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The builder of the Nation's Highest House

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A Grandson's Memories and Research

My grandparents helped me in many ways while I was growing up in Lone Pine, California. I was too young to realize all that they had accomplished. This biography is intended to assuage my years of neglect regarding them. Gustave was a modest unassuming person in my youthful eyes. His accomplishments indicate he was a very resourceful person determined to further the community of Lone Pine. Also, my grandmother, Elizabeth, was a resourceful and determined person who ran the business when Gustave was away. My father, Gus, said she could do anything and did it right, from hitching and driving a team of horses to intricate needlepoint, from changing tires on the Studebaker touring car to cooking fabulous meals on a wood burning stove. They were a great team. Her grandmother, Anna (McLellan) Calnan, was the first of our family to come to Lone Pine. She arrived by prairie schooner in February 1870 with her two sons and one of her daughters. Another daughter, Margaret (Calnan) Adams arrived later and married Josiah G. Dodge who also was a recent arrival. They were the parents of Elizabeth, and they remained in Lone Pine for the rest of their lives as did Gustave and Elizabeth.

Gustave's accomplishments on Mount Whitney are compiled in the booklet Gustave F. Marsh & Mount Whitney (Source# 87). A copy is on file at the Eastern California Museum, Independence, California. Also, they have a copy of Gustave F. Marsh, Sr. / Mount Whitney Correspondence, 1904-1940 (Source# 101). It is a collection of the correspondence between Marsh and the Smithsonian Institution, the Lick Observatory, Prof. J. E. Church (University of Nevada) and others. It is mostly about the construction of the shelter on the summit of Mount Whitney. Some of the information in those two booklets is repeated in this booklet. The 3 booklets complement and supplement one another. The "Notes & References" section follows the biography paragraph by paragraph. The Marsh papers: documents, photographs, publications, sources etc., are on file at the address below. Either the source or copies of pertinent pages from the source are there including a number of the original documents. The name Mount Marsh, in honor of Gustave F. Marsh, was made official by the U. S. Board on Geographic Names 10 Jan 2002. Information about Mount Marsh is included in the booklet Gustave F. Marsh & Mount Whitney.

BIOGRAPHY

- 1. Gustave Francis Marsh was born 26 March 1869 in Morton-cum-Fiskerton, Nottinghamshire, England. He was one of eleven children born to George and Marie (Holm) Marsh. Gustave came to the U.S.A. arriving at the Port of New York 17 January 1890 and worked in the mines around Rifle and Grand Junction, Colorado. He filed for citizenship 5 August 1890 in Glenwood Springs, the Garfield County Seat. Glenwood Springs is about 25 miles from Rifle. Apparently, he returned to England after his father's death (24 October 1890) and came back to the U.S.A. in 1892 with Edward Swinscoe. It appears their travels took them to Fort Collins, Colorado where Swinscoe remained and eventually died at the age of 75 in 1947. H. M. Dixon was another friend in the Fort Collins area.
- 2. Gustave continued west from Colorado and drove 6 & 8 horse freight teams between San Diego & Los Angeles, California for some time. San Diego was one of his favorite places. Later, he was mining again, this time in Jail Canyon, Panamint Mountains, California. While there, he acquired and sold half interest in the Sooner Mine to Ed Cross. Nothing came of the Sooner Mine that I have heard of, but it does appear the payment might have helped Gustave to get established in Lone Pine. Ed Cross went on to co-discover the Bullfrog Mine with Shorty Harris, and it became a big money maker. Both Ed and Gustave married Lone Pine women from pioneer families. Ed married Lutra Harvey and Gustave married Elizabeth Dodge. A snapshot of Gustave, Ed and Fred Grey is captioned Ed Cross, G.F. Marsh & Fred Grey, three capitalist. It appears that they were in the Sierra Nevada mountains as they had fishing poles as well as rifles. Perhaps they were at Soda Springs on the Kern River. Many from the area went there for a holiday from the summer heat.
- 3. Margaret Elizabeth Dodge, to be Mrs. G. F. Marsh, was born and raised in Lone Pine. She climbed Mount Whitney when she was 14 years old with a group that missed the way and had to do serious backtracking, but they got there. In 1922, Gustave told Chester Versteeg that in 1895 Elizabeth Dodge, Mrs. Stewart and Mrs. Le Barge were the first women to climb Mt. Whitney starting from the east side. There was no trail then. They crossed LP Pass & down to Rock Creek, lost their way, came back to timber line below Consultation Lake & the next day went over Lone Pine Pass to the west and up the west side above the chimney. There was no sign of a trail.
- 4. Gustave and Elizabeth were married in 1901 by Methodist Episcopal Minister, Richard Fysh. Elizabeth's uncle, John H. Dodge, and his wife Charlotte were their witnesses. The new couple took a 7 week honeymoon to Los Angeles. After that, they took residence in the old Dodge home. Elizabeth's mother died in 1894 and her father died in 1899. The Dodge home became the property of Elizabeth and her youngest brother, Arthur. Josiah Garland Dodge and Margaret Elizabeth Calnan were the parents of Elizabeth and five other children, all were born in Lone Pine. Josiah was born in Maine and Margaret in Canada. They both came to Lone Pine about 1871. Margaret's mother, 2 brothers and a sister had been in Lone Pine since February 1870. However, Margaret's mother left for Wyoming before 1880. Perhaps she left shortly after the devastating 1872 earthquake.
- 5. Gustave became a citizen of the U.S.A. 28 July 1902 in Independence, California (the Inyo County Seat) which is about 15 miles north of Lone Pine. Also, in 1902 he took over the U.S. Mail, Wells Fargo Express and stage services between the Mount Whitney narrow gauge railroad station and Lone Pine. The first telephone line in southern Inyo County was built in 1903 between those two places by Gustave. Later (about 1910) a route to Keeler was added to

- his Lone Pine & Mount Whitney Stage Line. His stage line used horse-drawn wagons and buggies in the beginning and later he added a Studebaker Touring Car with 4 doors, a rag top and roll-up isinglass windows. He served on the Board of Directors for the Motor Carriers Association of California which he belonged to for a number of years. Gustave continued the Lone Pine & Mount Whitney Stage Line and to carry the U. S. mail for 28 years to 1930 when he retired at the age of 61 years.
- 6. Legal action taken by T.C. Boland about 1896 for his fair share of the water from Lone Pine Creek was settled by a Decree filed 21 May 1902. Gustave's plan for a water distribution system was selected for the allocation of water per the priority of the users. Engineers came from different parts of the country to see that successful design. Mr. Marsh, for many years, oversaw the operation of the system and the collection of fees from the users of the water. In the winter when the temperature dropped below freezing, he would break up the ice in the system in the wee hours of the morning to keep the water flowing to the residents of Lone Pine.
- 7. After climbing Mount Whitney in 1901, Gustave understood that a trail to the summit of Mount Whitney would bring tourist and scientist to Lone Pine. Also, the scientist would see the value of an observatory on the summit. In 1903 & 1904 he worked to complete the first pack trail to the summit of Mount Whitney from the east. Gustave promoted and organized the collection of funds to finish the trail. The residents of Lone Pine and surrounding communities all contributed in various ways to raise the money and the labor needed. C.G. Abbot of the Smithsonian Institution wrote, "Under the leadership of G.F. Marsh the trail was completed to the Summit. Funds were scanty, and it was only by the greatest economy, pluck and perseverance that Mr. Marsh succeeded in getting the trail to the top.... (The trail) reflects very high credit on Mr. Marsh and his supporters that the trail was ever completed." When the trail was finished, Gustave wrote to Professor A. G. McAdie of the U.S. Weather Bureau in San Francisco that the pack trail was completed to the summit of Mount Whitney last Sunday, the 18th of July 1904.
- 8. Professor Church, University of Nevada, persuaded Gustave in January of 1905 to accompany him on a winter climb to the summit of Mount Whitney. They spent 8 days on the mountain but were turned back near Lake View camp, 13,300 feet, by the cracking of snow above them and the presence of a cliff directly below them. This was Marsh's first trip to the summit for science. Church was researching snow conditions. His next one was with Frank Adams, U.S. Department of Agriculture to make evaporation measurements.
- 9. W. W. Campbell, Director of the Lick Observatory, wanted to observe Mars from the summit of Mount Whitney no later than the first of September 1909 and McAdie had recommended Marsh as the man who could get his expedition on the summit. C. G. Abbot, Director of the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory, wanted to make solar radiation measurements. Campbell and Abbot, arranged for Marsh to accompany them to the summit of Mt. Whitney in 1908 to evaluate the location. While there they decided that a shelter to protect the scientist was needed. The Smithsonian Institution arranged to finance the shelter providing Marsh would commit to have the trail in a good condition at no expense to the Smithsonian.
- 10. Marsh organized a ball to raise the funds needed for repairing the trail. Lone Pine and other nearby communities all came through with donations and help and made the ball a success. The trail work was not started until 18 July 1909, about 2 weeks late, because of unexpected deep snow. It was completed 28 July 1909, and the construction of the shelter began immediately. The plan called for a 3 room shelter 10 foot by 30 foot. As lightning would set fire to a wood structure, the roof, windows (frames & covers) and doors were all made of iron

- and the walls of stone found on the summit. The materials were shipped from San Francisco to the Mount Whitney narrow gauge railroad station near Lone Pine. Marsh took over from there; he was the Smithsonian's Agent to received the materials and arranged for them to be taken to the summit.
- 11. The Smithsonian Institution selected Marsh to be the Superintendent of the construction of the shelter. Marsh was paid, \$5 per day, but only for the actual time he spent building the shelter. He said he could not work all the time for nothing, but had taken such an interest in this that he would like to see it through. Five men from the trail crew stayed on for the construction of the shelter. The shelter was completed in a little better than on-time, however, there were problems that had threatened the construction. Marsh wrote, in 1930, to Prof. Church at the University of Nevada, Reno, "During the time of putting up the building I stayed on top 43 days. I had 15 men to start with and only 5 at the finish. We had a terrible thunder storm when we were almost done. Our cook was knocked down by a flash of lightning at 9 o'clock one night and another flash almost finished us all. But the storm passed in a few minutes. Leaving all jagged points of rock and squares on the sand screen and the fuzz on the ropes one mass of lights. St. Elmo's Fire, we did not know what it was. So you can guess how scared we was. I urged the men to work fast so as to get done and get away. When next day at about 5 P.M. we heard muttering of thunder way over towards Arizona and the clouds rolled up the mountain just as the sun went down. I wish you could have seen those clouds in red suns rays, If Hell was ever turn loose it was in those clouds. I told the men to get under cover and we would be alright. But one by one they ran down the mountain and left me alone. So I went to bed and covered up my head, like a kid, till the storm passed over. I was alone 3 days. Then the men came back and we was glad all around. C. G. Abbot came up a few days after, just as the work was done. I got every thing completed 24 hours ahead of time and \$250.00 below my estimate. So I was happy.
- 12. Abbot arrived just as the shelter was being finished, it was ready for the scientist 29 August 1909. Campbell and his team and McAdie arrived after the shelter was completed and as they entered the door a flash of lightning hit near by. Campbell's observations showed that the Martian atmosphere could not support life as known on the earth. Abbot and McAdie also were able to collect data: Abbot, solar radiation data and McAdie, meteorological data. The expedition was a success for all three scientists.
- 13. Abbot, in 1909, wrote, "Marsh worked at all kinds of jobs himself cooking, breaking stone, carrying stone, carrying snow for water, riveting and cementing, as well as general bossing. He will never get paid in this world for the work he did on that house." McAdie wrote, "Mr. G. F. Marsh of Lone Pine had been on the summit ... superintending the erection of the observatory. Of Marsh I think I voice the sentiment of the entire party that he was a host in himself. To him more than any other one man is due the successful completion of the trail and the building of the observatory." W. W. Campbell, in November 1909: "It (the Mt. Whitney shelter) is a great credit to the Smithsonian Institution and to the superintendent of the construction, G. F. Marsh, a public-spirited citizen of Lone Pine, who struggled, valiantly and successfully against the difficulties of transporting cement and steel to the summit, as well as difficulties of less open character. Marsh's connection with the project is one in which he is entitled to feel the utmost pride, and I trust that his fellow citizens of Lone Pine and Inyo County will appreciate his services in this connection."
- 14. In May of 1910, Marsh went to the summit of Mount Whitney alone (others backed out at the last minute) for 4 reasons: to observe Halley's Comet, to observe a total eclipse of the moon, to see how the shelter went through the winter and to retrieve the temperature data recorded during the winter of 1909-1910. McAdie wrote, "I received a telegram from Mr. G.F. Marsh, of Lone Pine, saying that he climbed Mount Whitney and reached the summit yesterday (May 23, 1910) and found our instruments left there last August all right. He gives the lowest

temperature on the top of the United States proper last winter as 23° F below zero and the highest, 57° F." McAdie noted that "It was quite an achievement to reach the summit so early in the year." This was a unique opportunity to observe Halley's Comet and a total eclipse of the Moon and Gustave did not miss it. He had the best unaided view of them in, at least, the entire Nation. Gustave's observations were sent to the Lick Observatory, first to Campbell in 1910 and R. G. Aitken in 1911. Those sent to Aitken were published in at least 2 journals and one book. Here is an lightly edited version of Marsh's letter to Campbell:

Lone Pine, California 5 June 1910 Prof W.W. Campbell, Mt. Hamilton Dear Sir

Your kind letter to hand Friday night. ... (answering your inquiry about my observations of Halley's Comet from the summit of Mt. Whitney last May.) I was very anxious to see the building & so many promised to go with me but they all fell down at the last minute. So I determined to go alone for J. E. Church kindly loaned me snowshoes. So I started Sunday morning 8:30 & figured to be on the top at 12 AM next day & see the Comet & Eclipse. I drove to the power plant & started to walk at 12 AM I took 1 Blanket, 1 piece of Canvas, some tea & coffee, 1 can Baked bean, snow shoes & 1/2 pint whiskey It made quite a load. I took my time & got to Lone Pine Lake 4:20 & Robinson's Camp at 5 PM first snow at 10000 ft. trail all good so far small patches of snow off an on to timber line. I fixed my camp built a big fire gathered up all the old sacks I could find & old clothes & made me a pretty good bed with some boxes for a wind break. I passed the night very comfortable I got up at 3 AM eat my breakfast & started out just as it was light enough about 4 AM. The snow was just right for traveling. no frost at Robinson's Camp I made good time to that first big snow bank there the snow was so hard I could not get a footing my snow shoes would not hold so I took to the rocks & with my snow shoes & pack it was quite a task but I did fine it was good going till I got to about 12,500 about where the ice was last year there I found the snow very hard and smooth that was about 6 AM I could not use my snow shoes so I used them to dig holes for my feet I found that was very difficult I needed an alpine stock then I had to stamp my feet down till I got a footing & the higher I got the worse it got & I dare not turn round so I made a bee line for the cliffs towards the east but oh my it was so slow I had to make sure of every step but I made it in safety at Lone Pine Pass the snow was in ridges on the Lone Pine side I never saw the snow so smooth & hard & it was easy going to Lake View Camp from there there was very little snow till I got to the big bank near Mt Whitney but it was easy going I got to the top at 11:15 oh but I was tired I made a fire & started my can of beans for soup. took out the mirror & at 12 noon I signaled to Lone Pine & got an answer in 3 minutes. I had promised my wife I would signal at 12. after I got an answer I felt pretty good I eat my bean soup sat out in the sun looked around & saw a big fat ground Hog sitting by the monument he did not seem a bit afraid he came & packed off some old bread I had thrown out I found the building in good shape only the door to the room for the tourist was down & the room was half full of snow & it's pretty sure someone did not fasten it very well or left it open entirely. It can be put back in a few minutes with help quite a bit of snow had drifted in the other 2 rooms through the door ventilators & laps in the roof I find it will be necessary to close up every crevice—there was no snow on top of the mountain It was a beautiful day & I got ready to see the comet but at 5 PM it got cloudy but the moon came up full speed alright & was clear as a bell but towards night it clouded again & for the first quarter of the moon it was cloudy but after that it was clear. The comet was in plain view as soon as it was dark & just before the moon was covered the sky was perfectly clear except the fog bank very low down towards Visalia & the comet showed up grand & was in plane sight until the head of the comet got in the fog bank it seemed particularly bright at about 8.30 when the moon was almost covered the tail almost reached the moon it swept almost across the sky I slept good I had quite a headache at times I made a signal fire at night & saw 5 fires in return The minimum temperature was 23° below zero & max 55 (as recorded by McAdie's thermometers left there last September) there was 10% frost the night of the 23rd at 5 PM it was 36 & at 7 AM it was 22. I

left the top at 7 AM & got home in town at 2:30 I found it more difficult coming down the snow on the Lone Pine side than it was going up. but I kept to the rocks all I could I slipped once but did not slide very far I was very tired for days Hoping to see you again soon. I shall be glad to introduce you to Maule Whitney Marsh born March 21st Best Love to all from us all Yours Truly, G. F. Marsh

- 15. Marsh assisted Abbot when he returned for more measurements in the summer of 1910. Also, Marsh assisted Ångström of the Smithsonian, and members from the U.S. Weather Bureau in 1913. All were scientific expeditions.
- 16. A story based on Gustave's efforts to build the shelter on Mount Whitney, Man Against the Mountain by Ruth Woodman, was originally broadcast by NBC on the DuPont Co. program Cavalcade of America on 17 Feb 1947. The script for this program is reprinted in the book Saga of Inyo County. Prior to this, a letter to Gustave from Mr. & Mrs. H.M. Dixon, friends in Ft. Collins, Colorado, refers to another radio program (NBC's Death Valley Days, The Story of Mount Whitney) that was broadcast 12 Aug 1938 that included information about their friend Gustave Marsh and the Mount Whitney trail.
- 17. Gustave campaigned for supervisor of the 4th District of Inyo County in 1912, but did not win. However, he did win in 1918 and was a supervisor for 2 years. A photograph (Pic# 56) of him is on display (May 1999) in the main hallway, along with other supervisors, in the Inyo County Court House in Independence, California. Gustave has a Knights of Pythias badge on his coat lapel in that photo. In 1913 The Grand Lodge of California, Knights of Pythias certified that Past Chancellor G.F. Marsh of Mount Whitney Lodge, No. 97 of Lone Pine had been appointed District Deputy Grand Chancellor for Minor District No. 93.
- 18. The Lone Pine High School 1941 Yearbook "Whitney Pinnacles" indicates that Gustave F. Marsh was one of the Pioneers responsible in a large degree for the development of secondary education in Owens Valley and in Lone Pine. His grandson, George, was a freshman that year. Gustave was the President of the School Board of Trustees when his son, Gus, graduated from high school in 1922 and when his daughter-in-law to be, Zoe Chambers, graduated in 1923. Mr. Marsh served as the President of the School Board for 16 years.
- 19. The Marsh, Sr. house was built in 1915. It replaced the old Dodge house that was built before 1872 at 221 (aka 305) West Willow Street in Lone Pine, California. Gustave's wife, Elizabeth, and all three of their children: Gus (1903-1998), Blanche (1905-1920) and Maule (1910-1986) were born in the Dodge house. Grandson George was born in the new house and Gustave and his daughter, Blanche, died there. The granite for the porch columns came from the Sierra Nevada, and the round smooth rust colored rocks in the porch walls between the columns came from Cottonwood Creek and the masonry was done by Bernard Albertoli of Big Pine. (B. & D. Albertoli were the masons for the building of the Mount Whitney shelter) The cement banisters at the sides of the stairs, south side and front, have the imprint of cedar leaves which Gustave pressed into the wet cement. The Marsh Sr. house had electricity from the start. The Dodge house had a piped acetylene gas system for lights put in by Gustave and electricity after that. (I guess that the Dodges might have used candles and coal oil lamps). Gus, wasn't sure, but guessed that Lone Pine got electricity in 1905 or 1906 from the Southern Sierra (Electric Co.), "Mammoth to the Mexican border, DC via a pipe." The total property included 4 contiguous lots and 10 acres to the west. After Elizabeth died in 1964, the home was sold by her son, Maule. Gustave had died in 1946. Gus and Maule sold the 10 acres about 1972 and it became Aibonita for Mr. and Mrs. Statham.

