

Heirs to Jason Lee Mission Site Locked In Legal Dispute Over Use of Property

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Governor Steps Into Dam Fight

Gov. Robert D. Holmes stepped into the public versus private power fight Tuesday when he requested state engineer Lewis A. Stanley to refer all Snake River applications for power projects to the State Water Resources Board.

Gov. Holmes called attention to the state law relating to utilization of water resources in the state, declaring that state water law establishes the following principles among others for the development of the state water resources program:

It is in the public interest that integration and coordination of uses of water and augmentation of existing supplies for all beneficial purposes be achieved for the maximum economic development there of for the benefit of the state as a whole.

Multiple-purpose impoundings are to be preferred over single-purpose structures.

Upstream compoundings are to be preferred over downstream impoundings.

Competitive exploitation of water resources of the state for single purpose uses is to be discouraged when other feasible uses are in the general public interest.

Gov. Holmes emphasized in his letter that an application of the Idaho Power company for a state license to construct three dams in the middle Snake River is pending before the State Water Resources Board.

Another application he said by the Pacific Northwest Power company for permission to construct other dams in the Snake River is pending before the State Hydroelectric Commission.

"If the requirements of Oregon law are to be realized," Gov. Holmes said, "the applications of the Pacific Northwest Power company for the proposed Mountain Sheep and Pleasant Valley projects should also be referred to the State Water Resources Board."

"In view of the single purpose nature of these projects and their limited storage capacity, there is evidence that these projects are prejudicial to the public interest of the state of Oregon."

Gov. Holmes continued:

I hereby request that the Hydroelectric Commission of Oregon immediately refer these and other applications affecting the middle Snake River to the State Water Resources Board.

Stanley serves as secretary of the state Hydroelectric Commission.

Death Takes James Maloney

James W. Maloney, 87, collector of internal revenue for Oregon between 1933 and 1947, died late Monday night in a Pendleton hospital. He suffered a stroke two weeks ago.

Among his survivors is a niece, Mrs. Ben Lambert, 361 Leslie St. Salem.

Maloney was chairman of the State Game Commission between 1922 and 1926, county judge of Umatilla County for four years and member of the Pendleton School Board for five years.

In 1912 he was a delegate to the Democratic National Convention, which nominated Woodrow Wilson for the presidency. In 1902-03 he was grand chancellor of the Knights of Pythias.

He founded the Inland Empire Bank in Pendleton in 1931 and served as its president for 12 years. He had extensive wheat farming interests from 1905 until his death.

Born in Scottville, Mo. on Sept. 26, 1870, Maloney came to Oregon as a child, taught school for two years in his youth and served as postmaster, cashier, and recorder of conveyances in Umatilla County.

Maloney was a 50 year Mason, an Odd Fellow, a Presbyterian, and a Democrat. Appointed collector of internal revenue for the District of Oregon in 1933 by President Roosevelt, Maloney retired from the post in 1947.

He is survived by two grandchildren.

Mrs. Young, 80, Succumbs

Mrs. Nora Wilkin Young, 80, an active church worker throughout her life, died Tuesday at her home, 925 N. 14th St., after several months of illness.

Mrs. Young was twice a delegate to the Women's General Assembly of the United Presbyterian Church of North America, taught Bible classes in Sunday School and in her home for 40 years, and was active in youth work.

Since coming to Salem 11 years ago, she taught a Bible class in the women's division of the Oregon State Penitentiary for seven years, under sponsorship of the Gideon Society. During World War II she worked with the Christian Servicemen's Center in Portland.

She was born in Monroe County, Iowa, April 6, 1877, oldest daughter of V. L. and Hettie Wilkin. In Iowa she taught school, and later was married to Edwin A. Young, who preceded her in death. They had four children, one of whom died in infancy.

The Youngs came to Oregon in 1914, settling south of Albany where Young farmed. When he retired, they moved to Portland and finally Salem in 1948. In Salem she attended the First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Young leaves two daughters, Mrs. Merlyn Teague and Mrs. Doris Mix, both of Salem; two sisters, Miss Merlin Wilkin and Mrs. George Gile, both of Portland; five grandchildren, Nancy, Richard and Janet Teague, all of Salem, Mrs. Ralph Underwood of Portland, and Mrs. Frank Lauritzen of Oakland, Calif.

Funeral services will be held in Howell-Edwards Chapel at 10:30 a.m. Friday. The Rev. Ben Owen officiating. Interment will be in Belcrest Memorial Park.

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Founded his started mission in 1824, the property originally was earmarked by heirs for conversion into a public park.

