

William Bowman

Pioneer of 1844

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William Bowman Sr.

b. 1797 NC

d. 06 Nov 1851 Polk Co, OR

m1. c1817

Unknown

b.

d. bef 1835

m2. Jun 1835 IA

Sarah Ann Kindred

b. 1816 Madison Co, KY

d. 07 Oct 1861 Foster, Linn Co, OR

d/o David Kindred and Talitha Ramey

m2. 25 Nov 1852 Polk Co, OR to David Davidson of Benton Co

[Polk Co Marriage Records 1849-1879 p.4]

Note: Information in italics researched and contributed by Barbara Herring:

1844: "Wednesday, July 3--....We are on a high hill, the divide between the Republican and the Platte. Made a good day's drive, although two wagons turned over, hurting Wm. Bowman's wife who lay sick inside." [TOPA: 1888 p.91; Diary of Edward E. Parrish]

1844: William Bowman Sr., emigrant of 1844 [TOPA: 1876 p.41]

1845: Tuality Co Census, OT; 1 male -12, 2 females -12, 1 male 12-18, 1 female 12-18, 1 male +18

1850: Polk Co, OR, October 9, 1850; William Bowman, 50, farmer, NC; Sarah, 34, KY; Artemesia, 15, IN; Talitha, 14, IL; Nancy, 12, MO; William, 10, MO; Sarah A., 5, OR; Elisha, 1, OR

1860: Soap Creek, Benton Co, OR, July 6, 1860; David D. Davis, 54, stock raiser, \$2200 \$2206, PA; Sarah A. 47, KY; William Bowman, 16, farm laborer, MO; Sarah A. Bowman, 13, OR;

Hannah Davis, 6, OR; Mary J. Davis, 3, OR; Masach Davis, 22, wagon maker, \$900 \$400, IN;
Thomas N. Davis, 21, carpenter, \$0 \$100, IA; William Davis, 14, IA

William Bowman probate records:

"The following is the names and residence of heirs of William Bowman deceased.

Artemisia Butler Resides at Pugett Sound

Taliatha C. and Ira

Nancy Hester Dawson

William Elijah

Elisha

Resideing on the Luckamute Polk County and the deceased died without a will and that I will make a perfect inventory and faithfully Administer all of the Estate of the deceased pay the debts as far as the assets will extend and the law dincet and account for and pay all assets which shall come to my possession or knowledge.

Sarah Bowman

Sworn to and subscribed before me the 12 of February AD 1852

John H. Lewis P. J."

Children of William Bowman and Unknown:

William Bowman and Unknown had the following children:

1. ELIJAH BOWMAN.

b.

d.

Notes for Elijah Bowman:

Polk Co., OR land records:

This Indenture Witnesseth that Elijah Boman of Alameda County State of California with consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to me paid, have bargained and sold, and by these presents to bargain, sell, and convey unto James A. O'Neal of Polk County Oregon the following described premises, to wit: Situate in the County of Polk and State of Oregon in Township nine South of Range five West Willamette Meridian more particularly described as being my portion of the Land Claim on which William Boman died Notification No. (2807) Claim No. (57) containing forty acres the same being all my interest as one of the heirs of said William Boman deceased. To have and to hold the said premises with their appurtenances, unto the said James A. O'Neal his heirs and assigns forever. And I, appurtenances, unto the said James O 'Neal his heirs and assigns forever. And I, the said Elijah Boman do hereby covenant to and with the said James A. O'Neal his heirs and assigns, that I am the owner in fee simple of said premises; that they are free from all incumbrances; and that I will warrant and defend the same from all lawful claims whatsoever. Witness our hands and seals this 30th day of August A. D. 1861.

Elijah Boman

By his Atty. in fact Ira Boman (X- his mark)

Witnesses:

H. Holman

B. Hayden

State of Oregon

County of Polk

On the 30th day of August A. D. 1861 before the undersigned Judge came the above named Ira Boman atty in fact of Elijah Boman, who is known to me to be the identical person described in, and who executed the foregoing conveyance, and acknowledged that he executed the same.

The foregoing deed & power of attorney B. Hayden rec & filed Aug. 30th 1861 B. J. Nichols, Clerk C.C. Co. Judge by Ida Collins Depy Polk Co., Oregon

2. HESTER BOWMAN

b.

d.

m. Mr. DAWSON.

3. IRA BOWMAN

b. c 1827 in Kentucky, USA

d. c1897 in Springfield, Lane Co., Ore..

m. Harriett Eveline Buffum

[see Ira Bowman File]

Children of William Bowman and Sarah:

1. Artemisia Bowman

b. 12 Nov 1835 IN

d. 09 Jan 1888 Tumwater, Chelan Co, WA

m.

William Henry Barnes

b. 1826 NY

d. aft 1889

1850: Polk Co, OR, October 9, 1850; William Bowman, 50, farmer, NC; Sarah, 34, KY; Artemesia, 15, IN; Calitha, 14, IL; Nancy, 12, MO; William, 10, MO; Sarah A., 5, OR; Elisha, 1, OR [although she was included in household it is believed she was not living in Polk Co but remained in WA with her grandparents.]

1850: Lewis Co, WA, Nov 25, 1850; David Kindred, 62, farmer, \$2000, KY; Talitha, 55, KY; Artimesia Boman, 16, IN; Andrew J. Simmons, 22, sheriff, \$1000, IL

1860: Thurston Co, WA, June 20, 1860; Henry Barnes, 34, farmer, \$480 \$1000, NY; Artemitia, 26, IA; Wm W. Plumb, 51, farmer, \$0 \$1100, NY

1870: Skookumchuck, Lewis Co, WA, August 3, 1870; Henry Barnes, 45, farmer, \$2000 \$450, NY; Artemesia, 35, keeping house, IN; Anna, 2, at home, WA

1880: Lewis Co, WA, June 1 & 2, 1880; W.H. Barnes, 54, farmer, NY Mass VT;
Artemesia, 46, wife, keeping house, IN IN KY; Anna E., 12, dau, at school, WA NY IN

Child of William Barnes and Artemesia Bowman:

- i. Anna E. Barnes
- b. 1868 WA
- d.

Subject: Solution to the Artemesia Bowman mystery. (fwd)
From: John Findlay <jfindlay@u.washington.edu>
Date: Mon, 17 Feb 2003 09:38:36 -0800 (PST)
To: "PNW History Discussion" <opendiscus@u.washington.edu>

Bowman

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Date: Sun, 16 Feb 2003 15:06:45 EST
From: EganRandM@aol.com
To: jfindlay@u.washington.edu
Subject: Solution to the Artemesia Bowman mystery.

Thanks to everyone who helped me with suggestions and information. For those who may not have seen my request for info, here is a quick synopsis. The Bush-Simmons party split, with three families going south and the remainder to Puget Sound. A young girl, Artemesia Bowman, chose to go north with her grandparents, but then appears on both the Lewis County (north) and Polk County (south) 1850 census lists. My guess was that she did in fact reside with her grandparents, the David Kindreds, but that her parents told the Polk County enumerator that she was a member of the Bowman household. An assertion the enumerator duly recorded.

Shanna Stevenson, senior planner for Thurston County and a gifted historian/writer, kindly provided the answer when she sent me the following.

"Charles Miles in his manuscript on Michael Simmons states in talking about the Simmons Party:

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". . .one of them has had her name consistently omitted from the rosters in conventional histories. . .She was Artemesia Bowman, the water girl who rendered aid to the fleeing Arapahoe in the Valley of the Green (an earlier story in the manuscript).? She was niece of Mrs. Kindred and travelled as a helper to her aunt.? When her parents chose to go south into the Willamette Valley, she elected to throw in her lot with the Simmons party and go north to the Sound, where she spent the rest of her life, marrying, leaving descendants, and being recorded by census takers, according to whom she was twelve years old when the historians began to ignore her."? pg. 13 of "Michael T. Simmons," by Charles Miles published January 1984 by Vivian Ellison Bower."

I do believe the relationship should read granddaughter rather than niece, but that's another mystery for another time.

With gratitude, Ray Egan, Steilacoom

2. Talitha C. Bowman

b. 20 Mar 1836 IL/30 Mary 1837

d. 04 Feb 1918/04 Feb 1915 Redmond/Snohomish, Snohomish Co, WA

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Elisha, 1, OR

Talitha C. Bowman by Barbara J Herring

Generation 1

1. TALITHA C.1 BOWMAN was born on 20 Mar 1837 in Missouri, USA. She died on 4 Feb 1918 in Brier Deming home, Edmonds, Snohomish Co., Washington, USA. She married (1) JAMES ANDERSON O'NEIL on 1 Feb 1855 in Polk Co., Oregon, USA. He was born in 1800 in Ga.. He died on 31 Aug 1874 in Polk Co., Ore.. She married (2) GREEN BERRY RIGGS, son of Rueben Riggs and Rachel Riggs on 21 May 1876 in Polk Co., Ore. at bride's home. He was born on 27 Jul 1836 in Davis Co., Missouri. He died on 5 Aug 1923 in nr. Junction City, Lane Co., Ore..

Talitha C. Bowman was buried in Hart Cem., Dallas, Polk Co., Oregon, USA.

James Anderson O'Neil was buried in Hart Cem., nr. Dallas, Polk Co., Ore..

Notes for James Anderson O'Neil:

Wheatland Oregon the town formally known as Atchison

“A public sale of the lots in the town of Atchison, in Yamhill County, on the west bank of the Willamette river, at Matheny’s Ferry, will take place on the 15th of May next (1847) on the premises. Wheat will be taken in payment. Further particulars as to terms &c, will be made known the day of sale.” -Daniel Matheny

This notice first appeared in the advertising columns of the Spectator, April 29, 1847, but Atchison is not to be found on any map of Oregon, past or present. Lying at a point about twelve miles

below Salem, Atchison made a quick growth to regional importance. Its local residents however, thought Atchison City an unlikely name for a wheat-shipping center and took to calling the place

Wheatland. Wheatland, although still a name on the Oregon map, is gone-its site covered by a peach orchard that spreads along the bench-land. Only the ferry landing and the road to it remain.

Like many other early Oregon towns, Wheatland was the ambitious undertaking of a single individual. Its founder, Daniel Matheny, was born in Virginia, December 11, 1793. Following

adventurous years in the War of 1812, in the Black Hawk War of Illinois, and in a minor fracas of

1839 referred to as the Mormon War, in which he moved from a lieutanancy to a captaincy,

Matheny learned of the free land to the west in the Oregon Country. It was in the spring of 1843

that he and his brother Henry allied themselves with the overland wagon train that became known

as the "Great Migration." In the journey westward Matheney's sound judgement was often depended upon.

Evidently Matheney brought some money with him to Oregon; for in the spring of 1844 he purchased the squatter rights to the donation land claim of James O'Neal, situated on the west bank of the Willamete River at a point about seventeen miles above Champoeg. That was just across the river and slightly north of the first Methodist Mission, then recently abandoned in favor of Salem. Of greater advantage was the fact that the O'Neal claim also lay just southwest of French Prairie, a district of growing settlement.

During the previous year, a party of immigrants, including the three families of Jesse, Lindsay, and Charles Applegate, had stopped at the old mission, occupying one of the buildings for the winter. While there, Lindsay Applegate had stopped at the old mission, built a ferry boat for A. Beers and James O'Neal. Jesse A. Applegate, son of Lindsay, related later:

"He first caulked the openings between the planks in the bottom of the boat, and then poured in hot pitch. As it was a large boat he used a bushell or two of literature he found in the old house. Tracts and other pamphlets that had been left there by the missionaries were forced into the cracks with a chisel and hammer." This boat Matheney secured when he purchased O'Neal's claim.

Captain Matheney came accompanied by his wife and seven children: four sons-Adam, Daniel, Issaiah, and Jasper; three daughters-Elizabeth (married to Henry Hewitt,) Mary, and Charlotte.

Though the Captain's primary intention was the cultivation of the land, the location of his claim offered commercial opportunities. On the far shore, a warehouse stood-then probably the only one above Champoeg. Ranchers coming from the west, the so-called "Cow Country," with produce for warehouse storage or shipment, faced the difficulty of getting it across the river. Few of them had boats-which necessitated renting or borrowing one, often from Matheney. Incoming settlers, too, wished to be transported to the west side, to continue into the rich Chehalem Hills and the Yamhill country.

Already George Gay-a native of England, married to an Indian woman following his arrival in 1835-had built the first brick dwelling in Oregon, amid the maples and oaks on the west shore of the river. Parents had held a meeting at Garrison's Landing, 1 1/2 miles above O'Neal's on February 1, 1842, to consider means for establishing a school for white children, since the Methodists in the vicinity had been concerned only with educating the Indian youth. Easier

communication was imperative; a ferry was needed, and Matheny installed one at the foot of his claim. Begun in 1844, it was the first ferryboat on the Willamette equipped to carry a wagon and ox team. With the assistance of his growing sons, Matheny cleared timber and worked his widening land, meanwhile keeping his ferry in more or less regular service, which at first meant "on call." More and more the ranchers from the interior districts came lumbering down to the willow-clad shore with wagon-loads of wheat, for the Mission Bottom warehouse and for shipment downriver to Oregon City and Vancouver. Between 1844 and 1847, a great many wagons crossed Matheny's claim to the ferry landing. At times, at the height of the wheat-hauling season, there was a considerable over-night camp of the wagoners, waiting their turns to be ferried over. In those intervals barter and exchange were common. Occasionally a flat-boat put in at the ferry platform and loaded the wheat directly aboard. With his property thus becoming a focal point in river transportation, Matheny staked out the town of Atchison.

Although there are no existing records of the early sale of lots, there presumably was an almost immediate disposal of the more favorably situated ones. A warehouse was erected and the town that was to call itself Wheatland was begun. As the years passed—there are regrettable omissions in the early record—Wheatland gathered together an imposing group of shops, stores, mills, warehouses, and hotels. With the coming of the steamboats in the early 1850s, commerce took a noticeable upswing at all the river ports, and Wheatland shared in this mounting prosperity. Almost daily, boats stopped at its wharves, bringing freight and new settlers upriver, and taking aboard cargos of grain and farm produce for Portland and export trade.

