CFR 0876

Robert Spike

CFR0876 UMATILLA CTY Recd 4/30/93 Ack 5/10/93

APPLICATION FOR CENTURY FARM HONORS

Deadline for Filing Application - May 1, 1993

(Please type or print) Telephone #: Redacted for Privacy

Your Name (Mr., Mrs., Ms., Miss) Robert Spike

Your Address Redacted for Privacy
Street, Route or Box # City Zip Code

Location of Farm Redacted for Privacy

To qualify as a Century Farm, a farm must have no fewer than 10 acres with a gross income from farm use of not less than $500 per year for three out of the five years immediately preceding application for Century Farm honors.
Does your farm meet this qualification? yes

Name of family member who was founder or original owner of farm: John and Elvira Teel

Founder gained ownership of farm in (Year) 1871-1881
(ATTACH VERIFYING DOCUMENTATION, See Rule 9).

Founder came to Oregon from Fort Scott Kansas

Who farms the land today? Robert Spike

Relationship to original owner Grandson

Are any of the original buildings still in use? no
If yes, which ones?
If you know crops or livestock raised on farm one hundred years ago, please list: cattle

What do you raise on the farm today? cattle, wheat, alfalfa hay

How many generations live on the farm today? 3

Please list names: Robert & Suzanne Spike; Jeff & Cindy Spike & their three children: Brian, Casey & Krista
Do you declare that the statements made above are accurate and correct to the best of your knowledge? yes

Robert Spike
Signature of Owner

Please return forms to: Century Farm Program
Oregon Historical Society
1200 S. W. Park Avenue
Portland, OR 97205-2483

STATEMENT FORM

I, Robert Spike,
(Print Full Name)

hereby affirm and declare that the farm which I own at
Redacted for Privacy,
(Full ADdress)

in Umatilla County,

shall have been owned by my family as specified in Rule 2 of the RULES FOR 1993 CENTURY FARM PROGRAM for at least one hundred years by no later than December 31, 1993.

Robert Spike
Signature

- - - - - - Acknowledgement (for use of Notary Public) - - - - - - - - - -

STATE OF OREGON

County of Umatilla

BE IT REMEMBERED, That on this 28th day of April, 1993, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County and State, personally appeared the within named

Robert Spike

known to me to be the identical individual described in and who executed the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he executed the same freely and voluntarily.

In Testimony Whereof, I have set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year last above written.

OFFICIAL SEAL
SHARON K. KELLY
NOTARY PUBLIC - OREGON
COMMISSION NO. 021538
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES MAR. 10, 1997

Sharon K. Kelly
Notary Public for Oregon

Commission Expires 3-10-97

ABSTRACT OF TITLE

—TO—

The SE¼ of SE¼ of Sec. 17 & S½ of SW¼ & SW¼ of SE¼ of Sec 16 Tp. 3 N R. 29 E.W.M.
in Umatilla County, Oregon
Containing 160 Acres.

ABSTRACTER'S FINAL CERTIFICATE.

....., of .....
County of ..... } ss.

.....hereby certify that the within abstract shows all conveyances and other instruments of writing affecting the title to the real estate described in above caption thereto; that all prior liens and encumbrances of any nature whatsoever have been fully satisfied, leaving as a first lien on said premises a certain mortgage given to the Jarvis-Conklin Mortgage Trust Company for $ .....which said mortgage was filed for record .....18....., at .....o'clock.....M. of said day, and duly recorded in Book .....of.....at page .....of said record.

Witness .....hand and.....seal this day of.....18.....,
at .....o'clock.....M.

.....

