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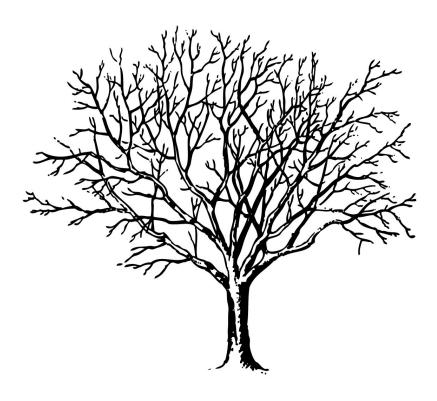
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There is a fine line between a packrat and a serious family historian

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I Regretfully Decline Your offer to Interact Socially.

I'M DOING GENEALOGY!

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I just love Ancestry.com...it's Facebook for dead people!

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I am a GENEALOGIST Ask me about my ability to annoy complete strangers! *Genealogy Image Quotations*





PRESIDENTS CORNER

By Jennifer Bryan

The New Year is here and wow it was certainly started with a bang!

The Genealogy Research Center is locked down again, we will be closed for Saturday gatherings until the Public Health Authority lowers our restriction status.

The Volunteer Researchers are still available by phone or email to assist you with your research or research questions. So feel free to contact us, we are happy to assist you. Be sure to check our website for dates on the Zoom classes, we are requesting \$10 for classes, we must keep the building expenses going even if we are not there. Website: siskiyougenealogy.org

You can call Pat Healy or Jennifer Bryan; our phone numbers are on the website. You can also send us an email. Email – gssc99@gmail.com

Hope everyone is staying safe and well.

Jennífer Bryan, GSSC President

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RED MARBLES!

I was at the corner grocery store buying some early potatoes. I noticed a small boy, delicate of bone and feature, ragged but clean, hungrily appraising a basket of freshly picked green peas.

I paid for my potatoes but was also drawn to the display of fresh green peas. I am a pushover for creamed peas and new potatoes.

Pondering the peas, I couldn't help overhearing the conversation between Mr. Miller (the store owner) and the ragged boy next to me.

'Hello Barry, how are you today?' 'H'lo, Mr. Miller. Fine, thank ya. Jus' admirin' them peas. They sure look good.' 'They are good, Barry.. How's your Ma?' 'Fine. Gittin' stronger alla' time.' 'Good, Anything I can help you with?' 'No, Sir. Jus' admirin' them peas.' 'Would you like to take some home?' asked Mr. Miller. 'No, Sir. Got nuthin' to pay for 'em with.' 'Well, what have you to trade me for some of those peas?' 'All I got's my prize marble here.' 'Is that right? Let me see it' said Miller. 'Here 'tis. She's a dandy.' 'I can see that. Hmm mmm, only thing is this one is blue and I sort of go for red. Do you have a red one like this at home?' the store owner asked... 'Not zackley but almost.' 'Tell you what. Take this sack of peas home with you and next trip this way let me look at that red marble.' Mr. Miller told the boy. 'Sure will. Thanks Mr. Miller.'

Mrs... Miller, who had been standing nearby, came over to help me. With a smile she said, 'there are two other boys like him in our community, all three are in very poor circumstances.. Jim just loves to bargain with them for peas, apples, tomatoes, or whatever...

When they come back with their red marbles, and they always do, he decides he doesn't like red after all and he sends them home with a bag of produce for a green marble or an orange one, when they come on their next trip to the store.

I left the store smiling to myself, impressed with this man. A short time later I moved to Colorado, but I never forgot the story of this man, the boys and their bartering for marbles.

Several years went by, each more rapid than the previous one. Just recently I had occasion to visit some old friends in that Idaho community and while I was there learned that Mr. Miller had died. They were having his visitation that evening and knowing my friends wanted to go, I agreed to accompany them. Upon arrival at the mortuary we fell into line to meet the relatives of the deceased and to offer whatever words of comfort we could.

Ahead of us in line were three young men. One was in an army uniform and the other two wore nice haircuts, dark suits and white shirts...all very professional looking. They approached Mrs. Miller,

standing composed and smiling by her husband's casket. Her misty light blue eyes followed them as, one by one, each young man stopped briefly and placed his own warm hand over the cold pale hand in the casket. Each left the mortuary awkwardly, wiping his eyes...