One of Wheatland's early residents, Al Zieber, born in Maryland in 1830, opened a store there sometime in the 1850s. One of the community's younger merchants, he served also as a member of the 1857 Territorial Legislature, and of the first State Legislature. The following year he married Charlotte Manoir. He remained in business at Wheatland, presumably until the flooding waters of December, 1861 carried out the lower portion of the town, devastating his establishment and destroying the local warehouse containing 7,000 bushels of wheat. In 1862, Zieber moved to Portland, became sheriff of Multnomah County, operated a hotel and transfer business, and was a United States Marshall under President Johnson.

Whether the first grist mill was built by M. B. Hendriks or came later into his possession is unknown. At any rate, he had been shipping flour to Portland and was the mill's owner when it burned in 1872. Not discouraged by his loss, he rebuilt the mill and added a general merchandising business. A warehouse, erected by him, was operated until it was wrecked by the high water in 1890. After that he built a second warehouse, this time below the town. In later years Hendricks 1890. After that he built a second warehouse, this time below the town. In later years Hendricks planted the first peach orchard in the

community. In listing Wheatland, Polk's Pacific Coast Directory for 1881 observed that it was "entirely dependent on the river for transportation."

It had then a population of 319 persons, at least fifteen business concerns, an Evangelical church and a good district school with about 30 pupils. This same issue stated that the miller

"M. B. Hendricks has steam power to his cleaner and elevator, and last year shipped between

30,000 and 40,000 barrels of flour, besides doing a large amount of custom work."

New enterprises in the town were a saloon with T. T. Cooper as proprietor; a general merchandising store kept by S. C. Forrest; and a one-man shingle-making plant owned by J.

McCaughy. A Dr. Kirkland was then the town's physician, and William Gardner and M. E.

Hendricks were wood merchants. The name B. M. Fowler, appearing as ferry operator, would imply that Daniel Matheny was then no longer Wheatland's central figure.

With the gradual abandoning of the Willamette River as a trade artery, the town's years were

numbered; it had no place in the changing, more progressive economic order. Since agriculture

had given Wheatland its birth and growth, it was in the nature of things that the land, when river

commerce declined, should absorb much of the town's identity. One by one its business houses

were closed, their owners either tilling the adjacent acreage or moving away to more prosperous

commercial centers.

Wheat was no longer the prevailing harvest of the country between the meandering Willamette and the lovely Eola Hills to the west; hopyards and berry fields ran their long trellises over the cleared landscape, and orchards spread out burdened with crimson and gold. Sheep grazed over the tired soil. Eventually, the commercial raising of chickens and turkeys would further diversify the products of the former wheat regions. The golden age of river commerce passed away.

Today, a power ferry crosses the Willamette at Wheatland to the district that is still sometimes

called Mission Bottom; and this flat, workaday craft, shuttling patiently between the banks, is

named the Daniel Matheny V. Thus Oregon's oldest ferry service-the crude boat which Matheny,

with great labor, shunted across the uncertain waters in 1844-is remembered casually, but

appropriately." [Source: "Willamette Landings - Ghost Towns for the River" Howard McKinlay Corning]

James O'Neil was first buried on his farm and later moved to Hart Cemetery.

1850 Polk Co., Ore. Terr. Census, taken 8 Oct 1850 [Ancestry.com, Image #5]:

Fredk. Waymire - age 43 - Farmer - b. Ohio - Dwelling #20 - Family #20

James A. O'Niell - age 40 - b. Ga.

*1860 Polk Co., Ore. Census, Bridgeport Twp., P. O. Bridgeport, taken 31 July 1860, p 63
[Ancestry.com, Bridgeport Pct., Image #3]:*

*J. A. O Neal - age 57 - Farmer - RE Value \$5600 - Pers. Estate Value \$11637 - b. Ga. -
Dwelling*

#569 - Family #507

T. (or Q) " - age 21 - F - b. Mo.

ME " - age 6 - F - b. Ore.

NE " - age 4 - F - b. Ore.

Sarah " - age 1 - F - b. Ore.

A Belle - age 24 - M - Laborer - b. Ill.

1870 Polk Co., Ore. Census, P. O. Buena Vista, taken 29 July 1870, p 109

[Ancestry.com,

Unknown 2 Twp., Image #46]:

*Oneil, James - age 70 - Farmer - RE Value \$6000 - Pers. Estate Value \$3460 - b. Ga. -
Dwelling*

#796 - Family #780

", Telitha - age 35 - Keeping house - b. Iowa

", Emaline - age 16 - At School - b. Ore.

", Nancy - age 14 - At School - b. Ore.

", Sarah - age 12 - At School - b. Ore.

", Artimecia - age 10 - At School - b. Ore.

Allen, David - age 19 - At School - b. Ore.

", Hannah - age 16 - At School - b. Ore.

Morris, Jas. - age 15 - At School - b. Ore.

Davis, Mary - age 13 - At School - b. Ore.

This census is very difficult to read.

Hannah (Davis) Allen and Mary Davis are the half sisters of Talitha (Bowman) O'Neil.

David Allen is Hannah's husband.

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This book is dedicated to all the pioneer families of the West-Lane domain especially to those who have been Grand Marshalls for the APPLGATE TRAIL DAYS parade since it's origin.

This part on Belva Anna Deming Duckworth was prepared by Euleta Deming Allison for the

Applegate Trail Days Festival book on their wagon masters. This part is about her grandparents. -

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DUCKWORTH HISTORY - DEMING HISTORY

"Belva Anna Deming Duckworth is the Grand-daughter of James Anderson O'Neil, who according to the Multnomah Chapter of the D.A.R. in their book "To Honor One Of Those Patriots Who On May 2, 1843 Founded The Provisional Government At Champoeg, Oregon" and the book "Men of Champoeg" was born in Georgia in 1800, but according to his daughter, Mary Emmaline O'Neil Deming, in an interview in 1925 her father was born in Ireland in 1800, landed in New York and later moved to Georgia.

James O'Neil came out with Wyeth in 1834 when the latter made his second futile attempt to establish salmon packing plants and a direct trade between Boston and the Columbia River.

Wyeth did succeed in building several trading posts but it was a costly venture as his records indicate: 'Our people are sick and dying off like rotten sheep. Our sick list has been usually one third of the whole number and the rest much frightened.' His memoir, printed by order of Congress, attracted attention and stimulated immigration.

Lt. Wm. Slacum, in his report on the Oregon country to Congress, stated: 'Nothing was wanting to insure comfort, wealth and every happiness to the people in the country being owned by the Hudson's Bay Co. who refused to sell under any circumstances.' Hence, he assisted in forming the Willamette Cattle Co. in 1836 and O'Neil was one of eleven members of the company to accept passage on the Lorient as the guest of Lt. Slacum, bound for California. From Jan. 17, 1847 when the company embarked, nine months were consumed in this attempt to bring in cattle. P. L. Edwards of the Mission, who was treasurer, kept a diary of the trip that is replete with descriptions of the complications, hazards and agonies suffered. One passage reads: 'Most of the party cursed the day on which they engaged and would gladly exchange a draught of cool water for their share of the profits.' However, all survived the ordeal and brought in about six hundred cattle which opened a new era in colonial prosperity.

The petition sent to Congress in 1837 for the establishment of a territorial government in Oregon bore Mr. O'Neil's signature, along with those of other settlers. Mr. O'Neil must have been well established by 1839, as Sidney Smith notes in his diary that he worked for O'Neil for forty eight days and received in payment a cow and a calf.

Late in December of 1840 revival meetings were held at the mission where under the earnest preaching of the Rev. David Leslie many converts were made. Among them is listed the name of James O'Neil.

Agitation was going on in regard to forming an independent government, although the American sympathizers were keeping the matter under cover lest antagonistic interests should thwart the movement, as had happened in the attempt after the death of Ewing

Young. Thus, a meeting of the settlers in the valley was called in March, 1843, for the avowed purpose of devising means of protection against predatory animals. This was known as the first wolf meeting and was followed by another on March 6. Although the real purpose of this second wolf meeting was kept secret, Mr. O'Neil was quietly notified of the ulterior purpose and was elected chairman. He transacted the ostensible business with dispatch, making adequate provision for protection of the herds by arranging for bounties on wild animals. Shortly after, in a speech by Wm. Gray, was revealed the true purpose of the leaders, to protect the lives of settlers as well as their cattle. A committee of twelve was appointed under O'Neil to 'take into consideration the propriety of taking measures for the civil and military protection of this colony.' It was the committee which called the general meeting of May 2, 1843, at Champoeg, Oregon, now famous as the birthplace of the Provisional government. Here, Mr. O'Neil was put on the legislative committee of nine and became an important factor in forming the plan of government. When the committee met, O'Neil was placed on a sub-committee on Ways and Means and also on the Judiciary committee. Differences of opinion exist as to what assistance they had in framing the laws drawn up at this time. J. Quinn Thornton states: 'They were without any books (excepting one copy of Iowa Statutes) to which to refer for assistance in framing their laws.' George Himes quotes Medorem Crawford as saying: 'O'Neil had studied law to some extent in his native state and had a copy of the New York Statutes.' However, when the committee presented its report on July 5, 1843 the minutes state it was moved and carried to adopt the remainder of the judicial report to adopt the laws of Iowa as recorded. Judge Gary says 'It was also voted to purchase the several law books of James O'Neil, these to be the property of the community.' From all this it seems evident that Mr. O'Neil supplied the foundation for the local government. At the mass meeting of July 5, 1843, where all the new code of laws were formally adopted and the new government got under way, Mr. O'Neil was elected justice of the peace for Yamhill district. Two years later, he was elected one of three judges for the same district.

He built the first grist mill in Polk county in 1845. This, he sold and later built and conducted a store at Tampico. Mr. O'Neil was married to Miss Tabitha (sic) C. Bowman on Feb. 1, 1855.

Tabitha Bowman was born in Kentucky on March 20, 1837 and with her parents moved to Missouri when she was about two years old. They crossed the plains by oxen, enduring numerous hardships. On reaching The Dalles they came by flatboat to what is now Portland, eating Christmas dinner in the first log cabin on the site which is now Portland. The remainder of the winter was passed in Oregon City. For a time, they lived on the Tualatin plains and then moved to Polk County where she was married to James O'Neil. Tabitha's parents were David (sic) Bowman and Sarah Ann Kindred. After David Bowman died Sarah Bowman married a Mr. Davis. [Note: It has since been learned that James O'Neil's wife's name was Talitha not Tabitha. Her father was William Bowman not David Bowman. Her mother, Sarah Ann Kindred's parents were David Kindred and Talitha Ramey. Her mother's second marriage was to David Davis. – Barbara Herring]

By the legislature of 1853-54 Mr. O'Neil was appointed as one of the commissioners to build the Oregon-California Railroad, although the undertaking was never fulfilled. James Anderson O'Neil died in Polk County, near Lewisville, southwest of Dallas,

Oregon. James and Tabitha were the parents of four daughters: Mary Emmaline O'Neil, Nancy Adeline O'Neil, Sarah Caroline O'Neil and Artamessia Evaline O'Neil.

Green Berry Riggs was buried in Hart Cem., nr. Dallas, Polk Co., Ore..

Notes for Green Berry Riggs:

1880 Polk Co., Ore. Census, Bridgeport Pct., ED #106, taken 17 & 18 June 1880, p 28 [Ancestry.com, Monmouth Pct., ED #106, Image #28]:

Riggs, Green B. - age 44 - Farmer - b. Mo. - Dwelling #257 - Family #257

", Tallitha - age 43 - Wife - Keeping house - b. Ky.

", Marian - age 18 - Son - Works on farm - b. Wash. T. - F born Mo. - M born Ky.

", Arthur - age 9 - Son - b. Ore. - F born Mo. - M born Ky.

", _____ - age 11/30 - b. May - Son - b. Ore. - F born Mo. - M born Ky.

Mathews, Elbert - age 27 - Step-son - Farm laborer - b. Me. - F born Me. - M born Me.

", Artamissia - age 19 - Step-dau - b. Ore. - F born Ga. - M born Ky.

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Hart Cem., near Dallas, Polk Co., Ore. - inscription:

James A. O'Neil

1800 - 1874

His Wife

Talitha C. O'Neil Riggs

1837 - 1918

James Anderson O'Neil and Talitha C. Bowman had the following children:

2. i. MARY EMMALINE "EMMA"2 O'NEIL was born on 28 Jan 1854 in Polk Co., Ore..

She

died on 20 Jul 1946 in Frank Deming home, Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She married Franklin Fayette "Fayette" Deming, son of Hiram Deming and Eleanor Weston on 10 Sep 1871 in Dallas, Polk Co., Ore.. He was born on 18 Oct 1841 in N. Y.. He died on 31 Jan 1913 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

3. ii. NANCY ADALINE "NANNIE" O'NEIL was born on 8 Feb 1856 in Dallas, Polk Co., Ore..

She died on 9 Aug 1931 in Edmonds, Snohomish Co., Wash.. She married Brier Brown Deming, son of Hiram Deming and Eleanor Weston on 2 Nov 1873 in Polk Co., Ore. at F. F. Deming home. He was born on 14 Sep 1850 in Syracuse, N. Y.. He died on 12 Dec 1926 in Edmonds, Snohomish Co., Wash..

4. iii. SARAH CAROLINE "SADIE" O'NEIL was born in 1858 in Dallas, Polk Co., Ore.. She died on 27 Apr 1926 in Portland, Multnomah Co., Ore..

