the physicians that he could not live was communicated to him he said; "I am saved." Then, evidencing the ground of his trust, he desired those near him to sing;

"Jesus paid it all."

Commending his companion and children to God, and sending dying salutations to those absent, he yielded his spirit back to God, "washed in the blood of the Lamb."

His funeral was held in the church at Centerville, the sermon being preached by his pastor, Rev. J. LeCornu, from Rev. xiv, 13, and his body was laid to rest in hope of "the resurrection of the just."...

KNOX, Nettie J. (nee Claypool)

- est. 27 Nov 1858 OT d/o William b. Strange and Martha (Thurman) Dyer Claypool, adopted d/o Alexander Smith and Mary Ann S. (Parrish) Knox
- 20 Nov 1863 OR age 4y11m23d d.

NOTE: Alexander and Mary Ann Knox adopted Nettie after the death of her mother. Mr. Knox held DLC #2389 in Marion county. 10 miles east of Lebanon. Mary Ann Knox was a daughter of E.E. and Rebecca (Maple) Parrish and a sister of Jesse Busse Parrish.

LAWRENCE, Samantha Ruby (Ruby S.) (nee Bland) No Stone

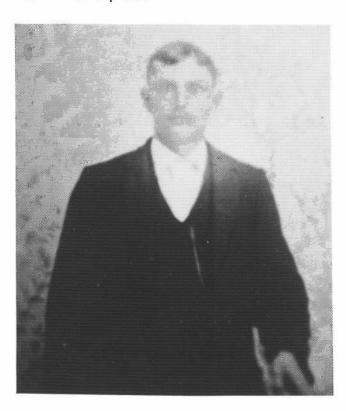
- b. 3/8 Jun 1878 Linn Co., OR d/o George Hester and Clara Malisia (Powell) Bland
- m. Daniel Wesley Lawrence 20 Nov 1902 Linn Co., OR
 - m. #2 Alice Lawrence 21 Dec 1910 Linn Co., OR
- d. 26 Aug 1903 Lebanon, OR age 25y2m18/23d
- c. Ruby Pearl (19 Aug 1903 OR, m. Milo Elam Cummings)

Albany Democrat, Sep. 4, 1903

Mrs. D.W. Lawrence died at Lebanon on Wednesday at the age of 25 years. She was a daughter of G.H. Bland and was a native of this county. She leaves a husband to whom she had been married only a year, and a young child.

LEE, Vance "Baby"

- b. <u>13 Sep 1900</u> s/o George Roark and Leora (Sims) Lee
- d. 13 Sep 1900



George Lee, father of Vance

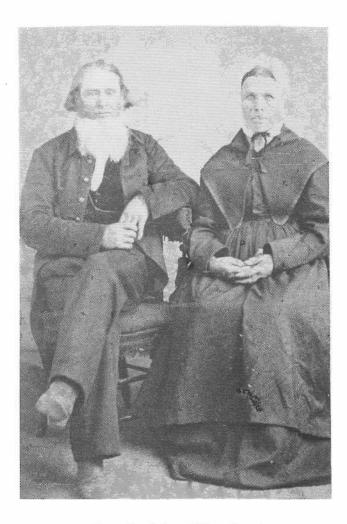
NOTE: According to research by Winifred Saltmarsh Raines, Arthur and Elvira Saltmarsh took Leora "Ora" Sims, daughter of Albert Jasper Sims, into their home when she was four years old. Ora later married George Lee, son of Albert H. and Martha (Hall) Lee. Albert was a brother of Elvira (Lee) Saltmarsh.

LEEDY, Rev. Daniel

- b. 13 Mar 1818/1819 Rockingham Co., VA s/o Samuel Jr. and Barbara (Garber) Leedy, gs/o Samuel Sr. and Catherine (Weidner) Leedy, ggs/o Hans (John) and Elizabeth (Grubb?) Leedy
- m. #1 Mary Huston 7 Nov 1840 Preble Co., OH (see Leedy, Mary) #2 Mrs. Isabella A. Love 29 May 1879 Linn Co., OR b. ca. 1823
- <u>d.</u> <u>27 Nov 1898</u> Albany, OR age 80y8m14d
- c. John (28 Sep 1841 Eaton, OH, m. #1

 Margretta D. Ritter, m. #2

 Mary Ellen Ritter)
 - Barbara Ann (11 Aug 1843 Wabash Co., IN, m. George Hester Bland)
 - Sarah Jane (12 Nov 1845 Wabash Co., IN, m. Alfred Baltimore)
 - Jonas (17 Feb 1847 Wabash Co., IN) Elizabeth "Lizzie" (18 May 1848 Wabash Co., IN, m. Cyrus Franklin Backus)
 - Samuel Martin (17 Dec 1849 Jefferson Co., IA)
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 - Harriet Christina (1855 Linn Co.,OT) infant son (ca. 1856 Linn Co., OT)
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 - Abraham Daniel (29 May 1864 Linn Co., OR, m. Alice Martha Ramsav)



Rev. Daniel and Mary Leedy
Daniel was minister of the first Brethren church
west of the Rocky Mountains.

NOTE: Leedy family history indicates Daniel Leedy was born in 1819, although his grave marker says 1818.

Perlena and America Alice may be the same person rather than twins. Perlina, age 2 months, appears as the only Leedy infant recorded in the 1860 Linn Co., census. America A., age 10, is the only "twin" recorded in the 1870 census. If they were twins, where was America Alice in 1860?

Donation Land Claim # 1817 (T14S R3W Sec 34)

LEEDY, Daniel, Linn Co., b 1818, Va; Arr Ore 1 Sept 1854; SC 1 Oct 1854/1 Dec 1854; m. Mary 7 Nov 1840 Preble Co, OH. Pat del 3 Nov 1877 to Joseph Stites. Aff: Gearsham Vannatta, Wm. Poe, Jacob Wigle.

Roster of Macy (Wagon) Train, Cut-off, 1854

Daniel m. Mary, 7 Nov 1840, Preble Co., OH. (There was a large number of children along).



Leedy sisters, daughters of Daniel and Mary Standing: Maggie, Alice and Sarah Seated: Addie and Elizabeth

Land of Linn, Floyd C. Mullen, 1971, p. 100

A Church of the Brethren (Dunkard) was organized by David (sic) Leedy in 1856 at the home of Alfred Baltimore on his D.L.C. east of Albany. It is claimed to be the first Brethren Church west of the Rocky Mts.

NOTE: This church was in existence for many years, later relocating to east Albany.

Gospel Messenger, Feb. 25, 1899

Death of Bro. Daniel Leedy -- After many years of feebleness one more of God's faithful followers, Bro. Daniel Leedy, of Albany, Oregon, has been called to his eternal rest.

At the time of his death, he held a letter sent to him from the yearly meeting held in Huntington, Pa., March 28 to 30, 1855, signed by

the standing committee, telling him how to proceed to organize the first church established on the Pacific Coast.

In his death his many relatives and friends feel deeply their loss, but know that one who so nobly passed with life, shall be amply rewarded by his Heavenly Father ... Spicer, Ore. L. Myrtle Baltimore

Lebanon Express-Advance, Dec. 2, 1898

Rev. Daniel Leedy Dead -- On Sunday, November 27, 1898, at his home in Albany, passed away from this life, one of Linn county's most upright and highly esteemed citizens.

Rev. Daniel Leedy was born in Rockingham county, Virginia, March 13, 1818. He moved to Ohio in 1830 where he lived several years, and where he was married to Miss Mary Huston. He moved from Ohio to Indiana, from Indiana to Iowa, and from Iowa to Oregon, where he arrived in September 1854, and settled in Linn county, where he has since lived. The entire trip from Virginia to Oregon was made with ox teams. His wife mentioned above died in Albany twenty years ago last August. The year following he was married to Mrs. Isabelle A. Love, with whom, with seven children by his first wife, is left to mourn his loss. His children are: Mrs. Sarah J. Baltimore of Portland, Mrs. Addie F. Baltimore and Mrs. Maggie Flory, of this county, Mrs. Alice A. Reeder, of Athena, Oregon, John Leedy, a well-known stock and lumber man of this county, and A.D. Leedy, an attorney of Pendleton. All the children were present at the funeral.

He was a minister of the Dunkard church, always steadfast, earnest and true in his work, and firm and trustful in his belief, and a main support to that denomination, which has always given the best and truest citizens in every community where it exists.

Biography of Brother Daniel Leedy, by F.A. Leedy Baltimore, unpublished

Brother Daniel Leedy was born in Rockingham County, Virginia March 13, 1818. In his late boyhood days he moved with his father's family to Ohio and settled near Eaton. In 1840 he was married to Miss Mary Huston of Oxford, Ohio. In 1841 he moved with his young family to Huntington, Indiana and made himself a home in that then new country covered with thick timber. There he gave his heart and life to his master and

accepted Christ as his Savior, and he and his companion united with the Church of the Brethren in that place. In 1848 they moved with their five small children to Jefferson County, Iowa. There he was soon called to the Gospel ministry where he assisted older ministers conducting the public services of God's House. After less than six years he and his then growing family of six children took their long journey across the plains by ox team to Oregon in 1854. Starting on April 3rd and arriving September 24, where they were given a hearty welcome by some members who had made the journey a year or more before. There he found a new country fast settling up, and truly the harvest was great but the laborers were few.

He was young in the ministry and only in his first degree and no other minister of the same faith in all this vast North West Pacific coast. The faithful ones here urged him to serve them in conducting public worship, as they were hungering for the bread of life and to hear the gospel preached as in their home church in the far away eastern state, so meetings were held in residences, in school houses, or any available place, often in groves. The people were glad to hear the Blessed Gospel and would come for miles around. Never then did the minister have to preach to a mere handful, or empty benches.

Soon a few members were found twenty-five miles away and others were located fifty miles in an adjoining county and regular meetings were started at both places. Other places were calling for the minister to preach for them and when we consider the lack of modern transportation, then you can know how the first minister was kept in his saddle fully half of his time making the long rides from place to place.

In 1856 a church was organized in the central part of the large field near Albany, Oregon. They were then met with the dilemma of having a church without anyone having the power to administer the ordinances. So they called for help from the mother church and the church here was given power to advance Brother Leedy to the Second degree in the gospel ministry. Thus he labored on alone near seventeen years, always praying for the Lord of the harvest to send more laborers into his vineyard in this far away land. His labors were blessed and a goodly number were received into the church by his faithful ministry. He always took the church paper from its first publication in 1851 which he praised so much, and was much help to him.

After 1871 other ministers moved in and the labors were transferred to other shoulders in a

great measure as the weight of years and his abundant labor had broken his health. He was gathered home to his great reward at the age of 80 years full of faith and hope, and longing to depart and be with the Lord. His faithful wife had preceded him to the Heavenly home twenty years. Later he married Mrs. Isabelle Love, who he lived with until his death. Six children, four in infancy had also gone before. There are still seven children, two sons and five daughters, all from the first marriage, that live to rise up and call him blessed and feel that they have a rich heritage in the memory of a Father who gave his best years of his life to help establish a Christian civilization in this great country of the Pacific Northwest.

LEEDY, Ellenore Jane

b. 8 Apr 1862 Linn Co., OR d/o John and Margretta D. (Ritter) Leedy

<u>d.</u> <u>6 Dec 1865</u> OR <u>age 3y7m28d</u>

LEEDY, Harriet Christina

No Stone

b. 1855 Linn Co., OT d/o Daniel and Mary (Huston) Leedy

d. before 1860

NOTE: Harriet is assumed buried here with others of her family.

LEEDY, infant son

No Stone

b. ca. 1856 OT s/o Daniel and Mary (Huston) Leedy

d. 13 Sep 1856 Linn Co., OT

NOTE: This child is assumed buried here with others of his family.

LEEDY, John

No Stone

b. 28 Sep 1841 Eaton, OH s/o Daniel and Mary (Huston) Leedy

m. #1 Margretta D. Ritter 25 Aug 1860
Linn Co., OR (see Leedy, Margretta D.)
#2 Mary Ellen Ritter 19 Nov 1873
Albany, OR (see Leedy, Mary Ellen)

d. 27 Mar 1917 Pendleton, OR age 75v5m29d

c. (by Margretta Ritter)

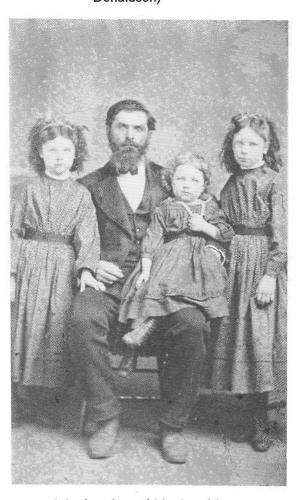
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OR)

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Ransier)
Rosco Daniel (1 Mar 1885 Linn Co.,
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Donaldson)

OR, m. George Christopher



John Leedy and his daughters Mary, Margretta and Ida

(Pendleton) East Oregonian, Mar. 27, 1917

FUNERAL JOHN LEEDY SET FOR THURSDAY MORNING

John Leedy, pioneer of Oregon, died in Pendleton yesterday morning. He was born in Dayton, Ohio, Sept., 28, 1841 and came with his parents to Linn County in 1854, residing near here most of his life. He is survived by his widow and 8 children, as follows; Mrs. Ida Bashor of Corvallis, Mrs. Almilda (Sic) Kelly of Albany, Mrs. Amira (sic) Ball of Astoria, Mrs. Anna Sherfy of Lebanon, Mrs. Delta Agee, Mrs. Berneva Rancier (sic), Mr. Andrew Leedy and Mr. Roscoe Leedy of Pendleton.

There are also 23 grandchildren and 4 great grand children, 5 sisters, Mrs. Sarah J. Baltimore and Mrs. Addie F. Baltimore of this city, Mrs. Emma S. Curl of Jefferson, Mrs. Maggie Flory and Mrs. Alice Reedie (sic) of Tacoma, Washington also survive.

He was a member of the church of the Brethern (sic), and a good citizen who leaves many friends who will regret his demise and extend their symathy (sic) to the mourning relatives.

The funeral will be held at the Baptist church Thursday morning at 11 o'clock, interment at Lebanon.

Lebanon Criterion, Mar. 30, 1917

DEATH CALLS JOHN LEEDY

John Leedy, an old-time resident of this section of the valley, died at Pendleton Tuesday morning, which place had been his home for several years past. He owned a farm and resided near this city until about fifteen years ago, when he removed to Umatilla County and engaged in farming. About six years ago he moved into Pendleton, where he has resided since. He is survived by a widow and five children: Mrs. Delta Agee, Pendleton; Mrs. Anna Serfy (sic), Lebanon; Andrew Leedy, Pendleton; Mrs. Birdie Rancier (sic), Hermiston; and Rose Leedy, of Pendleton. A.D. Leedy, prominent Canyon City attorney, is a brother. The funeral services were conducted at Albany yesterday, after which the remains were brought to Lebanon for burial.

LEEDY, Kourtlin John

b. 26 Aug 1877 Albany, OR <u>s/o</u> <u>John and</u> <u>Mary Ellen (Ritter) Leedy</u>

d. 5 Sep 1878 OR age 1y10d

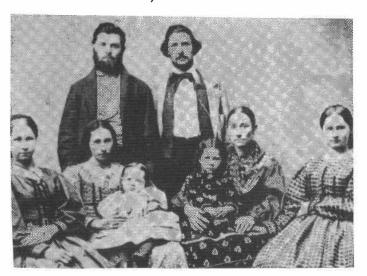
NOTE: The Leedy Family History reports this child was named John Courtland Leedy and his

place of death was Pendleton, OR. However, his loose stone, found propped against a tree in the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery, reads as underlined above. An 1878 Lebanon precinct map shows John Leedy as a landowner -- the same year this child died.

LEEDY, Margretta D. (nee Ritter) "Farewell ... Wife of John"

- b. 23 Jun 1845 St. Joseph Co., IN d/o Solomon and Elizabeth (Hardman)
 Ritter
- m. John Leedy 25 Aug 1860 Linn Co., OR
- <u>d.</u> <u>29 Mar 1872</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age</u> 26v9m6d
- c. Ellenore Jane (18 Apr 1862 Linn Co., OR)

Ida Ann Elizabeth (6 Jan 1865 Linn Co., OR, m. Jacob F. Bashor) Mary Alwilda (10 Mar 1867 Linn Co., OR, m. William Edward Kelly) Margretta Elmira (20 May 1869 Linn Co., OR, m. Thomas Lysander Ball)



Standing: John Leedy, Louis Ritter Seated: Lucinda Ritter, Margaretta Leedy holding Ellenore Leedy, Elizabeth Ritter holding Amanda Ritter, and Mary Ellen Ritter, John Leedy's second wife

NOTE: Margretta's mother, Elizabeth (Hardman) Ritter, was a niece of Benjamin J. Hardman.

Gospel Visitor, June 1872

In South Santiam Congregation, Linn county, Oregon, on the 29th March, Sister Margretta

Leedy, aged 29 (sic) years, 9 months and 6 days. Cause of death, congestion of the brain. Was taken very suddenly at about 4 o'clock, A.M., and continued about seven hours, during all of which time she was speechless, when she died. She was a daughter of Bro. Solomon and Sister Elizabeth Ritter, formerly from Northern Indiana, and wife of Brother John Leedy, who, with three little girls, mourn their loss. Funeral services by the writer from St. John 11:25.

LEEDY, Mary (nee Huston) "Wife of D"

- <u>b.</u> <u>5 Apr 1821</u> Oxford, OH d/o John and Sarah (Vansell) Huston
- m. Rev. Daniel Leedy 7 Nov 1840 Preble Co., OH
- <u>d.</u> 26 Aug 1878 Albany, OR age 57y4m21d
- c. John (28 Sep 1841 Eaton, OH, m. #1 Margretta D. Ritter, m. #2 Mary Ellen Ritter)
 - Barbara Ann (11 Aug 1843 Wabash Co., IN, m. George Hester Bland)
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 - Reeder)
 Abraham Daniel (29 May 1864 Linn
 Co., OR, m. Alice Martha

Ramsay)

"In hope of the last resurrection./ The gift of God is eternal life/ through Jesus Christ our Lord./ Romans v. 23"

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, Aug. 30, 1878

Died.

LEEDY.--In this city, Monday morning, Aug. 26th, of tumor in the stomach, MARY, wife of Daniel Leedy -- aged 57 years. Deceased was buried on Tuesday at Lebanon.

Gospel Messenger, 1878

LEEDY -- In Albany, Linn Co., Oregon, Aug. 26th, Sister Mary Leedy, wife of brother Daniel Leedy, in her 57th year.

They moved from Jefferson Co., Iowa in the year 1854. In her death brother Daniel has lost a beloved companion, the children a kind and affectionate mother, who was ever ready to administer to the wants of the sick. Before her death she called for the elders of the church, and was anointed in the name of the Lord.

A.H. Baltimore

LEEDY, Mary Ellen (nee Ritter)

No Stone

- b. 14 Feb 1849 St. Joseph Co., IN d/o Solomon and Elizabeth (Hardman) Ritter
- m. John Leedy 19 Nov 1873 Albany, OR
- d. 24 May 1927 Corvallis, OR age 78y3m10d
- c. Deltasena Ethel (18 Nov 1874 Albany, OR, m. James Robert Agee)
 - Anna Elsie (21 Jun 1876 Albany, OR, m. Enos Sherfy)
 - Kourtlin John (26 Aug 1877 Albany, OR)
 - Andrew Ritter (12 Mar 1879 Albany, OR, m. Alta Stewart)
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Mary Ellen Leedy, ca 1867

Newspaper Clipping, source and date unknown

Funeral Tomorrow -- The funeral for the late Mrs. Mary Leedy, mother of Mrs. J.R. Agee, will be from the M.S. Bovee Co. chapel at 1:30 tomorrow afternoon. Rev. Daniel Bryant is to be in charge of the service and the remains will be taken to Lebanon for interment in the family plot there.

LEONARD, Joseph

son

b. 24 Jul 1810 Bath, ME
 m. name unknown 1834 ME
 d. 21 Feb 1894 OR age 83y6m28d
 c. Rae (14 Feb 1849, Bath, ME) daughter son son

son daughter child

Lebanon Express, June 28, 1889

Two men arrived in our town this week. Messrs. Jos. and Ray Leonard have rented the store of Mr. Hardy, where they intend starting a shoe shop and make and mend shoes. The gentlemen have been spending the winter and spring in southern Oregon. They have had much experience in the trade and we hope they will meet with success in our town.

Lebanon Express, Feb. 23, 1894

Died: Joseph Leonard, of the firm of J. Leonard & Son, of this city, died Wednesday morning at 6:45.

He was born in Bath, Maine, July 24, 1810, where in early life he learned his trade as a boot and shoe-maker, after which he went to sea and followed the life of a sailor for some fifteen years. In the year 1834 he married a young lady with whom he lived until about eight years ago when death called her away, after fifty-two years of married life. About twenty years ago he removed from his native place to Pennsylvania where he spent eleven years, most of which was in Philadelphia, in the boot and shoe business. Nine years ago he removed to Nevada where he lived about four years, after which he came to Oregon and settled in Coos county, from which, after a residence of six months he came to Lebanon, where he has lived with his son for about five years. He was the father of eight children, all of whom, except one, are living -- one daughter in Rhode Island, two sons in Philadelphia, a son in Nevada, a son and daughter in California and the other son is well and favorably known in Lebanon.

Mr. Leonard was (unreadable) and industrious man, and a faithful husband and father.

The funeral will be at the Methodist Episcopal church, this (Friday) afternoon at 2:30. D.T.S.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 2, 1894

Ray Leonard would hereby inform the general public that the death of his father has made no change in his business as boot and shoe maker. Thankful for the liberal patronage given him in the past, he notifies the public that he is still to be found at the old stand, doing honest and faithful work at "hard times" prices.

Card of Thanks -- I hereby tender most hearty thanks to and express my appreciation of the many friends who so tenderly and attentively waited upon my worthy father during his long and fatal sickness, and so assisted and sympathized with me in laying his remains away in the silent tomb. Being the only member of a large but widely separated family that could be with my father, and upon whom the responsibility rested of caring for him in his old age and final sickness in a community where, because of our short residence, we might be regarded as strangers, and among a people upon whom we had no special claims, such watchfulness and kind services were all the more appreciated.

While so many have been so kind it becomes all the more delicate for me to mention one rather than another in such connection, yet I must say, the close attention shown by Mr. and Mrs. Hardy and their family in the interest they took in watching and nursing my father by night and by day until he passed away, and then looking after the details in connection with the burial, is entitled to special mention, and so appreciated by me as to be beyond my ability to express in language or reciprocate in services.

No people could have been kinder than the people of Lebanon to me and my father, and none can ever know how highly I have valued such ministrations. Ray Leonard

LEONARD, Ray (Rae)

No Stone

- b. 14 Feb 1849 Bath, ME d/o Joseph Leonard
- d. 13 Jan 1921 Lebanon, OR age 71y10m30d

Lebanon Express, Feb. 26, 1917

Miss Ray Leonard has leased the building formerly occupied by the library and has moved her shoe repair shop there. The building was originally built for a shoe shop for her.

Lebanon Express, Jan. 19, 1921

Miss Ray Leonard -- After a continuous illness of several months, death came as a glad release to Miss Ray Leonard at the Lebanon hospital on Thursday morning. Funeral services, conducted by Rev. J.J. Canoles of the Presbyterian church, were held at the N.C. Lowe chapel on Sunday afternoon. Interment was in the city cemetery, beside her father, who died over twenty years ago.

Miss Leonard was a shoemaker by trade and followed that vocation until failing health forced her to give up her shop. With her father, she came to Lebanon many years ago and both worked at the shoe trade.

Of their former life little is known but in her years of residence in the community she made a small circle of friends who were true to her to the last and helped cheer her of the weariness of a long and tedious illness.

Lebanon Criterion, Jan. 21, 1921

Miss Rae Leonard -- Following a lingering illness of heart trouble, at the Lebanon hospital, on January 12, 1921, death called Miss Rae Leonard from this life at the age of 76 years, 10 months and 28 days.

The deceased was born in Bath, Maine, February 14, 1844 and grew to young womanhood in that state where she also received her education. She later went to California where she spent a few years of her life, coming to Lebanon about thirty-five years ago establishing herself in the shoe repairing business which trade she followed with success as long as her health permitted. As the result of her failing health she was removed to the local hospital, where she has been cared for during the past few months.

She was a member of the Presbyterian church of this city and lived a consistent christian life, always keeping for her motto "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you." She was honest and industrious and has held a place of high esteem among the friends who knew her best.

Her funeral was conducted Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Lowe chapel by Rev. J.J. Canoles, and her body was laid to rest in the old cemetery in this city by the side of her father who died here in 1902.

NOTE: When researching for this book, we were puzzled as to whether Rae/Ray Leonard was a man or woman. After searching through several records, and interviewing Frank Groves who knew of her, we have determined that Rae was a woman who dressed in overalls and was generally believed, by most who knew her including the census taker, to be a man. It wasn't until about 1917 the truth was learned.

LOVELADY, Stella F.

- b. <u>21 Mar 1869</u> Benton Co., OR d/o Preston W. and Lavina "Vina" (McBride) Lovelady
- d. <u>25 Oct 1886</u> OR age 17y7m4d

NOTE: Stella's father, Preston Lovelady, held donation land claim #5202 in Polk county, arriving in Oregon in September 1846. Preston and Lavina were married 5 Sept 1852 in Polk county and resided in Benton county in 1860 and 1870. In 1880 Stella and her mother lived with Stella's sister Octavia Badger, wife of Ephraim.

MARKS, Francis W.

b. est. 12 May 1866 OR <u>s/o</u> <u>William and</u> Mary Genette (Worth) Marks

<u>d.</u> <u>21 Mar 1868</u> OR <u>age 1y10m9d</u>

"Such is the Kingdom of Heaven"

MARKS, John H.

No Stone

- b. 28 Sep 1836 Sullivan Co., IN s/o John M. and Nancy (Hamilton) Marks
- d. 22 Nov 1907 Lebanon, OR age 71y1m24d

Lebanon Express, Nov. 26, 1908

Obituary -- John H. Marks, a long resident of Linn county, after a short illness died in Lebanon Nov. 22, 1907, at 2 a.m. He was born in Sullivan county, Indiana, Sept. 28, 1836. His age was 71 years, 1 month and 24 days.

With his parents he came to Oregon across the plains in 1852. Three brothers alone survive of the family. The funeral services were held Saturday, Nov. 23d, in Lebanon, at 2 p.m., conducted by Rev. W.T. Wardle. The remains were interred in the Lebanon cemetery.

The old pioneers are passing one by one. The old landmarks are being replaced by new landmarks.

MARKS, John M.

- b. 16 Feb 1799 PA of Irish parents
 m. Nancy Hamilton 8 May 1827
 Washington Co., IN (see Marks, Nancy)
- <u>d.</u> <u>3 May 1881</u> OR age 82y2m15d

c. William (11 Jul 1830 Washington Co., IN, m. #1 Mary Genette Worth, m. #2 Rachel Caroline [Bonner] Wiley)

James McKinsey (26 Apr 1832 Washington Co., IN, m. Mary Paulina Blain)

John H. (28 Sep 1836 Sullivan Co., IN) Matthew M. (ca. 1840 IN, m. Mary A. Wilson)

Samuel W. (ca. 1842 IN, m. Olivia G. Jones)

daughter (ca. 1844, died while crossing the plains)

"Blessed are the dead/ who die in the Lord./ Gathered a ripe shock/ of corn in his season."

<u>Donation Land Claim # 2519</u> (T12S R2W Sec 5, 6, 7, and 8)

MARKS, John, Linn Co, b 1799, Pa; Arr. Ore. Oct 1852; SC 25 Nov 1852; m. Nancy 8 May 1827, Washington Co, Ind. Surveyed by John H. Ambler. Aff: James Gore, Wm. Marks, Allen Parker, R.S. Coyle.

NOTE: The Marks claim was situated on the west side of the Santiam River just on the north outskirts of present Lebanon.

Linn County Militia List, 1874

Marks, John M.

(Albany) States Rights Democrat, May 20, 1881

DIED

MARKS. -- At his residence, two miles west of Lebanon, Linn county, John Marks, in the eighty-third year of his age.

Mr. Marks was born in Lancaster Co., Pa., on the 16th of February, 1799. His father had left Ireland on account of political troubles; but returned to his ancestral home in the Emerald Isle, when the subject of this sketch was still a little child. Having once enjoyed the freedom of our broad domain, they could not be satisfied with the limits of the little green isle, and again emigrated to America, settling in the vicinity of Pittsburg (sic), Pa. There in the early years of this century John Marks spent his boyhood assisting in clearing the ground and making a settlement. Again he did pioneer service in Indiana, and was married and settled in his own

home, near Terre Haute, May 8th 1827. He came to Oregon in the emigration of 1852, and settled on the claim on which he died, in the fall of the same year. Mr. Marks leaves behind him the loved companion of fifty-four years of married life, and five sons, all citizens of this county. He was a ruling elder in the United Presbyterian Church, and died in the full triumph of the Christian faith.

His funeral service was held in the church of Lebanon, and was very largely attended by the early settlers of the vicinity and sympathizing Christian friends. S.S.I.

Terre Haute, Ind., papers please copy.

MARKS, Mary Genette (nee Worth)

<u>b.</u> <u>28 Jan 1833</u> IN

m. William Marks 27 Oct 1856 Lane Co.,

d. 30 Jun 1878 OR age 45y5m2d

c. John H. (1858 OT)
James W. (1860 OR)
M.A. (1863 OR, m. William Adams)
William Jr. (1865 OR)
Francis W. (est. 12 May 1866 OR)
S.J. (1871 OR, m. Mr. E.T. Slayton)

"In God I Trust"

MARKS, Nancy (nee Hamilton) "Mother"

b. <u>5 Oct 1804</u> Brook Co., VA

m. John M. Marks 8 May 1827

Washington Co., IN

<u>d.</u> <u>27 Mar 1895</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age</u>

90y5m22d "91y"

c. William (11 Jul 1830 Washington Co., IN, m. #1 Mary Genette Worth, m. #2 Rachel Caroline [Bonner] Wiley)

James McKinsey (26 Apr 1832 Washington Co., IN, m. Mary Paulina Blain)

John H. (28 Sep 1836 Sullivan Co., IN) Matthew M. (ca. 1840 IN, m. Mary A. Wilson)

Samuel W. (ca. 1842 IN, m. Olivia G. Jones)

daughter (ca. 1844, died while crossing the plains)

Lebanon Express, Mar. 29, 1895

Mrs. Nancy Marks died at the home of her son, William, on Wednesday morning at 4:30 a.m., at the advanced age of 90 years 5 months and 22

days. The funeral services will be conducted by Rev. J.H. Beattie assisted by other ministers of the city, at the C.P. church at 2 o'clock today.

Lebanon Express, Apr. 5, 1895

Death of a Pioneer -- Died, Mrs. Nancy Marks, who at the time of her death, lacked but a span of being centenarian. Deceased was born in Brook Co., Virginia, Oct. 5th 1804. Her parents emigrated to Indiana in an early day. She was united in marriage to John Marks, May 8, 1827, in Washington Co., In. She continued to reside in this state until 1852, when the family came to Linn county, Oregon, locating 2 miles west of Lebanon. Her husband died May 3, 1881, at the advanced age of 82 years.

Mrs. Marks continued to reside on the old homestead until the time of death, March 27, 1895. The family consisting of 6 children, with the exception of an only daughter who died while crossing the plains to this country, are now living in Oregon. It will be remembered by the many friends of the deceased, that she and her husband celebrated their golden wedding in 1878. Mrs. Marks identified herself with the church when young. She was a consistent Christian and a loyal member of the United Presbyterian church when the Master called her to join the church triumphant. concourse of people assembled at the funeral services in Lebanon, March 30. The sermon was preached by Rev. J.H. Beattie, all the pastors of the city being She was laid to rest in the Lebanon present. cemetery, to await the resurrection of the dead.

MARKS, William

b. <u>11 Jul 1830</u> Washington Co., IN s/o John M. and Nancy (Hamilton) Marks

m. #1 Mary Genette Worth 27 Oct 1856 Lane Co., OT (see Marks, Mary Genette)

#2 Rachel Caroline (Bonner) Wiley 4 Aug 1880 Linn Co., OR

b. 1846 IN

m. #1 Samuel M. Wiley

d. 3 Apr 1879 Lebanon, OR, bur. Masonic Cem., Lebanon, OR

d. 11 Nov 1920 Portland, OR, bur. Masonic Cem., Lebanon, OR

d. 22 Dec 1908 OR age 78y5m11d

c. (by Mary Worth)
John H. (1858 OT)
James W. (1860 OR)

M.A. (1863 OR, m. William Adams) William Jr. (1865 OR) Francis W. (est. 12 May 1866 OR) S.J. (1871 OR, m. Mr. E.T. Slayton) (by Rachel Wiley) Josephine (1883 OR, m. Charles Reddick) Leila "Ila" C. (1885 OR, m. Elbert S. Robe)

Donation Land Claim # 2521 (T12S R2W Sec 5)

MARKS, William, Linn Co; b 1830 Washington Co Ind.; Arr. Ore. Oct 1852; SC 1 May 1853; m Mary G 27 Oct 1856, Lane Co, Ore. T. 25 Oct 1875 H. Bryant of Albany, Ore. wrote Owen Wade, Oregon City, "... part of this c sold for \$45 per acre a few days ago." Aff: John Marks, Allen Parker.

Also, b. 11 Jul 1830 Washington Co., IN, m. #1 Mary Genette Worth 27 Oct 1856 Lane Co., OR Terr., d. 22 Dec 1908, bur. Pioneer Cem., Lebanon, Linn, OR m. #2 Rachel Caroline Bonner Wiley 4 Aug 1880 Linn Co, OR. Father John M. Marks DLC 2519, mother - Nancy Hamilton.

Linn County Militia List, 1874

Marks, William

Lebanon Express, Jan. 5, 1909

Matters in Probate -- Will of William Marks filed. All property left for the widow during life, then equally to the eight children or their heirs. Value of the property: Realty \$4000, personal \$2500. Mrs. Rachel Marks executor.

Albany Democrat, Dec. 25, 1908

A PIONEER OF 1852 -- Mr. William Marks died at his home at Lebanon, at 10 o'clock today, at the age of 78.

Mr. Marks was born July 11, 1830 in Washington County, Indiana, and came to Oregon across the plains in 1852, settling near Tallman, taking up a claim upon which he resided for 54 years until two years ago when he moved to Lebanon.

He helped establish the first school in Lebanon and also at Tallman, and himself taught for awhile in making the start. He was a director at Tallman for over 35 years.

He was a member of the Presbyterian church, and earnest Christian.

He leaves a wife and the following children: James W. of Coyote, California; John H. of Denver; Mrs. William Adams, Mrs. E.T. Slayton, and William Marks all of Prineville; Mrs. Charles Reddick of Lebanon; and Mrs. Elbert S. Robe of Albany.

Lebanon Express, Nov. 17, 1920

WELL KNOWN PIONEER WOMAN DIES IN PORTLAND

Mrs. Rachel C. Marks, a former resident and pioneer of this community, died in Portland November 11th, at the age of 74 years. She was twice married, her first husband being Samuel M. Wiley, and her second husband William Marks, both of whom preceded her to the beyond. She was a devoted Christian and long a member of the Presbyterian church in this city. She left here about ten years a go (sic), and most of the time since resided in Portland. She leaves three children. L.A. Wiley, Mrs. Charles Reddick and Mrs. E.S. Robe of Portland, and several stepchildren. Funeral service was held in Portland Saturday afternoon, and the remains were brought to Lebanon Sunday and laid to rest beside those of her first husband in the Masonic cemetery.

MARSH, Daniel

<u>b.</u> <u>23 Jul 1820</u> OH

d. 15 Jan 1876 OR age 55y5m23d

NOTE: Daniel was a pump maker.

McDONALD, John Nelson

b. 8 Mar 1824 Marshall Co., VA (WV)

m. Margarett Hamilton Blodgett 19
Feb 1846 Henry Co., IA (see
McDonald, Margarett Hamilton)

<u>d.</u> <u>6 May 1907</u> Albany, OR age 83y1m28d

c. Jennie M. (ca. 1847 IA, m. William A. McCully)

Benjamin A. (ca. 1848 IA, m. Sarah E. [Gum] Starr)

Clara D. (1852 OT, m. James G. Crawford)

James B. F. (1854 OT, m. Mrs. Ellen Simons)

Martha N. "Mattie" (18 Mar 1858 Linn Co., OT, m. William Ford Moist)

Joseph John (27 Dec 1859 OR, m. Ellen Mary Saltmarsh)

child child

<u>Donation Land Claim # 2391</u> (T12S R1W Sec 17 and 20)

McDONALD, John Nelson, Linn Co; b. 1823, Marshall Co, Va (WV); Arr OR 10 Aug 1852; SC 1 Sept 1852; m. Margaret H. 19 Feb 1846, Henry Co, IA. Aff: Bartlet Curl, James A.B. Stinson, Wm. Mercersmyth (William M. Smith), John A. Ambler.

Albany Democrat, May 6, 1907

At an early hour yesterday morning J.N. McDonald passed away at the home of his daughter Mrs. J.G. Crawford, 128 West Second Street. Senile exhaustion is assigned as the cause of death. The deceased was aged 84 years.

He was born near Wheeling, West Virginia in 1823. While residing in West Virginia he married Miss Margaret Blodgett, now deceased.

In 1852 he crossed the plains with a party of emigrants, and settled near Lebanon in this County, residing there until 1887. The deceased then moved to Eastern Washington where he resided for a number of years.