- 20. Gustave put a reservoir in at the top of the fields, his & Edwards. It was the first reservoir in the area, and he lined it with clay from the dry lakes. Others then built reservoirs and found the need to line them to stop the loss from seepage. The main flow in the streams would be at night as it took that long for the daily snow melt to get to town from the Sierra Nevada. The reservoirs helped to use that water the next day instead of having to irrigate at night. Gus would often find several nice trout flopping in the alfalfa after an early morning irrigation. Only the upper half of the 10 acres was irrigated as the lower half would be sub-irrigated from it.
- 21. Behind their home, Gustave built an apartment, blacksmith shop & a buggy house. My guess is that he used the lumber from the Dodge house for those buildings. The buggy and then the car was kept in the buggy house which was south of and adjoined the blacksmith shop. Also, near the house he built a cellar-house and in the field he built a chicken coop and yard. The cellar and coop were built of shale and clay. The shale came from the Keeler area and the clay from the dry lakes near the Mount Whitney RR Station. These locations were at the end of his stage runs. When there was room in the stage-wagon, he would load the shale or clay to take home. In the center of the 10 acres behind the home was a barn and a bee house. Gustave was an industrious man of many talents.
- 22. Eventually, the bee house became an apartment and was used by two old miners, first one and then the other. The first one, Gus didn't remember his name, was very clean and as neat as a pin and very sharp. Elizabeth would check on the miner from time to time to be sure he was OK. At times she would help him when he was too sick to take care of himself. George Smalley was the last one to use the old bee house, and he was just the opposite of the first one. He had worked for Gustave helping to work a claim near New York Butte, the old Iron Sides Mine. This is the mine that belonged to Kate Wells. Gustave kept the claim active, but not profitable, for a number of years after her death. Also, he had a soft spot for old miners and would give them financial assistance in their time of need.
- 23. Gustave's son remembered when Owens Lake was on the Pacific flyway for ducks and geese. He said the lake would be black with ducks. His father, for a fee, used to take hunters to the lake and if someone took more than 25, he would not take that person again. Gus, as a boy, took duck hunters in a horse drawn wagon to the river area east of the Alabama Gates. It was there he had his first sandwich, one of the hunters gave him some hard tack and to Gus' surprise it had weevils inside. Also, Gus remembered that when Owens Lake was drying up and the wind came from the south, there would be a terrible smell with it.
- 24. The Marsh's barn was 50 to 60 feet long and had an overhead trolley to move hay within the barn. Gus could work for 2 or 3 days moving the dried hay and then his eyes and throat would begin to close, and he would be in bed sick for several days. They stored melons in the hay, and sometimes they would have a watermelon at Christmas. The hay was stored in the loft where they would use a saw to cut what was needed to feed the animals in the barn below. Gustave chopped the corn stalks for fodder for the pigs, cows and horses. Eggs were preserved by salting them, and later they found sodium silicate (hour glass) to be better. The coal fines that Gustave would not pass on to his coal customers, would be wrapped in wet newspaper. After they dried, the composite would be burned. Gustave bought dried fruit in 25 pound boxes (15" x 10" x 4") which were made of very thin wood. He bought these from a wholesaler about the time of Thanksgiving. Also, he bought hams and bacon and put them all in the cellar (the rock house behind their home) with potatoes, carrots etc. from their garden. There were shelves in the cellar about 10' long with fancy glass doors. Gus would keep a pan of milk from their cow in the cellar and blow a hole in the cream to drink the milk and use the

Gustave F. Marsh

- cream on cereal in the morning. They raised and butchered chickens, turkeys, geese and hogs. Also, they made soap and candles for their own use.
- 25. According to Elizabeth's first born, Gus Marsh, "she could do anything and do it right". She could harness and drive a team, plow, chop wood, crochet, sew, cook, solder with a candle and no one could pick the feathers off a bird, including down from a goose, as fast and thorough as she could. Her holiday dinners, Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years, were always outstanding. She was an excellent cook and cooked on a wood burning stove. That was no small feat as she would have to keep the fire burning just right for the stove top cooking, the roasting and the baking. Norma (Dodge) Ingram said her aunt Elizabeth was very capable in everything she did to keep a good home for her family, but there was also a quiet, unspoken quality about her that is hard to describe but was completely natural to her. She had a "touch of class" especially when she got dressed to go someplace such as church, on a trip or visiting. She was very well groomed and stood with good posture, yet not proud but rather of amiable disposition. Her soft dark eyes were very expressive in an otherwise calm face. She was a caring person who did not put herself forward. She liked to do considerate things for others. A simple "thank you" to her was rewarded by those expressive eyes. She was so tough as to stand up under life's cruelest blows, yet so soft as to be near tears when parting with family.
- 26. When grandson George was small, Gustave would put one leg over the other while sitting in his easy chair and give George a horseback ride on his foot. Gus was concerned that George kept asking for too much, but Gustave would continue. Elizabeth bought a cowboy suit for George and Gustave posed for a photo with George to show it off. It was always fun to collect the eggs from the chicken coop and carry milk from their cow to George's home in a Snowdrift pail. Cousin Don Showalter & George used to spend hours in grandpa Marsh's office exploring his old guns, gold coins, Indian Head pennies and the vast collection of National Geographic magazines. Gramma Marsh hired George to bring them the mail at noon each day for a nickel. This was to help him earn money for a bicycle. When they thought he had earned enough they bought the bicycle much to George's delight. Grandpa Marsh took George fishing in a small boat on a lake in Canada. The copper fishing line and tackle were so heavy, George didn't know he had a 1/2 pound trout hooked until he reeled him in. Also, grampa Marsh took him fishing on the Yellowstone River. That trip was a month long. Gramma would fix breakfast, fold up the bedding that they carried. Fix a lunch for a stop along the road and load up the car. About 3 PM each day we would buy groceries and pick a motel for the night. For 3 summers, grampa let George dig in his garden for fish worms. They sold for 50¢ a can. Each can had 100 worms and Ralph Fear at his Standard Oil gas station would sell 15 to 20 cans over a 3 day weekend. That was big money for the 1930s. Much later when George had leave from the Navy, they let him borrow their car. They didn't know that George and Barbara used it to elope to Tonopah, Nevada. That marriage is at 57 years and still going strong (6/2003).
- 27. After Gustave retired, he and Elizabeth made two trips to England, one in 1930 and the other in 1935. Their 1930 passport also shows a visa for Germany; this was the year Gustave retired. After those two trips, he told his wife he left England because he didn't like it and didn't find it any better on his return trips and decided not to make any more trips to England. However, they did travel in the U.S.A. and Canada. They took grandson, George, on trips to Canada in 1939 and 1941. Gustave did tell Elizabeth that she could go to England if she wished to, but he would not go again. After he died in 1946, she did make several trips by herself to England and Europe.
- 28. Gustave had a saying: "Nova rich, they blew it before they learned to spend it." (I wonder if the comparison of the co-discovers of the Bullfrog mine might have provided the insight for this

- saying?). George Putnam in *Up in Our Country* wrote that Gustave said, "*Englishmen you meet seem to be going home. Americans appear always to be on their way to the office.*"
- 29. On the 25th of August 1940, Chester Versteeg, Bob Rumohr, Andy Hennig and John Wiggenhorn made a first ascent of a peak of about 13,500 feet high, just south east of Whitney Pass. Versteeg named it Mount Marsh, in honor of Gustave F. Marsh, in 1937. The U.S. Board on Geographic Names made the name Mount Marsh official 10 Jan 2002. South of Mount Marsh is Mount McAdie named in honor of Alexander G. McAdie; he was in charge of the US Weather Bureau in San Francisco when Gustave came to know him. When Professor Church named Mount McAdie in March of 1905, Gustave was with Church on an 8 day attempt to get to the summit of Mount Whitney.
- 30. Gustave (1946), Elizabeth (1964), Blanche (1920), Maule (1986) and the last, Gus (1998), are buried in the Mount Whitney Cemetery which is approximately one and a half miles north of Lone Pine on the east side of US highway 395. Gus, died a month after his 95th birthday and his wife Zoe died 2 months after her 97th birthday. She is buried along side of Gus. Elizabeth's parents are buried in the Pioneer Cemetery southeast of Lone Pine. Also, at least two of the three Fishermen that were the first to climb Mount Whitney, Charlie Begole & Al Johnson, are buried there. I have not found the location of John Lucas' grave; but since he died in Lone Pine, I believe he is buried there with the other two Fishermen.
- 31. After the death of Gustave F. Marsh, 20 April 1946, there was a funeral service and a memorial service. Major George P. Putnam (widower of Amelia Earhart) gave the memorial address in the auditorium of the Lone Pine Union High School. *The Owens Valley Progress Citizen* paid tribute to Mr. Marsh on the front page of the 3 May 1946 edition. *Taciturn* by Elizabeth, found in the Marsh papers, expresses her mourning.
- 32. Gustave Marsh shared the vision of Langley, McAdie, Campbell and Abbot for an observatory on the summit of Mount Whitney. He shared their interest and that of others who came to Lone Pine to use the trail and the shelter. Gustave was a worker, a leader, a manager and a man with a fearless resolve. Also, he was curious and took the time to explore. The stars and the wonders in the heavens are nearly always present in the night skies of Lone Pine, an ideal place to see the heavens at their greatest. Gustave continued his contact with the scientists and read the reports they sent to him. He came to believe his home with its view of the Sierra Nevada mountains to be the loveliest spot in the world. His garden was a never ending source of pleasure by day, and the stars always held his interest at night.

NOTES & REFERENCES

Each paragraph below corresponds to the same numbered paragraph in the report.

(Notes: 1. Gustave is the father of Gus. 2. Source# xx: (page numbers). 3. A "Doc" is a copy or an original document in my files. 4. A "Source" is a published item. 5. A "Pic" is a photo in my files. 6. Documents are listed separately in two sections: 1. The document section & 2. The Letters section)

- 1. Gustave's birth certificate (Doc# 115) & a Certificate of Baptism (Doc# 71).
 - Gustave's parents': George Marsh Family Group Report (FGR).
 - Coming to America: Obit in the Owens Valley Progress Citizen, 3 May 1946 (Doc# 66).
 - Mining in Colorado, family lore.
 - Colorado Declaration of Intention (Doc# 31).
 - Fort Collins, CO: Edward Swinscoe's Obit (a clipping from an unknown newspaper) & note (Doc# 120).
 - H. M. Dixon 1938 letter (Doc# 121).
- 2. San Diego / Los Angles freight teaming, family lore.
 - Jail Canyon mining, family lore.
 - Sooner mine & Ed Cross: Inyo County record of deed, Liber D1, page 314, 20 Apr 1901. Both Gustave & Ed were of Ballarat, CA, *Inyo Independent* newspaper, 26 Apr 1901 & 14 Jun 1901.
 - Bullfrog mine: Death Valley & The Amargosa (Source# 24: 203).
 - Ed Cross & Lutra Harvey: Saga of Inyo County (Source# 1: 130 & 212).
 - G. F. Marsh & E. Dodge marriage, *Inyo Independent*, 31 Dec 1901 and marriage license (Doc# 101).
 - Photo of the Three Capitalist (Plate 9, *Pic# 51*).
 - Soda Springs on the Kern River, a vacation spot: *Inyo Independent*, 26 Jul 1873, 23 Aug 1873, 20 Sep 1873 & 8 Jul 1899.
- 3. Family Bible (Doc# 59).
 - Letters to C. Versteeg dated 10/8 & 14/1922 (Doc's 242 & 243) and a photo (Plate 7, *Pic# 33*) of her and others at the monument on the summit shows that Elizabeth Dodge climbed Mount Whitney in 1895. On the back of the photo is "Miss Lizzie Dodge with compliments of E. Newman." It appears there were 2 parties on the summit, at least one with camera. The men in Elizabeth's party were: Mr. Hamilton, Herb Jones, Mr. Austin (husband of Mary Austin of "Land of Little Rain") and Mr. De La Carrol. Family lore indicates her shoes came apart during the outing causing her much grief.
- 4. Gustave Marsh & Elizabeth Dodge married 11 Dec 1901, marriage license (Doc# 101).
 - Honeymoon to Los Angeles: *Inyo Independent*, 31 Dec 1901 & return from Los Angeles: *Inyo Independent*, 24 Jan 1902.
 - Deed, dated 27 Dec 1899 (Doc# 161), to Elizabeth & Arthur from their siblings
 - Margaret (Calnan) Adams, first evidence she was in Lone Pine: Dodge Family Bible (Doc# 59) shows her marriage to Josiah Dodge, 5 Dec 1871.
 - J.G. Dodge in Lone Pine: Bought property, 10 Jul 1871 (Doc# 276 / Deed# 2: Block 9, Lot 4) & he registered to vote 17 Aug 1871, Inyo County Great Register of Voters.

- Elizabeth's Family, Josiah Dodge Family Group Report.
- Dodge Family Bible (Doc #59) was kept by Margaret (Calnan) Dodge & by Elizabeth (Dodge) Marsh after Margaret's death. Norma (Dodge) Ingram has possession of the Family Bible.
- Annie (McLellan) Calnan, Margaret's mother, coming to Lone Pine: *History of Orange County* (Source# 13: 1166 & 1141) & 1870 Census, Lone Pine, CA. John Calnan Family Group Report.
- Death of Josiah Dodge: Family Bible (Doc #59) & Inyo Independent, 27 Oct 1899.
- Death of Margaret (Calnan) Dodge: Family Bible (Doc #59) & Inyo Independent, 2 Mar 1894.
- Margaret's mother, Anna (McLellan) Calnan-McLean (aka McClure, McLain & M'Clain) is shown in the U.S. 1880 Census, Dale Creek, WY. Anna (McLellan) Calnan-M'Clain, her son, Norman Calnan and her daughter, Anna Atkinson and family, were on a farm at Dale Creek.
- 5. Citizenship: Superior Court, Inyo County, California, Order dated 28 July 1902 (Doc# 32) & Inyo Independent, 1 Aug 1902.
 - Mail & Stage service: Obit (Doc# 66), Passport dated 4 Aug 1930 (Doc# 135), Business card (Doc# 92) and family lore.
 - Telephone line: Obit (Doc# 66) & Inyo Independent, 10 July 1903.
 - Motor Carriers Association of California: membership certificates & Newsletter (Doc# 137 thru 140).
- 6. Legal action, Inyo County, Court Decree filed 21 May 1902 re Boland vs Lone Pine et al (Doc# 1).
 - Lone Pine Creek water distribution system: Obit (Doc# 66), University of California letter dated 27 Jan 1904 (Doc# 63) & family lore.
- 7. First pack trail to summit of Mount Whitney from Lone Pine: San Francisco Chronicle, 7 Nov 1909, (Doc# 64), Mary Locker, Sierra Life 1984 (Source# 58: 26-31), Inyo Independent (22 Jul 1904, 5 Aug 1904 & 26 Aug 1904), Abbot's A Shelter for Observers on Mount Whitney (Source# 55: 499-506) [page 500: "Langley (1881) found it impossible to carry his spectrobolometer to the summit of Mount Whitney, and contended himself with observing at "Mountain Camp." ... Farther advance by that route with animals was then impossible and is still so (1910)."], Sierra Club Bulletin (SCB) Jan 1905 (Source# 53: 259), SCB Feb 1936 (Source# 52: 64 to 75) & SCB Jan 1910 (Source# 72: 143). See "Gustave F. Marsh & Mount Whitney" (Source# 87) for more information.
- 8. Marsh-Church winter climb, Church letter 5 Feb 1940 to Chester Versteeg (Doc# 131), Church letter 22 Jan 1905 to Marsh (Doc# 122), SCB Jun 1905 (Source# 64: 316-317) & SCB Jun 1909 (Source# 65: 105-118).
 - Marsh letter to Church dated 2 Jan 1930 (Doc# 168).
 - U.S. Dept. of Agriculture letter to Marsh dated 20 Jul 1905 (Doc# 224).
 - See Gustave F. Marsh & Mount Whitney (Source# 87) for more information.

- 9. To Climb the Highest Mountain: W.W. Campbell's 1909 Mars Expedition to Mount Whitney by Donald E. Osterbrock (Source# 74: 83-85).
 - letters:

Campbell to Marsh, 11 June 1908 (Doc# 149).

Marsh to Campbell, 14 June 1908 (Doc# 150).

Walcott to Marsh, 18 Dec 1908 (Doc# 171).

Marsh to Walcott, 4 Mar 1909 (Doc# 179)

- 10. The Ball, *Inyo Independent*, 28 May 1909.
 - A Shelter for Observers on Mount Whitney (Source# 55).
- 11. Letters re planning for the shelter:

Marsh to Walcott, 4 Mar 1909 (Doc# 175), "...I can not work all the time for nothing, but I have taken such an interest in this that I would like to see it through."

Walcott to Marsh, 15 Mar 1909 (Doc# 180), Marsh to be the superintendent, but the project is on HOLD for reasonable bids from the packers.

