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**Willamette Valley Genealogical Society Meeting Day!**

- **Time:** December 9th 2023, 10:30 am to 1 pm
- **Place:** Salem Public Library, 585 Liberty St. SE, Salem, Oregon  
Anderson Rooms A & B, Lower Level. Free parking in the Library Parkade.  
10:30 am – 11:00 am General Membership Meeting.  
A short business meeting will be held to conduct society business. Officers for 2023 will be installed.
- 11:00 am to 1 pm Auction, Potluck and Book Sale.
- ♦ Our annual Christmas get-together, potluck, auction and surplus book sale will be held instead of a program and speaker.
- ♦ Bring your favorite finger food (beverages will be provided) for our potluck. WVGS will provide utensils, plates, and napkins. Christmas goodies are always popular!  
Bring a white elephant, book, Christmas items or baked goods for the auction (plus plenty of cash or your checkbook for you're sure to find just the item you've been searching for or a perfect Christmas gift for a friend) and be prepared for a fun time at this last meeting of the year!
- ♦ We will also have a sale of our surplus books. A list of books for sale is in this December newsletter beginning on page 3. A list of unsold books will be on our website at [www.wvgsor.org](http://www.wvgsor.org). Books will be available for viewing at our December 9th meeting. If you can't attend and would like one of the books contact us at [willvgs@yahoo.com](mailto:willvgs@yahoo.com). Shipping is an extra cost.
- ♦ Bring a friend or spouse too! This is an informal meeting and a good way for a family member or friend who might be interested in joining to meet our group.

WVGS programs are always open to the public.

**There will be a Board meeting on Thursday December 7, 2023 at 11:30 at the Veterans of Foreign Wars Hall, 630 Hood St NE, Salem, Oregon. Members are welcome.**

**Officers for Next Year**

The election of officers was held at the November meeting. Officers were elected by a majority of members present at the meeting (unanimous).

**2024 Officers**

**President: Doug Crosby**

**1st Vice-President Programs: Kerry Wymetalek**

**2nd Vice-President Membership: Sue Rempel**

**Treasurer: Barbara Foster**

**Recording Secretary: Liz Tice**

**Corresponding Secretary: Debbie Root**

**WVGS FUNDRAISER** Help support our Genealogical Society when you shop!! Earn a donation for WVGS from Fred Meyer every time you shop and they scan your Rewards card. Go online and link your Rewards card to Willamette Valley Genealogical Society in your Fred Meyer Rewards account. The donation does not affect the rewards that you earn.





## WVGS Information

### **MEMBERSHIP REPORT** By Suzan Rempel

Membership as of November 15, 2023 was 3 societies, 24 Life Members, 214 single memberships, and 22 family memberships (44 individuals) for a total of 285 members. Welcome all new members!

### **Newsletter**

We send newsletters to our members and exchange societies **by email** from our Yahoo email account (willvgs@yahoo.com). If you are not getting it, please check your spam folder or contact us. If any member would prefer a hard copy, please let me know. The same is true for our exchange societies and complimentary newsletters.

We email the **Beaver Briefs** to all members with an email address. If you want a hard copy, the cost is an additional \$10.00 for postage. **Beaver Briefs** can be accessed by members on our website under Member Page with a password. If you need your password, contact us at willvgs@yahoo.com

### **New! Meeting Dates for 2024**

January 13	July 13
February 10	August 10
March 9	September 14
April 13	October 12
May 11	November 9
June 8	December 14

### **WVGS Officers for 2023**

#### **Elected Officers**

President: **Doug Crosby**  
 1st Vice-President (Program): **Kerry Wymetalek**  
 2nd Vice-President (Membership): **Suzan Rempel**  
 Recording Secretary: **Liz Tice**  
 Corresponding Secretary: **Julianne Kennedy**  
 Treasurer: **Barbara Foster**

#### **Appointed Positions**

Newsletter Editor: **Elizabeth Tice**  
 Beaver Brief Editors: **Dennis Hill & Craig Smith**  
 Librarians: **Deanne Smith**  
 Volunteer Coordinator: **Alan Town**  
 Publicity:  
 Webmaster: **Dennis Hill**  
 Periodicals: **Jerry Rodgers**  
 Hospitality: **Sharon Hoff**

**Document Research:** Searches for Oregon documents can be done. If successful, the fee is \$10.00 per document or 3 for \$20.00 for nonmembers and \$5.00 per document or 3 for \$10.00 for WVGS members. If these require a trip to the Oregon State Archives, Marion County Clerk's Office or other sites, the fee is \$10.00 per document for members and non-members (3 for \$10/\$20 does not apply). The \$5 and \$10 charges include postage for 5 pages or less. If over 5 pages there will be a charge for postage and handling.

