

HOW JOSEPHINE SECURED NAME

County Called After Josephine Leland, Who Was Buried on Grave Creek

The following, the origin of "Josephine," is contributed by George H. Parker to the Pacific Outlook:

As most of your readers know, Josephine Leland, who was coming to southern Oregon, died and was buried on the banks of Grave creek, which fact gave its name to the creek and the name Leland to the postoffice, afterward located near there. After the advent of the railroad the name Leland was given to the station and the postoffice was called Grave.

There have been two reports in circulation as to the origin of the name of our county; one being that it was named after Josephine Leland and the other that it was named after Josephine Kerby, the founder of Korbysville.

Himes Gives Authority.

Talking recently with Mr. Duncan, the present owner of the ranch on which Josephine Leland was buried, and with Charles D. Sexton, who was born near there, I determined to try and ascertain which was the true story. Accordingly I wrote to Mr. George H. Himes, secretary of the Oregon Historical society, in regard to it, and received the following reply:

"Mr. George H. Parker, Grants Pass, Or.—Dear Sir: Yours of the 29th ult. received today and contents noted. Accept thanks for giving me the name of Mr. Charles D. Sexton of Hugo, Josephine county, as possessing a number of relics of early day settlement. I have written him respecting them and hope he will consent to send them to me for this society.

"As to the name of Josephine county, it has always been my understanding that it was named after Josephine Leland. Judge Matthew P. Deady, who held court in early days and a man of very careful in his statements, is my source of information. Very truly yours,

"GEORGE H. HIMES."

Buried Under an Oak

This evening, I think, may be considered as settling the question of the origin of the name of our county and it seems to me some steps should be taken to fittingly mark the spot where the young lady was buried. All accounts agree that the interment was under a large oak tree which still stands in the middle of the road in front of the house on the Grave creek ranch.

Shortly after she was buried her remains were dug up by the Indians and left lying on the ground, where they were found by a party of white men and re-interred, according to one account under a pine tree, the stump of which is still standing near the oak, and to another somewhere above where the schoolhouse now stands.

As it is probably impossible at this late day to definitely locate her last resting place, I think the oak tree should be considered as marking her grave, and that steps should be taken to preserve it; the signboards taken off from it and that a slab or monument of Josephine county marble be placed under its branches with an inscription reciting the above facts.

Another item of historical interest in connection with this tree is that a number of Indians, variously stated at from three to six, were subsequently hung on one of its limbs.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

W. F. Wooden to E. P. Falsom, 8,782 acres in Ashland	10
A. Belle Anderson to Louis Werth, property in Ashland; bond for deed	2000
E. K. Anderson to A. Belle Anderson, lot 6, block 23, Chitwood tract	100
E. P. Russell to Dunn, Bybee, Pickens, Hunsaker Ditch Co., right of way for water	1
Edwin S. Hitzler to Dunn, Bybee, Pickens, Hunsaker Ditch Co., right of way for water	1
F. S. Green to Dunn, Bybee, Pickens, Hunsaker Ditch Co., bond in section 11, township 36, range 2 west	1
C. S. McDonough to Helen P. Rowe, land in section 25, township 37, range 2 west	250
W. H. Healine to B. F. Carter, 1 here in section 15, township 36, range 4 west	300
S. M. Carpenter to J. W. Carpenter, 40 acres in section 23, township 36, range 2 west	270

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will apply to the city council of the city of Medford, Oregon, at the next meeting for a license to sell spirituous, vinous and malt liquors in quantities less than a gallon for the period of six months, at his place of business at lot 11, in block 20, in the city of Medford, Oregon.

Dated July 10, 1908.

W. M. KENNEDY.

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CHAMBERLAIN FATHER OF GOVERNORS' CONGRESS

SALEM, Or., July 14.—The primary work of the Oregon commission for the conservation of the state's resources," says Chief Justice Bean, "should be to educate the people to the need of economy in the use of our resources. It is my opinion that educational work is needed more at this time than legislation. Legislation that is enacted before the value of conservation of resources is fully realized, would irritate people and would probably be harmful at first."