Marsh to Walcott, 21 Mar 1909 (Doc# 181), Marsh will do all he can

Marsh to Walcott, 21 Mar 1909 (Doc# 183), Marsh recommends packer Robinson

Campbell to Marsh, 26 Mar 1909 (Doc# 229), Campbell encourages Marsh

Walcott to Marsh, 30 Mar 1909 (Doc# 184), the HOLD is lifted, go ahead

- A Shelter for Observers on Mount Whitney (Source# 55), re dates for start of the trail & completion the shelter.
- Marsh to Church, 2 Jan 1930 (Doc# 168),
- 12. *To Climb the Highest Mountain* (Source# 74: 83-85, 87 & 89).
 - *History of the Sierra Nevada* (Source# 15: 183).
 - A Shelter for Observers on Mount Whitney (Source# 55).
 - San Francisco Chronicle, 7 Nov 1909 (Doc# 64)
 - Inyo Independent, 10 Sep 1909
- 13. Abbot A Shelter for Observers on Mount Whitney (Source# 55, p. 505 re the quote).
 - McAdie SCB Jan 1910 (Source# 72: 143).
 - Campbell San Francisco Chronicle, 7 Nov 1909 (Doc# 64).
- 14. Marsh's 1910 climb to Summit of Mount Whitney
 - Obit in the Owens Valley Progress Citizen, 3 May 1946 (Doc# 66)
 - SCB June 1910 (Source# 54: 248), McAdie's statement
 - Inyo Independent, 27 May 1910. Marsh reached the summit & signaled with a fire at night.
 - Marsh's Comet report to Campbell (Lick Observatory) dated 6/5/1910 (Doc 154).
 - Marsh's letter to Aitken (Lick Observatory) dated ca Aug 1911 (Doc# 157). This is a second report re Halley's Comet per the request by Aitken, who later became a Director of the Lick Observatory. He published it in the *Publications of the Astronomical Society of the Pacific*, Vol. 23, 1911 (Source# 78: 240-242).
 - Chapman Brandt, *The Comet Book* (Source# 79: 119 & 121) reports Marsh's observations of a total lunar eclipse & Halley's comet. This book references: *Popular Astronomy*, v.19 (1911) (Source# 80: 578) as the source of the observations.

- 15. Studying the Sun's Heat on Mountain Peaks in Desert Lands, Pub 2623 (Source# 66: 149, 150)
 - Letters from Abbot (Doc# 129 & 233) & Weather Bureau (Doc# 233) re the Ångström Expedition
 - SCB Feb 1936 (Source# 52: 71-72) re the Ångström Expedition
- 16. NBC's The Cavalcade of America, "Man Against the Mountain," (Source# 67). A copy of the script is in the *Saga of Inyo County* (Source# 1: 43-48)
 - NBC's Death Valley Days, "The Story of Mount Whitney," broadcast 12 Aug 1938 (Source# 85 & Inyo Independent 26 Aug 1938)
- 17. 4th District Supervisor: *Inyo Independent* 25 Oct 1912 and 31 Aug 1918. Also, his signature is on a map of Lone Pine, Inyo County, California. It was Surveyed and Platted by B.E. Sherwin, County Surveyor, 1919.
 - Gustave's son, Gus, believed the badge is a Knights of Pythias Badge and it was confirmed by James H. Hoover, a member of the Lakewood Knights of Pythias 11 Mar 1998.
 - Knights of Pythias certificate (Doc# 74)
- 18. Lone Pine Union High School, President of the Board of Trustees:
 - Gus's diploma (Doc# 27) & Zoe's diploma (Doc# 268).
 - Whitney Pinnacles for 1941 (Source# 59).
 - Obit in the Owens Valley Progress Citizen, 3 May 1946 (Doc# 66).
- 19. Marsh house, built in 1915, family lore.
 - Stone Mason was Bernard Albertoli, family lore plus see Labor Statement for building the Mount Whitney shelter, 16 Oct 1909 (Doc# 124). The statement shows a B. Albertoli (senior Stone Mason) on the payroll.
 - Dodge house was built before 1872: Family lore & Saga of Inyo County (Source# 1: 77) information by Anne Margrave "At least there was a church before the earthquake of 1872. After the earthquake in which the building where they had been meeting was demolished, the congregation was wont to gather in the Dodge home."
- 20. Reservoir, irrigation etc., family lore
- 21. Buildings on the property etc., family lore
- 22. Bee House & occupants: family lore
 - Burgess Mine (Iron Sides): family lore. Location and information is given in *Mines of the Eastern Sierra* by Mary DeDecker (Source# 17: 51)
 - Kate Wells, Saga of Inyo County, "The Battle of Burgess", by Beveridge Ross Spear (Source# 1: 133-134).
- 23. Pacific flyway: family lore
- 24. Life on the Marsh farm: family lore

- 25. Family lore.
- 26. Trips after retirement: Passports (Doc# 135 & 136), family lore
- 27. Grandson George's memories
- 28. Gustave's sayings: family lore & Up in Our Country (Source# 8: 114-115).
- 29. Mount Marsh, Chester Versteeg's note of 25 Aug 1940 (Doc# 128) & the *Los Angeles Times* article of about September 1940 (Doc# 132). [I have not been able to verify the photos came from the Los Angeles Times, but I am reasonably certain that they did.]
 - Versteeg's 1937 letter to the USBGN (Doc# 254).
 - David Kruger's post card (Doc# 241).
 - Mount McAdie: Place Names of the Sierra Nevada (Source# 7: 140), and Church's article in the SCB June 1905 (Source# 64: 316-317).
 - Chester Versteeg (1887-1963) lawyer, businessman, lecturer and author, who devoted much of his life to furthering interest in the Sierra Nevada (Source# 7: 227) Also, see Versteeg's history by John Robinson (Source# 76).
 - The USBGN made official the name Mount Marsh 10 Jan 2002 (Doc# 257)
- 30. Burials: Gustave's, Elizabeth's, Maule's & Gus' death certificates (Doc# 68, 69, 133 & 261), photos of grave markers & family lore.
- 31. Funeral & Memorial services: letter from Wm. J. Bauer, District Superintendent and Principal, Lone Pine Union High School, to Mrs. Marsh (Doc# 67).
 - Owens Valley Progress Citizen, 3 May 1946 (Doc# 66).
 - Taciturn by Elizabeth Marsh (Doc# 13) expresses her mourning.
- 32. My (George Marsh) thoughts of respect and admiration for my grandfather.

ABBREVIATIONS:

FGR family group report

Obit obituary

SCB Sierra Člub Bulletin

USBGN United states Board on Geographic Names

BACKGROUND.

Family lore indicates Gustave was named after a King of Norway. Oscar I [Joseph Francios Oscar] was King of Sweden [& Norway] from 1844 to 1859. Charles XV was the king from 1859 to 1872. Oscar II (Oscar Fredrik) ruled Norway & Sweden from 1872 to 1905. Gustave's father, George Marsh was in Norway around 1857 [perhaps 1850 to 1863]. Gustavus III was the King from 1746 to 1792 when he was assassinated at a masquerade ball. During his period of reign a great cultural movement took place. The assassination was the subject of Verdi's opera "Un Ballo in Maschera" [a masked ball]. Its first performance was in 1859, several years after George & Marie were married. Perhaps, this may have been the event that influenced them to so name Gustave. Perhaps, his middle name is after Oscar I [Joseph Francios Oscar].

Gustave's baptismal certificate shows his mother to be "Mary Home". Also, it shows their home to be Fiskerton. A recent real estate brochure shows the home to be between Morton and Fiskerton. A certified copy of his birth certificate shows birth date of 26 Mar 1869, Gustof Francis, father: George Marsh, mother: Mary (Holm) Marsh, residence: Morton, Southwell District, County of Nottingham. (General Index of Births Registered in Southwell, Notts, April, May, June 1869: Gustof Francis Marsh, b. 26 March 1869. Vol 76 page 256.)

Elizabeth has no birth certificate or baptismal record, none has been found nor thought to exist. Also, none of their 3 children have birth certificates, however, records of baptism were found for all 3 children that are dated 1 Jul 1917. The dates of birth are recorded on the records and they are consistent with family lore. Elisabeth, Gus & Maule, all submitted petitions for Delayed Birth Certificates and they were recorded 14 April 1941. The dates are consistent with the other sources. Their daughter, Blanche died 22 Sep 1920 There is no death certificate on record with the Inyo County Recorder. There is an obit for her in the Inyo Independent newspaper. Also, a note of the birth of each of the 3 children is in the Inyo Independent newspaper.

PHOTOGRAPHS

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| 5 | Mount Whitney Smithsonian Shelter |
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| 9 | Gustave F. Marsh / 1900, 1910 & 1930 |

PHOTOS FROM ENGLAND



Gustave about 1872



Left to right: Gustave, Oscar, Grandma (mother), Lawrence, Frederick & Christian at the front door of the Marsh home about 1888



Gustave about 1892



Home of the George Marsh family Morton, Nottinghamshire, England

EARLY USA PHOTOS



about 1890



about 1902



Elizabeth Dodge & Gustave Marsh 1901



Gustave & Gus 1905

LONE PINE HOMES



The Dodge home survived the 1872 earthquake that destroyed most of Lone Pine. The children of Josiah Dodge & Gustave Marsh were born in this home.



The Dodge / Marsh home about 1905.



The Marsh home about 1915.

MARSH CHILDREN



Gus about 1933



Blanche about 1920



Blanche & Gus about 1908



Maule about 1928

MOUNT WHITNEY SHELTER

Gustave F. Marsh, Superintendent



laying the foundation



about halfway up



Campbell's telescope



Abbot's shelter & bolometer



shelter on the summit Smithsonian Institution photo (Source# 5)



McAdie, first on the left, Abbot second & Gustave fifth

LONE PINE MT. WHITNEY STAGE LINE

Gustave F. Marsh, Proprietor



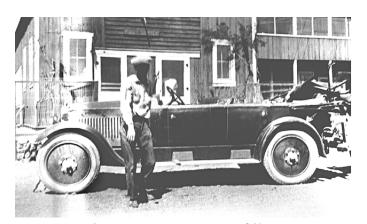
Gustave used buggies & wagons from 1902 to about 1910



Gustave carried the mail, rain or snow



Lone Pine Falls are at the foot of the Sierra on Lone Pine Creek.



Gus at the Keeler Post Office A touring car was used from 1910 to 1930 Eastern California Museum photo: HILD 105a

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CALIFORNIA

LONE PINE.

ELIZABETH (DODGE) MARSH



The Josiah Dodge Family - about 1888 Anna (Adams) Mates - Martha Margaret - Norman - Cye - Josiah Elizabeth - Frank



Mt. Whitney summit about 1895 Elizabeth in the lower right corner



about 1920



about 1890



about 1898



about 1950

GUSTAVE & ELIZABETH



1930 passport photo



grandson George 1931



Nancy, GGM & Jeanette 1952



Gold Beach, Oregon about 1940

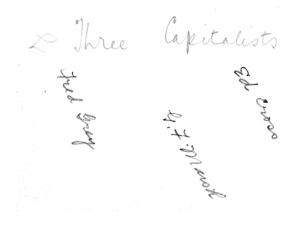


Zoe, Jeanette, George & GGM UC Santa Barbara College 1950

GUSTAVE F. MARSH / 1900s



Ed Cross, G. F. Marsh & Fred Grey Three Capitalists



reverse side of the photo



G. F. Marsh & Bill Skinner Mount Whitney Shelter, 1910



G. F. Marsh - Lone Pine Water System, about 1930

HOME PHOTO & DIAGRAMS

Home 1915 - 1964

Floor Plan

Property Layout

The 10 Acres Layout

Lone Pine cemeteries

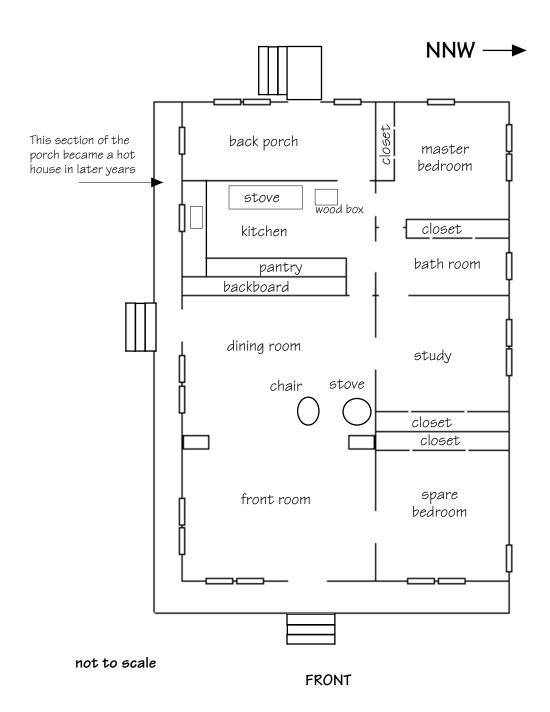
Lone Pine Layout

MARSH HOME about 1920



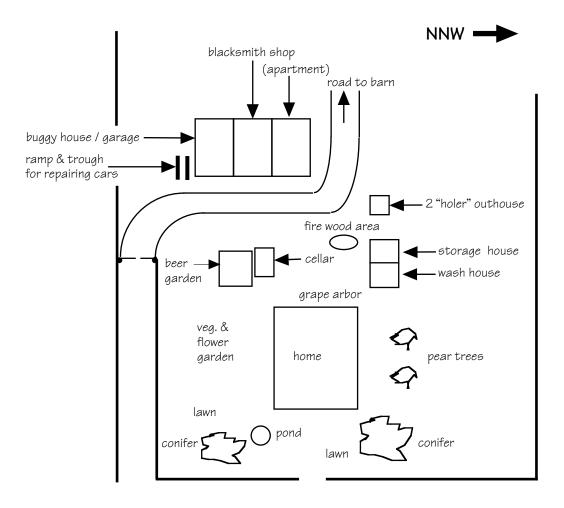
The home of Gustave & Elizabeth Marsh from 1915 to 1964 305 West Willow Street, Lone Pine, California, Inyo County, California

FLOOR PLAN 305 (aka 221) West Willow Street, Lone Pine



built in 1915 approximate plan view as recalled in 2002

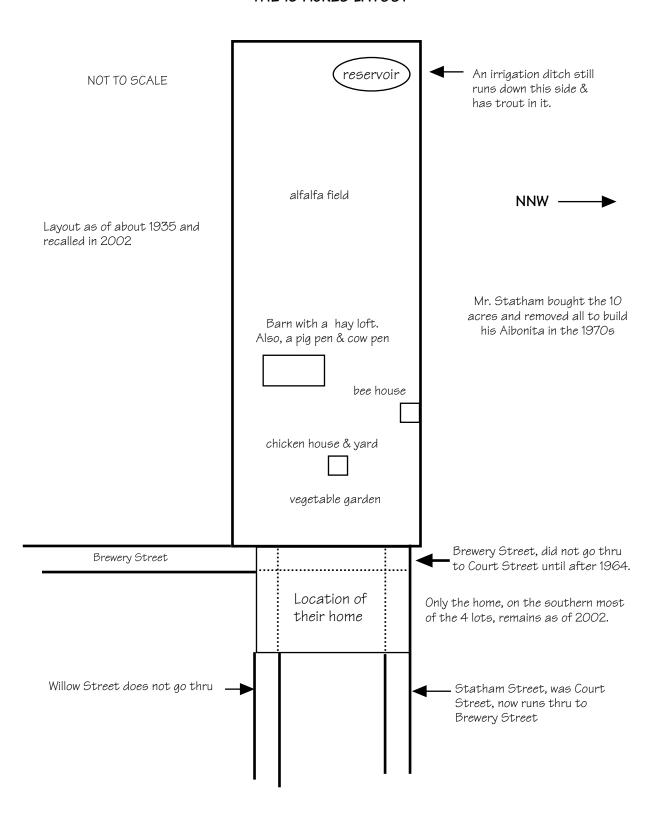
HOME PROPERTY LAYOUT

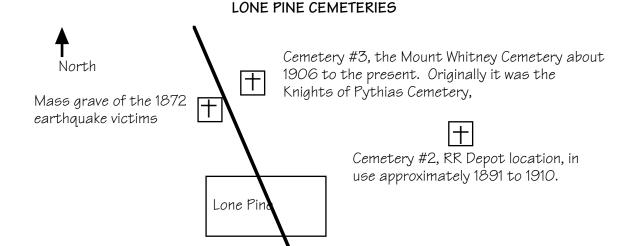


Layout about 1935 as recalled in 2000

NOT TO SCALE

THE 10 ACRES LAYOUT





Cemetery #1, Pioneer Cemetery, in

use approximately 1878 to 1906.

Highway US 395

- "Inyo Independent," $9 \text{ Mar } 1878: \dots$ many of our citizens who have deceased friends in the old cemetery have been engaged in removing their remains to the new cemetery. ... (No mention is made of the location of either one.)
- "Inyo Independent," 1 Apr 1891: Water table to high at Cemetery. Burials are temporarily being made at the depot location until the location west of the Lucas Ranch is available. (No further information has been found, apparently, it didn't happen.)

Mima Garling Dodge, Elizabeth's sister, died 4 months old in 1874. Burial location is unknown.

Gustave F. Marsh, Jr. learned from his mother, that her parents were buried in Cemetery #1:

Margaret Elizabeth (Calnan) Dodge

Josiah Garland Dodge

John H. Dodge, Josiah's brother, is buried in Cemetery #1, his marker was still there in 1999.

Buried in Cemetery #2: Arthur Dodge (Walter Charles Arthur Dodge), his marker was still there in 1999. Martha Zerelda (Dodge) Stewart and Frank Harriman Dodge might be.

Anna Mary (Adams) Mates, Elizabeth's half sister, is buried in Colma, CA.

Those buried buried in Cemetery #3:

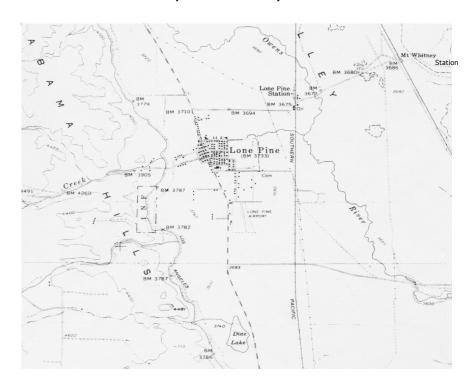
Lucas Ranch, approximate

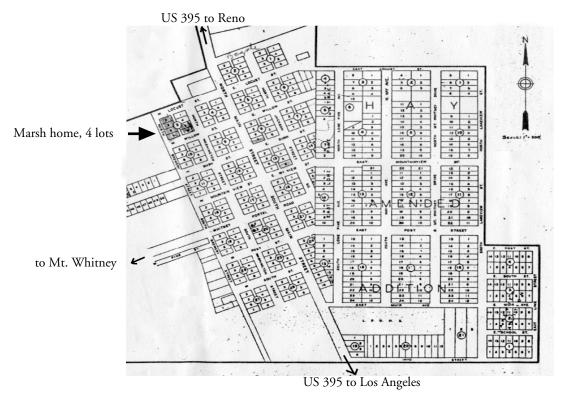
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location in 1900.