Besides a daughter, Mrs. J.G. Crawford of this city, the deceased leaves another daughter and one son. They are Mrs. Fred Moist of Lebanon, and Joe McDonald, now in Alaska.

The funeral will take place in Lebanon tomorrow, Rev. Gregory of that place officiating.Interment will be in the Lebanon City Cemetery.

Lebanon Express, May 10, 1907

Obituary -- John Nelson McDonald died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J.G. Crawford, in Albany, May 7, 1907, at the ripe old age of 84 years, after an illness of about a week.

The deceased was born near Wheeling in West Virginia on March 8th, 1823. In 1852 he came to Oregon by ox team and settled near Lebanon in Linn county, where he has made his home most of the time since. He resided for a few years in Eastern Washington. He was a man who took an active part in building up the schools and churches of the community where he lived and kept himself well advised upon current events and history. Even up to his last illness he read the daily papers every day. The community has lost one of its respected citizens.

The funeral was held Wednesday and the interment was had in the Masonic (sic) cemetery at this city.

On February 19, 1846, in Iowa, he was married to Miss Margarett Blodget (sic), and to this union eight children were born, six of whom are still living. These are: Mrs. W.A. McCully, of Joseph, Wallowa county, Oregon; B.A. McDonald, of Dayton, Wash.; Mrs. J.G. Crawford, Albany; J.F. McDonald, Paisley, Oregon; Mrs. W.F. Moist, Lebanon, and Joseph McDonald, Dawson, Alaska. On November 29, 1885, his wife died and was buried here in the Lebanon cemetery in the lot where he was yesterday laid to rest.

A large number of relatives and friends of the deceased and his family from Albany and Salem were in Lebanon yesterday to attend the funeral. A short service was held at the grave, conducted by Revs. Griswold, of Albany, and J.C. Gregory, this city.

McDONALD, Margarett Hamilton (nee Blodgett)

- b. 29 Dec 1827 Ohio Co., VA (WV)
- m. **John Nelson McDonald** 19 Feb 1846 Henry Co., IA
- d. 29 Nov 1885 Linn Co., OR age 58y11m
- c. Jennie M. (ca. 1847 IA, m. William A. McCully)

Benjamin A. (ca. 1848 IA, m. Sarah E. [Gum] Starr)

Clara D. (1852 OT, m. James G. Crawford)

James B. F. (1854 OT, m. Mrs. Ellen Simons)

Martha N. "Mattie" (18 Mar 1858 Linn Co., OT, m. William Ford Moist)

Joseph John (27 Dec 1859 OR, m. Ellen Mary Saltmarsh)

child child

"To the memory of our mother by her children./ Gone but not forgotten."

NOTE: Margarett was probably a sister of Berry F. Blodgett.

Pacific Christian Advocate, Feb. 18, 1886

McDONALD: -- Near Lebanon, Linn county, Oregon, Nov. 29, 1885, Sister Margret (sic) H., wife of I.N. (sic) McDonald.

Sister McDonald was born in Ohio county, West Virginia, December 29, 1827. At the age of

fourteen she immigrated with her parents to Iowa, was converted and united with the M.E. Church the following year. She was united in marriage to her now bereaved husband Feb. 19, 1846, and came with him to Oregon in the fall of 1852. They located near Lebanon, where she spent the remainder of her life a devoted wife and mother. The pale horse and his rider came upon her very suddenly without even a moments warning. She retired to rest at her usual hour and quickly fell asleep without a struggle to awake no more until trumpet shall sound and the dead shall be raised incorruptable (sic). J.M. Sweney.

McGHEE, Amanda Catherine (nee Norris) "Consort of Jessee A"

- <u>b.</u> <u>29 Jan 1825</u> Albermarle Co., VA d/o John and Nancy (Naylor) Norris
- m. Jessee Anderson McGhee 14 Dec 1848 Boone Co., MO
 - b. 7 Aug 1823 Washington Co., VA
 - m. #2 Mrs. Lavina Arrasmith Wheeler
 - b. ca. 1835 MO
 - d. 8 Feb 1888 Tangent, OR
 - d. 10 Feb 1908 Whitman Co., WA bur Greenwood Cem., Palouse, WA
- d. 1 Mar 1859 OR age 34y1m1d
 c. John Wyatt (16 Aug 1849 Boor
 - John Wyatt (16 Aug 1849 Boone Co., MO, m. Elizabeth Jane Michael)

Thomas Henry (23 Jul 1852 Boone Co., MO, m. Anna McFarland)

Walter Anderson (12 Sep 1855 Linn Co., OT, m. Mary Frances White)

Elizabeth Norris (17 Aug 1857 Linn Co., OT, m. Dr. Daniel Madison Jones)

James Wallace (3 Feb 1859 Linn Co., OT)

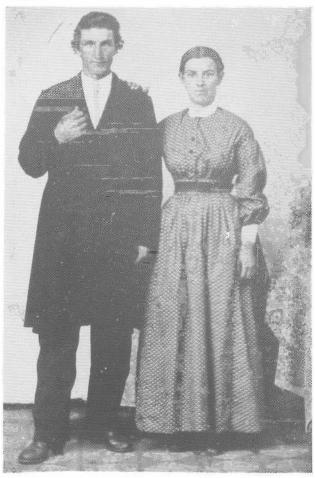
NOTE: Amanda's husband, Jessee A. McGhee, held D.L.C. #5120 in Linn county. The McGhees arrived in Oregon 10/14 Apr 1854 and settled their claim 14 Dec 1854. Affirmed by Walter W. McGhee, Leonard H. Crow, and Alexander Crawford.

McGHEE, James Wallace

No Stone

- b. 3 Feb 1859 Linn Co., OT s/o Jesse Anderson and Amanda Catherine (Norris) McGhee
- d. 24 Feb 1862 Linn Co., OR age 3y21d

NOTE: The 1860 Linn county census shows Wallace McGhee living with Moses and Martha Bland.



George and Emily McKinney

McKINNEY, George Buhl/Bula

- <u>b.</u> 27 Jul 1840 MO s/o Rev. John M. and Ann E. (Austin) Keschler McKinney
- m. Emily Parrish 8 Dec 1868 Linn Co., OR b. 31 Jul 1851 OH d/o Jesse
 - b. 31 Jul 1851 OH d/o Jesse
 Busse and Delia (Thorla)
 Parrish
 - m. #2 John S. Sonnek 4 Sep 1892 Linn Co., OR
 - d. 20 Sep 1919 Palouse, WA bur Greenwood Cem., Palouse, WA

 d. 10 Aug 1888 Linn Co., OR age 48y13d
 c. Saphrona Elizabeth "Lizzie" (10 Mar 1870 OR, m. Alexander E. Davis)

Edith Jane (8 Mar 1872 OR, m. C.H. Farnsworth, Mayor of Palouse, WA)

Rhoda Perina (13 Sep 1873 OR, m. John C. Findley)

Frank Allen (12 Sep 1874 OR, m. Rena Burrell)

Bertha Delcina "Della" (2 Nov 1876 Linn Co., OR, m. Arthur B. Burrell)

Jesse Parrish (15 Nov 1884 OR, m. Ida McPherson)

Josephine E. (2 Nov 1885 OR, m. #1 Edgar L. Gilbert, m. #2 James Claud Gross)

Roy Buhl (28 Jan 1888 OR, m. Leola Lillian Berry)

Lebanon Express, Aug. 17, 1888

Fatal Accident -- Geo. B. McKinney, living about six miles above Lebanon in Waterloo precinct, was accidentally killed in the following manner: He was engaged in hauling straw into a shed on his farm, and while at the shed unloading his team became frightened and started to run. Mr. McKinney was standing on the back part of the load, and in attempting to get a hold of the lines he was thrown off in front of the wagon under the horses heels, the wagon passing over his head and shoulders. Dr. Foley was sent for, but Mr. McKinney died before he arrived. His face and head were badly mashed. He was about 50 years of age. The funeral took place at the Lebanon cemetery at 6 o'clock Saturday evening, almost the entire community and town attending, thereby attesting their sympathy in this deep affliction. The deceased was a member of I.O.O.F. and of the M.E. church in good standing. He was buried according to the ritual service of the M.E. church, Rev. Walton Skipworth officiating, assisted by J.R. Kirkpatrick.

Obituary of George B. McKinney, source and date unknown

George B. McKinney was born in the State of Missouri, July, 1840; crossed the plains in 1851; was killed on the 10th of August, 1888, on his place near Lebanon, Linn County, Oregon, by being thrown from a load of hay. The fatal accident was caused by a team running away. Bro. McKinney was always known to live a moral, upright life; but three

years ago he became awakened to the great fact that mere mortality cannot save the soul and so sought a personal interest in the blood of Christ. He embraced religion in October 1885, at the union meeting held at Waterloo, Oregon, and in February, 1886, joined the Methodist Episcopal Church in which Church he lived until the time of his death. His death was sad indeed -- so sudden and unexpected. He leaves a wife, eight children, and a large number of friends and acquaintances, who will mourn and feel that truly in his death they sustain a great loss. Walton Skipworth

Obituary, unknown Washington paper, Sept. 1919

MRS. E. SONNEK PASSES AWAY -- Resident of Palouse for Many Years -- Estimable Christian Woman. -- It was with surprise and sorrow that the people of the community learned Sunday morning of the death of Mrs. Emma Sonnek, which had occurred at an early hour in the morning at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C.H. Farnsworth. While she had not been in good health for some time, it was not thought that her condition was serious. On Saturday she had visited in Potlatch and after coming home had eaten a hearty supper and retired. She was taken suddenly ill about midnight.

Mrs. Sonnek was 69 years of age and had been a resident of Palouse since 1897, living in Oregon many years previous to that. Happily she had spent part of the past summer visiting her children at Berlin, Oregon, having returned home about two weeks ago. Mrs. Sonnek had for many years been a consistent member and worker in the Christian church and was in every respect a most estimable woman, always interested in the welfare of others.

She leaves six children, three of whom, Frank McKinney, Jesse McKinney and Mrs. Josie Guilbert (sic), live at Berlin, Oregon, the former home of the family, and two, Mrs. C.H. Farnsworth and Mrs. Will Redman, live at Palouse, while Roy McKinney, the youngest son, lives in Canada. All were able to be present at the funeral.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon from the Christian church, the service being conducted by the Rev. W.G. Scates, of Moscow, former pastor of the deceased. The attendance was large and the floral offerings were numerous and beautiful ... At the grave the beautiful burial service of the Rebekah lodge, of which Mrs. Sonnek was a member, was read, the members attending in a body.

MILLER, James A.

<u>b.</u> <u>28 Dec 1873 s/o J</u>oseph <u>H</u>. <u>and M</u>ariah <u>A</u>. (Goodlow) <u>Miller</u>

d. 6 Feb 1876 OR age 2y1m9d

MILLER, Loda

No Stone

- b. 17 Dec 1880 OR d/o Robert C. and Margaret Jane (Irvine) Hollandbeck Miller
- d. 19 Sep 1887 Linn Co., OR age 6y9m2d

NOTE: Loda's father, Robert C. Miller (b. 1824 Cooper Co., MO), who held D.L.C. #1832 in Linn county, arrived in Oregon 15 Oct 1847, settling his claim 25 Sep 1849. Margaret (Irvine) Hollandbeck was his second wife. His first wife was Mary Claypool. Affirming his claim were Oliver C. Gallaher and Reuben Claypool.

Margaret Jane Irvine was the daughter of Jesse Irvine who died in Missouri. She came to Oregon in 1852 with her mother, who died the day they arrived, and her brothers and sisters.

Lebanon Express, Aug. 3, 1887

Local and General -- Little Loda Miller, youngest sister of M.A. Miller, is dangerously sick. Slight hopes are entertained of her recovery.

Lebanon Express, Oct. 7, 1887

IN MEMORIAM,

Died -- Near Rock Hill, Linn county, Oregon, September 19, 1887, LODA, youngest daughter of R.C. and M.J. Miller, aged 7 years.

Brother and sister Miller recently buried their oldest daughter at Eugene City, and ere the hearts ceased to ache for sister Mary, our sorrows were redoubled on the 29th (sic), when little LODA's spirit took its flight from the world of sorrow and pain to join her sister in the heavenly group and with the angels chant the songs of everlasting bliss around God's dazzling throne of perfect love and peace.

The bereaved parents and family have the sympathy of the entire community in this their hour of affliction, especially Rock Hill Sunday school, and Grange No. 192, P. of H., which commend them to look to him who doth all things well. "The Lord giveth, and the Lord taketh away." Your little flower was but to bud on earth, to bloom in heaven.

No taint of earth, no thought of sin Was dwelt by thy stainless soul within; But God hath lain thee down to sleep Like a pure pearl below the deep.

Soon on death's couch we'll recline, Soon may our heads be lain with thine; Sweet Loda we shall meet above To live forever more in love.

E.B.P.

Lebanon Express, Oct. 20, 1938

Recalling Early History

... an interview with "Uncle Ben" and "Aunt Becky" Irvine, is a reprint of a story written by Fred Lockley...

"My father, Jesse Irvine, was born in Kentucky," said "Uncle Ben." "So was my mother, Margaret Hadley. My father died in Missouri about 1840. When we came to Oregon, Olive, my oldest sister, stayed in Kentucky. She was married and she and her husband like it there. My mother came with three of her girls and five boys. Polly and Betsy were the oldest. Samuel was the oldest boy; then came Robert Armington, then myself, Benjamin Harrison, then Jesse, then Jim, and the youngest was Margaret Jane. She married Mr. Miller and her son, Milton A. Miller, is colector (sic) of customs at Portland....

"My brother Samuel settled on Salem prarie (sic), seven miles from Salem. My sister Polly and her husband, Charles Claggett, took up a place four miles from Salem....

"In the spring of '53, most of us secured claims in the forks of the Santiam. Margaret, my youngest sister, lived with me. Our claims were in Linn county. My brother Robert married one of Lige Smith's girls, who lived in Marion county, just across from his place. I married Sarah Becky Johnson, a daughter of Harrison Johnson, who settled in the forks of the Santiam in 1853. Jesse married Emmaline Humphrey, whose father's claim was on the Santiam.

"James married Lucinda Whiting, a neighbor's girl, and Margaret married George Hollenbeck, and later, becoming a widow, she married Robert Miller..."

MILLS, Arthur John "In Memory of my Son"

- b. 17 Feb 1873 IA s/o Edward John and Betsy Elizabeth (Davis) Mills
- <u>d.</u> <u>27 Apr 1889</u> Lacomb, OR age 16y2m10d

Lebanon Express, May 3, 1889

Died, on last Saturday evening, Arthur Mills, son of Mrs. E.J. Mills. He was buried in the Lebanon Cemetery on Monday. Rev. G.W. Giboney conducted the service at the grave.



Elizabeth Mills

MILLS, <u>Betsy</u> <u>Elizabeth</u> (nee Davis) "<u>Mother</u>" "In loving remembrance of"

- b. 18 Feb 1848 Burnett twp., Dodge Co.,WI d/o Harry F. and Lucinda (Thomas)Davis
- m. #1 Edward John Mills 13 Oct 1864
 Horicon, WI
 #2 William J.A. Davenport 3 Oct 1890
 Linn Co., OR
 #3 J. L. Armstrong 15 Nov 1904 Linn
 Co., OR
- <u>d.</u> <u>9 Sep 1905</u> San Francisco, CA <u>age</u> 57y6m21d
- c. (by Edward Mills)

Clara (1 Sep 1865, m. Earl Wagstaff) William Henry (13 Apr 1867, m. Addie Jenkins) Samuel (15 Nov 1869, m. Polly ???) Edwin H. (17 Nov 1871 IA) Arthur John (17 Feb 1873 IA) Nelly (5 Jan 1875 IA, m. James Arthur Lucas) Homer (11 Feb 1877 IA, m. Agnes Gay) Hurbert Alexander (25 Feb 1879 IA, m. Cora Sarabelle Breed) Benton F. (11 Feb 1881, m. Sadie Jane Troxel) Rosy Eloner (27 Dec 1883) Effa Jenny May (15 May 1887 Lebanon, OR, m. Charles Augustus Duncan)

"At Rest 1905"

Lebanon Express, Sep. 15, 1905

Mrs. B.E. Davenport (formerly Mills) whose home is northeast of Lebanon, died in San Francisco, Sept. 9, 1905. The remains were brought here by her daughter, Mrs. Lucas, and interred in the city cemetery. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. W.T. Wardle, Wednes. afternoon.

MILLS, Edward John "To my husband"

- b. 15 Jul 1845 England

 Betsy Elizabeth Day
- m. Betsy Elizabeth Davis 13 Oct 1864 Horicon, WI (see Mills, Betsy Elizabeth)
- <u>d.</u> 3 Sep 1888 Lacomb, OR age 43y1m19d
- c. Clara (1 Sep 1865, m. Earl Wagstaff) William Henry (13 Apr 1867, m. Addie Jenkins)

Samuel (15 Nov 1869, m. Polly ???) Edwin H. (17 Nov 1871 IA) Arthur John (17 Feb 1873 IA)

Nelly (5 Jan 1875 IA, m. James Arthur Lucas)

Homer (11 Feb 1877 IA, m. Agnes Gay) Hurbert Alexander (25 Feb 1879 IA, m. Cora Sarabelle Breed)

Benton F. (11 Feb 1881, m. Sadie Jane Troxel)

Rosy Eloner (27 Dec 1883) Effa Jenny May (15 May 1887 Lebanon, OR, m. Charles Augustus Duncan)

Lebanon Express, Sep. 7, 1888

Died -- Mr. E.J. Mills died Monday night, Sept. 3d, of chronic bowel trouble. Some time since Mr. Mills was relieved of a huge tape worm, and seemed to be improving, but was taken suddenly ill on Monday and died that night. The funeral took place at Lebanon on Wednesday at 1 o'clock P.M. Mr. Mills came to Oregon about 2 years ago and purchased a farm about 6 miles northeast of Lebanon, where he has lived ever since. He leaves a wife and several children to mourn his untimely decease. The bereaved family have our sympathy.

MONTAGUE, Infant Daughter

- b. ca. 1878 OR <u>d/o</u> <u>Charles Bruce and</u> <u>Martha Melinda (Peebler) Montague</u>
- d. ca. 1878 OR

MONTAGUE, <u>Martha</u> <u>Melinda</u> (nee Peebler) "<u>Wife of</u>"

- <u>b.</u> <u>2 Nov 1842</u> d/o David and Susanna (Imbler) Peebler
- m. Charles Bruce Montague 6 Dec 1860 Marion Co., OR
 - b. 4 Jan 1833 Argyil, Scotland
 - m. #2 Priscilla Catherine (Ostrander) Redpath 27 Aug 1879
 - d. 9 Dec 1912 Portland, OR
- d. 24 Jun 1878 OR age 35y7m22d c. Elmer E. (m. Mary E. Gilbert)
 - Clara N. (27 Oct 1863 WT, m. James Davidson Jr.)
 - Mary (ca. 1866 WT, m. George W. Giboney)
 - Charles D. (ca. 1867 WT, m. Effie Miller)
 - Ida Susan (ca. 1871 OR, m. Dr. Joseph S. Courtney)
 - Robert B. (ca. 1874 OR, m. Georgia D. ???)
 - infant daughter (ca. 1878 OR)

"Resurgam"

NOTE: Martha died of puerperal fever.

Lebanon Express, date unknown

Mrs. Clara M. Davidson offers \$5.00 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of any person taking flowers, shelle (sic),



David and Susan Peebler, parents of Martha Montague

Lebanon Express, Mar. 21, 1966

Helen Montague's Memoirs Entwine Family, City Saga

...(Martha's) parents, the David Peeblers, ... purchased a farm from one of the six Kees brothers ... west of the Academy grounds (now the junior high school campus).

... The first Mrs. Montague died in the summer of 1878 of "puerperal fever." She was buried in the old cemetery at Lebanon. Mrs. Priscilla Redpath, a widow with two children, became the second Mrs. Montague in 1880 ...

"My grandfather Montague gave \$400 toward the construction of the Presbyterian Church according to family records," she said, "My grandmother joined this church when her daughter Ida Susan was christened in 1870 -- although her family was Brethren."

NOTE: Charles Montague's obituary is reprinted here for background purposes although he is buried at the Masonic Cemetery in Lebanon.

Lebanon Express, Dec. 10, 1912

Death Removes a Lebanon Pioneer -- C.
B. Montague Died at His Home in Portland
Monday -- Long and Varied Career -- Through
Respect For Veteran Soldier Business Houses
Close During Funeral Services.

C.B. Montague died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J.S. Courtney, in Portland yesterday, Dec. 9, 1912, of paralysis, after an illness of two years at the age of 79 years, 11 months, and 5 days.

The deceased was born at Argyll, Scotland, on Jan. 4th, 1833. He came with his parents to America in 1847 when he was 14 years old, he (sic) remained in this country until 1854 when he returned to Scotland and enlisted in the Crimean war, and served until the fall of 1856 with the commission of lieutenant. In 1858 Mr. Montague returned to the United States and after a short time spent in San Francisco he came to Oregon. Soon after he started for the mines of the Fraser river, but changed his mind when he reached Salem and began teaching school in the Waldo Hills. Three years later he joined the First Oregon Cavalry, and became first sergeant in Company B. He remained in the service from 1861 to 1864, in the last named year being mustered out at Vancouver, Wash. In the same year he became chief clerk, under Captain Hopkins, of the United States quartermaster depot, stationed at Vancouver. Three years later he resigned his office as chief clerk and came to Lebanon, Oregon, he (sic) spent nearly 25 years in the mercantile business in this city.

Mr. Montague was married in Marion county in 1860 to Martha Peebler, to (sic) this union was born six children, 3 sons and 3 daughters, as follows: Elmer E., Clara N., Mary, Chas. D., Ida M. and Robert B., all of whom are still living and was (sic) with him at the time of his death except his wife who died about 1878 and a daughter, Clara N., who died about 5 years ago. Mr. Montague was remarried in 1879 to Mrs. Priscilla C. Redpath, who survives him.

Mr. Montague was a staunch democrat in political belief and represented his party in the legislature in 1901. He was always active in the city municipal affairs having served as mayor and also in the city council for many terms. In 1886 he was elected county clerk of Linn county, a position he filled well for 2 years.

There was never a man lived in Lebanon but did more for the city than did Mr. Montague, he (sic) was always ready to help in all public enterprise and no one who was in need was ever turned away without help.

His remains will be brought to this city on the noon train Wednesday and taken from the train to the Presbyterian church where his pastor Rev. W.S. McCullough, will conduct the funeral service, after which, he will be laid to rest in the Masonic cemetery. The Grand Army Post will have charge of the funeral at the grave.

The bereaved family and relatives have the sympathy of the entire community.

Old Time Albany, by Fred P. Nutting, Oct. 12, 1935

In an article describing Albany's 4th of July celebration of 1881

... Charles B. Montague, a Lebanon merchant, read the declaration of Independence in a way of his own, with somewhat of a Scotch tone to it, quite a Chesterfield in demeanor. Two sons, Elmer and Robert, were prominent here, both county clerks ...

MOORE, George Madison

- b. 3 Dec 1861 OR s/o John Washington and Rachel A. (Robinett) Moore
- d. 28 Dec 1865 OR age 2y25d

NOTE: We think the dates on this stone are incorrect. Year of death should be 1863.

<u>Portland Pacific Christian Advocate</u>, Reel #1, Published Jan. 23, 1864

Obituary:

Near Lebanon, George Madison, son of John W. and Rachael A. Moore, at aged 2 years.

MOORE, Infant

- <u>b.</u> <u>20 Jun 1858</u> OT <u>s/o J</u>ohn <u>W</u>ashington <u>and Rachel A.</u> (Robinett) <u>Moore</u>
- <u>d.</u> <u>20 Jun 1858</u> OT at birth

MOORE, Jane

No Stone

- unknown, probably d/o John
 Washington and Rachel A. (Robinett)
 Moore
- d. 1858

NOTE: John Moore, father of the above children, held D.L.C. # 2105 OC (T12S R1W Sec 15, 16, 21 and 22) in Linn Co. He was born in Greene Co., TN in 1830 and arrived in Oregon 22 Feb/Mar 1851, settling his claim 22 Mar 1852. Rachel Robinett was born 1 Dec 1832 in Boone Co., MO, the daughter of John and Mary (Powell) Robinett. She and John Moore were married 15 Feb 1852 in Linn Co., where they lived until 1870. John died 17 Apr 1915 in Hood River Co., OR. Rachel died 11 Jul 1901 in The Dalles, OR. Both are buried at the IOOF Cemetery in Corvallis, OR.

Daily Gazette Times (Corvallis), July 13, 1901

SIDE BY SIDE: Burial of Mrs. Moore and her son -- Many people attended the funeral.

The unusual spectacle of a funeral procession following two hearses instead of one was an incident in Corvallis life late Sunday afternoon. It was the sequel to a double funeral service at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S.N. Wilkins, where, two caskets laid side by side, Rachael Moore, the mother and Medford A. Moore, the son, were the subject of the last rites paid to man. It was followed by another scene a(t the) cemetery, where side by side, the two caskets were laid into new made graves.

The mother was Rachael Moore, who as Times readers know, died at The Dalles Friday from heart failure, precipiated (sic) by the shock sustained by the receipt of the news of her son's violent death.

The son was Medford A. Moore, who was accidently shot in his place of business last Tuesday afternoon. The mothers death occurred at three

o'clock Friday morning. From Wednesday morning she had been suffering intensely with grief and worry over her son's death. Several times during the night she had risen from her bed and spoke to her husband with reference to the approaching burial of her son. Her health aside from her grief, was apparently as good as usual. At three o'clock, she arose a last time from her bed and while in conversation with her husband, suddenly threw up her hands and with a cry, "I am gone," sank lifeless on a sofa.

Daily Gazette Times (Corvallis), Apr. 20, 1915

The remains of the late John W. Moore arrived in Corvallis on the afternoon train from Hood River, where he passed away Sunday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. V.C. Brock, asthma and a complication of diseases resulting in his demise.

The remains were taken from the train to Crystal Lake Cemetery, members of the Masonic Order conducting the funeral services at the grave. Mr. Moore was born in Greene County Tennessee, March 14, 1829, and came to Oregon when 20 years of age. In 1885 the family came to Corvallis, that the children might be educated here, and for years the family was identified with the business life of the city.

Mr. Moore was the father of seven children, three of whom survive him. These are John W. Moore, of Tucson, Arizona; Mrs. M.A. Wilkins; Mrs. V.C. Brock, of Hood River, Oregon.

MYER, John

- b. est. 26 Mar 1814
- d. 24 May 1873 OR age 59y1m28d

NICKERSON, Hugh R.

- b. 31 Dec <u>1854</u> OT s/o Simon Allen and Mary A. (Thorla) Nickerson
- d. <u>3 Feb 1876</u> OR age 21y1m3d

NICKERSON, John Allen

- b. <u>2 Sep 1858</u> OT s/o Simon Allen and Mary A. (Thorla) Nickerson
- d. 9 Jan 1859 OT age 4m7d

"Son"



Mary Nickerson

NICKERSON, Mary A. (nee Thorla) "Wife of SA Nickerson"

- b. <u>6 Dec 1827</u> Morgan (now Noble) Co., OH d/o Richard and Camila (McAllister) Thorla
- m. Simon Allen Nickerson 27/28 Mar 1852 Noble Co., OH
- d. <u>4 Jul 1905</u> Astoria, OR age 77y6m28d
- c. Minnie Camille (ca. 1853 OT, m.
 Joseph Crosby Saltmarsh)
 Hugh R. (31 Dec 1854 OT)
 John Allen (2 Sep 1858 OT)
 Frank A. (ca. 1862 OR, m. #1 Emma
 Roberts, m. #2 Elizabeth
 M. Walker)
 Grant H. (ca. 1864 OR)

Allen B. (ca. 1866 OR, m. Minnie E. Coyle)

Maud Lillian (17 Aug 1872 OR, m. Anthony Grant [G.A.] Propst)

NOTE: In the first edition of this book we incorrectly identified the parents of Mary (Thorla) Nickerson as Benjamin and Elizabeth (Allen) Thorla. Mary was the daughter of Benjamin Thorla's brother Richard and his wife Camila. We regret any confusion we may have caused.

researching In 1990. while cemetery. Pat Dunn and I read the inscriptions on every stone and marker. The name we entered for this marker was Martha. noting all references to Mrs. Nickerson called her Mary, we returned to the cemetery to recheck our work. Unfortunately the Nickerson monument, which honors both parents and their two sons, had been very badly vandalized. Made of white bronze, the only portions left intact were the four corner columns supporting an open book -- its pages claiming "THEY ARE NOT DEAD." Within the hollow base of this skeletal final tribute rested a few remaining bits of metal. Carefully piecing them together we realized the piece containing the name Martha or Mary Nickerson was missing.

A small granite marker honoring the Nickerson family has since been placed near the original marker.

Mary was a cousin of Delia (Thorla) Parrish.

Lebanon Express-Advance, July 7, 1905

Obituary -- Mrs. Mary A. Nickerson, passed away at the home of her son, F.A. Nickerson, in Astoria, July 4, 1905, aged 77 years, 6 months and 28 days.

The maiden name of the deceased was Mary A. Thorla and she was born in Noble county, Ohio December 6, 1827. She was married at that place in March 1852, to Simon A. Nickerson, and they came to Oregon the same year and located near Lebanon, taking up a donation land claim, part of which is now in the edge of the city. Mr. Nickerson afterwards built a planing mill in the northern part of town, which he operated for many years.

They resided in north Lebanon until the death of Mr. Nickerson, in July, 1902, and Mrs. Nickerson resided there until last fall.

Seven children were born to them, five of whom are living, namely: Mrs. J.C. Saltmarsh of Pendleton, F.A. Nickerson of Astoria, G.H.

Nickerson of Fresno, California, A.B. Nickerson of Littel, Washington, and Mrs. Maud Propst of Albany, Oregon.

Mr. and Mrs. Nickerson were among the best and most prominent people of this section for many years. They were honest, generous, intellectual and public spirited and took an active part in the up-building of the country.

The cause of the death of Mrs. Nickerson was stricture of the bowels, after a severe illness of two and one-half months, being confined to her bed the entire time she was in Astoria with the exception of the first three days. During all her suffering she exhibited the utmost degree of patience and fortitude and never uttered a complaint.

The remains were brought to Lebanon Wednesday and laid to rest beside those of her husband in the city cemetery.

The deceased was for many years a member of Pearl Rebekah lodge, of this city, and this organization had charge of the funeral, conducting ceremonies according to their ritual. Rev. Dr. Thompson also conducted a short service.

NICKERSON, Simon Allen

- b. <u>8 May 1827</u> Morgan Co., OH s/o Hugh and Rebecca (Blanchard) Nickerson
- m. Mary A. Thorla 27/28 Mar 1852 Noble Co., OH (see Nickerson, Mary A.)
- d. <u>16 Jul 1902</u> Linn Co., OR age 75y2m8d
- c. Minnie Camille (ca. 1853 OT, m.
 Joseph Crosby Saltmarsh)
 Hugh R. (31 Dec 1854 OT)
 John Allen (2 Sep 1858 OT)

Frank A. (ca. 1862 OR, m. #1 Emma Roberts, m. #2 Elizabeth M. Walker)

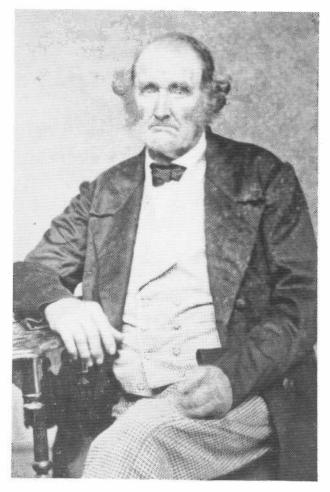
Grant H. (ca. 1864 OR)

Allen B. (ca. 1866 OR, m. Minnie E. Coyle)

Maud Lillian (17 Aug 1872 OR, m. Anthony Grant [G.A.] Propst)

"The heart's keen anguish/ only those can tell/ who've bid the dearest/ and best farewell."

NOTE: Simon was a brother of Mahala (Nickerson) George, grandmother of Silvanus E. George.



Simon Nickerson

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1972</u> (T12S R2W Sec 15, 16 and 17)

NICKERSON, Simon A., Linn Co. b. 1827 Morgan Co. OH; Arr. OR Oct 1852; SC 25 Oct 1852; m. Mary A. 28 Mar 1852 Noble Co, OH. Aff: John W. Bell, John Marks, H.N. George.

Historical Atlas Map of Marion & Linn Counties, Edgar Williams & Co., 1878

"... There is also an excellent sash and planing mill (in Lebanon) owned by Mr. S.A. Nickerson; ... run by water power."

Lebanon Express-Advance, July 18, 1902

A Good Man Gone -- Simon Allen Nickerson was born in Morgan county, Ohio, on the 8th day of May, 1827 and on March 27, 1852, he was married to Mary A. Thorla. He immediately took up his march westward, arriving in this vicinity October fifth of the same year. He settled on (a) Donation claim just one mile from the present city limits. Few men are better known or have been more intimately connected with the history of Lebanon than the Hon. S.A. Nickerson. His name is a synonym of honesty and fair dealing, and few men have ever enjoyed the confidence of their fellow man as did he, a pioneer in principle as well as in fact. He became a member of Lebanon lodge of I.O.O.F., No. 47, in January, 1874. He took the chair of noble grand in January, 1876, was elected to a seat in the grand lodge in 1876 and continued to represent his lodge for several years. He was a charter member of Ridgely encampment, No. 12, Lebanon, which was instituted May 28, 1878, served four terms as high priest and was a member of the grand encampment of Oregon. He was a charter member of Pearl Rebekah lodge, No. 47, and its first noble grand, being the only brother who ever served in that office. Mr. Nickerson remained a member of the I.O.O.F. in good and regular standing until his death, which occurred July 16, 1902, after about four years of suffering with paralysis. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn his loss, three sons and two daughters. The funeral was held at the home this morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by the I.O.O.F., and was largely attended. The sermon was delivered by Rev. C.I. Hamilton, of the M.E. church, Interment was in the Lebanon cemetery.



Mary and Simon Nickerson Simon spent his last four years paralyzed and bedridden.



Ai Parrish

PARRISH, Ai

- <u>b.</u> 15 Feb 1846 Morgan (now Noble) Co.,
 OH s/o Jesse Busse and Delia
 (Thorla) Parrish
- m. Isura Summers 8 Dec 1867 Linn Co., OR (divorced)
 - b. ca. 1852 OR d/o Thomas and Elizabeth B. Summers
- <u>d.</u> 11 Jan 1908 Linn Co., OR age 61y10m26d
- c. Steven G. (ca. 1868 OR)
 Delia J. (ca. 1869 OR, m. #1 W.M.
 Smith, m. #2 Mr. Overton)
 Ala Howard (18 Jul 1872 OR, m. Alma
 Viola Haskins)
 Estella (ca. 1875 OR, m. Wade Blevins)
 Allie (Jul 1880 OR, m. I. Gilbert
 McCully)

NOTE: Ai Parrish was a grandson of Rev. Edward Evans Parrish, early Methodist preacher who arrived in Oregon in 1847. Ai came to Oregon with his father, J.B. Parrish, in 1852.

Lebanon Express-Advance, Jan. 14, 1908

Obituary -- Ai Parrish was born in Naple (sic) county, Ohio February 15, 1846. Crossed the plains in the year 1852, in company with his parents, two sisters and 1 brother, and settled near Albany, Linn county, Oregon. His brother, Dave Parrish, died in September 1878, a sister, Martha Coyle in December 1885, and his father, Jessie B. Parrish, in November 1888. He passed away at 4:20 p.m., Saturday, January 11, 1908, at the age of 61 years 10 months and 29 days. He leaves a wife, one son, A.H. Parrish, of Sodaville, and three daughters, Mrs. Delia Overton of Woodburn, Mrs. Estella Blevins of Portland, and Mrs. Allie McCully of Halsey; five grandchildren, a mother, three sisters and three brothers to mourn his absence. His remains were interred in the cemetery at Lebanon, Oregon, on January 13, 1908.

PARRISH, David

No Stone

- b. 11 Sep 1861 OR s/o Jesse Busse and Delia (Thorla) Parrish
- d. 26 Sep 1878 OR age 17y13d

PARRISH, Delia (nee Thorla)

- b. 18 Nov 1826 Morgan (now Noble) Co.,
 OH d/o Benjamin and Elizabeth (Allen)
 Thorla
- m. Jesse Busse Parrish 5 Nov 1842 Morgan Co., OH
- <u>d.</u> 11 Feb 1910 Sodaville, OR age 83y2m23d
- c. Perina Elizabeth (10 Jun 1843 Morgan [now Noble] Co., OH, m. #1 William H. Reed, m. #2 W.B. Lucas)

Ai (15 Feb 1846 Morgan [now Noble] Co., OH, m. Isura Summers)

Alexander (24 Nov 1848 OH, m. #1 Sarah E. Coyle, m. #2 Sarah Nancy Hindman)

Emily (31 Jul 1851 OH, m. #1 George Buhl/Bula McKinney, m. #2 John S. Sonnek)

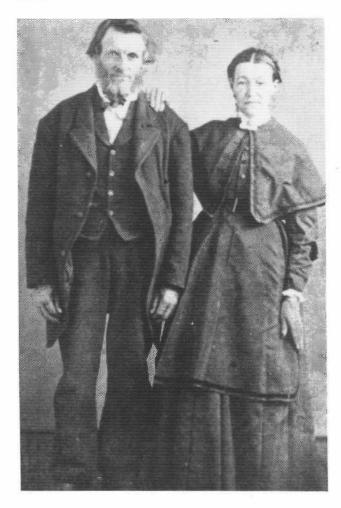
Martha M. (5 Mar 1854 OT, m. Stephen Bluford Coyle)

Benjamin J. (29 Dec 1856 Linn Co., OT, m. Augusta Florence Goble)

Hogue (10 May 1859 Linn Co., CR, m. #1 Fanny Leslie, m. #2 Clara E. Darby)

David (11 Sep 1861 OR) Ida (28 Dec 1864 OR, m. James Selby Ireland)

NOTE: Delia was a cousin of Mary A. (Thorla) Nickerson. According to family tradition, Elizabeth Allen was a daughter or grand daughter of Ethan Allen and his Indian squaw wife.



