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Lens Focuses on Early Portland Advocate African and Native American defender profiled on OPB

The next Oregon Experience on Oregon Public Broadcasting (OPB Channel 10) presents the story of the remarkable life of Charles Erskine Scott Wood.

A prominent Portland civic leader, poet, essayist and attorney from the turn of the last century, Wood left a legacy for his friendship with the Nez Perce and Chief Joseph, and for being a powerful advocate for the poor and disadvantaged.

A voice for free speech and defender of radical activists, he quit the Oregon Bar for its refusal to admit blacks.

He was forever changed by a tragic event in American history.

As a young West Point graduate, Lieutenant Wood traveled west, first to record impressions of an Alaskan Indian tribe, then to fight in the tragic Nez Perce War of 1877.

The heart of the OPB program tells the story of Wood's experiences in that campaign and how they shaped his life philosophy, his role in recording Chief Joseph's famous speech at war's end, and his subsequent friendship with Joseph, a friendship that continues to this day between the Wood family

and the Nez Perce Tribe.

After leaving the U.S. Army and obtaining a law degree, Wood settled in Portland and became a larger-than-life figure in the life of the young city.

He also played a key role in creating some of Portland's major institutions, such as the first library and the Portland Art Museum.

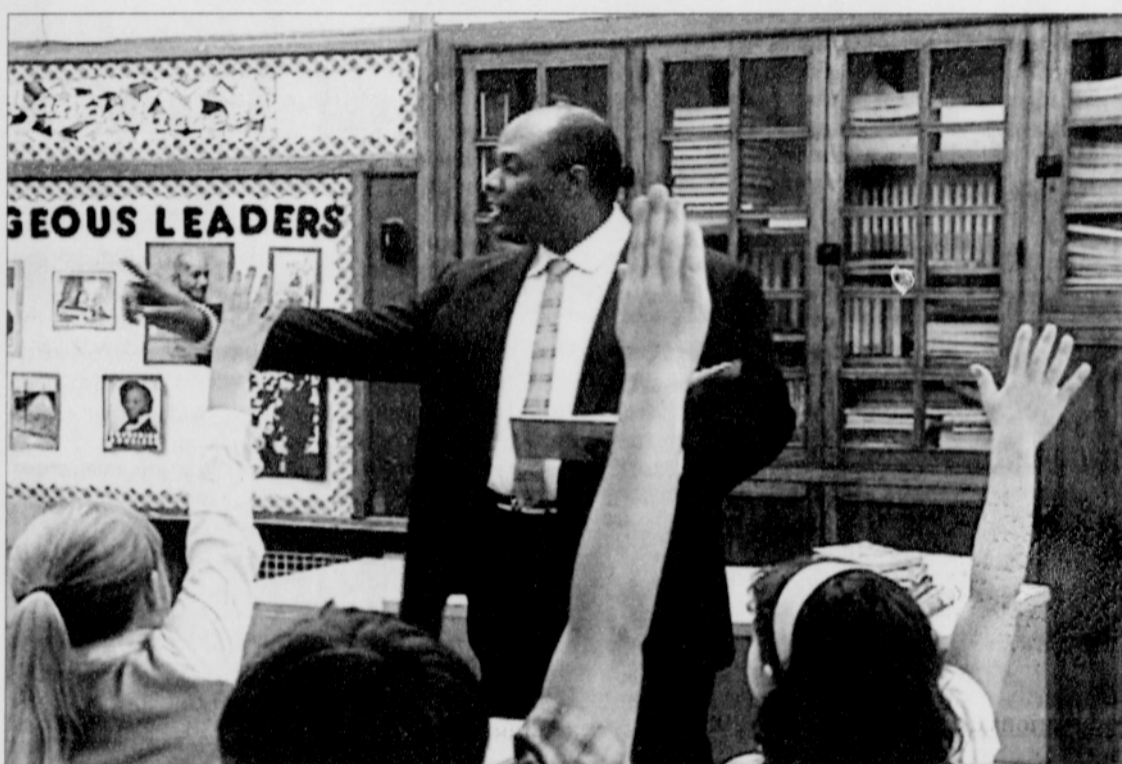
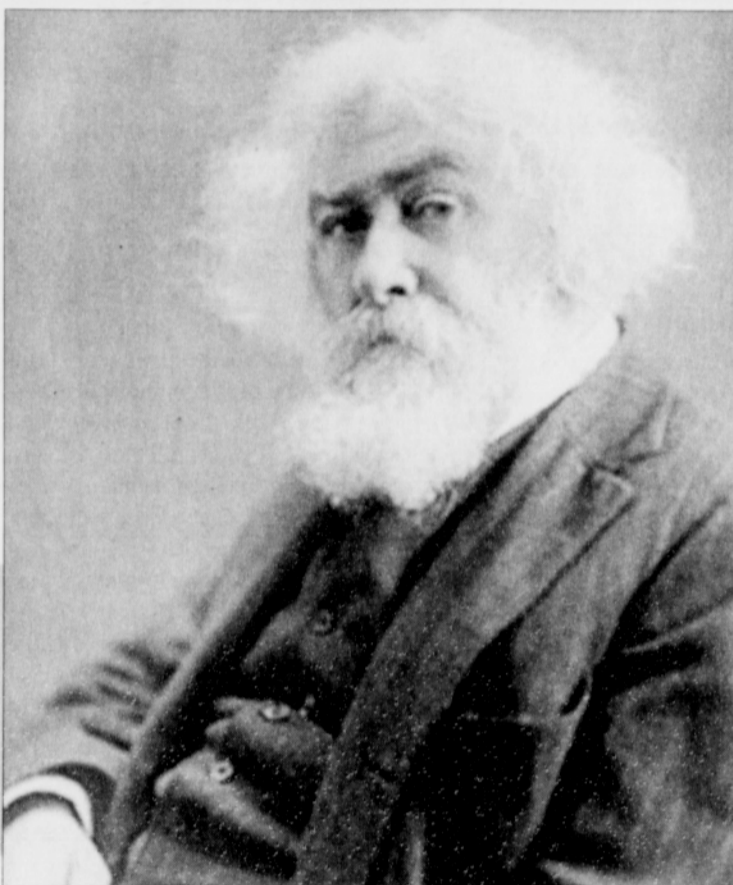
Subsequently, Wood and Sara Bard Field, a poet and suffragist who would become his second wife, moved to the San Francisco Bay area, where they influenced many notable Americans.