5. iv. ARTAMESSIA EVALINE "MITTIE" O'NEIL was born on 2 Nov 1860 in Lewisville, Ore.. She died on 30 Apr 1940 in Ilwaco, Wash. at dau., Muriel Thomas home. She married Stephen Adelbert "Del" Matthews on 1 Jan 1880 in Polk Co., Ore.. He was born on 16 Jul 1852 in Edgecomb, Maine. He died on 26 Jul 1934 in Ocean Park, Wash.. This part on Belva Anna Deming Duckworth was prepared by Euleta Deming Allison for the Applegate Trail Days Festival book on their wagon masters. This part is about her grandparents. - 1972 ". . . Tabitha Bowman O'Neil later married Green Berry Riggs in 1876 and they were the parents of one son, Morris Jones Riggs. Green Berry Riggs would thereby be Mrs. Anna Deming Duckworth's step-grandfather. When Euleta Deming Allison was in high school she wrote to her great-grandfather Green Berry Riggs for information for a school project and received the following letter which tells a great deal about the early times:

Roseburg, Oregon

Solider's Home

December 11, 1922

My Dear Grand-daughter:

Your ever welcome letter just received, was so glad to get it. I haven't had anything very exciting to tell you. I'm feeling fine and like the home very well. Two men have died since I have been here.

'Well, I was born in the state of Missouri July 27, 1836. Crossed the Plains 1846 with an ox team.

We were about six months on the plains. My father died and was buried on the plains. There was nothing of importance took place except the Indians stole some horses from one man and two men followed them and got them back. That was the first Emigration that crossed the Cascade Mountains. We had to lower the wagons down some of the mountains with ropes fastened to the hind axle and wrapped around a tree. We got to the Valley late in the fall. We camped close to the timber, had a fire was setting around it after dark when a cougar came pretty close and screamed and ran off a ways and back again. We all got in our wagons and stayed until morning. Next day we went to work building a shanty and wintered in it. Mother traded Father's rifle to a Frenchman for some wheat. We got it ground at Champoeg and made bread without salt and when that was gone we got wheat or peas and boiled them without salt. In the Spring of 1847 we moved into a house with a bachelor. The fall of 1847 was the Cayuse War. The men nearly all went to fight the Indians and left the women and children exposed to the Valley Indians, although they did not go on the warpath, but we lived in dread all the time. Our farming utensils was a plow with a wooden mole board, the harrow had wooden teeth, pitchfork was a forked stick. Sometimes we would take a straight stick and split it for

enough for the prongs and spread it and sharpen the prongs. For a broom we would take a wild cherry stick and take a knife and take to shaving it back and go around that way until it was all gone and then turn and commence to do the same way turning the splits down until it was small enough for a handle and then shave it down for a handle, turn these down and tie them. We tramped wheat out with horses or cattle and cleaned it with the wind. Mother took a claim, I cut and hauled logs to build a house. The neighbors raised it for us. We lived in that one year and then I built another log house and we just moved into it and Mother got married and we moved to Polk County in the fall of 1850. In the fall of 1855 I enlisted and went out to the Rogue River country to fight the Indians. We hunted Indians in all kinds of weather and I have shot at Indians but don't know that I ever killed one and don't want to know that I did. I know that they never killed me and I am glad of that. There was one funny thing happened - there was a man started to California with a drove of hogs. He got as far as Grane Creek when the Indians went on the warpath and he had to stop there. They were forted up. Where we camped the man had hogs too. Some of our boys killed one of the man's hogs that owned the place and he got mad and was going to charge them \$150.00 for it but the boys wouldn't pay it so the man that had the drove gave him a hog in its place. There was a devilish fellow in the Company that made a rhyme he would say when they went to eat. "Oh Lord, look down from above and see how things have ended. Seven dollars for a hog when a hundred was intended!"

Well, I have told you a few things if there is anything that will help you pick it out. It has taken about as many again words for me to tell anything as anyone else. I hope you will get a good story and I feel as if you will.

I thought of a few more things that might help you. George Aberethepa (Abernethy) was the first Governor of Oregon. Joseph Meek was the first Marshall of the Territory. He was also the first Congressman from the Oregon Territory. He was also a member of the Convention that met in Champoeg, I think in 1843 to decide whether Oregon should belong to the United States or Great Britain. The United States won by one vote. When we tramped our wheat or oats out with horses or oxen and sometimes beat it out with a flail we built a scaffold five or six feet high and spread a sheet or wagon cover on the ground and when the wind blew we would carry the grain in a vessel and pour it down on the sheet and the wind would blow the chaf out and clean the grain.

Oregon City was the main town in Oregon when we came here. There was a grist mill there and a sawmill. There were two stores and a hotel. Wheat was legal tender. The men dressed mostly in buckskin and wore moccasins. There was another little grist mill in Champoeg. The French Prairie was settled by French and half-casts. Your Grandpa O'Neil built the first grist mill south of Oregon City side of the Rickreall River. They used to pack flour from there to California in 1851 and 52. I used to go to the mill there. My step-father had considerable wheat when it sold for \$5.00 a bushel and flour \$20.00 a barrel. It was packed to the mines on horses and mules.

Closed with love from loving Grandpa,

P.S.: One day an Indian child died and the Indians came and got me to go and give it a Christian burial. (Green Berry Riggs was a minister). The Indians were pretty peaceable

when Grandfather and Grandmother O'Neil crossed the plains but a little later when some of Grandmother's friends crossed, the Indians were furious. They lassoed Martin Moran and drug him to death and they shot Tom Moran through the wrist and another arrow went through the side of his coat. Martin was buried on a hill which still bears the name of Mt. Moran. In 1918 Grandmother Talitha Bowman O'Neil Riggs died at a very ripe old age. She was very hump shouldered as a result of carrying her little brother across the plains.'

Green Berry Riggs died in 1923 at the home of his only child, Morris Riggs near Meadowview, Oregon."

Hart Cem., near Dallas, Polk Co., Ore. - inscription:

Green Berry Riggs

-- 1836 - 1923

-- Sarah Jane

-- - His Wife

- 1840 - 1872

Ruben T. Riggs

- 1864 - 1875

- Frances Hart

-- 1838 - 1848

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:

Name: Riggs, Green B.

County: Lane

Death Date: 05 Aug 1923

Certificate: 228

Oregon Death Certificate:

Name: Riggs, Green B.

County of Death: Lane

Document #: 228

Birth date: 27 July 1836

Birth place: MO

Death date: 5 Aug 1922

Place of death: Meadow View, Lane Co., OR

Residence: [not stated]

Marital status: Widowed

Spouse: Talitha Riggs

Father: Geo. Riggs

Father's birth place: Unknown

Mother: Unknown

Mother's birth place: Unknown

Informant: M. J. Riggs, Junction City

Funeral Home: Chapman & Henkle, Dallas, OR

Burial: Dallas Cemetery

Green Berry Riggs and Talitha C. Bowman had the following child:

6. i. MORRIS JONES RIGGS was born on 20 May 1880 in Dallas, Polk Co., Ore.. He died

on 21 Aug 1959 in Eugene, Lane Co., Ore. at Twilight Acres Nursing Home. He married Jenny Inez Black, daughter of Henry Black on 7 Mar 1903 in Menlo, Wash.. She was born on 4 Jun 1882 in Milton Freewater, Ore.. She died on 8 Nov 1969 in Lafayette, Yamhill Co., Ore..

Generation 2

2. MARY EMMALINE "EMMA" O'NEIL (Talitha C.1 Bowman) was born on 28 Jan 1854 in Polk Co., Ore. She died on 20 Jul 1946 in Frank Deming home, Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She married Franklin Fayette "Fayette" Deming, son of Hiram Deming and Eleanor Weston on 10 Sep 1871 in Dallas, Polk Co., Ore.. He was born on 18 Oct 1841 in N. Y.. He died on 31 Jan 1913 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Mary Emmaline "Emma" O'Neil was buried in West Lawn Memorial Park [Canaan Sec], Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Notes for Mary Emmaline "Emma" O'Neil:

1912

The Deming Reunion.

Elmira, Ore., Oct. 19. -(Special)-

A very pleasant surprise was given Mr. F. F. Deming at his home near Elmira Oregon, on Friday,

October 18, it being his 71st birthday anniversary. He received several nice presents. F. F.

Deming was born in New York state October 18, 1841. He served in the civil war in 1862. He

crossed the plains with his parents in 1867 to Polk county, where he was married to Miss Mary E.

Oneil (sic) and to this union was born six children. In 1883 he with his family moved to his home

near Elmira, where he still resides. An elegant dinner was served at one o'clock, the table was

loaded with good things to eat. The birthday cake was made and presented by his daughter, Mrs.

C. W. Inman, she also being waitress, seeing that each one did justice to the good things set

before them. The remainder of the day was spent in having a general good time. The guests

departed at a late hour wishing Grandpa Deming many more happy birthdays. Those present

were: Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Deming, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Inman and two sons, Warnie and Elza, Mr.

and Mrs. Frank Deming and daughter, Enleta (sic), all of Elmira, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Baker, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Deming and Daughter, Geneva, of Junction City, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Duckworth and daughter, Madge, of Kent, Oregon.

1931

MRS. DEMING HONOR GUEST ON BIRTHDAY

ELMIRA, Jan. 31. -(Special).- A surprise birthday party was given "Grandma" Deming at her son's

home near Elmira. She was taken away to the home of a friend to spend the morning, and when

she returned she found the house full of relatives and friends.

After dinner they all gathered in the front room where "Grandma" found a table loaded with gifts.

Mrs. McAtee of Veneta sang "My Mother's Birthday," accompanied by Mrs. Harry Shrank on the

piano. There were several more songs and several instrumental pieces.

This was Grandma Deming's 77th birthday. The following guests were present: Mrs. Anna

Duckworth, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Inman and son, Warren, Mrs. John Jepson, Mrs. T. K. Bown,

Mrs. L. W. Sheffler, Mrs. W. B. Kingsley, Mrs. Leo Parker, Mrs. Mctee (sic), Leola Deming,

Eugene, Mrs. R. J. Moore, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Shrank, Meadowview, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Baker,

Meadowview, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Deming and daughter, Bettie, Meadowview, Mr. and Mrs.

Frank Deming, Ewleta (sic) Deming and Anona Gates.

1932:

Grandma Deming Is Honored on Birthday

MEADOWVIEW, Feb. 1. - (Special.) - A family gathering was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs.

Harry Schrenk, Thursday, in honor of Grandma Deming, of Elmira, on her seventy-eighth birthday.

Each family contributed to the lovely dinner which was served at noon. In the afternoon "Grandma"

was presented with a nice collection of birthday gifts.

The following relatives were present for the day: Warnie Inman, Mr. and Mrs. Elza Inman, Mr. and

Mrs. Charlie Inman, Mr. and Mrs. Ern Duckworth, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Deming, Mr. and Mrs.

Stanford Matheson, Miss Leola Deming. Mr. and Mrs. James Baker, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Schrenk,

and the honor guest, Grandma Deming.

1934:

Grandma Deming is honored at Party

Veneta, Feb, 1. - (Special) - One of the largest celebrations of the season was Grandma Deming's

80th birthday party Sunday at the I. O. O. F. hall in Elmira. The tables were decorated and there

was a very large cake in pink with 80 candles on it. Mrs. Law gave thanks and Mrs. Brewster was

toastmistress. Mr. Swenson was honored guest as he was 80 on the 26th. Dinner was served to

the following: Grandma Deming, Bernice Inman, Anna Duckworth, Blanche Baker, Frank Deming,

Charley Deming, Mrs. Gene Gates, Donald Caples, Mrs. Allison, Mrs. Herbert, Mrs. Pally Hale,

Mrs. Sarah Zumwalt, Leola Deming, Gordon Hale, Mrs. Joe Gates, Betty Deming, Nanda Deming,

Stanford Matheson, Geneva Matheson, Darwin Hale, Flo Hale, James Baker, Mrs. S. E. Swenson,

Mrs. Kate Liles, Mrs. Joe Gates, Mrs. Brewer, Mrs. Parker, Mrs. W. J. Alley, Mrs. Law, Mrs. Dell

Zumwalt, Mrs. Charley Inman, Dorothy Parker, Veree (sic) Inman, Orlo Gates, Rose Gates, Allie

Gates, Warnie Inman, Norma Schunk, Harry Schunk, Florence Schunk, Mr. and Mrs. Elgin Bailor,

Mr. Stafford, Shirley Schrenk, Virginia Stafford, R. P. Allison, Ern Duckworth, Mr. and Mrs. Phillip,

McKean Smith, Aloha Duckworth, Ronald Trout, Ira Gates, Melle Gates, Mr. and Mrs. McAtee, Mr.

Jepson, Joe Fleck, Mr. Parker, Virgil Liles, Charley Liles, Mr. Halderson, Johnny Jepson, Monnie

(sic) Inman, Iva Dell Parker, Mrs. Jepson, Eleanor Anderson, Euleta Deming, Naomia Liles, Naomi

Deming, Nettie Flock, Anona Gates, Harold Gates, Burnell Gates, Mildred Fleck, Virginia Brown,

Norah Brabham, Will Brabham, Billie Brown, Stanley Way, Elane Anders, Mr. and Mrs. O. K.

Palmer and son, Dale Palmer.

Register-Guard, Eugene, Lane County, Oregon, Monday, May 2, 1938

Lane Woman's Father Leader in Early Statehood Movement by Sid King

On the evening of March 6, 1843, members of the French Prairie colony in the Willamette valley,

near where Salem now stands, gathered quietly one evening, ostensibly to consider means of protecting the settlers against the depredations of wild animals.

Out of this meeting came the call for the public mass meeting which placed Oregon in the United

States instead of making it a Canadian province 95 years ago Monday, recalls Mrs. Mary E.

Deming, who lives with her son, Frank Deming, near Elmira.

Mrs. Deming is the daughter of James A. O'Neil, who was prominent in the movement to make

Oregon a state and who was named chairman of the mass meeting called to discuss setting up an independent government during the process of getting the state accepted into the union.

Form (sic) "Wolf Meetings"

"I have often heard my father tell of the 'wolf meetings,' which was the name given those first

meetings of settlers interested in setting up the independent government and making Oregon a

state in the union," Mrs. Deming, who is 84 years old, but who acts 20 years younger, says.

"There were many who wanted to join Canada and settlers who favored union the the United

States had to hold their meetings secretly to be sure their plans did not go astray."

