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ing on March 6. In the last mentioned meeting an Oregon pioneer was appropriately honored by the naming of Biddle Pass, within the Warm Springs Indian Reservation, Jefferson County, Oregon. Henry J. Biddle was probably the first white man to visit the pass. He died while on a camping trip in Eastern Oregon in 1928, and Lewis A. McArthur suggested that he be honored in the way here approved.

Pioneer Manuscript from Alaska

Captain William Moore arrived in Victoria, B. C., in 1858 and in 1862 made his way into Alaska by way of the Stickeen River and continued as a pioneer of Alaska. When he died at his home in Victoria, B. C., on Sunday, March 27, 1909, the Victoria Colonist published an appreciative eulogy of him saving that he and his family had founded the town of Skagway, Alaska, long before the Klondike gold rush. Before the Alaska pioneering he had taken his family to Peru, South America, and there was born on October 14, 1854, a son who received the name of William Domingo Moore. This son was destined to share with the father those experiences in Alaska and is still living at Hamilton, Alaska. He and the father kept records written and printed. W. D. Moore has just placed these records in the custody of the Library of the University of Washington for the benefit of students and writers on Alaska history. This brief note of acknowledgment will later be followed by articles based on this fine collection of original documents and writings.

One of Mr. Moore's close friends is C. L. Andrews now at Deering, Alaska. When he returns to Seattle he will bring other manuscripts and he will also assist in editorial work on the entire collection. Mr. Andrews has just passed through a terrifying experience on account of an epidemic of smallpox among the natives with whom he has been working on behalf of the Federal Government. He had to act as "doctor" and "nurse" and, what is remarkable, he did not lose a patient. Mr. Moore and other friends hope that Mr. Andrews will soon be granted a vacation to recover from that trying ordeal.

Through the kindness of Mr. Moore and with the help of Mr. Andrews, Alaska history will be enriched from these materials safely lodged with the University of Washington.