

Introduction  
Reference Reading  
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Pioneer Day

Cont'd  
"He hath done what  
he could"

Infant son  
Died Mar 23-1860

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all on one marble

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St. Geo. Episcopal  
Church Austin  
Engine house "



Belmont  
large cast iron  
Chest - no lat.  
mother's  
Smaller cast iron

James V. Hathaway

Aug 7 - 1876

" 46 yrs 7 mo 15<sup>th</sup>  
Although he sleeps,  
his memory doth live,  
and cheering comfort  
to his mourners give."

Large wooden casket  
Havry  
son of B. B. H. Cerler  
June 18 1872 12 yrs

James V. Hathaway Aug 7 - 1876

46 years - 7 mos - 15 days.

" Although he sleeps, his memory doth live,  
and cheering comfort to his mourners give."

Seen in the old Belmont graveyard,  
the marble headstone has a beautiful  
inscription.

James V. Hathaway, Aug 7, 1876

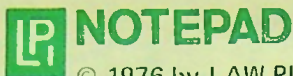
46 yrs 7 mos 15 days

"Although he sleeps, his memory doth  
live, and cheering comfort to his mourners give"

Below

Hamilton, Nev.





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P.O. Arena Alexander Spencer 4 Oct 1880 Mail to B. Cr.  
U.S.P.O. records in National Archives Wash. D.C. 16 June 1885  
Arena  
Alexander Spencer 1st P.M. Oct 4-1880 Mail to B. Creek  
June 16-1885. Located in the NE 1/4 Sec. 9, T7S,  
R 32E on the rte from B. Creek to Mammoth City.  
2 1/2 mi from B. Creek P.O. 1/8 of a mile from  
Bishop Creek & on the no. side of creek. To serve  
200 people in the village of West Bishop.  
Application made Sept 21, 1880.

We have heard of this - several stores, a saloon  
named Temple of Jolly, then it was moved  
in town. A.J. Murphy or man from Budie who  
built the Hotel across from Josephs.



A chopper was used

The silage was put thru a chopper then blown into the openings of the silo by use of 8 or 10 in pipe.

A chopper was used to grind up the green feed and then ~~it~~ the chopper was used to blow the silage into the openings up one side. Sections

of 8 or 10 in pipe carried it up to the top, opening after opening. Each open place was closed by boards so it could be emptied as needed, using a ladder.

The corn + alfalfa silage provided winter feed for milking cows.



Chopping. A silo chopper & blower  
A machine was used to chop  
& blow the <sup>silage</sup> green feed into the  
silos  
openings up one side. Section  
of 8 or 10 in pipe carried it  
to the top to each opening ~~to~~  
~~the top~~. The openings were closed  
by boards so it could be  
emptied as needed, using a ladder.

NORTHERN INYO HOSPITAL  
BISHOP, CALIF. 93514

There are two huge  
silos that stand out  
in the middle of a great  
ranch land, no. of Warm  
Spr. Rd.

We have wanted to  
picture these for  
some time, but herds  
of cattle, cows w. calves,  
were too plentiful, yet,

● Last month <sup>there, after</sup> the drive  
or haul, which ever, of  
~~to~~ all the stock to  
summer ~~feed~~ was  
~~a~~ ~~a~~ time, ~~for a trip~~  
the right

Standing near the house  
foundation <sup>K. remains</sup> we noted.  
What a peaceful, beautiful  
outlook - green wherever  
one looks ~~and the~~  
bounded by Inyo's Mts.  
guardian



771 N. Main

29151

For Free Reed

Bernice Shipley

Ben Baxter tells of life  
on the Mark & Wilfred  
Watt. ranch <sup>once</sup> named  
"The Waterson subdivision"

"Mother & I cooked for  
25 to 30 <sup>hired</sup> men along about  
this time of year. <sup>summer</sup> Haying,  
<sup>gen ranch work</sup> Silo workers, Thrashers,  
it was a very busy time.

I was about 16 when the  
two big silos were built in  
<sup>cows</sup> There were pigs, sheep and  
my father, Frank Shipley,  
once took a lot of seemingly  
wild horses ~~for sale~~ <sup>to sell</sup> in the east.

It was a large ranch  
and we first lived in sort  
of a decrepit place, then  
a spacious 2 st. home  
was built  
my father was foreman  
for many years.



Geo. Watterson ranch

Willie Watterson

Watterson Subdivision?

in town where  
Mark W where  
Max Carver  
road ran near house?

Gus says Mark owned the big  
ranch no. of school on W 1st  
rd. W left on one w 2 silos  
see Sally

Clarence Hipley bro in pr  
I need cousin  
Hlo Al ls "

Sally olds dau. of Wilfred

Mark

Geo.

Toiyabe Indian Health Project  
P.O. Box 1296  
Bishop, CA 93514  
(714) 873-8461

BULK RATE  
U. S. POSTAGE  
PAID  
PERMIT NO. 33  
Bishop, Ca. 93514

Adele Reed  
272 Shepard  
Bishop, CA 93514

Who owned land

Wm. Watt bot?  
home

16

who built silo  
about when

77 now  
 $\frac{16}{61}$  16 old 2 silos built

Mark & Wilfred

"Watt subdivision"

Frank Stripley

Fally - Wil dau

Mark 2 sons  
Geo W

Took horses back east

2 9151

Baptist  
Bernice

74<sup>th</sup>  
pico

# 86 Wash house  
north where  
8 a.m. there a 4

Mother & I took 25 to 30 men  
for

1918 on home  
deposit place  
2 home

Wash house  
for hired men  
thrashers, silo men  
gen ranch hayers  
sheep, pig, horses.