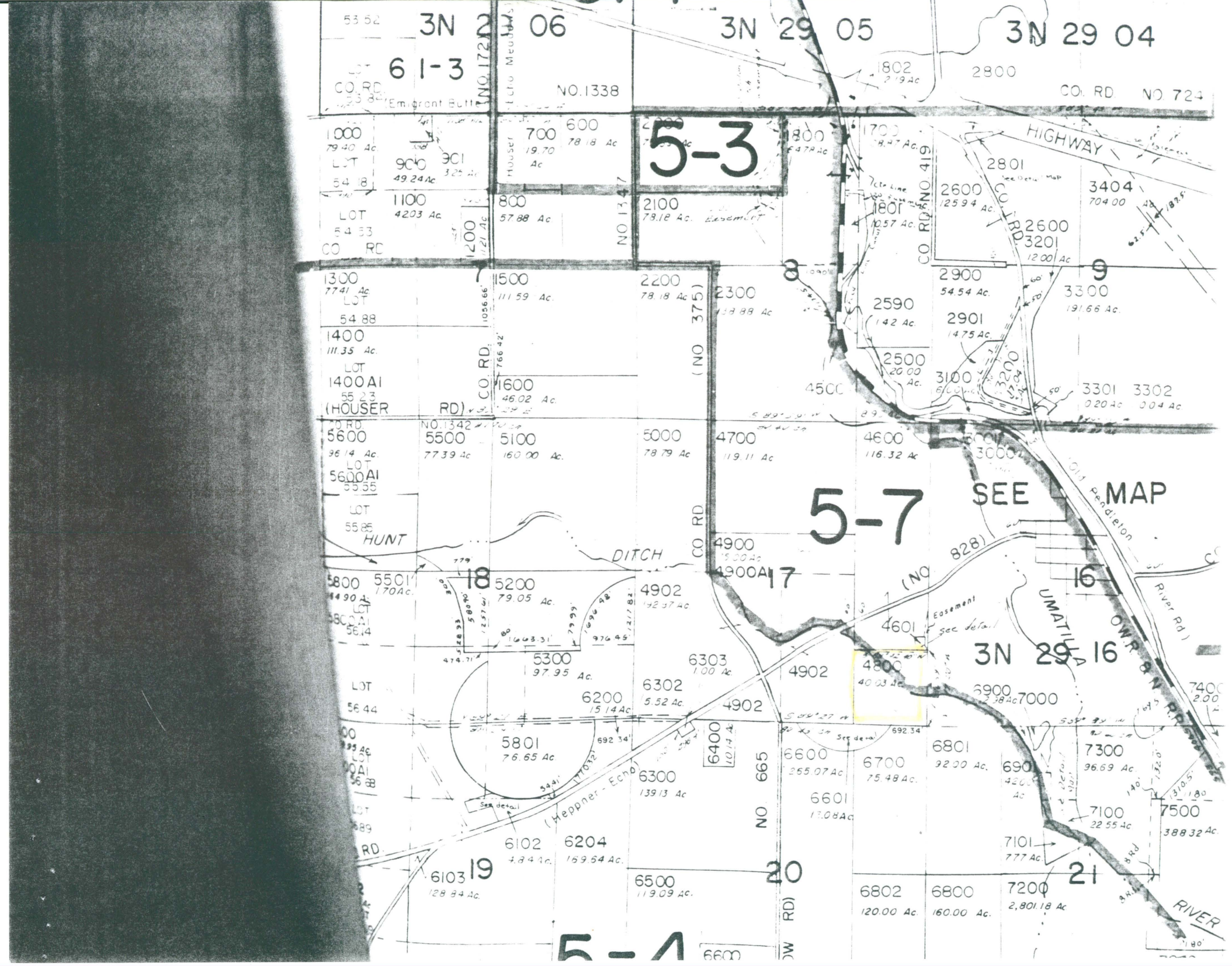
State Deed.

State of Oregon
-To-
J. J. Baumgardner

Executed Dec. 19th 1870
Filed Jan. 3d 1871
Consideration $160.00
Recorded Book A. of Deeds, Page 712

Description of Land:-
The S.W¼ SE¼ & SE¼ SW¼ Sec. 16. Tp. 8 N.R. 29 E.W.M.
Containing 80 Acres

Signed:-
"L.F. Grover, Governa
S.F. Chadwick, Secy
L. Fleischner, Treas"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HUNT
DITCH
(HOUSER RD)
(Heppner - Echo)
UMATILLA
RIVER
Old Pendleton
River Rd)
O.W.R.&N. R.R.
Easement
see detail
1000 79.40 Ac. LOT 54.18
900 49.24 Ac.
901 3.25 Ac.
700 19.70 Ac.
600 78.18 Ac.
1100 42.03 Ac.
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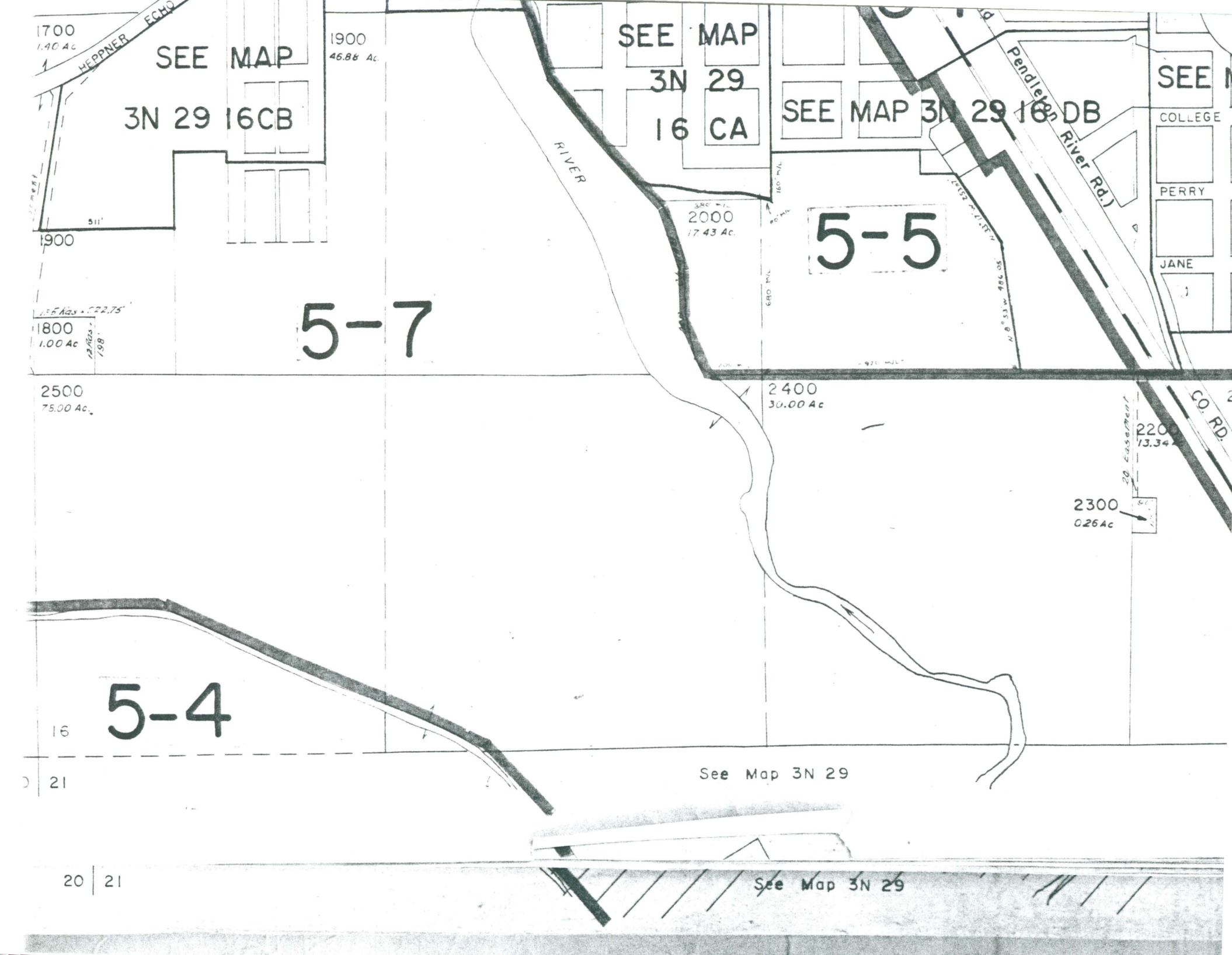
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Final Receiver Duplicate Receipt No. 1456

