

## JUDGE MASON PASSES AWAY

He Was the First Judge of Lake County, a Mexican War Veteran and Served in the Oregon Legislature.

The people of Lakeview, and in fact all over Lake county, were shocked last Friday morning when the death of Judge Mason of New Pine Creek was announced. Few people knew that the old pioneer was ill until the news came of his death. The iron hand of Fate has clutched at the life of a noble and worthy man, and a good and substantial citizen, taking him from this "vale of tears" to that home where pain and life-trials do not enter. Though given a longer lease of life than most mortals are heir to, still are his family and admiring friends pained to give him up to Death.

Ever a useful and honored citizen since he gained man's estate, honors heaped upon him because of his bright intellect, no man in his class could have been more happy during his life time than was Judge Mason. The sweet comfort of religion and a happy home life in the bosom of a loving family were also his. With the will, courage and perseverance of the sturdy pioneer, in the face of the dangers the first settlers encountered in this country, Judge Mason was one of the first to make this section known to the outside world.

Though Judge Mason at the time of his death was not a citizen of Lake county, he was so nearly so that we always claimed him, and were proud to do so. His home was at New Pine Creek, just at the edge of the California and Oregon state line, in the former State. A dignified gentleman at all times, and upholding that dignity with his honor, he always had a coterie of warm friends about him wherever he went. A few words regarding his life may be of interest to his friends and acquaintances, and Examiner readers.

Eli Cravin Mason was born September 5, 1825, in Simpson county, Kentucky, and died at New Pine Creek, just over the line in California, October 4, 1901, aged seventy-six years and one month.

At the age of 16 years young Mason left Kentucky with his parents and settled in Missouri for two years, after which they went to Texas, and while traveling in that territory both parents died, leaving him three sisters to care for. He soon returned to Missouri and leaving his younger sisters in the care of a married sister, Mrs. J. Terry, he "enlisted in the war," entering as a private in Co. B. 1st Missouri Mounted Volunteers to the Mexican war, and served until the conflict closed. When the gold excitement broke out in California he got the fever and arrived in the new Eldorado in 1850. He returned to Missouri in 1852 and at Rushville, that State, at once engaged in the mercantile business. He was married to Miss Susan Thomas of Rushville on August 11, 1853. Nine children were the issue of this marriage, seven of whom, with his wife, survive him. In 1854 he confessed his Savior and was baptized in the Church of Christ at Irwin school house in Buchanan county, Missouri. Judge Mason has been a consistent Christian at heart ever since. He was a kind and loving husband and father always, and when he died it was in that full assurance of reaching his heavenly home.

His last request on earth was that all his children prepare to meet him in Heaven, and when his voice began to fail him he said: "I can talk no more on earth, my dear ones, but we shall talk again when we meet on the other shore." In 1854 Mr. Mason went to Atchison and while there served a term as the first sheriff of Atchison county. In 1862 he went to Denver, Colorado, and after spending two years there went to Montana. In 1869 he came to Oregon, and lived at Dallas, Polk county, three years. He afterwards came to Goose Lake Valley reaching here October 8, 1869, and lived here continuously until the day of his death.

In 1872 he was appointed a commissioner for the construction of a wagon road through Jackson, Grant and Baker counties. In 1873 he was appointed Assistant Commissary General of the Oregon Volunteer Militia with the rank of Major. In 1874 he was appointed County Judge of Lake county, Oregon. He was the first Judge this county ever had. He was reappointed in 1875, and the following year was elected at the polls to the same position, his term expiring in 1880.

We overlooked the fact, in the passing of the years, that in 1873 Mr. Mason was elected a Representative from Jackson county, to the Oregon legislature,

and filled the place with distinction.

Many are the friends and acquaintances of years ago who will learn with much regret of the death of Judge Mason. When the word was given about in Lakeview last Friday that Judge Mason had passed away, County Judge Tonningson ordered the flag at the court house hoisted to half-mast in respect to his memory, and it remained so until after the funeral, which was held at New Pine Creek on Sunday, Oct. 6, at 2 p. m. Those left to mourn his death are his beloved wife and seven children. The children are Mrs. Laura Baty of Ft. Bidwell, Cal., Mrs. Georgi Barnes of North Powder, Oregon, Mrs. Lizzie Chastain of Klamath Falls, Oregon, W. C. Mason of New Pine Creek, Oregon, R. L. Mason of Ft. Bidwell, Cal., Mrs. Fannie Strief of Lake City, Cal., and Mrs. Susie Dietrich of Pittsburg, Kansas.

## County Finances.

Semi-annual Report of the County Clerk of Lake County, State of Oregon, showing the amount and number of claims allowed by the County Court of said County, for what allowed, amount of warrants drawn, and amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid, from the 1st day of April, 1901, to the 30th day of September, 1901, both inclusive.