100  
61  
-9



A. A. Cash bot squatters right to  
160 A. east of the So Bishop Creek in  
about 1870. He got a patent in  
1875. Came from Ohio

BOOKS - order from  
FRANK R. PETERS  
495 CARR AVE.  
AROMAS, CALIF. 95004  
722-6090



Mike Reed  
272 Shepard Lane  
Bishop, Calif. 93514

When Verby?  
before Verby?  
at Verby?  
How to sell



Mam Partridge

Did you buy your  
prop. from Hans Lof?

When?

Live there ever since?

How long Supervisor

Mono Co?

Work for state

Wifes family name

Children, number

Who built the silo on  
Chas. Part. place?

The old home in yard,  
how old?

Have a pic of silo &  
corn crib

Gus tells



We first lived at Mammoth in 1927 and the only road into the area turned off of U.S. Highway 395 near the Standard Oil Storage tanks below Casa Diablo and followed up along Mammoth Creek. It crossed the creek between the sites of the Mammoth Garage and Penney's Bakery and nearby was the U.S.F.S headquarters. A little farther up the road on the flats was the large general store and Post Office combined and a service station across from it. These were owned by the Summers family, old time residents, who owned much of the property in this area at one time. The store was managed by Fred Brooks for many years, now a resident of Bishop. Nearby on the meadow was the large Mammoth Hotel or Summers Hotel built in 1918, also the Wildasinn hotel and cabins. All of these buildings were destroyed by fire early in 1927 and the large rock fireplace was a silent reminder of the old Summers Hotel for many years.

Remains of an old sawmill were to be seen along the creek back of the store and we have an old cast iron forge of the type used with a bellows, that we found here.

A newer sawmill was then in operation several miles to the north of Old Mammoth known as Hess Saw Mill.

These few businesses made up the town which served the small community and a few resorts up at the Lakes, which were reached by driving up the old grade through Mineral Park, Mill City and Mammoth City with it's hairpin curves.

In 1937 a modern highway was built about two miles north of Old Mammoth with a more gradual ascent to the Lakes and the present town of Mammoth Lakes was begun. We lived at Mammoth on and off for about 14 years, moving from the old to the new town where we were in business for 10 years. These were very happy years despite the hard work and we enjoyed many pleasures in that beautiful mountain and lake country.

Of the four distinctly different seasons encountered there I believe I enjoyed spring the most, particularly because I could walk outdoors without having to don "snow gear" and it felt so good to walk on good solid earth again. Also the fragrance of sage and pine filled the air and everything was so fresh and clean, and the warm bright sun, the melting snow all combined to make it a very happy time.

Summertime flew by on fast wings, we were too busy to enjoy it. Then the golden days of early fall with a blue haze in the air and the golden red color of the many aspen trees among the green pines was a lovely time though short.

At that time many preparations had to be made for the long cold winter as our temperatures sometimes dropped to 25 to 30 degrees below zero, usually in December and January.

Winter or the "shut-in time" as the old timers up on the hill used to call it usually began with a heavy snow around November 1st. It was a very beautiful time with the snow covering everything with soft lines and lovely contours. Long, quiet, peaceful days were enjoyed and of-times the only sound to break the stillness was the barking of the dog teams coming over the hill from Old Mammoth, which could be heard for many miles, or the ever welcome noise of the snow plow opening our road in from the highway.

A feeling of close companionship and friendliness prevailed among the two dozen or so of us who made up the whole population of the Mammoth Lakes area the winters of the early 1940's, and many parties and dances were enjoyed, with friends joining in from many miles around. The lonely caretakers living at the different resorts up at the Lakes and one from the Monte Cristo Mine usually were able to ski down and join in the fun. The owners of the dog teams Tex and Ruth Cushion, who lived at Old Mammoth, helped our little community and the higher areas in many ways and sometimes these dog teams were our only contact with the outside. Now most of the faces we knew are gone and new businesses and new faces are the order of the day. Mammoth has a very metropolitan air with it's large chair lifts, on Mammoth Mountain, new hotels, cafes, stores and businesses of all kinds, a far cry from the old mining camp high up on the mountainside.



Indian proverbs quoted in Desert Rat Scrap-book  
Keep a green bough in your heart  
and the singing bird will come

When Coker calls  
Ask how Floy is  
& Sue

to do  
pick out pieces to use  
" " papers to use

erase Joanne's pencil  
marks

glue taken sketches

place w. newsp. ones  
on a page



Crack of Dawn!

Hi Folks:

Leaving pot roast in  
refrig, also cooked squash,  
not seasoned! Some  
pudding, etc. Help your  
elves.

If I am lucky & don't  
have to wait around all  
day. We might be home  
other wise probably Fri.

See you

A. & B.



## Bodie School

Of 2 story frame constro. this large school, <sup>from the early</sup> <sup>1880's</sup> era in Bodie, Calif. can be seen just a block beyond their main St.

The old lumber of its construc. long bare of paint and very weather worn

By peering in the windows between shades of old lace curtains one can see a number of the old desks, a large cast iron stove, tables cupboards etc.

This bldg. was in use <sup>years</sup> ago as a gift & art shop. It <sup>has</sup> closed its doors to the <sup>youngsters</sup> <sup>than</sup> of Bodie in <sup>one of</sup> it stands as <sup>the</sup> landmark <sup>of</sup> the left in this historic town which is now being



Dear Genny:

I have taken time to go thru all the papers, letters, cards from you. Quite a lot! Ha! I have decided I will want \$200 Jan 83 from you for the

These are historical cards ~~and~~ <sup>that we</sup> are using and I hope they do better from now on.

