

history of the famous road. Other markers and monuments have been placed along the road in Montana and Idaho.

The prime movers in the work of placing this new marker near Cheney were J. Orin Oliphant and Rev. H. M. Painter. They are already at work on other markers to be placed along the road. Mr. Oliphant is a member of the History Department of the State Normal School at Cheney and Mr. Painter, pastor of the Congregational Church at Cheney, is the son of W. C. Painter, a pioneer and volunteer in the Indian wars of 1855 and 1878. On his mother's side, Mr. Painter is a great-grandson of Robert Moore, who came to the Oregon country in 1840. By birth and breeding Mr. Painter is thoroughly imbued with a love for the history of the Pacific Northwest.

The same men, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid of Lamont and the Washington State Historical Society, unveiled a similar monument on the Mullan Road at Lamont, Washington, on Saturday afternoon, December 5, 1925. Mrs. W. W. Shields presided and addresses were delivered by Rev. H. M. Painter, E. W. Truitt, Richard Millman and Robert Wallace.

Prescott, Washington, celebrated Admission Day, November 11, by erecting a Mullan Road marker at that place. The ceremonies were under the auspices of the Prescott Board of Trade and the principal address was delivered by T. C. Elliott of Walla Walla, the great authority on Columbia River history.

These Mullan Road markers are in line with others of a similar nature and show that the people of the Northwest are awakening to an important service. While discussing another occasion, the *Oregonian*, of Portland, Oregon, said:

"By neglect to localize outstanding episodes, the Northwest has fostered the illusion that the romance of history is peculiarly associated with older countries. It is measurably true of the entire region that there has been failure to act in this regard until opportunity to obtain verifiable data has forever passed."

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*Twenty-first Annual Historical Meeting*

The Pacific Coast Branch of the American Historical Association held its twenty-first annual meeting in Seattle on November 27-28, 1925. The general theme was the Pacific Rim, following the impulse of the Institute of Pacific Relations held in Honolulu during the summer.

The program for Friday afternoon, November 27, was as follows:

Our Asiatic Neighbors, by Professor Payson J. Treat of Stanford University.

Materials of the Nootka Sound Controversy in Mexican Archives, by Professor Herbert E. Bolton of the University of California.

Canada on the Pacific, 1866-1925, by Professor W. N. Sage of the University of British Columbia.

On Friday evening at the annual dinner the presidential address was delivered by Professor William A. Morris of the University of California and brief addresses were given by many others. At the session on Saturday morning the more general program was as follows:

Growth of Legislative Independence in the Colonies, by Professor Donald O. Wagner of Reed College.

The Campaign of 1866, by Professor Edward McMahon of the University of Washington.

The Political Significance of the Marriage of Edward III and Philippa of Hainault, by Professor Henry S. Lucas of the University of Washington.

The program for the Teachers' Session on Saturday afternoon consisted of two papers and discussions upon them as follows:

The Westward Movement in the Decade of the Sixties, by Professor Dan E. Clark of the University of Oregon.

Importance of Asiatic History in Western Education, by Professor Herbert H. Gowen of the University of Washington.

At a business session these officers were chosen for 1926:

President, Oliver H. Richardson, University of Washington; Vice-President, Cardinal Goodwin, Mills College; Secretary-Treasurer, Ralph H. Lutz, Stanford University; the above officers and W. N. Sage, University of British Columbia; Frank A. Golder, Stanford University, Olive Kuntz, California State Normal College of San Jose; John C. Parish, University of California, Southern Branch.

The committees for the 1925 meeting were as follows:

Program Committee: Edmond S. Meany, University of Washington; Miss Elizabeth Rowell, Broadway High School, Seattle; Edgar E. Robinson, Stanford University; Charles E. Chapman, University of California; Andrew Fish, University of Oregon.

General Committee: Edward McMahon, J. A. O. Larsen and Ebba Dahlin, University of Washington; Carl Mauelshagen, Washington State College; Manning Cox, Roosevelt High School, Seattle; J. Orin Oliphant, State Normal School, Cheney; Herbert C. Fish, State Normal School, Ellensburg.

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*Geographic Decisions*

The United States Geographic Board, in its publication for June 1923 to June 1925, being the second supplement to the Fifth Report, has rendered many decisions affecting the Pacific Northwest. There are seventeen decisions for Oregon, thirty-seven for Idaho, thirty-eight for Montana, four for Wyoming, and forty for Washington.

The larger number of decisions in Washington relate to the San Juan Archipelago. Recent geological and other scientific surveys there revealed many duplications of names and the need of names where none were applied. The Board has shown a fine spirit of cooperation by correcting these faults. Due care was exercised to disturb as little as possible local usage.

At the meeting on October 7, the Board's decisions included six bearing on the Northwest. One of these was sanctioning local usage for the name of Mount Rosario, two miles southwest of Mount Constitution, Orcas Island. On some charts this hill (860 feet high) was shown as "Stony Hill." Three of the latest decisions are in Wallowa County, Oregon, where now are established Mount Bonneville, in honor of Captain Benjamin L. E. Bonneville; Chief Joseph, a mountain honoring the Indian leader; Mount Howard, an honor for General O. O. Howard. So far as known the peaks were referred to formerly as "Middle," "Tunnel Mountain" and "Signal."

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*The Oregonian's Diamond Jubilee*

One of the most significant historical events of recent years was the celebration on December 4, 1925, of the *Oregonian's* seventy-fifth birthday. Pioneers from all parts of the Northwest, newspaper men, professors of history and others were the guests of the great paper. There was shown the pictorial story of the "Covered Wagon" and another picture of the progress of the *Oregonian* from the days of the hand-power Ramage press (the original also on exhibition) to the huge machines of the present