United States

-To-

Elvira Teel

Executed June 14th 1883 By Geo. C. Curry, Receiver
Filed Nov. 18th 1889 at 2 P.M.
Consideration $80.00
Recorded Book X of Deeds, Page 351

Description of Land:-

The SE¼ of SE¼ of Sec 17 in Tp 3 N R. 29 E.W.M
Containing 40 Acres.

Warranty Deed.

John Teel
-To-
Elvira Teel

Executed Jan. 9th 1880
Acknowledged Jan. 9th 1880 Before G.W. Walker a Notary Public for Logan
Filed Mch 1st 1880
Consideration $1.00
Recorded Book E. of Deeds, Page 91

Description of Lands:-
The S½ of SW¼ Sec. 16 Tp. 3 N R. 29 E. W.M. &
SW¼ of SE¼ Sec. 16 Tp. 3 N R. 29 E W M.

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Quitclaim Deed

J. J. Baumgardner Et
M. M. Baumgardner, his Wife
- To -
Thomas Robbins

Executed Nov. 15th 1871
Acknowledged Nov 15th 1871 Before N. C. Paige a Notary Public for Oregon
Filed March 30th 1872
Consideration $1.00
Recorded Book B. of Deeds, Page 156

Description of Land:-
Commencing at a point 80 Rods East from the SW¼ of Sec. 16 Tp. 3 N R. 29 E W M - Thence Running North 20 66/100 Rods Thence East 160 Rods Thence South 20 66/100 Rods Thence West 160 Rods to the place of beginning.

U. S. Revenue Stamps 50¢ Cancelled

J. J. Bumgardner Et U

M. M. Bumgardner, his Wife

- To -

John Teel.

Executed Nov. 15th 1871

Acknowledged Nov. 15th 1871 Before N. C. Paige, a Notary Public for Oregon.

Filed Jan. 10th 1872

Consideration $1.00

Recorded Book B. of Deeds Page 118

Description of Land:-

Commencing at a point being the N.W. Corner of the land of Thomas Robbins Et 20 66/100 Rods North of the South line of Sec. 16 Tp. 3 N R. 29 E.W.M. Running thence East 160 Rods Thence North 59 34/100 Rods Thence West 160 Rods Thence South 59 34/100 Rods to place of Beginning Et Situated in said Sec. 16

Warranty Deed.

John Schirtz

-To-

John Teel

Executed June 2d 1879

Acknowledged June 2d 1879 Before Jas. N. Moritz a Justice of the Peace for Umatilla Co., Oregon

Filed Jan. 11th 1881

Consideration $150.00

Recorded Book E. of Deeds Page 839

Description of Land:-

Commencing at the S.E. Corner of the SE¼ of S. 20¼ of Sec 16 Tp. 3 N R. 29 E.W.M. Running thence North 20 66/100 Rods Thence East 160 Rods Thence South 20 66/100 Rods Thence West 160 Rods to beginning. Containing 20 66/100 Acres

No Seal to Signature of Grantor.

Nancy J. McCoy is John Teel's daughter Nancy J. Teel McCoy

Warranty Deed.

Allen P. McCoy Et
Nancy J. McCoy
-To-
John Teel.

Executed July 19th 1873
Acknowledged July 19th 1873 Before Geo. A. Liden a Notary Public for Oregon
Filed Sept. 1st 1873
Consideration $400.00
Recorded Book B. of Deeds Page 474

Description of Land:-
The SW¼ SW¼ of Sec. 16 in Tp. 8 N R. 29 E. W. M.
Containing 40 Acres

"No Scroll around Seals"
Signed:-
"A. P. McCoy
N. J. McCoy"

Quitclaim Deed

Thomas Robbins & Eliza
Ellen Robbins, his Wife
-To-
Mrs. Elvira Teel

Executed Dec. — 1881
Acknowledged Dec. 3d 1881 Before L. B. Cox a Notary Public for Oregon.
Filed Dec. 5th 1881
Consideration $1.00
Recorded Book G. of Deeds, Page 487

Description of Land:-
Commencing at the S.W. Corner of the SE¼ SW¼ of Sec. 16 Tp. 3 N R. 29 E.W.M. Running thence North 20 66/100 Rods Thence East 160 Rods Thence South 20 66/100 Rods Thence West 160 Rods to place of Beginning Containing 20 66/100 Acres

Grantors description

State Deed.