Yes I know Andrea<sup>a nice person</sup>, she came to me while I was autographing books O.M. in Oct. She ~~was~~ had a basket full of our cards and wanted to blow them up big for her use. I told her no, I have several reasons, ~~these~~ <sup>to grow Genny</sup> I will tell you again. Remember the man from the Mountain who wanted my pics for adv. and yours<sup>also</sup> I guessed. as you told ~~sent him~~ <sup>see</sup> to me. It was way back. I never saw the man and here is what I wrote you, "I will need a long time of thinking before I decide my pics will be used commercially. All of the wonderful people who loaned the pics did it as a favor and to record history of Mam." I still feel that way, they are my pics and after loaning those to you for slides, also I have loaned 3 or 4 to be used by the Review — that is it. Wouldn't it be (great) for Perne Summers to see the card <sup>to Mam Camp</sup> to you want to do for Andrea? No, I will not give permission



I attached your pages to roots  
and sending my page, I have a copy

At top pg 2 you will find <sup>me</sup> in full Jan 1983  
You mention yourself due me  
next year. bottom pg 2  
Control of Pain  
using small laser  
all kind of pain

They now open up  
blocked arteries

U.C. & A



pie. Frank P.  
" Allie B.  
" Queenie

ask about later  
pie #8 Book

See Ponacatto

Trace sig. (Fred B.)  
In little book

See Nan

See Mrs Mendenhall

See Mrs Willard?

See Queenie

See Ruth Smith

" Art Heas

River Springs Station  
Adobe Valley, Mono Co.

Lunce Gandell, owner  
Leased to Harris Ranch  
Hammil Valley, Benton,  
in 1974.

Possibly Malcolm Harris

Stage station in use  
in early years up  
to 1880's

Was first a cow trail  
to Aurora Mng. Camp  
in 1860's

Thos. Thomson Home  
Built in 1880's

D.W.P. land

Leased to Cattle Company

West Bishop

off of #395 north



Pics use w. Mam.

Pco. sold Water wheel at beginning  
end w. Winter Patrol - sled out  
L. Mary - old ford - bus. paper  
Mam City - stage 1923 - ski  
paper 1941 - Mam, 4th w. Cars -  
Wild Hotel w cars from my panel pic.  
H. H. Big Wheel - tel. numbers - sketch

Arrested Water wh. & map on  
left page then Lake Mary Dist

Do introd to Mono Co.



Melinda's Pack Train, Bish Co early 1880's  
O.W. & the Paiutes & Shoshones who lived  
there remained undisturbed for over 300  
yrs. after Cabrillo disc Calif, in 1542.  
The massive Sierra was an effective  
barri~~code~~code between the Val & Spanish  
Missions & ranchos to the west. Even  
the gold rush passed it by. But the  
disc of silver at the Comstock Lode in  
1859 sparked a new rush that changed  
the Val. forever. Hundreds raced across  
the Sierra to prospect its eastern slope  
& the desert ranges beyond. Right behind  
came the packers, teamsters, cattlemen  
merchants & farmers to supply them.  
Melinda's Pack Train stands in front of  
the Frank Andrews Gen store on the east  
side of Main St. Left, Dutch John's  
"Blacksmithing & Wagon making." Pack trains  
were long a familiar sight in Val towns,  
for much of the bordering country is too  
rough & steep for wagons.

Lawson R.R. Museum

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TOWN'S-RESORTS-MINE [ ]  
 CORRALS-RANCHES O MEADOWS  
 MTN PASS 11/11  
 RIVER CROSSING E

ALPERS

ARC. RESORT

WINT FORD 3 near a river

ARC. RANCH

CASH B. → old, Youngfork

men in  
 picnic  
 picnic sum.

Pickles

Ben

McMurry

Red  
 Red  
 Red

Charlie

Cartwell

Shabell

9/11/11

**NOTICE**  
 If you find that for any reason you will be unable to vote in person on election day, promptly complete and sign the enclosed application for absent voter's ballot and return to the County Clerk, P. O. Drawer "F", Independence, CA 93526, Telephone 878-2411  
 Your application may be submitted not more than 29 days before the day of election but must reach the office of the County Clerk not less than 7 days before the day of election.

ye Bridge built

early 20's over Main Cr.

Call  
 Hooker  
 Lyman

What on top  
 not what?

FROM

County Clerk  
Independence, Calif. 93526

BULK RATE  
U. S. POSTAGE  
**PAID**  
Independence, Cal.  
Permit No. 1

THIRD CLASS

IMPORTANT ELECTION  
CORRESPONDENCE  
Open Immediately

Spray on trail  
about 1/2 mi. from road

Horses came from  
trap in his 20 m. team  
marked for Eric's  
brand & hair for  
spray a crime at mine

Penelope R.,  
the Slim Coy  
when Earl Penelope  
1936  
Vineville



3954i

64i

Brickman

BUTLER

ALT I

Sierra ST

Line  
ST

ALT J

SUNSHINE

Wentworth

ALT F

Underwood

Schuer

ALT K

MAP-IV-1

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Oct 1971

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Independence, CA 93526

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MR & MRS WM J REED  
272 SHEPARD LN  
BISHOP CA 93514



The silos are reminiscent of other days, other times, when  
the Val. ~~was~~ land was alive, growing, producing,  
and dairies abounded. They also go back  
to the homestead days, the graceful cylinders  
were built on pioneer land, ~~only in later years~~

Send  
Word  
Ballot  
Soot

NEWSLETTER

JUNE 1977

EASTERN CALIFORNIA MUSEUM ASSOCIATION, INC.  
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ADA BELL, INDEPENDENCE	

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The May field-trip to Lake Isabella was well-attended with 60 members and guests participating. We were happy to meet so many local residents on this trip. Mr. Bob Powers of Lake Isabella was the leader. Bob is a third-generation Walker River resident; has done much research; and is dedicated to the area. We could almost visualize that area "back when."