Our turn came to meet Mrs. Miller. I told her wo I was and reminded her of the story from those many years ago what she had told me about her husband's bartering for marbles. With her eyes glistening, she took my hand and let me to the casket.

'Those three young men who just left were the boys I told you about. They just told me how they appreciated the things Jim 'traded' them.

Now, at last, when Jim could not change his mind about color or size...they came to pay their debt.' 'We've never had a great deal of the wealth of this world," she confided, 'but right now, Jim would consider himself the richest man in Idaho..'

With loving gentleness she lifted the lifeless fingers of her deceased husband. Resting underneath were three exquisitely shined red marbles.

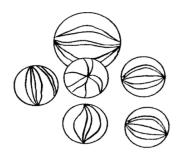
The Moral:

We will not be remembered by our words, but by our kind deeds. Life is not measured by the breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath.

Today I wish you a day of ordinary miracles: A fresh pot of coffee you didn't make yourself... An unexpected phone call from an old friend... Green stoplights on your way to work... The fastest line at the grocery store... A good sing-along on the radio... Your keys found right where you left them.

It's not what you gather, but what you scatter that tells what kind of life you have lived!

Have a Happy New Year!



AUTO PARKS IN YREKA from Jefferson Backroads 1 May 2016 Reprint Permission by Claudia East

Between the advent of the popularity and affordability of the automobile with the improvements made in roadways and "highways," especially the Pacific Highway which opened in 1933 (later rebuilt in newer sections and dubbed Highway 99) travel by car became a very popular

past time for individuals and families. Yreka, the County Seat of Siskiyou, was happily situated on the main route since the road traveled right through the center of town.

Most of the main roads or routes went from town to town as travelers would have a better opportunity to meet up with needed services. Many towns including Yreka had "welcome arches" proclaiming the name of the city often in electric lights so travelers would know they had arrived! Taking along camping gear was also a "convenience" issue as folks knew breaking down was a possibility away from towns. It was very convenient as well as an adventure! May travelers thought themselves as pioneers and were able to camp on the outskirts of towns or anywhere along the road; it was inexpensive and many vacation destinations offered little in the way of accommodations.

In 1916 an editorial type article was written in the Siskiyou News stressing the need for an Auto Park in Yreka. The beginning of the article state: "Yreka is acquiring a reputation among tourists for its lack of hospitality!" The article went on to argue that most towns along the state highway had a small piece of land for this purpose. The town businesses profited from sales of groceries, gas, auto repair and other needs of the traveler.

Within a short time Yreka did have an auto camp, and eventually more than one that met the needs of the camping enthusiast. An interesting recount of staying in Yreka in 1922 by a family that wrote in their local paper (from Estherville, Iowa) said of their experience:

"We camped for the night at Yreka, a pretty little place in the foothills of the Shasta Mountains, where we were provided with free camp grounds with free water, electric lights, shower baths, comfort station and brick ovens for cooking."

Later on these free Auto Camps turned into places offering small cabins for the traveler and more



comforts and convenience. There are a few of these later enhanced auto parks that have remnants of earlier days still viable here in Yreka, but they are quickly fading.



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Article from



The Shasta Currier November II, 1854 - Image 2 Shasta, California

FIRE IN YREKA. CRAM, ROGERS & CO.'S EXPRESS OFFICE BUILDING BURNED

Just before going to press last night, we were furnished with letters addressed to the Express Offices of Cram, Rogers & Co., and Rhodes & Co., giving us the unpleasant intelligence of another fire in Yreka.

The flames were first discovered about four o'clock on the morning of the 8th inst., bursting forth from a wooden building, occupied as a drinking saloon, on Main street, between Cram, Rogers & Co., and Howlett's new fire-proof brick building, and Cram Rogers & Co.'s Express Office. All the buildings between these two houses, including Cram, Roger's & Co's Express office, were burned. The brick was un-injured. Dr. Gatliff's new brick arrested the fire on the opposite side of the street. Cram, Rogers & Co. saved all of their books, papers, and other valuables. Their loss is perhaps under \$4,000. The building in which the fire occurred was worth about \$1,000. Dr Gatliff's loss is supposed to be about the same as that of Cram, Rogers & Co.; the same for George Durand, and an equal amount for the remainder, it is thought, will cover the losses. Cram, Rogers & Co. opened their office on the opposite side of the street at daylight.