State of Oregon
-To-
C. P. McCoy.

Executed Sept. 26th 1871
Filed Sept. 22d 1874
Consideration $50.00
Recorded Book B. of Deeds, Page 684

Description of Land:-
The SE¼ SW¼ Sec. 16 Tp. 3 N. R. 29 E. W. M.
Containing 40 Acres.

Signed:-
" L. F. Grover, Governor.
S. F. Chadwick, Secty.
L. Fleischner, Treasurer"

No. _____

ABSTRACT OF TITLE

OF THE FOLLOWING REAL ESTATE:

The S½ of SE¼ Sec 17 & S½ SW¼ & SW¼ SE¼ Sec 16 All in Tp. 3 N R. 29 East W M. In Umatilla County, Oregon Containing 160 Acres

OWNER

Elvira Teel

COMPILED FOR

THE JARVIS-CONKLIN MORTGAGE TRUST COMPANY

of Kansas City and New York.

PACIFIC DEPARTMENT

PORTLAND, - OREGON.

mother of our subject died, in October, 1906. The two children of her second marriage are Mrs. A. A. Deally, of Baker, and Abra May, now deceased.

John M. Laidy remained with his mother during the various removals until the family home was established in Baker. He has since resided in this city, living at No. 2805 Washington avenue. In addition to this property he owns one hundred and sixty acres of land twelve miles east of Baker and his ranching interests bring to him a substantial financial return. He owns a half interest in the Intermountain mine, which is a well developed quartz property, from which has been taken a considerable amount of gold. Mr. Laidy also owns a business block in Baker and a number of dwellings which he rents, his realty possessions contributing largely to his annual income.

On the 20th of May, 1890, Mr. Laidy was married in Pendleton, Oregon, to Miss Ella R. Grey, who was born in Bentonville, Arkansas, November 25, 1858. On coming to the coast she first lived in California and afterward made her way to Oregon. Mr. Laidy belongs to the Woodmen of the World, but has never cared to figure prominently in political or fraternal connections. He and his wife have gained many friends during their residence in Baker and he well deserves mention in this volume as one of the honored pioneer settlers of the state within the borders of which he has now lived for almost fifty-eight years. Time and man have wrought many changes during this period and in almost any section of the state may now be seen the advantages of a progressive civilization. There is comparatively little unclaimed and undeveloped land and the efforts of such men as Mr. Laidy have brought about the present-day progress and prosperity.

ELMER SMITH SPIKE is the owner of a beautiful ranch of one hundred and twenty acres located near Echo, Umatilla county, in this state. He is one of the practical and successful dealers in stock, his business being confined largely to the purchase of cattle which he feeds on his ranch for the market. He was born in Yates county, New York, February 15, 1872, and is a son of Frank and Martha E. (Rackham) Spike, both of whom are natives of the Empire state, in which they were united in marriage and where Mr. Spike followed the occupation of a farmer. In 1885 he moved with his family to Oregon, locating on Hay creek, Crook county. He, however, remained here but a very short time when he removed to Echo and established his residence and here he has since continued to reside.

Elmer Smith Spike was reared in his father's home and received his early education in the common schools. At the age of twenty years he started on his career, engaging at that time in the cattle business, using for his pasture lands the open public range. Here he continued to devote his entire attention to this industry until the closing of the public lands, since which time he has transferred his entire stock interests to his ranch adjoining the city of Echo. For sometime he was engaged in the butchering business in Echo, but has recently discontinued this business and is now confining his attention entirely to the buying, feeding and selling of sheep and cattle.

Mr. Spike was united in marriage to Miss Millie Teel, November 28, 1899. She is the daughter of Dr. John Teel, one of the pioneer physicians of Umatilla county, for a sketch of whom the reader is referred to another part of this work. To the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spike five children have been born, of whom four are still living, namely, Frances, Eleanor, Mildred and John. Mr. Spike maintains an independent attitude on all political matters, paying attention to the character of the man and the nature of the political issue rather than to observe an iron-clad fidelity to a political organization. He is a member of the present town council of Echo, and a member of the Overland Lodge, No. 23, Independent Order of Odd Fellows, and a member of Meadows Tent Lodge, No. 79, K. O. T. M. Mrs. Spike is a loyal member of the Methodist Episcopal church of Echo.

For many years Mr. Spike gave his attention to several lines of business, in all of which he was successful, but during later years he has confined himself entirely to looking after his ranching and cattle interests. He is one of the reliable and enterprising citizens of his county, never failing to associate himself with any movement having for its purpose the betterment of conditions for the people.

JOHN H. TORGLER. Among the well known dealers in paints, oils, glass and wall paper at Baker is John H. Torgler, who was born in Boone county, Missouri, April 13, 1864. His father, F. W. Torgler, a native of Switzerland, now resides in Portland, having come to Oregon in 1879. He is a blacksmith and wagon maker by trade, an occupation which he followed throughout his active years, and is now living retired. The mother, Caroline Torgler, is now deceased. They were the parents of eight children, six of whom survive, namely: Fred, who resides in Portland; Mrs. Mary Pride, who is a widow and makes her home in Portland; John H.; C. E., of Portland; Margaret, at home; and Carrie, the wife of J. M. Dickson, of Portland.

