Leland Post Office

Leland Postmasters¹

More Information

Leland Post Office (Leland - Fort Leland - Grave - Grave Creek - Sunny Valley): 1855 - 1954 First post master was McDonough Harkness.

The following information is from the August 20, 1856 application for name change to the Leland Post Office (National Archives).

• It is proposed that the name of the Post Office now called Leland to changed to that of Fort Leland.



- It will be on route No. 12721, being the route from Canyonville to Yreka, Cal.
- On which the mail is now carried one time per week. The contractors name is John M. Forrest.
- It will be directly on this route, this is the only route through the section of country.

Leland Postmasters: 1855 - 1892

McDonough Harkness	March 28, 1855
James Twogood	November 3, 1856
Samuel Harkness	December 22, 1863
Homer D. Harkness	March 28, 1877
Hulda A. Gupton	January 16, 1884
Homer D. Harkness	March 13, 1888
Samuel B. Pettengill	September 7, 1889

^{1.} Mcland, Larry L. 1995. First There Was Twogood. Sexton Enterprises. Sunny Valley, OR.

Fort Leland Postmaster: 1856

James Twogood August 10, 1856

Name change back to Leland unknown, but before December 5, 1867.

Leland Postmaster: 1892

Leland post office moved to new location at Leland railroad station December 15, 1892.

Mr. H. Dood December 15, 1892

Grave Postmaster: 1892

Post office re-established under name of Grave, formerly known as Leland.

Samuel B. Pettengill July 24, 1894

Post office discontinued October 31, 1913, and moved to the new Leland site at railroad depot.

Grave Creek Postmasters: 1928 - 1945

Post office re-established under the name of Grave Creek, Oregon, formerly Grave, Oregon, formerly Leland, Oregon.

Nora Dunham March 31, 1928 Lillian Moorehead January 23, 1931 Ruth B. Ellis May 20, 1944 Nellie F. Dyke November 19, 1944 Sunny Valley Postmasters: 1945 - 1965

Grave Creek Post Office name changed to Sunny Valley Post Office effective May 1, 1945.

Nellie F. Dyke May 1, 1945

June H. Kessler December 4, 1945

Freda F. Criteser July 1, 1947

Grace Robbins June 25, 1954

Sunny Valley Sub-Station: 1965 - 1974

Upon the death of Grace Robbins the U.S. Postal Service elected to create a sub-station of the Sunny Valley office and it operated out of the Wolf Creek office from March 12, 1965, until it was discontinued in January 1, 1974.

It was housed in various stores over the eight years it was a sub-station. It was located in the Mt. Sexton Trading Post and Café under the management of Larry L. and Dariel F. McLane the last year it was in operation in Sunny Valley.

More Information. Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood* if you are interested in becoming involved in the history of our area.

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The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote the social welfare of the citizens of the area by working to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and by preserving, protecting, and enhancing the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors.

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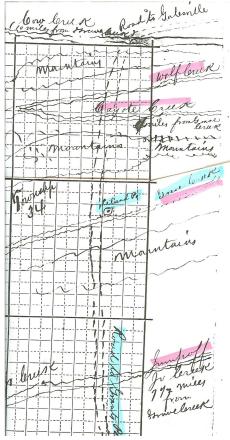
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