### **General Research**

We will conduct searches using resources such as Ancestry.com, censuses, city directories, Oregon Donation Land Claims, newspapers, and other sources. General research is not restricted to research in Oregon only! The minimum fee for research is \$10, if successful. This includes a copy of one document. Research is \$10 per hour, \$5 for each additional 1/2 hour and the cost of additional documents. The \$5 and \$10 charges include postage for 5 pages or less. If over 5 pages there will be a charge for postage and handling. There is also a charge of 10 cents per page for every copy over 10 pages.

### **Membership for 2024**

We have a new membership form in this newsletter and on our website. Yearly dues will be \$30 for a single membership and \$40 for a family. If you want to receive Beaver Briefs in print, the cost will still be an additional \$10.

### **Genealogy Help**

Come visit our volunteers at the Genealogy Desk at Salem Public Library. We have volunteers from 11 am to 5 pm Tuesday to Saturday and 1 pm to 4 pm Sunday. Volunteers are there to help patrons, including members, for free with their genealogy questions. Volunteers have access to Ancestry.com, newspapers.com and other sites. Reminder: Ancestry.com Library Edition is free at Salem Public Library when you are there in person.



## WVGS Book Sale

### BOOK SALE – DECEMBER 2023

We are doing something slightly different this year for the book sale. Hardback books will be \$2.00 each, paperback books will be \$1.00 each **except** for the highlighted ones which have the price indicated in bold.

#### **HARDBACK BOOKS**

1. The quiet Puritans: the Birchards of New England: the history of a family, Birchards, McMillans and Rears (Vol. 1) by Edna Manning Laughter 2004
2. The Pioneering Quakers: the Birchards of Ontario: the history of a family Birchards, McMillans and Rears (Vol. 2) by Edna Manning Laughter 2005
3. Second supplement to Torrey's **New England** Marriages prior to 1700 by Melinde Luiz Sandborn 2001
4. 10,000 vital records of eastern **New York**, 1777-1834 by Fred Q. Bowman 1999 (3<sup>rd</sup> printing)
5. San Francisco ship passenger lists (Vol. 3, November 7, 1851 to June 17, 1852) by Louis J. Rasmusen 1967
6. **Texas** 1870 census index (Vols. 1-2) edited by Raeone Christensen Steuart 2000
7. American ancestors and cousins of the Princess of Wales by Gary Boyd Roberts 1984
8. Names of soldiers of the American Revolution who applied for state bounty under resolves of March 17, 1835, March 24, 1836 and March 20, 1836, as appears of record in Land Office by Charles J. House 1967
9. The first century of Hunterdon County by George S. Mott 1967 (3<sup>rd</sup> printing)
10. Directory of Scottish settlers in North America, 1625-1825 (Vols. 1-4) by David Dobson 1984
11. Printed sources: a guide to published genealogical records edited by Kory L. Meyerink 1998
12. Ancestry's red book: American state, county & town sources edited by Alice Eichholz 1992
13. **North Carolina** research: genealogy and local history edited by Helen F. M. Leary 1996
14. Original lists of persons of quality: emigrants, religious exiles, political rebels, serving men sold for a term of years, apprentices, children stolen, maidens pressed, and others who went from Great Britain to the American plantations, 1600-1700 edited by John Camden Hotten 1962
15. Hidden sources: family history in unlikely places by Laura Szucs Pfeiffer 2000
16. Anderson family records by W. P. Anderson 1936
17. Anderson – Overton: a continuation of Anderson family records and the early descendants of. Wm. Overton & Elizabeth Waters of Virginia, and allied families by W. P. Anderson 1945
18. Far from home: families of the westward journey by Lillian Schlissel 1989
19. The DeGraffenried family scrapbook by Thomas P. DeGraffenried 1958
20. History and genealogy of the Pearsall family in England and America (poor condition) (Vol. 3) edited by Clarence E. Pearsall 1928
21. Historical catalogue of the University of **Mississippi**, 1849-1909 1910
22. David Heatwole and his descendants by Harry Anthony Brunk 1987
23. Scottish family history: a guide to works of reference on the history and genealogy of Scottish families by Margaret Stuart 1930
24. Men of spine in **Mississippi** by Clayton Rand 1940
25. A history of Orange County **Virginia** from its formation in 1734 (O.S.) to the end of reconstruction in 1870: compiled mainly from original records by W.W. Scott 1907
26. Lincoln's Herndon by David Donald 1948
27. **Mississippi** as a province, territory, and state, with biographical notices of eminent citizens (Vol. 1) by J.F.H. Claiborne 1964 (reprint)
28. The history of the Old Eagle School, Tredyffrin in Chester County, **Pennsylvania** by Henry Pleasants 1909
29. Notable southern families (Vol. 2) by Zella Armstrong 1922
30. History of Burlington County, **New Jersey** with biographical sketches of many of its pioneers and prominent men by E. M. Woodward 1984 (reprint)
31. Genealogical register of Plymouth families by William T. Davis 1975
32. Historic families of **Kentucky** by Thomas Marshall Green 1964
33. A life of Matthew Fontaine Maury by Diana Fontaine Maury Corbin 1888
34. Colonists of Carolina in the lineage of Hon. W.D. Humphrey by Blanche Humphrey Abee 1938
35. Charles May and his descendants who settled at Mays cross roads in old Edgefield County, S.C. edited by Hortense Woodson 1956
36. When families made memories together 1994
37. Clark County pioneers: a centennial salute (**Washington State**) by Clark County Genealogical Society 1989