Jesse and Delia Parrish

Lebanon Express, Nov. 14, 1955

I Remember Grandma -- Cheese-Making in Old Sodaville Home by Pipe-Smoking Grandmother Recalled -- by Mrs. Alma H. Parrish

SODAVILLE -- Memories of the grandchildren of Jesse B. and Delia Thorla Parrish and of the house they bought of Reuben S. Coyle, are varied and vivid. Many of them, oddly enough, have to do with cheese.

"The old kitchen always smelled of cheese ... Grandma let us eat some of the curd before it was

put into the presses ... there was shelf upon shelf of ten to 25 pound cheeses ripening in the pantry ..."

These are the thoughts that come streaming into the mind as one recalls Grandmother Parrish, the only cheese-maker for miles around.

Ida Parrish Ireland, youngest of the couple's children, long a resident of Lebanon, who died at past 90 last June, said, "They had me milking cows as soon as I was big enough to reach their teats. Each cow went to its own corner of the rail fence around the summer milking corral, and stood to have the rope, with ring and snap, put around her neck.

A Busy Woman -- "I don't see how mother did all the things she had to do. The making of the cheese wasn't such hard work, but to tend it as it ripened, was a chore. Every day she would turn each cheese and carefully wipe off the shelves.

"Yes, it tasted some like cheese you buy now, but much better. I'd like to have a taste of good old homemade cheese again."

The ripening room was a six by 12-foot pantry with 12-inch clear fir shelves on two sides and an end. The shelves began about three feet from the floor and reached the ceiling. Each shelf was numbered, so grandmother Parrish could keep track of individual orders. Some people wanted small ones, some large; some like it mild, some well-ripened.

Marketed Annually -- In ox-team days marketing the cheese was an annual event. The trip to Albany took all day, and sometimes it was a week before Grandfather's marketing was done and business attended to. Later years, they loaded the cheese in the democrat wagon, and with a team of horses, made a circuit of Lebanon, Albany and Corvallis.

Another memory of being at Grandpa's was the wonderful smell in the fruithouse and being allowed to eat all the apples one wished. Already on the place which Parrish bought from Coyle was a 15-acre orchard, containing as many as 75 varieties of apples, many pears and, to the special delight of the grandchildren, a few trees of hard-shell almonds. To anyone coming for apples, the first wagonbox was free. For any above that Parrish charged at the rate of 5c per bushel.

Home Remodelled -- It is said that Parrish remodelled the Coyle house because grandmother didn't like the old Virginia style of its front. All usable material he took from the original house he incorporated in the new. The house that now stands still has the hand-hewn frame, the siding and the doors of the Coyle house. He kept the oak-floored kitchen and pantry intact.

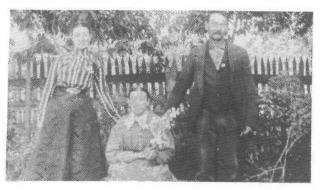
Grandfather Parrish replaced the double fireplace of brick with one made of six large stones. These stones came from a quarry on the old John Orchard place, east of Pleasant Valley. When first quarried the stone was soft enough to be cut with crosscut saws. After exposure to the air it hardened somewhat and became fireproof. This fireplace still stands in the old house on the hillside, though not in use. One of the two pieces that made the back of the fireplace is cracked, but the mantle, sides and hearth are still whole.

Was Own Physician -- Like many pioneer women, grandmother Parrish was her own family physician, versed in the uses of herbs, barks and roots. Her favorite stomachic was well-ripened cheese. She always kept a piece on hand to eat when her stomach bothered her.

Delia Thorla Parrish was a small woman, and "spry." When a fall of snow froze on the hillside beyond the orchard she joined the younger members of the family with a big "baker" pan in which she coasted down the hill until she wore a hole in the bottom of the pan.

Another time, when Oak creek, at flood, froze over she skated circles around other skaters. Delia Thorla's mother was an Allen, the granddaughter of Revolutionary hero, Ethan Allen, and his squaw wife.

Smoked Corncob Pipe -- Still another memory common among her grandchildren was their grandmother's pipe. Her daughter, Ida, said that her mother learned to smoke when she was a girl by lighting the pipe of a blind grandfather. In her corncob pipe Delia Thorla Parrish smoked shavings from plug tobacco, first dried and roasted a little in the fireshovel at the fireplace. To light her pipe she used a twist of paper, a splinter of dry wood, or a live coal lifted with the tongs. On hot summer days she would build a small fire -- just enough to make a draft up the chimney, draw her little Bailey rocking chair up close and sit and smoke.



Perina Reed, Delia Parrish, and Ai Parrish

Parrish grandchildren who shared with me their memories of places and people in this story were A.H. Parrish, deceased; Mrs. Allie Parrish McCully, Portland; J.P. McKinney, Lebanon and Ora Ireland, Albany. Horton Tyler remembered the location of the old stone quarry.

Newspaper Clipping, source unknown, 1910

Mrs. Delia Parrish was born in Noble Co., Ohio Nov. 26, 1826 and died at the home of her daughter Mrs. W.B. Lucas Feb. 10, 1910 aged 83 years, 2 months and 24 days. The deceased was married to J.B. Parrish Nov. 5, 1842 in Noble Co., Ohio, crossing the plains by ox team conveyance in 1852, six months being required to make the journey. They lived 2 1/2 miles east of Albany for ten years, then 3 miles south of Lebanon where she resided until her death. To this union were born nine children, five boys and four girls. Her husband and three children preceded her in death; J.B. Parrish died in Nov. 1898; Dave Parrish died in Sept., 1878; Mrs. Martha Coyle died in Dec., 1885; A. Parrish died in Jan., 1908. Six surviving children are Mrs. W.B. Lucas of Lebanon, Alexander Parrish of Portland, Mrs. Emily Sonnek of Berlin, Ben Parrish of Dayton, Hogue Parrish of Sodaville, and Mrs. J.S. Ireland of Dayton, Oregon. To these may be added 34 grandchildren, 33 great grandchildren and one great great grandchild. Burial was at the City Cemetery in Lebanon on Feb. 13, 1910. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. F.E. Buckley of Sodaville.

PARRISH, Jesse Busse

- b. 28/29 Mar 1819 Monongalia Co., VA
 (WV) s/o Edward Evans and Elizabeth
 (Bussey) Parrish, gs/o Edward and
 Rachel (Evans) Parrish
- m. Delia Thorla 5 Nov 1842 Morgan Co., OH (see Parrish, Delia)
- <u>d.</u> <u>25 Nov 1898</u> Sodaville, OR age 79v7m27d "80 years"
- c. Perina Elizabeth (10 Jun 1843 Morgan [now Noble] Co., OH, m. #1 William H. Reed, m. #2 W.B. Lucas)

Ai (15 Feb 1846 Morgan [now Noble] Co., OH, m. Isura Summers)

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Benjamin J. (29 Dec 1856 Linn Co., OT, m. Augusta Florence Goble)



Standing: Clara Parrish, wife of Hogue, Jesse Parrish (?), Emily Sonnek (?), Perina Lucas Seated: Hogue Parrish, Delia Thorla, Ida Ireland (?)

Hogue (10 May 1859 Linn Co., OR, m. #1 Fanny Leslie, m. #2 Clara E. Darby) David (11 Sep 1861 OR) Ida (28 Dec 1864 OR, m. James Selby Ireland)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 3920</u> (T11S R3W Sec 3, 4, 9 and 10)

PARRISH, Jesse B., Marion Co. b. 1819, Menanngahela (sic) Co. Va, (probably Monongalia Co. VA [WV]); Arr OR 30 Sept 1852; SC 20 Oct 1852; m Deliah (5 Oct 1842), Morgan Co. OH. Aff: D.H. McClure, Hugh Nickerson, Drury A. McClure, Isiah Hurt, Danny H. McClure.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 30, 1888

The Spiritualists in and around Lebanon held another one of their large meetings at the residence of Jesse Parrish's, above Sodaville, on Wednesday evening (unreadable) a large number attended.

Lebanon Express, Dec. 2, 1898

Jesse Busse Parrish -- Passed to the spirit life at twenty minutes after 12 o'clock in the morning, on Nov 26, at his home near Sodaville, Linn Co, Oregon, Jesse B. Parrish familiarly known as "Uncle Jesse" by a large circle of friends and relatives. He was born in Monongalia Co, W.Va, March 28, 1819, and was married to Miss Delia Thosta (sic), November 5, 1842, in Morgan Co, Ohio. They came to Oregon in 1852, crossing the plains with ox teams, and settled near Albany and lived there until the fall of 1864, when they moved to their present home.

Two children proceeded him to the great beyond. A wife and seven children survive him, most of whom live in this vicinity. He was conscious of his change to a higher life, and met it with the knowledge of its true teachings.

Oregon Journal, Oct. 21, 1923

From an article regarding the 50th wedding anniversary of Alexander and Sarah (Hindman) Parrish, son of Jesse and Delia

... Mr. Parrish crossed the plains in 1852, coming from Ohio. His wife to be left Lynn county, Iowa, the same year, with a party consisting of 150 ox teams. The trip occupied six months and was full of terror, especially in traversing the territory

occupied by Indians, who were on the warpath that year in a large section of the West. At one point they found the mangled and cruelly scalped remains of 20 emigrants who had been victims of the savages. All were wrapped in blankets and buried in a single grave. At night the wagons were drawn up in a circle. The faithful and invaluable oxen were picketed inside and in the center of the inner circle the women and children were quartered in order that they might be safe from the arrows of any marauding Indians.

After a few years on a homestead in Eastern Oregon interspersed with the hardships incident to pioneering they moved to Lebanon, where they resided until locating in Sellwood.

PETERSON, Anna "Annie" Matilda

No Stone

- est. 11 Oct 1878 OR d/o David H. and Rachel Arminta (Powell) Peterson, gd/o Asa and Susannah (Johnson) Peterson
- d. 11 Apr 1898 Lebanon, OR age 19y6m

Lebanon Express-Advance, Mar. 23, 1898

Miss Annie Peterson is seriously ill.

Lebanon Express-Advance, Mar. 30, 1898

W.C. Peterson received a telephone message yesterday from his brother, Dave, who is at Canyon City, that he had started for home. He comes on account of the illness of his daughter, Annie.

Lebanon Express-Advance, Apr. 15, 1898

ANNIE PETERSON -- Annie, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David H. Peterson, April 11, 1898, aged 19 years and 6 months. After the funeral services, which were conducted in the Baptist Church by the pastor April 13, at 1 P.M., her remains were taken to the Lebanon cemetery and laid to rest until the resurrection morn.

God in his wisdom has recalled

The boon his love had given;
And though the body molders here

The soul is safe in heaven.

PETERSON, Archie

No Stone

b. ca. 1881 OR s/o David H. and Rachel Arminta (Powell) Peterson, gs/o Asa and Susannah (Johnson) Peterson

d. 28 Apr 1888 Lebanon, OR age 7

Lebanon Express, Apr. 6, 1888

David H. Peterson returned from eastern Oregon on the noon train Wednesday. He came in answer to a summons to attend his sick child, who has the dropsy of the brain.

Lebanon Express, May 4, 1888

Died, in Lebanon, Linn county, Or., April 28, 1888, Archie, son of D.H. and R.A. Peterson, aged 7 years.

"We saw not the angels who met him there, The gates of the city we could not see.

Over the river, over the river,

My darling stands waiting to
welcome me."

The funeral services were conducted at the house at 11 o'clock Sunday the 29th by Rev. Walton Skipworth.

NOTE: According to a family member, there never were any headstones on the Peterson children's graves, only a brick or stone to mark their location. These were in the southeast corner of the cemetery. It is believed the graves were once gardened over by cemetery neighbors.

Newspaper Clipping, source unknown, 1929

David H. Peterson.

LEBANON, Or., Jan. 22 - (Special) -- David H. Peterson, who probably had lived in Linn county and Oregon longer than any other man in the county, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R.E. Wolfenbarger, at Berlin, in this county, Sunday, January 20, at the age of 81 years. He was born in Iowa in 1844, and was brought to Oregon by his parents the next year, and in the fall of 1845 the family settled on a donation land claim three miles southwest from Lebanon at the foot of Peterson's butte, which was named for the family.

The family were among the first settlers in this part of Linn county. They were a year ahead of the Kees families and two years ahead of the Ralstons, who were prominent pioneer citizens. His father was Dr. Asa H. Peterson, a prominent and well-known doctor in this county in early days. He had lived in Oregon continuously since 1845, and nearly all that time in Linn county. He spent a few years in eastern Oregon in the sheep business.

For many years he had lived on his farm at Waterloo, until his age required him to give up farm life, and for the last few years he had made his home with his daughter.

The funeral was held Monday, conducted by Rev. George Simons, with burial in the Powell cemetery near Berlin. He is survived by the one daughter and also by one brother, (W.) C. Peterson of Kelso, Wash.

<u>Terrible Trail:</u> The Meek Cutoff, 1845, by Keith Clark and Lowell Tiller

Meek Cutoff -- 1845 -- Peterson, Henry J., DLC 1594

Peterson, Asa H., DLC 2246

Lebanon Express, Jan. 23, 1929

David H. Peterson, one of the oldest residents of this section, passed away January 19th at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Goldie Wolfenbarger, near Berlin, aged 84 years, 7 months and 26 days.

He was the oldest son of Asa H. and Susannah Peterson, and was born in Iowa on May 23d, 1844. The following year the family came across the plains by ox teams to Oregon and located on a donation claim a few miles southwest of Lebanon at the foot of the butte which afterward came to be known as Peterson's butte. Here David grew to manhood and spent the most of his life in Lebanon or vicinity.

He was united in marriage on October 18, 1877, to Miss Arminta Powell, who survives him. He is also survived by his daughter, Mrs. Goldie Wolfenbarger of Berlin, also one brother, W.C. Peterson, now of Kelso, Wash.

The funeral and interment took place at the Powell cemetery on Monday afternoon, January 21st, Elder Geo. W. Simons conducting the service.

Lebanon Express, Nov. 21, 1946

Pioneer Woman Taken by Death

Mrs. Rachel Arminta Peterson, 91, member of Linn County's oldest families, passed away after a lingering illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Goldie Wolfenbarger of Berlin, on Nov. 17th.

Mrs. Peterson was born in Berlin Oct. 1, 1855, the daughter of Peter Powell and Nancy Cyrus Powell, early pioneers who crossed the plains from Missouri in 1850 and located on the donation land claim on which the town of Berlin is now situated. She was one of a family of 11 children, all of whom

proceeded her in death. Peter Powell was well known in the pioneer settlements of eastern Linn, and Green Peter mountain near the site of the largest of the three proposed dams on the South Santiam, was named for him.

Joab Powell, one of Oregon's best known circuit-riding pastors, was Mrs. Peterson's grandfather; and it was in the Baptist church founded by him at Providence, that she was confirmed as a member during her early womanhood.

Wedded to David Peterson of Lebanon in 1877, the couple were the parents of three children, Mr. Peterson and two of their children having preceded Mrs. Peterson in death. She spent her entire life in Linn county and was known as a gracious hostess during the days when the difficulties of early travel made heavy demands on the pioneer home.

Services were held on Tuesday at 2 p.m. at the Howe-Huston chapel in Lebanon. Conducting the rites was Elder George W. Simons, son of David (sic) Simons, who crossed the plains in 1849 to take up a donation land claim near the present site of Sodaville. Elder Simons is bound closely to the Powell and Peterson families by ties of family and pioneer relationships. Interment was in the historic Powell cemetery at Berlin.

Mrs. Peterson is survived by her daughter, Mrs. R.E. Wolfenbarger, three grandsons, William, Archie and Raymond Wolfenbarger of Lebanon, and two great grandchldren (sic), Allen and Peggy Ann Wolfenbarger.

Lebanon Express, Nov. 19, 1915

PIONEER WOMAN HAS NINETIETH BIRTHDAY

Oldest Resident of Lebanon Given a Happy Surprise on Tuesday.

On November 16, 1825, the pioneer home of Eli and Susanna Johnson, in Floyd county, Kentucky, was gladdened by the birth of a daughter, who was given her mother's name. Tuesday was the 90th anniversary of Mrs. Susanna Johnson Peterson's birthday, and twenty-five of the women of Lebanon called at her home on south Main street to offer congratulations. ...

...She was one of ... thirteen children, and with her parents removed to Henry county Iowa, when a small child. Later she went to Missouri, where at the early age of seventeen years she was married to Asa Peterson, and together they returned to Iowa, where their first child, David Peterson, was

born. The westward march had just begun, and in the Spring of 1845 Mrs. Peterson said goodby to her kindred, and with her babe in arms started with her young husband to cross the plains by ox team. The emigrant party formed at Marshalltown, Iowa, and after traveling a few hundred miles were met by Captain Joseph Meek, who promised them a short route to Oregon. In the long journey Mrs. Peterson took her turn at driving the oxen, and when it was necessary walked with her baby in her arms. Those who are familiar with the early history of Oregon will recall how Captain Meek was unable to find the pass through the Cascades, and finally deserted the Then the real trials began and the company. incidents of that time are vividly recalled by Mrs. Peterson, who despite her advanced age, retains all of her faculties. After days of weary travel over almost insurmountable obstacles they reached The Dalles, where they paused a few days to bury several of the party who were unable to survive the hardships. Then a raft was built and they started down the Columbia river. When they came to the rapids now known as the Cascades (at Cascade Locks) they were warned to leave the raft, and everyone scrambled to get his possessions. One man decided to stay with the raft, and went over the rapids and was lost. The party then continued its journey by Indian trail along the north bank of the river. It was late in the Fall, and the mud made the trail almost impassable, but with undaunted courage Mrs. Peterson pressed on, and held her baby close while the husband helped to get cattle through.

That Winter they spent in the lower Willamette Valley. There were few settlers and the emigrants were given work, but wages were very low. Mrs. Peterson recalls sewing for a woman near Salem, making a mans shirt, vest, and pants by hand and receiving in payment four pounds of home-made soap, and she declars (sic) she that (sic) it a good bargain, for soap was then a luxury. Later the family moved to near Knoxs (sic) Butte, and in the Spring of 1846 Mr. Asa Peterson, his father Henry J. Peterson, with two other sons, located near the foot of the butte southwest of town that bears the family name. Forty years ago Mr. and Mrs. Asa Peterson bought the Bell home on south Main street, where she has lived continuously since, and is passing the closing years of life surrounded by children and grandchildren.

Mrs. Peterson has many interesting stories of the Calapooia Indians who roamed about through the country in the early days. They were peaceable, but there was the natural fear born of race prejudice, and as all of their store supplies had to be brought

from Oregon City by ox team she was often left with her two little children for a week at a time. A clapboard door gave little protection, and she would bring the ax in and place it by her bed, determined to sell her life dearly, if need be. Often she would pass a wakeful night only to fall asleep at the break of day. But aside from petty thefts, the Indians did not trouble them. She well remembers the time when their wigwams dotted either bank of the Santiam at Lebanon, and their graves were known to all. Mrs. Peterson has watched the disappearance of the Red men and the building of the white man's home where once stood the Indian tepee. Those were brave heroic days for the pioneer women of Oregon, and we who enjoy the advantages of the present do well to honor those who have helped to bring about present conditions.

POWELL, Joseph Ambrose "Am"

- b. <u>27 Jun 1833</u> OH s/o Calvin and Clarissa (Richardson) Powell
- m. Samantha Ann Bland 25 Feb 1864 Linn Co., OR (see Powell, Samantha Ann)
- d. <u>19 Feb 1904</u> OR age 70y7m22d
- c. Minnie Florence (5 Jul 1866 OR, m. George Washington Simons)
 Albert "Bert" M. (27 Jul 1870 Linn Co., OR, m. Vallie May Cary)

Donation Land Claim # 1448 (T14S R4W Sec 28)

POWELL, Joseph A., Linn Co; b. 1833, OH; Arr. Ore 24 Sept 1851; SC 4 July 1853. Aff: David M. Taylor, Russell B. Powell.

Linn County Militia List, 1874

Powell, J.A.

Newspaper clipping, date and source unknown

Death of a Pioneer.

J.A. Powell, a prominent pioneer of the Willamette valley, and for many years a resident or (sic) this place died at his home in this city, Friday Feb. 19, 1904, after a lingering illness, of several months duration, at the age of 70 years and 7 months.

The deceased was married in this county Feb. 25, 1864, to Miss Samantha Bland, and to them were born two children, A. M. Powell and Mrs. Minnie Simons, both of whom are residents of this

place. The wife of the deceased died but a few weeks ago.

The deceased was a man of sterling character and strict integrity and when yet a young man was converted and joined the M.E. church of which he remained a member until his death.

The funeral services were conducted from the home, Sunday afternoon by Dr. A. Thompson, pastor of the M.E. church, and the remains were laid to rest in the city cemetery.

The large number in attendance at the funeral, notwithstanding the inclement weather, speaks much for the high esteem in which the deceased was held by his many friends.

<u>POWELL</u>, <u>Samantha</u> <u>Ann</u> (nee Bland) "His <u>Wife</u>"

- b. <u>17 Jul 1843</u> Jennings Co., IN d/o Moses and Martha (Needham) Bland
- m. Joseph Ambrose Powell 25 Feb 1864 Linn Co., OR
- d. 26 Jan 1904 OR age 60y6m9d
- c. Minnie Florence (5 Jul 1866 OR, m. George Washington Simons)

 Albert "Bert" M. (27 Jul 1870 Linn Co., OR, m. Vallie May Cary)

"At Rest"



Samantha and Joseph Powell

NOTE: Joseph and Samantha share a large stone marker.

Newspaper clipping, date and source unknown

Obituary.

Samantha A. Bland was born in Jennings county, Indiana, July 17, 1843, at which place she resided until 1854 when with her parents she crossed the plains and settled near Lebanon, Oreogn.

She was married to J.A. Powell February 25, 1864 and to them were born two children, A.M. Powell, and Mrs. Minnie Simons, both residents of this vicinity at this time.

The deceased had for many years been a faithful and devoted member of the M.E. church of this city having been converted while yet a young woman. She was a woman of excellent character and had a host of friends, who mourn her death, which occurred at her home in this city Jan. 26, 1904.

The funeral services were conducted from the residence, by Dr. A. Thompson, pastor of the M.E. church, and the interment took place in the city cemetery.

PRESTON, Bethel

- b. est 30 Jan 1874 OR? <u>d/o Versalius</u>
 <u>M. and Jennie (Lawrence) Preston</u>
- <u>d.</u> <u>26 Feb 1879</u> OR <u>age 5y27d</u>

PRESTON, Nattie L.

- b. est 1 Aug 1871 OR? <u>s/o V</u>ersalius <u>M. and J</u>ennie (Lawrence) <u>Preston</u>
- <u>d.</u> 23 Mar 1879 OR age 7y7m22d

NOTE: Versalius M. Preston married Jennie Lawrence 2 Oct 1870 in Benton Co., OR.

RALSTON, Christen Theodore

No Stone

- b. 22 Mar 1856 Linn Co., OT s/o WilliamM. and Laura Ann (Denney) Ralston
- d. 5 Jun 1876 in Santiam River, Linn Co., OR age 20y2m14d

Pacific Christian Advocate, Sept. 7, 1876

OBITUARY.

Christian T. Ralston a son of Wm. and Laura Ralston

was born at Lebanon, Linn County, Oregon, March 19th, 1856, and died by drowning in the Santiam River, June 5, 1876. His body was recoved (sic) from the water on the 2d of June following. He lived at Lebanon until three years since, when he came with his parents to reside at Albany. Most of these years were spent at school at the Santiam Academy, the Albany Collegiate Institute, and the Commercial School at Portland. He thus laid a good foundation for a business life, to which he looked forward with pleasure and hope. As a son, he fulfilled the Scripture injunction to honor his parents. As a companion he was courteous and genial. student, he was obliging and respectful to his teachers, diligent and successful in his studies. As a business young man, he was industrious, prompt, and honest. He was strictly temperate in his habits and pure in his language. Those vices to which so many of our young men so easily yield, were diligently shunned by him. The Sabbath always found him at church and at Sabbath-school. His memory will be fondly cherished by kindred and friends, and held in esteem by all. Farewell, young friend, farewell till the morning of the resurrection.



Christen Ralston

The Ralston Family, by William Cato Ralston, 1973 (unpublished)

Their (William and Laura's) second child ... was to be the apple of his parent's eyes until his untimely death, when he was twenty years old, by drowning while trying to ford the Santiam River on horseback.

... he arranged with his father to go into the business of buying and selling cattle. Now comes the biggest tragedy in the lives of William and Laura. On 5 June 1876 Christen started out on horseback, with the saddle bags laden with fifteen hundred dollars in gold. While he and a companion, J. Norcrost, were attempting to ford the Santiam River, Christen's horse lost its footing and Christen was drowned. His body was recovered, and still later, the gold retrieved by Indian divers employed by William. It was a low blow to Laura and William. Christen was a very handsome and likeable young man. A local newspaper stated at the time of his death "Seldom has a community been more deeply touched. All seemed to share in a common grief at the loss of one so young and promising. His habits of industry and temperance. promptness in business, and his genial and courteous manner made him universally respected and esteemed."

RALSTON, Elizabeth J. (nee Breeden)

No Stone

- b. est 24 Jul 1837 or 19 Jun 1836/37 ILm. Jeremiah Ralston Jr. 25 Dec 1857 Lebanon, OT
- d. 24 May 1863 OR age 25y10m
 c. Margaret Frances "Fannie" (31 Oct 1858 Linn Co., OT, m. Baltimore Howard)
 Mary "Minnie" (1 Nov 1860 Linn Co., OR, m. George William Derrick)
 Homer (ca. 1863 OR, m. Kate Travers)

RALSTON, Jemima (nee Ashpaugh)

- <u>b.</u> 21 Sep 1819 Hamilton Co., OH
 m. Jeremiah Ralston 27 Sep 1838 Rockville, IN
- d. 25 Dec 1894 Portland, OR age 75y3m4d
- c. James (12 Aug 1839 Burlington, IA)
 Sarah (3 Feb 1841 Burlington, IA, m.
 Jacob O. Roland)
 Eliza (7 Dec 1843 Burlington, IA, m.
 David S. Roland)
 George (7 Nov 1845 Burlington, IA)

Charles H. (1 Jun 1847 near Ash
Hollow, NE while crossing
the plains, m. Sarah Catherine
Griggs)
Robert (12 Feb 1851 Linn Co., OT)
Caroline "Callie" (12 Apr 1853 Linn
Co., OT, m. John H. Hamilton)
John Meredith (7 Oct 1856 Linn Co.,
OT, m. #1 Lottie A. Behrens, m.

"She hath done what she could"

#2 Edith V. Preston)

(Albany) States Rights Democrat, Dec. 28, 1894

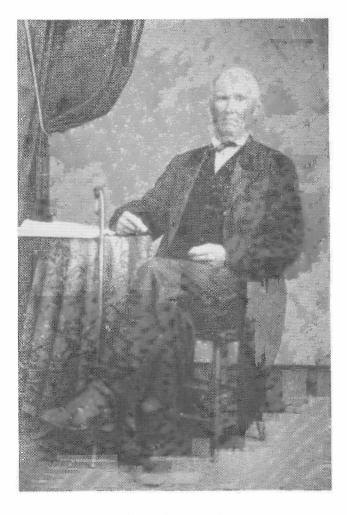
DIED.

RALSTON.--In Portland, on Tuesday, Dec. 25th, 1894, at the home of her son CH Ralston, after a lingering illness, Mrs Jemima Ralson, at the age of 76 years. The deceased came with her husband from Iowa in 1847 being among the earliest of our settlers, a pioneer indeed. She was a woman universally respected, an exemplary wife and mother, whose death will be mourned by many. Mr. J.M. Ralston, of this city, is also a son of the deceased. Mr. Ralston died in 1877.

The remains of the deceased will be taken to Lebanon tomorrow for burial.



Jemima Ralston



Jeremiah Ralston

RALSTON, Jeremiah (Sen.)

- <u>b.</u> 7 Feb 1798 Lebanon, TN s/o Joseph and Jane (Walker) Ralston
- m. #1 Margaret McKnight 26 Dec 1822 Washington Co., IN
 - b. unknown, d/o William and Nancy (Robertson) McKnight
 - d. 21 Jul 1838 Rockville, IN #2 Jemima Ashpaugh 27 Sep 1838 Rockville, IN (see Ralston, Jemima)
- <u>d.</u> 12 Aug 1877 Linn Co., OR age 79y6m5d
- c. (by Margaret McKnight)
 William McKnight (23 Mar 1824
 Rockville, IN, m. Laura Ann
 Denney)

Joseph (6 Mar 1826 Rockville, IN, m. Caroline Hood) Elizabeth Jane (1 Jun 1828 Rockville, IN. m. Joseph Moist) Nancy Ann (21 Jan 1831 Rockville, IN) Jeremiah Jr. (27 May 1833 Rockville, IN, m. Elizabeth J. Breeden) Mary Ann (6 Dec 1836 Rockville, IN) (by Jemima Ashpaugh) James (12 Aug 1839 Burlington, IA) Sarah (3 Feb 1841 Burlington, IA, m. Jacob O. Roland) Eliza (7 Dec 1843 Burlington, IA, m. David S. Roland) George (7 Nov 1845 Burlington, IA) Charles H. (1 Jun 1847 near Ash Hollow, NE while crossing the plains, m. Sarah Catherine Griggs) Robert (12 Feb 1851 Linn Co., OT) Caroline "Callie" (12 Apr 1853 Linn Co., OT, m. John H. Hamilton) John Meredith (7 Oct 1856 Linn Co., OT, m. #1 Lottie A. Behrens, m. #2 Edith V. Preston)

"Mark thou the perfect and behold the upright for the end of that man is peace."

Donation Land Claim # 1574

RALSTON (REALSTON), Jeremiah, Linn Co; b. 1798, Davidson Co, TN; SC 30 Oct 1847; m. Jemima 2 Oct 1838 Des Moines Co, IA. Adj. boundary with Luther T. Woodward, Moses Boland (Bland). Aff: Joseph R. Ralston of Clackamas Co, Wm. B. Gore, Thomas S. Summers.

Also, b. near Nashville, TN 2-7-1798, d. near Soda Springs, Linn Co, 8-22-1877; m 1st 1822, Ia., Margaret McKnight who d. in Ia; m. 2nd Jemima Ashpaugh of Hamilton Co, OH. She was b. 9-21-1819, d. 12-25-1894. Both bur (Old) Lebanon Cem., Linn Co., OR. 49

Daily (Portland) Oregonian, Aug 13, 1877

Jeremiah Ralston, original proprietor of the town site of Lebanon, Linn county, died last week of injuries received by the overturning of a wagon near Soda Springs. He was past 80 years of age, and came to Oregon in 1847.

History of Linn County, Compiled by WPA, p. 49-50

Jeremiah Ralston started for Oregon in the spring of 1847. He was born near Nashville, TN, in 1798, and died near Soda Springs, Linn Co., in Aug., 1877. His wife was Jemima (Ashpaugh) Ralston of Hamilton Co., OH, who died Dec. 25, 1894, aged 77. The couple had 9 children.

Jeremiah Ralston with his wife and 4 children started for Oregon in the spring of 1847. The children were William, Joseph, Jane and Jeremiah. Another son, Charles, was born during the crossing of the plains. When Ralston arrived at the site of Lebanon he had 12 yoke of oxen and 3 wagons. In these wagons, besides his household goods, he brought supplies and merchandise with which to start a store. On the site of Lebanon Ralston found 2 squatters living -- Thomas Morgan and William Hawk, who had erected a cabin and made improvements. Ralston traded \$30 and a yoke of oxen for their rights.

The Kees were distant relatives of the Ralstons. Jeremiah Ralston laid out and plotted the town of Lebanon in 1852. He and Morgan Kees each contributed 5 acres of land, while Owen Kees gave \$1800 towards the endowment fund for a school, the Santiam Academy, which was duly incorporated by the Territorial Legislature on Jan. 18, 1851. This school became an institution of considerable importance.

The first store was started by Messrs. J. and William Ralston.

Portrait and Biographical Record of the Willamette Valley, OR, Chapman Publishing Co., Chicago, 1903, p. 255-257

Jeremiah Ralston was born in Greene county, Ohio (sic), where he stayed until he reached manhood's years, then moved to Washington county, Ind., where he was joined in wedlock with Margaret McKnight. Of the large family of children afterward reared by them, only three are now living. After residing in Indiana for a number of years they moved to Iowa and located in the city of Burlington, where he engaged in mercantile life until 1847. That year he left Iowa and traveled by ox-teams to Oregon to seek his fortune anew. The train of which he was a member had many difficulties and hardships to pass through before reaching his destination, for the Indians at The Dalles were troublesome. Upon their safe arrival, however, they located at Lebanon in Linn county and through the years of prosperity that followed he was always numbered among that city's inhabitants until his demise twelve years ago, at an advanced age. He entered the business life of the city and worked his way to the top of the ladder, owning the leading merchandise store of the city at the time of his death. Politically, he was an aggressive supporter of the Democratic party all his life, and in religious affairs belonged to the Methodist Church. His wife, who died in Iowa in 1840, was a member of the Secular Church, now the United Presbyterian.

Lebanon Express, Aug. 7, 1929

From obituary of C.H. Ralston, son of Jeremiah

... (Jeremiah Ralston) was one of the earliest pioneers of Oregon and to the work of development and improvement he contributed in substantial measure. He took up a donation land claim in Linn county and by tireless energy and undaunted perseverance gradually brought his land under a high state of cultivation. About 1856 or 1857 he laid out the town of Lebanon and here opened a store, which was the first in the town and in the county.

This store he conducted for about eight years and then turned his attention to the supervision of his land and stock interests, continuing a resident of Lebanon throughout the remainder of his life. ... (Mr. and Mrs. Ralston) had become the parents of nine children and two of their sons saw service in the Indian wars.



Jeremiah Ralston home, built in 1847, was in the Ralston family until 1946. Jeremiah and son John shown here on upper porch, with Jemima and daughter on lower porch.

Lebanon Express, Feb. 26, 1954

Founder's Home Gives Way To Lebanon's New Look By Katherine Harris

The Ralston home, site of Lebanon's first permanent dwelling, is being demolished this week. Many have visited the historic corner at Park and Maple streets to have a last look at the residence of the founding family. Although now sadly worn and weather beaten, it was once a gracious center of community life where notables from far and near were entertained.

This frame structure replaced Jeremiah Ralston's original home, an imposing two-story structure built of small perfectly matched logs with front pillars of hand hewn timber. The family lived in their covered wagons from time of their arrival in 1847 until the new home was completed about two years later.

It was in this log home that Pioneer Ralston planned the future of Lebanon, naming it and laying out a map showing six streets in the fall of 1855. His original map and accompanying deeds came to light only this week, having lain forgotten for more than half a centurry (sic) in the attic of the razed home.

Mrs. Sigurd Landstrom, who was Jessie Ralston, grandaughter of the founder, believes that the old grapevine and the tall cedar near Park street are the only growing things which have survived since the founding. Grapes have been harvested for more than a centurry, and the cedar, a mere sapling when the Ralston train arrived, is now a majestic giant dominating the home's front yard.

Wandering about the place this week, I noted that the gravevine is heavy with buds. Having seen three homes rise and fall on the historic ground, the vine still responds to spring rain and sun with ageless enthusiasm.

The only memento I took from the old house was a square nail. They are everywhere and one is hard put to find one of modern design. They must have been tough characters to drive for even the blunt tips are square.

Lebanon Express, June 4, 1959

City's founder was carpenter by trade -- ... Jeremiah Ralston was born Feb. 7, 1798 in Lebanon, Tenn., but moved to Cincinnati, Ohio, where he became a carpenter by trade. Ralston was married twice -- first to Miss Margaret McKnight in Washington County, Ind. Dec. 26, 1822. The first Mrs. Ralston died in Des Moines County, Iowa, on

July 21, 1838. Ralston then married the woman he was to bring to Oregon with him, Miss Jemima Ashpaugh at Rockville, Ind., on Sept. 27, 1838.

... He was a strict Methodist, actively interested in the church's work and a heavy contributor. Mrs. David Roland, one of Ralston's daughters, gave an indication of Jeremiah's strong beliefs when she chose her husband from outside the Methodist fold. She said in an interview many years ago:

Opposed daughter's marriage -- "When I was 14 years old, David S. Roland began to pay me attention. My father was a strict Methodist and he didn't believe in church members being yoked with unbelievers. He wanted me to pick out someone who belonged to the Methodist Church.

"Dave's father didn't belong to any church. He said there was so much dispute among church members as to which was the right church to join and as to which was the right road to heaven that he was afraid to pick out any of them for fear he might pick out the wrong one so he would just move along in the general direction without joining any of them.