ON WHAT ACCOUNT ALLOWED	NO. OF CLAIMS	AMOUNT DRAWN
Sheriff	3	1272 89
Clerk	3	912
Judge	3	350 50
Superintendent	3	309 01
Treasurer	3	230 30
Assessor	3	788
Commissioners	10	180 80
Physicians	3	59 94
Stock Inspector	3	221 66
Assistant Tax Collector	3	192
County Bonds	19	1092 09
County Papers	7	292 30
Teachers Board of Ex.	4	36
Experting Records	4	389 15
Com. of Prist State Treas.	1	20 75
Stationery and Office Supplies	12	267 73
Rebate on Taxes	3	743 03
Stage Freight on Supplies	2	17 73
Work and repairs Court House	9	63 25
Merchandise	6	38 20
Wood for Court House	1	150
Assistances in Clerk's Office	1	40
Deputy Sheriff	2	40
Boarding Prisoner	1	35 50
Circuit Court Jurors	42	245
Witnesses	4	27 80
Bailiff	1	51
Justice Fees	6	17 30
County Printing & Publishing	6	156 30
Miscellaneous	6	14 51
Coroners' Inquest	19	61 70
Scalp Bounty	300	2000
Total	381	10464 27

Outstanding unpaid County Warrants on the 30th day of September, 1901, 46726  
Estimated interest accrued thereon 4563  
Total amount unpaid Co. warrants 46726

## STATE OF OREGON,

I, Wm. Gunther, County Clerk of the County of Lake, state of Oregon, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the number and amount of claims allowed by the County Court of said county for the six months ending on the 30th day of September, 1901, on what account the same were allowed, and the amount of warrants drawn, and the amount of warrants outstanding and unpaid as the same appear upon the records of my office and in my official custody.  
Witness my hand and the seal of the County Court of said county this 1st day of October, A. D. 1901.

WILLIAM GUNTHER,  
County Clerk.

## Semi-annual summary statement of the financial condition of the county of Lake, in the state of Oregon, on the 30th day of September, A. D. 1901.

LIABILITIES	AMOUNT
Sept. 30, 1901, to warrants drawn on the Co. Treasurer, and outstanding and unpaid	\$46726 00
To estimated amount of interest accrued thereon	4563
Total Liabilities	51289

By funds in the hands of the County Treasurer in General and Road fund applicable to the payment of County warrants \$2297 70  
Total Resources 2297 70

## Semi-annual statement of the County Treasurer of Lake Co., Oregon, for the six months ending on the 30th day of September, A. D. 1901, of money received and paid out, from what sources, and on what account paid out.

AMOUNTS RECEIVED	GENERAL FUND	SCHOOL FUND
To amount on hand from last report	\$15021 02	\$3714 36
Am't rec. from Sheriff taxes	18174 30	4277 67
" " fees	71	
" " Clerk fees	1116 25	
" " bail bond	500	
" " scalp fund	1580	
" " Currier license	200	
" " St. Tres. pauper	55	
" " Transfer	1266 24	
" " State Treas.		1291 94
Total	37985 81	9180 97

AMOUNTS PAID OUT  
Am't pd on County warrants, \$27204 87  
School Supt. war 3714 16  
Balance gen. fund on hand 1507 32  
School fund on hand 3469 82  
Am't State Treas. State taxes 9473 62  
Total \$37985 81 \$9180 97

## STATE OF OREGON,

I, Lee Beall, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the amounts received, paid out and remaining on hand, in the County Treasury of said county for the six months ending on the 30th day of September, A. D. 1901.  
Witness my hand this 1st day of October, A. D. 1901.

LEE BEALL, County Treasurer.

Semi-annual statement of the amount of money and warrants received for taxes, and money paid to the County Treasurer by the Sheriff of Lake County, Oregon, for the six months ending on the 30th day of September, A. D. 1901.

To amounts received during the months of:	AMOUNT
April, in coin and currency	\$8607 88
" in County Warrants	60 80
May, in coin and currency	8126 61
June, " " "	4966 16
July, " " "	1230 11
August, " " "	360 72
Sept., " " "	14 60

By amount paid during the months of:  
April, to County Treasurer \$8608 68  
May, " " " 8126 61  
June, " " " 4966 16  
July, " " " 1230 11  
Aug., " " " 360 72  
Sept., " " " 14 60

STATE OF OREGON,  
County of Lake,  
I, H. R. Dunlap, Sheriff of said county, do hereby certify that the foregoing statement is correct and true.  
Witness my hand this 1st day of October, A. D. 1901.

H. R. DUNLAP, Sheriff of Lake County.

## DESERT LAND PROOF

U. S. Land Office, Lakeview, Or., Oct. 1, 1901.  
Notice is hereby given that Thomas Ferris of Warner Lake, Oregon, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 389 for the M&S Sec. 13, T. 41 S., R. 23 E., W. M. and Lot 1 Sec. 18 T. 41 S., R. 24 E., before the Register & Receiver at Lakeview, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 4th day of December, 1901. He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: George F. Maupin, Alonzo D. Frakes, W. L. Pope and Clarence Dixon, all of Warner Lake, Oregon.  
E. M. BRATTAIN, Register.

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E. C. AUBLE, Administrator of the Estate of T. I. Talbot deceased.

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