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38. DAR Patriot index, centennial edition (Pt. 3) 1990
39. DAR Patriot index: an index to the spouses of the DAR Patriot (Vol. 3) 1986
40. Paths taken by William R. Blosser 2014
41. Random recollections of early days in **Mississippi** by H. S. Fulkerson 1937
42. Molton family and kinsmen by Thomas Hunter Molton 1922
- 43. New York in 1800 edited by Phillip McMullin 1971 -- \$10.00**
- 44. Vermont 1771 census by Jay Mack Holbrook 1982 -- \$8.00**
- 45. New England marriages prior to 1700 by Clarence Almon Torrey 1997 -- \$10.00**
- 46. Supplement to Torrey's New England marriages prior to 1700 by Melinde Luiz Sanborn 1996 -- \$5.00**
- 47. Medieval English ancestors of certain Americans: many of the English ancestral lines prior to 1300 of those colonial Americans with known royal ancestry but fully developed in all possible lines by Carl Boyer 2001 -- \$10.00**
- 48. 10,000 vital records of central New York, 1813-1850 by Fred Q. Bowman 1999 (3<sup>rd</sup> printing) -- \$8.00**
- 49. 10,000 vital records of western New York, 1809-1850 by Fred Q. Bowman 1999 (4<sup>th</sup> printing) -- \$8.00**
- 50. Pennsylvania births, Philadelphia County, 1644-1765 by John T. Humphrey 1994 -- \$9.00**
- 52. The heritage of Davidson County, 1982 by Genealogical Society of Davidson County (North Carolina) 1982 -- \$25.00**
- 53. History of Louisa County Virginia by Malcolm H. Harris 1936 -- \$12.00**
- 54. History of Pittsylvania County Virginia by Maud Carter Clement 1929 -- \$12.00**
- 55. The old free state: a contribution to the history of Lunenburg County and southside Virginia (Vol. 1) by Landon C. Bell 1974 -- \$15.00**
- 56. Virginia Valley records: genealogical and historical materials of Rockingham County, Virginia and related regions (with map) by John W. Wayland 1973 -- \$9.00**
- 57. Crawford genealogy: "Sine Laba Nota" by Lucinda Frances Stephens 1936 -- \$15.00**
- 58. Memphis down in Dixie by Shields McIlwaine 1948 -- \$10.00**
- 59. A Huguenot exile in Virginia or voyages of a Frenchman exiled for his religion with a description of Virginia & Maryland 1934 -- \$20.00**