"Father couldn't stand for such sentiments, so he forbade me going with Dave. I went over to visit my half-brother, Jeremiah, Jr.

"Oddly enough, Dave seemed to learn of my visit, so he came over, riding one horse and leading another. We started out for a ride along about sundown and headed for Kendall's bridge. We got there just at midnight and routed out Mr. Kendall. He and his two daughters dressed and he married us at midnight in place of noon. This was May 29, 1858. I was 14 1/2 years old.

"After we were married, my father treated us fine and he always liked Dave..."

Jeremiah Ralston was a strict man, but he was a fair one, too.

Ralston was 80 years old when he was thrown from his horse while riding on the Sodaville hills. He suffered a brain concussion. Brought back to Lebanon, he lived for a week before passing away in August of 1877. Jemima Ralston died in Portland 17 years later on Christmas Day, 1894.

NOTE: Jeremiah's will, written 12 Dec 1876, stated he was survived by three grandchildren; Frances Ralston, age 18, residing with her husband (name unknown) near Eldorado, CO; Homer, age 14, residing in Benton Co., OR; and Minnie Ralston, age 16, residing in Linn Co., OR.

RALSTON, Jeremiah Jr.

No Stone

- b. 27 May 1833 Rockville, Rockville, IN s/o Jeremiah and Margaret (McKnight) Ralston
- m. Elizabeth J. Breeden 25 Dec 1857 Linn Co., OT
- d. 17 Aug 1876 OR age about 44y
- c. Margaret Frances "Fannie" (31 Oct
 1858 Linn Co., OT, m.
 Baltimore Howard)
 Mary "Minnie" (1 Nov 1860 Linn Co.,
 OR, m. George William Derrick)
 Homer (ca. 1863 OR, m. Kate Travers)

NOTE: Jeremiah Jr. is assumed buried here with his wife and family members.

RALSTON, Johnnie E.

Removed

- b. ca. 1878 OR s/o John Meredith and Lottie A. (Behrens) Ralston
- d. 1 Jan 1888 Lebanon, OR age 10

Lebanon Express, Jan. 6, 1888

Fire and Death -- The Falling of a Lamp at the Residence of J.M. Ralston Seriously Burns Mrs. Ralston, and Causes the Death of their Only Children -- Johnnie and Mabel.

As the people of Lebanon were sitting down to their supper on New Year's Eve the loud clangor of the fire bell startled them from their meal. Rushing hastily by the engine house it was learned that John M. Ralston's new and elegant residence was on fire. Manfully the few firemen present rushed their engine and hose cart to the burning dwelling, but their services were not needed as Mrs. Ralston, assisted by their immediate neighbors, had succeeded in extinguishing the flames before the arrival of the firemen and citizens. Mr. Ralston himself happened to be up town on an errand and reached home as quickly as possible only to learn from some one, first, that his wife was burned, then that Johnnie, his only son, was somewhat burned, and later that his little daughter, Mabel, was also badly injured.

The children were cared for by loving friends. Johnnie was carried to the house of Mrs. Ambler and Mabel to that of Mr. C.M. Talbott. Later Johnnie was carried to where his sister lay, with the mother fearfully burned about the face and hands also present, encouraging her children, later they were taken to their own home. Drs. Foley and Courtney were promptly at hand doing all that

medical skill could do to alleviate their sufferings. From the first it was evident to the trained eyes of the medical men that little Mabel could not live, small hopes were entertained of Johnnie's recovery, while Mrs. Ralston, although fearfully injured about the face and hands, was not considered in an immediately dangerous condition.

The people generally remained wakeful and at early dawn it was learned that little Mabel was released from her suffering at 2 o'clock, a.m.

With a feeling of profound sadness the new year of 1888 came to the people of Lebanon. No "happy New Year's" greetings were exchanged in our little city on that bleak Sunday morning. Friend met friend with bowed head and whispered words expressing heartfelt sorrow for our good neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. Ralston, whose beautiful and intelligent little daughter, Mabel, lay cold in death in the front parlor and their last remaining child, Johnnie, dying in the adjoining room, the result of a shocking and fearful accident.

It will be of melancholy interest to the hosts of friends of the stricken parents to know the particulars of this fearful calamity, and the facts given by a member of the family are substantially as follows:

On Saturday evening (New Year's Eve.) the two children were taking their bath. The mother going into another room for a moment was startled by a loud scream from the children. The large lamp in the bath room from some unexplained cause, was upset or broken, the burning kerosene flaming to the ceiling, barred the children from the door by a wall of fire. The mother grasping intuitively the fearful peril of her loved boy and girl, called on them to jump to her as she vainly tried to subdue the flames by throwing blankets on the fire. Johnnie could have jumped to her through the flames sustaining, perhaps, but little injury, but little Mabel was fearful and somewhat hesitating and Johnnie would not leave the little sister to perish to save his own life. "You know papa," he afterward said, "I could have jumped to mama, but I would not do it unless Mabel was saved with me." The mother, not wavering for an instant in her efforts to rescue her dear ones, reached through the flames and, though her face and hands were fearfully burned, the noble and heroic woman succeeded in getting her loved children out of the burning bath-room, but not until the cruel, cruel fire had literally roasted their little bodies. Neither mother or children realized how badly they were hurt for a few moments and Mrs. Ralston assisted in extinguishing the flames before any serious damage was done to the main part of their

new and beautiful residence. All this was the work of a very few minutes, and just as soon as the excited friends could, they placed the mother and children in their friends' houses, as before stated, until the confusion and smoke subsided at their own.



The Ralston Home Scene of Fatal Fire of 1888

After the death of their children, the Ralstons sold their home to Hon. Milton A. Miller. The house is still standing, although the porch on the right in this side view has been removed.

Drs. Courtney and Foley were in attendance promptly. All that medical skill, assisted by loving and sympathizing friends, could do was done, but so far as the children were concerned it was evident that they were fatally injured.

Mabel, aged 8 years, died at 2 o'clock, New Year's morning, and Johnnie, aged 10 years, died the same evening at 7:30 o'clock.

Little Mabel asked her papa if she was going to die. He answered, "I hope not, my dear daughter." "Oh, papa!" she replied, "I'm so glad, I want to live for you and mama," but alas! even then she was sinking fast and soon passed peacefully away. Johnnie was then perfectly conscious and when told that his little sister was dead, he shed no tears saying he would soon see her in heaven. He sang a few lines of his own composing, the tenor of which showed his implicit trust in God and his undying love for his dear papa and mama. He rallied a little after this and soon asked his papa if he

must die. His grief stricken father answered, "Yes, my darling boy." The little hero's lips quivered for a moment but no cry escaped him. In a few moments he calmly said, "Papa, you and mama must not cry for us. I will soon be in heaven with Mabel. You and mama must come to us there." Just as long as consciousness remained he spoke hopefully of his approaching end, his only solicitude being for the grief of his sorrowing parents. He was called calmly away at 7:30 o'clock in the evening, the watchers of whom the writer was one, being unaware of the exact moment of dissolution so peacefully was the great change made.

Side by side they lay in their beautiful caskets which were covered with rare flowers the loving tribute of sympathetic friends. The classmates of the dear dead slowly marching by their biers, each depositing on either coffin their beautiful boquets (sic) in token of loving remembrance was indeed a lovely and touching sight.

At 2 o'clock p.m. on Monday, Jan. 2d, the funeral services were held at the family residence, conducted by Rev. G.W. Giboney, pastor of the Presbyterian church. As his solemn and fervent prayer arose to the "great white throne" praying for our Heavenly Father's compassion on the stricken ones, not a dry eye was in that large assemblage of relatives and friends, and the minister's prayer was re-echoed in every heart.

The funeral procession was much the largest ever seen in Lebanon. First the casket containing little Mabel's remains, carried by young misses, members of the Sabbath Schools. Next that of little Johnnie, carried by young youth men, also members of the Sabbath Schools, then the father, as chief mourner, (the poor mother owing in her wounds being unable to leave the house) followed by the brothers and sisters of the parents, and almost the entire population of our little city, who remained until the last sad duties were performed in the midst of a driving snow storm.

Our little friends whom we loved were buried in one grave. "Lovely were they in their lives and in death they were not divided." May He who has said, "Permit little children to come unto me," strengthen and console the stricken parents in this their day of troubles. C.B.M.

Lebanon Express, Jan. 6, 1888

Mrs. J.M. Ralston is slowly recovering from the serious burns received in her attempt to rescue her children from the terrible fate which befell them

last Saturday evening. It is to be hoped that no trace of the terrible event will be left upon her heroic face.

Lebanon Express, Feb. 2, 1898

A Much Needed Improvement

Mrs. J.M. Ralston, of Albany, is circulating a subscription paper to raise money to be used for the purpose of improving the old Lebanon cemetery. She has raised quite a sum in Albany, and will soon come to Lebanon and solicit subscriptions. Mrs. Ralston intends to raise money enough to put the cemetery in good shape, and put water on the grounds -- either a well or hydrant. This is a good cause, and we believe our citizens will contribute liberally.

The way the Lebanon cemetery has been neglected is a disgrace, not only to Lebanon but to the whole community. It is true some have always kept the graves of their relatives in a neat condition, but as a rule the grounds have been sadly neglected. This should not be the case any longer, and if the trustees will not attend to putting the cemetery in good shape, then let the citizens take hold and see that the (unreadable).

Lebanon Express, Feb. 16, 1898

Mrs. J.M. Ralston spent Saturday and Monday in Lebanon soliciting funds to put the old Lebanon cemetery in good shape. She has succeeded in getting subscriptions of about \$65 in money, besides a pump and pipe, and ten or twelve days in labor. Mrs. Ralston was much pleased with the way our citizens contributed. With but few exceptions, all spoke very favorably of her work, and nearly all who were able contributed to the cause. She wishes to raise at least \$100, as she thinks that amount will be necessary to properly complete the work. Those who she did not see, who wish to contribute, are kindly requested to send their contributions to her at Albany.

NOTE: The following graves are now located in the Riverside Cemetery in Albany, Oregon:

Johnnie E. - 1878-1888, Mabel L. - 1879-1888, Lottie A. - 1856-1908, and John M. - 1856-1930. The caretaker notes a date of 1898. It is very possible this was the date when the bodies of Johnnie and Mabel were moved from Lebanon.

RALSTON, Laura Ann (nee Denney) "His Wife"

- b. 7 Aug <u>1835</u> Athens Co., OH d/o Christen and Elizabeth (Eliza) B. (Nickerson) Denney
- m. William McKnight Ralston 26 Dec/10 Mar 1853 Linn Co., OT
- d. 2 Nov 1897 Albany, OR age 62y2m25d
- c. Luther Franklin (16 Feb 1854 Linn Co., OT)

Christen Theodore (22 Mar 1856 Linn Co., OT)

William Henry (25 Aug 1858 Linn Co.,OT)

Lonner Owen (15 Dec 1859 Linn Co., OR, m. Ada Johns)

Joseph Henry (21 Jun 1878 Albany, OR, m. Mary Rainey Stewart)



Laura Ralston

<u>Newspaper Clipping</u>, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source and date unknown

A Magnificent Present.

Recently Mrs. William Ralston, of this city, received from her brother and sister-in-law, Judge and Mrs. O.N. Denny (sic), now of Corea (sic), and Capt. Swain, of Yokohama, Japan, one of the most elegant presents it is ever ones fortune to possess. It consisted of nothing less than a complete set of Chinese dishes, made up of one hundred and sixtyfive pieces, gotten up with the marvelous ingenuity and artistic skill of the most erudite Celestial. Every piece is an ornament, and the whole set is a refined curiosity shop worth a good admission to see. Thanks to Mrs. Ralston's kindness a Democrat man had the pleasure last Tuesday of taking a thorough peep at them. This beautiful set is worthy of more than a passing notice. Every piece being hand painted and entirely different from every other piece. with their pictures of native birds, plants and animals, the whole is a book in natural history of remarkable value, as well as being a first-class art gallery. Large meat and turkey platters, in boat and other designs, salad dishes, bowls, tea services, coffee cups with curious covers that serve as saucers, fruit and cake dishes, etc., single and in sets of twelve and upwards, all original in their unique designs and paintings, present topics for a days study and observation, every examination bringing up something new. Looking at them one wonders if they can be used. By all means. That was just what Mrs. Ralston was enjoined to do. On examination you will find that they are solid, genuine china, such as you have never seen before here. Happy should be the owner of such a collection of dishes. In keeping with them, Mrs. Ralston's rooms are made elegant in their display of Chinese works of art, from curious birds to embroidered panels, and a pair of Celestial tyees in their gorgeous silk and satin attirements, true pictures of the native styles. At a time when the unique and curious in art are fashionable, it is a great privilege to witness the splendid collection of Mrs. Ralston.

Newspaper Clipping, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source and date unknown

Mrs. Lonner Ralston and family, of Olex, arrived in Albany this noon, called here by the serious illness of Mr. Ralston's mother, Mrs. William Ralston.

Newspaper Clipping, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source and date unknown

DEATH OF MRS. WM. RALSTON. Another Well Known And Respectable Pioneer Lady Passed Away.

For some time the life of Mrs. Wm. Ralston has been despaired of, and Tuesday morning at 5 A.M. the final summons came and she passed quietly away, surrounded by her family and brothers and sisters.

Mrs. Ralston's maiden name was Laura A. Denny (sic). She was married to William Ralston at the old Denny home near Lebanon in 1852. Her husband and two children, Lonner Ralston, a merchant of Olex, Eastern Oregon and Joseph Ralston, still at home, survive her. Of her brothers and sisters Judge O.N. Denny of Portland, Mrs. John Denny and Mrs. W.H. Goltra of this city and Mrs. C.M. Pike of Morro (sic), Sherman county were present. One brother, Mr. Pressley (sic) Denny of Salt Lake city was unable to be here. Widely known and most highly respected, the death of Mrs. Ralston will be deeply regretted.

The funeral services will be held at the M.E. church at 11:30 A.M. today Rev. M.C. Wire of the M.E. church conducting the service. A special train will take the funeral cortege to Lebanon at 1 o'clock where the interment will take place beside the deceased children.

Albany Democrat, Nov. 5, 1897

Death of Mrs. Wm. Ralston

Mrs. William Ralston died at her home in this city early this morning, at the age of 64 years, from a complication of diseases. Another pioneer of Linn Co. is thus taken from our midst.

The deceased was born in Athens Co, OH, in 1833. In 1852 with her father and mother, Mr. & Mrs. Denny, and three brothers and two sisters, she came overland, by ox team, to this new country, settling with them near Lebanon, where she was afterwards united in marriage to William Ralston, who survives her. Her father died about two weeks after they reached Oregon, and her mother only a year or two ago. Of the six children, Mrs. Ralston is the first to pass away. The others, Hon. O.N. Denny of Portland, Hon. Presley Denny, of Salt Lake, Mr. John Denny and Mrs. W.H. Goltra, of this city, and Mrs. Peck, of Moro, are among the prosperous and prominent people of the coast, known by their intelligence and integrity. All are in the city but Mr. Denny of Salt Lake City, who is unable to be here, and have been at her bedside. Two sons, Mr. Lonner Ralston, of Olex, Eastern OR, and Joseph Ralston of this city, are also here.

The deceased was a member of the Methodist Church, a christian woman whose memory will long be held in respect by our citizens.

The funeral services will be held tomorrow at 11:30 a.m. at the Methodist Church. At 1 o'clock p.m. the remains will be taken on a special train to Lebanon, for burial beside those of her parents. Friends of the deceased are invited to go on this train to the burial at Lebanon, returning in the evening.

Newspaper Clipping, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source and date unknown

Mr. C.H. Ralston, of Portland, came up last night to attend the funeral of Mrs. William Ralston.

Mr. Will Blos, of Corvallis, was in the city today to attend the funeral of Mrs. William Ralston.

RALSTON, Luther Franklin "Frankie"

- b. 16 Feb 1854 Linn Co., OT <u>s/o</u> <u>William</u> McKnight <u>and</u> <u>Laura Ann</u> (Denney) Ralston
- <u>d.</u> 19 Aug 1857 Linn Co., OT age 3y6m3d



Frankie Ralston

RALSTON, Mabel L.

Removed

- b. ca. 1880 OR d/o John Meredith and Lottie A. (Behrens) Ralston
- d. 1 Jan 1888 Lebanon, OR age 8y

<u>Albany Democrat,</u> Old Time Albany, Fred P. Nutting, Nov. 16, 1935

John M. Ralston ... came to Albany to make his home... One of the tragedies of the home of John Ralston was the death of two young children in a bath tub, caught in a trap in the bath tub in such a way as to make it impossible to get into the room in time to save them.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 9, 1939

Recalling Early History (by Ruff Hiatt)

LEBANON'S FIRST FIRE CO.

I was a charter member of Lebanon's first fire company about the year 1874. We bought a second handed engine run by man power. When we got 40 strong men ahold of it we thought we could put the world out if it was afire, and we never did have a fire to amount to much, the 10 years I was with it. But we had one very sad experience. I was assistant foreman, as we called it then. It was my job when the fire alarm was sounded to go look for the fire. I ran up Main street where I saw some people waving their hats. I met Jim Keebler, another foreman. We saw it was at Johnny Ralston's house. We ran in, saw the two kids in flames, pulled them out, put the fire out, and carried the children across the street to F. M. Miller's house. Leavengood's father laid them upon the bed but they were burned so bad the flesh slipped off all over our chests and arms. The little boy said he could have got out, but he was trying to save sister first. The girl could not talk and the boy soon gave it up. Both passed away.

Lebanon Express, Nov. 10, 1930

John M. Ralston, Pioneer Dies at His Albany Home -- J.M. Ralston, 74, prominent in civic and business affairs of Albany and a native of Lebanon, died at his home in Albany Saturday night.

He was born October 7, 1856, the youngest of a family of 12 children.

His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah Ralston, were founders of Lebanon, locating here in 1847. John Ralston attended Santiam academy and took a business course at Portland. He returned to

Lebanon and engaged in business going to Portland in 1890. He went to Albany the following year and was identified with banking and real estate establishments, later entering the automobile retail business in which he was among the first to engage.

He married Lottie A. Behrens at Eugene October 30, 1876. They had three children, of whom two were burned to death in 1880. Mrs. Ralston died in 1909. He later married Edith V. Preston at Albany. She and a son, Rolla, survive.

Funeral services were held at the First Presbyterian church in Albany Tuesday afternoon and interment was in a cemetery at Albany.

RALSTON, Robert

No Stone

- b. 12 Feb 1851 Linn Co., OT s/o
 Jeremiah and Jemima (Ashpaugh)
 Ralston
- d. 14/15 Aug 1872 Lebanon, OR age 21y6m3d

Albany Democrat, Aug. 23, 1872

FATAL ACCIDENT.--A painful accident occurred near Lebanon on Thursday evening, of last week, which resulted in the death of Robt. Ralston, a son of Mr. Jerry Ralston, an old and respected resident of this county. Young Ralston had been harvesting during the day and in company with Philip Ritter and Wm. Gore, had gone to the residence of Mr. Marion Follis, near where the parties were at work, to stay all night. From what we have learned it seems that neither Follis or his family were at home, and the boys remained up until a late hour. In some manner an altercation took place between Ralston and Ritter, whereupon the former took down a pistol which hung against the wall and made demonstrations of a dangerous character. Mr. Gore seized Ralston's hand, and a scuffle took place, during which the pistol was discharged, the ball taking effect in the right side of Ralston, killing him almost instantly. The whole affair seems to have been so sudden and causeless as to excite none but feelings of regret and sorrow among the friends of the parties. Robert Rolston (sic) was about twenty years of age. His aged parents have the sympathy of the entire community in their sole affliction.

RALSTON, William Henry

b. 25 Aug 1858 Linn Co., OT s/o William McKnight and Laura Ann (Denney)
Ralston

<u>d.</u> 31 Aug 1858 Linn Co., OT age 6d

RALSTON, William McKnight

- b. 23 Mar <u>1824</u> Rockville, IN s/o Jeremiah and Margaret (McKnight) Ralston
- m. #1 Laura Ann Denney 26 Dec/10 Mar 1853 Linn Co., OT (see Ralston, Laura)

#2 Mrs. Plantena Biddle 26 May 1901 Eugene, OR

m. #1 Dr. William Biddle

d. May 1903

- d. 24 Jun 1906 Albany, OR age 82y3m1d
- c. Luther Franklin (16 Feb 1854 Linn Co., OT

Christen Theodore (22 Mar 1856 Linn Co., OT)

William Henry (25 Aug 1858 Linn Co., OT)

Lonner Owen (15 Dec 1859 Linn Co., OR, m. Ada Johns)

Joseph Henry (21 Jun 1878 Albany, OR, m. Mary Rainey Stewart)



William McKnight Ralston

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1767</u> (T12S R2W Sec 10, 11, 14, and 15)

RALSTON, William, Linn Co, eldest son of #1574 (Jeremiah); m. 3-10-1853 Linn Co., O.T. Laura Denny, dau. of #3355 (Christian Denny & Eliza Denny), b. Muskingum Co, OH 1835, d. Linn Co, 1897, bur. Old Lebanon Cem.

Newspaper Clipping, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source unknown, 1901

RALSTON-BIDDLE -- In Eugene, on Saturday evening, May 26, Mr. William Ralston and Mrs. Plateina (sic) Biddle, two pioneer citizens of Albany and Linn county.

Portrait and Biographical Record of the Willamette Valley, OR, Chapman Pub. Co., Chicago 1903, p. 255-257

William Ralston. This honored and worthy pioneer citizen of Linn county, Ore., is passing his sunset days in ease and comfort, enjoying the reward of his early industry and perseverance. He has been identified with the interests of Linn county for over half a century and has long been recognized as one of its best citizens, aiding and maintaining it in reaching its present position among the first-class communities of the state. He is a son of Jeremiah and Margaret (McKnight) Ralston and was born in Rockville, Parke county, Ind., March 24, 1824 ...

William Ralston was the eldest child of his parents. His education was derived from schools in Indiana, where he remained until ten years of age. and from those in Iowa, where the family later After his father moved to Oregon, he assisted all he could in managing the store and home place until 1848, at which time he went to the mines of California, and labored there three years. Finding this not as suitable as he had believed, he returned to Oregon and engaged with his father as a partner in the first store ever started in Lebanon. The business continued five or six years, until William severed his connection to engage in general farming and stockraising near Lebanon. This farm consisted of a donation land claim of three hundred and twenty acres, which was improved as fully as possible by Mr. Ralston, and became his home place until 1878, the year of his retirement from active life.

In 1854 he was joined in marriage with Laura Denney, a daughter of Christian and Eliza (Nickerson) Denney and a native of Muskingum county, Ohio. Her father was born in Virginia and went to Ohio at an early age, moving in 1853 to Oregon, where he settled in Linn county near the city of Lebanon, but lived only a short time after his arrival

Mr. Ralston and his wife had five children, of whom only two are now living. The deceased are Franklin, who lived three years; Christian (sic), who had attained the age of twenty years, and William, who died in infancy. The others are Loner (sic) L., a stockman of Portland, Ore., and Joseph H., residing in Albany, Ore., where he follows the business of an electrician. The mother died in 1886 at her home in Albany. Mr. Ralston was afterward joined in marriage with Plantena Biddle, the widow of Dr. William Biddle, who died in May, 1903. Both of these ladies were devoted and active members of the Methodist Church which Mr. Ralston also joined some years ago and has served many years as a trustee.

Fraternally he is a member of the Masonic Order, being a Knight Templar. He has always been a Democrat in his political views, and for three terms served as a councilman of the city of Albany. He is admired by his fellow-citizens for his integrity and uprightness.

Newspaper Clipping, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source unknown, Dec. 21, 1905

WILLIAM RALSTON'S CONDITION. Rested Easy Yesterday, Though He is Dangerously Ill.

The condition of William Ralston, who has been lying dangerously ill for some days, is still very grave and the attending physicians do not hold out much hope for his recovery, though yesterday he seemed to be resting easy, and while he was not much improved, he did not fail, and the family is again taking hope for his recovery. He is still in a very precarious condition, but he may pull through if no untoward circumstances set in. The family is at his bedside.

<u>Newspaper Clipping</u>, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source unknown, June 26, 1906

W.M. RALSTON DIED LATE LAST NIGHT

Was a Noted Pioneer of Linn County, and the Founder of Lebanon

CROSSED PLAINS TO OREGON

Nearly Sixty Years Ago--The Funeral Will Be Held From Family Home Tomorrow.

William M. Ralston, a pioneer of 1847 and for many years a prominent citizen of Oregon, passed away at 11:30 o'clock last night after a short illness at a ripe old age at the family home, No. 506 East Third street. Mr. Ralston had suffered from a general breaking down for some time, but was up and about until two weeks ago, when he began to fail rapidly, and passed away as indicated above.

William M. Ralston was born in Rockville, Ind., March 24, 1824, and came across the plains with an ox team in 1847, coming to Lebanon, where he located with his father. In 1849, when the California gold excitement broke out he went to the gold fields, where he was very successful. Later he returned to Oregon, and in 1853 married Miss Laura A. Denny, a daughter of the pioneer family of that name, the Denny family having come to Oregon in 1852. In 1847, on arriving in Oregon, Mr. Ralston with his father laid out the town of Lebanon and started the first store in that place, and there he resided until 1871, when he moved to this city, and here he lived until the hour of his death.

Deceased was a prominent and enthusiastic member of St. John's Lodge No. 17, A.F. and A.M.; Bayley Chapter No. 8, R.A.M., and Temple Commandery No. 3, Knights Templar. He was all his life a faithful and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal church, and since his residence in this city was a member of the local church, and nearly all of the time a member of the official board.

Deceased leaves to mourn his death two sons, Lonner O. Ralston of Portland and Joseph H. Ralston of this city. He also leaves a half-brother, John M. Ralston of this city.

Deceased was for many years one of the most prominent citizens of the county and was ever ready to do his share toward bringing about the development of the county and its resources. He was one of the original promoters of the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain wagon road and helped to make the road one that was of use to the residents of the state on both sides of the mountains. He was interested in all things that benefitted the county and its inhabitants, and many there are who will long remember his many acts of kindness and his public spirit.

The funeral services will be held from the family home tomorrow (Monday), Rev. J.W. McDougall of the First M.E. church officiating, and burial will be had at Lebanon where the remains will be laid away in the Ralston family burying ground, the funeral party to go up on a special train from this city.

Newspaper Clipping, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source unknown, June 1906

LAID TO REST

Impressive Funeral Service Over Remains of Late William M. Ralston.

The funeral of the late William M. Ralston was held at the family home on East Third street at noon yesterday with a large attendance of the members of the family and friends and the members of St. Johns Lodge No. 17, A.F. and A.M., escorted by a detail of Knights Templar in full uniform. Rev. J.W. McDougall, pastor of the First M.E. church, to which deceased belonged for many years, conducted the impressive funeral services at the house, paying a fine tribute to the sterling character of deceased, whose long and useful life had reared for him a monument better than any built by mortal hands.

After the funeral service the party escorted the casket bearing the last mortal remains of W.M. Ralston to the Lebanon train and at 1 p.m. the special, consisting of three coaches, carried the party to Lebanon, where, in the Ralston family cemetery, interment was had with the impressive and beautiful Masonic ceremonies. Many beautiful floral emblems were brought by friends of the family and of deceased, and the lowly mound raised over Mr. Ralston's last resting place was fairly covered with these emblems of love and respect. The funeral party returned last evening, the regular Lebanon branch train bringing the mourners, friends and Masonic brethren back to this city. The funeral was one of the most impressive and beautiful manifestations of fraternal regard seen in this city in many days.

Newspaper Clipping, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source unknown, June 28, 1906

William M. Ralston, an Oregon pioneer of 1847, died last Saturday at his home in Albany. The remains were interred on Monday at Lebanon. For years Mr. Ralston was one of the best known residents of Albany. He helped to promote the Willamette Valley & Cascade Mountain road and was also one of the founders of the Oregon Savings bank of Portland. He was a prominent member of St. Johns lodge No. 17, A.F. and A.M., Bayley chapter No. 8, R.A.M., and Temple commandery No. 3, Knights Templar. Deceased was born in Rockville, Indiana, 82 years ago. Lonner O. Ralston, of Portland and Joseph H. Ralston of Albany are surviving sons.

Brownsville Times, June 29, 1906

William M. Ralston, a pioneer of Linn Co., and the founder of the town of Lebanon, died at his home in Albany, Sat., after a short illness. Deceased was born in Indiana March 24, 1824 and came to Oregon in 1847, locating where Lebanon now stands. Soon after arriving, Mr. Ralston, with his father, laid out the original town site of Lebanon and started the first store, residing there until 1871, when he moved to Albany.

Deceased was a prominent Mason. He left two sons, L.O. Ralston, of Portland, and Joseph Ralston of Albany.

The funeral was held on Mon., the burial being made in the family cemetery at Lebanon.

Newspaper Clipping, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source and date unknown

PASSING OF A PIONEER.

William M. Ralston Dies at His Home in Albany.

William M. Ralston, a pioneer of Oregon and a prominent citizen of Albany, died at his home in that city last Saturday night from illness lasting but a few weeks. Following slight physical debility it was thought that he was on the road to recovery, but two weeks ago he suffered a relapse. He died surrounded by members of his family.

William M. Ralston was born in Rockville, Ind., March 24, 1824. In 1847 he came to Oregon, having crossed the plains with his father. The father and son platted the present site of Lebanon and erected and established the first grocery store in that vicinity. The California gold fever of 1849 led Mr. Ralston to leave Oregon to seek his fortune in the mining camps. He was successful and returned to Oregon to establish his home again in Lebanon. He was married to Miss Laura A. Denny, daughter of a pioneer family, in 1853.

With his wife he made his home in Lebanon until 1871, when he moved to Albany, where he resided until he died.

The dead pioneer is survived by Lonner O. Ralston, of Portland, and Joseph H. Ralston, of Albany, his sons; Joseph Ralston, of Tacoma, and C.H. Ralston, of Lebanon, brothers; Mrs. Joseph Moist, of Albany, and Mrs. Eliza Roland, of Portland, sisters; and by John M. Ralston, of Albany, a half-brother.

For years Mr. Ralston was one of the most prominent citizens of Albany. He helped to promote the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain wagon road and was interested in all things that tended to benefit the community. He also was one of the founders of the Oregon Savings Bank, of Portland. He was a prominent member of St. John's Lodge No. 17, A.F. and A.M.; Bayley Chapter No. 3, R.A.M., and Temple Commandery No. 3, Knights Templar. He was a member of the official board of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

The body of Mr. Ralston was buried Monday at Lebanon after services had been held at the family residence in Albany. Rev. J.W. McDougal, of the First M.E. Church, officiated.

<u>Newspaper Clipping</u>, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source unknown, June 1906

RALSTON ESTATE IS DIVIDED BETWEEN SONS

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.)

Albany, Or., June 29 --The estate of the late William Ralston was filed for probate in the county court yesterday afternoon. The estate is divided between his two sons, Conner (sic) O. Ralston of Portland and Joseph H. Ralston of this city. The estimated value of the estate is \$35,000. He names as executors of his last will and testament W. H. Goltra, J.M. Ralston and Joseph H. Ralston. The latter not desiring to serve, resigned in favor of the two foregoing.

Newspaper Clipping, Ralston Family Scrapbook, source and date unknown

Linn County Pioneer's Estate.

ALBANY, Or., July 7.--(Special.)--Appraisement of the estate of the late William Ralston, one of the wealthy pioneer residents of Linn County, shows that he left an estate valued at \$37,003. Heirs to the property are his two sons. A part of the estate is in Multnomah County.

Albany Democrat, Old Time Albany, Fred P. Nutting, Nov. 16, 1935

The Democrat in 1881 in an autumn issue told of William Ralston and son Lonner returning from a trip to eastern Oregon, with no particulars. We hardly know the age of Lonner at that time; but his brother Joe was a little over three years of age. Mr. Ralston had interests in eastern Oregon, as well as here. In the city directory he was rated as a capitalist. He was a pioneer of the 50's, he and his brother Josiah (sic) locating at and near Lebanon, where they owned considerable property. An addition at Lebanon speaks for the name, a worthy

and prominent one there as well as here, when William came to Albany to make his home several vears before our advent. Lonner some years later went to eastern Oregon, where he established a general merchandise store at Olex, a good trading center, and is said to have done well, so that later he moved to Portland, where he engaged in the banking business for a few years, and is now making his home in that city. Joe grew up, went to Albany college, graduated, married another graduate, Miss Mary Stewart, to whom were born three children, Stewart, Josephine and James. Joe's death occurred in September, 1933, universally regretted. This has heretofore been related. Stewart is an aviator, Josephine, is now Mrs. Johnson, wife of the manager of the M. Ward store at Medford, and James is with the Hooker Electric store in this city and attending

RAMSAY, Maria (nee ???) "Wife of Wm" "Our Mother"

b. est. 17 Dec 1808 OH

m. William Ramsay Sr. ca. 1830 IA?

<u>d.</u> 8 May 1881 Linn Co., OR age

72y4m21d

c. Rosella R. (17 Jul 1849 IA, m. Benjamin N. Hardman)

William Jr.

Thomas LeRoy (est. 2 Feb 1831 Sangamon Co., IL, m. Elizabeth Ann Hardman).

NOTE: Maria's husband, William Ramsay Sr., was a brother of Barnett Ramsay, Oregon's first potter, who had a shop in Lane County on the Mohawk, one in Linn county northwest of Lebanon, and one northwest of Halsey.

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, May 13, 1881

RAMSEY (sic).--At the residence of her nephew, H.R. Ramsey, on Sabbath, May 8th, MRS. MARIA RAMSEY -- aged 72 years and 6 (sic) months

RAMSAY, Mary Maria

- b. 12 Dec 1865 Albany, OR <u>d/o</u> <u>Thomas</u> <u>LeRoy and Elizabeth Ann</u> (Hardman) <u>Ramsay</u>
- d. 2 Jul 1869 OR age 3y6m20d

RAMSAY, Thomas LeRoy "Farewell"

- b. est. 2 Feb 1831 Sangamon Co., IL s/o William Sr. and Maria Ramsay
- m. Elizabeth Ann Hardman 15 Oct 1863 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 22 Nov 1846 St. Joseph Co., IN d/o Samuel and Mary (Backus) Hardman
 - m. #2 Isaac Joseph Long 22 Jan 1879 Linn Co., OR

b. 1835

d. 1921, bur. Riverside Cemetery, Albany, OR

d. 15 Sep 1939 Albany, OR, bur.
 Riverside Cemetery, Albany,
 OR

d. 5 Jun 1876 OR age 45y4m3d

c. Alice Martha (11 Aug 1864 Albany, OR, m. Abram/Abraham Daniel Leedy)

Mary Maria (12 Dec 1865 Albany, OR) Sarah Rosella (10 Dec 1867 Albany,

OR, m. #1 E.N. "Seth" Morgan, m. #2 Fred Hyde)

Ella Jane (28 May 1869 Albany, OR) Emily Ann (10 Apr 1871 Albany, OR) Alvin LeRoy (16 Feb 1873 Albany, OR, m. Phoebe Forgey)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 2078</u> (T17S R2W Sec 9 and 10)

RAMSAY (RAMSEY), Thomas L., Lane Co; b. 1831, Sangamon Co., Ill; Arr. Ore 25 Sept 1853; SC 20 June 1854. Pat del 29 July 1895 to Joel Ware. Aff: Barrett (Barnett?) & Jacob S. Ramsay.

Albany Democrat-Herald, Dec. 11, 1967

... Rosella Hyde was born Dec. 10, 1867, the daughter of Thomas Ramsey (sic) and Elizabeth Ann Hardman. At the time, her parents were building a house on a farm near Seven Mile Lane, a few miles away and lived with her grandparents.

Her mother's parents (Samuel and Mary Backus Hardman) had come to Oregon from Iowa (sic) by wagon train in 1850. Her father's family came at a later date from Illionis (sic) to San Francisco by railroad, and to Oregon from there by boat.

Her father died when she was eight years old. During her childhood she spend (sic) some time in her grandparent's home and attended Spicer School...

REED, Harlan "Harley" P.

No Stone

- b. est. 4 Feb 1859 OT s/o William H. and Perina Elizabeth (Parrish) Reed
- d. 19 Feb 1878 OR age 19y15d

REED, William H.

- b. <u>23 Dec 1836</u> Des Moines Co., IA s/o James M. and Hester "Hettie" (Morgan) Reed
- m. Perina Elizabeth Parrish 24 Feb 1859 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 10 Jun 1843 Morgan (now Noble) Co., OH d/o Jesse Busse and Delia (Thorla) Parrish
 - m. #2 W.B. Lucas 11 May 1903 OR
 - d. 22 Apr 1915 OR age
 71y10m12d, bur. IOOF
 Cemetery, Lebanon, OR
- d. 23 Jan 1897 Lebanon, OR age 60y1m
- c. Harlan "Harley" P. (est. 4 Feb 1859 OT)

Clarence Augustus (1864 Lebanon, OR) Frances E. "Nellie" (ca. 1867 OR, m. T.C. Peebler)

NOTE: William's father James M. Reed held D.L.C. #1751 OC. James and Hettie Reed arrived in Oregon on Oct. 12, 1852.

In 1880 William was working as a liquor dealer.