The group met at Cottage Grove Cemetery with Bob Powers and Gus Suhri, 88, giving much history of the following places: Onyx Store, View Point of Lake Isabella, Keysville, Mammoth Mine areas, Kernville Museum, Kernville Cemetery, and the Walker Ranch where the new owners welcomed us (Ruban and Fay Scott and Bob Chapman). We then enjoyed a short lunch at the new Uffert Park.

We want to thank Bob Powers and all the wonderful people for their generosity while in their valley for a wonderful trip that we won't soon forget. Contributed by Ina Piper.



NEWS FROM THE COMMANDER'S HOUSE by Candy Ross: There were 114 visitors at the Commander's House in May, which did not include the Memorial Day weekend when 75 visitors came to the house. We have also had several groups of schoolchildren, including the Lo-Inyo Special Class and First Grades from Lone Pine, Third Grades from St. Ann's Catholic School in Ridgecrest, and Bishop second grades. Last month there were also visitors from as far away as England and Mexico City.

The visitors from England enjoyed seeing the collection of mainly British teapots we have in the dining room. This collection is part of a larger collection and was donated several years ago by Comet Brooks, nephew of Mary Gillespie of Independence. We were saddened to know that Mr. Brooks passed away May 6th in Solvang where he had made his home the last few years. He was born May 19, 1910 in Independence and always held deep affection for this area.

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At their last meeting, the Board of Trustees discussed the operation of the Commander's House. Due to a lack of finances, the Association will not be able to continue operating the Commander's House unless an increase of dues and donations are made by the membership. The Board has decided to include a ballot at the end of this Newsletter to ascertain the feelings of the membership as to whether the Association should continue to operate the Commander's House or to ask the County of Inyo to assume responsibility for the House.

The Eastern California Museum Association restored the Commander's House and opened it to the public in 1962. Since that time they have paid the Curator's salary, the gas and electric bills for the house. The house and property are actually owned by the Department of Water and Power. The County of Inyo leases the property and allows the Association to operate the old home. The D. W. P. and the County of Inyo keep up the major maintenance of the house. The County Parks Dept. pays the water bill and leasing fee. The County also recently installed an automatic sprinkler system to help lower the water cost as the house is on a commercial water meter and there is a big yard. The County owns most of the furniture in the home.

These are some of the facts of the present situation about the Commander's House. The old home has about 50 visitors a month in the winter and approximately 300 to 400 visitors per month in the summer. It is kept open 10 to 4 P. M. Friday through Tuesday. The gas bills are high in the winter due to the age of the house and the size of the house. The Curator receives about \$1.50 per hour. In order to continue operating the house, the Board will have to consider raising the dues and asking for more donations or they simply will not be able to keep the house open. Please send the enclosed ballot to Wally Piper, 606 E. Line St., Bishop, CA. 93514.

**Eastern California Museum Association, Inc.**

P. O. Box 36

Independence, CA 93526



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Hest  
H Indep  
Caves  
etc

and we also thank them for a special monetary donation for the care of the house.

Eighty-seven visitors toured the house this past month, many in this area were here to see the exceptional fall colors in the Sierra Nevada this year. With winter just around the corner, it is interesting to think of how General Evans and his men spent their first winter in Owens Valley in 1862. The men dug out caves in a ravine along Oak Creek. You can still walk into one of these caves but most of them have fallen in. The caves along with the old Soldier's Cemetery are the only visible reminders of Camp Independence at its side on Oak Creek. The Commander's House and the old Fort Hospital were moved intact into Independence in 1883. Before his death, Judge Dehy told one of the Board Members, Mrs. Cragen, of how they moved these two buildings into town. Claude Drew, who lived with his family in the Commander's House the last twelve years before it was restored by the Eastern California Museum Association, also knew that the Commander's House and hospital building were moved in intact and he mentioned that it is comparatively easy to move a house, even one of this size, and in those days they jacked them up and pulled them on runners by horse or oxen teams. These two buildings are visual reminders of Camp Independence which existed for fifteen years from July 4, 1862 until July 10, 1877 and at which approximately one hundred Second Cavalry California Volunteers were stationed at what was then known as a hardship post, isolated by two mountain ranges in the Owens River Valley.

The Commander's House is open from 10 to noon, and 1 to 4 in the afternoon, Friday through Tuesday. Do plan to visit and bring your friends whenever you pass through Independence!



of liquor, the cost to be levied by the county supervisors and assessed pro-rata on the saloons." This reminds us of the discussion in the newspapers recently of laws currently under consideration to the same effect.

"A very rich ledge was struck in the foothills of the Sierra near Lone Pine (1864) over \$600 silver per ton."

"This is the first season that farming has been attempted in Owens Valley. Much hay has been cut, 300 or 400 tons in this vicinity (San Carlos.) Barley is a success, so are corn, potatoes, sweet potatoes, cabbage, onions, tomatoes, and melons. People have hard times, however. With ore all around us we never see a dollar. Many are leaving, frozen out, though the mercury is 100 in the shade. The ranches are luxuriant with all the vegetables of the season, but no one has money to buy. One man has threshed 150 bushels of barley. All that is needed is capital and population to make this the richest valley in California, if not in the world."--1864, The Story of Inyo by Chalfant.