John H. Torgler was educated in the common schools of Portland. He gained his first experience in business life in the wholesale paint trade and became well acquainted with this line, which he followed for many years. In 1888 he embarked in this business on his own account in Portland and in 1898 moved to Baker City. He later enlarged his business, opening up the store which has since become well known in Baker and which he has since continuously conducted. He also operates a paint shop where sign work and the finer grades of painting are done.

On the 28th of October, 1891, Mr. Torgler was married to Miss Nettie Lewis who was

Teel, Dr. John
Old Timers
Pioneers
Pendleton
March 15, 37

Pendletonians and Their Friends

By GIL CROSS

After the publication of our original story of Dr. John Teel, it didn't take much time for more information to begin to come in.

Tuesday noon Ted Roy handed us a clipping from an East Oregonian of February, 1936. His mother, Mrs. L. E. Roy, who has lived out in the Pilot Rock country all her life, saved the clipping, for she knew Dr. John Teel.

The clipping shows a picture of the doctor, with a shock of hair sticking up from the top of his head, long hair hanging down behind, and a fairly healthy beard. He was posing for a picture with his saddlebags across his knees and a hypodermic needle in his hand.

According to the story, the doctor was born in Western Pennsylvania in 1806, was left an orphan when quite young, was educated by an uncle, and graduated from Jefferson Medical college.

On the death of the uncle, Dr. Teel was heir to a plantation in Louisiana, along with 13 slaves. He lived on his plantation for a while, but he didn't like the idea of slavery, and he wanted to follow his profession, so he turned the place over to the slaves and joined a company of soldiers as their physician. Dr. Teel was wounded in an Indian uprising while he was with the soldiers.

From Louisiana Dr. Teel went to Texas, and then to Ohio, and was living in Fort Scott, Kan., when he met and married Miss. Teel. She came from an aristocratic English family which came to Canada for political reasons after the time of Cromwell.

In the spring of 1860 Dr. and Mrs. Teel formed an emigrant train for the west, and came by ox team to Umatilla, arriving in the autumn. The following year he was appointed physician to the Umatilla Indians at a salary of $1200 a year (Uncle Sam was generous.) He held the position for two years, then moved to Lebanon for a short time, but later returned to Eastern Oregon. In the early '70's, he took up a homestead and resumed his medical practice.

Dr. Teel built a house at SW Third and Court streets (Cosbie and Court) in 1867, two years before the founding of Pendleton. It's not there any more. We just looked. At the time the house was built, that was part of the Indian Reservation.

The doctor died in 1880 "beloved alike by Indians and whites," said the story. One of his best friends was the Cayuse chief Howlish Wam Po. Until the doctor learned the language, Donald McKay, brother of Dr. W. W. McKay, was his interpreter. It was on a hunting trip south of Pilot Rock that the doctor discovered the hot springs that were first called Teel springs, then Lehman springs.

At the time the doctor first came here to practice medicine, he was the only doctor between The Dalles and Walla Walla, and south to John Day.

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The second word on the doctor came to us by mail from J. L. Sharon, in Vancouver, Wash., who writes:

"In regard to the letter of Mrs. Margaret Harding of Aberdeen, Wn., and the Teel families.

"As a small boy I often saw Dr. Teel pass our ranch just west of the pioneer town of Pendleton. The doctor would stop and see if my mother wanted anything in his line, as he usually carried small articles in the medical line for sale.

"As a small boy I often met Odd and Twig Teel as they attended the pioneer schools in the Pendleton district."

And about Olney McCoy, the freighter killed by the Indians, Mr. Sharon said:

The McCoy brothers, Olney and Junius McCoy attended one term of school taught by my father, J. H. Sharon, in district number three or the Short district as it was known in November, 1867.

"When the body of Olney McCoy was brought in from the Indian Reservation, after being killed by the Indians, it was placed in the back room of the Marshall blacksmith shop until carpenters could make a coffin. Then interred in the old town cemetery on the adjoining hill."

So that is the story so far of the days of Dr. Teel. And thanks to Mrs. Roy and Mr. Sharon. We are not by any means tired of the subject. The doctor sounds as though he were quite a person, with the peculiar restlessness and individuality that characterized many people who felt the urge to cross a thousand miles of wilderness in order to find a new land. Perhaps there are other stories about him lurking in scrap books or in the memory of old-timers. We don't think we have exhausted the subject. And unless our readers get tired of the doctor, we don't plan on it.

So let's hear more about Dr. Teel. And what about Howlish Wam Po? If his character was as interesting as his name, then he must have been quite a chief. Did anybody know him?

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In Tuesday's column we forgot to tell the time of the Country Capers out in Helix Saturday night. The time is 7:30, the place is the Helix high school, and the activity will be fun, in fifty shapes and sizes. There will be prizes of several kinds, won by skill, and in other ways, and the cause is a good one. See you there.

Dr. Teel Served All East Oregon In Early 1860's

Jan. 22, 1932

It is a far cry from the modern practice of medicine to the days of 1861 when Dr. John Teel, then the only physician in eastern Oregon, gave liberal doses of calomel to patients in the territory which included the Umatilla Indian reservation, the area west to The Dalles, east to Walla Walla, and south to John Day.

But he served mankind faithfully and well; first going by horseback and later by gig, and his tall figure was a welcome sight to the early settler in a country so sparsely settled that even Pendleton had not yet been founded.

Born in Pennsylvania

Dr. Teel was born in Western Pennsylvania in 1806 and he and his brothers were left orphans when quite young. An uncle of Dr. Teel's provided for his education and he was graduated from Jefferson Medical college.