Blanche Marsh, 1920, Gustave Francis Marsh, Sr., 1946 Margaret Elizabeth (Dodge) Marsh, 1964, Maule Whitney Marsh, 1986 Gustave Francis Marsh, Jr., 1998, Margaret Zoe (Chambers) Marsh, 2002

LONE PINE, INYO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA





CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

FAMILY GROUP RECORDS

Gustave F. Marsh & Margaret Elizabeth Dodge
George Marsh & Marie Holm Johansen

Josiah Garland Dodge & Margreat Elizabeth Calnan

John Calnan & Anna McLellan

CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

| 1869 | Born in Morton cum Fiskerton, Nottinghamshire, England 3/26/1869 |
|-------|---|
| 1890 | Came to the United States 1/17/1890 |
| 1890 | Declared intention to become a U. S. citizen in Glenwood Springs, Colorado |
| | 8/5/1890. He worked in the mines in that region. |
| 1891 | Returned to England, his father was killed in an accident 10/24/1890. |
| 1892 | Returned to the U. S. with Harry Swinscoe. |
| 1890s | Drove a freight stage between San Diego and Los Angeles, California |
| 1890s | Worked in a mine in Jail Canyon, Panamint Valley, California |
| 1900 | Gus Marsh found in Ballarat, California in the 1900 U. S. Census |
| 1901 | G.F. Marsh sold to E.L. Cross an undivided 1/2 interest in the Sooner Mine near Ballarat for \$500, 4/26/1901. |
| 1901 | Ed Cross and Gustave Marsh came up from Ballarat (to Independence) about 6 weeks ago and have been visiting friends, 6/14/1901. |
| 1901 | Married Elizabeth M. Dodge of Lone Pine, 12/11/1901. |
| 1902 | Admitted to citizenship, Independence, California, 7/28/1902. |
| 1902 | Designed a distribution system for the water of Lone Pine Creek to implement a |
| 1702 | Court Order, Boland vs Lone Pine, et al |
| 1902 | Took over the stage line between Lone Pine & the Mount Whitney narrow gauge |
| | railroad station Carried Wells Fargo Express & the U. S. Mail for 28 years. |
| 1903 | Birth of their first child, Gustave Francis, Jr., 3/21/1903. |
| 1903 | Built the first telephone line in southern Inyo County |
| 1903 | Took over the construction of the trail to the summit of Mount. Whitney, 10/1903. |
| 1904 | Completed the construction of the trail to the summit of Mount Whitney, 7/17/1904. |
| 1905 | Birth of their second child, Blanche Garland, 1/19/1905 |
| 1905 | Attempted to ascend Mt. Whitney in the winter with Prof. Church of the University of Nevada. They were on the mountain for 8 days in March of 1905. |
| 1905 | Guided Frank Adams of the U. S. Dept. of Agriculture to the summit for evaporation |
| 1707 | measurements. |
| 1908 | Guided Dr. Charles Abbot, of the Smithsonian Institution & Dr. William Campbell |
| | of the Lick Observatory to the Summit of Mt. Whitney, they decided a shelter was |
| 1000 | needed for scientific observers. |
| 1909 | Marsh raised funds for & put the trail in good repair. Also, he built the shelter on the |
| | summit of Mt. Whitney for the Smithsonian Institution. Marsh was on the summit |
| 1010 | 43 days. Pinch of their chiral (and least) shill. Monda W/him are 3/21/1010 |
| 1910 | Birth of their third (and last) child, Maule Whitney, 3/21/1910. |
| 1910 | He climbed to the summit of Mount Whitney alone to observed Halley's Comet & a |
| | total lunar eclipse, 5/23-24/1910. Also, he wanted see how the shelter went through the winter and to read the minimum & maximum thermometers left there last |
| | September by Prof. McAdie. |
| 1910 | Guided Dr. Abbot to the top again for another 10 days of solar measurements. |
| 1912 | Marsh made a trip to Mt. Whitney to survey several proposed detours to the trail that |
| 1/14 | were proposed by the Smithsonian Institute. |
| 1913 | Guided Dr. Anders J. Ångström of the Smithsonian Institution & representatives of |
| 1/1/ | the U. S. Weather Bureau to the summit of Mt. Whitney for scientific observations. |
| | and of the manner bareau to the banning of the winting for beleficing observations. |

| 1914 | Was a member of the Knights of Pythias & held several positions in that organization |
|------|--|
| | over a number of years. |
| 1915 | Built a new home after setting aside the old Dodge home. |
| 1918 | Superintendent of the 4th District, Inyo County, 1918-1920. |
| 1919 | For 16 years he was President of the Board of Trustees of the Lone Pine Union High School. He was the President of the board when his son, Gus (1922) and his daughter-in-law to be, Zoe Chambers (1923) graduated from high school. |
| 1920 | Member of the board of The Motor Carriers Association for a number of years. |
| 1926 | Silver Wedding Anniversary. First grandson, George, was born to Gus & Zoe Marsh. |
| 1930 | Retired, he and Elizabeth made a trip to England and the continent. |
| 1935 | Second trip to England with Elizabeth. |
| 1937 | Chester Versteeg named a peak, south of Mount Whitney, Mount Marsh. |
| 1938 | NBC, Death Valley Days, broadcast the radio program "The Mount Whitney Story." |
| | It included information about Marsh and his efforts on Mt. Whitney. |
| | Second (and last grandchild) grandson, Lloyd, was born to Maule & Vivian Marsh. |
| 1940 | Chester Versteeg and 3 others made a first ascent of Mount Marsh, a 13,500 foot peak between Mt. McAdie & Whitney Pass. |
| 1946 | Died, 4/20/1946 & was buried at Lone Pine, California. A memorial address was given by Major George P. Putnam (widower of Amelia Earhart). |
| 1947 | NBC, Cavalcade of America, broadcast the radio program, "Man Against the |
| 1)1/ | Mountain," 17 Feb 1947. It was about Gustave's efforts regarding the trail and shelter |
| | on Mt. Whitney. |
| 1997 | The United States Bureau on Geographic Names received a proposal to make the name Mount Marsh official. Mount Marsh is about a mile south-east-south of Mount |
| 2002 | Whitney. |
| 2002 | The United States Board on Geographic Names made official the name Mount Marsh 10 Jan 2002. |

FAMILY GROUP RECORDS

Gustave F. Marsh & Margaret Elizabeth Dodge
George Marsh & Marie Holm Johansen
Josiah Garland Dodge & Margreat Elizabeth Calnan
John Calnan & Anna McLellan

FAMILY GROUP RECORD / GUSTAVE F. MARSH

| Name: | Gustave Francis N | Marsh (|
|----------------|--------------------|---|
| Birth: | 26 Mar 1869 | Morton, Nottinghamshire, England |
| Death: | 20 Apr 1946 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Burial: | 23 Apr 1946 | Mt. Whitney Cemetery, Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Occupation: | U.S. Mail Contra | |
| Father: | George Marsh (~1 | 818-1890) |
| Mother: | Marie Holm Joha | nsen (~1835-1915) |
| Marriage: | 11 Dec 1901 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Spouse: | Margaret Elizabet | h Dodge |
| Birth: | 21 Apr 1881 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Death: | 13 Apr 1964 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Burial: | 15 Apr 1964 | Mt. Whitney Cemetery, Lone Pine, CA |
| Father: | Josiah Garland Do | |
| Mother: | - | h Calnan (1844-1894) |
| Children | | |
| 1 M: | Gustave Francis N | Marsh, Jr. |
| Birth: | 21 Mar 1903 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Death: | 21 Apr 1998 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Spouse: | Margaret Zoe Cha | ambers |
| 2 F: | Blanche Garland | Marsh |
| Birth: | 19 Jan 1905 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Death: | 22 Sep 1920 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| 3 M: | Maule Whitney N | Marsh (|
| Birth: | 21 Mar 1910 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Death: | 14 Aug 1986 | Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Spouse: | Vivian Charlotte I | Maschal |
| Last Modified: | 7 Jan 2002 | |
| Created: | 10 Jan 2003 | |
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FAMILY GROUP RECORD / GEORGE MARSH

| Name: George | Marsh |
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Birth: about 1818 Morton, Nottinghamshire, England Death: 24 Oct 1890 Morton, Nottinghamshire, England

Occupation: Farmer of 58 Acres

Father: James Marsh (~1767->1851)

Mother: Ann (~1781~~1827)

Misc. Notes

Death Certificate indicates he died from injuries accidentally received by a fall. His occupation: Gentleman. Age at death was 73 years.

Marriage: about 1857 Perhaps in Sweden where her parents lived.

Great Britain Consulate registers, 1850 - 1930, Marriage Solemnized at Christiania, Norway, 7 May 1860 George Marsh, age 35; bachelor; profession, Railway Contractor; father, James Marsh a farmer Marie Holm Johansen, age 27; Spinster; father, Johan Holm a farmer.; residence, ground near Christiania (now Oslo), Norway. Their marriage was Solemnized by the British Consulate General according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England. (See Doc's #70 & #170.)

Spouse: Marie Holm Johansen

Birth: about 1835 Wenersborg, [Vänersborg], Sweden

Death: 14 Nov 1915 Fiskerton Cum Morton, Nottinghamshire, England
Father: Johan Holm

Misc. Notes

Death Certificate indicates cause of death was Senile decay. Occupation: Widow of George Marsh. Farmer. Florence Marsh, daughter in law in attendance. Marie was 80 years old at death.

Children

| 1 M: | George Marsh (Jr. |) |
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| Birth: | about 1859 | Norway |
| 2 M: | William Marsh | |
| Birth: | about 1861 | Norway |
| 3 F: | Marie Anne Mars | h |
| Birth: | about 1863 | North Sea |
| Death: | about 1940 | |
| Spouse: | Charles Walter Ha | nmmersley |
| 4 M: | John Frederick M | arsh |
| Birth: | about 1864 | Morton, Nottinghamshire, England |

5 M: Christian Henry Marsh

Birth: about 1866 Morton, Nottinghamshire, England

Death: 14 Sep 1916

Spouse: Florence Alberta Davenport

6 F: Shalota Christina Marsh

Birth: 12 Jun 1867 Fiskerton, Nottinghamshire, England

Death: before 1871

7 M: Gustave Francis Marsh (Sr.)

Birth: 26 Mar 1869 Morton, Nottinghamshire, England

Death: 20 Apr 1946 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA

Spouse: Margaret Elizabeth Dodge

8 M: Oscar Alfred Marsh

Birth: about 1871 Morton, Nottinghamshire, England

9 M: Goodwin Holm Marsh

Birth: about 1874 Morton, Nottinghamshire, England

10 M: Lawrence John Holm Marsh

Birth: about 1875 Morton, Nottinghamshire, England Death: 29 May 1920 Fiskerton, Nottinghamshire, England

11 M: Hasekle Marsh

Birth: about 1878 Morton, Nottinghamshire, England

Death: about 1885

Last Modified: 15 Apr 2001 Created: 11 Jan 2003

FAMILY GROUP RECORD / JOSIAH GARLAND DODGE

| Name: | Josiah Garland Dodge |
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| Birth: Death: Father: Mother: Marriage: | 15 Jun 1828 Orland, Hancock, ME 25 Oct 1899 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA Jonah Dodge (1796-1862) Jemima G Garland (1798-1890) 5 Dec 1871 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Spouse: | Margaret Elizabeth Calnan |
| Birth: Death: Father: Mother: Other spouses: | 30 Aug 1844 Glengarry, Ontario, Canada 28 Feb 1894 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA John Calnan (Sr.) (~1820-~1864) Anna McLellan (1821-1899) John George Adams (Sr.) |
| Children | |
| 1 F: Birth: Death: Spouse: | Martha Zerelda Dodge 18 Oct 1872 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA 12 Mar 1902 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA Charles Winfield Stewart |
| 2 F: Birth: Death: | Mima Garling Dodge 25 Aug 1874 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA 26 Dec 1874 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| 3 M: Birth: Death: Spouse: | Jona Josiah John Dodge 18 Nov 1875 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA 17 Aug 1940 San Francisco, CA Loila Diaz |
| 4 M: Birth: Death: Spouse: | Norman McLellan Dodge 7 Jan 1878 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA 11 Jul 1950 Live Oak, Sutter, CA Almera (Mary) Esther Hancock |
| 5 M: Birth: Death: | Frank Harriman Dodge 28 May 1879 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA 16 Jan 1903 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| 6 F: Birth: Death: Spouse: | Margaret Elizabeth Dodge 21 Apr 1881 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA 13 Apr 1964 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA Gustave Francis Marsh (Sr.) |
| 7 M: Birth: Death: | Walter Charles Arthur Dodge 18 May 1888 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA 23 Apr 1907 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA |
| Last Modified: Created: | 14 Dec 1997 11 Jan 2003 |

FAMILY GROUP RECORD / JOHN CALNAN

| Name: | John Calnan (Sr.) | |
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| Birth: Death: | about 1820 about 1864 | Cork, Cork, Ireland Ohio |
| Religion: | Catholic | |

Misc. Notes

John was a well-to-do, well educated, Catholic from Cork, Ireland. He was accidentally killed while on parole to Camp Chase, Little Miami, Ohio. He was in the Confederate Army and captured during the second battle of Bull Run. From the History of Orange County, California (Source# 13: 1166 & 1141).

| Marriage: | about 1840 | Canada | |
|----------------|--------------------|----------------------------|--|
| Spouse: | Anna McLellan | | |
| Birth: | 6 Jun 1821 | Glengarry, Ontario, Canada | |
| Death: | 10 Sep 1899 | Near Freeland, WY | |
| Religion: | Kirk of Scotland | | |
| Father: | Norman McLellan | | |
| Mother: | Jane Hay (1798-<18 | 368) | |
| Other spouses: | Norman McLean (N | Jorman McClure) | |

Misc. Notes

Anna was born of Scotch Presbyterian parents in Canada West (now Ontario, Canada). After her husband's death, she moved from Willoughby, Ohio to Lone Pine, California with her daughter Catherine and her 2 sons in 1870. The 1880 Wyoming Census shows her and her son Norman Calnan at Dale Creek, WY (from the History of Orange County, California (Source# 13: 1166 & 1141). Norma Ingram heard from Margaret Batten that Anna had a saying, "Oh if I could only hear the bag pipes again." 12/18/97. B. Leigh Hay-LeBlanc info indicates Anna was born 23 Jul 1821 vs 6 Jun 1821 by our family bible.

| Children | |
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| 1 M: Birth: | John Calnan (Jr.) 4 Mar 1843 — Glengarry Co., Ontario, Canada |
| 2 F: Birth: Death: Spouse: | Margaret Elizabeth Calnan 30 Aug 1844 Glengarry, Ontario, Canada 28 Feb 1894 Lone Pine, Inyo, CA John George Adams (Sr.), then Josiah Garland Dodge |
| 3 F: Birth: Death: Spouse: | Annie Calnan 5 Jun 1847 Quebec, Canada 12 Jan 1885 Near Tie Siding, Albany, Wyoming Hughey Atkinson |
| 4 F: Birth: Death: Spouse: | Catherine Jane Calnan 19 May 1849 Glengarry County, Ontario, Canada 22 Feb 1921 Santa Ana, Orange, CA Henry Benton Stewart, then John Baptiste Daneri (Sr.) |
| 5 M: Birth: | Norman McLellan Calnan 2 Jul 1863 NY |
| Last Modified: Created: | 27 May 2000 6 Mar 2003 |

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| 13 | Taciturn by Elizabeth Marsh, mourning for her husband. | about 1946 |
| 67 | G. F. Marsh, LPUHS Tribute, Letter from W. J. Bauer, School Superintendent & Principal, to the widow, Mrs. Marsh, Sr. | 15 May 1946 |
| 69 | Death certificate, Margaret Elizabeth Marsh, certified copy | 13 Apr 1964 |

BIRTH & BAPTISM CERTIFICATES

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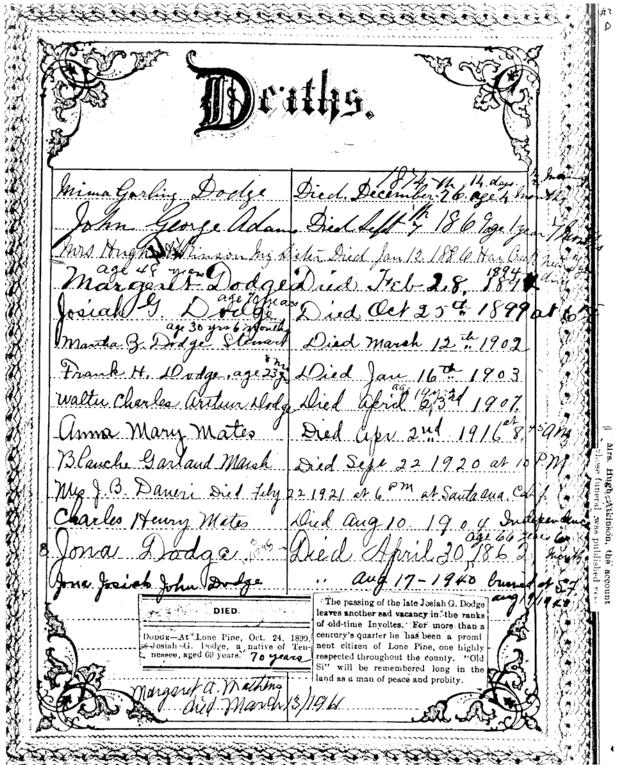
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DECLARATION OF INTENTION

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MARRIAGE LICENSE

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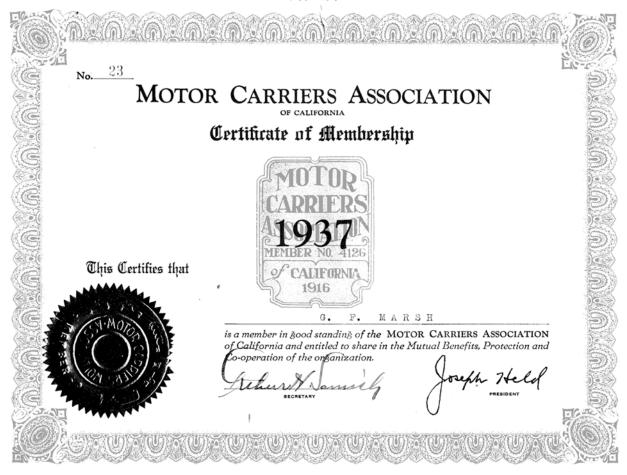
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UP IN OUR COUNTRY by George P. Putnam

High Garden / pages 114 & 115 Doc# 82

Among the gardeners of Lone Pine none was more generous than Gustave Marsh, who near fifty years ago made his home a bouquet of flowers set beneath a great green Incense Cedar that stood fifty feet high when it shaded the mourners at his funeral one spring recently. That tree he brought in 1908 as a wee thing tucked in a sack tied to his saddle, down from Jordan Hot Springs in the distant back country of the Sierra.