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Our members, Dr. Coke Wood and his wife, Ethylene, from Stockton and Murphys, were guests in southern Inyo on October 28th. Dr. Wood gave a lecture in Independence at the Legion Hall on the topic, "The Fight for the Water Hole in Owens Valley." A large crowd was present to hear this talk, many from Bishop as well as southern Inyo residents. He also spoke in Bishop on October 30th. The slide-illustrated lecture was a take off on Frederic Remington's famous painting and it dealt with the old and continuing conflict over the water resources of Owens Valley. Coke Wood's background more than qualifies him as an authority on this timely subject. He was a long-time resident of Bishop; holds a Ph.D. from the University of Southern California; has taught American and California History for more than four decades; and is director of the Pacific Center for Western

Hans Georg, the creator of  
ski positions & exercises,  
introduced the St. Moritz  
style of skiing in Calif  
& was the first skier  
to ascend Mt Whitney.

It was a great day in early '80's  
when the Slim Princess  
entered the OVB P,  
Pinyon wood was its  
fuel,



Add to pic. list - mine  
maps

"Cow Trails"

pic no 200 pg 33 See 2

"Sherwin Road by Fred"

pic no 201 pg 82 See 2

"Fresno Flat Trail"

202 pg 92 See 3

"Lake Ming Dist"

203 pg 89 See 3

In Pickhandle Gulch - near Candelaria,  
a cardboard token was dug in  
the rocky floor of a dug-out  
cabin

"John B Sellers was a fine man  
who~~s~~ had one of the four saloons  
in Metallic City or Pickhandle  
Gulch <sup>as named</sup> - near Cand<sup>on</sup>, Nevada"  
The cardb token used by Sellers was  
dug in the floor of a rock cabin,  
~~a miracle~~ <sup>dirt</sup> possibly the orig. saloon.  
Adelle Keel collg

A glimpse of the community of  
P. Gulch and an ore wagon  
Doc Jen collect~~s~~ Photo



Telephone calls

This was tacked to the wall of the first Mammoth Garage beside a wall telephone, crank type. You listened for a clear line then rang the required number of rings with the crank. Now there are over 700 Telephones.

REFERENCE READING

Hafen, LeRoy

Gorman, John

Chalfant, Willie A.

Hubbard, P., Bray, Doris;

Pipken, George

Wilson, Neill C.

Moody, Ralph

Beebe, Lucius

Clegg, Charles

Cain, Ella M.

Giraud, Alfred R.

Meadows, Lorena E.

Hunnewill, Millie

Walter, Wm. W.

Billeb, Emil W.

Calhoun, Margaret

Eldridge

Inyo Register issues

"Old Spanish Trail"

"I remember Manzanar"

"Outposts of Civilization"

"The Story of Inyo"

"Ballarat, Facts and Folklore, 1897, '17

"Treasure Express"

"Wells Fargo"

"U. S. West, The Saga of Wells Fargo"

"The Story of Early Mono County"

"My First Winter in California"

"A Sagebrush Heritage

"The Sage of the Circle H, 1861-1961"

"The Great Understander"

"Mining Camp Days"

"Pioneers of Mono Basin"

"History of California"



(1)

Tell me the tales of the Pioneer days, long long ago, long long ago.  
Sing me the songs of the Pioneer way, " " " " ago  
Failing o'er river & desert & Plain;  
O'er the mountains, in danger and pain;  
Seeking a fortune, a homeland to gain " " " , " " " .

(2)

Here, then, they rested, no longer to roam, " " " , " " " .  
Loved Owens Valley & claimed it for home, " " " , " ago.  
Soon in the valley, the farm lands grew fair;  
Blossomed the gardens in wilderness bare;  
School bell & church bell rang sweet on the air, " " " , " " " .

(3)

Then grew the towns where 'twas desert before, " " " , " " " .  
Sawmill & gold mine & quaint country store, " " " , " ago.  
Grandfather labored, & grandmother too,  
Building a heritage, noble & true,  
All thru the years while the valley towns grew. " " " , " ago.

(4)  
Come, let us honor their memory anew, Here now today! Here now today!  
Hail, pioneers, we are thinking of you, " " " " Here today!  
Come, Independence, come now, Lone Pine,  
Bishop and Big Pine, all down the line.  
Hail, Owens Valley, our Pioneers fine.  
Here, now, today. Here, today.



## BRIEF NOTES ON CANDELARIA

First location at Candelaria belisved to be August 13, 1864 and was named "Jesus Maria".

The discovery was closely followed by the forming of Columbus Mining District and included Columbus, Candelaria and Belleville. The majority of those present at the organizational meeting were Mexicans.

Candelaria attracted many nationalities including Mexicans, Chileans, Montenegrans, Cousin-Jacks, Chinese, Italians and Americans.

As the first mining excavations were to be made in the holiday season of 1864 it is believed the town took its name from Candlemas the observation of Christmas.

An early stage route ran from Candelaria through Belleville, Marietta, Huntoon Valley, across Whiskey Flat, up Powell Canyon to Fletcher Station and Aurora. The route was to be the scene of many stage coach robberies.

Candelaria was a good market for Owens Valley farmers shipping by jork line teams.

The Carson and Colorado built into Belleville in 1881 with a branch to Candelaria in 1882.

Early milling operations were at Belleville and Columbus Marsh due to shortage of water in Sanderia.

English capital was heavily invested in the camp.

Candelarias newspaper was the "True Finsure".