Thus the settlers gathered with the avowed purpose of finding means to prevent loss of livestock,

the wolves being the principal cause of trouble, and for that reason the sessions later became

known as the "wolf meetings." A second meeting was called shortly after the session of March 6

and at that time, Mr. O'Neil was named chairman of a group to prepare for the public meeting, the

settlers have come to the conclusion that they had enough support to risk a public vote on the

issue.

"But it was very close and the settlers favoring the United States won by a narrow margin," Mrs.

Deming said. "I have been told that they won by only one vote while others say the margin was

five or seven votes. In any event, it was a hard-fought battle which finally threw Oregon into the

union."

Mr. O'Neil headed a committee of twelve settlers arranging details for the public meeting with the

announced purpose "to take into consideration the propriety of taking measures for the civil and

military protection of this colony."

The general mass meeting was scheduled at Champoeg May 2, 1843 and on that date Oregon's

fate was cast with that of the United States. Following this meeting, Mr. O'Neil was named a

member of the legislative committee of nine and played an important part in directing the affairs of

the colony's government during the formative stage. He was also named to the sub-committee on

ways and means and judiciary.

"My father had studied some law and owned a few law books," Mrs. Deming said. "His copy of the New York statutes was used considerably in the early work of the committees and the local

government later purchased his entire law library." History records that much of the foundation of the colony's local government was laid on Mr. O'Neil's knowledge, his work and his books.

Mrs. Deming was born in Tampico, Oregon, Jan. 28, 1854 and has resided in Oregon continuously. For the past 54 years she has lived in the Elmira district.

Mary E. Deming

Eugene, July 23 (Special) Mary Emmaline Deming, 92, who had lived in Oregon all her life and in

the Elmira community 62 years, died Sunday at the home of her son, Frank Deming, in Elmira. Her father, James A. O'Neil, was one of the men instrumental in forming the territorial government of Oregon at the Champoeg meeting in 1843.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Bernice Inman and Mrs. Anna Duckworth of Elmira; two sons, Frank Deming of Elmira and Charles Deming of Junction City ; a half-brother, Morris Riggs of Springfield. Her husband, Fayette Deming, died in 1913.

Funeral services will be conducted Wednesday at 2 P. M. at the Pool-Larsen chapel (sic) and interment will be in I. O. O. F. cemetery No. 2.

DEMING - Funeral services for Mary Emmaline Deming will be held at the Pool-Larsen Chapel

Wednesday, July 24 at 2 p.m. Rev. Claude O'Brien of Springfield officiating with interment in the

family plot of the I.O.O.F. No. 2 Cemetery.

DEMING - Mary Emmaline Deming, age 92, died at the home of her son Frank Deming of Elmira,

Saturday, July 20, 1946. She was born January 28, 1854 in Polk County, Oregon, daughter of

James A. O'Neil who was prominent in the movement to make Oregon a state and was one of the

leaders at the General Mass Meeting held at Champoeg, Ore., May 2, 1843. Married
Fayette
Deming at Dallas, Ore., Sept. 10, 1871. He died in 1913. She was a member of the Loyal
Rebekah Lodge of Elmira for many years. She is survived by the following children: Mrs.
Bernice
Inman, Frank Deming and Mrs. Anna Duckworth, all of Elmira; Charles Deming of
Junction City,
Blanche Baker and Beryl Deming preceded her in death. A half brother, Morris Riggs of
Springfield, 11 grandchildren 15 great grandchildren, seven great great grandchildren.
Funeral
services will be held at the Pool-Larsen Chapel Wednesday, July 24, at 2 p.m. Rev.
Claude O'Brien of Springfield officiating with interment in the family plot of the IOOF
No. 2 cemetery.

Mary Deming, Pioneer, Dies

Mary Emmaline Deming, 92, one of Oregon's early pioneers and a life-long resident of
the state,
died Sunday at the home of her son, Frank, at Elmira. She had lived in the Elmira
community 62
years.
Mrs. Deming was born Jan. 28, 1854 in Polk County, the daughter of James A. O'Neil.
her father
was one of the men instrumental in founding the government of Oregon at the famous
Champoeg
meeting early in 1843. Mr. O'Neil was named chairman of the mass meeting, purpose of
which
was to have Oregon accepted into the union.
On May 2, 1843, the settlers met, and votes were cast to decide whether Oregon would
join
Canada or the United States. Settlers favoring the United States won by a narrow
margin.
Following this meeting, Mr. O'Neil was named a member of the legislative committee,
and played
an important part in directing affairs of the colony's government.
Mrs. Deming was married to Fayette Deming Sept. 10, 1871 at Dallas, Oregon. He
preceded her
in death in 1913. She was a member of Loyal Rebekah Lodge of Elmira for many years.
Surviving Mrs. Deming are two daughters, Mrs. Bernice Inman and Mrs. Anna
Duckworth, and a
son, Frank, all of Elmira; a son, Charles, of Junction City; a half brother, Morris Riggs,
of
Springfield; 11 grandchildren; 15 great grand children; and seven great great
grandchildren. Two
children Blanche Baker and Beryl Deming, preceded her in death.
Funeral services will be held at the Pool-Larsen Mortuary Wednesday at 2 p.m., with the
Rev.

*Claude O'Brien of Springfield officiating. Interment will be in the family plot in the IOOF Cemetery
No. 2.*

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:

Name: Deming, Mary E

County: Lane

Death Date: 20 Jul 1946

Certificate: 4903

Franklin Fayette "Fayette" Deming was buried in Inman Cem., Elmira, Lane Co., Ore.; then moved

to West Lawn Memorial Park [Canaan section], Eugene, Ore..

Notes for Franklin Fayette "Fayette" Deming:

Fayette Deming was in the same Company (9th Reg't., Kansas Volunteers) in the Civil War as his

father. He enlisted 15 Nov 1861 for six months and was mustered in then. After three months, he

was told to enlist for three years. He refused to do so, and Capt. Goss told him to go home as he

and his horse would receive no rations. He wanted his discharge if he was going home but he

never received any.

Extracted from a letter written by Fayette Deming to the War Dept. in later years again requesting

his discharge papers.

Franklin Fayette Deming went to Oregon in 1867.

1870 Marion Co., Ore. Census, Salem Pct., P. O. Salem, taken 8 June 1870, p 24

[Ancestry.com,

Salem Pct., Image #24]:

Haas, N. - age 39 - Shoemaker - RE Value \$3000 - Pers. Estate Value \$400 - b. France - Dwelling

#227 - Family #210

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Deming, F. F. - age 27 - Shoemaker - Pers. Estate Value \$150 - b. N. Y.

1880 Polk Co., Ore. Census, Bridgeport Pct., ED #106, taken 17 & 18 June 1880, p 28

[Ancestry.com, Monmouth Pct., ED #106, Image #28]:

Deming, Fayette - age 38 - Farmer - b. Kans. - Dwelling #260 - Family 3260

", Emma - age 26 - Wife - Keeping house - b. Ore. - F born Ga. - M born Mo.

", Blanche - age 7 - Daugh. - b. Ore. - F born Kans. - M born Ore.

", Bernice - age 6 - Daugh. - b. Ore. - F born Kans. - M born Ore.

", Beryl - age 2 - Daugh. - b. Ore. - F born Kans. - M born Ore.

Oneil, Sarah - age 21 - Sister-in-law - b. Ore. - F born Ga. - M born Mo.

Elmira Lane County Oregon

26 Jan 1891

Certificate: 4903

Oregon Death Certificate:

Name: Deming, Mary Emmaline

County of Death: Lane

Document #: 4903

Birth date: 28 Jan 1854

Birth place: Polk Co., OR

Death date: 20 July 1946

Place of death: Elmira District, Lane Co., OR

Residence: Elmira District, Lane Co., OR

Marital status: Widow

Spouse: Fayette

Father: James O'Neil

Father's birth place: GA

Mother: Tabitha C. Bowman

Mother's birth place: MO

Informant: Frank Deming, Elmira, OR

Funeral Home: Poole Larsen Funeral Home, Eugene, OR

Burial: IOOF#2

George E. Lemon. Esq.

Dr. Sir

I write you for information on the following subject, with the understanding if there is anything you

can do for me and the terms are agreeable I wish to employ you.

I enlisted in Company (F) 9th Kansas Cavalry Capt. Benjamin F. Goss on the 13th day of November 1861 for six months, and was duly mustered in for that time. About three months after

enlistment the regiment was requested to enlist for three years...

Office of George E. Lemon

Counsellor at Law, Solicitor of Patents and Claims

P.O. Drawer 325

615 Fifteenth Street N.W.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 4, 1891

Replies to letter above... copy to hand to read (due to handwriting).

West Lawn Memorial Park, Eugene, Lane Co., Ore. - inscription:

Emmaline - - - - - Fayette

1854 - 1946 - - - 1841 - 1913

- - - - - DEMING

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:

Name: Deming, Frank Fayette

County: Lane

Death Date: 31 Jan 1913

Certificate: 340

Oregon Death Certificate:

Name: Damings, Frank Fayette [Note: Surname is Deming - Barbara Herring]

County of Death: Lane

Document #: 340

Birth date: 17 Oct 1841

Birth place: New York State

Death date: 31 Jan 1913

Place of death: 17 Miles West of Eugene, Elmira, Lane Co., OR

Residence: [not stated]

Marital status: Married

Spouse: [not stated]

Father: Hiram Daming [Note: Surname is Deming - Barbara Herring]

Father's birth place: CT

Mother: Elenor Weston

Mother's birth place: U.S.

Informant: Mrs. M. E. Deming, Elmira, OR

Funeral Home: Gordon & Veatch, Eugene

Burial: Inman Cemetery

Franklin Fayette "Fayette" Deming and Mary Emmaline "Emma" O'Neil had the following children:

i. BLANCHE NELLIE³ DEMING was born on 1 Jul 1872 in nr. Independence, Polk Co., Ore.. She died on 7 Jul 1939 in Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She married James Elza "Goose" Baker, son of William A. Baker and Mary Jane Prock on 17 Jun 1893 in Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. He was born on 3 Jan 1870 in Meadowview, Lane Co., Ore.. He died on 29 Aug 1949 in Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Blanche Nellie Deming was buried in West Lawn Memorial Park [Canaan Sec], Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Notes for Blanche Nellie Deming:

7 July 1939

Mrs. Blanche Baker

Mrs. Blanche Baker, 67, of Junction City, granddaughter of James O'Neal (sic), Oregon pioneer who was instrumental in obtaining statehood for Oregon, died Friday morning at the Sacred Heart hospital. She was born Blanche Nellie Deming, the daughter of Fred and Mary Emmeline (sic) Deming, July 1, 1872, at Independence. The family moved to Elmira in 1883, where she lived until her marriage to James E. Baker June 17, 1893. The couple had lived in the Meadowview district for the past 46 years.

Mrs. Baker was a member of the Santa Clara Christian church and the Rebekah lodge. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Belva Schrenk of

Creswell and Mrs. Florence Schrenk of Eugene; her mother Mrs. Emma Deming of Elmira; two sisters, Mrs. Ann Duckworth and Mrs. Bernice Inman, both of Elmira; two brothers, Charles Deming of Meadowview and Frank Deming of Elmira; and seven grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. from the Poole chapel. Rev. Mr. Barney officiating. Interment will be in the I.O.O.F. cemetery No. 2.

7 July 1939

Baker Funeral Monday Morning

Funeral services for Mrs. Blanche Baker of Junction City, who died Friday morning at the Sacred Heart hospital, will be held Monday at 2 p.. Mrs. Baker was a granddaughter of James O'neal (sic), Oregon pioneer who was instrumental in gaining statehood for Oregon.

Born Blanche Nellie Deming, the daughter of Fayette and Mary Emmaline Deming at Independence, July 1, 1872, she moved with her family to Elmira in 1883. She was married to James E. Baker June 17, 1893, and the couple have lived in the Meadowview district for the past 46 years.

Mrs. Baker was a member of the Santa Clara Christian church and Rebekah lodge. She is survived by her husband, two daughters, Mrs. Florence Schrenk of Eugene and Mrs. Belva Schrenk of Creswell; her mother at Elmira; two sisters, Mrs. Anna Dunsworth (sic) and Mrs. Bernice Inman, both of Elmira; two brothers, Charles Deming of Meadowview and Frank Deming of Elmira, and seven grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Monday at 2 p.m. from the Poole chapel, Rev. Mr. Barney officiating. Interment will be in the I.O.O.F. cemetery No. 2.

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:

Name: Baker, Blanche

County: Lane

Death Date: 07 Jul 1939

Certificate: 351

Spouse: James

Oregon Death Certificate:

Name: Baker, Blanche Nellie

County of Death: Lane

Document #: 351

Birth date: 1 July 1872

Birth place: Independence, OR

Death date: 7 July 1939

Place of death: Sacred Heart Hospital, Eugene, Lane Co., OR

Residence: Meadowview

Marital status: Married

Spouse: James E. Baker

Father: Fayette Deming

Father's birth place: NY

Mother: Mary Emmaline O'Neal

*Mother's birth place: Luckimute, OR
Informant: James Baker, Meadowview, OR
Funeral Home: Poole Funeral Home, Eugene, OR
Burial: No. 2, I.O.O.F.*

ii. BERNICE ETHEL DEMING was born on 3 Dec 1873 in nr. Independence, Polk Co., Ore.. She died on 15 May 1959 in Duckworth home, Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She married Charles Wilson Inman, son of Joel Cowan Inman and Sophia Jane Hinton on 4 Oct 1891 in Junction City, Lane Co., Ore.. He was born on 22 May 1871 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. He died on 19 Dec 1944 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Bernice Ethel Deming was buried in West Lawn Memorial Park [Canaan Sec], Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Notes for Bernice Ethel Deming:

INMAN - Bernice E. Inman of Route 2, Elmira, Widow of Charles W. Inman passed away at the home of her sister near Elmira on May 15. Bernice Ethel Deming was born in Independence, Oregon, December 3, 1873. Lived at Elmira for the past 77 years. She had three sons: Pearlie, Warnie, and Elza Inman. Only Elza of Veneta survives her; she is also survived by one sister, Mrs. C. E. (Anna) Duckworth of Elmira; 2 brothers; Frank Deming of Elmira and Charles Deming of Meadowview; Also 5 grandchildren and six-great-grandchildren. The deceased was a member of the Christian church of Elmira. The funeral will be held in the Poole-Larsen Chapel on Saturday, May 23 at 2 p.m. Interment at West Lawn.