**PAPERBACK BOOKS**

1. Beck family book, 1700-1989, **Norway-U.S.A.** by Ole J. Lokberg 1989
2. A guide to **Oregon** church records by Connie Lenzen 1995 (Rev.)
3. The saga of Daniel J. Fry 1974?
4. A guide to **Oregon** public domain land records by Connie Lenzen 1995 (Rev.)
5. Genealogist's handbook for **New England** research edited by Marcia D. Melnyk 1999 (4<sup>th</sup> ed.)
6. **New York** area key by Florence Clint 1979
7. The lives and times of our English ancestors (Vol. 2) by Frank Smith
8. The Capital yearbook, 2000: a volume of vital records from Albany & Rensselaer counties, **N.Y.**
9. Vital records of the Greenbush Reformed Church, East Greenbush, Rensselaer County, **N.Y.**, 1788-1899 by Arthur C.M. Kelly 1994
10. Pine Echoes index, 1919 thru 1968 by Betty Bennett 1997
11. Searching for your immigrant ancestor by Fran Carter-Walker 1997
12. Oregon newspaper death notices, 1864-1902: an index to death notices published in Eugene, Lane County, **Oregon** newspapers by Gregory Toftdahl 1995
13. International vital records handbook by Thomas Jay Kemp 2000 (4<sup>th</sup> ed.)
14. Genealogical material in **Oregon** donation land claims, Vol. 1, abstracted from applications by Genealogical Forum of Portland, Oregon 1992 (reprint)
15. Genealogical material in **Oregon** donation land claims, Vol. 2, abstracted from applications by Genealogical Forum of Portland, Oregon 1980 (reprint)
16. Genealogical material in **Oregon** donation land claims, Vol. 3, abstracted from applications 1998 (reprint)
17. Genealogical material in **Oregon** donation land claims, Vol. 4, abstracted from rejected applications 1998 (reprint)
18. Genealogical material in **Oregon** donation land claims, Vol. 5, supplement to Vol. 1 comp. by Lottie L. Gurley 1994 (reprint)
19. Geographic index for Vols. 1 & 2, Genealogical material in **Oregon** donation land claims filed with the Oregon City office abstracted from applications 1978 (reprint)