The Northern Belle mine was one of the main producers with its record of one years output \$1,270,000. and credited with \$3,754,000 up to 1878. Up to this time it had paid \$1,500,000 in dividends.

In 1876 Candelaria had four main stores and 11 salcons listed.

The camp was credited with a production of over \$30,000,000 before the turn of the century and was reactivated several times.

Candelaria was first a part of Emeralds County before taken over in the forming of Mineral County. Pickhandle Gulch (sometimes called Metattie) is still in Emeralds County.

Water from Trail Canyon dropped the price from a dollar to 5¢ a gallon.

By C. Lorin Ray, Historian  
Bishop Museum

December 1963





*Add 19 grave  
of Belmont*

Antiquity plus found in remote area.

Belmont, Nevada

Tidy and well-kept, <sup>15</sup> this old grave with yet another kind of fancy iron fencing. Sheltered by a very old pinyon tree , it was seen in Belmont's quaint and interesting graveyard. The marble headstone has a beautiful inscription.

James V. Hathaway, Aug. 7, 1876.

46 years, 7 mos, 15 days

"Although he sleeps, his memory doth live,  
and cheering comfort to his mourners give."

In our travels through the ghost town area of much of the west, we have made many tours of the old graveyards, some so far gone that not even a name remains. In others we find the lovely inscriptions used many years ago. Fencings vary greatly, all the way from stones, pickets, cast iron, heavy wire, marble and even the pretty red building bricks. These various old graves make up a section of antiquity very precious and deserve care and preservation.



I need all my  
pictures returned

Show Rocky how  
I have done w.  
pictures, etc.

Reeve & Mummy drive  
from & to where? '30's

Date of Rincon pic?  
early '30's

How many Sierra Cowgirls  
ever competed - rodeo  
or rode on drives?  
5

considered  
girls who were good hands  
Alice Marion Gladys  
Had a gas pie

About five of the mounted  
team were ~~considered~~  
"good hands" and helped  
Ser of this mounted group



## VITAL STATISTICS:

Age 44  
Married --20 years -- kids 16 and 9 (B & G respect)  
Education --B. A. Gallaudet College --1943  
Occupation -- Engineering Designer, North Am. Aviation.  
Hobby -- writing -- bottle hunting  
Transportation --1946 jeep, or family sedan  
Typing -- rusty, as you can see  
Totally deaf since age 18 -- good residual speech --  
erroneously termed deaf-mute -- communicate via  
sign language, pad and pencil and/or speech.

I'll bet you never got a letter like this before!

EL

At Garlock, in the ruins of an old roofed-over cellar, where it was protected from moisture, I found a tin slightly larger than an aspirin tin with most of the lettering and decals intact.

It has a picture of an owl in a captains uniform. The pills were called "Captain John Orderley's" and were reputedly a cure for just about everything that ails the human body. Each tablet contained 1/200 grain of strichnyne! Manufactured by Owl Drug Stores, San Francisco. While this is not a bottle, I still consider it a real find! The hinged lid still works, although the edges are frayed with rust.

We find that the Pioneer Livery  
Stable in Bish, owned by J  
H. E. Herriek, adver. livery serv,  
stock boarded grain & stacked  
hay for sale; horses, wagons, etc  
bought, sold & transferred out-fits  
for tourists mt trips. Later we see

Office of Jake's Auto Line,  
autos to all parts of the Valley  
and mts. Jake's Auto  
Index Hotel



Add stages etc in town  
ran from town to Laws & back

See if yellow jacket used  
before

John Sheehy & Lizzie

Richies sheep burro, etc

Richies wagons & wheels  
Old Ben.

Highest - Charlie Mackey's  
old wagon

Personal wagons

Sheep outfit

or after wood w mules

Looks like a grub-wagon for  
a wood camp or sheep camp.



Early Travel

From Carson to Adobe  
to Lawson's at Ben Hot Spr.  
Thomson R. at Bishop  
Henderson R. at Big P.

Yosemite - cars in?

### Old Grinding Wheel

Measuring four feet in diameter and having a width of six inches, this is another of the interesting and antique mining items seen near the Diamond Mine, in a picturesque canyon several miles out of Eureka, Nevada.

Many other metal items of early mining use are to be seen here in original condition.

One of the few places not visited by scrap iron dealers, the objects found here would make up a very fine display for possible museum use, depicting so well the ~~sav~~ popular industry of early Nevada days.



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William J. Reed  
272 Shepard Lane  
Bishop, Calif.

A son, Edward, in lower  
land of town & attended a  
private party. They found  
Latin around in various  
in big tanks up a short  
more to find. Some to  
for 15 per.  
Families batted  
butful, used it to make  
Went there poured it on  
in, flowered,  
in one  
Plain Gene Ellis and  
fired an old woman at  
Sunshine before last

Good field  
to now in  
the Malaga  
Malaga  
Platan

Taylor st.

looking down at  
2 churches.  
4th Ward School  
Orig. called  
Centennial Bldg

Built in '76  
closed in '36

McGinness

Clarence McGinness

Born May 12, 1881

died Sept 24, 1902

A native of Cal

Asleep in Jesus!

Blessed sleep  
From which none  
ever wake to weep

Iron fencing  
Candelabra



Quite out of the ordinary is this barn built to house the early camel trains. Of sturdy stone construction, it is about 15 by 38 feet and has double wooden entrance doors ten feet high. A narrow and windowless building, the inside walls are lined with wooden stalls. It is adjacent to a large fenced corral, and several sheds, occupying quite a space on a back street in the old mining town of Dayton, Nevada.