Inman Rite Due Saturday in Eugene

ELMIRA - Funeral services will be held at 2 p.m., Saturday, at Poole-Larsen Chapel for Bernice E. Inman, a resident of this area for more than 77 years. Mrs. Inman died at the residence of her sister, Mrs. C. E. Duckworth, at Elmira, May 15. She was 85.

Bernice Ethel Deming was born at Independence, Oregon on December 3, 1873. She came to the Elmira area in 1882 or 1883 with her parents and lived on a farm near Fern Ridge Lake. She married Charles Inman about 1900 and moved to an adjoining farm where she spent the remainder of her life until her illness. She was preceded in death by her husband, and by two sons, Pearlie and Warnie. Survivors include a son, Elza, of Veneta; a sister, Mrs. Duckworth; two brothers, Frank Deming of Elmira, and Charles Deming, of Meadowview; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren. Funeral services were delayed so the Red Cross could locate a foster son, Donald Caples, who is at sea with the Navy. Mrs. Inman was a member of the Church of Christ at Elmira. Mr. Hubert Prather, minister of the church, will officiate at the service and interment will be in West Lawn Memorial Cemetery.

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:

Name: Inman, Bernice E

County: Lane

Death Date: 15 May 1959

Certificate: 6117

Spouse: Charles

Oregon Death Certificate:

Name: Inman, Bernice Ethel

County of Death: Lane

Document #: 6117

Birth date: 3 Dec 1873

Birth place: Independence, OR

Death date: 15 May 1959

Place of death: Rt. 2, Elmira, Lane Co., OR

Residence: Rt. 2, Elmira, Lane Co., OR

Marital status: Widowed

Spouse: Charles W.

Father: Fayette Deming

Mother: Mary E. O'Neil

Informant: Anna Duckworth, sister

Funeral Home: England

Burial: Westlawn Cemetery, Eugene, OR

iii. BERYL SARAH DEMING was born on 7 Sep 1877 in nr. Independence, Polk Co., Ore..

She died on 4 Jul 1893 in Deming home, Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Beryl Sarah Deming was buried in Inman Cem., Elmira, Lane Co., Ore.; then moved to West Lawn Memorial Park [Canaan section], Eugene, Ore..

Notes for Beryl Sarah Deming:

DIED - Beryl Deming, aged fifteen years, daughter of F. F. Deming, died at the family residence near Elmira Tuesday, July 5th, of Fever. The funeral services were held Thursday.

West Lawn Memorial Park, Eugene, Lane Co., Ore. - inscription:

---- Beryl S.

--- Daughter of

F. F. & M.E. Deming

----- Died

--- July 4, 1893

----- Aged

5 Ys. 9 Ms. 27 Ds.

iv. FRANK DEMING was born on 11 Feb 1880 in nr. Independence, Polk Co., Ore.. He died on 6 Apr 1966 in Allison home, Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. He married Neomia Ann Gates, daughter of Henry Gates and Nancy Jane "Jane" Arbuckle on 13 Mar 1910 in Crow, Lane Co., Ore. at Henry Gates home. She was born on 7 Jul 1887 in Central, Lane Co., Ore.. She died on 16 Nov 1954 in Allison home, Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Frank Deming was buried in Lane Memorial Gardens [Apostles Section], Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Notes for Frank Deming:

Frank Deming went to Shaniko, Ore. when his daughter, Euleta, was a baby and worked in the sheep camp and lambing barn.

1915:

Frank Deming, a brother-in-law of Mr. Inman, lives two miles north of Elmira. Mr. Deming is living on the old home place where he was raised and is making a success on the farm. Last year he milked eight cows 10 months in the year. The cows averaged 25 cents a day a cow in cream sold, \$17.50 a month per cow, or \$75 a year. He fed hay and chop in winter and pasture in summer. He fed no roots or kale, but says he is going to build a silo. Mr. Deming has a fine looking herd of Jerseys. He purchased two heifer calves of the Sam Howard estate five years ago and all of his herd by one are descendants of these heifers. A good bull is kept on the place.

From 12 ewes \$36 was realized from the sale of wool and 15 lambs were raised. Two hundred and fifty dollars worth of dressed pork is sold each year.

When Mr. Deming's daughter was a year old her grand father, Henry Gates, told Mr. Deming he would give him a sow pig providing Mr. Deming would raise her and keep her for a brood sow and from every litter of pigs dropped by this sow Mr. Deming would fatten one pig and sell it and deposit that money in the bank for his granddaughter. She is now four years old and there is \$60 to her credit, in the bank, drawing four per cent interest.

Here was an idea to me. When a child is born if the parents could each year place in the bank a few dollars for it and let that compound, by the time the child is 21, a neat little sum would be in waiting and it would hardly be missed by the parents.

Receipt from Vick Brothers, Dealers in Automobiles and Supplies, 64 10th Avenue E., Eugene, Ore., June 6, 1917 to Frank Deming:

Car No. 1897256

1 Ford touring car - \$415.70

State License - - - - - \$3.00

10 gal. gas - - - - - \$2.40

1 Stewart sped - - - - \$11.75

Total - - - - - \$432.85

1930 Lane Co., Ore. Census, Elmira Pct., ED #25, taken April 25, 1930, p 5A [Ancestry.com, Elmira Pct., ED #25, Image #9]:

Deming, Frank - Head - age 50 - b. Ore. - F born N. Y. - M born Ore. - Farmer - General - Dwelling #101 - Family #103

General - Dwelling #101 - Family #103

", Neomia - Wife - age 42 - b. Ore. - F born Iowa - M born Ore.

" Euleta - Daughter - age 19 - b. Ore. - F born Ore - M born Ore.

", Mary E. - Mother - age 76 - widow - b. Ore. - F born N. Y. - M born Mo.

ELMIRA PIONEER SON SECUMBS

Elmira - Death Wednesday April 6, 1966, claimed the grandson of the man reported to have cast the deciding vote which made Oregon a part of the U. S. instead of

Canada. Frank Deming, 86 died at the old family home on Deming Road, 2 miles northwest of Elmira.

Born near Independence in Polk County on Feb. 11, 1880, Mr. Deming, with his parents moved to the family home at Elmira when he was only three years old. His mother, Mary, was the daughter of James A. O'Neal (sic) who chairmanned the "Wolf Meetings" that laid the groundwork for the mass meeting at Champoeg on May 2, 1843 when the vote was reportedly so close that O'Neil broke the tie in favor of Oregon's becoming a part of the U. S. It was he who provided the books and legal knowledge for framing the original laws of the State of Oregon.

When Frank Deming reached school age he started and finished at Fir Grove school. Later he served on the school board for that district. He was married to Neomia Ann Gates, March 13, 1910 at the Yates (sic) family home in Crow. She passed away Nov. 16, 1954. Deming was a lifelong farmer and a member of the Elmira I.O.O.F. Lodge.

Survivors include his daughter, Mrs. Virgil Allison, with whom he lived, a granddaughter Lyndalu Allison, a student at SOC and one sister, Mrs. Earnest Duckworth, Elmira; also many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Saturday morning, April 9, at the Poole-Larsen Chapel with Mr. Willett Jessee in charge. Vault interment was at Lane Memorial Gardens.

Applegate Pioneer Museum, Veneta, Lane Co., Ore., Scrapbook #33, p 46:

DEMING - Frank Deming of Route 2, Elmira, passed away at his home April 6, 1966. He was born in Polk County, Oregon, February 11, 1880. His wife, Neomia Ann, whom he married at Crow, Oregon in 1910, passed away November 16, 1954. A resident of Elmira for 85 years. He was a member of the Elmira I.O.O.F. Lodge. He is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Virgil Allison of Elmira with whom he made his home; a sister, Mrs. Earnest Duckworth of Elmira; a granddaughter, Lyndalu Allison of Elmira. The funeral will be held in the POOLE-LARSEN CHAPEL Saturday, April 9th at 10:30 a.m. Reverend Willett Jessee will officiate. Vault interment Lane Memorial Gardens.

Lane Memorial Gardens, Eugene, Lane Co., Ore. - inscription:

----- DEMING
-- Frank ----- Neomia
1880 - 1966 - - 1887 - 1954

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:

Name: Deming, Frank
County: Lane
Death Date: 06 Apr 1966
Certificate: 5515
Spouse: Neomia

Social Security Death Index:

FRANK DEMING
SSN 543-20-9254

Residence: 97437 Elmira, Lane, OR

Born 11 Feb 1880

Last Benefit:

Died 15 Apr 1966

Issued: OR (Before 1951)

v. CHARLES FAYETTE DEMING was born on 30 Jul 1882 in nr. Independence, Polk Co.,

Ore.. He died on 11 Mar 1965 in Reno, Nev.. He married Erminonda "Nonda" E. Duckworth, daughter of Joseph Lane Duckworth and Zilpha Arvilla "Arvilla" Hale on 19 Apr 1905 in Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She was born on 23 Jan 1886 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She died on 28 Apr 1972 in Sparks, Washoe Co., Nev..

Charles Fayette Deming was buried in Lane Memorial Gardens [Garden of the Christus], Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Notes for Charles Fayette Deming:

DEMING - Charles F. Deming of Route 2, Junction City, passed away in Reno, Nevada, Thursday, March 11, 1965, at the age of 82 years. He was born in Independence, Oregon, July 30, 1992. He had been a resident of this community since 1911 and was a member of the Christian Church at Alvadore and the Odd Fellows Lodge #79 of Irving. He is survived by his wife Nonda of Junction City, three daughters: Geneva Engler of Longview, Washington, Leola DeMaris of Stateline, Nevada, and Betty Lou Schauer of Reno, Nevada; a brother, Frank and a sister, Mrs. Anna Duckworth both of Elmira; five grandchildren. Funeral services will be conducted Tuesday, March 16, 1965, at 2 p.m. in McGAFFEY'S EUGENE MEMORIAL CHAPEL with Reverend Willette Jessee officiating. Concluding services in Lane Memorial Gardens.

Deming Rite Set Tuesday

A funeral service will be held in Eugene Tuesday for a longtime Lane County resident who died Thursday in Reno, Nev.

Charles Deming, a farmer in the Meadowview area south of Junction City until moving to Reno two years ago, died at the age of 82.

He was born in Independence July 30, 1882 and moved to the Elmira area with his parents a year later. Deming married Nonda Duckworth, who survives him, in 1905 at Eugene.

Survivors include; daughters, Mrs. Warren DeMaris, Stateline, Nev., Mr s. Leo Engler, Longview, Wash. and Mrs. Ernest Schauer, Reno, Nev.; a brother, Frank Deming, Elmira; a sister, Mrs. Ernest Duckworth, Elmira and five grandchildren. The funeral will be at 2 p.m. at McGaffey's Eugene Memorial Chapel with burial in Lane Memorial Gardens.

Lane Memorial Gardens, Eugene, Lane Co., Ore. - inscription:

Charles F. - Erminonda

1882-1965 - 1886-1972

----- DEMING

vi. *BELVA ANNA "ANNA" DEMING* was born on 7 Jan 1885 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon,
USA. She died on 16 May 1977 in Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She married
Calvin Ernst Duckworth, son of Joseph Lane Duckworth and Zilpha Arvilla "Arvilla"
Hale on 7 Oct 1908 in Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. He was born on 14 Nov
1879 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. He died on 22 Oct 1969 in Elmira, Lane
Co., Oregon, USA.

Belva Anna "Anna" Deming was buried in Lane Memorial Cem., Eugene, Lane Co.,
Ore..

Notes for Belva Anna "Anna" Deming:

Elmira Couple Hurt In Crash

*Mrs. C. E. Duckworth of Elmira, is in the Sacred Heart hospital with a fractured
pelvis and Mr. Duckworth suffered a broken rib as the result of a crash with a
Cascade Fast Freight Co. truck at Eighth and High streets Wednesday night.*

*Mr. Duckworth was driving west on Eighth and witnesses claimed he failed to stop
at High street. The truck, driven by Byron Chester Swan, of Pasadena, Cal., was
driving south on High.*

*The truck turned in an attempt to avoid the crash, but struck the Duckworth car on
the right door and front fender, pushing it over the southwest curb.*

*Mrs. Duckworth was taken to the hospital by the Arrow ambulance where X-rays
were taken. Mr. Duckworth was believed at first to be suffering only bruises and
shock, but was later discovered to have sustained a broken rib.*

*He was given a ticket for failing to stop and having no driver's license, the city police
report shows.*

The car was badly damaged and was towed to the garage.

2 Hurt, Driver Cited in Crash

*Mrs. C. E. Duckworth of Elmira was in the Sacred Heart Hospital this morning
suffering a possible fractured hip and her husband, who received painful back
injuries in an accident here last night was cited by police for failure to observe a
boulevard stop sign at East Eighth Avenue and High Street.*

*The Duckworth car, police said, collided with a huge Cascade Fast Freight truck
and trailer driven by Byron Swain of Pasadena, Calif. Their automobile was hurled
onto a sidewalk.*

*Patrolman Charles Lindsey arrested Duckworth at the hospital following the
accident. Swain was uninjured.*

West-Lane News, Veneta, Lane Co., Ore., July 14, 1971:

Birthday Party

Elmira - A birthday party was held for Mrs. Anna Duckworth on her 86th birthday

*Elmira - A birthday party was held for Mrs. Anna Duckworth on her 86th birthday
January 7. A group of neighbors and friends surprised her by appearing with a nice
birthday cake, coffee and punch. Mrs. Duckworth is thought to be the oldest
Pioneer still living in Elmira who was also born here.*

*Hostesses for the evening were Ida Fields, Mrs. Romona Smalley and Winnie
Theophenes. Miss Wanda Theophenes greeted the guests at the door and Miss*

Ramona Smalley had charge of the guest book.