Lebanon Express, Nov. 17, 1893

Passed away, in Walla Walla, Wash., Nov. 6, 1893, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. J.B. Wilson, J.M. Reed, aged 83 years. He leaves a wife 75 years old, and seven children -- four sons and three daughters. He crossed the plains in 1852, from Iowa to Oregon. Two of his sons reside in Lebanon -- John and William Reed. Mr. Reed was born in Tennessee. He was a man of honesty and integrity. He served in the Black Hawk war, as a volunteer. He settled on a donation land claim five miles this side of Albany, Oregon, and lived there over twenty years; since then he has divided his time with his sons and daughters. Thus one by one the early pioneers are going to their reward. We are now enjoying the fruits of their hardships and labors. In a few more short years there will not be any of them left to tell us about the weary long journey across the plains, with ox teams. Peace be to their ashes.

History of the Willamette Valley, H.O. Lang, 1885

Reed, W.H. -- Born in Iowa in 1836, and came to Oregon when thirteen years of age. Participated in the Indian war of 1855-6. Married, in 1859, Miss P. Parrish. They have two children -- G.A. (sic), and Nellie F., resides in Lebanon, and is engaged in merchandising.

Lebanon Express, Jan. 28, 1897

Another Pioneer has Passed Away -- W.H. Reed died at his home in this city last Sat., after an illness of several years. He was 60 years of age.

Mr. Reed was born in Des Moines Co., Iowa, Dec. 23, 1836. He came to Oregon with his parents in 1852 -- crossing the plains.

They made their home 5 miles south-east of Albany. In 1855 Mr. Reed enlisted in Co., H., Linn Co., Volunteers, for the purpose of suppressing the Indian hostilities in Yakima, WA Terr., and served 6 months, being in several battles during that time.

In 1859 he was married to Miss Perrina (sic) Parrish. Three children were born to them.

Mr. Reed had a very severe attack of grippe in the spring of 1889, from which he never fully recovered, and had been confined to his room for the last 5 years. He passed to spirit life Jan. 23, 1897.

Deceased was a member of the A.O.U.W., in good standing, having been one of the charter members of Honor Lodge, which was organized in this city in 1880, and he was buried by that order.

Deceased was a resident of Lebanon for 20 years.

Mr. Reed leaves a wife and 2 children, Mrs. T.C. Peebler and C.A. Reed, of this city.

Lebanon Express, Apr. 27, 1915

Obituary -- Parena Elizabeth Parrish was born in Ohio, June 10, 1843; came across the plains with her parents to Oregon in 1852; was married to W.H. Reed February 24, 1859. To this union were born three children. She was left a widow in 1897 and was married to W.B. Lucas May 11, 1903. She died April 22, 1915, aged 71 years, 10 months and 12 days and is survived by her husband, W.B. Lucas and two children by former marriage, C.A. Reed of Lebanon and Mrs. Nellie Peebler of Portland; two sisters, Mrs. Ida Ireland of Lebanon, and Mrs. Emily Sonnek of Palouse, Wash; three brothers, Alexander Parrish of Portland, Benj. Parrish of Stayton, and

Hogue Parrish of Sodaville. Also a granddaughter, Mrs. Rose Murphy of Portland and a great granddaughter, Elaine Murphy, besides a host of friends who live to mourn their loss.

She was a firm believer in Spiritualism. Was a loving wife, good mother and a loyal friend, always ready and willing to lend a hand in sickness or trouble. Though gone, she is not forgotten, and her loving deeds and acts of kindness do follow her.

Funeral services were conducted at the family home near Sodaville by Geo. W. Simons, Christian minister, after which the loved form was laid to rest beneath a mound of beautiful floral offerings in the I.O.O.F. cemetery near Lebanon.

REEL, Alfred L.

b. 25 Aug 1851 in Bealsburg, PA

m. Alice Mills 25 Dec 1877 Linn Co., OR

b. ca. 1860 IL

d. 23 Sep 1881 OR age 29y10m28d

c. son (ca. 1879 OR)

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, Sept. 30, 1881

LEBANON ITEMS.

Lebanon, Sept. 28th, 1881, Ed. Democrat:

Friday evening the people of our quiet village were shocked to hear of the falling of a bridge on the Narrow Gauge railroad, and that our townsman A.L. Rell (sic) had been killed. As soon as it was possible, some friends went to the scene of disaster and brought the body home. He was buried on Sunday. The funeral was conducted by the Odd Fellows and a large concourse of poeple followed him to the grave. He leaves a wife and child to mourn his loss. The little boy is too young to realize the loss now, but the poor grief stricken wife, may she have strength given her to endure this great trial. She has the heart felt sympathy of the whole community.

REEL, L.

NOTE: There are only fragments of this marble tabletstone. He or she <u>died</u> the <u>19</u>th of some month in <u>1879</u> <u>aged</u> possibly 9 years and 15 days.

REYNOLDS, Adele/Adell

No Stone

b. 8 Aug 1872 OR d/o Silas and Mary Adelia (Saltmarsh) Reynolds d. 22 Jan 1882 Lebanon, OR age 9y5m14d

NOTE: Adele died of diphtheria. She is assumed buried here with others of her family.

REYNOLDS, Archer "Archie"

No Stone

- b. 17 Aug 1883 OR s/o Silas and Mary Adelia (Saltmarsh) Reynolds
- d. 20 Aug 1887 Linn Co., OR age 4y3d



Arthur and Archie Reynolds, twin sons of Silas and Mary Reynolds. Archie died of accidental overdose of sleeping powder (mistake of druggist).

Lebanon Express, Aug. 26, 1887

On Saturday morning last little Archie, aged 4 years, son of Silas Reynolds, of Hamilton creek, died very suddenly of paralysis of the heart.

His remains were interred in the Lebanon cemetery on Sunday afternoon.



Arthur Reynolds, Archie's twin brother

NOTE: Silas Reynolds was born 18 Oct 1842. He served as a teamster and was severely wounded at the Battle of Corinth during the Civil War, having mustered in to Company A, 7th IA Volunteer Regiment, on 4 Jul 1861. He left the service on 24 Jul 1864 at Columbus, OH, and lived in IL until 1866 when he moved to Jacksonville, OR. He was married there on 20 Sep 1868 to Mary Saltmarsh. They had eight children and lived in several Linn county towns including Waterloo, Berlin, and Sodaville. Silas and Mary Reynolds are buried at Salem, OR.

Gold on Sterling Creek, A Century of Placer Mining, by Francis D. Haines, Jr. and Vern S. Smith, p. 79

Silas Reynolds wrote in (to a local newspaper) to claim that he found a nugget in 1867 that weighed out at \$200 which he claimed as the largest ever found...

REYNOLDS, Rueben "Our Father"

b. 9 Mar 1831

m. Probably Mary J. ??? ca. 1858 IA?

b. ca. 1842 PA

m. #2 Abraham Dawson 5 May 1870 Linn Co., OR

d. 12 Jan 1867 OR age 35y11m3d

c. (probable)

Harriett (ca. 1859 IA) Lucinda B. (ca. 1861 IA) Richard (ca. 1864 IA) Johnny (ca. 1867 OR)

REYNOLDS, Senoria "Nora"

No Stone

 b. 25 Nov 1874 OR d/o Silas and Mary Adelia (Saltmarsh) Reynolds

d. 14 Feb 1882 Lebanon, OR age 7y2m20d

NOTE: Nora died of diphtheria. She is assumed buried here with others of her family.

RICE, Eugene

b. 3 Apr 1876

d. 6 Jan 1889 OR age 12y9m3d

"He has gone to the mansions of rest"

RICKS, John W.

b. ca. 1844 OH

m. Jennie ??? CA

m. #2 Charles Berry 13 May 1888 Linn Co., OR

d. 1880-1888

c. Jennie (ca. 1875)

"Co. D. 36th Ind. Inf."

Civil War Veterans, by Spencer Leonard

John W. Ricks - C - no.

Report of the Adjutant General of the State of Indiana

John W. Ricks -- from Henry County in the 36th Regiment Company D. He mustered in on Oct. 23, 1861 and mustered out Sept. 21, 1864 as absent wounded.

Brownsville Advertiser, Nov. 7, 1878

Last Wednesday evening as Mr. J.W. Ricks and family were going home, the horses became unmanageable when going down the hill by the grist mill, and ran off the bridge at the race, and upset them all into the water, seriously hurting Mrs. Ricks, but we understand she is now improving. That bridge is too narrow for a main road, and should be made wider.

NOTE: The following members of the same family have different spellings of their last name. When underlined, it is the spelling as it appeared on the gravestone. Apparently older generations spelled the name Ridgway. Later family members changed the spelling to Ridgeway.

RIDGEWAY, David Gurley

No Stone

- b. 10 Oct 1860 Jasper Co., IA s/o William and Sarah Anne (Dannals) Ridgeway
- d. 12 Dec 1919 Albany, OR age 59y2m2d

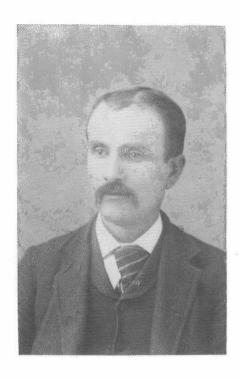
Lebanon Express, Dec. 17, 1919

David G. Ridgeway Passes On -- David Gurley Ridgeway, who has been a resident of Lebanon for many years, died at St. Mary's hospital in Albany, December 12, of paralysis, with which he was stricken several months ago. Deceased was 59 years of age and was born in Jasper county, Iowa. He came with his father, in an ox team across the plains in 1864, and wintered that year in Boise City. The next year, 1865, they came to Lebanon, where deceased has lived most of the time since. He leaves one brother, U.P. Ridgeway of Lebanon, and two brothers and two sisters living in other parts of Oregon. The remains were laid to rest Tuesday in the family plot in the old Lebanon cemetery.

Lebanon Criterion, Dec. 19, 1919

Dave Ridgeway, who for more that (sic) forty years was a well known character about Lebanon died last Saturday at St. Mary's hospital

where he had been for the last year or more suffering from a paralytic stroke, and during that time has been practically helpless. He was fifty-eight years of age and had never been married. Most of his life had been spent about Lebanon. The body was brought here the first of the week for interment.



David Gurley Ridgeway

On back of old photo: "Dave Ridgeway (lived on Ridgeway place on river, this side Grant St. bridge). Neighbors of Arthur & Elvira Saltmarsh. Used to be Ferry before bridge, run by Ridgeways."

RIDGWAY, <u>Dulcena</u> Anne <u>Paine</u> (nee Fletcher) "<u>Wife of J</u>"

- b. 28 Jun 1820 Montgomery Co., KY
- m. #1 Mr. Paine
 - #2 James A. Ridgway 16 Feb 1835 Sangamon Co., IL
- <u>d.</u> <u>2 May 1896</u> Buckley, WA age 75y10m4d
- c. Martha E. (1848 IL, m. James Edwards)
 George T. (16 Jan 1851 IL, m. #1 Julia
 Ann Kirk, m. #2 Roberta
 Stringer)

Sarah K. (1 Jan 1854 Linn Co., OT)

John W. (1855 Linn Co., OT)

Marion Griffith (28 Jun 1857 Linn Co., OT)

Dulcena "Jennie" (1860 Linn Co., OR, m. Richmond C. Usher)

Lebanon Express, May 7, 1896

Obituary -- Mrs. Dulcena Ridgway, nee Fletcher, was born in Montgomery county, Ky, June 28, 1820, and died in Buckley, Washington, May 2, 1896, attaining the good, old age of 76 years.

When 8 years old, she moved with her parents to Illinois. On Feb. 16, 1835, she was happily married to James Ridgway, who for many years was an honorable member of this community. She came with her husband to Oregon in 1852 and settled in this vicinity. Here the greater part of her life was spent. She was esteemed and loved by everyone who knew her, and her memory is still sacred and fragrant. When only 18 years old while in the bloom of young womanhood she gave her heart to God and joined the Methodist church. Her consecration and devotion were sublime, her faith was vigorous and her life was pure. When the angel of death came, she was ready. She died in great triumph.

Her funeral services were held in the Methodist church, in this city, in the presence of a large number of old friends and acquaintances. After a few brief remarks by the pastor, all that was mortal of Sister Dulcena Ridgway was borne to the silent tomb and laid by the side of her husband, there to await the resurrection morn.

Lebanon Express, May 21, 1896

In Memory -- Mrs. Dulcina P. Ridgway, Grandma Ridgway, as she was known by all her friends, passed away on May 2, 1896. Though a constant sufferer for several years she was ever patient in bearing losses and enduring pain, and was always pleased and grateful for the smallest kindness or favor shown her. Her christian faith and calm endurance of pain and suffering, her kind and gentle ways, her sweet and peaceful face will long be remembered by her many friends and loved ones.

To her memory the following lines were penned:

We have lain her 'neath the sod,

Where the grasses wave and blow.

She has received the last fond token

From her loved ones here below.

Calm and patient here in life,
Enduring pain and bearing loss;
Now she's joined the throng immortal,
Received her crown, laid down her cross.

All her trials now are ended,
All her sufferings of pain are o'er;
She has gone to meet her loved ones
Over on the other shore.

We think not of the cold grave yonder,

Nor of her in pain distressed;

But think of her at home in heaven,

Of her joys, and peace, and rest.

Could we catch but one glimpse only,
Of her face so pure and bright,
It would turn our hearts of sadness
Into one of joy and light.

We would not call her back
From that dear home so blest;
Yet we miss her, sadly miss her,
But rest on, O dear one, rest!

For we know that she is waiting,
Over on yon shining shore,
Waiting to welcome each dear one,
Where we'll meet to part no more.
M.E.P.

RIDGWAY, James A. "My Husband"

- <u>b.</u> 12 Jan 1812 Lincoln Co., KY s/o Ausburn/Osborne and Jane (Phelps) Ridgway
- m. Dulcena Anne (Fletcher) Paine 16 Feb
 1835 Sangamon Co., IL (see Ridgway,
 Dulcena Anne Paine)
- <u>d.</u> 30 Nov 1888 Lebanon, OR age 76y10m18d
- c. Martha E. (1848 IL, m. James Edwards)
 George T. (16 Jan 1851 IL, m. #1 Julia
 Ann Kirk, m. #2 Roberta
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Sarah K. (1 Jan 1854 Linn Co., OT) John W. (1855 Linn Co., OT) Marion Griffith (28 Jun 1857 Linn Co., OT)

Dulcena "Jennie" (1860 Linn Co., OR, m. Richmond C. Usher)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1959</u> (T12S R2W Sec 11 and 12)

RIDGEWAY (RIDGWAY), James, Linn co, m. 2-16-1835, Sangamon Co, Ill., Dulcenia (Delcemia) Paine

Also, RIDGWAY, James, Linn co; b 1812, Lincoln Co, Ky; Arr. Ore. 10 Oct 1852; SC 1 Nov 1852; m. Dulcenia Paine 16 Feb 1835 Sangamon Co., Ill. Aff: John A. Ambler, John W. Moore, James P. Combs, James M. Cottrell.

NOTE: Ridgeway Butte, east of the Santiam and southeast of Lebanon, was named for James Ridgway. He operated the first ferry across the Santiam River at Lebanon.

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, Jan. 9, 1869

A NARROW ESCAPE.--On last Saturday as Mr. Ridgeway and his son-in-law were bringing Rev. Starr and horse across the Santiam river on the former gentleman's ferry boat, near Lebanon, the rope broke and the boat and men were carried rapidly down the river a distance of about three miles, when the boat struck a stationary log and was thrown up on its side, precipitating the three men and the horse into the river. Fortunately Rev. Starr jumped astride of his horse as the latter went into the water, and the faithful animal swam to an island near by and landed his master safely on terra firma. The ferrymen also swam to the island. Here the party remained for an hour or two, when they were discovered by Wm. Smith and Jason Wheeler, who promptly procured a skiff and started to their rescue: but ere they reached the island they met with the same catastrophe that befell the occupants of the ferry boat. The velocity of the current carried their skiff against a log where it capsized, and the men climbed on the log, which, fortunately, projected from the island and enabled them to walk along it to where their companions in distress were standing. The party were all taken off from the island several hours subsequently, by some gentlemen who were fortunate enough to procure an old ferry boat in the neighborhood. We understand the Methodist preacher got so cold that his fear of "fire" was considerably moderated after his release.

Lebanon Express, Dec. 7, 1888

Obituary -- James Ridgway was born January 16, 1812, in Lincoln county, Kentucky; died at his home near Lebanon, Oregon, Nov. 30, 1888. When a youth of 17 years Mr. Ridgway removed

from Kentucky to Illinois, where at the age of 20 he made a profession of the religion of Christ and united with the Methodist Episcopal church, in which church he lived a faithful member until his death. He came to Oregon in 1852 and resided here his remaining days. During the thirty-six years of his residence in the State he had but one home -- his donation claim about one mile east of this town. So then he was truly a citizen of Linn county, and was one of her good and honorable citizens. Though very plain and unpretentious, he was a man of sterling integrity, and interested himself in the development and advancement of his community and surrounding country. He loved "whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure -- whatsoever things are of good report," and did what he could to build up that which would benefit and bless Humanity around him. He was one of the founders of Santiam Academy, located here in his neighborhood. He hauled nearly, if not quite all, the lumber which composes the building, and he was one of the school's long and honored trustees. In his death a good and useful citizen is taken from our midst, but there are works of his and an influence which survive and remain with us. These are such that none need be ashamed. An aged wife, five children and many friends mourn the loss they sustain in his departure.

Lebanon Criterion, Nov. 5, 1915

VISITS HER CHILDHOOD HOME

Mrs. Jennie Usher, a native daughter of Lebanon has been spending the past week here going over the scenes of her childhood. She is the daughter of James Ridgeway, who in the early days of Linn county took up as a donation claim the land on the north side of the butte that still bears his name although it has long since passed out of the family.

She was accompanied by her niece, Mrs. B.S. Durkee, who was also a native daughter, and they brought with them the ashes of Mrs. Usher's brother, John Ridgeway, who died at Portland several months ago, and who made as a last request that his body be cremated and the ashes taken to Lebanon and there scattered to the four winds from the top of the butte he had known so well in his boyhood days.

Mrs. Usher filled the request to the letter and climbed to the top of the butte and there scattered the last remaining earthly evidence of her brother upon the mountain top where as a boy he had known every pathway up and down its steep and rocky sides. The old homestead still stands at the

east end of the bridge and is now known as the Chamberlain house from the fact that it was the home of the H.D. Chamberlain family for almost a quarter of a century.

Her father operated a ferry across the Santiam for many years prior to the building of the old wooden bridge in the year 1875, and which is now being replaced by a new steel structure. Mrs. Usher now lives in Portland.

RIDGEWAY, James "Jimmie"

- <u>b.</u> <u>2 Feb 1878</u> OR <u>s/o</u> <u>George T</u>. <u>and Julia</u> <u>Ann (Kirk) Ridgeway</u>
- <u>d.</u> 30 Oct 1880 OR age 2y8m28d

RIDGEWAY, James Harvey

No Stone

- b. 12 May 1846 Logan Co., IL s/o William and Sarah Anne (Dannals) Ridgeway
- d. 4 Feb 1915 McMinnville, OR age 68v8m28d

Lebanon Express, Feb. 9, 1915

OBITUARY.

James Harvey Ridgeway was born in Linn (sic) county, Illinois, May 12, 1846. At the age of six he moved to Iowa; crossed the plains with his parents with oxen team at age of 18 and wintered at Boise city during the year of 1864 and 1865. He then moved to Linn county and was a resident of Lebanon until 1903, then moved to Yamhill county and resided there until his death. He died at McMinnville at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mart Tharp (sic), his sister, Feb. 4, 1915, at the age of 68 years, 8 months and 28 days. His mother died in 1890 and his father died in 1896. There were five sisters and six brothers in his family. There are two sisters and five brothers still living. Their names are as follows; Mrs. L.A. Harnett of Lebanon, D.L. Ridgeway of Sunnyside, Ore., E.R. Ridgeway of McMinnville, Reuben Ridgeway, D. G. Ridgeway, and U.P. Ridgeway of Lebanon and Ella S. Thapp (sic) of McMinnville. He was a member of the Methodist church and never was married.

Lebanon Criterion, Feb. 12, 1915

The body of James H. Ridgeway, who died at the home of his sister in McMinnville, on Thursday of last week, was brought to Lebanon for burial on Friday and was laid to rest in the old City Cemetery. Mr. Ridgeway came to Lebanon in the sixties and was for many years a resident of this

vicinity, moving to McMinnville in 1903 to make his home with his sister, Mrs. Mart Tharp. He was unmarried and is survived by five brothers and two sisters, of whom U.P. Ridgeway and Mrs. L.A. Harnett are still residents of this city.

RIDGEWAY, Julia Ann (nee Kirk) "Farewell - Wife of GT"

- <u>b.</u> <u>21 Dec 1855</u> OT d/o Madison and Emily Ellen (Duncolm) Kirk
- m. George T. Ridgeway 22 Feb 1875 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 16 Jan 1851 IL s/o James A. and Dulcena Anne Paine (Fletcher) Ridgeway
 - m. #2 Roberta Stringer 19 Apr 1885 Linn Co., OR
 - m. #2 John Grant 3 Aug 1890 Crook Co., OR
 - d. 8 May 1889 Crook Co., OR age 38y3m22d
- d. 12 Mar 1882 OR age 26y2m21d
- Clyde (ca. 1877 OR)

 James (2 Feb 1878 OR)

 Leo (21 Jul 1880 OR)

Lebanon Express, May 17, 1889

Mr. George Ridgeway, a former citizen and native of this county, died at his home near Prineville on the 8th past. Deceased married a daughter of Mr. E. Stringer, of this place, and the many friends and relatives of both families will learn with deep regret the untimely death of this excellent man.

RIDGEWAY, Leo.

- b. <u>21 Jul 1880 OR s/o George T. and Julia</u> Ann (Kirk) <u>Ridgeway</u>
- d. <u>22 May 1896</u> Buckley, WA age 15y10m1d

Lebanon Express, May 27, 1896

Geo. (sic) Ridgeway, son of Geo. Ridgeway, died at his home in Buckley, Wash., May 22, (1896) and was brought to this city and buried in the Lebanon cemetery Tuesday. He was 16 years of age.

Lebanon Express, June 4, 1896

In Memory -- The following verses were written in memory of Leo Ridgeway, who died at Buckley, Wash. May 22, 1896:

The reaper death has come again,
And with his sickle sharp and keen
Cut down one so young in life,
In the morning of his manhood's
dream.

But God in his mercy knoweth best,
He that knows all things well,
Called the weary one home to rest,
And there with him to ever dwell.

The boatman from the other side,

Carried him from a life of pain,

To his loved one, over the swelling tide,

Where we hope to meet with him again.

M.E.P.

RIDGWAY, Marion Griffith

- b. 28 Jun 1857 Linn Co., OT <u>s/o</u> James A. <u>and</u> <u>Dulcena</u> Anne <u>Paine</u> (Fletcher) Ridgway
- <u>d.</u> <u>16 Dec 1860</u> Lebanon, OR <u>age</u> <u>3y5m18d</u>

Newspaper Clipping, source unknown, Dec. 29, 1860

Obituary -- Near Lebanon, Linn County, December 16, 1860, of bronchial croup, Marion Griffith, son of James and Dulcena Ridgway aged three years and five months.

RIDGEWAY, Sarah Anne (nee Dannals) No Stone

- b. 11 Jul 1822 Clinton Co., OH d/o James and Hannah (Bowman) Dannals
- m. William Ridgeway ca. 1845 IL?

Co., IA)

- d. 7 Jan 1890 Lebanon, OR age 67y5m27d
- c. James Harvey (12 May 1846 Logan Co., IL)

Lucinda Anne (28 Aug 1847 Logan Co., IL, m. Cable H. Harnett)

Rebecca Jane (13 Dec 1848 Logan Co., IL, m. M.C. Lindsey)

Daniel S. (26 Dec 1851 Logan Co., IL)

Enoch R. (26 Dec 1851 Logan Co., IL, m. Anna Earl)

Mahala Adeline (24 Apr 1853 Jasper Co., IA, m. George Cass Davis) Reuben "Rube" (31 Mar 1855 Jasper Uriah "Rye" Perry (18 Apr 1857 Jasper Co., IA)

Mary Elizabeth (17 Feb 1859 Jasper Co., IA)

David Gurley (30 Nov 1860 Jasper Co., IA)

Washington Owen (17 Feb 1862 Jasper Co., IA, m. Hannah M. Michaels)

Luella "Ella" Sciota (30 Mar 1864 Jasper Co., IA, m. #1 Martin Thorp/Tharp, m. #2 James Thorp/Tharp)

Lebanon Express, Jan. 10, 1890

Died, January 7, 1890, Mrs. S.A. Ridgway, aged 68 years. Mrs. Ridgway was born in Ohio, July 11, 1822. She came with her family to Oregon in 1864 and located in Lebanon in 1865. She leaves an aged husband, six sons and four daughters. Deceased was a (unreadable). For the past five years she has been confined to her bed with paralysis of her limbs and hips. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Calder at the C.P. Church. She has passed beyond this sphere of pain and disappointment and suffering. May angel spirits administer to her in that same bright clime where parting will be no more.

Lebanon Express, May, 1933

U.P. Ridgeway was at McMinnville to attend the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Luella Tharp. Mrs. Tharp came with her parents to this section when six weeks old, the family locating just across the river east of Lebanon. Mr. Ridgeway is the only member of the immediate family still living.

NOTE: Sarah Ridgeway is assumed to be buried here along with other members of her family.

RIDGWAY, Sarah K.

- b. 1 Jan 1854 Linn Co., OT <u>d/o</u> <u>James A.</u>
 <u>and Dulcena Anne Paine</u> (Fletcher)
 <u>Ridgway</u>
- <u>d.</u> <u>12 May 1856</u> OT <u>age 2y4m10d</u>

RIDGEWAY, William

No Stone

 b. 18 Jan 1810 Lincoln Co., KY s/o Ausburn/Osborne and Jane (Phelps) Ridgeway

m. #1 Elizabeth Lucas 14 Feb 1833 Sangamon Co., IL

b. ca. 1812 Clinton Co., OH d/o
Thomas and Sarah (Hoblit)
Lucas

d. ca. 1841-5

#2 Sarah Anne Dannals ca. 1845 IL? (see Ridgeway, Sarah Anne)

d. 10 Feb 1895 Lebanon, OR age 85y22d

c. (by Elizabeth Lucas)

Thomas E. (1835 Logan Co., IL, m. Mrs. Nancy Cox)

Abraham L. (1837 Logan Co., IL, m. Sciota Samantha Dannals)

John Henry (28 May 1838 Logan Ćo., IL, m. Jincy Woten)

Sarah J. (1839 Logan Co., IL)

William C. (m. Mary Ann Rutledge)

(by Sarah Dannals/Daniels)

James Harvey (12 May 1846 Logan Co., IL)

Lucinda Anne (28 Aug 1847 Logan Co., IL, m. Cable H. Harnett)

Rebecca Jane (13 Dec 1848 Logan Co., IL, m. M.C. Lindsey)

Daniel S. (26 Dec 1851 Logan Co., IL)

Enoch R. (26 Dec 1851 Logan Co., IL, m. Anna Earl)

Mahala Adeline (24 Apr 1853 Jasper Co., IA, m. George Cass Davis)

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David Gurley (30 Nov 1860 Jasper Co., IA)

Washington Owen (17 Feb 1862 Jasper Co., IA, m. Hannah M. Michaels)

Luella "Ella" Sciota (30 Mar 1864 Jasper Co., IA, m. #1 Martin Thorp/Tharp, m. #2 James Thorp/Tharp)

Lebanon Express, Feb. 15, 1895

Another Pioneer Gone -- Wm. Ridgeway, commonly known as Uncle Billy Ridgway, died very suddenly at his home in this city last Sunday at about 11 o'clock. Uncle Billy Ridgway was born in Lincoln county, Ky., Jan. 18, 1810, being 85 years and 22 days old at the time of his death.

He came across the plains with his family in 1864, coming from Iowa to this county. He located

in Lebanon in the year of 1865, where he has since remained. His wife died in this city about five years ago. He is the father of eleven children, ten of which survive him. They are Harve, Dan, Enoch, Rube, Rye, Dave and Owen Ridgway and Mrs. Arnett (sic), Mrs. Lindsay, Mrs. Davis and Mrs. Thoughes (sic).

On Saturday before his death Sunday, he was around as usual and Sunday morning he woke up and said he was cold and in a short time he was unconscious, and died in a few hours.

NOTE: William Ridgeway is assumed buried here along with others of his family.

RIGGS, Anna Laurel (nee Harnett) No Stone

b. 13 Nov 1871 Lebanon, OR d/o Cable and Lucinda M. (Ridgeway) Harnett

m. #1 Mr. Buchanan #2 Robert E. Riggs 16 Nov 1911 Linn Co., OR

 d. 3/4 Feb 1922 Lebanon, OR age 50y2m21d

Lebanon Express, Feb. 8, 1922

Native of Lebanon Passes to Beyond --Anna Laurel Harnett was born in Lebanon, Linn county, Oregon, Nov. 13, 1871. She resided in Lebanon practically her entire life, and died in this city February 4, 1922.

She was married to Robert E. Riggs on November 16, 1911. She leaves to mourn her death her mother, Mrs. L.A. Harnett of this city; Marion Harnett of this city; Francis Fetters of Michigan; Chas. Harnett of Michigan; Evelyn Wilson of California.

Lebanon Criterion, Feb. 10, 1922

Following a lingering and complicated illness, on February 4, 1922, at her home on north Grove Street, occurred the death of Mrs. Anna Lila Riggs at the age of 50 years, 2 months and 21 days.

The deceased had spent most of her life in Lebanon being a descendent of an early pioneer family.

She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Harnett, the latter of whom, with her husband, R.E. Riggs, survive her. She also leaves two brothers, Shasta Harnett of this city and Melvin Harnett of Alberta, Canada; and a sister in the east.

Her funeral was held Monday afternoon at 2:30 at the Church of Christ with Rev. V.K. Allison officiating. Burial was made in the family burial

plot in the city cemetery east of the high school campus.

RITTER, Anna Theresa

- b. est. 11 Mar 1849 St. Joseph Co., IN d/o John H. and Rachel (Hardman) Ritter
- d. 5 Jul 1868 Linn Co., OR age 19y3m24d

RITTER, John H.

- b. 10 Aug 1813 Union Co., IN s/o Samuel and Margaret (Hardman) Ritter
- m. Rachel Hardman 1 Aug 1839 St. Joseph Co., IN (see Ritter, Rachel)
- <u>d.</u> 23 Feb 1868 Linn Co., OR age 54y6m13d
- c. Margaret Ann (18 Apr 1840 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Benjamin F. Hardman)
 - Samuel H. (13 Sep 1841 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Amanda Jane Smith)
 - Polly J. (17 Dec 1842 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Levi Oakes Backus)
 - Caroline (16 Feb 1844 St. Joseph Co.,
 IN. m. Merritt Bellinger)
 - Benjamin H. (29 Mar 1846 St. Joseph Co., IN)
 - Anna Theresa (est. 11 Mar 1849 St. Joseph Co., IN)
 - Philip Sylvester (27 Aug 1853 Linn Co., OT, m. Susan Minerva Griffith)
 - Clara Magdelena (7 May 1856 Linn Co., OT. m. John Hart Shideler)
 - Martha Emmaline (18 Dec 1858 Linn Co., OT, m. Luke W. Follis)
 - America Ellen (16 Jun 1861 Linn Co., OR, m. James D. White)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1888</u> (T12S R1W Sec 21, 22 and 27)

RITTER, John H, Linn Co; b 1813, Union Co, Ind; Arr. Ore. 9 Sept 1853; SC 29 Nov 1853; m. Rachel 1 Aug 1839, St. Joseph, Ind. Aff: Solomon Ritter, Aaron Hardman

Also RITTER, John., d. 2-23-1868 ae 54y 6m 13 das; wife Rachel d. 7-19-1885 ae 64. Bur. Lebanon Cem, Linn Co., "End of the Trail Researchers ". (Publication of Genealogy Society, Lebanon, OR)

RITTER, Margaret (nee Hardman) No Stone

- b. 1 Oct 1792 KY d/o Joseph and Elizabeth (Harris) Hardman
- m. Samuel Ritter ca. 1810
 - b. 1788 Franklin Co., VA s/o John and Eva (Miller) Ritter
 - d. 1838 St. Joseph Co., IN age 50
- d. 5 Nov 1857 Linn Co., OT age 65y1m4d
- c. Mary (1811, m. Mr. Hardman)
 John H. (10 Aug 1813 Union Co., IN,
 m. Rachel Hardman)

Solomon (8 Dec 1817 Union Co., IN, m. Elizabeth Hardman)

The Gospel Visitor, Apr. 1858

Died in Linn County, Oregon, November 5, 1857, Sister Margaret Ritter, aged 65 years, 1 month, 4 days. She was the widow of Samuel Ritter, deceased, and had been a member of the church for some forty years. Disease: cancer scrofula in her breast. Funeral sermon by Daniel Leedy and Harrison Davis. Text: Gal. 6:15, 16.

NOTE: Margaret is assumed buried here along with others of her family and church.

RITTER, Matilda

No Stone

- b. 20 Jan 1855 Linn Co., OT d/o Solomon and Elizabeth (Hardman) Ritter, gd/o Samuel and Margaret (Hardman) Ritter
- d. 27 Feb 1859 Linn Co., OR age 4y1m7d

NOTE: Matilda is assumed buried here along with others of her family.

RITTER, Rachel (nee Hardman)

- b. 27 Jul 1821 Wayne Co., IN d/o Joshua H. and Annie W. Hardman
- m. John H. Ritter 1 Aug 1839 St. Joseph Co., IN
- d. 19 Jul 1885 OR age 63y11m22d "64y"
- c. Margaret Ann (18 Apr 1840 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Benjamin F. Hardman)
 - Samuel H. (13 Sep 1841 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Amanda Jane Smith)
 - Polly J. (17 Dec 1842 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Levi Oakes Backus)

Caroline (16 Feb 1844 St. Joseph Co., IN, m. Merritt Bellinger)
Benjamin H. (29 Mar 1846 St. Joseph Co., IN)
Anna Theresa (est. 11 Mar 1849 St. Joseph Co., IN)
Philip Sylvester (27 Aug 1853 Linn Co., OT, m. Susan Minerva Griffith)
Clara Magdelena (7 May 1856 Linn Co., OT, m. John Hart Shideler)
Martha Emmaline (18 Dec 1858 Linn Co., OT, m. Luke W. Follis)

America Ellen (16 Jun 1861 Linn Co., OR, m. James D. White)

Albeny Democrat, July 24, 1885

RITTER -- On July 19th, 1885, at her home near Lebanon, Mrs. Rachel Ritter, aged 63 years, 11 months, 22 days.

Mr. Ritter came to Oregon in 1853 from Indiana, her birthplace being Ohio (sic). She had ten children, only six of whom are alive.

She was a member of the German Baptist Church, a woman of pure character and noble christian bearing.

Her funeral took place at the residence of Philip Ritter, Elder Bashor conducting the services, and was largely attended by many mourning relatives and friends.

RITTER, Samuel H.

- b. 13 Sep 1841 St. Joseph Co., IN s/o John H. and Rachel (Hardman) Ritter
- m. Amanda Jane Smith 5 Aug 1866 Lebanon, OR
 - b. 9 Nov 1849 Boone Co., MO d/o Andrew Jackson Smith
 - m. #2 Thomas Jefferson Powell 24 Jul 1870 Polk Co., OR
 - d. 27 Feb 1911 bur. Prineville Cemetery, Prineville, OR
- d. 30 Nov 1869 OR age 28y2m17d
- c. John Winfield (17 Jun 1867 Polk Co.,
 OR, m. #1 Mrs. Mary Emma
 [Slavens] Shaw, m. #2 Esther
 Mattson)

NOTE: Family records indicate that Samuel was "killed accidentally" although how this occurred is unknown.

NOTE: The following members of the same family have two different spellings of their last

name. Names underlined are as they appear on the gravestones.

ROBNETT, Angeline

"Daughter of John and Mary Robnett"

- b. 5 May 1842 Buchanan Co., MO d/o John and Mary (Powell) Robinett
- d. 12 Oct 1861 OR age 19y5m7d

"She was a member of the M.E. Church/ and died in the triumph of faith."

NOTE: Mr. Francis Kizer of Harrisburg reports this interesting item concerning this young girl's "My wife's name was Robinett, granddaughter of John Robinett who lived and died near Lebanon. Recently (1939) we made a trip to Lebanon to see the family graves in the cemetery there and my wife was surprised to find the grave of an aunt of whom she had heard, and who had died in the 1860's. The strange and romantic part of the discovery was that in the grass over this long forgotten grave someone had but recently placed an offering of very beautiful flowers. Someone still remembered this young girl whose existence had been forgotten by her own family, a girl who died almost eighty years ago."

ROBINETT, (boy)

No Stone

- b. ca. 1887 s/o Moses and Martha Jane (Hildreth) Robinett, gs/o John and Mary (Powell) Robinett
- d. 18 Feb 1893 Lebanon, OR age 6y

Lebanon Express, Feb. 24, 1893

Moses Robinett's little boy, six years old, died last Saturday and was buried Sunday in the Lebanon Cemetery.

