

ing engineers and machinists at the rate of seven dollars per day; lathe and planing machine work, fifteen dollars per day; provided the ship is lying at any wharf in Bernicia. In case of removal the expenses of the men, such as board and travelling will be charged extra. Material to be furnished of best quality and at the usual prices charged for similar work in this State. A payment of one third the amount expended on engines and boilers to be made on 20th May 1857. James Pollock. Approved Jas. M. Hunt."

The other letter is dated at Portland, Oregon, April 22, 1857. It is in the handwriting of Joseph Lane, first Governor of Oregon Territory and is signed by him. It is addressed to Captain James M. Hunt and is as follows:

"Your humble servant has been put in nomination for Congress and has a fair prospect of election. I have seen Captain Cain from Washington who informs me that Gov. Stevens will without doubt be put in nomination and, of course, be elected. This will be glorious.

"Now, my friend, I want you to have all the good luck in the world, and rest assured that I will at all times do all I can to promote your welfare in the business that you are engaged. Success to you and my friend Capt. John H. Scranton. Kindest regards to Mrs. Hunt and Miss Bowes. Your friend, Joseph Lane."

Both men were successful in that campaign. Governor Stevens remained Washington Territory's Delegate in Congress until the Civil War broke out when he entered the Union Army, winning promotions until his death at the Battle of Chantilly on September 1, 1862. In the meantime Oregon was admitted to Statehood in 1859 and Joseph Lane became one of the first United States Senators. In the presidential campaign of 1860 he secured the nomination for Vice President on the Breckenridge ticket. Delegate Stevens was made Chairman of the Executive Committee for the Breckenridge-Lane portion of the Democratic Party. The little personal letter, given above, from Joseph Lane thus becomes an interesting item, a link between Northwestern and National politics.

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*Pioneer Adams Honored*

The Ellensburg *Capital* for November 13, 1931, contains a tribute by Austin Mires to the memory of Phil H. Adams, successful stock-raiser, who had been accidentally shot, to the sorrow of his associates in the Kittitas Valley. Mr. Adams was a native son, born in Walla Walla on February 12, 1876.