During the height of his ca-

reer, Wood was a national figure, yet he left his most significant legacy in Portland.

"Charles Erskine Scott Wood: Reluctant Soldier" airs Wednesday, Feb. 11 at 9 p.m., and is repeated on Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 3 a.m. and Sunday, Feb. 17 at 1 p.m.

Charles Erskine Scott Wood left a legacy for his friendship with the Nez Perce and as defender of the rights for blacks to be admitted to the Oregon Bar.



Lessons of Love, Non-Violence

The timeless lessons of love and non-violence prove to be as pertinent today as when they were first taught 35 years ago in the documentary "Colorblind" airing Sunday, Feb. 10 from 2 to 3 p.m.

A teacher who had a profound impact on his white students during the turbulent 1960s in Detroit, is recreated in the film Colorblind, airing Sunday, Feb. 10 at 2 p.m. on OPB (Channel 10).

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Colorblind follows a group of students who were scattered by the winds by the 1967 Detroit riots, an unusual group of almost all-white, grade-school classmates who reunite at age 46, and discover how each of their lives had been profoundly impacted by their beloved African-American teacher, Mr. Bell.

With each classmate found, the following exact words are spoken: "Where is Mr. Bell? He impacted my life more than any other teacher." The quest to find their beloved Mr. Bell begins.

Mr. Bell was a giant of a man in character. He was the first African-American teacher they

had ever had. He had touched their hearts and minds and shaped their young spirits.

When Mr. Bell is found (now close to 70 years old), another miracle of sorts occurs; despite his long career as an educator and principal, he remembers each and every one of them in vivid detail . . . and what they wanted to be when they grew up!

What started out to be a personal journey of discovery for one woman (Pamela Peak) suddenly touched the hearts of millions across America.

The documentary was first aired by ABC News on Dr. Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Birthday in 2004.

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Week in the Review

Teen Record After Vision
A 17-year-old Seattle girl who wanted eight days after her scheduled wedding to get married and married 200 but didn't make it because her fiancé, who was supposed to be her groom, didn't show up. She was left with a broken heart and a wedding dress that she never wore.

Many Americans Qualify as Working Poor
The U.S. Census Bureau says that a primary-level wage earner in a family of four, according to a study by the Congressional Budget Office, is likely to be in the working poor category. The study found that 10 million Americans are in the working poor category, which is defined as earning less than twice the federal poverty line but more than the federal poverty line.

Stevie Nicks' New Album
Christine Aguilera's new album is expected to be released in the next few weeks. The album is expected to be a mix of pop and rock music.

Book Review: Laughed Off
The author of the book 'Laughed Off' is a comedian who has written several books. The book is a collection of his best jokes and stories.

Election Ballots On Way
People of color find a political fit

by Frances R. Cole
The election process is a complex one, and it is one that is often overlooked. People of color are often the most affected by the election process, and it is important that we all take the time to understand it.

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