It was "Old Man Marsh" who helped build the highest house in America, which stands on the summit of Mt. Whitney. From our terrace with a spy glass one can spot the slight break against the western skyline, tiny as a lump of sugar in the high distance, which is the profile of the shelter. During the summer of 1909 Gustave Marsh, for the Smithsonian Institution, packed on mules all of the way from Lone Pine, twenty-two hard miles, fourteen tons of cement, steel, lumber, and glass, and between electric storms and summer snow squalls got the concrete poured, windows and doors in place, and the roof on.

Actually my old friend did more than that. In 1904 he worked with those who completed the final three miles of trail up to the summit from Whitney Pass, where other volunteers had brought it. All of this was paid for by local contributions. The proceeds of many a pie and cake baked by the ladies of Owens Valley helped build that trail.

In his last years Gustave Marsh was white-haired and frail. When he lacked the strength to putter about his garden, where his green fingers made prodigies of the growing things, he'd sit in his chair on the porch with the white cat in his lap and a red tartan shawl about his shoulders, often as not telling me which plants I was to dig up and how to handle them.

Gustave Marsh was born in England seventy years ago. He loved his garden and he loved his home.

"Englishmen you meet seem to be going home," he told me once. "Americans appear always to be on their way to the office."

Which I think is a sound observation.

GUSTAVE'S DEATH CERTIFICATE

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Date: NAV - 7 1991 BEVERLY J. HARRY Inyo County Recorder

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Owens Valley Progress Citizen, Vol. 34, No. 34, 3 May 1946 / Doc# 66

G. F. Marsh Passes; Many Pay Tribute

Another Owens Valley pioneer passed away recently when death came quietly to Gustav F. Marsh, 77, at 4:30 a. m., April 20, at his home in Lone Pine. Mr. Marsh, who was retired, had been ill for some time with a chronic heart condition, Dr. George D. Shultz reported.

Funeral services were conducted at the family residence in Lone Pine Tuesday, April 23, at 2 p. m by Rev. Robert J. Kersey of Trinity United church. Internment was in the Knights of Pythias ceme-

tery.

Simultaneously commemoration services were held in the auditorium of Lone Pine Union high school, which Mr. Marsh was responsible for establishing. Rev. Frank Tolson gave the Invication and the band played "Nearer My God to Thee". Maj. George P. Putnam addressed students and teachers. The services ended with the singing of "The Lord's Prayer" by the Glee Club.

Among the many people who came to Lone Pine to attend services in memory of Mr. Marsh were the following: Louis V. Skinner, Reno; Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Skinner and I. C. Boe, Morro Bay; Archie Haven, San Onofre; Mrs. Mary Daneri and Mrs. Ruth Stewart, San Juan Capistrano; Mrs. G. J. Kahn, Los Angeles and Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Dominy, Slmi.

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Out of respect for this civic leader, who carried mail for many years, the flag was flown at halfmast at the Keeler postoffice. The office was closed through the serv-

ices while many friends attended Mr. Marsh was born on Good Friday, March 26, 1869, at Morton, England. At the age of 20 he came to the United States arriving at New York on January 17, 1890. He took out his first naturalization papers at Newcastle, Colo. Due to moving about for several years he was not able to take out his final papers until July, 1902 at Independence.

For a number of years he followed mining. He returned twice to England. The call of home was strong, the call of the west was stronger. In July, 1900, he came to Lone Pine and on December 11. 1901, married Elizabeth Dodge.

In April, 1902, he was awarded the mail contract between Lone Pine and Mt. Whitney Station, then Lone Pine and Lone Pine Station and finally from Lone Pine Station to Keeler. For 28 years he was a mail carrier. Mr. Marsh built the first telephone line in southern Inyo, a distance of four miles between Lone Pine and Mt. Whitney Station.

It was through his untiring efforts that the buildings were erected on Mt. Whitney. At one time he remained 30 days on the summit. These buildings were completed during the summer of 1910, in time for the Crocker expedition to make the ascent to Mt Whitney to make observations of the planet Mars to determine if there was life or moisture on the planet which was closer to the earth at that time than for many years.

The expedition was headed by Dr. W W Campbell of the Lick Observatory. Mr. Marsh was in the party during the entire period These observations are now a matter of record in the Smithsonian

Institute.

When boxes for measuring the water in Lone Pine Creek were asked for, it was his plan that was accepted and has been in constant use since 1902. Engineers came from different states to get the design which has been most successful.

For 16 years he was president of

the Board of Trustees of Lone Pine Union High School. He was one of the trustees who blazed the trail that led to the present school. At times the going was difficult but he continued on. His slogan was, "If I have helped one child to get an education then I have been well paid."

At the time of his death he was on the board of directors of the Motor Carriers Association of California, a position he held for many years. He was Supervisor of District No. 4 for two years.

Mr. Marsh was of a retiring disposition, ever ready to help in time of distress. To him Lone Pine was the loveliest spot in the world. His garden was a never ending source of pleasure by day and the stars always held his interest at night. It was due to his interest in astronomy that he made the trip alone to the summit of Mt. Whitney to observe Haley's Comet and the eclipse of the moon. Mr. Marsh was the only person in the United States to get a complete report of the event. This data is still on file at the Lick Observatory.

Besides his widow he leaves two sons, Gustav F. Marsh, Jr., and Maule W. Marsh and a grandson, Lloyd David Marsh, age 8, all of Lone Pine. A second grandson, George F. Marsh, is serving with the Navy somewhere in the Pacific. Other surviving relatives include a brother, four nieces and six nephews, all in England.

Taciturn - By E. Marsh 1881-1964

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Margaret Elizabeth (Dodge) Marsh of Lone Pine, Inyo County, CA It appears she wrote this after her husband of 45 years died in 1946.

How long have you stood gazing into the incalculable spaces thou stone Monarch of all Sierran land?

Your titanic form seems to be waiting.

Have you stood through the centuries waiting for the final overthrow of the Universe?

Are those hurdles of boulders on the Alabama Hills your pals of the other days - are they dead or merely sleeping the long sleep of the very old and weary?

Is the granite Butte across the way of your clan or, just another geological freak?

Was this valley just a chasm when you were young?

Do you weep when you re-call that where the river was is just a trace, and, the waters are no more in the lake?

Do you ever tire of watching the moons wax and wane or the pageant of the stars moving so majestically?

Does it gladden your heart when a new stream is formed, or when the sides of the canyon slide in to stem the flow, making a resting place for lock leven, golden or rainbow trout, or when at last the water has found its level then, over the rim creating a new cascade that goes leaping, and laughing in freedom through the canyon below?

For centuries you have watched the pines grow to titanic size, does your heartache when one of them dies?

Do you shudder with pain when due to the frost and the thaw a part of your side is snapped off and goes hurrying rushing to join the talus at the rim of the tarn?

Do you feel the terror of those Bosses who hurl maledictions and tongue of fire as they pass? Are you thrilled as you watch the unfolding tints of the dawn, or hear the birds of the forest as they burst forth into one grand symphony.

Who lulls you to sleep, is it the murmur of the zephyr as they weave about crevice and peak, or, is it the soothing converse of the creek?

Is it the kiss of the sun each morning that awakens you from your sleep?

Do you use Mirror Lake when the snow powders your face?

On summer evenings do the nymphs play at stream and cave?

Why are you so silent yet so brave?

A grandson's comments: Elizabeth refers to Mount Whitney, Alabama Hills, Winnedumah (the geological freak, a monolith east of Independence), Owens Valley, Owens River, Owens Lake, Bosses must be thunderheads, alpenglow on the Sierra and Mirror Lake is on the trail to Mount Whitney from Whitney Portal. She climbed Mount Whitney when she was 14 years old (1895) with a group that missed the way and had to do serious backtracking, but they got there. In 1922, Gustave wrote to Chester Versteeg that Mrs. Marsh was one of the first 3 women to climb Mt. Whitney (starting) from the east side. There was no trail then. They crossed Lone Pine Pass & down to Rock Creek lost their way came back to timber line at Consultation Lake & the next day went over Lone Pine pass to the west, up in the west side above the chimney. Yes there was no sign of a trail.

E. Marsh's hand written manuscript follows:

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COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

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Lone Pine Union High School

LONE PINE, CALIFORNIA

May 15, 1946

OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL

Mrs. Gustav F. Marsh Lone Pine California

Dear Mrs. Marsh:

Enclosed is a copy of the program held at the High School to honor the memory of Mr. Marsh. It was a very small tribute to a major figure, but it represented a genuine appreciation of the stature of a splendid, public-spirited citizen.

Major Putnam's remarks were very much to the point, and I am sure that the boys and girls present will long remember what was said about your husband and his efforts and accomplishments in connection with Lone Pine High School.

I am sure, too, that the Board of Trustees aregoing to take further steps to honor him and the other members of the first Board of Trustees in the near future.

Sincerely

Wm. J. Bauer

District Superintendent

and Principal

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COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE PROGRAM

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Lone Pine Union High School

Commemorative Service

for

GUSTAV F. MARSH

High School Auditorium
April 23, 1946

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| Memorial | Major | Geo. | Palmer | Putnam |
| Twenty-third Psalm | | Rev | Frank | Tolson |
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DEATH CERTIFICATE / MARGARET ELIZABETH (DODGE) MARSH

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DOCUMENT CATALOG

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| 1 | Boland vs Lone Pine Water Co., et als | 21 May 1902 | Elizabeth Marsh's copy of the decree by the Superior Court of Inyo County, California. |
| 13 | Taciturn by Elizabeth Marsh | abt 1946 | Elizabeth's mourning for her husband. |
| 14 | Birthday Card, from Rene to Elizabeth Marsh | ? | Rene Chambers was Zoe Marsh's mother. |
| 15 | Mary T. Kaine death | ? | Notes by Elizabeth Marsh about her friend. |
| 16 | Elizabeth Marsh letter | 26 Apr 1956 | Letter objecting to the opening of Willow Street. |
| 17 | Wedding Announcement, Marsh / Dodge | 11 Dec 1901 | Elizabeth M. Dodge / Gustave F. Marsh Married Wednesday in Lone Pine, California. |
| 18 | Envelope, M. E. Marsh | ? | Address of her home is 305 West Willow Street vs 221 on her death certificate. |
| 20 | Valentine by Gus Marsh | ? | "from brother". May be to mother, Elizabeth or sister, Blanche. |
| 21 | Note by Blanche Marsh | abt 1912 | a note regarding an apple pie. |
| 22 | Striker by Blanche Marsh | abt 1912 | a decorative match striker. |
| 23 | Marsh, Sr. 25th Wedding Anniversary | 11 Dec 1926 | A note by Elizabeth. |
| 26 | Parchment | 1619 | This is a Sasine, a legal document for land in Scotland. (Why is it in the Marsh records?) |
| 27 | Gus Marsh diploma | 9 Jun 1922 | Diploma for graduation from Lone Pine Union High School signed by his father. |
| 29 | Bill of Sale, Walter Dodge to G. F. Marsh | 17 Dec 1906 | Sale of personal property by Walter C.A. Dodge to Gustave F. Marsh. |
| 31 | Declaration of Intention to become a citizen of the USA, G. F. Marsh | 5 Aug 1890 | Certificate filed in (Glenwood Springs), Garfield County, CO. |
| 32 | Certificate of Citizenship, G. F. Marsh | 28 Jul 1902 | Superior Court Act of Naturalization, Independence, Inyo County, California. |
| 44 | Mr. J. G. Dodge's Ledger | circa 1874 | Suede leather bound Ledger, J.G. Dodge Proprietor, also used by G. F. Marsh |
| 46 | G. F. Marsh's gold pocket watch | abt 1921 | Has decorative covers in several colors of gold. 20th wedding anniversary present. |
| 61 | Script for "Man Against the Mountain," / G. F. Marsh | 17 Feb 1947 | A "The Cavalcade of America," program sponsored by the Du Pont Co |
| 64 | San Francisco Chronicle Article about America's Highest House | 7 Nov 1909 | Newspaper article re G. F. Marsh who built the trail & observatory on Mt Whitney. |

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| 65 | Mount Whitney Ball by G. F. Marsh | 28 May 1909 | Inyo Independent reports the Ball to raise money to improve the Mt. Whitney trail. |
| 66 | G. F. Marsh Passes / Obit | 20 Apr 1946 | Owens Valley Progress Citizen, Vol. 34 No. 14, 3 May 1946. |
| 68 | Death certificate, G.F. Marsh | 20 Apr 1946 | Certified copy of death certificate. |
| 69 | Death certificate, Margaret Elizabeth Marsh | 13 Apr 1964 | Certified copy of death certificate. |
| 71 | Certificate of Baptism, G. F. Marsh | 16 May 1869 | Solemnized in the Wesleyan-Methodist Chapel, Fiskerton, Nottingham No. 1369. |
| 74 | G. F. Marsh, Knights of Pythias | 24 May 1913 | Certificate, G. F. Marsh appointed District Deputy Grand Chancellor. |
| 78 | Ltr to England from Mrs. G. F. Marsh | 12 Sep 1946 | Letter re house in Morton and wanting to sell it. |
| 79 | Notice to Mrs. G. F. Marsh re property tithe for property in England | 20 Jun 1953 | Notice from the Tithe Redemption Commission re property items 25,26,27. |
| 80 | Mrs. G. F. Marsh, re a Memorial. for husband. | abt Apr 1946 | Her notes re the cause of death of her husband. |
| 81 | Mrs. G. F. Marsh, re death of husband | abt Apr 1946 | Looks like notes re her plan for a memorial or a grave stone. |
| 85 | Sierra Club Bulletin, Feb 1936, The Story of Mount Whitney, Part III | 1936 | Francis P. Farquhar includes information about G. F. Marsh's accomplishments. |
| 88 | G. F. Marsh, US Mail subcontract | 1 Sep 1924 | James Alfred Walker under bid to severely & returned the contract to G. F. Marsh. |
| 89 | G. F. Marsh, Jr., Baptism Certificate | 1 Jul 1917 | Holy Baptism, Trinity Memorial Church, Lone Pine, San Joaquin Diocese, California. |
| 90 | Blanche Marsh, Baptism Certificate | 1 Jul 1917 | Holy Baptism, Trinity Memorial Church, Lone Pine, San Joaquin Diocese, California. |
| 91 | Maule Marsh, Baptism Certificate | 1 Jul 1917 | Holy Baptism, Trinity Memorial Church, Lone Pine, San Joaquin Diocese, California. |
| 92 | G. F. Marsh, Lone Pine Falls | circa 1910 | G. F. Marsh, business envelope with Lone Pine Falls. |
| 93 | G. F. Marsh, business cards & Elizabeth's Auto Club cards | 1910 - 1920 | G. F. Marsh, business cards (2) & Elizabeth's Auto Club cards (2). |
| 95 | Elizabeth (Dodge) Marsh, Itr | 9/4/1963 | Itr to Norma (Dodge) Ingram from the La Casa nursing home in Cartago. |
| 96 | Elizabeth (Dodge) Marsh, Itr | 11/1/1963 | Itr to Norma (Dodge) Ingram from the Simpson nursing home in Bishop. |
| 97 | Elizabeth (Dodge) Marsh, Itr | 1/16/1964 | Itr to Norma (Dodge) Ingram from the Simpson nursing home in Bishop. |

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| 101 | G. F. Marsh & M. E. Dodge marriage license | 12/11/1901 | Certified copy of the marriage license. |
| 113 | George Marsh Death Certificate | 24 Oct 1890 | Certified copy of the death certificate for George Marsh. |
| 114 | Marie Marsh Death Certificate | 14 Nov 1915 | Certified copy of the death certificate for Marie Marsh. |
| 115 | G. F. Marsh birth certificate | 26 Mar 1869 | Certified copy of the birth certificate for Gustave F. Marsh. |
| 120 | G. F. Marsh & Edward Swinscoe | 1947 | Note & clipping re Swinscoe & Gustave coming to America. |
| 123 | "Six Weeks with our Car" by Elizabeth Marsh | 8 June 1934 | A journal of their trip of the western states & Canada, 6 typed pages. |
| 128 | Versteeg's Mt. Marsh note to G. F. Marsh | 25 Aug 1940 | note re first ascent of Mt. Marsh, 13,700' (13,550 ft). |
| 132 | C. Versteeg's Mt. Marsh photos | late 1940 | 2 photos of the first ascent are apparently from the Los Angeles Times. |
| 133 | Maule Whitney Marsh death certificate | 14 Aug 1986 | Certified copy of the death certificate for Maule Marsh |
| 134 | Deed, Arthur Dodge to G. F. Marsh | 17 Dec 1906 | Arthur's sale of his share of the Dodge Property to Gustave Marsh. |
| 135 | G. F. Marsh & Elizabeth Marsh, 1930 passport | 4 Aug 1930 | USA passport for trip to England & Germany. |
| 136 | G. F. Marsh & Elizabeth Marsh, 1935 passport | 10 Apr 1935 | USA passport for trip to England. |
| 137 | G. F. Marsh, 1932 Motor Carriers Assoc. | 1 Jan 1932 | Certificate of Membership No 71. |
| 138 | G. F. Marsh, 1935 Motor Carriers Assoc. | 1 Jan 1935 | Certificate of Membership No 26. |
| 139 | G. F. Marsh, 1937 Motor Carriers Assoc. | 1 Jan 1937 | Certificate of Membership No 23. |
| 140 | G. F. Marsh, 1944 Motor Carriers Assoc. | 29 Dec 1944 | News letter, one page, shows G. F. Marsh to be a Director on the Board. |
| 144 | Noah Wrinkle Itr to Elizabeth Marsh | 10 Jun 1946 | He recalls when Owens Lake had water and salt grass & sage brush around the shore. |
| 161 | J. G. Dodge property deed | 27 Dec 1899 | Deed for J. G. Dodge's Estate to Elizabeth & Arthur Dodge. |
| 238 | Mt. Whitney, 125th Anniversary Climb | 18 Aug 1998 | Newspaper article, Congressional Record, overview pages. |
| 240 | Inyo Register, Family launches effort to name peak | 4/25/98 | Article re effort to make official the name Mount Marsh. |