ROBINETT, John

- <u>b.</u> 27 Jan 18<u>09</u> Bourbon Co., KY s/o Joseph and Nancy (Barker) Robinett
- m. Mary Powell 1 Feb 1832 Lafayette Co., MO (see Robinett, Mary)
- <u>d.</u> <u>3 Jun</u> 18<u>72</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age 63y4m6d</u>
- c. Rachel A. (1 Dec 1832 Lafayette Co., MO, m. John Washington Moore)

Nancy Jane (9 Aug 1834 Lafayette Co., MO, m. Miles Cary)

John A. (1 Jun 1837 Buchanan Co., MO, m. #1 Mary C. Brock, m. #2 Frances O. Cranfill, m. #3 Tempy J. Walker)

Sarah Ann (9 Sep 1839 Buchanan Co., MO, m. Joseph Seely)

Angeline (5 May 1842 Buchanan Co., MO)

Lucinda (1844 Buchanan Co., MO, m. John W. McCauley)

Mary (1847 Buchanan Co., MO, m. #1 William Cyrus Jr., m. #2 Thomas Hayes)

William Columbus (Jan 1850 Buchanan Co., MO, m. Marinda J. Gore)

Noah A. (1852 Linn Co., OT, m. Esther M. Brewer)

Vadura "Dora" Asbereene (3 Jul 1855 Linn Co., OT, m. David H. Pierce)

Elmira (1 Nov 1858 Linn Co., OT, m. #1 Jasper T. Foster, m. #2 George W. Pugh)

Moses (1862 Linn Co., OR, m. Martha Jane Hildreth)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1742 RB</u> (T14S R1W Sec 1, 2, 11 and 12)

ROBNETT/ROBINETT, John b. 27 Jan 1809 Bourbon Co, Ky m. Mary Powell d/o Richard Powell and Rachel Jeems 1 Feb 1832 Lafayette Co, Mo. d. 3 Jun 1872 Linn Co, OR. bur. Pioneer Cemetery, Linn Co., OR. Settled claim, 15 Sept 1851, 2 miles S.W. of Sweet Home.

Also, ROBINETT (x) John, Linn Co; b 1809, Clark Co, Ky; Arr Ore 12 Aug 1851; SC 1 Dec 1851; m. Mary, Feb 1831, Mo. Aff: John W. (x) Moore, Geo. F. Linnicker, Wm. J. Philpott, Wm. (x) Matlock.

Robinett Family Record, Alva S. Turnbow Publ., Eugene, OR, 1971

John Robinett, son of Joseph and Nancy Barker, born 1809, moved from Bourbon County, Kentucky in 1822 to Clark County, Kentucky, and in 1824 to Boone County, Missouri with his brother William.

In 1832 he was married to Mary Powell, who was born in Powell's Valley, Claiborne County, Tennessee. She was the daughter of Richard and Rachel Jeems Powell, who were the earliest settlers in Washington Township, Lafayette County, having came to that part of Missouri, 10 miles south of

Lexington, in 1820. Richard Powell was a brother of Rev. Joab Powell. They were sons of Joseph and Hannah Jewson Powell.

John and Mary made their home in Lafayette County until 1836 when they moved to Buchanan County, Missouri and settled in Lake Township. In 1850 his brother William made a trip back to Missouri from Oregon to settle an estate and sell his land in Lafayette County. In the spring of 1851 when he was ready to depart for Linn County, Oregon, John Robinett had decided to come with him. Their brother Stephen also crossed the plains to Oregon in this same wagon train, they arrived at Foster's Place, Oregon Territory, on August 14, 1851.

The will of John Robinett was filed for Probate at Albany, Linn County, Oregon on September 19, 1872 and provided for all his children.

ROBINETT, Joseph D.

b. est. 4 Mar 1859 Linn Co., OR <u>s/o</u> <u>P</u>. and M. Robinett

d. 31 Oct 1859 Linn Co., OR age 7m27d

ROBINETT, Mary (nee Powell) "Wife of (unreadable) Robinett"

b. 1816 Powell's Valley, TN <u>d/o</u> Richard and Rachel (Jeems) Powell

m. John Robinett 1 Feb 1832 Lafayette Co., MO

d. 20 Jul 1870 Linn Co., OR age 54v

c. Rachel A. (1 Dec 1832 Lafayette Co., MO, m. John Washington Moore)

Nancy Jane (9 Aug 1834 Lafayette Co., MO, m. Miles Cary)

John A. (1 Jun 1837 Buchanan Co., MO, m. #1 Mary C. Brock, m. #2 Frances O. Cranfill, m. #3 Tempy J. Walker)

Sarah Ann (9 Sep 1839 Buchanan Co., MO, m. Joseph Seely)

Angeline (5 May 1842 Buchanan Co., MO)

Lucinda (1844 Buchanan Co., MO, m. John W. McCauley)

Mary (1847 Buchanan Co., MO, m. #1 William Cyrus Jr., m. #2 Thomas Hayes)

William Columbus (Jan 1850 Buchanan Co., MO, m, Marinda J, Gore)

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Elmira (1 Nov 1858 Linn Co., OT, m. #1 Jasper T. Foster, m. #2 George W. Pugh)

Moses (1862 Linn Co., OR, m. Martha Jane Hildreth)

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Mary d/o Richard Powell & Rachel James (Jeems), sister of Hannah Powell Robinette w/o William Robinette. Richard Powell s/o Joseph & Hannah Jewson Powell.

ROLAND, Charley

<u>b.</u> 27 Nov 1884 OR s/o Jacob "Jake" O. and Louise (sic) "Lou" (Neff) Roland

14 Jul 1885 OR age 7m17d d.

NOTE: This child's monument was made by the American White Bronze Co., Chicago, IL.

ROLAND, Clarence

No Stone

- est. 18 Jul 1879 OR s/o Jacob "Jake" b. O. and Louisa "Lou" (Neff) Roland
- d. 7 Mar 1905 Portland, OR age 25y7m17d

Lebanon Express, Mar. 10, 1905

Clarence Roland, son of Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Roland, died at his home in Portland, March 7, 1905, aged 25 years, 7 months and 17 days. The remains were brought to Lebanon Wednesday and laid to rest in the old cemetery. The family formerly lived in this place and are well known by the old residents. Mrs. Roland and Wm. Roland, mother and brother of the deceased, accompanied the remains to this place. Rev. L. Green conducted funeral services at the grave.

ROLAND, Edith M.

No Stone

- 1875 Lebanon, OR d/o Jacob "Jake" O. b. and Louisa "Lou" (Neff) Roland
- d. 14 Jan 1893 Portland, OR age 18v

Lebanon Express, Jan. 20, 1893

Edith M. Roland, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.O. Roland and wife died at her parents' home in East Portland last Sat., Jan. 14, 1893. Her remains were brought here on Monday, by her mother and brother who were accompanied by friends and relatives, and buried in the Lebanon cemetery on Tuesday. Rev. Eccleston conducted the funeral services at the residence of C.H. Ralston. She was 18 years old. Edith was born at this place in 1875. Her parents moved from here to Prineville in the year of 1889, where they lived for about a year, and then moved to East Portland where they now live. The family has a large circle of friends at this place with whom the Express joins in sympathizing with the bereaved.

ROLAND, Jacob "Jake" O.

No Stone

- b. 17 Mar 1832 Danville, IL s/o David and Eliza (Barnes) Roland
- #1 Sarah Ralston 5 Mar 1857 Linn Co., m. OT (see Roland, Sarah) #2 Louisa "Lou" Neff 20 Jul 1866 Linn Co., OR (see Roland, Louisa)
- d. 19 May 1905 Portland, OR age 73y2m2d
- (by Sarah Ralston) C. Rebecca "Ella" (ca. 1858 OT) Mary G. (est. 18 Jul 1860 OR) Harry (by Louisa Neff) William Fred B. Edith M. (1875 Lebanon, OR) Clarence (est. 21 Jul 1879 OR) Charley (27 Nov 1884 OR))

Linn County Militia List, 1874

Rowland, J.O.

History of the Willamette Valley, H.O. Lang, 1885, p. 784

Rowland, Jacob O. -- Born in Vermilion County, Illinois, March 17, 1832, is of German and Irish extraction. Came overland to Oregon, and now lives in Lebanon, Linn County; is a saddler by occupation. He married Sarah Ralston, and their children are -- Ella, May, and Harry. Married a second time to Laura Noff (sic); by her his children are -- Willie, Fred, Edith, and Clarence.



Jake Roland

Lebanon Express, May 19, 1905

DEATH OF J.O. ROLAND.

Jacob O. Roland died in Portland May 16, 1905, aged 73 years, 2 months and 29 days. The remains were brought to Lebanon yesterday and laid to rest beside those of his wife, who died April 2d.

Deceased was born in Danville, Ill., and came to Oregon from that state in 1852. He located in Lebanon in 1856, and resided here until 1890, when he moved to Prineville. He lived there two years, then moved to Portland thirteen years ago. He was twice married, his first wife dying about forty years ago. He leaves three sons, Harry Roland of Jefferson, and William and Fred Roland of Portland. Besides his sons he leaves to mourn his death, J.W. Roland, county clerk of Marion county, a brother; Mrs. Worrick, of Portland, and Miss Esther Roland of Jefferson, sisters. All of these relatives accompanied the remains to Lebanon, where they attended the funeral.

Mr. Roland was a well-known figure among pioneers, a man of sterling qualities and high integrity and stood well among the people who knew him best.

ROLAND, Louisa "Lou" (nee Neff)

No Stone

- b. ca. 1845
- m. Jacob "Jake" O. Roland 20 Jul 1866 Linn Co., OR
- d. 2 Apr 1905 Portland, OR age 60y
- c. William
 Fred B.
 Edith M. (1875 Lebanon, OR)
 Clarence (est. 21 Jul 1879 OR)
 Charley (27 Nov 1884 OR)



Lou Roland

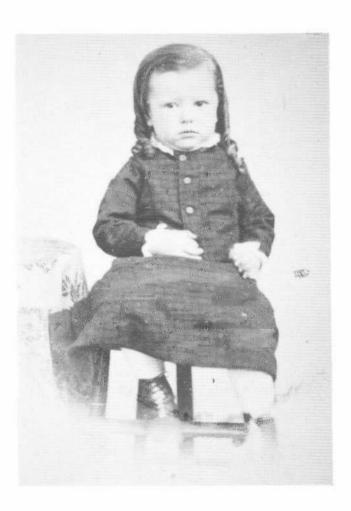
Lebanon Express, Apr. 4, 1905

Mrs. Louisa Roland, wife of J.O. Roland, died in Portland Sunday, April 2, 1905, aged 60 years. Besides her husband, she leaves two sons, Wm. and Fred B. Roland. The remains will be brought to Lebanon for interment, and will arrive on the train this evening, when funeral services will be held in the Presbyterian church, and interment will be in the old cemetery. The family lived in Lebanon

a good many years ago, and still have many friends in this place. Mrs. Roland was here a few weeks ago to bury one of her sons.

ROLAND, Mary G.

- b. est. 18 Jul 1860 OR <u>d/o</u> <u>Jacob</u> "Jake" O. and Sarah (Ralston) Roland
- d. 2 Sep 1863 OR age 3y1m15d



Mary Roland

ROLAND, Sarah (nee Raiston) "Wife of JO"

- b. 3 Feb 1841 Burlington, IA d/o Jeremiah and Jemima (Ashpaugh) Ralston
- m. Jacob "Jake" O. Roland 5 Mar 1857 Linn Co., OT
- <u>d.</u> 12 Aug 1862 Lebanon, OR age 21y6m9d
- c. Rebecca "Ella" (ca. 1858 OT)

 Mary G. (est. 18 Jul 1860 OR)

 Harry

SALTMARSH, Anna E.

No Stone

- b. 27 May 1854 Linn Co., OT d/o Joseph Bolivar and Mary Ellen (Klum) Saltmarsh
- d. 29 Mar 1864 OR? age 9y10m2d

NOTE: Joseph B. Saltmarsh, b. 20 May 1825 IN, was a brother of Arthur Vance Saltmarsh. His family appears in the 1860 census living in Lebanon Precinct. The family moved to Jackson Co., OR before 1870 and several of them are buried at the Sterlingville Cemetery in that county. A memorial there mentions four Saltmarsh children that died in the Willamette Valley. It is assumed these Saltmarsh children are buried at the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery along with others of their family.

SALTMARSH, Anna "Annie" May

- b. 19 May 1866 Linn Co., OR d/o Arthur Vance and Elvira Belle (Lee)
 Saltmarsh
- <u>d.</u> 30 Jan 1879 Linn Co., OR age 12y7m20d

NOTE: Died of scarlet fever.



Anna May Saltmarsh

SALTMARSH, Armina "Mina"

- b. 24 May 1855 Linn Co., OT d/o Arthur Vance and Elvira Belle (Lee)
 Saltmarsh
- <u>d.</u> <u>5 Feb 1879</u> Linn Co., OR age 23y8m11d



Young Mina, from a charcoal drawing created after her death



Mina Saltmarsh

NOTE: Mina was soon to be married when she succumbed to scarlet fever.

SALTMARSH, Arthur Vance

 <u>b.</u> 22 Sep 1823 Ripley Co.,IN s/o Lyman and Elizabeth (Chamberlain) Saltmarsh

- m. #1 Zerilda A. Comstock 22 Feb 1847
 Muscatine Co., IA (see Saltmarsh,
 Zerilda A.)
 #2 Elvira Belle Lee 20 Aug 1854
 Sodaville, OT (see Saltmarsh, Elvira
 Belle)
- <u>d.</u> 30 Dec 1896 Lebanon, OR age 73y3m8d
- c. (by Zerilda Comstock)
 Frances Ann (27 Feb 1848 OT, m.
 Claus Kleinhammer)
 Joseph Crosby (25 Nov 1849 OT, m.
 Minnie Camille Nickerson)
 Mary Adelia (16 Aug 1851 OT, m. Silas
 Reynolds)
 (by Elvira Lee)
 Armina "Mina" (24 May 1855 Linn
 Co., OT)
 Elsie (6 May 1857 Linn Co., OT)
 Omer Leroy (19 Jan 1860 Linn Co.,

OR)
infant son (26 Jul 1863 Linn Co., OR)
William Arthur (26 Jul 1863 Linn Co.,
OR, m. Nancy Gum)

Anna May (19 May 1866 Linn Co., OR) Fred L. (17 Jan 1871 Linn Co., OR) Berton Roy (10 Dec 1874 Linn Co., OR)



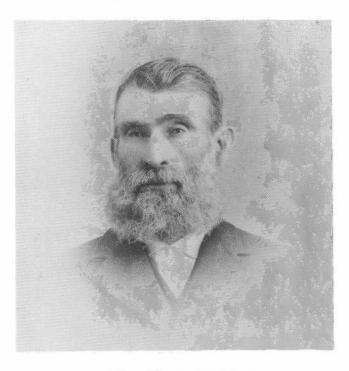
Early tintype of Arthur Saltmarsh

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1736</u> (T12S R1W Sec 7 and T12S R2W Sec 12)

SALTMARSH, Arthur Vance, Linn Co; s/o Lyman & Elizabeth (Chamberlain) Saltmarsh, b 9-22-1823, Ripley Co, Ind, d 12-30-1896, bur Pioneer Masonic Cem., Linn Co; m. 1st Zerilda Comstock,

who d June 1853; m 2nd 8-20-1854 Elvira Lee, d/o Philander Lee & Anna Green see DLC # 2795.

Also SALTMARSH, Arthur, Linn Co, b 1822/23, Ripley Co, Ind; Arr Ore 13 Sept 1847; SC 31 Oct 1850; m Zurilda 22 Feb 1847 Muscatine Co, Ia. She d June 1853, Ore. T. Aff: Morgan Kees, Wm. M. Smith, John Settle.



Arthur Vance Saltmarsh

(Salem) Statesman, Jan 18, 1976

Plenty of Rain Fell on Pioneer Family, by Jo Summer

Lebanon -- The Pioneer Cemetery which figured recently in a controversy concerning the proposed extension of Park Street, was the scene of numerous traumatic pioneer family experiences.

"Stranger than fiction" is the story of a father and son who met there one day in 1879 to dig graves for three daughters -- all victims of a scarlet fever epidemic raging throughout the area.

Arthur Vance Saltmarsh had crossed the Santiam River from his farm in the Golden Valley community to dig a grave for his daughter Annie. She and his son William were attending the historic Santiam Academy when the epidemic broke out, according to a genealogy kept by his granddaughter, Mrs. Clifford Raines, Rt. 3, Lebanon.

Arriving at the cemetery, Arthur Saltmarsh found his son Joseph, one of three children from his

first marriage, preparing to dig graves for his two little girls, Elsie and Mary.

Neither family knew of the other's loss, apparently because families afflicted with the dreaded disease were remaining apart to keep from spreading it.

Six days after Annie's death, Arthur and Elvira Saltmarsh lost three more children. Armina, who was planning her wedding, and her little brothers Fred 8, and Burton, 5, all died on Feb. 5. The little boys were dressed identically and buried in the same grave ...

Lyman and Elizabeth Saltmarsh never made it to Oregon but their five children figured in historic events which occurred over much of Western Oregon. They helped settle communities from Portland to Jacksonville.

Arthur and Zerilda were married in Iowa in 1847 and came to Oregon the same year. They built a log cabin on the butte which still bears their name.

His brother Joseph settled in Waterloo east of Lebanon; sister Isabella and her husband, Josiah Wiley Burrell, chose the community now known as Berlin (formerly Burrell-Inn). Brothers Bolivar and Sylvester went further south to Jacksonville and Sterling areas.

The urgent need for money to develop his claim soon sent Arthur Saltmarsh to California gold mines. His young wife and baby daughter stayed with the Caleb Burge family at Sodaville.

En route home with a good supply of gold, the party with which Arthur traveled was attacked by Indians. They escaped with only their guns and the clothes they wore. Only those who carried their gold in belts under their clothing saved the treasured earnings. Most carried it in sacks with their flour.

"It took the party three days to travel by foot to Eugene -- with the Indians following all the way," relates Mrs. Raines. "They kept the Indians at a safe distance by pointing their guns."

Arthur headed for California again when he had earned enough money for a second horse and pack outfit. That trip was more successful.

Zerilda Saltmarsh died in 1853 and Arthur was left with three children to care for. The Burges came to his aid again, taking Frances, Joseph and Mary into their home.

At that time, 17-year-old Elvira Lee of Canby was the Sodaville School Teacher. Frances soon informed her father that she had "found a new mama for us."

He obviously approved her choice for the tiny black-eyed school teacher (daughter of Philander and Anna Green Lee, who are credited

with the platting of the city of Canby) became the bride of the tall young widower in 1854.

Eight more children were born in the log cabin -- but only William Arthur, their fourth child, lived to marry and raise a family. In addition to the four deaths related in the first of this tale, another daughter died at age four in 1861 and William's twin died at birth in 1863. Omer was 21 when he died in 1881.

In contrast, William lived to be 90 years old. His grandchildren, Winnie Raines and Norman Saltmarsh, round out six generations of the family to live on the original claim.

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, Mar. 28, 1879

IN MEMORIAM.

The following resolutions were adopted March 8th, 1879 by Lebanon Grange, P. of H., relative to the death of four of Bro. A. and Sister C. (sic) Saltmarsh's children, and two of Bro. Joseph and Sister Minnie Saltmarsh's children.

WHEREAS, It has pleased God in his all wise providence to call those dearly beloved children from the midst of their labors on earth to their reward in eternity.

Resolved, That in the death of these children the members of Lebanon Grange duly sympathize with their parents.

Resolved, That with chastened spirit and subdued hearts, we bow in humble submission to the will of Him who doeth all things well, being by this providence reminded of the approaching dissolution and the futility of all earthly hopes, and being further reminded of the great importance of being ready to be called from labor here to eternal refreshments hereafter.

Resolved, That our Secretary be directed to furnish the bereaved families a copy hereof and that he be instructed herewith to present them in their moments of grief and kindest sympathies of this Grange, and that a copy of these resolutions be spread on the minutes of the Grange, and that the "Register" State Rights Democrat and the "Willamette Farmer" be requested to publish the same.

R.A. Irvine, J.N. McDonald, F.C Hansard. Lebanon Express, Dec. 31, 1896

Arthur Saltmarsh died at his home, about a mile east of this city, last evening of catarrh of the bowels and stomach. Mr. Saltmarsh was 73 years of age.

He had been in poor health for several years, but had only been confined to his house about a week prior to his death. He was not considered dangerously ill up to within a few hours of his death, having been up and around the house the day before he died.

Mr. Saltmarsh was an old pioneer of this place, and was an honorable and upright man. His remains will to-morrow (sic) be laid to rest in the Lebanon cemetery. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the community.

SALTMARSH, Bert S.

No Stone

- b. 10 Mar 1858 Linn Co., OT s/o Joseph
 Bolivar and Mary Ellen (Klum)
 Saltmarsh
- d. 1 Jun 1858 Linn Co., OT age 2m22d

NOTE: See Saltmarsh, Anna E.

SALTMARSH, Berton Roy

- b. 10 Dec 1874 Linn Co., OR s/o Arthur Vance and Elvira Belle (Lee)
 Saltmarsh
- d. 5 Feb 1879 Linn Co., OR age 4y1m26d



Bertie Saltmarsh with his mother, Elvira

NOTE: Died of scarlet fever.

SALTMARSH, Charles M.

No Stone

- b. 8 Apr 1856 Linn Co., OT s/o Joseph Bolivar and Mary Ellen (Klum) Saltmarsh
- d. 19 Nov 1856 Linn Co., OT age 7m11d

NOTE: See Saltmarsh, Anna E.

SALTMARSH, Charlie M.

No Stone

- b. 1879 OR, s/o Joseph Crosby and Minnie Camille (Nickerson) Saltmarsh
- d. as a small child

NOTE: Research of Winifred Saltmarsh Raines indicates Charlie is buried here.

SALTMARSH, Elsie

- b. 6 May 1857 Linn Co., OT <u>d/o</u> <u>A</u>rthur Vance <u>and E</u>lvira Belle (Lee) Saltmarsh
- d. 3 Mar 1861 Linn Co., OR age 3y9m27d

SALTMARSH, Elsie Z.

- <u>b.</u> 21 Aug 1876 OR <u>d/o</u> Joseph <u>C</u>rosby and <u>Minnie Camille (Nickerson)</u> Saltmarsh
- d. 30 Jan 1879 OR age 2y5m9d

NOTE: Died of scarlet fever. Winifred Saltmarsh Raines indicates that Elsie and her sister Mary were buried in one grave.

SALTMARSH, Elvira Belle (nee Lee)

- <u>b.</u> 24 Dec 1835 Jefferson Co., NY d/o
 Philander and Anna (Green) Lee, gd/o
 Israel/Israil and Hannah (Witter) Green
- m. Arthur Vance Saltmarsh 20 Aug 1854 Sodaville, OT
- <u>d.</u> <u>25 Jun 1915</u> Lebanon, OR age 79v6m1d
- c. Armina "Mina" (24 May 1855 Linn Co., OT) Elsie (6 May 1857 Linn Co., OT)

Omer Leroy (19 Jan 1860 Linn Co., OR)

infant son (26 Jul 1863 Linn Co., OR) William Arthur (26 Jul 1863 Linn Co., OR, m. Nancy Gum)

Anna May (19 May 1866 Linn Co., OR) Fred L. (17 Jan 1871 Linn Co., OR) Berton Roy (10 Dec 1874 Linn Co., OR)



Young Elvira Saltmarsh with her son William Arthur



Elvira with Leora Sims Lee and Isabella Saltmarsh Faulkner

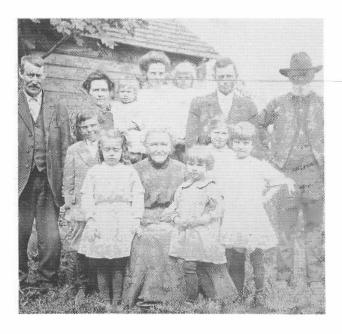
Oregon City Enterprise, June 26, 1915

Mrs. Elvira Saltmarsh who crossed the plains in 1847 with her parents, Mr. and Mrs.

Philander Lee, and settled in the Canby District, died at Lebanon June 25, according to word received here. Funeral was conducted from the Lebanon Methodist Church and interment was in the Masonic (sic) Cemetery.

She was born in New York State December 24, 1835. In 1847 she crossed the plains with her parents, Philander and Anna Lee, and settled at Canby, Oregon, where her parents resided until their death. She began the Christian life at the age of fifteen, uniting with the Methodist Church.

She was married to Arthur Saltmarsh on August 20, 1854, and eight children were born. Her husband died eighteen years ago. She spent most of her married life on the old Saltmarsh farm two miles east of Lebanon. Eight years ago she moved to Canby where she has since resided with the exception of the last three months, which were spent at Lebanon. She leaves W.A. Saltmarsh. (Son).



Elvira (center) surrounded by family

Newspaper clipping, date and source unknown

Mrs. Elvira Lee Saltmarsh

Lebanon, Or., June 30.--Mrs. Elvira Lee Saltmarsh of this city died on Friday evening and was buried Monday in city cemetery, the funeral

being conducted by Rev. Mr. Rutlege from the Methodist church. Mrs. Saltmarsh was born in New York, December 24, 1835, and in 1847 crossed the plains by oxteam with her parents, spending the first winter on Sophia Island. In 1848 her parents took a donation land claim in Clackamas county, where the city of Canby now stands. She was later engaged in teaching school near Sodaville, Linn county, where she met Arthur Saltmarsh, to whom she was married August 20, 1854. Eight children were born to them, seven of whom, and her husband being dead. She was living with her only surviving son, William Saltmarsh of this city until her death. Two foster daughters, Mrs. Ora Lee of Canby, and Mrs. Bell Falkner of Portland, were with her during the last ten days of her life.

Lebanon Criterion, July 2, 1915

OBITUARY MRS. ELVIRA SALTMARSH

Elvira Lee was born in the state of New York, December 24, 1835, and died at the home of her son in this city, Friday, June 25, 1915, aged 79 years, 6 months and 1 day. At the age of twelve years she came across the plains with her parents who settled on a donation land claim near where the little city of Canby is now located. There she grew to womanhood and on August 20, 1854, she was united in marriage to Arthur Saltmarsh with whom she came to Lebanon and together they made their home on the Saltmarsh claim, two miles east of this city, until 1897 when Mr. Saltmarsh died. She still remained at the old home until eight years ago when she went to live at Canby, returning to this city about three months ago. She was the mother of eight children, all of them having passed away but one son, W.A. Saltmarsh, with whom she has made her home during her declining years.

There is also an adopted daughter, Mrs. H.J. Faulkner, of Portland, and Mrs. G.R. Lee, of Canby, who was raised by her, four grand children and one great grand child.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Sunday afternoon at two o'clock by Rev. Rutledge following which the body was laid to rest beside that of her husband in the Lebanon City Cemetery.

Newspaper clipping, date and source unknown

DIES AT LEBANON

Friends of "Grandma" Saltmarsh who until just recently has made her home at this place for the

last eight years, are grieved to learn of her death which occured at Lebanon on June 25th, to which place she went about three months ago and has since been living at the home of her son, W.A. Saltmarsh. She was a well known and much beloved old lady and had endeared herself to a large number of friends here.

Funeral services were conducted in the Methodist church at Lebanon on Sunday afternoon by the pastor, Rev. H.I. Rutledge, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Masonic (sic) cemetery.

Obituary: Elvira Lee was born in New York state December 24th 1835. In 1847 she crossed the plains with her parents, Philander and Anna Lee, and settled at Canby, Oregon, where her parents resided until their death. She began the Christian life at the age of fifteen, uniting with the Methodist church, of which she became a loyal and devoted member. She was married to Arthur Saltmarsh on August 20th 1854. To this union were born eight children. Her husband passed away eighteen years ago. She spent most of her married life on the old Saltmarsh farm two miles east of Lebanon. Eight years ago she moved to Canby where she has since resided with the exception of the last three months, which were spent at Lebanon. She died June 25th, aged 79 years. She leaves to mourn her departure W.A. Saltmarsh, of Lebanon, two adopted daughters Mrs. H.J. Faulkner of Portland, Mrs. G.R. Lee of Canby, one brother, four grandchildren and other relatives and friends.



Elvira Saltmarsh at her Lebanon home

SALTMARSH, Fred L.

- <u>b.</u> 17 Jan 1871 Linn Co., OR s/o Arthur Vance and Elvira Belle (Lee)
 Saltmarsh
- d. 5 Feb 1879 Linn Co., OR age 8y19d



Freddie Saltmarsh

NOTE: Died of scarlet fever.

SALTMARSH, infant boy

No Stone

- b. 26 Jul 1863 Linn Co., OR s/o Arthur Vance and Elvira Belle (Lee)
 Saltmarsh
- d. 26 Jul 1863 Linn Co., OR at birth, twin of Wm. Arthur Saltmarsh

SALTMARSH, Johnnie

No Stone

- b. 1880 OR, s/o Joseph Crosby and Minnie Camille (Nickerson) Saltmarsh
- d. as a small child

NOTE: Winifred Raines Saltmarsh indicates Johnnie is buried here.

SALTMARSH, Lyman S.

No Stone

- b. 17 June 1863 OR s/o Joseph Bolivar and Mary Ellen (Klum) Saltmarsh
- d. 1 Feb 1864 OR age 7m15d

NOTE: See Saltmarsh, Anna E.

SALTMARSH, Mary E.

- <u>b.</u> 27 Jun 1878 OR <u>d/o</u> Joseph <u>C</u>rosby
 <u>and Minnie Camille (Nickerson)</u>
 Saltmarsh
- <u>d.</u> <u>30 Jan 1879</u> OR age 7m3d

NOTE: Died of scarlet fever. Winifred Saltmarsh Raines indicates Mary and her sister Elsie are buried in one grave.

SALTMARSH, Omer Leroy

- b. 19 Jan 1860 Linn Co., OR <u>s/o</u> <u>Arthur</u>
 Vance <u>and</u> <u>E</u>lvira Belle(Lee)
 Saltmarsh
- d. 4 Feb 1881 OR age 21y16d



A charcoal drawing of young Omer Saltmarsh



Omer Saltmarsh

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, Feb. 11, 1881

DIED.

SALTMARSH.--At Lebanon, Feb. 4, 1881, OMER SALTMASH (sic), aged 22 years.

Omer was placed by his father under the care of Dr. Ballard, whose reputation as a skillful physician is well known; but we regret to say that all his efforts were unavailing. We extend to the family our deep sympathy in their bereavement.

SALTMARSH, Zerilda A. (nee Comstock) "Wife of Arthur"

- b. 23 Dec 1824
- m. Arthur Vance Saltmarsh 22 Feb 1847 Muscatine, Co., IA
- d. 28 Jun 1853 Linn Co., OT age 28y6m5d
- c. Frances Ann (27 Feb 1848 OT, m.
 Claus Kleinhammer)
 Joseph Crosby (25 Nov 1849 OT, m.
 Minnie Camille Nickerson)
 Mary Adelia (16 Aug 1851 OT, m. Silas
 Reynolds)

SETTLE, Captain John (Jack)

- b. 25 Nov 1808 Dearborn Co., IN or NC s/o John Jr. and Ann Settle
- m. #1 Martha Clay/Capril Hudson 24 Apr 1828 Jefferson Co., IN (see Settle, Martha Clay/Capril) #2 Julia Ann (Johnson) Settle 1859 Portland, OR (see Settle, Julia Ann)
- <u>d.</u> <u>6 Feb 1896</u> Lebanon, OR <u>age</u> 87y2m12d
- c. (by Martha Hudson)
 John T. "Tom" (17 Mar 1829 IN?)
 Peter B. (4 Jun 1830 IN, m. Martha
 Jane Crow)
 - Stephen T. (27 Jun 1832 IN)
 Rhoda Ann (13 Oct 1833 Jefferson
 Co., IN, m. William Mercer
 Smith)
 - Henry Clay (22 Aug 1835 IN)
 Sarah Jane (18 May 1837 IN or IL)
 Mary (15 Jun 1839 IL m. #1 John C.
 Hampton, m. #2 Ephraim
 Haner)
 - Josiah "Si" Parker (11 Sep 1841 IA, m. Mary E. Still)
 - Elizabeth L./S. "Lib" (10 May 1844 IA, m. #1 Alfred Smith, m. #2 Andrew Wiley)

Harriet "Hattie" Melissa (25 Jan 1848 Linn Co., OT, m. James Milton Settle) Emma Abigail (20 Nov 1850 Linn Co., OT, m. Thomas Starr Mealey) William Gore (29 Aug 1854 Linn Co., OT) (by Julia Ann Johnson) Ira Frank (21 Aug 1860 Lebanon, OR) Julia Etta (26 Jul 1863 Lebanon, OR

John Settle

Donation Land Claim # 1889

SETTLE, John H. (sic), Linn Co; b 1808, Dearborn Co., Ind; SC 1 May 1851; m. Martha C., Apr 1828 Jefferson Co., Ind. Aff: Andrew Rees (Kees?), Royal Cottle (?).

Also SETTLE, John H. (sic), Linn Co, m 1st Martha Clay (or Martha Clay Hudson) who d 1858; m. 2nd Julia A. ______, b 11-13-1823 d 9-13-1903.

Also SETTLE, John H. (sic) d. 12-6-1896 ae 87y2m12das; wife Martha d 4-20-1858 ae 50y1d

Bur. Lebanon Cem. Linn Co., "End of Trail". (Genealogy Society Quarterly, Lebanon, OR)



The first Settle home, built ca. 1848, was an inn located across the road from the current home near the Gore school.

NOTE: John and John H. are not the same person but uncle and nephew. John held the above donation land claim, while John H. held claim 3321 (T11S R2W Sec 32, 33, 34 and 35). They split the sections in half lengthwise. John H. sold his half to Peter B. Settle (John's son) in 1858.

Lebanon Express, Feb. 13, 1896

John Settle -- The subject of this sketch was born in Dearborn county, Indiana, Nov. 25, 1808, where he lived until 30 years old. He was married to a most estimable lady, Miss Martha Hudson, in Apr., 1828. He moved with his family to Illinois several years afterwards, and thence to Iowa, where he remained until 1846, when he crossed the plains to Walla Walla. He remained for a while at the famous Whitman settlement, a place famous in the history of the northwest for the horrid Indian massacre. Mr. Settle was urged by Mr. Whitman to remain permanently with him, and was offered remunerative employment. Observing restlessness of the Indians, he wisely decided to move to the more peaceful valley of the Willamette, which he reached after several narrow escapes from the relentless Indians. He finally settled in Linn county, in the fall of 1847, taking up and retaining

till his death a donation claim just north of Lebanon. His first wife having died, in 1859 he married the estimable lady who now survives him.



1859 Wedding Photo of John and Julia Settle

Mr. Settle joined the Odd Fellows at Albany in 1859, and remained an honored member till his death and was buried by his brethren. He always took a lively interest in passing events and was an active promoter of the W.V. and C. Wagon road, Mr. Settle was the father of 14 children, 9 of whom survive him. Through all his long and eventful life, in pioneer days and present times, "Uncle Jackey" Settle, as he was familiarly known, bore an unblemished name, honest, honorable and truthful, and has left to his numerous descendants a memory of which they may well be proud. His life was plain, devoid of all ostentation. His death was painless. His funeral was like his life, simple, free from vain display and meaningless orations -- in all as he would have wished it, could he have known. A Friend.

NOTE: While laying out the Willamette Valley and Cascade Mountain Wagon Road, John discovered a beautiful lake which was named Settle Lake in his honor. Over the years the name has been corrupted to Suttle Lake.



Current Settle Home

SETTLE, Julia Ann (nee Johnson)

b. <u>13 Nov 1823</u> IN/IL

m. #1 Edward Milton Settle ca. 1845 IA ? bro. of John Settle

b. 1823/5 NC s/o John Jr. and Ann Settle

d. 1849 Marion Co., IN

#2 John Settle 1859 Portland, OR

<u>d.</u> <u>13 Sep 1903</u> Lebanon, OR age 79y10m

c. (by Milton Settle)

James Milton (1 Nov 1845 IA, m. Harriet Melissa Settle)

George William (22 Feb 1848 IL, m.

Carrie Davisson)

(by John Settle)

Ira Frank (21 Aug 1860 Lebanon, OR) Julia Etta (26 Jul 1863 Lebanon, OR

Settle Family History, unpublished

(Julia Settle) brought those pink roses that were in the yard at the old house, across the plains in a bucket. She also brought sage, tansey, and feverfew, hops, and many flower seeds, besides

young fruit trees, berry bushes, currant and gooseberries, all packed in good soil which she kept watered as they traveled along. They also brought wheat seed, corn, and barley besides all kinds of vegetable seeds.



Julia Settle

SETTLE, Julia Etta

<u>b.</u> 26 Jul 1863 Lebanon, OR <u>d/o</u> <u>John</u> <u>and</u> <u>Julia Ann (Johnson)</u> Settle

d. 16 Oct 1867 OR age 4y2m20d

SETTLE, Martha Clay/Capril (nee Hudson)

b. 19 Apr 1808 GA/KY

m. John Settle 24 Apr 1828 Jefferson Co., IN

<u>d.</u> <u>20 Apr 1858</u> Linn Co., OT <u>age 50y1d</u>

c. John T. "Tom" (17 Mar 1829 IN?)
Peter B. (4 Jun 1830 IN, m. Martha
Jane Crow)

Stephen T. (27 Jun 1832 IN) Rhoda Ann (13 Oct 1833 Jefferson Co., IN, m. William Mercer Smith) Henry Clay (22 Aug 1835 IN)
Sarah Jane (18 May 1837 IN or IL)
Mary (15 Jun 1839 IL m. #1 John C.
Hampton, m. #2 Ephraim
Haner)

Josiah "Si" Parker (11 Sep 1841 IA, m. Mary E. Still)

Elizabeth L./S. "Lib" (10 May 1844 IA, m. #1 Alfred Smith, m. #2 Andrew Wiley)

Harriet "Hattie" Melissa (25 Jan 1848 Linn Co., OT, m. James Milton Settle)

Emma Abigail (20 Nov 1850 Linn Co., OT, m. Thomas Starr Mealey) William Gore (29 Aug 1854 Linn Co., OT)

SETTLE, Sarah J.

b. 18 May 1837 IN or IL <u>d/o John and</u>
<u>Martha Clay/Capril (Hudson)</u> Settle

<u>d.</u> 7 Aug 1850 OT age 13y2m19d

NOTE: This is believed to be the earliest burial in the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery. A listing done in the 1930's indicated Gideon Backus as the first burial due to a typographical error.