The Early Days of the West-Lane Domain, pp 52,55:

This book is dedicated to all the pioneer families of the West-Lane domain especially to those who have been Grand Marshalls for the APPLGATE TRAIL DAYS parade since it's origin.

This part on Belva Anna Deming Duckworth was prepared by Euleta Deming Allison for the Applegate Trail Days Festival book on their wagon masters. - 1972

"Franklin Deming and Mary Emmaline O'Neil Deming were the parents of six children. The sixth one being our subject Belva Adda (sic) Deming who was born near Elmira, Oregon on Jan. 7, 1885 and still resides on the farm next to the one one which she was born. She was married to Calvin Ernest Duckworth in Eugene, Oregon on October 7, 1908.

After the grueling overland trek from Greene County, Kentucky, Isaac Newton Duckworth, age 25 and his wife Julia, age 21 and small daughter arrived on September 20, 1851 in the valley of the Long Tom River.

In 1852 he took a donation land claim of 640 acres and built the first log house in what is now Elmira. Some of the orchard trees he planted are still bearing fruit. He was appointed Postmaster on January 15, 1859 with the post office located in his home. It was called Duckworth Landing. He bought an sold land and at one time he owned 1,200 acres. He and his son Tommy subdivided 25 lots in the middle of Elmira. He donated land for the grade school and also land to the University of Oregon.

Isaac Duckworth had a fine tenor voice and Anna Duckworth remembers as a little girl hearing him sing, usually hymns, as he drove the cows home from pasture in the evening. Anna (Deming) was married to Ernst Duckworth, those father was Lane, son of Isaac.

Ernst, as a young man, drove stage for Bangs Livery Co. carrying mail and passengers between Eugene and Mapleton and also between Eugene and Foley Springs on the McKenzie River. He was road supervisor for Lane County for many years, serving until his retirement. In his lifetime he saw the roads transformed from almost impassable mud roads in the winter and deep dust in summer to super highways.

Mr. Duckworth died at his home less than a mile from the farm where he was born on October 22, 1969.

Ernest and Anna Duckworth were the parents of two daughters: Mrs. Larry (Midge) Woolley of Eugene and Mrs. Aloha Rice of Coos Bay, Oregon."

April 19, 1973:

Friends of Anna Duckworth will be glad to hear a little news of her. Mrs. Larry Woolley of Eugene, her daughter, called to say that Mrs. Duckworth has rented her place to Mr. and Mrs. Norlyn Reineke and she has gone to Coos Bay to make her home with the daughter, Mrs. Aloha Rice, there. Mrs. Duckworth has always been such a big part of the Elmira community that she will be missed by many folks. Mrs. Woolley said her mother would greatly appreciate cards and letters from her friends here. They will reach her if addressed to 475 Johnson Ave.

May 10, 1973:

Anna Duckworth is reported to be quite ill and is in Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene. Cards may be set in care of the hospital.

June 7, 1973:

Mrs. Anna Duckworth has been taken to the Eugene Good Samaritan Nursing Center at 3500 Hilyard St. Friends may send cards and letters to her there. Anna would also enjoy having visitors.

May 16, 1977:

Descendant of pioneers dead at 92

A funeral for Anna Duckworth, 92, granddaughter of an Oregon pioneer, will be Saturday.

Mrs. Duckworth, who lived in Lane County for 87 years, died Monday in the Good Samaritan Center in Eugene where she had been a resident the past four years.

Born on a farm northwest of Elmira on Deming Road that bears the name of her parents, Mrs. Duckworth lived most of her life in that area.

She was married in 1908 to Calvin Duckworth, and the couple lived for five years following their marriage on a homestead near Kent in Sherman County. They returned to Elmira and purchased a 200-acre farm adjoining her birthplace. Her husband died in 1969.

Mrs. Duckworth's grandfather, James O'Neil, sailed around the Horn with Nathaniel Wyeth of Boston in 1834. O'Neil helped from the Willamette Cattle Co. in 1836 and was part of a historic drive of 600 head of cattle from California. He also took part in the formation of the provisional government of Oregon at Champoeg in 1843 and later became a judge in the Yamhill District.

Mrs. Duckworth was a member of the Elmira Church of Christ, the Elmira Grange and the Rebekah Lodge.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Midge Woolley of Eugene and Mrs. Aloha Rice of Coos Bay.

The funeral will be at 10 a.m. Saturday in the Lounsbury-Musgrove Funeral Home chapel. Burial will be in Lane Memorial Gardens.

The family suggests that those who wish to do so donate to the Elmira Church of Christ in her memory.

West-Lane News, Veneta, Lane County, Oregon, May 19, 1977:

ANNA DUCKWORTH

Anna Duckworth who died Monday, May 16 in Eugene, lived 87 of her 92 years in Lane County. She was born Jan. 7, 1885 on a farm northwest of Elmira on Demming Road, which bears her parents' name.

She was married to Calvin Ernest Duckworth Oct. 7, 1908. They were married 61 years when he died October 22, 1969. Following their marriage they lived for five years on a homestead near Kent in Sherman County. After returning to the Willamette Valley they purchased a farm adjoining her birthplace.

She always loved children and for many years cared for several foster children in

her home. She was a member of the Elmira Church of Christ, and Rebekah Lodge and the Elmira Grange.

She is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Aloha Rice of Coos Bay, and Mrs. Midge Wooley (sic) of Eugene.

Her grandfather, James O'Neil came to Oregon in 1834 and assisted in forming the Willamette Cattle Company.

Funeral services will be Saturday, May 21 at 10 a.m. in the Lounsbury-Musgrove Funeral Chapel. Interment will follow in Lane Memorial Gardens. The family requests those who wish may donate to the Elmira Church of Christ in her memory.

DUCKWORTH - Anna Duckworth, of 3500 Hilyard Street, died May 16, 1977. She was born January 7, 21885, in Elmira, Oregon. She married Calvin Ernst Duckworth October 7, 1908. They had been married over 61 years at the time of his death. She was a member of the Elmira Church of Christ, Rebekah Lodge, and the Grange of Elmira. She is survived by her daughters, Mrs. Aloha Rice of Coos Bay and Mrs. Larry (Midge) Woolley of Eugene, seven grandchildren, and ten great-grandchildren. Funeral services will be held Saturday, May 21, at 10 a.m., in LOUNSBURY-MUSGROVE FUNERAL CHAPEL, Mr. Ken Harper officiating. Concluding services to follow in Lane Memorial Gardens. The family request those who wish may donate to the Elmira Church of Christ in her memory.

DUCKWORTH - Anna Duckworth of 3500 Hilyard Street. Funeral services will be held Saturday, May 21, 1977, at 10 a.m. in LOUNSBURY-MUSGROVE FUNERAL CHAPEL. Mr. Ken Harper officiating. Concluding services to follow in Lane Memorial Gardens. The family requests, those who wish may donate to the Elmira Church of Christ in her memory.

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:

Name: Duckworth, Belva Ann

County: Lane

Death Date: 16 May 1977

Certificate: 77-07346

Birth Date: - Jan 1885

West-Lane News, Veneta, Lane Co., Ore., Sep. 14, 1989:

RECOLLECTIONS

The Bridges Across Time by Helen Burton

The lady was gracious and soft-spoken as she ushered her visitor into the house for an interview in the 1970s.

She was Belva Anna Deming Duckworth, sixth child born to Franklin Fayette Deming and Mary Emmaline O'Neil Deming on January 7, 1885 near Elmira, Oregon. She was the granddaughter of James Anderson O'Neil, who was one of the Patriots that founded the Provisional Government for early day Oregon. Anna married Calvin Ernst Duckworth, who was a grandson of Isaac Newton Duckworth and his wife, Julia, the founders of Elmira in 1851. Except for a brief period of 5 or 6 years spend homesteading in eastern Oregon with her new

husband, Anna lived her entire life on the farm next to the one where she was born. These are Anna's recollections, and her story as told to the visitor.

"My childhood home was a log house with a huge fireplace, built of large rocks that had been taken out of a quarry on my uncle's place. Mother often did her cooking in a huge pot hanging inside the fireplace. Most times it was beans or a delicious stew in the iron kettle. We children loved to pop corn, or stretch out in front of the fire to eat apples after supper. One of my youthful tragedies was laying my doll down near the fire and going to get a drink of water. When I returned, my dollie's face had melted. I was heartbroken.

"I remember going to Fir Grove School, which was held only a few months each year. The teacher always boarded around with district families. We wrote on slates because paper was too expensive to be thrown away when the lesson was finished. "My father usually did the family shopping. It was necessary to drive a team and wagon into Eugene for the supplies that were needed. And father loved his horses. He was always gentle with them, never really pushing them to the extreme. Only once, he made them run hard, and that was to catch up with a neighbor who has driving the wagon ahead of us. The neighbor had put his pipe with some burning embers into his pocket. The spark caught his coat on fire and father saw the smoke so he rushed up to tell the man."

Anna remembered that ladies always rode their horses side-saddle. "To ride astride like a man would have been considered scandalous," she said. "But most of the ladies rode in a wagon, anyway."

Continuing her recollections, Anna said, "Mother would card and spin wool to knit our stockings with. And we wore dresses, homemade out of calico because it was the cheapest.

"Mother also made her own soap, so there was always an ash hopped to save the ashes in. In preparing to wash clothes, they were first boiled in a huge iron kettle outside, then transferred to a washtub and scrubbed on the washboard. After many years, gasoline powered wash-machines became available, and eventually, electricity brought the modern appliances. As the early years went by, the old-fashioned flat irons which the pioneer ladies used by heating them on top of the kitchen range, finally were replaced with gasoline fueled flat irons.

"Fourth of July celebrations were always a big community event. A bandstand decorated with red, white and blue bunting was built in the grove beside the Long Tom River in Elmira. There was music, speeches, foot races, and other competitions. But a highlight of the festivities was when the prettiest girl was chosen and given fifty cents as her prize.

"All the young women would wear a new white dress for the celebration. Once when rain threatened and the morning was chilly, most wore their heavier dresses, but my girlfriend and I couldn't resist the urge to wear our new white ones. Happily for us, the sun came out.

"Attending church was a regular part of our lives," Anna recalled, "Sunday church, prayer meetings and bible study, we went to them all. And there were many social events where we played such games as Miller Boy and Skip-to-my-Lou, singing something like in Quadrilles. There were dances that lasted 'till morning, midnight suppers, baseball games, picnics, and basket socials where the young beau would

Generation 2 (con't)

suppers, baseball games, raptives, (acnodn 'bta) sket socials where the young beau would

bid on his girl's brightly decorated supper basket and the chance to eat supper with her."

When Anna's first daughter was born, the doctor charged \$5.00 to deliver her, but six years later when the second daughter was born, he charged a \$25.00 delivery fee. "You see, we had inflation even in those times," Anna recalled smiling at her listener, "And most babies in rural area were born in the family home," she said.

"Travel was by horse and buggy and the roads were dusty in the summer months, then turned to muddy ruts in the wintertime. But finally there was the Ford Model T which some of us bought. Radio and television were far in the future for us."

About the time of World War I, when airplanes were just beginning to appear, Anna remembered how excited the people would get when they heard the whine of an engine overhead. "We would dash outdoors so's not to miss seeing it.

"We had no electricity on our farm until the Rural Electric Association was established, so water was carried in a pitcher from the pump on the back porch, and we heated it on the wood range. We took our baths in the kitchen in a wash tub.

Lights were furnished by kerosene lamps until we had the luxury of Aladdin lamps with their glowing mantle, instead of the flame from a burning wick. Coleman gasoline lanterns gave an abundance of light but were sometimes dangerous to light if the gasoline flared up.

"I remember one time at the lodge hall when the lantern was quickly pitched outside because it appeared threatening.

"With no central kind of heating, bedrooms got pretty cold in winter, so I would heat the flat iron, wrap it in newspaper, then put it in the bed as a foot warmer, especially for the girls."

Anna told of the family farm located on Deming Road where they raised livestock, butchering their own hogs which, without refrigeration, were canned in sausage, or smoked in hams and bacon. "Everybody in those days, had a smoke house of some sort. The lard was rendered to use in baking, and it made wonderful pies, cakes, cookies and many other good things.

"We grew a large garden, and with no irrigation, to maintain a good dust mulch, it required a lot of hoeing. I canned dozens of jars of fruit and vegetables each year. And we always picked the wild blackberries to can. I would put up over 100 quarts for pies. We sold cream, turning the separator by hand; also eggs, grain, lamb's wool, and calves. These were the money crops which made it possible to buy other commodities.

"We made our own cider and vinegar from apples on our trees. We churned our own butter in a tall churn with a wooden dasher that plunged up and down. This was a chore for our children."

When it came time to harvest the grain, the Duckworths together with Frank and Naomi Deming, and Charlie and Bernice Inman would operate a small threshing machine and harvest the grain on all three farms. "It was a hard life, I suppose, with none of the comforts that we now take for granted. But it was a happy life, too, with neighbor helping neighbor and that applies to the whole community. No one ever

locked his house even for a week's absence.
"Times have truly changed."

3. **NANCY ADALINE "NANNIE" O'NEIL** (Talitha C.1 Bowman) was born on 8 Feb 1856 in Dallas, Polk Co., Ore.. She died on 9 Aug 1931 in Edmonds, Snohomish Co., Wash.. She married Brier Brown Deming, son of Hiram Deming and Eleanor Weston on 2 Nov 1873 in Polk Co., Ore. at F. F. Deming home. He was born on 14 Sep 1850 in Syracuse, N. Y.. He died on 12 Dec 1926 in Edmonds, Snohomish Co., Wash.. Nancy Adaline "Nannie" O'Neil was buried in Crown Hill Cem., Seattle, Wash.. Brier Brown Deming was buried in Crown Hill Cem., Seattle, Wash..