But the area is now ringed by "No Trespassing" signs and has been opened up for farming purposes.

Located near the Willamette River about 11 miles north of Salem, the site was deeded to Willamette University about 1930 by heirs—since the Lee Mission was regarded as forerunner of the university.

Deed Returned

But the school reportedly was not in position to maintain or improve the acreage and about a year ago chose to return the deed to three great grandsons of original owner A. M. LaFollette.

However, another heir Britt Aspinwall, Waconda area farmer and son-in-law of LaFollette, has indicated he will contest legality of the deed transferred to the grandsons.

Aspinwall said he would like to see the mission site converted as originally intended into a historic park.

If the park plan can't materialize, Aspinwall contends that he and Mrs. Luella LaFollette, Salem, a daughter-in-law of A. M. LaFollette, are legally entitled to the property.

Aspinwall said he and Luella LaFollette were among the eight heirs who gave the deed to the university some 27 years ago. All the others are now dead.

The three persons to whom the school transferred the deed are grandsons of Luella LaFollette. They are Byron Alexander and Francis LaFollette, all of whom farm land adjacent to the historic spot.

Has Been Dug Up

The acreage in question currently has been dug up for farming purposes. Only indication of its historical importance is a big rock containing a plaque with reference to Jason Lee and founding of the first Christian mission in the Northwest.

The issue was brought to light when the three now holding the deed made application recently to the Marion County court for vacation of a one-half mile country road dead-ending at the old mission site.

A. M. LaFollette's great-grandsons contended in the application that the road was a nuisance because some who use it have taken peaches from orchards, striven beer bottles about and engaged in other forms of vandalism.

At present, anybody interested in viewing the commemorative marker at the spot couldn't do it—legally. Several "No Trespassing" signs shut off access.

The county court plans a public hearing soon on matter of the road vacation. The issue of the historic six acres also is bound to be drawn into the discussions.

A suggestion from R. J. Hendricks, onetime publisher of The Statesman led to deeding of the property to Willamette for park purposes.

Herbert Bates, Farmer, Dies

DALLAS, Aug. 20.—Herbert B. Bates, 90, of 815 Levens St. died Monday in a Dallas rest home.

Bates was a farmer. He was born in Illinois on Oct. 19, 1866.

He leaves his widow, Mrs. Mary Bates, two sons, Roy V. Bates of Vancouver, Wash., and Louis H. Bates of Saskatchewan, Canada, two daughters, Mrs. V. J. and a Gilchrist Corrine of Saskatchewan and Mrs. Ruth Dyer of Independence.

Services will be Friday at 1:30 p.m. in Howell-Edwards chapel in Salem. Interment will be in Restlawn Memorial Gardens.

Bikes Sold At Auction

Eleven unclaimed bicycles were sold at a public auction Tuesday morning at Marion County Court house. Sheriff Denver Young reported. The cycles brought in a total of \$200 with \$18 the highest bid offered on one machine, he said.

Money from the sale will go in to the county general fund. Bicycles are auctioned off periodically by the sheriff's office when owners fail to reclaim them, Sheriff Young said.

Death Claims Archie Blue

Archie Edward Blue, 58, N. Winter St. died Tuesday in Portland Veterans Hospital where he had been under treatment for a heart ailment. He was 43.

Blue was adjutant of Salem Barracks 113, Veterans of World War I, for the past two years. He served in the Navy during the first World War.

He was a grocer for many years, a rancher at Aumsville for seven years and a motel operator at Oceanlake for seven years. During World War II he was employed in defense production in Portland.

His last job was with the Oregon State Liquor Commission as a retail clerk for one year. He retired last year because of ill health.

Blue was born Sept. 4, 1892. He married Blanche Piler on May 4, 1924. They had no children. They moved to Salem about two years ago from a ranch near Aumsville.

He entered the hospital about a month ago.

Survivors are his widow, his mother, Mrs. Eugenie McCauley of Portland, brother, Asa Blue of Alameda, Calif., one sister, Mrs. Laura Thompson of Tillamook.

Funeral services will be Friday at 1 p.m. at A. J. Rose & Son Funeral Home, 537 S. E. Alder St. Interment will be in Willamette National Cemetery at Portland.

Missile Planned

CANBERRA, Australia, Aug. 20.—Britain's Defense Minister Duncan Sandys has told the Australian Cabinet the British propose to extend the Woomera rocket range to develop a ballistic missile with a 1,000-mile range.

Sandys is visiting here.