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| 241 | David Kruger verifies the date of the first ascent of Mount Marsh | 8/19/1998 | Post card with info from the Register on Mt. Marsh. |
| 244 | Inyo Register, Flashback: 20th Century | 11/25/99 | Article includes information re trail, shelter and Halley's Comet. |
| 245 | Inyo Register, Mt. Marsh peak naming effort fails | 6/8/00 | Article is about the USBGN's decision not to approve the name Mount Marsh. |
| 246 | Inyo Register, Mt. Whitney - Too much love? | 6/22/00 | Is Mt. Whitney Good for Business, Bad for Wilderness? [yes!]. |
| 248 | Eastern Calif. Museum Newsletter | 7/2000 | Newsletter is dedicated to Gustave Francis Marsh, Vol. 15, Issue 3, July 2000. |
| 249 | Newspaper article re the naming of Mt. Marsh by ${\it C.\ Versteeg.}$ | 1/27/1938 | Inyo Independent or Register or Owens Valley Progress Citizen or ? |
| 253 | G. F. Marsh Social Security Account Number | 31 Oct 1940 | Copy of his application for Social Security Account Number, 31 Oct 1940, age 71. |
| 255 | Script for "The Story of Mount Whitney" / G. F. Marsh | 8/12/1938 | A "Death Valley Days," program sponsored by the Pacific Coast Borax Company. |
| 256 | Inyo Register / Mount Marsh | 1/26/2002 | article is about the USBGN's decision to approve the name Mount Marsh. |
| 261 | Gustave Francis Marsh, Jr. death certificate | 4/21/1998 | Certified copy of the death certificate for Gustave F. Marsh, Jr. |
| 262 | Gustave Francis Marsh, Jr. birth certificate | 3/21/1903 | Certified copy of delayed birth certificate for Gustave Francis Marsh, Jr. |
| 263 | Maule Whitney Marsh birth certificate | 3/21/1910 | Certified copy of delayed birth certificate for Maule Whitney Marsh. |
| 264 | Margaret Elizabeth Dodge birth certificate | 4/21/1881 | Certified copy of delayed birth certificate for Margaret Elizabeth Dodge. |
| 266 | Blanche Marsh & the silver spike, note by E. M. Drew | 1910 | Hand written note by Elodie Drew, copy furnished by the Eastern Calif. Museum. |
| 268 | Zoe M. Chambers Lone Pine Union High School diploma | 6/22/1923 | Diploma for graduation signed by her father-in-law to be, G. F. Marsh. |
| 273 | Petition / Order Establishing Fact of Birth of Elizabeth (Dodge) Marsh | 4/14/1941 | Date of birth established as 21 April 1881 by a Court Order for Elizabeth (Dodge) Marsh. |
| 274 | Petition / Order Establishing Fact of Birth of Gustave F. Marsh, Jr. | 4/14/1941 | Date of birth established as 21 March 1903 by a Court Order for Gustave F. Marsh, Jr |
| 276 | Deed #2 / Lot 4 of Block 9 / Lone Pine, California | 7/10/1871 | This is our first evidence of J. G . Dodge being in Lone Pine. |

LETTERS

The list of the letters (Correspondence Catalog), found at this time, follows the selected letters included in this section. Those selected are listed below.

SELECTED LETTERS

| 10 Jan 1905 | Marsh to Church | Winter trip planning to summit of Mt. Whitney |
|-------------|--------------------|---|
| 14 Jun 1908 | Marsh to Campbell | (copy provided by the University of Nevada, Reno) First contact regarding the Mt. Whitney shelter (copy provided by the Lick Observatory, University of California) |
| 6 Mar 1909 | Campbell to Marsh | Recommends Marsh to be the superintendent |
| 15 Mar 1909 | Walcott to Marsh | Marsh selected to be the superintendent, but the |
| | | project is on hold for reasonable packing bids. |
| 21 Mar 1909 | Marsh to Walcott | Marsh to do all he can to get reasonable bids |
| | | (copy provided by the Smithsonian Institution) |
| 24 Sep 1909 | Walcott to Marsh | Letter of appreciation |
| 8 Oct 1922 | Marsh to Versteeg | Provides historical information re Mt. Whitney |
| | _ | (copy provided by Janice (Versteeg) Hampson) |
| 2 Jan 1930 | Marsh to Church | Reminisces about their 1905 trip & the building of |
| | | the shelter on the summit of Mt. Whitney |
| | | (copy provided by the University of Nevada, Reno) |
| 5 Feb 1940 | Church to Versteeg | Reminisces about the 1905 trip with Marsh |
| 4 Dec 1940 | Church to Marsh | Pleased to see Mt. Marsh higher on the skyline |

CORRESPONDENCE CATALOG follows the selected letters.

MARSH TO J. E. CHURCH

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Vic # 162 NC96/2/244 1013 Box 11 FOR REFERENCE USE ONLY This photocopied nictonel is from the Special Collections Department, University of Nevada Reno Library Duplication without penniesion is forbidden and may violate U.S. Copyright Law (Title 17) Inyo Co Arro J. E. Church Jan 10/05 Reno. Dear Sir your letter to hand gesterday asking if Iwould accompany you to but Whitney Iwas sera very much ourprised or it is now an unwal trip for this time time of the year of one that no one has ever attempted before & very few even in the summer I will be glad to make the attempt - Vous but you must renjember a hard tryp but much will defend amount of snow thank saw doubt- good had some conference and hiteration of underson winder gardying chy gover letters have no doubt been at high allitudes in wenter of me should happen to strike a good day & no wind blowing can go alright that if the wind blows or it was a little cloudy it would be quiteso. you see me may have to camp a few days al Minter line \$10,400. It is very hard to tell had some experience in Mountain Climbing in winter judging by your letter & have no doubt

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DOC#162 703 first what the contedious will be in a month or brucho. So its hard for me to give you The information swould like but will very that of we had good luck & could get to limber line with pick horses we ought to beable to go to bet white, I back to timber line in one day. If not we would have to go to mow line in one day to their proherous outplates timber line & Campo & then sige up things & of we thought we could make there lop to back we could stripe out early in the sucorning I get back at night in If and we would have to back wood to the base of hit likeling & comp I start from the there. If the snow is in gon shape we could travel front fort that is all gross work till we get up there. There was the I day was the take sometime to get sommities of the other is Take hew Camp where if we fall off. well we will be going get for Insuer some the bottom I I don't. think my one clase did. Ithink Thave told Jan all I can at present when you are ready to go. Smay be able to take you more the there is only 2 dangerous places on the trail one at Lone Pine Pass where if we go off it will 2.

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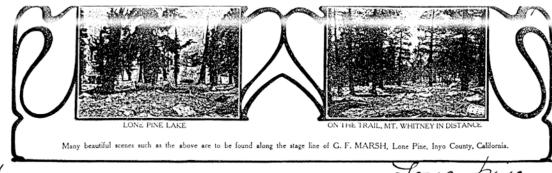
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Condition & amount of more we have just had a good mow. I I can see it dripping a good deal I take it for granted you fully realize the danger of the trip a few false moves are liable to make pretty good line awhile, Thave no doubt it will be very cold esservice will beep out the Think the ordinarly we could make the much e in 3 days so if we make days we winds well so be want to fail to me al. wil we \$ 3.50 00 the go deep the mon more about the mow.

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June 14./03

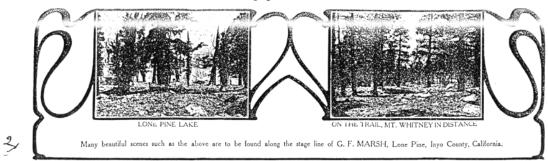
In to W Campbell hat Hamilton

Dear Sir

last might & in reply will pay that I shall be very glad to da anything I possibly can to help you. I do not know the present. each look help you. I do not know the present. but I feel sure with a little repairing the trail will be in good condition to pack Doo the in on price providing it to not to bulken to it should be it could be pack by hand over the dangerous places, but of you come this summer you can see for yourself. We had no difficulty in packing condition to the mules so I saw that me when we to safe. Do he fixed the trail that we when the safe. Do he fixed the trail that we had no accident at ad-

MARSH TO W. W. CAMPBELL

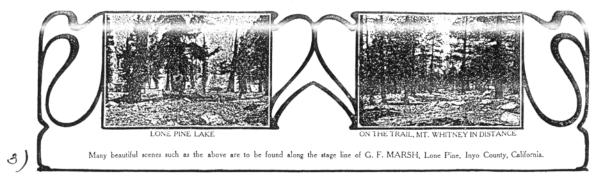
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confidence in me. but Thave made of tripo to The top of worked 24 days to help huld the trail. I shall be pleased to accompany you in august + I feel our I can find a few willing hands here to help us During the line Shull the trail we camped at 13 652 fl- & olefst. without tents & worked till Inov 2. 19 0 4 the following July we justed. There is sufficient word left at Lake Dein Camp to last at lead a week & that could be packed to the oumnit, Iwould daggest you bring a deeper bag or good blankoch I a good strong tent about + 9. + a small coal oil slove + me could Camp right on lips of het whitney. I do not think the end would be had. I the allitude did notbother me. you can get, the readings of the Themometer from Frank adams of Berkley for august in 1905. I forget thou myself as shept no accourt but I took him up to make evaporation lost I I made the last readings of brought the instrumen down, Jou can get all provisions here unloss

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you want something openial. The main thing in climbing but whitney is to take your time of dout get excited the slowest way is The fastest. Iwill try & let you know as soon as prosible the condition of the trail & will go over it my self if I can, but if you do not want. the heavy perer to go like next year. I will do my best to put the the brail in condition for next year. I I if my hopes are realize this fall how 6. Ishall he in apossition to give you all the help gon will need-Jow with not need any soctra clothing just the kind you allway wear will be alright all you want is a good heart & will to day never day die that whato I told the Broys stay with it for if you quit me. I finish the trail along of it. Lake me all summer. Give my best regards to fors the adie & thank him for his good apinion of me. Jour Truly G. 7. Inarsh

W. W. CAMPBELL TO MARSH

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CABLE ADDRESS:
ASTRONOMER
SAN FRANCISCO

LICK OBSERVATORY
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA

DOC # 228

mount Hamilton . March 6, 1909.

My doar Mr. Marsh:-

Walcott that you be appointed superintendent of construction for the proposed Mt. Whitney shelter, and he states that you are willing to assume this duty. A great deal of the success of our plans depends upon the ability and watchfulness of the superintendent, and I feel confident that we shall have no occasion this year or twenty five years in the future to find fault with your services. It will be a fine thing for you to have your name connected with this shelter, which, with occasional looking after, should last easily five hundred years. I am just arranging to-day as to the contract for the steel doors, window frames, stove pipe and roof structure. It is purposed that everything be of the highest quality, and there will not be a single stick of wood in the construction.

You, no doubt, understand that the Smithsonian Institution will be the scle owner of the shelter. The Lick Observatory has no share in the ownership, and, while the present purpose of the shelter is to accommodate my expedition next fall, or rather. I should say my expedition and Professor Abbot's probable expedition, it will no doubt be available for all future scientific expeditions to the summit.

I shall be greatly surprised if the United States

W. W. CAMPBELL TO MARSH

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DOC # 228

G. F. M.-2

March 6, 1909.

W. W. Campbell

Weather Bureau does not take advantage of the splendid location and shelter, to secure observations on high altitude conditions throughout the year, but especially in the winter season. I do not know that such will be the case, but fully expect it.

After these preliminaries, I write especially to inquire what, in your opinion, is the date when transport of material to the summit on pack animals and the construction should begin. Is not July 1st the time to have the materials and men start up the Mountain?

In a few weeks I shall hope to consult with you about such help as I shall need late in August.

Yours very truly,

Mr. G. F. Marsh,

Lone Pine, Cal.

C. D. WALCOTT TO MARSH

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ALL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.
Washington. U.S.A.

UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES BUREAU OF AMERICAN ETHNOLOGY NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL PARK ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY

March 15, 1909.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of March 4 is received, and your offer to act as the Institution's agent at \$5.00 per day during the construction of the shelter on Mt. Whitney is accepted, providing the shelter is built at all.

Replies have been received only from J. C. Thompson and Y. G. Ruiz on the matter of the packing. The former declines to bid as his animals will be otherwise occupied. The latter requires \$.20 per pound from Mt. Whitney Station to the summit of Mt. Whitney. This is altogether out of the question. Accordingly, Professor Campbell has been telegraphed not to contract for the iron and cement until further orders.

I now put the matter in your hands. You at first estimated the packing from Lone Pine at \$.03 per pound and afterwards intimated that it would be a little higher. The Institution will not go on with the building if the cost of transportation from Mt. Whitney Station to the summit exceeds \$07 per pound, and I expect to pay decidedly less.

Ruiz spoke of the necessity of keeping half a dozen men on the trail to keep it open, and of putting a lot of work on it as a preliminary, and of the danger of loss of animals.

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Mr. Abbot thinks that when the work you have arranged for on the trail is done, all of these items will be mere bugaboos, but I do not desire you to repeat his expression as coming from him. However, if by accident animals were killed while engaged in packing for the Institution at reasonable rates under the control of prudent drivers, the Institution would feel disposed to recompense for their loss at reasonable figures.

Please make immediate inquiries about the transportation, and if a fair offer is had within a week, telegraph to the Institution at Government rates to be paid for at this end.

In regard to concrete walls, you will see that where packing is such an item as it is on Mt. Whitney, the less material to be transported the cheaper the construction. Hence we would use stone blocks to avoid extra cement, but these are not to be finished at all, either inside or out. Full directions will be sent you concerning this if the work is to go on.

Very respectfully yours

Mars wales

Secretary.

Mr. G. F. Marsh,

Lone Pine, California.

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DOC # 181 Jours of the 15th unday morning. to late I we have no sunda I saw hor thompson & he said he my Ithink he must from his Campbell at the I Ifell butterly desappointed Is Ovarbular at once of got- his loopsedo lo sell out his bursues but the packing of accepted June you hid I saw Rabinson today of got has but of fine cents per pound &1 he par day Saddle horses 9/2 cents lo for cons Chopping of packing from when sport in estimate of scent it was based on breshule saying he would willingly park for cost to trust to making his money on Salle hones * She OverSurber under bids requested.

MARSH TO C. D. WALCOTT

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for the lowest- but when it comes to lidding its different, of the two men Iwould prefer Robinson as he does nothing but pack I has a big string of houles-Overhulsen hid is the dan lines in lone pine, while Robin Independence Overhuber askey 1000 per day Saddle horses, If either of these hid one me house too som on possible celing disjusted at 200 the loss of animals & peopling the they know better noney we want to but the trail Thope you will not condemente for long my estimate to low. Strought that the packers would be miling to ling to downthing to help the progest along I have done and I could for the past o years I have hoped to see the sheller up + I will

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still try to do all I can those you mill let me tomoro as soon as possible whatyou have decided on & of these hids are not accepted Dwill try on the outside their one no more packen in fore pine or Independence Jours Truly GY hearsh

SMITHSONIAN LETTER OF APPRECIATION

24 Sep 1909



ALL CORRESPONDENCE SHOULD BE ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY

SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION.
Washington, V.S.A.

UNITED STATES NATIONAL MUSEUM INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGES BUREAU OF AMERICAN ETHNOLOGY NATIONAL ZOOLOGICAL PARK ASTROPHYSICAL OBSERVATORY

September 24, 1909.

Dear Sir:

I have just received a letter from Mr. Abbot, in which he speaks in the highest terms of your services in connection with the building of the shelter on Mt. Whitney, and I write to assure you of the hearty appreciation of this Institution of your efforts in its behalf, as I feel sure that but for your interest and zeal, the many difficulties could not have been overcome.

Very respectfully yours,

Secretary.

Mr. G. P. Marsh,

Lone Pine,

California.

(signed by Chas. D. Walcott, Secretary, Smithsonian Institution, 24 Sep 1909)

MARSH TO CHESTER VERSTEEG

8 Oct 1922 page 1 of 2

In C. Verslag Los angoles Tone Din

Dear Sir

your latters to hand I am Dorry Shave not assessment you sooner but it. Deems hard for me to got down to writing V wir ling of answer your questions as they come the trail was started to Int Whiting by Ed Corno Harvey Fred & R.C. Spears & some colored troops of the gih Covaley under Just Howard money was provided by subscript from Citizens of Love pine. In angust 1900. we started i get hung now read the account in the paper dam sending on + it will give you a fuck a count for & years. hut sen The paper hack when you are through. my wife kno Heword how Letsonge Ihm Jehonge Hi. Hamilton Herb fones (horr austin. Husband of many austin. The fint porty from the side. do not know much about the Dearrage trail only that it so very rough & runs around the have of whitney to trynday creak. The Gookett trail is very sed + was huilt to transport the

MARSH TO CHESTER VERSTEEG

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mail from Maraha 1869. Cotton word paro (or chicken Springs) was made as a short cut by courte man. army paso was made by the orldiers to give them sometimes to do. I they made a poor job Frais pos was made by the vangers to getto Rock Crack & Crautie meadow so a shorter route but in really it was an old shoop trail I very Dandy. nery varely used now. heir was am all trail up done prine Creak to-Hunter Camp now Called Hunter falls of was used by how Aunter to partie a few horses, up to about-9 oro flr. I am sorry there are no old times left. To give me much information while the cattle men have going in the mountain for a many years very few went near but buliloney until the 1902 dos then they have been coming fast-I am sending you the paper with the account of my work. This was written by his Trench from letter Com my seef & information from boot to to laugher send these back when you are through with them Cannot think of any thing also just now . hat of she Jaine let gon lanow. Pordan my delay I thope you min get some grod of the anclosed copies. Best regards to you both Journe Truly

MARSH TO J. E. CHURCH, Jr.

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Some Dine Jan 2/30

Im J. E. Church fr. Reno.