Notes for Brier Brown Deming:

1880 Polk Co., Ore. Census, Independence Pct., taken 7 & 8 June 1880, p 9 [Ancestry.com,

Monmouth Pct., ED #106, Image 39]:

Deming, Ellen - age 71 - b. N. Y. - F born Scot. - M born Pa. - Dwelling #73 - Family #73", Brier - age 28 - son - Shoemaker - b. N. Y. - F born N. Y. - M born N. Y.

", Nannie - age 24 - Daug-in-law - Keeping house - b. Ore. - F born Ga. - M born Mo.

", Eva - age 3 - Grand-daug. - b. Ore. - F born N. Y. - M born Ore.

", _____ - age 5/12 - b. Nov. - Grand-daug. - b. Ore. - F born N. Y. - M born Ore.

Brier Brown Deming and Nancy Adaline "Nannie" O'Neil had the following children:

i. **ELLA EVALINE³ DEMING** was born on 20 Feb 1877 in Independence, Polk Co., Ore..

She died on 7 May 1933 in Seattle, King Co., Wash.. She married (1) **JAY C.**

STINGLEY on 6 May 1896 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She married (2)

CHARLES LEGATE in 1904 in Seattle, King Co., Wash..

Ella Evaline Deming was buried in Crown Hill Cem., Seattle, Wash..

ii. **ADALINE "ADDIE" ARLINE DEMING** was born on 28 Nov 1879 in Independence, Polk

Co., Ore.. She died on 13 Jul 1898 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She married

William Clayton Inman, son of William Clayton Inman and Sarah Jane Jeans on 5

Jan 1898 in Lane Co., Ore. at B. B. Deming home. He was born on 17 Dec 1877 in

Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. He died on 9 Aug 1953 in Eugene, Lane Co.,

Oregon, USA.

Adaline "Addie" Arline Deming was buried in Inman Cem., Elmira, Lane Co.,

Oregon, USA.

Notes for Adaline "Addie" Arline Deming:

"Addie" (Deming) Inman lost a baby that was buried with her in an orchid dress.

According to Itha (Deming) Hubbard, the baby was a boy. Her tombstone

incorrectly states her death year as 1897. She was not married until 1898 and died the same year.

IN TENDER MEMORY.

At her parents' residence near Elmira, Oregon surrounded by loving parents,

husband and other relatives, Mrs. Addie Arline Inman passed from this life into the great beyond, Wednesday, July 13, 1898. Addie, whose maiden name was Deming, was born Nov. 28, 1879, being only 18 years, 7 months and 15 days. She married to Mr. Clayton Inman, but was permitted to enjoy only for a few brief months the companionship of him whom she so dearly loved. It was sad to part months the companion of him whom she so dearly loved. It was sad to part from one so young, so kind, patient and loving, but these trials must come to all. The funeral services were largely attended and she was laid to rest in the Inman Cemetery.

" 'Tis hard to break the tender cord,
When love has bound the heart,
'Tis hard, so hard to speak the words,
'Must we forever part?'
Dearest loved one we have laid thee,
In the peaceful grave's embrace
But thy memory will be cherished
'Till we see thy heavenly face.
We miss thee from our home, dear
We miss thee from thy place.
A shadow o'er our life is cast,
We miss the sunshine of thy face.
We miss thy kind and willing hand,
Thy fond and earnest care,
Our home is dark without, thee,
We miss thee everywhere.
One by one earth's ties are broken,
As we see our love decay,
And the hope so fondly cherished,
Brightens but to pass away.
One by one our hopes grow brighter,
As we near the shining shore,
For we know across the river
Waits beloved one gone before.'
A FRIEND

Inman Cem., Elmira, Lane Co., Ore. - inscription:

Addie A. Inman

1879 - 1897

iii. VELMA VAUD DEMING was born on 17 Apr 1883 in Independence, Polk Co., Ore.. She died on 28 Mar 1908 in Seattle, Wash.. She married Walter Earl Haynes, son of Selah W. B. Haynes and Anna Richmond on 24 Aug 1902 in Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. He was born on 7 Mar 1884 in Pearley, Wisc.. He died on 29 Dec 1914 in Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Velma Vaud Deming was buried in Crown Hill Cem., Seattle, Wash..

iv. *MIRZA MARTHENA DEMING* was born on 22 Feb 1887 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She died on 12 Dec 1969 in Seattle, King Co., Wash.. She married (1) *CELDON FOSTER "FRED" MARTIN* on 1 Jul 1906 in Seattle, Wash.. He was born in May 1880 in Nova Scotia, Can.. He died in May 1935 in Sol Deer Hot Springs. She married (2) *AUGUST "GUST" GOETZ* in Stevenson, Wash.. He died in Seattle, King Co., Wash..
Mirza Marthena Deming was buried in Evergreen Cem., Seattle, King Co., Washington, USA.
Stephen Adelbert "Del" Matthews was buried in Ocean Park Cem., Ocean Park, Wash..

v. *JAMES HARRISON "BENNIE" DEMING* was born on 19 Jan 1890 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. He died on 15 Nov 1962 in Seattle, King Co., Wash.. He married *Florence Elvira Henriette Moench* in Jun 1916 in Seattle, King Co., Wash.. She was born on 12 May 1891 in Chicago, Cook Co., Ill.. She died on 19 Jan 1974 in nr. Silvan.
James Harrison "Bennie" Deming was buried in Washelli Columbarium, Seattle, Wash..

vi. *ITHA IRAM DEMING* was born on 2 Jul 1892 in Elmira, Lane Co., Oregon, USA. She died on 25 Feb 1993 in Seattle, King Co., Wash.. She married (1) *PETER DAVID FIRTH KIRKNESS* on 8 Jun 1911 in Seattle, King Co., Wash.. He was born on 30 Nov 1881 in Kirkwall, Orkney, Scot.. He died on 5 Oct 1951 in Seattle, King Co., Wash.. She married (2) *HARRY FAY HUBBARD* on 14 Jun 1958 in Seattle, King Co., Wash.. He was born on 9 Oct 1892 in Green Bay, Wisc.. He died on 29 Jul 1970 in Seattle, King Co., Wash..
Itha Iram Deming was buried in Evergreen Cem., Seattle, King Co., Washington, USA.

4. ***SARAH CAROLINE "SADIE" O'NEIL*** (Talitha C.1 Bowman) was born in 1858 in Dallas, Polk Co., Ore..

She died on 27 Apr 1926 in Portland, Multnomah Co., Ore..

Sarah Caroline "Sadie" O'Neil was buried in Hart Cem., nr Dallas, Polk Co., Ore..

Notes for *Sarah Caroline "Sadie" O'Neil*:

From *Euleta (Deming) Allison*:

Sarah Caroline O'Neil was, according to the stories handed down, the glamorous one of the O'Neil

sisters. She fell in love with a man that was a heavy drinker and felt that marriage would leave

something to be desired if she married him, and although she had many more opportunities she

remained single. As per these stories one of her customers, a Mr. Miller, at the barber shop in

Portland (she was one of Portland's first lady barbers) left his baby daughter, *Marvel Miller*, for

"Sadie" to care for until he returned. He never returned. The baby was born deaf and dumb, but "Aunt Sadie" cared for her all her remaining days. (I still remember them talking together on their hands. After she became grown, she was quite retarded also, during a heated argument between Aunt Sadie and Marvel about Marvel marrying, Marvel beat Aunt Sadie into unconsciousness and left her for dead. Grandmother Deming's notation "Marvel home Feb. 23, 1926: Sadie wrote her sister after Marvel was institutionalized for this deed. Marvel did marry William Richardson).
Sarah Caroline "Sadie" O'Neil had the following child:
i. MARVEL³ MILLER. She married WILLIAM RICHARDSON.

5. **ARTAMESSIA EVALINE "MITTIE" O'NEIL** (Talitha C.1 Bowman) was born on 2 Nov 1860 in Lewisville, Ore.. She died on 30 Apr 1940 in Ilwaco, Wash. at dau., Muriel Thomas home. She married Stephen Adelbert "Del" Matthews on 1 Jan 1880 in Polk Co., Ore.. He was born on 16 Jul 1852 in Edgecomb, Maine. He died on 26 Jul 1934 in Ocean Park, Wash..
Artamessia Evaline "Mittie" O'Neil was buried in Ocean Park Cem., Ocean Park, Wash..

Notes for Stephen Adelbert "Del" Matthews:
1880 Polk Co., Ore. Census, Bridgeport Pct., ED #106, taken 17 & 18 June 1880, p 28 [Ancestry.com, Monmouth Pct., ED #106, Image #28]:
Riggs, Green B. - age 44 - Farmer - b. Mo. - Dwelling #257 - Family #2 57
", Tallitha - age 43 - Wife - Keeping house - b. Ky.
", Marian - age 18 - Son - Works on farm - b. Wash. T. - F born Mo. - M born Ky.
", Arthur - age 9 - Son - b. Ore. - F born Mo. - M born Ky.
", ____ - age 11/30 - b. May - Son - b. Ore. - F born Mo. - M born Ky.
Mathews, Elbert - age 27 - Step-son - Farm laborer - b. Me. - F born Me. - M born Me.
", Artamissia - age 19 - Step-dau - b. Ore. - F born Ga. - M born Ky.
Stephen Adelbert "Del" Matthews and Artamessia Evaline "Mittie" O'Neil had the following children:

i. SEDGWICH ADELBERT³ MATTHEWS was born on 19 Feb 1881 in James A. O'Neil Gov. Land Grant Homesite, Polk Co., Ore.. He died on 22 Apr 1968 in Vallejo, Solono Co., Cal..

Notes for Sedgwich Adelbert Matthews:
From Euleta (Deming) Allison:
Sedgwich Matthews was born on the James Anderson O'Neil Government land grant home site. he graduated as a mining engineer at Pullman, Washington. He married a German woman first. They had no children. After she died, he remarried

while living in Vallejo, Cal.

California Death Index, 1940-1997:

Name: Sedgwick A Matthews

Social Security #: 543093397

Sex: MALE

Birth Date: 19 Feb 1881

Birthplace: Oregon

Death Date: 22 Apr 1968

Death Place: Solano

ii. VALVERDE ETHRIDGE "VAL" MATTHEWS was born on 18 May 1882 in James A. O'Neil

Gov. Land Grant Homesite, Polk Co., Ore.. He died on 7 Feb 1932 in Astoria, Clatsop Co., Ore.. He married Ada Brown on 25 Nov 1918 in Seattle, Wash.. She was born in Scot..

Valverde Ethridge "Val" Matthews was buried in Portland Crem., Portland, Multnomah Co., Ore..

Notes for Valverde Ethridge "Val" Matthews:

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:

Name: Matthews, Valved

County: Clatsop

Death Date: 7 Feb 1932

Certificate: 20

Spouse: Ada

Oregon Death Certificate:

Name: Matthews, Valved Ethridge

County of Death: Clatsop

Document #: 20

Birth date: 18 May 1882

Birth place: Polk Co., OR

Death date: 7 Feb 1932

Place of death: St. Mary's Hospital, Astoria, Clatsop Co., OR

Residence: Ocean Park, Washington

Marital status: Married

Spouse: Ada Matthews

Father: Stephen A. Matthews

Father's birth place: Maine

Mother: Arthemissi O'Neill

Mother's birth place: Oregon

Informant: Ada Matthew, Ocean Park, Washington

Funeral Home: E. B. Hughes Mortuary, Astoria, OR

Burial: Portland Crematorium

iii. MURIEL BEATRICE MATTHEWS was born on 15 Feb 1884 in James A. O'Neil Gov.

Land Grant Homesite, Polk Co., Ore.. She died on 25 Jul 1971 in Montgomery,

Ala.. She married ALBERT JOSEPH THOMAS. He was born in 1879 in St. Thomas,

Ontario, Canada. He died on 15 Sep 1968 in Ilwaco, Pacific Co., Wash..
Muriel Beatrice Matthews was buried in Ocean Park Cem., Ocean Park, Wash..
iv. ZHETLEY VESPER "ZIP" MATTHEWS was born on 10 Aug 1885 in James A. O'Neil
Gov.

Land Grant Homesite, Polk Co., Ore.. He died on 10 Jul 1955 in Daly City, San
Mateo Co., Cal.. He married ESTHER FRANCES [-?-]. She was born in Sweden. She
died in Portland, Multnomah Co., Ore..

Zhetley Vesper "Zip" Matthews was born on 10 Aug 1886.

Notes for Zhetley Vesper "Zip" Matthews:

After Zhetley Vesper "Zip" Matthews' first wife died, he remarried in Cal.

California Death Index, 1940-1997:

Name: Zhetley Vesper Matthews

Social Security #: 558185417

Sex: MALE

Birth Date: 10 Aug 1886

Birthplace: Oregon

Death Date: 10 Jul 1955

Death Place: San Mateo

Mother's Maiden Name: Oniell

FATHER'S SURNAME: Matthews

v. THRELLWOOD DEAN MATTHEWS was born on 5 Oct 1890 in Willipa, Wash. at
Grandparents Riggs. He died on 12 Nov 1956. He married MARTHA [-?-]. She was
Grandparents RiggsG. eHnee draietdio onn 2 1 (2c oNno'vt)1956. He married
MARTHA [-?-]. She was
born in Finland.

Threllwood Dean Matthews was buried in Ilwaco Cem., Ilwaco, Wash..

vi. THEDFORD LESTON MATTHEWS was born on 11 Nov 1896 in Ocean Park, Wash..
He

died on 15 Feb 1960 in Ilwaco, Wash.. He married LILLIAN C. NORMAN. She was
born on 1 Jan 1898 in Astoria, Clatsop Co., Ore.. She died on 1 Jan 1968 in Ocean
Park, Wash..

Thedford Leston Matthews was buried in Ocean Park Cem., Ocean Park, Wash..