Justice Bean is a close student of Oregon's industrial conditions. He is a member of the Oregon commission recently appointed by Governor Chamberlain and attended the meeting of that body in Portland this week.

Oregon is getting a creditable start in this work, and the visit of Secretary Garfield has helped greatly," says the chief justice. "Of course the first thing to be done is to prepare reports to be submitted to the present. The president then will call another conference and the material will be prepared for its presentation to congress. The work of the commission is enormous, but the character of the membership is such that I do not believe the members will lose their enthusiasm for this great work."

Secretary Garfield gives Governor Chamberlain credit for proposing the conference of governors called last May by the president. According to Mr. Garfield, the proposal was made by Governor Chamberlain during the sessions of the national irrigation congress at Sacramento last year while Governor Chamberlain was president of that body.

ADVERTISING FOR BIDS SOUTH KLAMATH CANAL

KLAMATH FALLS, Or., July 14.—Project Engineer D. W. Murphy has issued the specifications for five schedules of advertising for bids on the same. The five schedules comprise seven miles of canal and will connect the south branch with the Adams system. The specifications state that sealed bids will be received until 2 o'clock p. m. on the 28th day of July at the reclamation office in this city and that all bids must be accompanied by certified checks in the amount of \$200 for each schedule. Bidders may bid on one single schedule or any combination of schedules or on the five schedules as a whole.

The work involves the excavation and embanking of about 112,000 cubic feet of dirt and the contractor bidding in the work must begin work within 30 days after the signing of the contract by the director of the reclamation service, and must thereafter prosecute the work with a force necessary to complete the work on or before the 15th day of December, 1908.

REFORM WAVE STRIKES MODOC SALOON KEEPERS

After election the liquor dealers of Lakeview held a meeting and decided to adopt certain reform measures and have been complying with the measures adopted. The reform is spreading into Modoc county, California, and 11 liquor dealers, ten of them being Alturas firms and one being located at Likely, have signed a notice through which they offer a reward of \$100 for the arrest and conviction of any persons furnishing liquor to minors in Modoc county contrary to law.

Another paper is being circulated throughout the country and is being signed by the saloon men, offering a reward of \$100 for the arrest and conviction of any persons selling or giving liquor to Indians or minors.

WATER WAGON MEETS PROHI CONVENTION

COLUMBUS, O., July 14.—The Ohio state prohibition convention opened here yesterday afternoon. A state ticket will be named and candidates will be put in the field.

Preparations are being made for the entertainment of delegates to the national convention that meets here next Thursday.

The delegates are to be met at the train by an immense water wagon.

LOCAL MARKET.

The following quotations are an impartial report of the prices paid by Medford dealers:

Wheat—\$1 per bushel.
Flour—\$2.70 per cwt.
Whole barley—\$20 per ton.
Hay—\$12 per ton.
H alf—\$10 per ton.
New potatoes—\$1.25 per cwt.
Butter—40c per roll.
Lard—10c per pound.
Beans—5c per pound.
Eggs—22 1/2c per dozen.
Sugar—\$6.50 per cwt.
Turkeys—13c per pound.
Poultry—Spring, \$2 to \$3; hens, \$3.50 to \$4 per dozen.
Hams—12c per pound.
Shoulders—10c per pound.
Hogs—4 1/2c to 5c per pound.
Cattle—2 1/2 to 3 1/2c per pound.

THE OLD HOWARD RANCH

Three miles south of Medford and 2 1/2 miles west of Phoenix, is now cut up in small tracts to suit the purchaser. On fourth cash, balance in three payments. This is a rare opportunity for men of small means. Listed with all the agents.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Foster have been making Grants Pass a short visit.

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JOHN SHARP WILLIAMS LECTURES AT ASHLAND

The big tabernacle of the Southern Oregon Chautauqua association was filled to its capacity Monday afternoon when John Sharp Williams, the Mississippi statesman, leader of the democratic minority in the house of representatives and future United States senator, delivered his lecture on the importance of oratory in the progress of the world.