Camel trains were used for freight shipment as early as 1860 in the southern part of the country, then they carried loads of salt from the Esmeralda Salt Marshes to various silver camps.

Their use was discontinued in a few years and the remaining animals turned out to forage for themselves on the Nevada deserts, resulting in many tall tales.

Eastern California Museum Association, Inc.

~~████████████████████~~  
Box 604 Inyokern 93527

P 94  
Charles 1927

MR & MRS WM J REED  
272 SHEPARD LN  
BISHOP CA 93514

Authorized Non-Profit  
Organization

USA



2c



~~Copy with in Saga~~

Cable - Mrs Smith 10 ac  
sweep cabin - spray  
to all baskets

2 in house  
2 in gar.

after wheel 5<sup>th</sup> Sen  
(to drive the arrastra)

1st pg ~~5<sup>th</sup> Sen~~

water wheel  
It powered the  
old arrastra

to drive the Pelton  
wheel.

Q

Dodge?  
938 2608

The  
Its location  
was near the  
left fork  
of the Mary  
Rd off the  
main roadway

Weld of waters

Josephine Breen  
descendant of  
Donner Party  
in wagon

Men in cowboy  
hats look like  
Dodge men descend  
of North V parties  
Oldest was Henry  
Dodge. I were  
son of H Dodge  
I think. In  
late clothes  
Clodie M Drew  
Henry Dodge

11,000 acres  
in OVP were  
once productive  
up to about 1912  
~~100,000 acres~~

Scenic grandeur  
the biggest  
economic resource  
today

Sweet water  
Raymond Stone

Mary Gorman

Shorty Harris  
Tel Seen Slim



ask Doug  
names on

Pic ?

Antique Collage ?

Sm cast iron cash box used in staging days  
Resting on it, a very rare W & F. revolver  
w. name \_\_\_\_\_

Next are the \_\_\_\_\_ hand stamps (<sup>sent by new?</sup> stamps of brass)  
in iron holder used by W & F Co. A sign,  
and an ~~wagon~~ express wagon of by Jones days

Pic John Jones flour sack ?

Black Mtn Big Pine  
Pic Riekey Herds  
Gille



Mrs Edna Simmons  
Whine', Nev  
his. Midas  
bar

Noel Devine  
Golconda, Nev.  
His on Toke

The Auto Stage Line operated in 1923 bringing  
passenger to Mammoth Camp. The Sta names  
it lists from Y3 to Mono Inn, Mono Lake  
are of int today.



Mam Hotel Enlarged  
Mendenhall  
Photo

Pic in env. in cup,

4 <sup>mam. album</sup> negs in ~~book~~  
& pics env. in drawer in garage

~~" " in cupboard  
& pics~~

Lon article  
& bottle sketch  
in back of left top drawer  
desk

3 3654

Lester line coming out  
of chute no. 1 — on "nose"

He rode the "rough ones"  
at 10 years old!



# Central Nevada Newspapers

P. O. Box 193

Tonopah, Nevada, 89049

As once told to us by  
Norm McClee and  
since corroborated  
Ref Gus Cosh.

CEJA  
Comprehensive  
Employment  
and Training Act.



Jennings  
Stage, to Lou  
Sodan 1901



10 Kilns Wildrose

Smithsonian Institute  
Rest shelter top of Whit.

Together with all water and  
water rights, ditches and  
ditch rights and all sources  
of water supply thereunto be-  
longing or in anywise  
appertaining or adjudicated  
thereto; but subject however,  
to existing ditches and  
ditch rights and water  
courses.



Huckaby Family

Flo, Ethel, Alice, Ella

Frank, Charlie, Claude

Ray & Raymond, Twins  
& Will

Flo (Smith) Ethel (Summers)

Alice (Bunting) Ella (Dehy)

(Over)

Black Rock Sta.  
—near Aberdeen

See Saga book pg 83

Willis pg. 126

See titles



Jan

Personal reminiscences  
in this work, there could  
be slight inaccuracies  
due to elapse of time

R Fred Brooks & Miss May  
Sherwin married in the  
old schoolhouse, the  
whole community attended  
This little Roberts R. "The milk house & cheese factory  
was built of tufa rock w. a 2nd story of wood &  
It was said to be one of the oldest bldgs in the  
val. & the upper story was famous as an inn  
or stop-over for travelers."

Way stops Adobe, Clauson's  
at Benton, Thomson Ranch  
at Bishop & Henderson Ranch  
at Big Pine

Esther Vaughn

Mom said when they were  
working out in the hay fields  
they could hear the sweet  
tones of the bells on the  
teams coming down the  
road — far away, but  
clear

Union Carbide  
One of 3 worlds tungsten  
producers  
a steady producer

Jewett - Indep.

7.20  
9200

9.20  
92  
8.38

Fire Woodcut Silo

Down House  
Split 1200  
best 339.75  
sawp

Sherrod



Amer Picon  
Bitterquelle  
Siegers  
Hart  
Lashes  
Duffys Malt Whis.  
Reno Brewing

Where

Pic title Harrington  
ranch, Silo  
infor in Rd P. Brown env.

Quarantine corral?  
Faws?  
in blue sheet or

Booth Club gave \$189.35  
to N D Hosp. - gift-  
after closing.  
Mary has Cert.

Nature Conservancy  
S. F.