SHAW, Mary A. (nee ???)

NOTE: This badly broken stone, in addition to the name, lists only "wife of J. Shaw" and "born 86".

SHERFY, Delia

b. est. 6 Oct 1870 OR <u>d/o</u> <u>Joel and</u> Elizabeth S. Sherfy

d. 15 Apr 1884 OR age 13y6m9d

The Gospel Messenger, 1884, p. 326

SHERFY -- In Linn Co, Oregon, April 15, Delia, the youngest daughter of Joel and E.S. Sherfy, aged 13 years, 6 months and 9 days.

Deceased had been ailing for some time, and it seemed that medical aid was of no avail. Congestion of the lungs finally ended her sufferings. Joel Sherfy.

Gospel Messenger, 1884

On last Sabbath the pleasant voice of Elder M.M. Bashor was heard in Fairview Church, consoling with the bereaved parents, sisters and

brother of Delia Sherfy, who passed away on the 15th day of last April. ... His subject on the above occasion was from Mark 5: 39; "The damsel is not dead, but sleepeth."

We can truly say, the consolation given to the bereaved relatives of the deceased was great, and the warning to sinners was powerful. Notwithstanding the inclemency of the weather, there was a good turn-out, and we think many went home asking the question, "Are we prepared to meet Delia and our relatives where joy is unspeakable and full of glory?" ...

A.D. Leedy, July 22

SHERFY, Elizabeth S. (nee ???) "In loving remembrance of our Mother"

b. est. 26 Mar 1842

m. Joel Sherfy c. 1865 KS?

 b. 18 Mar 1841 Washington Co., TN s/o Samuel S. and Nancy Sherfy

m. #2 name unknown (three children)

 d. 18 Jan 1930 Saluda, NC age 88y10m

d. 22 Apr 1891 Linn Co., OR age 49y27d

c. Enos (10 Mar 1866 Shawnee Co., KS, m. Annie Leedy)
Delia (est. 6 Oct 1870 OR)

Ida (never married)
Annie ? (m. Peter Loron?)

The Gospel Messenger, Mar. 19, 1891, p. 318

Sherfy -- In the Lebanon congregation, Linn Co., Oregon, of dropsy, sister Elizabeth Sherfy, aged 49 years and 27 days.

Her husband and three children survive her. Sister Lizzie's sufferings were very great and lasted about four months. Her son and daughter, Enos and Ida, faithfully administered to her wants. Services by M.M. Bashor and the writer. Jacob Bahr

The Brethren Encyclopedia, Vol. 3, 1984

Ministers List: Sherfy, Joel (CB) 3-18-1841/1-18-1930; eld,; Washington Co., TN (1864); Green River Cove, NC (p. 1910s-20s) ... Albany, OR area; ...

SHIDELER, William A.

No Stone

b. 17 May 1858 Howard Co., IN s/o Lewis and Diana (Harter) Shideler

d. 19 Nov 1870 Linn Co., OR age 12y6m2d

NOTE: Shideler family records indicate that Lewis and Diana Shideler moved to Linn Co., OR in June of 1870 with nine of their 10 children, one son having died in Tennessee. They relocated to Jackson Co., OR in Oct. of 1872. Lewis Shideler purchased a cemetery lot here and it is assumed the burial place of William, the only child who died before the Shidelers left Linn county.

SHIELDS, Enoch George "Farewell"

b. est. 7 May 1845 MO <u>s/o</u> <u>James and</u>
<u>Matilda M</u>. (Sloan) <u>Shields</u>

d. 13 May 1857 OT age 12y6d

<u>History of the Willamette Valley</u>, H.O. Lang, 1885, p. 785

Shields, James -- Born in Bourbon county, Indiana, in 1811; came to Oregon in 1852, and settled in Linn county, near Lebanon. His present residence is near Albany, and occupation capitalist. He has been twice married, first to Mrs. Matilda Sloan, in Missouri; by whom he has four children -- Mrs. M.E. Dorris, E. George, Benjamin F., and Thomas J. His second wife's name was Sarah M. Cotton, and by her his children are -- William H., Matilda C.E., Fannie T., James A., and Virginia E.

(Albany) State Rights, Oct. 12, 1888

DEATH OF CAPT. SHIELDS.--Jas. Shields, one of Linn county's best known pioneers died at about 10 o'clock Thursday after an illness of several years. In the early days of Linn county Capt. Shields was one of the prominent men of the Valley; but for several years sickness has kept him from the public. He was born in Bourbon county, Indiana in 1811, and moved to Oregon in 1852, settling near Lebanon, where he resided until he moved to Albany, which has since been his residence. He was twice married, having four children by his first wife and five by his present wife. At one time he filled the office of County Treasurer in an acceptable manner. Capt. Shields was a member of the M.E. Church South and was an earnest christian. He will long be remembered by the older residents of Albany and Linn county. His family have the sympathy of the community in their loss of a kind father and good husband.

Albany Democrat, Old Time Albany, Fred P. Nutting, May 9, 1936

... James Shields ... home was ... at Baker and Fourth. He was an odd character, and ... had numerous stories told about him. One of his legs was OK, but the other ended with a wooden peg.

SIMMS, Mary Ann (nee Gibson) "Wife of Wm"

- b. 23 Mar 1844 Hancock Co., IL
- m. William Simms ca. 1865
- d. 17 Jan 1889 Sodaville, OR age
- 44y9m24d c. daughter
 - daughter

? Edw. C. (ca. 1872 IL, m. Eunice M. Cooper)

Lebanon Express, Feb. 1, 1889

Obituary -- Mrs. Mary Ann Simms (nee Gibson) was born in Hancock Co., IL, March 23d 1842, and died in Sodaville, Oregon, Jan. 17, 1889. She leaves a sister, Mrs. Jas. Boyles, who resides near Sodaville, and three children, two girls and a boy, besides a husband and many friends to mourn her loss. Her remains were taken to Lebanon where they were laid to rest awaiting the final resurrection of the sleeping dust, when they may shine forth in all the beauty of an heir of glory. The family and relatives have the sympathy of the community in their sad bereavement. W.A. McGhee.

SIMONS, Daniel

- b. 20 Aug 1784 Saratoga Co., NY s/o
 and Margaret (Wolf)
 - Simons
- m. Marcy Ann Brown 13/15 Mar 1813/15 Saratoga Co., NY (see Simons, Marcy Ann)
- <u>d.</u> <u>26 Jan 1875</u> Lebanon, OR <u>age</u> <u>90y5m6d</u>
- c. Nelson (12 Mar 1815 NY)
 David (2 Mar 1819 Erie Co, NY, m.
 Elizabeth Wolf)

Emmett (9 Jun 1823 Erie Co., NY, m. Sarah Ann Wolf)

Alonzo Burton (25 Feb 1826 Erie Co., NY, m. #1 Margaret Gill, m. #2 Elizabeth Cooksey)

George Washington (5 Nov 1828 NY, m. Minnie F. Powell)

Clarinda (15 Oct 1830 NY, m. #1
George W. Youngs, m. #2
William A. Peterson, m. #3
Arnold Joseph Welt)
Daniel C. (17 Nov 1833 Erie Co., NY,
m. Elmira Rosanna Moss)
James D. (29 Sep 1839 IL)

"Men like these conquered the West/ In Memory of/ Daniel Simons/ In 1847 he settled near Lebanon/ on a homested (sic) he took up in the/ Crowfoot community. He and his/ family came from the state of Illinois." (by Lavon "Larry" Simons, a descendent)

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1744</u> (T12S R1W Sec 19 and 30 and T12S R2W Sec 24 and 25)

SIMONS, Daniel, Linn Co; b 1797, Saratoga Co, NY; Arr. Ore. 2 Oct 1851; SC 7 Oct 1851; m. Marcey, Mar 1815, Saratoga Co, NY. Aff: Thomas S. Summers, Wm. Noble, R.S. Coyle.

Also, SIMONS, Daniel, Linn Co, d 1-26-1875 ae 86y5m6das; m. Marcey (Margaret) Wolfe (sic) b 10-20-1794 d 2-1-1899 ae 106, bur Pioneer Cem., Lebanon, Ore. HH.

Willamette Farmer, Feb. 5, 1875

Mr. Daniel Simons of Lebanon died Tuesday, Jan. 26, aged 92. He must have been one of the oldest men in Oregon.

Lebanon Express, Feb. 9, 1912

From the obituary of Daniel Simons Jr.
Mr. Simons was born ... in Erie county New
York, and with his parents moved to Illinois in 1835.
In 1851 the family crossed the plains with an ox
team and located on a donation land claim near
Lebanon.

NOTE: Daniel served as a private in Capt. David Gorgon's Co., Lt. Col. David Rogers Regiment, NY Militia in the War of 1812.

Profiles of Progress, by Roy A. Eliott

Daniel Simons first came to Oregon by boat in the year 1847. He came seeking a new home in the Oregon Territory of the great Northwest, and to investigate the possibilities of obtaining a suitable location under the homestead laws. Pleased with what he found, he returned for the family and possessions; and looking forward to the trip

westward, this time he traveled overland and to the land of his dreams.

They came to Oregon from Illinois by covered wagon and ox team via the Oregon Trail and Barlow Road to Oregon City, arriving in the Plainview area in 1851. The Simons family occupied three wagons in the caravan in which they traveled. This was due to bringing along a waterpower sawmill on one of the wagons with which to cut lumber for the new home. It was a fantastic undertaking, but it met with failure when some of the oxen died, necessitating the abandonment of the sawmill and wagon somewhere along the Snake River in Idaho. The mill was buried, according to Burt Simons, to prevent theft of it and with the idea of returning for it at a later time So far as known, however, it has never been recovered. It would be a rare addition to an antique collection, if not already uncovered and made a part of one.

Sense of Place: American Regional Cultures, Allen and Schlereth, Lexington, University Press of KY, 1990

From an essay entitled Image and Identity in Oregon's Pioneer Cemeteries, by Richard E. Meyer

... the lovely stone of Daniel Simons, which, though shattered by the hands of vandals, still manages to convey, through its detailed accounting of his journey to Oregon, its finely carved depiction of a pioneer covered wagon, and its declaration that "Men like this conquered the West," the awesome sense of accomplishment felt by these emigrants."

NOTE: This stone is one of only five or six remaining examples in Oregon of original covered wagon gravestone art.

SIMONS, James D.

- b. 29 Sep 1839 IL s/o Daniel and Marcy Ann (Brown) Simons
- d. 9 Nov 1879 OR age 40y1m11d "38y"

"Gone but not forgotten"

Linn County Militia List, 1874

Simons, James

(Albany) State Rights Democrat, Nov. 14, 1879

Killing at Sweet Home -- Sweet Home, in Linn county, is quite unfortunate in the line of

troubles. For some time past a feud has existed between Frank Reid and Jas. Simons, and last Friday the case resulted in Reid meeting Simons and an encounter of personal nature, the result of which was that Reid's shot gun went off and the entire charge passed into Simon's groin, and Simons died on Sunday morning and was buried at Lebanon on Tuesday last.

Yesterday a special Grand Jury was called and they returned a verdict of "murder", hence Frank Reid must go to jail probably until the March term of court.

Profiles of Progress, by Roy A. Elliott

James Simons became a businessman of the area, but died at a comparatively early age by the accidental discharge of a shotgun in Sweet Home. The accident occurred near the site of the Upper Church -- now the Christian Church. A cross carved on an oak tree marked the location until removed several years later.

In The Beginning -- East Linn County Echoes, by Martha Steinbacher

The second teacher hired (at Cascadia School) was Frank Reid, who was a brother to the County School Superintendent. Frank Reid was an agnostic, although the settlers did not know this when he was hired. Most of the settlers believed in the Christian faith and when they discovered that Frank Reid was an agnostic they were very unhappy. If he would have confined his teaching to the Three R's all would have been well but he insisted on forcing his agnosticism on both pupil and parent. The school board had to ask him to resign, which he refused to do, stating he had been hired to teach the term and that was what he was going to do. So the parents kept their children home and Parley McKnight, with whom Reid boarded at Lower Soda, refused to board him any longer. Undaunted, Reid set up a tent near the school and proceeded to continue with his job. Morning after morning he opened up the school, thinking that even if the children didn't show up he would at least be drawing his salary. But the school board fixed it so he could not draw his pay and finally he gave up and left the district. He then came to Sweet Home where he got a job teaching at the school but he wasn't in Sweet Home very long. Reid took James Simon's niece to a dance which Simons did not approve of him doing. Simons ran a store on Long Street near the Weddle place. One morning he was carrying wood to the

store when he met Reid and Joe Powell armed with shotguns and just starting on a hunting trip. Reid said, "Good Morning", but Simons refused to speak and they started a quarrel. Simons hit Reid with a stick of wood and Reid shot and killed him. Reid was tried for murder but the jury turned in a verdict of justifiable homicide and Reid was turned loose. He left Sweet Home and turned up later in Skagway, Alaska where he shot and killed Soapy Smith, a notorious gambler and outlaw, while he, Reid was acting as a member of the vigilante committee. Reid was fatally injured in the shoot out. But, because he had helped clean up one of the worst gangs of thugs and robbers that Alaska had ever known, Skagway erected a memorial stone to him which said; "Frank Reid, died July 20, 1898. He gave his life for the honor of Skagway." So, although he was not appreciated in Sweet Home or Lower Soda, he did receive appreciation from his country.

SIMONS, Marcy Ann (nee Brown)

b. 20 Oct 1794 NY

m. Daniel Simons 13/15 Mar 1813/15 Saratoga Co., NY

 d. 1 Feb 1899 Lebanon, OR age 104y3m12d

c. Nelson (12 Mar 1815 NY)
David (2 Mar 1819 Erie Co, NY, m.
Elizabeth Wolf)

Emmett (9 Jun 1823 Erie Co., NY, m. Sarah Ann Wolf)

Alonzo (25 Feb 1826 Erie Co., NY, m. #1 Margaret Gill, m. #2 Elizabeth Cooksey)

George Washington (5 Nov 1828 NY, m. Minnie F. Powell)

Clarinda (15 Oct 1830 NY, m. #1 George W. Youngs, m. #2 William A. Peterson, m. #3 Arnold Joseph Welt)

Daniel C. (17 Nov 1833 Erie Co., NY, m. Elmira Rosanna Moss) James D. (29 Sep 1839 IL)

"Kind angels watch her sleeping dust/ til Jesus comes to raise the just/ then may she wake with sweet surprise/ and in her savior's image rise."

The Morning Oregonian, Oct. 24, 1898

OLDEST WOMAN IN OREGON.
"GRANDMA" SIMONS CELEBRATES
HER 104TH BIRTHDAY.

LEBANON, Or., Oct 23.--Thursday "Grandma" Simons, who lives three miles south of

this city, celebrated her 104th birthday. She is probably the oldest person in the state. Some of her children say she is 107 years of age, but her son, D. Simons, with whom she lives, says he is quite sure that she is only 104, basing his statement on the fact that she told him her age when she was younger and her mind was clearer. She is in good health . . . has not been sick for several years. She lies in bed all the time, only when she is lifted out to have her bed made up. She remembers all of her friends, and is always pleased to have them call on and converse with her.



Marcy Ann Simons

Albany Democrat, Feb. 9, 1899

OREGON'S OLDEST CITIZEN DIES AT THE REMARKABLE AGE OF 106 YEARS.

Mrs. Simons died at the home of her son, Daniel Simons, near Sodaville last evening, February 1, 1899, at the very advanced age of about 106 years. The exact date of her birth is not known but her age as nearly as can be learned, and as she believed, was as stated.

Mrs. Simons was at the head of five generations, descending through her daughter Mrs.

Young, her daughter Mrs. John Clelan, her daughter Mrs C.G. Rawlings to her child, a record to be proud of.

Mrs. Simons came to Oregon in 1853. The funeral services will be held at Lebanon tomorrow at about 12 o'clock.

February 10, 1899 -- "Grandma" Marcy Simons, who for some time has been credited with being the oldest person in the state, died at 6 o'clock Wednesday evening, February 1, 1899, at the home of her son, D. Simons three miles South of Lebanon, aged 104 years, 3 months, and 12 days.

Deceased was born in Saratoga County, Illinois (New York), and came to Oregon from that state with her husband in 1851. They settled on the farm three miles South of here, (where) they continued to reside up to the times of their death. Her husband preceded her to the better land by twenty-four years and six days.

She was the mother of eight children, seven boys and one girl, only one of whom, D. Simons is now living. He has lived on the home place for many years and has cared for his mother for a number of years past, she having been helpless for a good while. She was at the head of five generations, and leaves many grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Her exact age is not known. Some of her grandchildren claim she was 106 or 107 years old, but Mr. D. Simons, who has lived with her right along, places her age at the figures we have given above.

Deceased was a consistent Christian and a most estimable woman.

SIMONS, Nelson "Dr"

- b. 12 Mar 1815 NY ? s/o Daniel and Marcy Ann (Brown) Simons
- d. 9 Apr 1874 OR age 59y27d

"Our brother"

<u>Interview with Lydia May Swank</u>, by Leslie Haskin, 1930's

(Nelson Simons) was a country doctor and druggist. In the very early years he had a drug store on Sand Ridge and later he had a small shop at Lebanon. Many people never learned his name for he was universally known merely as "Doc" Simons. A peculiar incident concerning "Uncle Doc" Simons used often to be told me when I was small. One of mother's brothers, a very small child, was sleeping in the back of a wagon while they traveled. By the

jolting of the wagon he was bounced from his bed and fell to the road. No one noticed this when it happened and the child might have been left far behind and perhaps picked up by Indians or by wild animals except that "Uncle Doc" was walking far behind and found the child lying in the road. He picked him up and brought him on, much to the surprise of the parents.

NOTE: Nelson was a druggist rather than a doctor. His apothecary shop carried herbs and simples.

SIMONS, Samuel Franklin

Removed

- b. 23 Jan 1860 Linn Co., OR s/o Emmett and Sarah Ann (Wolf) Simons
- m. Nancy Jane Lindley 8 Feb 1884 Linn Co., OR
 - b. 24 Aug 1864 Linn Co., OR d/o James and Anna (Hardman) Lindley
 - m. #2 Arnold Joseph Welt 22 May 1899 Linn Co., OR #3 Grant Thomas 1 Jan 1928 Linn Co., OR
 - d. 9 Mar 1929 Lebanon, OR age
 64y6m13d bur. IOOF
 Cemetery, Lebanon, OR
- d. 16 Dec 1898 Lebanon, OR age 38v11m7d
- c. Elsie Christina (13 Nov 1884 Linn Co., OR, m. #1 Frank Lynch, m. #2 Julius Smith, m. #3 Mr. Lamb)

Albert Nelson (4 Apr 1888 Berlin, OR, m. Sylvia Piper)

James William "Bill" (28 Feb 1891 Brownsville, OR, m. Edna Leona Piper)

Bertha N. (15 Aug 1896 Albany, OR, m. #1 Jerry Jones, m. #2 Fred Avellar, m. #3 Mr. Smith, m. #4 Lou ???, m. #5 Robert Wilson, m. #6 Delbert Gregory)

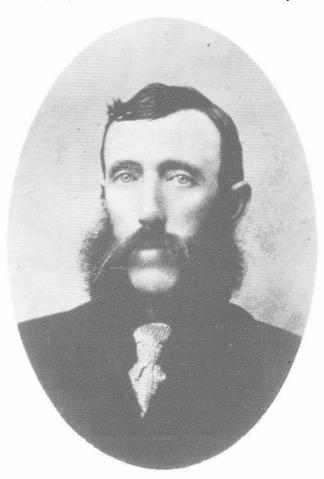
NOTE: The Simons marker at Sandridge Cemetery between Lebanon and Brownsville states the following: Samuel F. Simons, Jan. 23, 1860 - Dec. 16, 1898, buried at Lebanon.

Lebanon Express-Advance, Dec. 23, 1898

Obituary -- Samuel Franklin Simons was born January 23, 1860, near what is now Plainview, Linn county, Oregon. He was the third son of Emmett Simons, one of Oregon's early pioneer

settlers. On February 8, 1884, he was united in marriage to Miss Nancy Lindley, who is also a native of this state. Of this union there were born four children, who with their mother, still live to mourn his loss.

At the age of about 17 he made his first profession of his love for and faith in the Savior, a faith which still shone and brightened his last days, and rendered less painful his long and lingering illness. He died on the morning of December 16, 1898, and was buried in the old Lebanon cemetery.



Samuel Franklin Simons

NOTE: Sometime between 1929 and 1933, Lavon "Larry" Simons, grandson of Samuel Franklin Simons, remembers going to the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery with his father to exhume the body of Samuel who had died in 1898. The purpose was to move the remains and headstone to the I.O.O.F. Cemetery to rest beside those of his wife, Nancy Jane Lindley. They found part of a skull, a shin bone, a ball of hair, some hardware from the coffin including hinges and a plate that read "Father", and some

very black dirt. They placed all of this, including the black dirt, in a 3' x 3' cedar box which they buried at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in the same plot as Nancy who had died in 1929. Larry states that Samuel died as a result of falling from a building, "after a long illness from his injuries he got consumption and died."

SMITH, Alfred

- b. 1 Sep 1861 prob. s/o Alfred and Elizabeth (Settle) Smith
- d. 24 Nov 1861 OR age 2m23d

NOTE: According to Settle Family History, "Aunt Lib's first husband's name was Smith. Her baby Albert (sic) Smith is buried near grandpa's lot."

SMITH, Andrew Mercer

- b. 27 Sep 1800 Wythe Co., VA s/o William Messersmith
- m. #1 Jestinia Hale 22 Mar 1822 Grayson
 Co., VA (see Smith, Jestinia)
 #2 Sarah Ann Maupin Turner 24 Oct
 1858 Linn Co., OT
 b. 1801
- <u>d.</u> 12 Dec 1867 Linn Co., OR age 66y2m15d
- c. (by Jestinia Hale)
 Barney (killed in Mexican War)
 Granville (killed in Mexican War)
 John (died in the east before 1852)
 William Mercer (1 Jan 1823 Cole Co.,
 MO?, m. Rhoda Ann Settle)
 Elizabeth (16 Jun 1825 Grayson Co.,
 VA, m. #1 Jubal Duncan, m. #2
 John Isom)
 Francis "Frank" M. (1831 MO, m.

Mary D. Curl)
Urial M. (est. 31 Aug 1833 MO)
Jacob (1837 MO)
Sarilda "Rilla" (1841 MO, m. #1
Franklin F. Willard, m. #2
James Barton Constable)
Phillip M. (10 May 1844 MO, m. Ann

Missouri Starr)

daughter

<u>Donation Land Claim # 5018</u> (T12S R1W Sec 21)

SMITH, Andrew Mercer, Linn Co., b 1800, Wythe Co, Va; Arr. Ore. 1 Oct 1853; SC 15 Nov 1853; m Justinia Hale 22 Mar 1822, Grayson Co, Va. Aff: Wm. Mercer (x) Smith, Adrian Napey, John

A. Ambler, James A.B. Stinson, Philip M. Smith. (Also listed under Messersmith)

(Albany) Sate Rights Democrat, Dec. 21, 1867

Dead.--We regret to learn that Andrew M. Smith, late of Linn county, departed this life on the 13th instant. Mr. S. was an old resident of Oregon, and was respected and beloved by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

(Salem) American Unionist, Dec. 23, 1867

DIED -- On Friday, 13th inst., at his residence near the Forks of the Santiam, in Linn county, Andrew M. Smith, Esq., aged abut sixty years.

<u>Interview with Joseph and George Smith</u>, by Leslie Haskin, 1930's

... Our names are now Smith, but our father's name was William Messersmith. We have changed our name to plain Smith as simpler and less cumbersome. Our father was of German descent.

The oldest member of our family to reach Oregon was our grandfather, Andrew Messersmith. He was born in the year 1800 and came to Oregon in 1852, some years after our father came. Grandfather took up a claim north of Waterloo and lived there for some time. Later he sold it and purchased a half section of land near Scio. Grandfather's old claim near Waterloo is now commonly known as "the Old McKinney Place."

Grandfather Messersmith had a family of eight sons and three daughters but not all of them came to the west...

SMITH, Ann Missouri (nee Starr)

No Stone

- b. 13 Jan 1849 Jackson Co., MO d/o Christopher and Jane T. (Crabtree) Starr
- m. Phillip M. Smith 14 Feb 1867 Linn Co., OR
- d. 16 Aug 1914 Lebanon, OR age 65y7m3d
- c. Charles A. (ca. 1867 OR)
 Rial M. (15 Jul 1869 Linn Co., OR)
 Adda Catherine (15 Nov 1870 OR, m.
 A.J. Howard)

Iva/Ivy J. (1873 OR, m. George H. Buhl)
John H. (1875 OR)
Viola (1877 OR, m. Mr. Hickok)
Bet M. (Elizabeth?) (Feb 1881 OR)

Lebanon Criterion, Aug. 21, 1914

MRS. ANN M. SMITH -- Died at her home in Lebanon Sunday morning about 10:20. While she had not been in good health for the past year, yet the end was unexpected. Mrs. Smith is one of the best known women of our town and one of our pioneer citizens. She was born in Missouri, January 13, 1849, when six years of age, she crossed the plains with her parents and came to Oregon. Her mother still lives at the good age of 92 years. She was married to Phillip M. Smith in February 1867. They set up housekeeping near Lebanon and reared a family of seven children. Mr. Smith died on July 19, 1897, also four children, two young men and two young women, of the family have died, leaving only three -- Mrs. Geo. Buhl, of Lebanon; Mrs. Viola Hickok, of Los Angeles, California, and Charles A Smith, of Medicine Hat, Canada. Mrs. Smith is survived by two sisters also.

Mrs. Smith was one of those noble pioneer women who made their mark upon the community and leave it better because of the strength of their own life and the character lived in the children. A christian woman from girlhood, she lived her piety without parade, but made it a means of strength in times of stress. Answering every call of duty for over a half a century here, loving and loyal and thoughtful of others she will be missed but not forgotten.

Funeral services were held in the Presbyterian church Wednesday morning at ten o'clock, Rev. W.S. McCullagh preaching the sermon, following which the body was interred in the Masonic cemetery.

NOTE: While this obituary states Ann was buried at the Masonic record there is no record of her burial at that cemetery. She is assumed buried at the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery near her husband.

SMITH, Elizabeth

NOTE: No other information is on this stone. Possibly this is Bet M. Smith, daughter of Phillip and Ann Missouri (Starr) Smith.

SMITH, Emely Jane

- b. est. 20 Apr 1853 Linn Co., OT d/o
 William Mercer and Rhoda Ann
 (Settle) Smith
- d. 8 Feb 1859 Linn Co., OT age 5y9m18d

SMITH, Francis M. "Frank"

- b. est. 4 Oct <u>1831</u> MO s/o Andrew Mercer and Jestinia (Hale) Smith
- m. Mary D. Curl 25 Dec 1860 Linn Co., OR (see Smith, Mary D.)
- d. 11 Feb 1906 OR age 754y4m7d
- c. William G./S. M. (1861 OR, m. #1 Mary Selina South, m. #2 Elizabeth J. ???)

John Rial M. (24 Mar 1866 Linn Co., OR, m. Frances "Fannie" J. Foren)

<u>Interview with Joseph and George Smith</u>, by Leslie Haskin, 1930's

... Frank Messersmith (Smith), went to California in the early gold mining days. Later he returned to Missouri and ten years later came west again, this time to Oregon, accompanying the family of John Isom as did all those members of the family who came in 1852 ...

SMITH, Ira Allen

- b. 21 Jul 1855 Linn Co., OT <u>s/o</u> <u>William</u> <u>Mercer and Rhoda Ann</u> (Settle) <u>Smith</u>
- <u>d.</u> <u>5 Feb 1858</u> Linn Co., OT <u>age 2y6m15d</u>

SMITH, Jestinia (nee Hale) "Wife of Andrew M"

- b. est. 8 May 1802
- m. Andrew Mercer Smith (Messersmith) 22 Mar 1822 Grayson Co., VA
- <u>d.</u> 8 Apr 1857 Linn Co., OT age 54y11m
- c. Barney (killed in Mexican War)
 Granville (killed in Mexican War)
 John (died in the east before 1852)
 William Mercer (1 Jan 1823 Cole Co.,
 MO?, m. Rhoda Ann Settle)
 Elizabeth (16 Jun 1825 Grayson Co.,
 VA, m. #1 Jubal Duncan, m. #2
 John Isom)

Francis "Frank" M. (1831 MO, m. Mary D. Curl)

Urial M. (est. 31 Aug 1833 MO) Jacob (1837 MO) Sarilda "Rilla" (1841 MO, m. #1 Franklin F. Willard, m. #2 James Barton Constable) Phillip M. (10 May 1844 MO, m. Ann Missouri Starr) daughter

SMITH, Mary D. (nee Curl) "His Wife"

- b. 22 Sep <u>1843</u> Nodaway Co., MO d/o Bartlett and Elizabeth T. (Hardwick) Curl
- m. Francis M. Smith 25 Dec 1860 Linn Co., OR
- d. 27 Feb 1925 Lebanon, OR age 81y5m5d
- c. William G./S. M. (1861 OR, m. #1 Mary Selina South, m. #2 Elizabeth J. ???)

John Rial M. (24 Mar 1866 Linn Co., OR, m. Frances "Fannie" J. Foren)

Lebanon Criterion, July 2, 1920

Sells Farm After Sixty Years

Mrs. Mary D Smith, the widow of Frank M. Smith, has sold her farm near Griggs station after living on the same farm and owning it for nearly sixty years. They moved on the farm shortly after they were married in 1861, and in the sixty years they moved once and that was from an old dwelling on the farm to a new house they built a short distance from the old home. The farm sold is a part of the George and Marciller Crabtree Donation land claim, and the Smith family became the purchaser of the claim from the original donor from the government in 1860. Mrs. Smith who has lived in Linn county for a period longer than the usual life time of a person, will move to Lebanon to make her home. Herman Middlestadt was the purchaser of the farm and will take possession at once, and Mrs. Smith will take up her residence with her son John M. Smith in the eastern part of the city in a few days.

Lebanon Express, Mar. 4, 1925

Mary D. Smith -- Mary D. Curl, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bart Curl, was born September 22, 1843, in Nodaway county, Missouri.

With her parents she came to Oregon over the old emigrant trail in 1853. She was married December 25th, 1860 to Francis M. Smith, near Waterloo. To this union was born two children, John M., of Lebanon and W.G.M. Smith of Laurel Wood, Ore.

About the time she married she became a member of the Methodist Church South, that was at that time in Lebanon.

From the time of her marriage she lived at Griggs station until four years ago, on account of poor health she came to Lebanon to be by her son John who, with his family, has cared for her three years, especially during the past five months while she has been helpless. She has been a patient sufferer for the past five months, until relieved of her illness by the call of her Master to come to inherit the place He has prepared for her.

She leaves to mourn her death her two sons, five grandchildren, one brother, D.C. Curl of Union, Or., and three sisters, Jessie Chrisman of Hamilton, Or., Pauline Peterson of Pendleton, and Julia Alexander of Washington, and her many friends and neighbors.

Funeral services were held in the Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock, conducted by the pastor, Rev. Chas. E. Bryden, and interment was in the old Lebanon cemetery.

NOTE: Bartlett Curl, Mary's father, was born in 1814 in Elliott Co., KY, arriving in Oregon 9 Aug 1853, and settling his claim, # 2687 (T12S R1W Sec 21 and 28), on 1 Sep 1853. He married Elizabeth T. Hardwick on 12 Feb 1835 in Carrol Co., MO.

SMITH, Mary M.

- b. est. 11 Feb 1861 Linn Co., OR d/o
 William Mercer and Rhoda Ann
 (Settle) Smith
- <u>d.</u> <u>11 Mar 1861</u> Linn Co., OR age 1m

SMITH, Phillip M.

- b. <u>10 May 1844</u> MO s/o Andrew Mercer and Jestinia (Hale) Smith
- m. Ann Missouri Starr 14 Feb 1867 Linn Co., OR (see Smith, Ann Missouri)
- d. <u>19 Jul 1897</u> Linn Co., OR age 53y2m9d
- c. Charles A. (ca. 1867 OR)
 Rial M. (15 Jul 1869 Linn Co., OR)
 Adda Catherine (15 Nov 1870 OR, m.
 A.J. Howard)
 Iva/Ivy J. (1873 OR, m. George H.
 Buhl)

John H. (1875 OR) Viola (1877 OR, m. Mr. Hickok) Bet M. (Elizabeth?) (Feb 1881 OR)

Lebanon Express, Aug. 20, 1924

From an obituary for Mrs. Ivy Smith Buhl ... a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Smith, who for many years were active in the affairs of the community, and was a native daughter born on the Smith homestead northeast of town, where she passed her childhood days. Later the family removed to Lebanon, Mr. Smith building the home on Sherman and Park street, which has been in the family since and was the home of Mr. and Mrs. Buhl at the time of her passing.

<u>Interview with Joseph and George Smith</u>, by Leslie Haskin, 1930's

Phillip Messersmith (Smith) came to Oregon in 1852...

SMITH, Rhoda Ann (nee Settle)

- b. 13 Oct 1833 Jefferson Co., IN d/o John and Martha Clay/Capril (Hudson)
 Settle
- m. William Mercer Smith 17 Jul 1851 Linn Co., OT
- <u>d.</u> <u>17 Sep 1898</u> Linn Co., OR age 64y11m4d
- c. Emely Jane (est. 20 Apr 1853 Linn Co., OT) Ira Allen (21 Jul 1855 Linn Co., OT)

Annie E. (1859 OR, m. Elbert E. Keebler)

Mary M. (Feb 1861 Linn Co., OR)

Joseph A. (21 Jun 1865 OR, m. Mary C. Thomas)

George H. (29 May 1969 OR, m. Clara B. Frost)

Eva (1873 OR, m. William Heard) Johnnie

Lebanon Express, Sep. 23,1898

Mrs. Rhoda Ann Smith was born in Jefferson Co., IN, Oct 13, 1833 and died at her home near Lebanon, Sept 17, 1898.

At the age of five years she moved to Illinois with her parents, and four years later to Iowa. After living in Iowa six years the (Settle) family moved to this state and settled on the old place near Lebanon in 1847.

The deceased was married on July 17, 1851, to Wm. M. Smith. Mr. Smith died in 1882.

To them were born eight children, four of whom are still living. She was converted and joined

the Methodist Church in 1865, but for many years lived out of the church, until last year, when she renewed her consecration to God and lived in a happy Christian faith until her death.

The funeral services were conducted Monday at the M.E. Church, South, by Rev. J.W. Craig, after which the remains were laid to rest in the city cemetery, there to await the call of the roll on high.



Rhoda Ann Smith

SMITH, Rial M.

- <u>b.</u> 15 Jul 1869 Linn Co., OR s/o Phillip M. and Ann M. (Starr) Smith
- <u>d.</u> 28 Dec 1888 Lebanon, OR age 19y5m13d

Lebanon Express, Jan. 4, 1889

Obituary -- Died -- Rial M. Smith, son of P.M. Smith, of Santiam precinct, Linn co.,OR; Dec 28, 1888, aged 19 years, 3 months and 13 days.

Rial was a young man of sterling character, just opening into manhood, with all its hopes and aspirations, and with abundant prospects of success. He was unusually bright, of a sociable disposition, and one who made many warm friends wherever he went. He attended school at Santiam Academy during the winter of 1887-88, and was one of the brightest pupils of that institution. He taught a term of school in the spring of 1888, and being warned of the approach of that fell destroyer -- consumption, was induced to travel for his health. He traveled over the coast and in southern Oregon for 4 months, then returned home, and immediately started with Mr. S. Claypool and family, with whom he traveled for some time in Eastern Oregon, Washington and Idaho. Rial returned home Dec. 11, was taken down with typhoid fever, and died on the 28th -- was buried at Lebanon on the 29th. Funeral services were conducted by Rev. G.W. Giboney, assisted by Rev. J.R. Kirkpatrick. The bereaved family have the sympathy of the entire community.

SMITH, Urial M.

- b. est. 30 Aug 1833 MO s/o Andrew Mercer and Jestinia (Hale) Smith
- <u>d.</u> <u>23 Oct 1865</u> OR <u>age 32y1m24d</u>

SMITH, William Mercer

- b. 1 Jan 1823 Cole Co., MO s/o Andrew Mercer and Jestinia (Hale) Smith
- m. Rhoda Ann Settle 17 Jul 1851 Linn Co., OT (see Smith, Rhoda Ann)
- <u>d.</u> <u>27 Nov 1882</u> Linn Co., OR age 59y10m26d
- c. Emely Jane (est. 20 Apr 1853 Linn Co., OT)

Ira Allen (21 Jul 1855 Linn Co., OT) Annie E. (1859 OR, m. Elbert E. Keebler)

Mary M. (Feb 1861 Linn Co., OR)

Joseph A. (21 Jun 1865 OR, m. Mary C. Thomas)

George H. (29 May 1969 OR, m. Clara B. Frost)

Eva (1873 OR, m. William Heard) Johnnie

<u>Donation Land Claim # 1696 OC</u> (T12S R1W Sec 6 and 7 and T12S R2W Sec 1 and 12)

MESSERSMITH (SMITH), William M., Linn Co, b. 1-4-1823 son of #5018 Andrew & Justinia Smith, d. 11-27-1882; m Rhoda Ann Settle, d/o John Settle.