## Books for Sale



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20. Small cemeteries & lone graves of Deschutes Co., **Oregon** by Karen Windheim 1999
21. Camp Polk Cemetery, 1880-1999 by Nancy Clark 2000
22. Early marriages of Malheur County, **Oregon**, 1887-1911 (with some 1912's), bride & groom indexed separately by Louise Hill 1991
23. Crook County, **Oregon** cemeteries lists by Crook County Genealogical Society 1998
24. Cemeteries of Malheur County **Oregon** by Louise Hill 1993
25. Laidlaw Oddfellows Tumalo Cemetery (**Oregon**) by Karen Windheim 1998
26. Patent deed records of Deschutes Co., **Oregon**, 1904-1916 by Karen Windheim 2000
27. Stipp Memorial Cemetery, 1849-1989, Macleay, **Oregon** by Susan N. Bell 1990
28. Howell Prairie Cemetery, 1848-1988 (**Oregon**) by Stephenie Flora 1988
29. Evergreen Cemetery, City of Seaside, Clatsop County, **Oregon** by Jim Dennon 1988
30. G.A.R. Cemetery (Grand Army of the Republic), Portland, Multnomah County **Oregon** by Friday Morning Research Group 2003
31. Capital Monumental Works, Salem, **Oregon**, Vol. 2, Contracts 1948-March 1961 by Susan Bell 2002
32. Pioneer Cemetery, 18<sup>th</sup> & University Streets, Eugene, **Oregon** by Oregon Genealogical Society 2001
33. Terwilliger Funeral Home records, Vol. 1 (including Cottage Undertaking Parlor records), Abstracts of record books A-E, May 1909-October 1925 (**Oregon**) by Frances H. Eddy 1998
34. Terwilliger Funeral Home records, Vol. 2 (including Terwilliger-Edwards Funeral Home records, Abstracts of record books, F-I, October 1925-August 1940 (**Oregon**) by Frances H. Eddy 1998
35. Sexton records of Lone Fir Cemetery, East Portland (**Oregon**) by Wythle F. Brown 1981
36. Births, deaths, and marriages of the Nottingham Quakers, 1680-1889 by Alice L. Beard 1996
37. Ship passenger lists, **Pennsylvania** and **Delaware** (1641-1825) by Carl Boyer 2000
38. Early times on the Susquehanna by Mrs. George A. Perkins 1999 (Reprint)
39. The planting of civilization in western **Pennsylvania** by Solon J. Buck 1979 (2<sup>nd</sup> printing)
40. Documents relating to the Connecticut settlement in the Wyoming Valley (Vols. 1-2) by William Henry Egle 1990 (reprint)
41. How to find **Oregon** naturalization records by Connie Lenzen 1991 (Rev.)
42. Terrebone Pioneer Cemetery: Terrebonne, Deschutes County, **Oregon** by Bend Genealogical Society 2000
43. Lifeline: the action guide to adoption search by Virgil L. Klunder 1991
44. **New York**: state census of Albany county towns in 1790 by Kenneth Scott 1975 (reprint)
45. Survey of American census schedules by E. Kay Kirkham 1959
46. Research in **Oregon** by Connie Miller Lenzen 1992
47. Wills of Chester County **Pennsylvania**, 1748-1766 1994
48. Abstracts of Philadelphia County (**Pennsylvania**) wills, 1682-1726 1995
49. Early settlers of **Missouri** as taken from land claims in the Missouri territory by Walter Lowrie 1986 (reprint)
50. The adoption searchbook: techniques for tracing people by Mary Jo Rillera 1981
51. In search of Confederate ancestors: the guide by J. H. Segars 1996 (4<sup>th</sup> printing)
52. Discovering the history of your house and your neighborhood by Betsy J. Green 2002
53. Polk County, **Oregon** tombstone inscriptions of Dallas Cemetery (Polk County cemeteries [Polk County cemeteries: (v.1)] by Polk County Genealogical Society 1990
54. Olney-Walluski area: Granger/Young's River Cemetery, Casey Family Cemetery and other annotations (**Oregon**) by Clatsop County Genealogy Society 1990
55. Hayesville Cemetery, Salem, Marion County, **Oregon**, 1858-1999 by Jean Custer 1999
56. Genealogical writing in the 21<sup>st</sup> century: a guide to register style and more by Michael J. Leclerc 2006 (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)
57. Final resting place: cemetery research by Linda M. Herrick 2002
58. A genealogist's guide to discovering your English ancestors: how to find and record your unique heritage by Paul Milner 2000
59. The genealogist's Google toolbox by Lisa Louise Cooke 2011
- 60. Map guide to German parish registers: Thuringia by Kevan M. Hansen 2009 -- \$10.00**
- 61. Yesterday's roll call: statistical data and genealogical facts from cemeteries in Baker, Sherman, and Umatilla counties. -- \$10.00**
- 62. Oregon (Vol. 1) by Genealogical Forum of Portland, Oregon 1970 -- \$10.00**
- 63. The early life of George Poindexter: a story of the first southwest by Mack Swearingen 1934 -- \$20.00**
- 64. Colonial families of the eastern shore of Maryland, Vol. 3 by Robert W. Barnes 1997 -- \$7.00**
- 65. Maryland eastern shore vital records, Book 1, 1648-1725 by F. Edward Wright 1993 (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.) -- \$7.00**

