

NEWS DEPARTMENT

The Lewis and Clark Trail's End

The Long Beacharians of Long Beach, Washington, on August 19, 1933, celebrated the unveiling of a large cairn of rocks about four miles north of Cape Disappointment. The site chosen was as near as can be determined to the spot where stood the tree on which William Clark had carved his name and date in 1805 or 1806, while on a trip from the Lewis and Clark winter camp near Astoria.

The Secretary of the Long Beacharians, Mr. Thomas P. Watkins, has loaned from his files, letters to show how others have cooperated by sending suitably marked rocks from the Trail reaching back into Montana. This cairn will now be an interesting competitor for the marker to the same import at Seaside, Oregon.

United States Geographic Board

In our January issue comment was made upon the Board's Report No. 22 of decisions rendered on December 7, 1932. Since then three additional Reports have been published—No. 23, February 1, 1933; No. 24, March 1, 1933; and No. 25, April 5, 1933.

No Washington name is among these decisions but there are three Alaska decisions having historical bearings. Two of these relate to the tragedies that overtook the Rockefeller Cosmic Ray Expedition in May, 1932. Carpe Ridge adjoining Harper Glacier on the east in Mount McKinley National Park was named for Allen Carpe who fell into a crevasse and lies buried somewhere opposite the ridge. Koven Peak, south of Carpe Ridge was named for Theodore G. Koven, who was fatally injured while attempting to rescue Allen Carpe.

The other Alaska decision establishes the name of Baldwin Peninsula east of Kotzebue Sound, west of Hotham Inlet and north of Eschschotz Bay. The record says: "Named in honor of Leonard D. Baldwin, 1767-1933, philanthropist, who added to the economic development of Alaska through his upbuilding of the reindeer industry there, and who was outstanding for his activities in the protection of wild life throughout North America."

Fort Shepard

Mr. Parker Williams of the law firm of Macdonald and Williams of Rossland and Trail, British Columbia, is searching for historical facts about Fort Shepard, singularly neglected in published