Also SMITH, William M., Linn Co; b. 1826 or 1822, Va; Arr. Ore. Oct 1845; SC 10 Aug 1851; m. Rhoda Ann 17 July 1851, Linn Co, Ore. T. Aff: Arthur Saltmarsh (MA), Reuben S. Coyle, John Settle.

<u>Interview with Joseph and George Smith</u>, by Leslie Haskin, 1930's

Our father was in the Cayuse Indian War but not in the Rogue River troubles. He was standing close at hand and saw General Gilliam killed by an accidental shot as he was taking a gun from a wagon. Another member of the Cayuse Indians volunteers was Jason Wheeler who was my father's neighbor near here. Wheeler was seriously wounded in the knee in one of the engagements and upon his return after partially recovering from his wound he was elected the first sheriff of Linn County. This was under the provisional government.

After father returned from the mines and from the Indian troubles he worked as sawyer at the Kees Mill at Waterloo...

Our father's family consisted of eight children. I do not believe that I can even remember the exact order in which they were born. They were: Eva; Anna; Emma; Mary; Johnnie; Ira; Joseph and George ...

SPAW, Lena

- b. est. 23 Sep 1867 <u>d/o A.W. and E.V.</u> Spaw
- <u>d.</u> 14 Aug 1873 Linn Co., OR age 5y10m21d

STREITHOFF, John

No Stone

- b. ca. 1859 Linn Co., OR s/o Lewis and Rebecca (Hardman) Streithoff
- d. 21 Dec 1884 Linn Co., OR

NOTE: See Striethoff, Lewis

STRIETHOFF, Lewis "Sacred to the memory of"

- b. est. 14 Apr 1823 OH s/o John Y. and Eliza V. Streithoff Sr.
- m. Rebecca Hardman 26 Feb 1854 Linn Co., OT
 - b. 6 Jul 1826 Wayne Co., IN d/o Joshua H. and Annie W. Hardman
 - d. 12 Jun 1900 Salem, OR age 73y11m6d bur. Asylum Cemetery, Salem, OR
- d. 2 Mar 1884 OR age 60y10m18d
- c. Reuben (ca. 1855 Linn Co., OT) John (ca. 1859 Linn Co., OR) Perry (ca. 1864 Linn Co., OR)

NOTE: All records show the spelling of this name as Streithoff. The one exception is the gravestone of Lewis which spells it Striethoff.

Lewis and his father, John Y. Streithoff Sr., were listed as partners in Champoeg Co., 1280 acres, 1847. John Streithoff held D.L.C. #2851 in Linn Co. He was born in 1795 in York Co., PA and arrived in Oregon in March of 1846, securing his claim Sept. 23, 1850. Lewis's brother John Jr. held D.L.C. #5109 in Linn Co. He was born in 1826 in Perry Co., OH and arrived in Oregon Dec. 15, 1845. His claim was settled Oct. 5, 1854. Another brother, Rueben Streithoff, affirmed this claim.

According to Linn county researcher John Miles, Lewis's three sons died soon after him and are buried nearby. John remembers seeing three markers. He thinks they died in the 1880's while they were in their twenties. Rumors concerning the Streithoffs refer to the family falling on very hard times and living in a tent by the river.

Lebanon Express, Nov. 10, 1893

Guardian discharged in estate of Rebecca Streithoff -- insane.

NOTE: Rebecca was admitted to the Oregon State Hospital (asylum) on March 15, 1900 for senility. She died there on June 12, 1900 and was buried in the asylum cemetery. In 1913 her remains were exhumed, cremated, and her container placed at #655 Memorial Circle on the State Hospital grounds.

STREITHOFF, Perry

No Stone

b. ca. 1864 Linn Co., OR s/o Lewis and Rebecca (Hardman) Streithoff

d. 11 Dec 1884 Linn Co., OR

NOTE: See Striethoff, Lewis

STREITHOFF, Reuben

No Stone

b. ca. 1855 Linn Co., OT s/o Lewis and Rebecca (Hardman) Streithoff

d. 14 Dec 1884 Linn Co., OR

NOTE: See Striethoff, Lewis

TAYLOR, Mary Ellen

b. <u>29 May 1853</u> OT d/o David M. and Ruey Ann (Powell) Taylor, gd/o Calvin and Clarissa (Richardson) Powell

d. 22 Sep 1873 OR age 20y3m24d

NOTE: Mary Ellen, age 17, is enumerated in the 1870 Linn county census living at the home of Joseph A. and Samantha Powell. Her grave is near the Powell monument.

David Taylor, Mary Ellen's father, held D.L.C. # 1300 in Linn county. He was born ca. 1822 in NY and arrived in Oregon 24 Sep 1851, settling his claim 14 May 1853. He married Ruey Ann Powell 15 Feb 1848/49 in Stark Co., IL. Ruey was born 6 Jan 1829.

WATTS, Russel U.

b. est. 26 May 1813 Grafton Co., NH

m. Diantha Holmes 3 Mar 1839 Sangamon Co., IL

 b. 18 Jun 1814 St. Albans, VT d/o Nathan L. and Cynthia (Buck) Holmes

m. #2 Stephen D. Haley 30 Dec 1855 Linn Co., OT

b. 30 Mar 1805

d. 17 Oct 1882 Linn Co.,
 OR bur. Riverside
 Cemetery, Albany, OR

d. 24 Nov 1885 Shedd, OR age 71y5m6d

<u>d.</u> 11 Dec 1854 Linn Co., OT age 41y6m15d

c. Mary W. (1840 Sangamon Co., IL, m. Philander Gilbert)
Sarah M. (1843 Sangamon Co., IL, m. M.W. Stinson)

Francis Austin (17 Nov 1846 Sangamon Co., IL, m. Emma Gilbert) Irena D. (29 Jun 1851 Linn Co., OT, m. Jesse B. Gilbert) Harris R. (29 Jun 1851 Linn Co., OT) infant infant

Donation Land Claim # 347

WATTS, Russell, Linn Co; b 1813, Grafton Co, NH; SC 8 May 1850; m Diantha 3 Mar 1839 Sangemon Co, Ill. Aff: James M. Coon, John B. Gasbrough, Thomas Morgan, John McNeil.

Also WATTS, Russell, Linn Co, T13S R4W Secs. 19, 20, 29, 30 640.66a; b. 6-15-1813 d 12-11-1854; m. Diantha Holmes b. Vt. 1814; She m 2nd S.D. Haley (DLC # 4657). HH -- Power's "Early Settlers of Sangamon Co., Ill" #21

Albany States Rights Democrat, Jan. 1, 1886

HALEY -- Diantha Holmes was born near St. Albans, Vermont on June 18th, 1814, died at the residence of her son, Hon. F.A. Watts at Shedd, Linn County, Oregon, November 24th, 1885, aged 71 years, 5 months and 6 days.

She emigrated to Illinois in 1838, where in 1839 she was married to Mr. Russell Watts.

In 1847 she in company with her husband and three children crossed the plains to Oregon, starting in March and arriving at Oregon City in November.

In the spring of 1848 removed to Linn County where she has since resided. In the fall the family temporarily moved to Lebanon to secure better school advantages.

Her husband died December 11th, 1854. In the following year she was married to Mr. S.D. Haley who died October, 1882.

She was the mother of seven children. Two died in infancy, a third Harris R. Watts, died in 1874. Two daughters, Mrs. M.W. Gilbert and Mrs. I.D. Gilbert reside near Rockford, W.T. Mrs. S.W. Stinson at Salem and Hon. F.A. Watts at Shedd, Oregon.

She became a member of the Methodist Episcopal Church when about 16 years of age and to her death lived a faithful devoted Christian life.

The pioneer ministers of Methodism on this coast remember the kind intelligent counsel and assistance rendered them in their work by mother Haley.

Another of the old pioneers has gone to her reward. We who enjoy so many social and religious

privileges in Oregon today owe a lasting debt of gratitude to those heroes and heroines who braved so many hardships and dangers to rescue this land from savagery.

All that is mortal of Mother Haley was interred at the Pine Grove Cemetery near Peoria. Her funeral sermon was preached by the writer, at Shedd M.E. Church, December 27th, to a large congregation of friends and relatives. M.J.

WELCH, Henry

- b. 4 Oct 1818 Schoharie Co., NY m. Mary Ann ??? ca. 1855 IL ? (see
- Welch, Mary Ann)
- d. 9 Jun 1882 OR age 63y5m5d
- c. Capt. H.N.
 Ida M. (Oct 1864 IL, m. David Frank
 Hardman)

M.O. (daughter) (m. David L. Ambler)

"Weep not wife and children dear/ I'm not dead but resting here/ My debts are paid, my grave (unreadable)/ Prepare yourselves and follow me."

WELCH, Mary Ann (nee ???)

- b. 4 Jan 1830 Fulton Co., NY
- m. Henry Welch ca. 1855 IL?
- <u>d.</u> <u>28 Feb 1908</u> Portland, OR age 78y1m24d
- c. Capt. H.N.

Ida M. (Oct 1864 IL, m. David Frank Hardman)

M.O. (daughter) (m. David L. Ambler)

NOTE: Henry and Mary Ann share a marble monument.

Albany Democrat, Mar. 6, 1908

Died in Portland -- Mrs. Mary A. Welch died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D.F. Hardman, in Portland yesterday, the funeral service being held there, that having been her former home. She was 78 years of age, and had been an invalid for several years.

She leaves three children. Capt. H.N. Welch, Mrs. D.F. Hardman and Mrs. Ambler, all of Portland, who accompanied the remains to their last resting place.

WELT, Clarinda "Clarry" (nee Simons)

- <u>b.</u> <u>15 Oct 1830 NY d/o</u> Daniel and Marcy Ann (Brown) <u>Simons</u>
- m. #1 George W. Youngs 23 Sep 1849 Knox Co., IL (divorced)
 - o. 4 Nov 1828 Richland Co., OH s/o Benjamin and Sarah (Mesmore) Youngs
 - m. #2 Rose E. Clark 31 May 1888 Linn Co.. OR
 - d. 20 Feb 1905 Albany, OR age 76y3m16d, bur. Riverside Cem., Albany, OR

#2 William A. Peterson 16 May 1875 Linn Co., OR (divorced) #3 Arnold Joseph Welt 27 Jun 1878 Linn Co., OR

- b. 21 Nov 1841 Germany
- m. #2 Nancy Jane (Lindley) Simons 22 May 1899 OR
- d. 12 May 1926 Lebanon, OR age 84y5m21d bur. I.O.O.F. Cemetery, Lebanon, OR
- <u>d.</u> 13 May 1898 Linn Co., OR age 67y6m28d
- c. (by George W. Youngs)

 Melinda A./H. (27 Sep 1850 Knox Co.,

 IL, m. John H. Clelan)

 Eliza Margaret (est. 25 Oct 1853 Linn

 Co., OT)

"At Rest"

NOTE: Clarinda's first husband, George Youngs, held D.L.C. #5157 OC. He and Clarinda arrived in Oregon in October of 1853 and settled their claim 15 Aug 1854. This was affirmed by Newton Russell, John W. Gilhland, Milton Umphreys, S. Pickens and Wm. Pickens.

Lebanon Express-Advance, May 20, 1898

Mrs. Clarinda Welt, wife of W.J. (sic) Welt died at her home near Sodaville, Fri., May 13, 1898, aged 67 years. Mrs. Welt was a sister of D. Simons, and leaves many relatives and friends to mourn her departure. She was a pioneer lady, and was highly esteemed. Mrs. Welt's mother survives her at her home near Sodaville, at the age of 104 years, being the oldest person in Oregon and at the head of 5 generations. Funeral services were conducted at the home on Sunday, after which the remains were interred in the Lebanon Cemetery.

WILLIAMS

No Stone

NOTE: A.E. Williams purchased a cemetery lot in the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery on Nov. 29, 1882. There are no markers in this lot. His son, Joseph M. Williams, died 10 Oct 1882. A.E. Williams and his wife K.A. Williams are buried at Sand Ridge Cemetery in Linn county. Their son Joseph is buried there also, although he may have been buried in Lebanon and later reburied at Sand Ridge.

Lebanon Express, Feb. 17, 1905

FALLEN ASLEEP

Alfred E. Williams died at the home of his son in Lebanon, Oregon, on the evening of the 15th of February, 1905.

Mr. Williams was born in Ohio on the 7th of June, 1830. He came across the plains in 1850, going to California. In 1857 he came to Oregon, and the same year was married to Keziah Dealia Bentley. This union was blessed with six children, five of whom still survive.

Mr. Williams has been a faithful member of the Cumberland Presbyterian church for many years, and was known by all as an honorable Christian man. He had not been in good health for some time, and had gone to California thinking that the change would improve his health, but was taken worse and his son brought him back to his home, where he received the summons of the Master to "come up higher."

The funeral sermon was preached by Rev. L. Green, of the Presbyterian church, at the home of his son, after which the remains were laid to rest in Sandridge cemetery.

The relatives have the sympathy of many friends in their bereavement.

A FRIEND.

WOODWARD, child (Francis or Arthur)

No Stone

- b. ca. 1850 Vermillion, IN ? s/o Luther T. and Elizabeth H. (Hall) Woodward
- d. ca. Spring 1851 Linn Co., OR

WOODWARD, child (Francis or Arthur)

No Stone

<u>Centennial History of the Lebanon Methodist</u> <u>Church</u>, 1950

In 1850 (Father) J.H. Wilbur came to Lebanon, organized its first Methodist Church. ... It stood on the northeast corner of the present high school campus. Wm. Marks taught the first school in this building. The next teacher was Mrs. L.T. Woodward whose husband was a Methodist circuit rider. ...they lost their only child a few weeks after they came to Oregon. Its little body was one of the first to be buried in the old city cemetery.

Centennial History of Oregon, Vol. I, by Easton, p. 574

L.T. Woodward was appointed to preach the gospel by the Oregon Methodist conference in 1852.

<u>Jason Lee Cemetery</u>, Salem, OR, records copied by N.C. Hiday, 1936

A single shaft stone is marked on the west, "Elizabeth H., wife of Rev. L.T. Woodward, b. Dec. 1, 1827 d. Nov. 19, 1871." The north side reads, "Francis and Arthur sleep at Lebanon, Oregon." The south side reads, "Lizzie, our eldest daughter died Nov. 16, 1872 age 20 yr 4 mo."

Pacific Christian Advocate, Dec. 7, 1871

MEMOIR -- Mrs. Elizabeth H. Woodward, daughter of Wm. B. & N.. Hall was born near Rockville, in Park Co. Ind., Dec. 1st, 1827 ...

... in the summer of 1849, Miss Hall was ... on the 16th of August, united in marriage to Rev. Luther T. Woodward. She remained one year ... teaching with her husband in an Academy near Newport. The following year she entered the itinerancy with her husband, who was three months afterward transferred to the mission field on the Pacific Coast. ... she bade adieu to home, and, ... set out for New York, where the winter was spent in missionary meetings with the recruits for the Pacific and China, visiting in the meantime the principal cities of the Atlantic.

On the 28th of March, 1851, the company sailed for Oregon, and, after a pleasant and prosperous voyage of six weeks, arrived in the Columbia river the 10th of May. ... she entered upon the duties, privations, and toils of a Methodist preacher's wife, traveling over the Willamette, Umpqua and Rogue river valleys, residing

successively at Lebanon, Dayton, Wilbur, Roseburg, Eugene and Salem...

Willamette Farmer, Nov. 26, 1875

DEATH OF REV L.T. WOODWARD --

We regret to learn of the death of our friend, and late fellow townsman, Rev L.T. Woodward, who died last week at Pescadero, Calif. ... Mr. Woodward was lately the presiding Elder of the Puget Sound circuit and before that he was Principal of the Lebanon Academy and a professor in the Willamette University...

... Bro Woodward came from Indiana to Oregon in 1851, and his first important work was the founding of the Santiam Academy at Lebanon, of which institution he was the principal for a number of years.

NOTE: Luther Woodward held D.L.C. #2172 in Linn Co., T12S, R2W, secs. 10, 11, 138.09 acres. He was born in 1819 in Richland Co., OH, arrived in Oregon 11 May 1851, and secured his claim in Sept. 1851. He had married on Aug. 16, 1849 in Vermillion Co., IN to Elizabeth Hall. She was born in Rockville, IL, the daughter of William E. and N. Hall.

In addition to Francis, Arthur, and Lizzie, mentioned above, Elizabeth and Luther were the parents of John (ca. 1851), Ellen (ca. 1855), Luther (ca. 1857), Woodbridge (ca. 1858), Edward (ca. 1859), Victoria (ca. 1861 OR), and Helena (ca. 1865 OR). Several of these children were listed as Woodwards in the 1860 Brownsville census. It is also possible some of them were foster children.

On May 31, 1873, L. T. Woodward sold and conveyed the church and public burying ground property to the trustees of the M.E. Church at Lebanon for the sum of one dollar.

YOUNGS, Eliza Margaret

- b. est. 25 Oct 1853 Linn Co., OT <u>d/o</u>
 <u>George W. and Clarinda (Simons)</u>
 <u>Youngs</u> (see Welt, Clarinda)
- <u>d.</u> <u>12 Jun 1859</u> Linn Co., OR <u>age 5y7m17d</u>

Albany Democrat, Feb. 24, 1905

G.W. Young (sic), a well known resident of Albany and a pioneer of 1853, passed away at the family home in the eastern part of this city at 12:15 yesterday morning after an extended illness, aged 76 years. Deceased was a native of Richland County, Ohio, where he was born November 4, 1828, of New

England parentage. In childhood he went to Illinois where he lived to manhood and followed farming and learned the carpenter's trade. In 1853, with his young wife and one child, he came to Oregon by ox team, coming into the Willamette Valley by the Barlow route, and locating in Linn County in October of that year. He made his home in Sweet Home and later at Sand Ridge until in 1866 he moved to Albany where he resided until his death.

For a number of years he followed contracting and bridge building for the county, building many of the bridges in different parts of the county. For the last few years he has lived on the fruits of his industry of earlier years and the evening of life was passed quietly with his family. He was twice married, his first wife having died early in the family's resident in Oregon, at Lebanon. His second wife and one daughter by his first marriage, Mrs. Malinda Clelen, survive him together with a large number of relatives to mourn his death. Deceased was for many years a member of the Odd Fellows, holding membership in Albany Lodge, No. 4, and the Oregeana Encampment, No. 5, both of which he had passed the chairs and had been very active.

ZELL, Lizzie Estella

- b. est. 14 Jan 1867 <u>d/o John and L. Zell</u>
 <u>d.</u> 19 Aug 1870 age 3y7m5d
- NOTE: John Zell held DLC # 2020 (T11S R1W Sec 28 and 29) in Linn county. He was born in Putnam Co., IN and arrived in Oregon 11 Aug 1852, settling his claim 20 Oct 1852, as affirmed by Abraham Zell, Peter W. Beeler, Christopher Starr and William H. Starr. The Zell family consisted of father Peter and his sons Abraham, John, and Peter Jr. They moved from the Willamette Valley to the Ochoco country near Prineville.

ZOOK, Baby Lloyd

- b. est. 24 Dec 1881 OR <u>s/o</u> <u>D.D.</u> and <u>H.E.</u> Zook
- d. 6 Dec 1882 OR age 11m13d

NOTE: A biography of Jacob and Nancy Bahr by their descendent, Joseph A. Holaday, indicates the Bahrs were the parents of Harriet Bahr Zook. Harriet and her husband Dan were the parents of three sons, all of whom died early. Lloyd Zook is believed to be one of the sons of Dan and Harriet (Bahr) Zook, and a grandson of Jacob and Nancy Bahr.

Methodist Episcopal Cemetery Deeds, Jan. 14, 1884

Jacob Bahr, Vol. 28, pg. 205, lot 51, block 1, 16' x 24' (from Linn County, OR Deed Records)

The Gospel Messenger, May 28, 1910

ELD. JACOB BAHR.

We are requested to say something about Jacob Bahr, who recently died at Eugene, Oregon, at the age of nearly eighty years. Bro. Bahr united with the Evangelical church in Pennsylvania, when fourteen years of age. He preached for them several years; then moved to Wisconsin and there united with the Baptist church, preaching for this denomination until he became dissatisfied with his religion.

After considering Matt. 28:19 he came to the conclusion that three immersions were necessary for one baptism. He was an ordained elder at the time, having charge of a church. He went to the elder of the adjoining church and told him his convictions. This elder recognized his belief as being the same as that of the Brethren, and told him where to find a community of Brethren, about thirty miles away. Accordingly he set out to find them, and was baptized by Bro. Henry Troxel before Three weeks later Bro. Troxel returning home. preached in our house, which was the first sermon Bro. Bahr ever heard from a Brethren minister. A vear later he was elected to the ministry by the Church of the Brethren, and preached for them fifty years, making in all fifty-eight years that he served as minister for the three denominations.

Bro. Bahr traveled considerably, and preached a great deal, always supporting himself. When having a church under his care, he always made sure that every family in his flock subscribed for the church paper. If any were too poor to pay for it themselves, he donated it to them.

Before his death he requested that his body be taken twenty-one miles east of Eugene, to the Mohawk Valley, where our people have a churchhouse and cemetery at Mabel. He thus wished to show due respect to the church for which he had labored so many years.

Eugene, Oregon, May 3. Nancy Bahr

The Gospel Messenger, Apr. 30, 1910, pg. 286

Bahr, Bro. Jacob, born April 7, 1830, in Windsor township, Berks County, Pa., died in Eugene, Oregon, March 21, 1910, aged 79 years, 11 months and 16 days. He had been afflicted with diabetes and Bright's disease for several years. He leaves a wife, two daughters and one son. Services at the Mohawk Valley Church, Oregon, by the writer. Text, Job 14:14. W.H. Pullen

The Gospel Messenger, Dec. 8, 1917, page 790

Bahr, Sister Nancy, nee Buck, born in Pennsylvania Dec. 6, 1833, died at Mabel, Oregon, Nov. 15, 1917, aged 83 years, 11 months and 9 days. She married Bro. Jacob Bahr, Feb. 12, 1852, who preceded her in death March 21, 1910. She leaves two daughters and one son, one daughter having preceded her. Sister Bahr was a member of the Church of the Brethren for over fifty years. She and her husband, a minister, did much church work in Oregon when it was a new field. Services by the writer. Text, Psa. 90. Interment in the Mabel cemetery Nov. 16. -- H.H. Ritter, Mabel, Oregon.

The Brethren Encyclopedia, Vol. 3, 1984

Minister's List:

Bahr, Jacob (CB); ca. 1830/4?-1910; eld. by 1897; Lebanon, OR; Powells Valley, OR (1897-?); Mohawk Valley, OR; Fairview, IA (ca. 1881?) ...

NOTE: A grave marker made of bits of red and blue granite set in concrete is located at the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery. It reads:

SCHNEIDER, A.

b. <u>1867</u> d. <u>1925</u>

Adolf Schneider is buried at the I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Lebanon, OR, his grave marked with a newer, more conventional stone. We have decided this older marker was probably discarded, and later "discovered" by a well-meaning citizen who assumed it belonged here.

NOTE: A marker fragment was discovered along the north fence of the Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery in August of 1991. It reads:

Mart wif

<u>B.C.</u>

NOTE: Two markers were discovered in the yard at 73 Grove Street and have been returned to the cemetery. They read as follows:

1. EARNEST

2. FRED

Too late to be included in the text:

BALLARD

(Boise) Idaho Tri-Weekly Statesman, July 19, 1870

GOVERNOR BALLARD .-- In this number of the STATESMAN appears the farewell of Gov. Ballard, who gives place to Hon, Gilman Marston, of New Hampshire. Gov. Ballard has for four years past discharged the duties of executive of this territory and it is not too much praise to say that he retires with credit to himself and carries with him the best wishes of a large majority of our Citizens. A man of social and genial disposition, and rectitude of character, if he lacked the more brilliant qualities that dazzle the public eye, he had to an eminent degree the respect and confidence of the masses. His home was always open to political friends and foes alike, and his personal qualities of head and heart endeared him to a circle of friends that reached beyond the distinction of party, and make his absence create a void not easily filled. His amiable lady and interesting family will be really missed in the society of Boise city, and the kindest wishes from the people of Idaho follow both them and the Governor on his retirement to his old home.

To the Citizens of Idaho - Executive Office, Boise City, I.T.

July 16, 1870

Fellow citizens of Idaho Territory: In retiring from the duties of the executive of this territory, I should do injustice to my feelings were I not to express to you the gratitude I cherish for the kindness and generosity with which I have been favored by the people of Idaho.

More than four years have passed since I came amongst you a stranger, with no indorsement (sic) but my commission, and a conscious desire to do my duty to the people of Idaho and the United States.

Sometimes assailed for my official acts, I have always had a vindication from the people interested that has been as gratifying to me as it was generous in them. It proves that even if a public officer sometimes errs, the people who judge his acts and motives will not allow an injustice to be done him. The fact that after four years acquaintance, I was indorsed (sic) by more than two thirds of my fellow citizens by their voluntary signatures for my reappointment is more gratifying to my feelings than

would be a commission for the highest office in the gift of the president. It will be to me a source of pride and pleasure through all my future life. I have no words in which to convey my thanks to those who thus honored me.

For my successor in office, I bespeak the same kind indulgence so constantly accorded to me. Coming among the people of Idaho already known to fame, he will find an intelligent, enterprising, generous and law-supporting people, who will earnestly sustain him in the right and generous and indulgent to his errors. To hope that his career may be as pleasant, its official close as agreeable, as mine has been to me, is to bequeath to him my best wish; and that the people, the warmhearted, whole souled, and noble people of Idaho may continue to prosper in every just cause, and that this young territory may soon be one of the gems that shall crown the arch of states which is to span the continent, is the heartfelt wish of your neighbor, fellow citizen, and friend.

D.W. BALLARD.

Albany Daily Democrat, Apr. 29, 1891

BALLARD -- Died on April 27th, in Colville, Wash., Mrs. Dr. J.E. Ballard. Mrs. Ballard was for many years and until recently, a resident of Lebanon where Dr. Ballard died in 1883. She came to Oregon with her husband in 1852, beside whose remains in the Lebanon Cemetery her body will be laid to rest. Mrs. Ballard was a woman of estimable character. She leaves 5 children, Mrs. C.C. Hackleman and Mrs. Prof. R.N. Wright of Lebanon; Mrs. J.B. Slater of Colville, Dr. Frank Ballard of Spokane, and a daughter not married.

BEEBE

Lebanon Express, Aug. 16, 1907

A splendid white bronze monument was received yesterday by A.O. Sturm, to be placed over the grave of the late Mrs. S.J. Beebe.

GALLAHER

GALLAHER, J.J.

No Stone

- b. 3 Jul 1855 Linn Co., OT, c/o William Crawford and Sarah Amy (Kees) Gallaher
- d. 3 Jul 1855 Linn Co., OT

NOTE: This child is assumed to be buried here with others of the Gallaher family.

Just Among Our Families, by Laura Bowers, 1949

WILLIAM CRAWFORD GALLAHER I, the grandfather of William Crawford Gallaher III (of Umapaine) was born in Ireland and was educated by the church to be a Catholic Priest. He disavowed the Catholic Faith and fled to America with his wife to seek religious freedom.

WILLIAM CRAWFORD GALLAHER II, was born on the voyage coming to America. He became a public speaker of considerable note. He lectured on the slavery question as a staunch abolitionist on the lecture platform with Henry Ward Beecher and other notable men.

He bitterly opposed slavery and was a member of the underground railway which transported Negro slaves fleeing north, often hiding them on his premises. A grandson, Morgan Gallaher of Spokane, has in his possession a shovel which William kept in his home for protection. He was small in stature but strong of conviction and fearless. His wife was Amy Kees Gallaher, a sister of Owen and Jacob Kees of Lebanon, Oregon. After her death he married Mrs. Lydia McFarland, who had one son by a former marriage, James McFarland. One son, Adrian, was born to this union.

William C. Gallaher II and family came across the plains by ox team in 1845. The second emigrant train coming west to Oregon. He participated in the contest between Britain and America as to which country should possess the Oregon Country. The weight of his influence did much to swing the decision to the American side.

He passed away at his home on Mill creek near Walla Walla to which he had moved from Lebanon, Oregon only about two years previously. His sons, Oliver, Joseph, William III, Jackson and Thomas were living in the Walla Walla Valley. He came to be near his two sons, two of whom were ministers, licensed by the United Brethren Church Conference. The five sons all were active in the spiritual, economic and cultural development of the Walla Walla Valley.

(Unsigned hand-written paper)

Summary of known information on the family of William Crawford Gallaher Sr.

William Crawford Gallaher Sr., was born 22 December 1803 in Greene County, Pennsylvania. He was married to Amy Kees on 7 August 1827 in Washington County, Pennsylvania. There is a family tradition that he was a school teacher and that Amy was one of his pupils.

Thus it would appear that the move from southwest Pennsylvania to Putnam County, Illinois occurred sometime in the period 1831-33 and the transition to Iowa occurred during the period 1835-37. The migration to Oregon occurred in 1845.

During the migration to Oregon which appeared to have been taken in somewhat too leisurely a fashion, it was necessary to winter the livestock east of the Cascades while the rest of the party pressed on to find shelter for the winter.

Tradition has it that William Gallaher Sr., took on the task of guarding the cattle and lived with the Indians until the spring.

Following his arrival in Western Oregon, he appears to have settled on land which became his donation land claim, which because he was married, consisted of 640 acres, half of which he was required to designate as his wife's share. His sons, Elmore and Oliver, both of whom were single, each had donation land claims of 320 acres, each immediately adjacent to that of their father. Andrew Jackson Richardson, husband of Mary Jane Gallaher, also had 320 acres adjacent (DLC 3843 OC Linn County, Oregon). These 1600 acres were located about 5 miles or so southeast of Lebanon, Oregon, in the Willamette Valley.

William C. Gallaher was said to have conducted school classes at his residence and to have contributed land for use for a school and a church. Land records in Linn County, Oregon revealed that he sold a plot of ground of about 1 1/2 acres to the United Brethren Church.

William C. Gallaher was fairly prominent in community affairs in the Willamette Valley, his name being mentioned in early editions of the Oregon City "Spectator" as a participant in some public meeting. One of these held in April 1848, sought to raise volunteers for an expedition to hunt down the Indians who had perpetrated the massacre of Marcus Whitman and others at the Whitman Mission.

Another article in the "Spectator" in May 1851 related that he was one of a group of citizens who met to consider the candidacy of S.R. Thurston for reelection as Oregon's Delegate to Congress. However it was learned that Thurston had died. W.C. Gallaher was called upon to address the meeting and also to participate in the drawing up of a "preamble and resolution," lamenting Thurston's death. Elmore Gallaher was the secretary and reporter of this meeting.

He was also appointed as one of the first trustees of the Santiam Academy at Lebanon, Oregon. Land for this school was donated in part by Morgan Kees, his brother-in-law. Since the power to fill vacancies on the board of trustees rested in the Methodist Episcopal Church, it is probable that William Gallaher adhered to that denomination. Three of his sons, Joseph M., William Jr., and James Jackson Gallaher were ministers sometimes in the M.E. Church and also in the United Brethren Church.

The 1850 census listed William C. Gallaher as a "cooper" although this may have been in error as was several other pieces of data regarding his family including the spelling of the name as "Gallahan." Throughout nearly all that is known of his working life he engaged in farming and he seemed to have been so engaged at the time of his death.

Amy Kees Gallaher, died in Linn County, Oregon on 21 April 1856. She had been proceeded (sic) in death by her eldest son Elmore who had married and had a young daughter. He died in July 1855. Amy's youngest son, Francis, only lived about 2 weeks. Other sons Morgan, Jacob and Isaac Newton are buried near her in Lebanon Pioneer Cemetery. These sons, together with Robert, whose burial place is unknown, died while in their late teens or early 20's. Isaac is said to have been shot accidentally and the others to have succumbed to tuberculosis.

In her will, Amy Gallaher left her share of the donation land claim to her "beloved husband, William C. Gallaher."

On December 2, 1856, William married Lydia (McCoy) McFarland, a widow, who had come west over the Oregon Trial with her youngest son, James McFarland in 1853. She was the Aunt of Mary Elizabeth Mealey and Clara (Junkin) Kellogg, who were to become the first and second wives of Oliver C. Gallaher, and of Elizabeth Junkin who married Thomas Jefferson Gallaher. William and Lydia had one son, Adrian W. Gallaher, born 16 January 1858. He died on 5 May 1878 according to probate records in his father's estate.

Lydia had also acquired a donation land claim of 320 acres in southern Linn County which she presumably brought into the marriage.

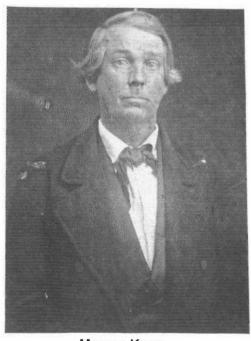
Shortly after 1870 William and Lydia Gallaher moved to the vicinity of Walla Walla, Washington. Several of his sons and in-laws (Kees) had moved to the Walla Walla and Umatilla County areas during the 1860's. Apparently the last members of the family to leave the Willamette

Valley were Mary Jane and Andrew Jackson Richardson, who were still living there at the time of William Gallaher's death which occurred 27 January 1877 at Walla Walla County, Washington. He and Lydia McCoy Gallaher, who died 3 March 1895, are buried at "Dry Creek" Cemetery located on land homesteaded by his son Oliver D. Gallaher, about five miles north of Walla Walla. Mary Elizabeth Mealey is also buried nearby.

KEES



Mary "Aunt Polly" Kees



Morgan Kees

LEONARD

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Clothes Make the Man -- If the suit fits, wear it. From As Long As Life: The Memoirs of a Frontier Woman Physician (Storm Peak Press), by Mary Canaga Rowland (1873-1966), who moved to Lebanon in 1909 and took extension courses from the UO.

When Ray (Leonard) first came to town, he and another man were rivals for a maiden lady who used a large ear trumpet. It was said that the two men almost dueled over her. nothing came of the whole affair. One man moved away and Ray ceased to call on the lady. He lived in the back of his shop. which became a rendezvous for men of the town who gathered there in the evenings to tell stories. Ray went hunting and fishing with these men, but always insisted on sleeping alone. As time passed, he became gray and looked quite old, complained of headaches, and often closed his shop at odd hours. Eventually, he began to wander about town at night and seemed disoriented. People who knew him and found him wandering would take him home. Finally, it became necessary to put him in a state hospital.

It is customary to strip each patient entering the hospital and give them a bath before they are given quarters. The hospital immediately discovered that Ray Leonard, a nineteen-year resident of Lebanon, was a woman. After her secret was out, Ray made a rapid recovery and came back to Lebanon to live the rest of her life.

The authorities made her wear dresses, but she confided to her friends that she wore pants below her dress because her legs got cold. She told people that she was the oldest daughter in a large New England family and had grown up helping her father in the shop. After consulting her father they agreed she would do best to wear men's clothing.

Ray was quiet, industrious, and not given to controversy in the community. Back from the asylum, she frequented the Christian Science church, though always sent for me when she was ill. She always remarked, "Christian Science is all right when I'm well, but it ain't worth a damn when I'm sick."

Ray looked far more like a man to me than a woman. She would say, "Look at me, Dr. Rowland, do you think I have one feminine feature?" I had to admit that she certainly looked like a man.

Meanwhile, Ray's shop became poison to the men who formerly gathered there to tell tales. The doctor who cared for her all those years crossed the street to keep from speaking to her. And the men of town never ceased to ask the doctor why he had kept Ray's sex a secret. Men everywhere have their little jokes.

When people yelled into the maiden lady's ear trumpet that her old beau was, indeed, a woman, her remark was, "Why the old !@#*!"

McKINNEY

Note: The following epitaph is on the George McKinney monument:

"A precious one from us has gone A voice we loved is stilled A place is vacant in our home Which never can be filled."

WOODWARD

Linn County Deed Record, A.D. 1873

Filed August 25, 1873, L.T. Woodward to Trustees ME Church, JW. Hackleman, County Clerk

This Indenture Witnesseth that I Luther T. Woodward for the consideration of One Dollar to and paid have bargained and sold and by these presents do bargain and sell and convey to Moses Bland Jacob Kees and J N McDonald trustees of church property of the M E Church at Lebanon Linn Co State of Oregon and to their successors in office in trust the following described premises to be hereinafter used as a public Burying ground: to wit: Beginning at a point 21 chains & ten links South and two chains and forty two links East of the N W Corner of section Eleven township twelve South and Range two West running thence five chains East thence four chains and thirty one link South: thence five chains West. Thence four chains and thirty one links North to the place of Beginning containing two acres and twenty five rods of ground more or less the above named parcel of land is hereby further described as being a part of Donation claim No. 45 & contained in section Eleven of the above named township and Range To Have & To Hold the said premises with their appurtenances unto the said Moses Bland Jacob Kees and J N McDonald and their successorrs in office forever.

And I the said Luther T. Woodward do hereby covenant to wit with the said trustees and their successors in office that I am the owner in fee simple of said premises that they are free from all incumbrances & that I will warrant and defend the same from all legal claims whatsoever.

Witness my hand & seal this day of May $31\ \mbox{A D }1873$

L. T. Woodward (Seal)

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