The fire is believed to have been the work of an incendiary. The letter of Rhodes & Co. says it is supposed to have been done by the accomplices of the man who was shot the night before, while attempting to rob the jewelry store of Mr. Hanson.

FROM YREKA.

We are indebted to Rhodes & Co., and Cram, Rogers & Co's Expresses for the Mountain Herald of the 4th inst., delivered on Tuesday last. We extract the following from the Herald:

YREKA WATER CO., – Mr. Brooks has arrived from below, and has commenced the ditch. Before we issue another number of our paper, he will have quite a large number of hands at work, and we will give a full account of the progress of this great work. The entire confidence of the people in the early consummation of the work, has given an impetus to business in Yreka. ACCIDENT.- A little child of Mr. Noble, in this place, put a powder horn, containing powder in the stove. The stove was blown to pieces with a great crash, but the child, we are happy to state, escaped uninjured.

The miners of Dead Wood have the honor of having completed the first church in Siskiyou.

We are informed by Jack Horsley, of Cram, Rogers & Co's Express, that a trotting match, mile heats, best two in three, came off over the Yreka race course, on Saturday last – Hathaway's "Woolly" under the saddle, beating Terry's match mares in harness, drawing two men. Time: inside of four minutes, Woolly winning by 25 feet. Purse \$400.

At the same time, Sim Olden's black horse beat Kelly's Colt and White Stocking in a single mile dash, for a purse of \$500.

Next Saturday two races will be run over the same track; distance 1000 yards, for a \$500 purse each; the first between Olden's black horse and the Rogue River horse Pumpkins, and the second between Antelope and Cram, Rogers & Co's Express horse Saltpetre.

Mr. McCable, of Rhodes & Co's Express, gives us the following items: A new town, intended to be a rival of Yreka, has been laid out at the mouth of Long Gulch, three miles below Yreka.

A man was shot dead on the night of the 7th inst., in Yreka, while endeavoring to bread into the jewelry store of Mr. Hanson.

Capt. Walker, who went out in command of a volunteer company from Jacksonville, for the purpose of protecting the emigrants against the Indians, has returned. His company had several skirmishes with the savages. He reports the emigration all in.

The Shasta Currier November 25, 1854 - Image 2 Shasta, California/Chronicling America

MARRIED

In Yreka, on Saturday, the 11th inst., by J. G. Berry, Esq., Mr. Edward Hyke and Mrs. Henrietta Knappes.

The Butte Record July 19, 1856 - Image 4 Bidwell, Butte County, Cal. Chronicling America

EXTENSIVE STAGE LINE - The California Stage company have now in operation a line of Stages from Red Bluffs to Yreka, a distance of one hundred and eighty miles. A small outlay it is said, will render the road as good as that through the Sacramento Valley. The trip from Red Bluffs to Yreka will occupy two days, laying by over night at Lockhart's Ferry on Pitt River. This makes a Stage Line complete from Sacramento to Yreka. A bridge across Feather River at Oroville, it is believed, would divert the travel and stages to the Shasta and Yreka mines, through this place. The distance from Marysville to Chico, is evidently less by the way of Oroville than it is through Hamilton.

The Hydraulic Press April 14, 1860 – Image 1 North San Juan, Nev. Co., Cal. Chronicling America

A man married a Yreka girl without the consent of her mother, and was subsequently "walloped" by the enraged dame until he succeeded in wrestling from her hands the cowhide she wielded so well.

> Moral: Oh Lord, what perils dire circumvent The bach' who weds without mama's consent!

The Northern California Telegraph Company will extend their line from Yreka to Jacksonville, Oregon, during the coming summer. The wire has been ordered from New York, and is now on its way to San Francisco.- *Yreka Union*

The San Francisco Call April 23, 1895 - Image 2 (San Francisco (Calif.) Chronicling America

KILLED AT CALLAHAN, Henry Hayter Shot to Death by William Nulls. THE CRIME UNPROVOKED. Murdered Because he Refused to Sign His Name to a Deed. Was trying to get away. He receives a Charge of Shot in His Back While Riding from the Assassin's Cabin.

YREKA, Cal., April 22.- Sheriff Hobbs received the following Telegram this morning:

"CALLAHAN, Cal., April 22, 8:20 AM W. L. Hobbs, Sheriff, Yreka: Henry Hayter was shot to death yesterday evening by William M. Nulls, who is supposed to be at his cabin on Sugar Creek. Come to Etna. Nulls is a hard character. A.H. Bar."