Dear Sis

This is to thank you very much for your kicture of but Whitney from the deroplane It brought hack many pleasant momeries of our trips so long ago."
Imade a good many trips up there afterlands but I think that was the most Dangarous. you remember when we went over Whitney pass + the whole mountain started down it own did not feel so good. A then walking in thatdeep oost mow. I then to come under that Steat Comb af onow hanging over us. How we tried I shoveled I tried again I how you said we are taking our life in our hands every fine minutes so Isaid we had better guit. Iwish you could have soon that place when the mow was gone it would enable you shiver. That was a try I shaw more Jorget no one has ever made that trip under such conditions to much snow I made the trip in may the time of The Edipose of the moon & Haley's Comet. it was a hard trip but good weather. & Iwas nery carful but the building was up so shad good shelter & vest when I got to the top. During the time of puting up the

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2) building. I stayed on top 43 days. Shad 15 man to start with & only of at the Sinish, we had a tormble thunder storm we were almost done. Our cook was broked down by a flash of lighting at 9 octock one night I another flash almost finished us are but the storm passed in a few minutes. Leaving all Jagged point of rocks, & squares on The Sand Derson & the fus on the ropes one mas of lights St. Elmo fine, we did not I mow what it was so you can guess how seared we was I renged the mon to work fast so as to got done to got away, when nort day at about V.P.M. we heard muttering of Thunder way over towards arigonia the clouds rocked up the mountain just as the Those clouds in old suns rays of Hell was ever turn loose it was in those clouds, Itall the men to get under cover + me would be alright-but one by one they wan down the mountain & left me alone 80 I went to hed & covered up my head (like a / Sid) tet the storm possed over Iwas alone & days. Other the onen came back I we was glad all wound prof. c.c. abbot come up a few days after gust as the work was done. I got every thing comploted 24 hour ahead of time & 200 as the low my estimate. 00) was happy.

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I am sending you a picture of 000 #160 Part Whitney taken from Some pine close to my some. I spicked one with lots of Clouds as I show you like a good cloud estact. her are having a very dry season hove + very little onow on the mountains I wish to thank you again for your picture + for your stindness to my swife + Son wishing you a Happy of properous how year your truly

J. E. CHURCH TO CHESTER VERSTEEG 5 Feb 1940

February 5, 1940

Chester Versteeg
Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company
328 Pacific Mutual Euilding
Los Angeles, California

Dear Mr. Versteeg:

Answering your letter of January 24, we are indeed glad to send you in the name of Er. Lang of the Southern California Edison Company Part One Transactions American Geophysical Union 1939. We are also acading to Mr. Lang three more copies to give to men like you who are interested in snow and water. We have more copies for him or for your friends in the case more should be desired.

Yos, I am the Church who persuaded 6. F. Marsh of Lone Pine to climb up Mount Whitney with me one winter. Like you I do not remember whether it was 1903-04 or 1904-05. Possibly it was the latter. Our experiences are told in Sierra Club bulletin of those early years. I recall that at the end of the article I wrote, "the call of the wild is strong but the home call is stronger." What I am prouder of is that the following year warsh borrowed a pair of snow shoes from me long distance are made the trip completely to the summit alone. He and I were turned back at Lake View camp 13,500 feet by the cracking of the snow above us and the presence of a cliff directly below us. I was naturally bitter for the summit was only 1000 feet over head and we were full steam to ascend.

What a change since those years. I climbed Mount Whitney in winter to shock Californians into venturing to set foot on the snow at Truckee. Now the Californians are acrambling all over the snow, some of them even in exterds.

With best New Years wishes,

J. F. Church, Acting President International Commission of Snow and Glaciers Gustave F. Marsh

J. E. CHURCH TO MARSH 4 Dec 1940

UNIVERSITY OF NEVADA AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

RENO. NEVADA December 4, 1940

My dear friend Marsh:

Your good letter with the letter from Chester Versteeg and "Roping a Mountain Top" came in late October. They are all good inspirationally and for their news value. I shall be particularly pleased to have your Mount Marsh put higher on the skyline. It now stands in impressiveness with Mount McAdie. The old Mount Marsh seemed to be "Heaven's pinnacle" to me that day we struggled upward confident of success, which the cracks in the snow shut us off from. Those three nights in the "Eagle's Nest" of my life. The only others were sleeping on the inland ice of Greenland under the open sky.

I am writing Mr. Versteeg letting him know that you forwarded the pictures to me. I only wish that the pictures had more snow as you and I found the slopes on our first ascent together. Dr. Colby of the Sierra Club kindly filled out my set of Sierra Club Bulletins by giving me the two volumes of 1910. Of course you have them. If not be sure to borrow them in order to read McAdie's story of Mount Whitney Observatory and Lee's climb to Kearsarge Pass.

Please share my love with Mrs. Marsh and the children. I have not seen Maule since he and his little wife passed through two or three years ago. Perhaps It was longer than that for you say he worked four years on the Mono Tunnel. He was employed there when he called on me.

Most sincerely,

J. E. Church

CORRESPONDENCE CATALOG

| doc# | <u>item</u> | date | description |
|------|--|-------------|--|
| 84 | U. S. Weather Bureau to G . F. Marsh | 25 Jan 1904 | Reply to $G.F.$ Marsh's request to be a volunteer weather observer. |
| 63 | U.S. Dept. of Agri. to G. F. Marsh | 27 Jan 1904 | Data requested for allocation of costs for Irrigation Boxes. |
| 265 | G. F. Marsh to Prof. A G. McAdie | 17 May 1904 | Request for a few dollars to help complete the trail to the summit of Whitney. |
| 237 | G. F. Marsh to Prof. A G. McAdie | 22 Jul 1904 | Informs McAdie of the completion of the trail to Mt. Whitney. |
| 162 | G. F. Marsh to J. E. Church | 10 Jan 1905 | Agrees to be a guide to summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| 122 | J. E. Church to G. F. Marsh | 22 Jan 1905 | Planning for trip to Mt Whitney. |
| 163 | G. F. Marsh to J. E. Church | 27 Jan 1905 | More planning for trip to Mt Whitney. |
| 164 | G. F. Marsh to J. E. Church | 12 Feb 1905 | More planning for trip to Mt Whitney. |
| 165 | G. F. Marsh to J. E. Church | 16 Feb 1905 | Weather info re planned trip to Mt Whitney. |
| 166 | G. F. Marsh to J. E. Church | 24 Feb 1905 | More planning for trip to Mt Whitney. |
| 224 | U.S. Dept. of Agri. to G. F. Marsh | 20 Jul 1905 | Planning for a July 1905 expedition. |
| 167 | G. F. Marsh to J. E. Church | 29 Sep 1905 | Thanks for photo & gives info re his activities. |
| 149 | W. W. Campbell to G. F. Marsh | 11 Jun 1908 | Requests Marsh to assist him to the summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| 150 | G. F. Marsh Itr to W. W. Campbell | 14 Jun 1908 | Agrees to assist regarding the 1908 / 1909 trips. |
| 225 | W. W. Campbell to G. F. Marsh | | Planning for a August 1909 expedition. |
| 145 | Lick Observatory, Statement | 26 Aug 1908 | Charges for taking Campbell & Abbot to the summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| 226 | W. W. Campbell to G. F. Marsh | 2 Sep 1908 | Plan to go ahead for a shelter on the summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| 227 | W. W. Campbell to G. F. Marsh | 19 Sep 1908 | Planning for a shelter on the summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| 171 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 18 Dec 1908 | Smithsonian's initial query to G. F. Marsh re trail to summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| 172 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 5 Jan 1909 | Marsh indicates he is willing to take on the project. |
| | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 13 Jan 1909 | Smithsonian's initial planning for a shelter on the summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| 174 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 23 Jan 1909 | Gives names of packers for transporting materials for the shelter. |
| | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 8 Feb 1909 | Informs Marsh requests for bids were sent to the packers. |
| 176 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 14 Feb 1909 | Offers to be the agent / superintendent for the Smithsonian. |
| 177 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 18 Feb 1909 | Sends a blue print and requests recommendations for a superintendent. |
| 178 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 24 Feb 1909 | More details re the construction and for a agent / superintendent. |
| 179 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 4 Mar 1909 | More discussion regarding what & how to do the shelter. |
| 228 | W. W. Campbell to G. F. Marsh | 6 Mar 1909 | Campbell recommended Marsh to be appointed superintendent. |
| | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 15 Mar 1909 | Marsh's offer is accepted if the shelter is to be built. Project is on hold. |
| 182 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 20 Mar 1909 | Telegram with Overhulser's bid for 5¢ per lb. |
| | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 21 Mar 1909 | Marsh agreed that reasonable packer bids must be found. |
| | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 21 Mar 1909 | Telegram with Robinson's bid to pack for the expedition. |
| | W. W. Campbell to G. F. Marsh | 26 Mar 1909 | Campbell keeping contact and gives a pep talk. |
| | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 30 Mar 1909 | The Shelter project is no longer on hold. |
| | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 11 Apr 1909 | Recommends Robinson be awarded the contract. |
| 186 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 12 Apr 1909 | Telegram requesting Marsh's recommendation for a packer. |
| | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 13 Apr 1909 | Telegram Recommends Robinson be awarded the contract. |
| | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | | Material about to be shipped. How should the money be made available? |
| | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | ' | Cooking outfit has been shipped, let us know when it arrives. |
| | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | | Robinson has the contract for consideration, put money in the Bishop Bank. |
| 191 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 4 May 1909 | Details & spec's for building the shelter. |

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| 192 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 12 May 1909 | Got the construction details, Dance planned for 22 May 1909. |
| 230 | C. G. Abbot to G. F. Marsh | 19 May 1909 | Provided copies of Robinson's agreements to do the packing. |
| 232 | W. W. Campbell to G. F. Marsh | 26 May 1909 | Wants guidance re shipping materials vs starting the freighters. |
| 193 | G. F. Marsh to C. G. Abbot | 27 May 1909 | Overhulser's loss to Robinson. Details given regarding the Dance/Ball. |
| 194 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 4 Jun 1909 | The cooking outfit arrived OK. The Dance/Ball cleared \$104 for the trail. |
| 195 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 4 Jun 1909 | A bronze plate has been shipped to be placed on the shelter. |
| 196 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 7 Jun 1909 | The bill of lading for the bronze plate is enclosed. |
| 231 | C. G. Abbot to G. F. Marsh | 15 Jun 1909 | Campbell's responsibilities & limitations re use of the Smithsonian funds. |
| 127 | W. W. Campbell to G. F. Marsh | 21 Jun 1909 | Mt. Whitney Shelter bills of lading. |
| 197 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 19 Jul 1909 | Keys for shelter have been forwarded to you from Campbell. |
| 198 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 22 Jul 1909 | Telegram: Pay Abbot's freight bill & a check for \$500 was mailed you today. |
| 199 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 22 Jul 1909 | Instructions regarding the enclosed \$500. |
| 151 | G. F. Marsh to W. W. Campbell | ca 1 Aug 1909 | A progress report regarding the trail & shelter activities. |
| 152 | Mrs. G. F. Marsh to W. W. Campbell | 6 Aug 1909 | A progress report regarding the construction of the shelter. |
| 153 | Mrs. G. F. Marsh to W. W. Campbell | 11 Aug 1909 | Progress regarding the construction of the shelter & receipt of boxes. |
| 146 | Lick Observatory, Statement | 5 Sep 1909 | Charges for taking Campbell Expedition to the summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| 200 | G. F. Marsh to C. G. Abbot | 10 Sep 1909 | Enclosed the bills and explanations for the missing bills, etc |
| 201 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 24 Sep 1909 | Commendation re Marsh's efforts to build the Shelter on Mt. Whitney. |
| 202 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 9 Oct 1909 | A check and request for more details regarding the expenditures. |
| 124 | Shelter labor statement | 16 Oct 1909 | Work on building on Mt. Whitney, statement of labor charges. |
| 203 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 12 Nov 1909 | Request for Seymour & Robinson to provide more information re their bill. |
| 204 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 6 Dec 1909 | Remind Seymour & Robinson about the provisions of the contract. |
| 205 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 2 Jan 1910 | Seymour & Robinson to submit a new bill per the contract. |
| 206 | G. F. Marsh to C. G. Abbot | 2 Jan 1910 | An explanation of charges and concern re payments not received. |
| 207 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 20 Jan 1910 | Partial payment and a letter to the So. Pacific Agent for the balance. |
| 208 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 24 Feb 1910 | Request to allow Skinner & Dr. Williamson to use the shelter. |
| 209 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 3 Mar 1910 | Approval for Skinner & Dr. Williamson to use the shelter. |
| 210 | G. F. Marsh to Prof. A G. McAdie | 24 May 1910 | Min/max temp's: min = 23° below zero, max = 55°. |
| 211 | G. F. Marsh to C. G. Abbot | 2 Jun 1910 | Information regarding the condition of the shelter on 23-24 May 1909. |
| 212 | G. F. Marsh to C. G. Abbot | 3 Jun 1910 | Planning for Abbot's Aug 1910 trip to the summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| 154 | G. F. Marsh to W. W. Campbell | 5 Jun 1910 | "The report on file" regarding Haley's Comet & the eclipse of the moon. |
| | W. W. Campbell to G. F. Marsh | 11 Jun 1910 | Found letter of 5 June 1910 to be of unusual interest & may publish part of it. |
| 213 | G. F. Marsh to C. G. Abbot | 5 Jul 1910 | More planning for Abbot's Aug 1910 trip to the summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| | G. F. Marsh to W. W. Campbell | 10 Jul 1910 | Provides information requested regarding the tail of Comet Halley. |
| 129 | C. G. Abbot to G. F. Marsh | 14 Jul 1910 | Planning for Aug 1910 trip to summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| | C. G. Abbot to G. F. Marsh | 21 Jul 1910 | More planning for Aug 1910 trip to summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| | G. F. Marsh to C. G. Abbot | 24 Jul 1910 | More planning for Aug 1910 trip to the summit of Mt. Whitney. |
| | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 8 Sep 1910 | A request for more detail of charges for Abbot's trip in August 1910. |
| | C. G. Abbot to G. F. Marsh | 5 Jan 1911 | A request for an explanation of charges for Abbot's trip in August 1910. |
| 219 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 6 Apr 1911 | The Institution will match (up to) \$250 raised locally to improve the trail. |
| 217 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 27 Apr 1911 | This appears to be an answer to a ltr requesting improvements to the trail. |

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| 218 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 5 May 1911 | I am glad re good prospect for the Mt. Whitney Trail. |
| 157 | G. F. Marsh to R. G. Aitken | ca Aug 1911 | A second report re trip & observations of comet & moon. |
| 158 | R. G. Aitken to G. F. Marsh | 19 Sep 1911 | Thanks for Gustave's (1911) report re 1910 observations of comet & moon. |
| 220 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 24 Jun 1912 | Matching \$250 for trail improvements still holds for this year? |
| 221 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 28 Jun 1912 | The Institution is still willing to help to improve the trail. |
| 222 | G. F. Marsh to C. D. Walcott | 20 Feb 1913 | Nothing was done on the trail last year. |
| 223 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 12 Mar 1913 | If the trail is passable the Angstrom expedition will go forward in August. |
| 233 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 8 Jul 1913 | Planning for the Angstrom & Weather Bureau expedition of 1913. |
| 234 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 10 Jul 1913 | Hydrogen gas has been shipped for the Mt. Whitney expedition. |
| 235 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 29 Jul 1913 | Smithsonian matches local money for trail improvements. |
| 62 | C. D. Walcott to G. F. Marsh | 10 Sep 1913 | Authorization to paint & put a stove in the shelter on Mt Whitney. |
| 236 | W. Adams of Mt. Wilson Observatory | 1 Sep 1921 | Walter Adams request for the loan of the key to the Mt. Whitney shelter. |
| 242 | G. F. Marsh to Chester Versteeg | 10/14/1922 | information re the Mt. Whitney - Cottonwood region. |
| 243 | C. Versteeg to G. F. Marsh & back | 10/14/1922 | Clarifications re the 8 Oct 1922 letter. |
| 126 | G. F. Marsh Commendation, USPO | 19 Oct 1922 | Commendation re request for verification before cashing USPO warrants. |
| 168 | G. F. Marsh to J.E. Church | 2 Jan 1930 | Thanks for aero photo of Mt. Whitney & tells of his activities. |
| 254 | C. Versteeg to USBGN | 20 Dec 1937 | A proposal to the USBGN to name Mount Marsh & others. |
| 121 | H.M. Dixon to G. F. Marsh | 15 Aug 1938 | 1938 radio program (NBC, Death Valley Days, The Mt. Whitney Story). |
| 131 | J.E. Church to Versteeg / Marsh | 5 Feb 1940 | Info re the Church & Marsh trip to Mt Whitney (1904-1905). |
| 118 | J.E. Church to G. F. Marsh | 4 Dec 1940 | Notes re Mt. Marsh photo's $\&$ their trip on Mt Whitney, winter of 1904-1905. |
| 257 | USBGN to George F. Marsh | 24 Jan 2002 | The name Mount Marsh was made official by the USBGN, 10 Jan 2002. |
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LIST OF INYO INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Twelve of the 21 Inyo Independent newspaper articles related to the biography are included in this section. The twelve are grouped into 5 pages as shown below.

| Inyo Independent date | event | have copy | have notes | copy included page # |
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| 26 Jul 1873 | Soda Springs info / Southern Inyo County vacation spot | X | | 1 |
| 23 Aug 1873 | Soda Springs info / Southern Inyo County vacation spot | X | | 1 |
| 20 Sep 1873 | Soda Springs info / Southern Inyo County vacation spot | X | | 1 |
| 2 Mar 1894 | Margaret (Calnan) Dodge died, 23 Feb 1894 | O | X | |
| 8 Jul 1899 | Soda Springs info / Southern Inyo County vacation spot | O | X | |
| 27 Oct 1899 | Josiah G. Dodge died, 25 Oct 1899 | X | | |
| 26 Apr 1901 | Sooner Mine / Marsh & Cross | O | X | |
| 14 Jun 1901 | Visiting friends in Lone Pine / Marsh & Cross | O | X | |
| 31 Dec 1901 | Marriage of Marsh & Dodge, 11 Dec 1901 | X | | 2 |
| 24 Jan 1902 | Returned from honeymoon, 21 Jan 1902 | O | X | |
| 1 Aug 1902 | Marsh naturalized, 8 Jul 1902 | X | | 2 |
| 10 Jul 1903 | Marsh granted permission to build telephone line | X | | 2 |
| 22 Jul 1904 | Trail completed to the summit of Mt. Whitney, 17 Jul 1904 | X | | |
| 5 Aug 1904 | Trail was completed last Sunday, 18 Jul 1904. | X | | 2 |
| - | McAdie says with possible exception of some mules which | - | | |
| - | have scaled the Andes, Mt. Whitney climbers have gone | - | | |
| - | higher than any mules in the world. Examiner. | - | | |
| 26 Aug 1904 | A thanks to people of Lone Pine, Independence & Keeler | X | | 2 |
| - | for contributions and help for the trail. | - | | |
| - | Also, a listing of expenses & income. | - | | |
| 28 May 1909 | Mt. Whitney Ball, 22 May 1909, to raise funds to repair the trail | X | | 3 |
| - | Plus a short history from 1903 to 1909 re the trail. | - | | |
| 10 Sep 1909 | Observatory Built on Top of Mount Whitney | X | | |
| - | (no mention of Marsh!) | - | | |
| 27 May 1910 | F. G. (G. F.) Marsh reached the summit of Mt. Whitney | X | | 3 |
| - | last Monday, 23 May 1910 | - | | |
| 25 Oct 1912 | Unsuccessful run for Inyo County 4th District Supervisor | X | | 4 |
| 31 Aug 1918 | Elected Supervisor, 4th District, 28 Aug 1918 | X | | 5 |
| 26 Aug 1938 | The Mount Whitney Story, Death Valley Days Radio Program | | X | |
| 3 May 1946 | G. F. Marsh Passes; Many Pay Tribute * | X | | * |

^{*} The Inyo Independent article (Vol. LXXV, No. 44, 3 May 1946) is identical to the Owens Valley Progress Citizen article that is included in the Documents section.