On the death of the uncle, Dr. Teel was heir to a plantation in Louisiana, as well as 13 slaves. He lived there for a time but disliking the idea of slavery and wishing to follow his profession, he turned the plantation over to the Negroes and joined a company of soldiers as their physician. The soldiers were sent to subdue an Indian uprising in Louisiana and Dr. Teel received a load of shot which caused him considerable discomfort for many years.

From Louisiana Dr. Teel went to Texas, thence to Ohio and was living in Fort Scott, Kansas when he met and married Mrs. Teel, in 1857. She was of an aristocratic

Early Indian Physician

In the spring of 1860, Dr. and Mrs. Teel formed an emigrant train for the west, and came by ox team to Umatilla arriving in the autumn. The following year he was appointed physician to the Umatilla Indians at a salary of $1200 a year.

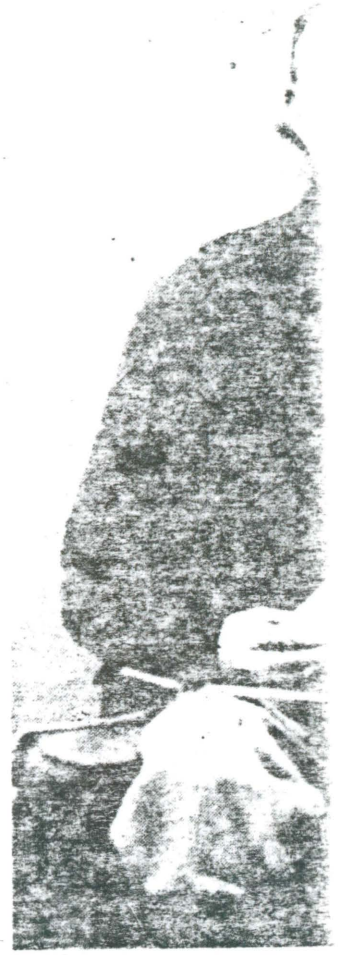
He held this position for two years, then moved to Lebanon for a short time but returned to Eastern Oregon. Later, in the early 70's, he took up a homestead on The Meadows, and resumed his practice. His daughter, Mrs. Elmer Spike, still owns the Meadows ranch, and her son, Stephen Spike, operates it. She was born in the house on the corner of Cosbie and Court, which Dr. Teel built in 1867, two years before the founding of Pendleton. The house, still standing, was then on the reservation, now known as the "Reservation addition."

Discovered "Lehman Springs"

Dr. Teel, who died in 1880, was beloved alike by Indians and whites; one of his best friends was the celebrated Cayuse chief, Howlish Wam Po. Until Dr. Teel learned the language, Donald McKay, brother of Dr. W. C. McKay, was his interpreter.

It was while on a hunting trip that Dr. Teel discovered the hot springs in the mountains south of Pilot Rock, which were named "Teel Springs." Later James Lehman acquired the ownership of the springs and made a resort of the place which has since been known as "Lehman Springs."

This house, still standing at the corner of Cosbie and Court, was built by Dr. Teel in 1867, two years before the founding of Pendleton. Through a laboratory trick, the East Oregonian



Seventy years ago, when needed a doctor, there was Dr. John Teel was the onl miles, and ministered to wi tured above in a typical hypodermic needle in his h

...er on the republican ticket without opposition. He is a member of Damon Lodge, No. 4, K. of P., and of Pendleton Aerie No. ..., F. O. E. He is a public-spirited citizen, and yet his interests and activities are chiefly concentrated upon his professional duties which have been constantly growing in volume and importance.

LEWIS H. POTTER. Honored and respected by all, there is no man who occupies a more enviable position in the business and financial circles of Eugene than Lewis H. Potter, the president of the Merchants Bank. He has been identified with the banking business since 1889 and long experience well qualified him to assume the chief executive position in the institution with which he is now connected. Oregon numbers him among her pioneer settlers, for his birth occurred in ... county, December 17, 1858, his parents being William A. and Louisa (Zumwalt) Potter. The father is one of the prominent residents of Oregon, with the development and progress of which he has been closely connected since 1851. He was born near Hubbard, Trumbull county, Ohio, February 7, 1825, and was descended from an old Pennsylvania family of German origin, the name having been originally spelled Pothmer. David Potter was born on the banks of the Juniata river in Pennsylvania in 1781 and was married in Ohio to Anna McCreary, who was of Irish lineage. They began their domestic life upon a farm, the father spending seventy-five years in one locality in that state, his death occurring when he had reached the age of ninety-six. William A. Potter was the fifth in a family of nine children and in 1845 started out in the world on his own account, removing westward to Grant county, Wisconsin, where he engaged in lead mining for six years. In 1851 he started for the Pacific coast, securing an outfit consisting of wagon and three yoke of oxen. He traveled with a train of sixteen wagons and after six months spent upon the road they reached Oregon. During the following winter Mr. Potter was a resident of Albany and then took up the profession of surveying, assisting in making the government surveys of different parts of the Willamette valley. In 1853 he secured a donation claim of one hundred and sixty acres in Lane county but the same year joined a party for the Umpqua mines. Word was received that the Indians were causing great trouble to the prospectors of that district and the course of the party was changed. Finally they went to the mining regions of Yreka, where Mr. Potter worked on mining for a little more than a year. In 1854, however, he returned to Lane county and thereafter largely engaged in farming and stock-raising. Having disposed of his original claim, he entered one hundred and sixty acres ... miles south of Irving and carried on the work of tilling the soil and raising ... For some years he disposed of ... although he later lived ... engaged in farming until the fall of 1901, when he retired from active life and settled on a two acre tract of land in Irving. He still owns seventy-four and a half acres a mile and a half southeast of Eugene, which is utilized for stock-raising.