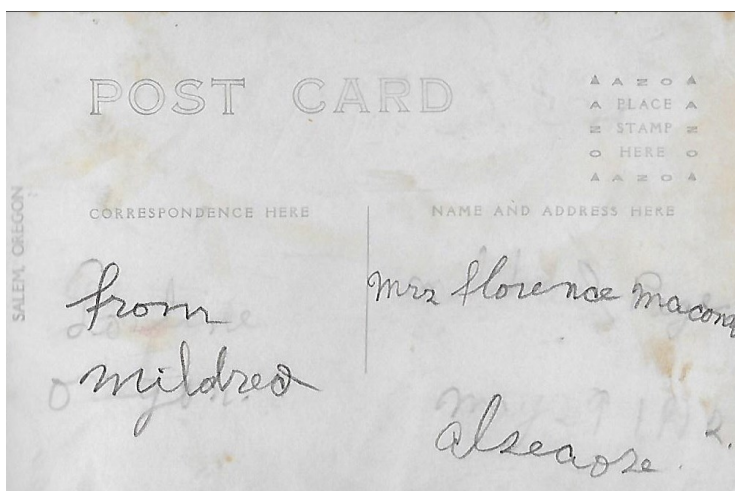


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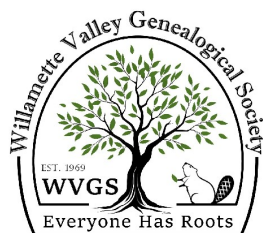
### Willamette Heritage Center

A gentleman in Michigan sent us a postcard, dated May 9, 1912. It was printed in Salem, Oregon, going to Alsea, Oregon. Do you recognize anyone? Let us know. The postcard is going to Willamette Heritage Center, in the care of member Ray Zweigart.



The Willamette Heritage Center connects generations through gathering, preserving, and sharing Mid-Willamette Valley history. A visit to our site is a step back in time. Our five-acre property is home to fourteen historic structures that vividly weave together the story of the Mid-Willamette Valley and the development of today's diverse communities through permanent and changing exhibits, a research library and archive, a textile learning center, and rentable event spaces. Our site is also home to retail shops, cooperative artist studios, and offices for our partner organizations.

<https://www.willametteheritage.org/>



## WVGS Membership Application - 2024 Calendar Year

- ☐ New Membership  
 or  
☐ Renewal
- ☐ Individual .....(\$30/yr)  
☐ Family .....(\$40/yr) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Hard Copy Beaver Briefs..... (\$10) \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Individual Life Membership:*

- ☐ Under age 70..... (\$250) \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Age 70 and over .....(\$200)

**Please Print Clearly****Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

May WVGS include your contact information in our directory in the members only pages?  
 If so, please check items for which permission is given: ☐ Your Name ☐ Your Address ☐ Your Email

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Send this form and your check or money order to:

Willamette Valley Genealogical Society  
 P.O. Box 2083  
 Salem, OR 97308-2083

**For more Information:**

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**Note: We will have a 2024 membership form on our website soon, and you will be able to pay with PayPal.  
 But for now members will have to print this form and mail it to us at the address above with your check.**

Come into Salem Public Library or contact us at [willvgs@yahoo.com](mailto:willvgs@yahoo.com) for help with your research. WVGS subscribes to various websites and publications. Ancestry Library Edition is free at Salem Public Library. You can do your own research.

Volunteers will help you. Volunteers have access to [newspapers.com](http://newspapers.com), [Fold3](http://Fold3) and [GenealogyBank](http://GenealogyBank). Only volunteers have access to these paid sites.

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Salem East LDS Family History Center 862 45th Ave NE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-371-0453	CLOSED	CLOSED	9 am- 4 pm	1 pm - 8 pm	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
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Salem Public Library 585 Liberty St SE, Salem, OR 97301 (503) 588-6315	Salem Public Library's Main Library, 585 Liberty ST SE, Salem, Oregon. Hours: 10 am -7 pm Tuesday-Thursday, 10 am—5 pm Friday & Saturday, and 1 pm—5 pm Sunday.						
Willamette Heritage Center Research Library 1313 Mill St SE Salem, OR 97301 / 503-585-7012	The Research Library and Archives by appointment only. Due to social distancing guidelines and reduced staff, the WHC Research Library is open on a limited basis by appointment only. Appointments will be considered only in cases where we can't provide services remotely. <a href="https://www.willametteheritage.org/research/">https://www.willametteheritage.org/research/</a>						



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