Ex-Statesman Writer Wins Ford Grant

Lawrence Hobart, former Statesman staff reporter now finishing a year-long stint as a research worker on the staff of Sen. Richard Neuberger, has been awarded a Ford Foundation fellowship to the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, Mich.

A 1952 University of Oregon journalism graduate, the 26-year-old Hobart will study for a master's degree at the university's Institute of Human Relations in the department of behavioral sciences. He will enroll at the college in September following completion of his Washington, D.C. work.

He is married and has one child. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Hobart, 375 W. Salem Heights Ave.

Girl Pedestrian, 9, Suffers Minor Injuries in Mishap

Nine-year-old Virginia A. Prange, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Prange, 2225 N. 4th St., received apparently minor injuries when she walked into the side of a car shortly after 5 p.m. Tuesday as a pedestrian lane crossing Fairgrounds Road and Columbia Street, Salem police said.

Driver was listed as Daniel Richard McCune, 1349 Mission St. Virginia was taken by Willamette Ambulance Service to Salem General Hospital, where she was examined and released.

Damage Suit Of \$133,698 Filed for Girl

A personal injury suit seeking \$133,698 damages was filed Tuesday in Marion County Circuit Court in the name of one of two eight-year-old school girls struck by a car at a busy intersection in the 1203 Street grid last December.

The suit was filed in the name of Fredia McGhee by her guardian, the Pioneer Trust Co. of Salem. Defendants are Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Riegel, 1429 Market St.

Mrs. Riegel is listed as the driver of the car which struck the little girl as she and her companion, Cynthia Ann Mayo, were crossing the intersection of 12th and Center streets, the complaint states.

Injuries sustained by the accident resulted in permanent injury to the brain, according to the complaint. A \$22,000 suit in the name of Cynthia Ann Mayo also is pending against the Riegels.

Linn County Four-H Fair Opens Monday

ALBANY, Aug. 20.—Over 800 4-H boys and girls will take part in the 1967 Linn County 4-H Fair, Aug. 20-25, with more than 1300 exhibits. The fair will run from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. each day at the county fairgrounds just north of Albany.

The newest state wide project photography has 16 entries. Gardening exhibits both flower and vegetable have increased over last year.

Livestock entries number 348 including beef, horse, dairy, swine and sheep. Other exhibits are rabbits, poultry, freezing, canning, forestry and entomology.



Jerry LaMar inspects a marker at the Jason Lee Mission site 11 miles north of Salem in the Mission Bottom sector. Young LaMar is a stepson of Mrs. Chester LaMar, who was a granddaughter-in-law of A. M. LaFollette, original owner of the site.



Britt Aspinwall, Waconda area farmer (shown with household pet), wants the Jason Lee mission site north of Salem developed as a public park. He is among heirs who at one time held the deed to the property.

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Tourists 'Slandered' By Irate Cafe Owner

Dear Ann: My husband and I have decided that our family has been grossly insulted and we want to know if we should press charges.

We are tourists in this area—total strangers. While riding along the highway yesterday a woman in a red car seemed to be following us and honking her horn furiously. I said to my husband "That woman is cursing us out for some reason. We'd better stop." We pulled off to the side of the road and so did she. She ran over to us shaking her fist and shouting. "You people walked out of my cafe without paying for your dinner. What do you think I'm running—a free soup kitchen?"

We told her that she was mistaken. That we had our lunch at a picnic grounds and she had us confused with another party. She said "Well, it was a car exactly like yours" and walked off in a huff.

The more we think of it the madder we get. This woman didn't even know our name. Can we sue her for defamation of character, or perhaps slander? Please advise.—S. V.

You'd have a difficult time proving this woman defamed your character when she doesn't even know your name! This was purely a case of mistakes identity so forget it.

At such a time a sneer of humor can be a valuable asset. Look at the funny side of this incident. It could be the highlight of your trip. I assure you, by this time the woman in the red car is more embarrassed than you.

Dear Ann: I am a boy 17 who just started to take out girls. I'm mixed up about a certain thing and decided to bring my problem to you.

Is it polite for a girl to crane her neck to see the amount of a check when she's a boy's guest in a restaurant? A certain girl I like a lot does this and it always makes me feel embarrassed. Once when she couldn't see the check she asked me if it was much. "What do you think about this sort of thing?"—EARL.

Sound like you've got a pearl of a girl, Earl! Too many sweet young things have no regard for a boy when they're with a date. Don't complain because your girl shows this kind of consideration. It may not be 100 percent "mannery" but it's nice to know she cares.

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