In 1855 William A. Potter was united in marriage to Louisa C. Zumwalt, who was born in Missouri, December 8, 1839, and in 1847 came across the plains with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Solomon Zumwalt. Further mention of this family is made in connection with the sketch of Edwin O. Potter on another page of this work.

Lewis H. Potter was educated in the public schools and the University of Oregon, entering its first class. He also pursued a commercial course in the Portland Business College and, entering business life, became connected with the operating department of the Oregon-California Railroad from Roseburg to Ashland. In 1889 he accepted a position as bookkeeper in the First National Bank of Eugene, with which he continued for nineteen years, when he left that institution to accept the presidency of the Merchants Bank of Eugene. In this connection he is building up a very successful moneyed institution, following the most progressive banking methods, while conservatism acts as the balance wheel to the degree of assuring absolute safety.

In 1890 Mr. Potter was united in marriage to Miss Anna Patterson, a daughter of Dr. Andrew W. Patterson, of Eugene, and they have become parents of four sons, Wallace, Leo, Hubert and Harold. The first named is now in Springfield, Oregon. Mr. Potter belongs to Spencer Butte Lodge, No. 1, I. O. O. F., of which he is a past grand. In Eugene Camp, No. 115, W. O. W., he has passed through all of the chairs and is a past consul. For ten years he was treasurer of the Millionaire Duck Club. His political allegiance is given to the republican party, although he has never been a politician in the sense of seeking office. His religious faith is that of the Presbyterian church, of which he is an active and helpful member, serving at the present time as one of the church trustees and as its treasurer. He is interested in all that pertains to public progress and his labors have been a valuable element for advancement along financial, social and moral lines.

O. D. TEEL, who is engaged in agricultural pursuits on his farm which is situated one mile west of Echo, is a native resident of Umatilla county. He was born November 26, 1863, the son of John and Elvira (Wilson) Teel, the father a native of Ohio and the mother of Ontario, Canada. His ancestry is traced back to the Revolutionary period, his great-grandfather, John Teel, having served in that war. His grandfather, Adam Teel, and three of his brothers were in the War of 1812. The parents, John and Elvira Teel were married in Kansas, to which state they had both removed in youth. The father was a physician and surgeon and a graduate of the Jefferson Medical College. After their

marriage Dr. and Mrs. Teel settled in Fort Scott, Kansas, and in 1860 crossed the plains with ox teams to Oregon and located at Umatilla where Dr. Teel was the first physician appointed at the Indian agency. Subsequently they removed to Lebanon and later to Pendleton. In 1861 they took up government land on the Umatilla meadows to which they later removed and purchased adjoining land so they owned in all about one half section. Dr. Teel had an extensive practice and was widely known throughout this section of the country. For several years he was coroner of Umatilla county. He died in 1880 at about the age of seventy-four and his wife is still living, having now reached the advanced age of eighty-two years. She resides with her son, O. D. Teel, of this review.

O. D. Teel was reared under the parental roof and acquired his early education in the public schools of Utamilla county where the facilities for acquiring learning at that time were very limited. Later, during the school years of 1883-84 and 1884-85 he was a student at the Willamette University at Salem. Subsequently he engaged in the cattle business, herding his cattle on the range, and after the passing of the range he became very active in securing irrigation, and in conjunction with his father built the first irrigation ditch through this section of the county. He now engages very extensively in raising alfalfa. He owns over two hundred acres of land. Not having married he resides with his brother, Twig Teel, who cooperates with him in his farming. The brother, Twig Teel, was born in Kansas on March 27, 1860, and was only six weeks old when his parents started across the plains.

O. D. Teel is an independent in politics and believes in casting his vote for the man who is best qualified to fill the office. Fraternally he is identified with the Umatilla Lodge, No. 40, A. F. & A. M., and is a member of the Pendleton Chapter No. 23, R. A. M., and of the Pendleton Commandery, No. 7, K. T. He also belongs to Al Kader Temple, A. A. O. N. M. S., of Portland. He is an earnest, progressive man, interested in the welfare of his county, and is one of its prominent residents.

HANS OTT, of Baker City, was born November 24, 1866, in Switzerland, a son of Jacob and Regula Ott, both of whom were natives of that land where they were reared, married and died. In their family were eleven children, of whom Hans Ott, the youngest, is the only survivor. He had the benefit of a college education in his native land, where his youth was spent and where he also learned the printer's trade. When twenty years of age he left home and came to America, the voyage across the Atlantic proving a most perilous one, for the vessel on which he took passage encountered a heavy sea and was wrecked, forty-three passengers being drowned. Mr. Ott landed safely on American soil and proceeded westward from New York to Kansas. After a short time spent in that state he removed to Colorado, where he established a German newspaper doing both the editorial work and the type setting himself. After a period of one year thus spent he disposed of his paper and in the summer of 1889 came to Baker City, Oregon, where he has since remained. After his arrival here he purchased a ranch in the vicinity of town, which he farmed for several years, meanwhile assisting in the digging of the thirteen-mile irrigation ditch in Eagle valley. Selling his ranch in 1909 he removed to the city, where he was given charge of the cemetery, and during the three years that he has acted in that capacity he has given excellent satisfaction.

