

ARTHUR ARMSTRONG DENNY: A BIBLIOGRAPHY

The colony from which the city of Seattle has grown landed at Alki Point on November 13, 1851. It consisted of twenty-four souls—twelve children and twelve adults. All of the adults have passed away and only three of the children now survive. Of that original colony, Arthur A. Denny was easily the leading spirit. For that reason he has been referred to frequently as the "Founder of Seattle". During his own lifetime, he modestly insisted upon sharing those honors with the entire group of the original colony.

The "Birthday of Seattle," the date of the colony's landing has often been celebrated. Few of the remaining pioneers were prepared to realize or recognize another anniversary which recently passed. The centennial of Mr. Denny's birthday, June 20, 1922, was appropriately honored by the young ladies of Tolo Club, the upper-class honor society of the University of Washington. After the Commencement Day exercises, still clad in their academic caps and gowns, they went to the cemetery and strewed his grave with roses as a tribute from the students of their Alma Mater.

Mr. Denny, joined by Charles C. Terry and Judge Edward Lander, had given the original campus of ten acres, now in the center of Seattle and constituting the institution's chief endowment. In recognition of that great gift Denny Hall and Denny Field had been named on the new campus. His sister Sarah Loretta Denny, and his daughter, Margaret Lenora Denny, had bequeathed large sums of money for graduate fellowships in the University. Their graves were also strewn with flowers. By the side of Mr. Denny's grave is that of his wife. This was also honored with a tribute of flowers for she had approved with kindly interest all the generous gifts to the University.

As an additional recognition of the centennial of Mr. Denny's birth there is here published a contribution from the University of Washington Library School, a bibliography of works by and about Mr. Denny, compiled by Agnes C. Peterson.

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