

*Pioneer Graves in the Forests*

The Forest Service is doing a piece of extra work that will meet with general approval. Pioneer graves in the forests are being checked, located, and identified so far as possible. Fourteen of the National Forests in Oregon and Washington have reported graves definitely known and worthy of marking. Further details will develop as the work progresses.

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*Geographic Board Decisions*

In this *Quarterly* for July, 1929, a report was published of Northwest decisions by the United States Geographic Board including those at the meeting of April 3, 1929. Since then at least five meetings have been held and items relating to the State of Washington were decided as follows:

A mountain in Okanogan County bearing the commonplace name of Goat Mountain was changed to McLeod Peak for an early pioneer Angus McLeod. It is in Chelan National Forest. It is 8,123 feet high. The change of name was recommended by the United States Forest Service.

The name of Skykomish River was made more definite by recognizing the North and South Forks which unite a few miles west of Index forming the Skykomish River which, in turn, unites with Snoqualmie River near Monroe forming the Snohomish River. The South Fork of the Skykomish River is recognized as being formed by the junction of Foss and Tye Rivers at the village of Tonga.

Tye River is recognized as rising in Stevens Pass, near the Cascade Tunnel and flowing southwest.

At the meeting on January 8, 1930, the Board changed a former decision by adding an "l" to the name of Stillaguamish River. The change was suggested by Lewis A. McArthur of Portland, Oregon, who had found the revised spelling in more common use. There have been many spellings in use and this decision should now be accepted as definite.

The reports here considered carry many items relating to Alaska, Oregon, California and Idaho, but the ones mentioned cover the recent decisions in the State of Washington.

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*Historical Tours*

The Minnesota Historical Society gave its eighth State Historical Convention in the form of a series of tours from St. Paul to

Henderson, to Glencoe, to Hutchinson, to Forest City and to Litchfield with programs at each place. There was a large general committee and local committees served in each of the places visited. The plan seems well arranged for arousing a wider and more active interest in the work of the Minnesota Historical Society.

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*Wyoming Historian Honored*

The Kiwanis Club of Casper, Wyoming, has adopted an interesting plan of honoring worthy people while they still live. The honor is symbolized by a bronze medal on which are placed the phrases: "He serves best who serves willingly" and "For Distinguished Service." The award is made each year by a jury of twelve leading citizens of Casper who are not members of the Kiwanis Club. Nominations are solicited from civic and service organizations throughout the State. The award is made at a banquet in Casper with appropriate ceremonies.

The medal of 1929 was awarded to Grace Raymond Hebard, Professor of Economics and Sociology in the University of Wyoming, in which institution she has served since 1891. Her vocation is teaching but her avocation is Wyoming history. Her tireless researches have produced an enviable list of publications, which have won recognition far beyond the limits of Wyoming.

In warmly commending the event, the *Republican-Boomerang* of Laramie says: "The honor which has come to Dr. Grace Raymond Hebard through the instrumentality of the Kiwanis Club of Casper is indeed merited. It is pleasant, too, that such recognition should have taken place in her lifetime. In our hustle and bustle we Americans are too prone to let such matters go until death serves to emphasize extraordinary performance. Then, very often, and not until then, do we build our monuments."