In his political affiliations Mr. Ott is a democrat. He is a member of the Independent Order of Foresters and has gained a large number of friends in this community. He owns a residence and two lots in Baker City, evidences of industry and thrift and wise investment, and is numbered among the substantial citizens of this locality.

JOHN MALDON LAIDY is the owner of valuable and desirable property i ker and also has ranching and mining . ests in this part of the state. He makes his home at No. 2805 Washington avenue and from this point directs his business affairs which, intelligently managed, are bringing to him a gratifying measure of prosperity. He has been a witness of the growth and development of the northwest for almost fifty-eight years and is, therefore, largely familiar with the history of this section of the country as it has emerged from pioneer conditions and taken on all of the advantages of a modern civilization. He was born in Clarke county, Washington, September 25, 1854, his parents being Joseph and Nancy Caroline (Milton) Laidy. The father was a native of Georgia and the mother's birth occurred in eastern Tennessee, March 11, 1820. They were married in Missouri, and unto them were born two children, the elder being Tennessee Nevada, now the deceased wife of Dr. Taft. By a former marriage the father had three daughters, Mrs. Jane Jamieson, living in Vancouver, Washington; Mrs. Ann Elizabeth Parker; and Mrs. Candace Files, both now deceased. In the year 1853 Joseph Laidy came with his family to the northwest, traveling with ox teams from Bates county, Missouri, to Clarke county, Washington, where he secured a donation land claim twelve miles east and north of Vancouver. There he resided until 1856, when the Indians became so troublesome that the family left their claim and sought safety at Fort Vancouver. While there the father became ill and passed away in the fort, April 14, 1856, when forty-seven y of age. The mother afterward settled h- ington county, Oregon, where she beca the wife of W. C. Rugh, there residing until about 1864, when a removal was made to Umatilla county. In 1869 the family came to Baker county, settling five miles west of Baker City, where they lived for about thirteen years, or until 1882, when they took up their abode in the county seat. There th-

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CENSUS INFORMATION

1865, 1870, 1875

	Umatilla County			1870		
238	Taylor, Joshua H	26	m	Mo	farmer	PWC
	Thomas	24	m	Mo	farmer	
	Anna	19	f	Iowa	kps hse	"
	Ira	8/12	m	Ore	Sept	"
102	Taylor, William M	56	m	N.Y	farmer	
	Marr, Matilda E	35	f	Pa	housekeeper	
221	Teel, John	64	m	Ohio	physician	
	Elvira	39	f	Canada	kps hse	W
	George B.	16	m	Iowa	school	
	Tevig (Twig)	10	m	Kansas	school	
	Odd	6	m	Ore		
	John	3	m	Ore		
	Missouri ?, Pamela ?	2/12	f	Ore	March	516
	Jorden, Uriah	38	m	Maine	farm wkr	PWC
91	Teel, Joseph	60	m	N.H	farmer	"
	Mary	53	f	Mass	kps hse	"
	Willis	19	m	Ill		
	Albert	17	m	Ill		
	Emma	14	f	Ore		"
	Eva	12	f	Ore		"
92	Teel, Joseph L	31	m	Ill	farmer	
133	Tell or Teel, Frederick	22	m	Baden	farm wkr	
220	Templeton, John	(see Oliver, Nicholas B)				
259	Terry, George	33	m	Ill	farmer	
	Ann	19	f	Ill	kps hse	U
	Elizabeth	11/12	f	Ore	July	PWC
	Daley, Arthur	30	m	Ire		
101	Tharp, James W	(see Johnson, William)				W
231	Thomas, Clark	(see Riggs, Charles)				PWC
191	Thomas, John	43	m	Wales	stock raiser	
86	Thorp, Jonathan B	38	m	Ill	farmer	
	Caroline	36	f	Ohio	kps hse	
	James W	2	m	Ore		
	McBride, Jeremiah	13	m	Iowa	school	W W
	Alice M	10	f	"	"	
	Wilson, Jeremiah	55	m	Va	farmer	
	Eliza	52	f	Ohio	house worker	
	Jane	13	f	Iowa	school	
41	Thompson, All	30	m	Mo	farmer	
	Elvira	24	f	Mo	kps hse	
	Squier Ben	9	m	Mo		PWC
	Jesse	6	m	Ore		
	Mary A	4	f	Ore		
	Johnny	1	m	Ore		
116	Thompson, Isaac G	42	m	Ohio	farmer	
	Mary J	26	f	Iowa	kps hse	
	Nancy E	7	f	Ore		
	John H	5	m	Ore		
	William	3	m	Idaho T		
	Wesley M	1	m	Ore		W W
	Joseph P	3/12	m	Ore	March	
92	Thompson, James	47	m	Tenn	farmer	
	Virginia	40	f	Ind	kps hse	W W
	William G	20	m	Ark	farm wkr	W
	Minerva J	18	f	"	school	
	Amanda A	15	f	Ore	"	
	Ladosca	13	f	Ore	"	
	John	9	m	Ore		
	Virginia	1	f	Ore		
	Waldon, Benjamin	25	m	Ark	farm wkr	
77	Thompson, Johnson	34	m	Ohio	farmer	
195	Thompson, Marquis	38	m	Mo	farmer	PWC
	Louisa	33	f	Mo	kps hse	
	Eliza Jane	7	f	Calif		PWC
	Mary Ann	5	f	"		U
	William	2/12	m	"	April	
	Henry	42	m	Mo	farm wkr	