Hayter's dying words to A.B. Chambers were that he (Hayter) rode up to Nulls' cabin and Nulls came out and told Hayter that he wanted him to sign a deed with him to some mining property being transferred to other parties. Hayter said he would not do it and Nulls said he would shoot him if he refused. They quarreled, and Nulls stepped into the house and got his gun. Hayter was not armed and started to ride away when Nulls shot him in the back. Hayter was but thirty or forty feet away.

Hayter said that after he was about 200 yards away he fainted and fell from his horse. Recovering later he remounted and rode to James Sullivan's house, where he died about 5 o'clock this morning.

Under Sheriff Radford and others are scouring the country around Callahan for Nulls, who fled to the hills. They are confident of his capture.

THE SAN FRANCISCO CALL San Francisco, Calif. October 17, 1897, Image 30 Chronicling America

PERSONAL NEWS OF OUR FRIENDS IN MANY PLACES

SISSON.

Judge E. H. Autenreith of Yreka was in town last week.

Mrs. C. F. Galbreath has returned from Sacramento.

U. G. Downing, Dolph St. Clair, F. C. Allen and James Henry are at Keswick.

M. E. Dittmar of Redding, editor of the Searchlight, was in Sisson last week.

J. A. McCoy and A. B. Gollner are on a hunting trip in the McCloud River Country.

H. B. Andrews was a visitor to Yreka last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Wheeler of Meridian, Sutter County, are visiting Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Wheeler.

Mrs. A. B. Carr and Miss Lois Pittman of Etna are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hadley.

Miss Nellie Lambert of Mayten is the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. L. Merrithew. Mrs. H. H. Stone and little daughter are in Eugene, Or., for a short visit.

Miss Emma Totters of Warmcastle visited in Sisson list last week.

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INFORMATION PAGE

PURPOSE OF GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

To stimulate public interest in family history. To collect, preserve and publish genealogical historical maters relating to American families and places. To provide educational service to the communities in Siskiyou County. To establish and maintain for the use of members and others a library of American genealogy, local history and biography including a surname file. To hold meetings for instructions and increased effectiveness of its members. To serve and support the genealogy departments of Siskiyou County Library.

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http://siskiyougenealogy.org

REGULAR MEETINGS:

(Held quarterly, at the above address, March, June and September, the last Saturday of the month, however December is the second Saturday. Alternate dates may be scheduled due to holiday conflicts through the year.)

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Send to gssc1@att.net

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



FEBRUARY 2021

Saturday/10am	6 Feb 2021	CLOSED
Thursday/1pm	11 Feb 2021	ZOOM MTG: BOARD MEETING @ GSSC in
		Yreka/Members are invited
Saturday/10am	13 Feb 2021	CLOSED
Saturday/10am	20 Feb 2021	CLOSED
Saturday/10am	27 Feb 2021	CLOSED

MARCH 2021

Saturday/10am	6 Mar 2021	CLOSED
Thursday/1pm	11 Mar 2021	ZOOM MTG: BOARD MEETING @ GSSC in
		Yreka/Members are invited
Saturday/10am	13 Mar 2021	CLOSED
Saturday/10am	20 Mar 2021	CLOSED
Saturday/10am	27 Mar 2021	CLOSED

APRIL 2021

Saturday	3 Apr 2021	CLOSED - EASTER HOLIDAY
Thursday/1pm	8 Apr 2021	ZOOM MTG: BOARD MEETING @ GSSC in
		Yreka/Members are invited
Saturday/10am	10 Apr 2021	CLOSED
Saturday/10am	17 Apr 2021	CLOSED
Saturday/10am	24 Apr 2021	CLOSED



BOARD MTGS: Are held at 912 S. Main Street, Yreka at 1pm.

CLASSES: Classes are held at GSSC and are scheduled for 10am.

PROGRAMS: Programs are held the last day of the month and/or after our quarterly meetings. They are scheduled for 1pm

The Genealogical Society of Siskiyou County 912 S. Main St., Yreka, CA 96097

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[]	Evergreen Cemetery Evergreen Cemetery is located in Yreka, CA	\$15.00
[]	Shasta Valley Cemetery District, 1885 to 1995 This book includes graves in the seven smaller cemeteries in Siskiyou Co.	\$15.00
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