Mr. Williams prefaced his effort with the admission that he was neither an orator nor a humorist, saying that he didn't wish to disappoint his audience on this, his first tour as a lecturer, on that score.

He nevertheless held the attention of all during the entire hour and a half he consumed, creating an excellent impression and leaving no doubt of his abilities as a debater and logician.

The consensus of opinion of the multitude who heard Mr. Williams was that his lecture was dignified, interesting and instructive, one of the very best numbers of the entire session of the Chautauqua assembly.

BOY BURGLAR TRIES TO KILL HIMSELF IN JAIL

SAN JOSE, Cal., July 14.—Leon Frost, the 12-year-old boy who is in jail here today after attempting to kill himself when arrested for burglary, will probably be sent to the Whittier state's school. Frost is being closely watched to see that he does not make a second attempt to end his life.

When he was taken to the sheriff's office yesterday after his arrest on a burglary charge, Leon cursed himself roundly and drawing a revolver attempted to shoot himself. The gun was not loaded and in his delay in showing the cartridges into the chamber was the only thing that saved his life. The sheriff took the weapon away from the youth, and, turning him over his knee, administered a sound spanking to the would-be desperado.

Leon is accused of having looted the home of Mrs. Bailey. It is alleged he entered the house by a window and took jewelry and considerable sum of money.

MAYOR REDDY REQUESTED TO DISCUSS HOME RULE

Mayor Reddy is in receipt of the following letter from John MacVicar, secretary-treasurer of the League of American Municipalities:

Des Moines, Ia., July 9.—Hon. J. P. Reddy, Mayor, Medford, Oregon.—Dear Sir: I understand that you are very much interested in home rule for cities and have done some work along these lines in your own state. We would like to have you on the program at the 12th annual meeting of the League of American Municipalities to be held at Omaha, Neb., September 30th to October 1 and 2 next.

The question of home rule will be one of the most important subjects up for discussion and we want to have some strong papers on the same.

Please let me hear from you. Yours very truly,

JOHN MACVICAR.

JAPANESE LABORERS EVADE IMMIGRATION LAW

WASHINGTON, July 14.—Acting upon reports showing that many Japanese, who come to this country on passports indicating that they are merchants or students or members of some other branch of the exempt classes, later to take their places as laborers, the government is planning to increase the activity of agents keeping the immigrants under surveillance.

The officials believe that Japan is using every effort to live up to her agreement not to issue passports to laborers, but there is little doubt that the regulations are continually evaded. It is believed that a careful watch on the immigrants after they have reached this country will soon lead to a solution of the problem.

FIFTEEN MILLIONS IS SISKIYOU'S VALUATION

YREKA, Cal., July 14.—County Assessor Fairchild has just completed putting up the assessment rolls of his office for the year 1908 with the following results. The total valuation of personal property is \$469,992. The total value of real estate and improvements thereon is \$14,506,644, which is a substantial raise over last year. There will be considerable over two millions added to this, on account of the Southern Pacific and Pullman Palace Car company, the valuations of which are fixed by the state board of equalization, which will bring the total valuation in Siskiyou county to something like seventeen millions.

CELLULOID COLLAR BURSTS, CAUSING SERIOUS BLAZE

RENO, Nev., July 14.—Damage caused by a celluloid collar in the window of Frank Goldstein's is being repaired today. The heat of the sun's rays caused the collar to explode and set the place on fire.

For several days the heat in Reno has been intense. Sunday it was hotter than usual, and Frank Hall was looking into Goldstein's show window when he saw flames suddenly burst forth from one of the several celluloid collars and others which were on display. He gave the alarm, but by the time the department arrived the fire had done considerable damage.

HERRIN'S RIGHT HAND MAN LOSES FAT JOB

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 14.—John U. Lynch alleged to be son of Herrin's political lieutenant, is presently ousted today from his \$30,000 berth as state bank examiner. W. Watson has been appointed his successor. It is stated that while Lynch was a good man for the position the government found him too active in politics to hold the position.

George H. Aiken has been making Medford a visit.

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