Notes for Thedford Leston Matthews:

World War I Draft Registration Cards, 1917-1918:

Name: Thedford Leston Matthews

City: Not Stated

County: Kitsap

State: Washington

Birthplace: Washington

Birth Date: 11 Nov 1896

Roll: 1991652

Age: 21

Occupation:

Nearest Relative:

Height/Build: Medium/Medium

Color of Eyes/Hair: Brown/Brown
Signature:

6. MORRIS JONES² RIGGS (*Talitha C.1 Bowman*) was born on 20 May 1880 in Dallas, Polk Co., Ore..
He died on 21 Aug 1959 in Eugene, Lane Co., Ore. at Twilight Acres Nursing Home. He married Jenny Inez Black, daughter of Henry Black on 7 Mar 1903 in Menlo, Wash.. She was born on 4 Jun 1882 in Milton Freewater, Ore.. She died on 8 Nov 1969 in Lafayette, Yamhill Co., Ore.. Morris Jones Riggs was buried in Lane Memorial Gardens [Garden of Meditation], Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Notes for Morris Jones Riggs:
Lane Memorial Gardens, Eugene, Lane Co., Ore. - inscription:
Morris Jones - - - - - Jenny Inez
1880-1959 - Together - 1883-1969
- - - - - Forever
- - - - - RIGGS

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:
Name: Riggs, Morris J
County: Lane
Death Date: 21 Aug 1959
Certificate: 10287
Spouse: Jennie

Jenny Inez Black was buried in Lane Memorial Gardens [Garden of Meditation], Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Notes for Jenny Inez Black:
Lane Memorial Gardens, Eugene, Lane Co., Ore. - inscription:
Morris Jones - - - - - Jenny Inez
1880-1959 - Together - 1883-1969
- - - - - Forever
- - - - - RIGGS

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:
Name: Riggs, Jenni Ine
County: Yamhill
Death Date: 08 Nov 1969
Certificate: 17671
Age: 82
Spouse: Morris

Morris Jones Riggs and Jenny Inez Black had the following children:
i. HUGH B.3 RIGGS. He married Murlene Dresser on 16 Jun 1940 in Dexter, Lane Co.,

Ore..

ii. *MAGNOLIA JESSIE RIGGS* was born on 16 Jun 1907. She died on 6 Dec 1991 in Washington Co., Ore.. She married *ARTHUR M. WIRFS*. He died on 8 Jul 1966 in Douglas Co., Ore..

Magnolia Jessie Riggs was born on 16 Jun 1905.

Notes for Magnolia Jessie Riggs:

Oregon Death Index, 1903-1998:

Name: Wirfs, Magnolia Jessie

County: Washington

Death Date: 06 Dec 1991

Certificate: 91-23343

Spouse: Arthur

Birth Date: 16 Jun 1905

iii. *ROY D. RIGGS* was born on 18 Apr 1915. He died on 6 Jun 2000. He married *PATRICIA [-?-]*.

Roy D. Riggs was buried in *Lane Memorial Gardens [Garden of Meditation]*, Eugene, Lane Co., Oregon, USA.

Notes for Roy D. Riggs:

Lane Memorial Gardens, Eugene, Lane Co., Ore. - inscription:

Lois P. - - Roy D. Sr.

1926- - - 1915-2000

- - - Together

- - - Forever

- - - RIGGS

Social Security Death Index:

Name: Roy D. Riggs

SSN: 540-07-3783

Last Residence: 97424 Cottage Grove, Lane, Oregon, United States of America

Born: 18 Apr 1915

Died: 6 Jun 2000

State (Year) SSN issued: Oregon (Before 1951)

Prepared By:

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Preparer: Barbara J Herring

3. Nancy Jane Bowman

b. 11 Jun 1837 MO

d. 14 Mar 1898 Amity, Yamhill Co, OR

buried Amity Cemetery, Amity, Yamhill Co, OR

m1. 25 Nov 1852 Polk Co, OR [Polk Co Marriage Records 1849-1879 p.27] (div)

John O'Neal

- b.
- d.

m2. 30 Aug 1855 [Polk Co Marriage Records 1849-1879 p.9]

Hiram. B. Buffum

b. 20 Dec 1834 IL

d. 02 Jan 1900 Amity, Yamhill Co, OR
buried Amity Cemetery, Amity, Yamhill Co, OR

1850: Polk Co, OR, October 9, 1850; William Bowman, 50, farmer, NC; Sarah, 34, KY; Artemesia, 15, IN; Talitha, 14, IL; Nancy, 12, MO; William, 10, MO; Sarah A., 5, OR; Elisha, 1, OR

1860: Dayton, Yamhill Co, OR, July 31, 1860; Hiram Buffum, 27, farmer, \$300 \$500, IL; Nancy, 19, MO; Sarah, 4, OR; Dorcas, 3, OR

1870: Dallas, Polk Co, OR, August 4, 1870; H.B. Buffum, 37, farmer, \$0 \$500, IL; Nancy, 29, keeping house, MO; Sarah, 14, OR; Ann, 12, OR; Hiram, 10, OR; William, 8, OR; Stephen, 4, OR; Thomas, 3, OR

1880: Amity, Yamhill Co, OR, June 8, 1880; Hiram B. Buffum, 48, laborer, IL CT CT; Nancy, 42, keeping house, MO IA IL; Sarah, 24, dau, OR; Hiram, 20, son, OR; William, 17, son, OR; Stephen, 14, son, OR; Thomas, 12, son, OR; George, 10, son, OR; Husten, 6, son, OR; Katie, 1/12 (May), dau, OR

Children of Hiram Buffum and Nancy Jane Bowman:

i. Sarah Buffum

b. 1856 OR

d.

ii. Dorcas Ann Buffum

b. Aug 1857 OR

d. 18 Mar 1931 Tillamook Co, OR

m. Henry Withrow

buried Amity Cemetery, Amity, Yamhill Co, OR

iii. Hiram David Buffum

b. 06 Nov 1861 Yamhill Co, OR

d. 08 May 1948 Amity, Yamhill Co, OR
buried Amity Cemetery, Amity, Yamhill Co, OR

m1. Margarette E. Barks (1869-1909)

m2. 1910 Malissa Long

iv. William Henry Buffum
b. May 1864 OR
d. 23 Dec 1930 Tillamook Co, OR
buried Amity Cemetery, Amity, Yamhill Co, OR

v. Stephen W. Buffum
b. 1865 OR
d. 21 Oct 1938 Yamhill Co, OR
buried Amity Cemetery, Amity, Yamhill Co, OR

vi. Thomas Buffum
b. Jul 1867 OR
d.

vii. George Buffum
b. Oct 1869 OR
d.
buried Amity Cemetery, Amity, Yamhill Co, OR

viii. Huston Barney Buffum
b. May 1874 OR
d. 01 Feb 1952 Marion Co, OR
buried Hilltop Cemetery, Independence, Polk Co, OR

ix. Katie Buffum
b. May 1880 Amity, Yamhill Co, OR
d.

4. William Bowman Jr.
b. 18 Nov 1841 Nodaway Co, MO
d. 30 Sep 1882 Salt Creek, Polk Co, OR
buried Ball Cemetery, Ballston, Polk Co, OR

m. 08 Oct 1863 Polk Co, OR [Polk Co Marriage Records 1849-1879 p.25]
Mary Jane Ball
b. 19 May 1845 St. Charles, MO
d. 22 Feb 1919 Dallas, Polk Co, OR
m2. 30 Nov 1887 Polk Co, OR to Henry Black

1850: Polk Co, OR, October 9, 1850; William Bowman, 50, farmer, NC; Sarah, 34, KY;
Artemesia, 15, IN; Talitha, 14, IL; Nancy, 12, MO; William, 10, MO; Sarah A., 5, OR;
Elisha, 1, OR

1860: Soap Creek, Benton Co, OR, July 6, 1860; David D. Davis, 54, stock raiser, \$2200 \$2206, PA; Sarah A. 47, KY; William Bowman, 16, farm laborer, MO; Sarah A. Bowman, 13, OR; Hannah Davis, 6, OR; Mary J. Davis, 3, OR; Masach Davis, 22, wagon maker, \$900 \$400, IN; Thomas N. Davis, 21, carpenter, \$0 \$100, IA; William Davis, 14, IA

1880: Dallas, Polk Co, OR, June 7, 1880; Wm Bowman, 38, farmer, MO MO MO; Mary J., 35, wife, keeping house, MO Eng MO; Bernard, 15, son, at school, OR; Abbey, 13, dau, at school, OR; David, 9, son, at school, OR; Drucilla, 8, dau, at school, OR; Bernice, 5, dau, at school, OR; Rodney, 2, son, OR

Children of William Bowman Jr and Mary Ball:

i. William Bernard Bowman

b. 1864 OR

d. 1917 Polk Co, OR

buried Ball Cemetery, Ballston, Polk Co, OR

m. Mary Jane Campbell

ii. Abigail Lovina Bowman

b. 19 Jun 1866 Salt Creek, Polk Co, OR

d. 04 Sep 1924 Perrydale, Polk Co, OR

buried Ball Cemetery, Ballston, Polk Co, OR

m. Glen Burnett Zumwalt

iii. Letitia Angela Bowman

b. 1868 Salt Creek, Polk Co, OR

d. 06 Apr 1874 Salt Creek, Polk Co, OR

buried Ball Cemetery, Ballston, Polk Co, OR

iv. David D. Bowman

b. 08 Nov 1870 Salt Creek, Polk Co, OR

d. 10 Dec 1951 Ballston, Polk Co, OR

buried Ball Cemetery, Ballston, Polk Co, OR

m. Lillian C. Berry

v. Sarah Drucilla Bowman

b. 06 Jun 1872 Salt Creek, Polk Co, OR

d. 09 Dec 1943 The Dalles, Wasco Co, OR

m. Tecumseh Sherman Coffey

vi. Bernice Olive Bowman

b. 07 Apr 1875 Salt Creek, Polk Co, OR

d. 20 Jan 1917 OR
buried Ball Cemetery, Ballston, Polk Co, OR
m1. Mr. McDougal
m2. Bert Brooks

vii. Jackson Rodney Bowman
b. 1878 Salt Creek, Polk Co, OR
d. 25 Sep 1949 Ballston, Polk Co, OR
buried Green Crest Memorial Park, Sheridan, Yamhill Co, OR

viii. Thomas Isaac Bowman
b. 21 Dec 1880 Salt Creek, Polk Co, OR
d. 15 Jan 1958 Salem, Marion Co, OR
buried Dallas Cemetery, Dallas, Polk Co, OR

5. Sarah Ann Bowman
b. May 1847 OR
d. 27 Feb 1911 Bellingham, Whatcom Co, WA
buried Bayview Cemetery, Bellingham, Whatcom Co, WA

m. 21 Feb 1864 at house of James A. O'Neil
[Polk Co Marriage Records 1849-1879 p.27]
Thomas Moran
b. Dec 1844 Ireland
d. 01 Sep 1916 Bellingham, Whatcom Co, WA
buried Bayview Cemetery, Bellingham, Whatcom Co, WA
s/o Thomas Moran

1850: Polk Co, OR, October 9, 1850; William Bowman, 50, farmer, NC; Sarah, 34, KY;
Artemesia, 15, IN; Talitha, 14, IL; Nancy, 12, MO; William, 10, MO; Sarah A., 5, OR;
Elisha, 1, OR

1860: Soap Creek, Benton Co, OR, July 6, 1860; David D. Davis, 54, stock raiser, \$2200
\$2206, PA; Sarah A. 47, KY; William Bowman, 16, farm laborer, MO; Sarah A.
Bowman, 13, OR; Hannah Davis, 6, OR; Mary J. Davis, 3, OR; Masach Davis, 22,
wagon maker, \$900 \$400, IN; Thomas N. Davis, 21, carpenter, \$0 \$100, IA; William
Davis, 14, IA

1870: Monmouth, Polk Co, OR, June 18, 1870; Thomas Moran, 25, farmer, \$640 \$250,
MO; Sarah, 23, keeping house, OR; Wm, 5, OR; James, 3, OR

1880: Centerville, Umatilla Co, OR, June 15 & 17, 1880; Thos. Muran, 37, farm laborer,
Ire Ire Ire; Sarah, 33, wife, keeping house, OR IA IA; Wm. T., 15, son, OR; Jas. H, 13,

son, OR; Robt A., 10, son, OR; Elijah L., 8, son, OR; Fannie, 6, dau, OR; Henry, 28/30
May, OR

1900: New Whatcom, Whatcom Co, WA, June 18 & 19, 1900; Thomas Moran, head,
Dec 1844, 55, m-36yrs, Ire Ire Ire, emigrated 1846, nat 1854, road contractor; Sarah A.,
wife, May 1847, 53, m-36yrs, 6-6, OR unk unk; Richard, son, Jan 1865, 35, s, OR, day
laborer; James, son, Sep 1866, 33, s, OR, day laborer; Robert A., son, Jan 1869, 31, s,
OR, day laborer; Elijah L., son, Oct 1870, 29, s, OR, day laborer; Samuel, son, Jun 1879,
20, s, OR, day laborer

1910: Bellingham, Whatcom Co, WA, April 18, 1910; Thomas Moran, head, 60, m1-
40yrs, NY Ire Ire, janitor-hall; Sarah A., wife, 62, m1-40yrs, 6-4, OR MO MO

Children of Thomas Moran and Sarah Bowman:

i. William T. Moran [1900 census says Richard?]

b. Jan 1865 OR

d.

ii. James H. Moran

b. Sep 1866 OR

d. 12 Feb 1904 Whatcom Co, WA

buried Bayview Cemetery, Bellingham, Whatcom Co, WA

iii. Robert A. Moran

b. Jan 1869 OR

d.

iv. Elijah L. Moran

b. Oct 1870 OR

d.

v. Fannie Moran

b. 1874 OR

d.

vi. Samuel Henry Moran

b. May 1880

d. 04 May 1905

buried Bayview Cemetery, Bellingham, Whatcom Co, WA

6. Elisha Bowman

b. 1849 Polk Co, OR

d. bef 1860 Polk Co, OR

1850: Polk Co, OR, October 9, 1850; William Bowman, 50, farmer, NC; Sarah, 34, KY; Artemesia, 15, IN; Talitha, 14, IL; Nancy, 12, MO; William, 10, MO; Sarah A., 5, OR; Elisha, 1, OR