



FLOED House in its heyday looked like this. It was a social center and a favorite haven of Gen. Joseph Lane. The sturdy house will soon become a memorial to the general whose son-in-law and daughter once lived there. It appears the same today, except for the chimney at right peak. It was blown off by the Aug. 7, 1959, explosives truck blast.

Lane House Still Holds Gracious Charm Of Past

By Josephine Evans Harpham
In 1853 General Lane and a party of 25 relatives and friends came first from Indiana to Washington, D.C., then via the Isthmus at Nicaragua and on by steamer to Portland and thence to what is now Winchester near Roseburg.

The Lane's new home was situated on the general's donation land claim now occupied by the Roseburg airport.

In this family party were Mr. and Mrs. J. Creed Floed (Emily Lane) and their baby daughter, Mary. For a time they lived at Winchester where Mr. Floed and his wife's brother, Simon Lane, ran a trading post.

House Purchased

Somewhat later, however, the Floeds purchased from Solomon Abrahams, a pioneer merchant of Roseburg, a partially completed house begun in 1853 on grounds which comprised several acres and extended to the river. They had it finished in their own taste. Years later after the family of six children had moved to homes of their own and after Mr. Floed's death, Mrs. Floed sold the home and property to her brother, Simon R. Lane. Upon his death in 1925, the home and grounds passed to his daughter, Eva Lane Waite, and upon her death in 1937, to her daughter, Katherine Waite Bain.

The Floeds were widely known for their hospitality. There were many dinners, parties, gatherings and, of course, weddings held within the walls of this historic home. One of the brides got her hoop skirts caught in the narrow stairway and when the preacher opened the door in response to her outcries, the hoop billowed down the stairs and over his head!

General Builds House

After Mrs. Lane's death, the general built a small house across the street from the Floed's home in which he spent the last years of his life near his son, LaFayette, and his daughter, Emily. He took his meals first with one and then the other. He was very fond of sitting in the bay window at the Floeds, where sunshine and a beautiful view added to the charm of the location. It is said that many people casually strolled by on a Sunday afternoon with a hope of catching a glimpse of the famous general through this window, the first of its kind in Douglas County.

This pioneer home still reflects the gracious charm and tranquility of a time. It has passed through many vicissitudes which have included: the flood of 1881, building of the railroad in 1872, the tracks laid only 75 feet away with consequent threat of fire from the wood-burning engines; the encroachment of other dwellings; and finally the disastrous blast of 1959 which very severely damaged it.

Southern Flavor Noted

The over-all design of the Floed home is southern colonial. It is two-story, all-wood construction, the exterior being mostly cedar siding. The rafters are rough sawed 2-by-4s over which 1-inch rough-sawn lumber has been placed unsurfaced, as cut from the tree. The shingles are all hand hewn. The walls were originally 10 to 12 feet high and were made of 1 inch rough-sawn lumber and covered with cheese cloth over which was placed a quaint wall paper. The ceilings are of milled lumber and are painted. The stringers underneath the floor are all hand hewn, and the floors are composed of 1-inch sawed lumber and are for the most part fir and cedar. Square headed nails and wooden pegs were employed in the construction throughout. All material for this house was obtained from local sources which included sandstone for the fireplace, stone for the foundation, brick for the chimneys, walks and cellar store room.

In general the plan of the house remains as it was originally but a number of changes have been made through the years both as to the exterior and the interior of this venerable structure. Originally the paneled front door opened

into a hall which ran to the back of the house. On the left was a master bedroom and on the right was the parlor and music room. Adjacent to the latter was the open plan "dining room-living room, kitchen area" which were connected by a large arch. Just off the kitchen was a pantry and near to this a large store room. An inside trap door led from this to a brick cellar which had no outside entrance which possible could have been used as a refuge against Indian attack. A trellised porch replete with an old fashioned pump ran across the back of the house which was almost covered by the luxuriant growth of a large grape vine.