"Up in our Country" Geo. Palmer Vietnam  
nam  
Sunn  
White 2643 Irene Way

1922 Touring car  
Chevie 490



Violin bottles

oldest have no ears

\$15 to \$30 depending on color  
etc.

ones w. ears were put out  
in '30's & used to hold  
flowers usually in rack

\$12 to \$15-

Apr. 11 - 77

Nancy & Ray Check 422.13

Owing Apr 14.95

7.13

yet due \$ 7.82

Mine

22.13

15

7.13

Palisade Glacier  
southernmost glacier  
in the ~~west~~ U.S.

wanted for ant stones etc

Marty Behney  
711 Gordon Ave.,  
Kenosha, Wisc. 53150

702-322-8993

call collect after 6 P.M.



Edward Powers & a man  
named Garretson once  
owned the Tom Williams  
ranch no. of Trish on #6  
The old & Powers used to gather  
at the Williams home.

over

Shuey — earlier owners  
were Barney McGill sold to  
Port Cannon, then Shuey  
bought



Bishopettes group  
were organized  
in 1953

Cowgirls before?

4  
Temple Square  
Utah  
Presh Cart

Rev. State Li  
Carson C No 89701

Stage Line 090  
South

copied

Jedediah Smith & men  
were the 1st whites to enter  
Mono Basin in 1828, found  
gold near M. Lake.

mining Gold was done,  
at Dogtown Ca. 1857  
at Monroville in 1859

May, Lundy Mine in  
mng. period it operated  
till 2001 - 2. million  
yield.

Dec 15  
Martin Kenney  
31.50



Soon!  
With picture in hand  
we visited Mr. Bernice  
Shipley Bayler. Her  
remembrance by the  
"Hart Sublin" as it was  
<sup>once</sup> called,

# IMPORTANT

You must return this invitation in the  
postpaid envelope provided.

Speyer Williams  
Henry Cornmode  
West Canal

~~Helen & Ray~~

Invitation  
Subscription  
Charter

Gus - Hawson

Willie Watterson

Mark & Wilfred & George

take pic color

When I - Ziekey came  
Barney herded his cattle to  
Healeyville 640 a of feed  
& water

Gus buy his acres  
n.w. of Buckleys  
Pond 1/2

# Charter Subscription Invitation

Mrs. Adele Reed  
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this invitation. A postage-paid envelope has been  
provided.

**R.S.V.P.**

See lines

call Bill Verbridge

00141

See



'26 Inland Stages  
U & Smith  
Used Buick &  
Franklin used  
as bus to trains  
movies, etc.

*The Marstons*

P.O. Box 601  
Sparks, Nevada



Mrs. Adele Reed

272 Shepard Lane

Bishop, Calif.

Sparks

358-4411

702 area code

old pics?

7:41:30  
50/

J.W. Marston

Home - 358-1736



Wood hauling from Black Can  
Mono Co. to the — Taylor  
Ranch, 50 y Ben Sta, Laurence  
S. Ellsworth. <sup>Taylorson,</sup>

Jan & Ellsw Taylor hauled wood  
from Black Can Mono Co to the  
— Taylor Ranch 50 y B Sta  
in the 19 .

**Bishop Museum & Historical Society**

P. O. Box 363

Bishop, California 93514



Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Reed  
272 Shepard Lane  
Bishop, Ca. 93514

Cowboys that out  
often were also connec.  
w. the pack camps.  
Dixon?

A pretty  
~~great~~ fishing resort  
is seen below the  
Alpen Ranch. It was  
built by ---

A historical tour along old stage roads in Mono  
county ~~indicated~~ <sup>remained</sup> the winding Hole F. Road  
We left Bishop  
The guide traveled old stage roads <sup>in Mono</sup> some fine old day



No trace the old 1890 road bridge  
inclination for research show fully  
of the existing structure here.

Bishop Museum & Historical Society  
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Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Reed  
272 Shepard Lane  
Bishop, Ca. 93514

Ask Gus.

1 silo base n.w. Brockman

1 tall silo on west <sup>tree</sup> cotton tail  
lane



Note--As we <sup>recently</sup> typed the above memories from the late "Slick" Bryant we thought of how happy he was to be of help in any way he could. In fact, his memories and tales of the good old days were enjoyed several times while sitting in the pretty yard in front of the cabin court he and wife Marceline had built in earlier years. We had found a good friend.

Memories are precious things  
No matter if we sometimes  
~~forget exact date, or other~~  
~~name~~  
~~fact~~ ~~date~~ ~~name~~



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 etc

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Put something on "memories"

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(H)

I would ask who ever works  
on the Silo cellar —

Please get it clean, insulation part  
also and it needs paint,

Also a high wire fence,  
if it will do, keep people out.

When you are done we  
will gather, a few of the  
remaining people from  
the old days or are there any!

A. R.



See Don

Can you copy 5 pix? M<sup>th</sup> Loren

What about "Recollection of Dog sled"

Do not have Pine Cliff Camp or  
the old dog pen. Have a better  
one of that

Will use title "Pioneer Days" Todd

Historical Benton Co.

Various maps - Water rights - Hammills  
are with the text if needed

Captions no. 1 - hold picture - Wheels maybe  
used on cover.  
Is in box

✓ Have copy I made of the map of Silos

Mines and Rainbow Park Station  
belong together ~~to~~ No made 2  
of them

✓ to do

~~to~~ Silos to do

Hotels

Bridge port in



See - Put no. on Northern Mines  
and Hotels, Silas.

1	7 out	Rainho Peak & mines?
2		<del>Bridge part in</del>
3	25 Tex out	
4		
5		Silas
6		
7 out		Hotels
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23	24 Bridge part	

Introduction  
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Benton Wheels?

27 total



THE  
SAGA  
OF  
TRAILS  
AND  
WHEEL  
MARKS

by  
ADELE REEB

