

Appendix D. Historical Documents

Appendix D-1. Newspaper Articles

The newspaper articles listed are applicable in some way to the Historical Neely Cemetery and/or the Historical Trimble Cemetery. They are not in any order except the order received by the Hugo Graves Team.

1. Article #: Appendix D1-1
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4. Article #: Appendix D1-4
Article Title: *Neely Lad of 12 At Time of Journey*
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Peak to Bear Pioneer Name

WASHINGTON, Aug. 16 (AP) The name of an early Oregon settler has been given to a mountain on the Siuslaw river. Mt. Neely, a peak of 1677 feet at a bend of the river west of Mapleton, Lane county, was named for William Wallace Neely, whose homestead was nearby.

This was one of a half dozen officially approved geographical names announced for Oregon in a recent publication of the National Board for Geographic Names.

Others are:

Bear lake, formerly Mud lake, at the headwaters of Lindsey creek in Hood River county.

Lindsey creek, about three miles long, heading in Bear lake and flowing into the Columbia river in Hood River county.

Warren creek, about three miles long, heading in Warren lake and flowing to the Columbia in Hood River county; Warren lake, at the headwaters of Warren creek. These have been known as Warm lake and creek.

Article D1.1.

Peak to Bear Pioneer Name

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Article Title: *Funeral Services For W. W. Neely*

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MAPLETON, Nov. 19.—(Special) —Funeral services for W. W. Neely, Siuslaw pioneer, were held Monday afternoon at 2 o'clock in the church with Rev. J. K. Wishart officiating. Miller and Son, Junction City, undertakers, had charge of the funeral. Music during the services was furnished by Mrs. A. O. Knowles, Mary and Odessa Knowles. The Maple Oddfellows lodge No. 139 conducted the service at the graveside. Lyon Wheeler acted as Noble Grand and Gordon Camp acted as chaplain. Mr. Neely was an Oddfellow of long standing. The six pallbearers who were grandsons of Mr. Neely were Horace Neely, Bill Beck, Glenn Piel, Leland Neely, Ralph Christensen and Gus Christensen. People from all over Lane county and Oregon came to pay their last respects to Mr. Neely, who was honored and loved by all who knew him.

William Wallace Neely was born December 22, 1842 in Cedar county, Missouri. At the age of 11 he crossed the plains to Oregon and has resided in this state ever since. He married Elizabeth Fountain, October 26, 1871 at Walterville, Oregon, and to this couple nine children were born. Those now living are Thomas J. Neely, Mary Christensen, Luella Piel and Irma Beck. Mr. Neely lived on the Siuslaw for 52 years. He died November 16, 1935 at the age of 92 years, 10 months, 24 days.

When Mr. and Mrs. Neely came there were very few white families here. They have been active in "buildin' up the country." When he was 83, Mr. Neely was "Old-time Fiddling Champion" of the state. His fiddling will always be recalled with pleasure by his many friends and relatives. He had been ill for about 10 days. The end came peacefully at 10:30 Saturday night. Mr. Neely lived a long and useful life and the esteem in which he was held was shown by the many beautiful flowers that were sent to his funeral.

Article D1-2.

Funeral Services For W. W. Neely

July 25, 1934

NEELY LAD OF 12 AT TIME OF JOURNEY

The Neely family left Missouri April 20, 1854. Here is William W. Neely's description of the trip: He was a lad of 12.

"Our train consisted of four wagons drawn by oxen, until we reached the Platte river, when 12 wagons from Illinois joined us. We were together until we reached Salmon Falls on the Snake river, when the Illinois wagons crossed the river and went via Fort Boise into the Oregon country.

"Our train went via Soda Springs and crossed the mountains over the Coast Fork route and arrived in Eugene November 20, 1854, after seven months on the road. We had no trouble of any consequence with the Indians, with the exception that they took one cow from our train and we got one Indian.

"An epidemic played havoc with our work cattle and our train lost every one of its oxen. From time to time we had to fill in from our band of loose cattle, and we were forced to abandon our wagon with most of our belongings. Our family arrived in Eugene with one cow. My father settled 10 miles west of Eugene in the spring of '55. My early manhood was spent mostly in the mines. I married Miss Elizabeth Fountain at Walterville October 26, 1871, and resided on a ranch 20 miles west of Eugene on the Long Tom river until the fall of 1873 when we moved to 12 miles north-west of Grants Pass. We remained there until the fall of 1883 when we removed to Head of Tide on the Siuslaw river, and have resided here ever since."

1850

Article D1-4.

Neely Lad of 12 At Time Of Journey

OLDEST SETTLER OF SIUSLAW DIES

MAPLETON, Nov. 18.—(Special) —William W. Neely, 93, the oldest settler of the Siuslaw river district, died Saturday night at 10:30 o'clock at his home near here.

Mr. Neely came to the Siuslaw river 54 years ago. There were no roads in the vicinity at that time, and he journeyed there with his family on horseback, carrying his household supplies by packhorses over the winding mountain trails. He has lived continuously in and around Mapleton since his arrival in 1881.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth, and four children, T. J. Neely, Mrs. Chris Beck, and Mrs. Fred Peil, all of Mapleton, and Mrs. Ludwick Christensen of Bandon.

Mr. Neely was a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows lodges.

Funeral services were held at Mapleton Monday at 2 p. m. The Miller Funeral home, Junction City, was in charge.

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