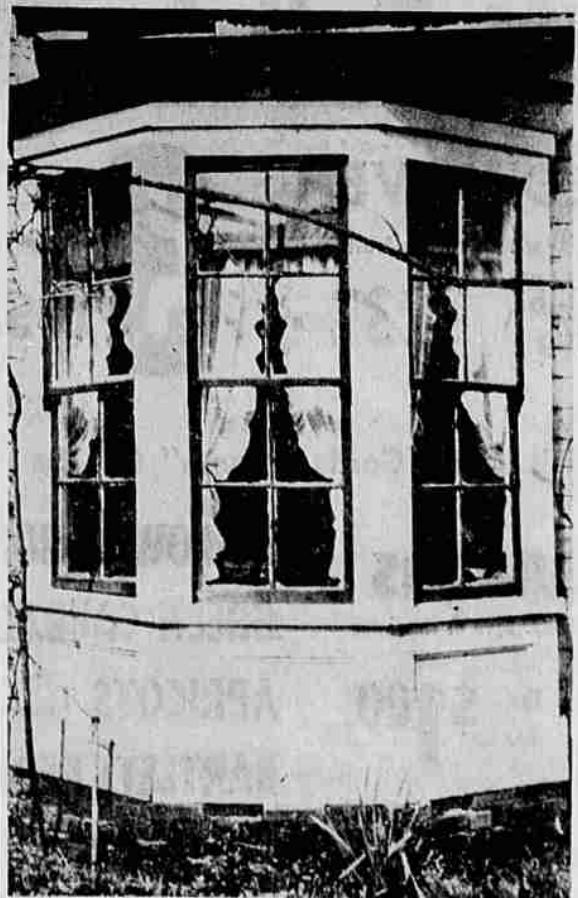
No Closets Included

In early days four small bedrooms and a hall way comprised the upstairs. The room that opened onto the porch had three doors, one to the porch, one to the hall one to a smaller room. There were no closets, as nails were usually used for the family's clothes. Today there are two large bedrooms, a hall and an area for a display case. In one of the bedrooms still can be seen an original inside

chimney. Original also are the front door near stairway to kitchen, stairway door, stairway to upper floor and some of the hardware. Also the walk to the entrance was made from bricks from the old cellar. A Gloria Mundi apple tree, a Butter pear and the magnificent locusts are definitely original and all add great charm to the setting.

This lovely home will now become Lane House, Douglas County's Pioneer Museum. The interior will be furnished throughout with beautiful and historically interesting antiques and pioneer furniture which have come from some of the County's early-day residents, as well as from members of the Lane family. Among the pieces will be: a Seth Thomas clock which belonged to Simon R. Lane and also a Bible table and a rawhide bottom chair; a cherry corner what-not and a folding console table of Lafayette Lane's, a son of the Joseph Lane; and a walnut dresser, doorbell and a hand-carved chess set of the General's.

It is indeed fitting that this Museum is to be a memorial to General and Mrs. Lane and their family.



THE WINDOW in which Joseph Lane sat many a Sunday afternoon at the Floed house is seen here. It is said many Roseburg people used to walk by the house in hopes of getting a glimpse of the famous general.

Edwin Moss

Edwin Stanley Moss, 51, of Rt. 1, Box 23, Myrtle Creek died of a heart attack at his home Sunday afternoon.

He was born July 12, 1911, at Wetumka, Okla. He was married to Ruth Irene George in Wetumka Nov. 11, 1933. He had been a resident of the Myrtle Creek area for the past 15 years, moving here from Huntington Park, Calif. He owned and operated a gravel trucking business.

He was a member of the Baptist Church in Oklahoma and a veteran of World War II, serving in the Marines.

Surviving besides his wife are: One daughter, Mrs. Phillip Gormley of Springfield; one son, Eddie Lee Moss of Myrtle Creek; one sister, Mrs. Sybil Saxon of Norman, Okla.; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Thursday at 2 p.m. in the Chapel of Ganz Mortuary in Myrtle Creek with the Rev. Donald Boldt of the First Conservative Baptist Church of Tri-City officiating. Interment will follow at the IOOF Cemetery in Myrtle Creek.

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