

honor of Mr. Fred Inabnit, a prominent citizen of Billings, Montana, "who for more than 30 years explored and mapped the mountains in this region."

Ten decisions were for names in Alaska most of which were descriptive names in and around Prince William Sound.

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*Correction*

In Mr. Lewis A. McArthur's article on "Early Washington Post Offices," in the *Washington Historical Quarterly* for April, 1929, two errors appeared on page 130. The "Mounth" of Willamette should of course, be The Mouth of Willamette. Readers would undoubtedly detect the apparent error but Mr. McArthur had exercised such care in assembling the material, this first opportunity is used to correct the slight error of the copyist.

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*The Currency Question on the Pacific Coast During the Civil War*

There appeared in the *Mississippi Valley Historical Review* for June, 1929, an article on the above title by Professor Joseph Ellison of Oregon State College. He calls attention to the fact that the subject has been almost entirely overlooked in the "many bulky histories of the Pacific Coast States." After discussing the question thoroughly, Professor Ellison concludes: "We have thus seen what strong opposition the people on the Pacific Coast offered to government notes, and that in spite of the legal-tender act they successfully clung to their gold currency. Thus, when in the eastern states paper was the medium of exchange and gold was quoted at a premium, on the Pacific Coast coin was the medium of exchange and notes were merchandise taken at a discount. Whether the gold currency advanced or retarded the economic development of the Pacific Coast, and whether such a policy injured the national currency are questions for discussion. Undoubtedly, many merchants made handsome profits by buying their merchandise in the east with depreciated notes and selling their goods on the Pacific Coast for gold coin. But the consumers, too, frequently benefited from this transaction. The greatest sufferers were wage-workers and government employees who were paid with depreciated greenbacks."

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*Visiting Historians*

The staff of the History Department of the University of Washington has three visiting Professors during the Summer Session of 1929 as follows: Frank J. Klingberg, Professor of History in the