Inyo Independent Newspaper, Independence, Inyo County, California

Saturday: 20 Jul 1873, 23 Aug 1873 & 20 Sep 1873



LOCAL AFFAIRS. Local Agents.

ro Gordo-James Karn; Lone Pino-S. V. M.; Big Pino-D. Nature; Bishop Crock-Parter; Lida-L. Wick; Benton-A. Mack; a-J. M. MERROTTE.

26 JUl 1873

A large number of citizens and citizenesses have recently gone out to rusticate in the Kern river mountains, catch trout, bad colds, fight misquitoes, gnats, reptiles or anything else that adds to the felicities of a life on the mountain hights. Of those from Lone Pine we can name but a few: I. W. Hunt, O. D. Begole, Judge Perrin (according to a note from "Farmer Brock," the last two were lost, a circumstance much regretted on account of the pack mule they had loaded with whisky, there they had loaded with whisky, there being a sick man with the party that knew enough to keep the trail), Mr. and Mrs. Dodge, Mrs. Stewart and others. From here we have the two Johnnies, Heckel and Baxter, and in Johnies, Heckel and Baxter, and in another party a large number of pack animals load d with case goods, a wall tent and other refreshments, preceded by several ladies, to wit, Mrs. and Miss Mulkey, Mrs. Bennett and Hannah J. A., and followed by mayor domo Pinte Jack, Fred Grothey, Sheriff Mu'key and P. W. Bennett, dust clear in the rear, which is a good idea on his part, as he will be better able to select good fish to send us: Gregy's interpast limited. fish to send us; Gregg's interest limited.

23 Aug 1873

Had to Come Heme

All the Kern'river fishing party, both ladies and gentlemen, finally came to the conclusion that they had better tear themselves away from their sylvan felicities and come and see after home affairs awhile. We are told that, besides the sun burn, every one has gained several pounds more or less in avoirdupois, and so they ought, since the aggregate daily consumption of fish by that party was something frightful to tell about—besides venison and bear meat, it took two hundred pounds of flah daily to enable them to eke out an existence. Farmers can come on now with their loads of truck. 20 Sep 1873

Fishing.

LONE PINE, Sept. 16.

EDITOR INDEPENDENT: As nearly everybody has been fishing this Summer, perhaps you would like to know who were there and what they did.

In the first place, the camp is named "Soda Springs." It is situated on the west side of Kern river, about 35 miles from Lone Pine. The springs are in a very pretty meadow, of say 20 acres. High mountains wall it in upon the west and the river skirts it on the east about as pretty a place as one can find for a two months' recuperating camp. When we arrived there one camp. When we arrived there one afternoon about sundown, we found Mr. and Mrs. Mulkey, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Bennett, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Stewart. Mr. Rockwell Loemis and Mrs. F. K. Miller, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Ferguson, Mrs. Dodge, Miss Mattie Mulkey, Miss Carrie Joelin, Charley (of course we mean Charley Begole), Johnny Lucas, Peter Person, Days Cabson, Dan Woodside, Al Johnson and wife, "Al." Briggs and "Sher." Stevens. If there were any whom we havn't mentioned we beg pardon, but the pressure of so many names, if more, would render our chances for Stockton favorabl-

The day after we got there, there was a fishing match between Al Briggs and Sher Stevens. Result: Stevens caught Sher Stevens. Result: Stevens caught one and Briggs one, but Briggs borrowed one of Horace Mulkey in order to claim a bet of—cigars on having captured the greater number of fish. The joke of the thing on Al is that he told Bill Covington of the trick he had played on Sher, and Bill, thinking that played on Sher, and Bill, thinking that the gallon of cigars had been paid, told Sher about it, and he refuses to deliver, claiming the match a draw. The fish that Sher brought in was not a large one; in fact, it was "quite diff-rent"—a sort of a miniature fish. Sher said that though they might say he had caught "very little," they couldn't accuse him of not catching "any."

Paul Bennett was the most active man in camp. Up every morning before sunrise and off to the soda springs in order to drink, we don't know how much. And then the excursions he used to take—fishing, mountain climb-

used to take-fishing, mountain climbing, etc., were more exercise to Paul.

He may think possibly that we exaggerate a little, but can't we prove it?

Our worthy Sheriff proved himself a mighty Nimrod, with his little gun and

of their skill with the rifle, having of their skill with the rifle, having played old Harry with every deer in range of their Henrys. Charley Begole and Johnny Lucas did a great deal of fishing and more eating, and demonstrated one fact—that a man can't "bust" by eating; they tried it and failed. But if you think a man's pants can't "bust" up there in those high countries, ask any man who was there. Hardly a man was on the grounds who, when his buck was turned toward you, didn't look like a dark lantern with didn't look like a dark lantern with the slide out. It was delightfully funny to see that nearly every man, while talking to the ladies. sat down to do it. We had raspberries and clder or

alderberries enough to make shortcakes and pies; the only accident that happened to Rockwell Loomis was that he undertook to cat a piece of raspherry shortcake about a foot square, and got dismally stalled.

Two cows furnished milk for all the

babies in camp, including yours truly.
There are drawbacks to some day's sport, but you laugh at 'em afterwards. For instance, it isn't very exhibitating to walk six or eight miles, wade the river three or four times, slip off a rock and strike the back of your head, get twenty-three fish hooks in your fingers and some in the seat of your punts, nearly step on a dozen rattlesnukes and scare yourself out of eleven or twelve year's growth, and finally at night get home wet, hungry and tired, with only one small fish and that so dry and soft that you can't clean it and have to throw it away, and then find that your bread is all out and that you'll have to make your supper on bucon alone, owing to your want of luck or luck of skill at fishing.

Churley Begole, Johnny Lucus and Al Johnson took a trip to the summit of the highest mountain in the range, and christened it "Fisherman's Peak Some people are now trying to take the credit of their being the first there away

from them, but they won't succeed.

Prof. Whitney's agent has just returned from the mountain, and findfault with the people here for their lack of romance in calling it "Fisherman's Peak." Ain't it as romantic as "Whit-ncy?" The fishermen who found it looked mighty romantic on their return to Sodu Springs. Wonder who the old earthquake sharp thinks is running this country, anyhow?

A day or two more and Charley couldn't have come in at all-in the day time. His breeches were principally composed of bale rope.

Take the Summer all through, we had a delightful time. The ludies all got brown and stout, although there wasn't a bit of brown stout on the grounds.

A proposition is now on foot that the

whole county go up, including the Board of Supervisors-the latter in order to give them a chance to get strong. If County Scrip would "go up" too, old ounty Finances would be strengthened

Will you sign the petition and go with us? Yours, piscatorially,

FISHERMAN.

The under lined Dodge names are Elizabeth's parents and the Stewarts are a aunt & uncle

11 Dec 1901

MARRIED.

ROMERO-FUENTEZ-At Lone Pine, Cal. December 11, 1901, by A. C. Harvey J. P., Ramon Romero and Miss Annie Fuentez, both of Lone Pine.

MILLNER-SHAW -At Bishop, Cal., December 11, 1901. John F. Millner, of Benton, Cal., and Miss Margie Shaw of Bishop, Cal.

MARSH - Dodge - At Lone Pine, Cal., December 11, 1901, by Rev. Richard Fysh, Gustave F. Marsh and Elizabeth M. Dodge, both of Lone Pinc.

-The groom is an industrious young man, while the bride is an estimable young lady. The young couple started for Los Angeles the same evening, where they expect to remain for a month and then return to take up their home at Lone Pine. The Independent extends congratulations and good wishes.

8 Jul 1902

SUPERIOR COURT.

Hon. Walter A. Lamar, Judge.

Monday, July 28, 1902. G. F. Marsh admitted to citizenship

10 Jul 1903

G. F. Marsh of Lone Pine has been granted permission by the Board of Supervisors to erect a telephone line along the public highway between Lone Pine and the railroad station at Mt. Whitney. This is a public improvement that Lone Pine has long needed.

G. F. Marsh came up from Lone Pine yesterday. Mr. Marsh states that the trail has been completed to the summit of Mt. Whitney and that a pack-train has been taken to the monument on the summit of the peak. Mr. Marsh informs us that it is very practicable to make a trail connecting the Whitney trail with the Cottonwood lakes, and this matter should be taken up at once. This will give an itenerary that cannot be surpassed-for scenery and sport in the United States.

26 Aug 1904 A. S. MULLIGAN. lik Mt. Whitney Trail. EDITOR INYO INDEPENDENT: Will you please publish the enclosed statement of receipts and expenses of completing the Mount Whitney horse trail. I also wish to thank the subscribers most heartily for their help, especially Independence and Keeler and the ladies of Lone Pine who worked so hard to make the Mount Whitney dance such a success. I cannot find words to thank the gallant little band that stayed with me through frozen snow banks and the bitter north wind and worked so hard and cheerfully amid Ti the treacherous rocks. But no boys were happier than they when at 2:30 on he July 18, 1904, we prepared to build our signal to show to our subscribers that we had done the work they had sent us to do and to proclaim to the world we had completed the highest pack trail in the United States and made a good step toward an observatory to the benefit of us all and especially Lone Pine. The following is a statement of the receipts and expenditures in connection with the work: Lone Pine subscription \$ 67 00 el. Keeler subscription 77 00 Independence subscription 87 50 ith C. Moysan, supplies 34 55 E. H. Edwards, supplies 11 40 F. G. Harvey, beef 5 03 all T. U. Boland, supplies & powder 22 55 rel G. F. Marsh, coul & vegetables. . . 3 80 Iđ. Freight 25 m. Wages...... 199 00 ar 275 55 10 Balance on hand..... nd Work to the amount of \$85 was given 18.5 by the boys of Lone Pine, varying from one day to seven and one half days. Subscriptions amounting to one hundred | ca dollars remain uncollected and if paid di **y**5 will be used for keeping the trail in re- th G. F. MARSH. pair. set le. The Band boys have never refused to

28 May 1909

27 May 1910

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25 Oct 1912

G. F. MARSH

(The following article war received by this paper for publication, and it is published as received, without this paper taking any responsibility in the matter.—EDITOR INDEPENDENT.)

Why you should vote for G. F. Marsh of Lone Pine for Supervisor of the Fourth District.

Because he came in answer to the many advertisements sent out by this County, he stayed because he saw the splendid opportunities offered by the wealth and resources of this beautiful valley. The wonderful scenery, the healthy climate, and the enormous productiveness of the soil induced him to make Lone Pine his permanent home.

Mr. Marsh has proved himself reliable and competent, and a hard worker. He has been your trusted gervant for the past ten years. He has always stood for progress; he has never tired of boosting, and in his business as mail carrier, and being in contact with thousands of atrangers, he has never missed an opportunity to pull for y Owens Valley, and especially for Lone s Pine. He has always had a kind word and good advice for the homesteader and new comer who came to help develope the country, and proved his assertions by raising the best crops in the valley. As a booster for Lone Pine Mr. Marsh cannot be beat and has id proved by deeds what can be done by hard work and careful management. Marsh's work in building the Observatory on Mt Whitney has been praised by the leading professors of the world. Extract from Lick Observatory, Bulletin No. 169:

ian "I wish to express myadmiration for ng the skill and excellent management examt ereised by Mr. G. F. Marsh in creeting the observatory in the face of great and difficulties."—Prof. W. W. Campbell.

Extract from Smithsomian Miscellaneous ('oilections, Volume 52, page 4: "I found that a few days before my coming, there had been a thunderstorm on the mountain one night. One of the men had been nearly killed by lightning or fright. All the mountain was glowing with St. Elmo fire, and L. They all had been very unoasy. On the following night all the workmen left on-Mr. Marsh and ran down the trail when another storm began. However they returned to him in a couple of days. Thanks to his grit in staying on top alone. In the face of the natural difficulties I think very few men could have carried the job to completion. Mr. Marsh will never get paid in the world for the work he did on that house. I and hope the secretary will write him an appreciative letter of thanks." -C. G Abbot, Director of Smithsonian Atmosthe pherial observatory. ack Mr. Marsh has been

Abhot, Director of Smithsonian Atmospherial observatory.

Mr. Marsh has been voluntary weather observer for the past eight years, and has rendered valuable service. He also assisted in making evaporation tests between Lone Pine m and Mt. Whitney under Frank Adams of the Agricultural College at Berkeley. Mr. Marsh has been connected with mining for many years and fully realizes the necessity of encouraging that y industry, knowing the enormous benefits the farmers derive from such a market. As a farmer Mr. Marsh has proved what can be done on a few o acres. He was instrumental in getting farmers institutes here through cora respondence with Mr. Neff, which also resulted in getting the demonstration trains here for the benefit of the farmers in the valley.

Mr. Marsh installed the first telephone e line in this end of the valley, and demonstrated their value, with the result that we now have connections all over the country. He has always been ready to help a friend in need. It has never been too early or too late night or day, in sickness and death when all other sources failed, you found Mr. Marsh ready to help you. He was never known to pass a stranger packing his blankets without giving him a lift His work in completing the Mt. Whitney trail and the utmost confidence his men had in him under the most trying circumstances and his straightforward business manner and his ability to get there, proves him to be well fitted for Supervisor of the fourth district.

As a road builder, the most important factor in building up the country. Mr. Marsh's experience in Colorado and Wyoming, and in his business of running the stage and handling freight for the past ten years over; the roads of his district and his knowledge of the best material to use in making good roads, and his ability to get, the best day's work out of a man stamps him as the most practical, competent and reliable man for the position. Mr. and Mrs. Voter it is to your intorest to get a practical man for supervisor. You can only judge a man, by his past if he has proved himself honest, practical and successful in his own business, if you have trusted him to Battley developed and the second and the second

do your personal business, you can surely depend on him to be your faith ful servant in the county business. Do not condemn him because he was not born here. Vote for Mr. Marsh who is working hard every day to get new people and proving to them the possibilities of the beautiful valley.

31 Aug 1918

PRIMARY ELECTION DECIDES ALL COUNTY OFFICES

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| a la ly of he tater the ns. oss n e hall | Tuesday throughout the county, although in some instances the results were somewhat surprising. The vote cast was about two-thirds of the registration. The State offices did not receive the consideration of the voters of the county that was accorded the county officers. This resulted in some casting their votes only for local candidates, while others | B. E. Sherwin was County Surveyor over Dixon by a large majorit For County Auditor an urer, respectively, T. M. K and A. P. Mairs had no or and were each reelecte large vote. Milton Levy of Inder was elected County Coro Public Administrator. | elected John y i Treas cendrick position d by a mendence ner and |
| the | voted for a portion of the State | Vote for Supervisor | 23 |
| at | officers. | First District | |
| се | Sheriff Logan was reelected by | Thomson | Wonacott |
| . A | something over 250 votes. The | Round Valley 61 | .15 |
| the | friends of Chas. Collins put forth | Tungsten 16 | 6 |
| | every effort to place their candi- | Laws 41 | 42 |
| | date in the lead, but their efforts | West Bishop 94 | 38 |
| n d | could not turn the tide against | Hillside 18 | 6 |
| ned | | Third District | |
| vith | Dan E. Williams of Big Pine | | Uhlmeyer |
| in | was one of the surprises, he | Big Pine No. 1 71 | 59 |
| 111 | being elected over both Geo. D. | Big Pine No. 2 84 | 61 |
| | Clann Tinder It an- | Fish Springs 30 | 12 |
| Paul | peared to be the general opinion | Independence No. 1 - 81 | 18 |
| e at | that at least one of the other | Independence No. 2_80 | 16 |
| ting | loandidates would be in the run- | Fourth District | |
| лег | ning for the finish. | Marsh | Morris |
| | The contest for the School | | 33 |
| ager | The contest for the School | Owenyo 13 | 2 |
| ning | | Lone Pine No. 1 72 | 20 |
| e up | | Lone Pine No. 2 58 | 36 |
| y of | | Keeler 57 | 2- |
| e at | | Cerro Gordo 10 | 3 |
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| one | The candidates for Recorde | | he people |
| veel | also made a close race, with the | of Independence will | have the |
| gare | incumbent, W. L. Hunter in the | of Independence win | Tulion's |

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Jess Hession, for District Attorney, has the honor of having received the largest vote of any of the candidates, defeating his opponent, Harvey W. Guthrie, by something like three to one.

For Supervisor in the First Dis-

haige, received a majority over John C. recent Morris. Geo. W. Naylor was returned to the office from the

incumbent, W. L. Hunter in the lead by 112 votes. Mrs. Bessie T. Best was his opponent.

Mrs. Jessie Miller made a splendid run for the office of ax Collector, leaving her two opponents, Jesse Thomas and Ed. Schober, ou of the running.

U. G. Cla k, for Assessor, received a large vote, outdistancing his opponent, John B. Clarke. In every precinct but three the former received a majority of the wotes.

of Independence will have the chance to see Ruperts Julian's massive production "The Beast of Berlin." Beyond doubt this is the most wonderful of any motion picture yet produced. It shows the Kaiser in his true colors, the enemy of all man-kind. Mr. Harriman, manager of the Monarch Amusement Company, has gone to big expense to bring this greatest of all features before us. To miss the world's masterit is to miss the world's masterpiece in motion pictures. It ran for three months in New York City, two months in New York
City, two months in Chicago. It
opened in Los Angeles over four
months ago, yet people are
waiting in, line by the hundreds
today to see it. Secure your
tickets at once and be sure of a o he For Supervisor in the First District Thos. Thomson, Jr., was slipt elected over Charles Wonacott. he he In the Fourth District G. F. Marsh have received a majority curr. Long. ment receives 10 per cent of the entire receipts of this produc-

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