

VISITING THE LONELY MONUMENT

By Yvonne Pettyjohn

There were two locations my mother took my siblings and me to see when we moved to the Gold Beach area. One was the Geisel Monument north of Gold Beach. I recall her telling the story of the massacre. The woods were deep, dark and quiet and I did not like the feelings I received while there. Being 12 or 13 years of age, I was fully aware of the range of emotions the Geisels must have felt living, dying, some surviving such an ordeal. My mother was a smart woman, she was proud and wanted us to be happy with our Indian heritage, she also wanted us to know both sides and encouraged us to understand that subject.

Sixty-three years later I go back to the monument, second time being there since



my preteen visit and think of the story my mother told us children. I rethought the same emotions I was aware of at the age of twelve or thirteen, however now there are layers, layers in those emotions. I took photos of the graves and surrounding area covered with tiny purple flowers and stood quietly honoring the Geisel pioneers and the significance they play in our history.

We have Christina's story that is in the museum archives... the backbone of her story is presented in this Echoes. She was a strong woman who continued to move forward after the massacre, there was no time for whining.



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IMPORTANT DATES

BOARD MEETINGS

April 18
May 16
June 20
July 18

It is the mission of the Curry Historical Society to encourage and promote the study and understanding of the history, primarily of Curry County, but also the impact of neighboring counties and the State of Oregon as they relate to Curry County.

To accomplish this mission, the Curry Historical Society shall collect, preserve, exhibit, present public historical informational meetings, publish and make available materials of historical interest, and cooperate with other groups and individuals with similar aims.

Our primary focus is The Children of the County and bringing alive for them the History of Curry County.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

March 11, 2023

Welcome Back! As we move into the spring and summer months, we have reopened the Museum for visitors as of March 7th. New hours are 10A to 2P Tue through Friday. If you would like us to show the museum to visitors or family that is in town, please call the museum office and leave a message with date and time you would like to tour the museum and we will make every effort to coordinate a volunteer or board member to open the building for you.

I think often of the conditions my mother was raised with in Curry County. Alice Loleta Bowman (Sanders) was born in 1942 in Gold Beach and was raised on the family ranch up the South bank of the Rogue River about 3.2 miles. At that time, there were no homes, only farmland, and they raised livestock, planted crops and lived off the wild fish and game of the land. Mom always spoke of how the smoker was always going 24 hours per day, preserving some type of game or livestock. She learned to can the produce and fruits in season as a young girl, because there was no electricity or refrigeration widely available. The Bowmans spent their days raising the food they would eat and trade to others for the essentials like flour and sugar. It's hard to believe how far the world has come in just a short 80 years! I wonder how our newer generations would fare without the modern conveniences we have grown to expect. I know our local families would still be able to subsist in Curry County if necessary!

We recently replaced our small, empty the bucket every two hours, dehumidifier in the main building with a commercial sized unit that is drained outdoors. This was a large expense allowed by donations and grant funds and it was much needed to prevent the constant maintenance of the small units it replaced. Special thanks to Gil Davis and Dave Trinket for installing the new equipment. We have several projects underway at the museum this spring including the continuing remodel of the Annex Building with a grant, so we can set up new farm and outdoor displays soon. We are also moving and updating some displays in the main museum building in order to display the two restored bells from the Mary D. Hume along with her pilot house wheel display.

As always, we are seeking new volunteers for projects, staffing the welcome desk and helping to catalog our many donations. If you can spare a few hours per day or even more time, please come on by or give us a call. Our board meetings are every third Tuesday at 5:30 PM, if you would like to come by and participate and maybe even apply to the board. We always need good fund raising ideas and volunteers for our many activities!

Membership dues and business advertising fees for the year were due on 1st January. We will be contacting members and advertisers over the next few weeks to make sure these are paid. These funds are the lifeblood of your non-profit, volunteer only, museum and keep the lights on. If you are unsure if you paid your dues or advertising fees for the Echo Newsletter, please contact us and we can check for you.

I will close with this; Keep Moving Forward. The world always seems hard and uncaring, but it is the relationships that you have with your family, your co-workers and your dear friends that allow us to smile, share, care and overcome the obstacles in our path.

Be Safe,

President Dave Sanders

CHRISTINA EDSON (1827 – 1889)

The following article is from material compiled by John McWade

“The Geisel Monument lies just off Highway 101 about 7 miles North of Gold Beach in a peaceful tree-lined glade complete with picnic tables.

It is a monument to John and Christina Geisel and their three sons, John, and John Jr. (age 9), Henry (age 7), and Andrew (age 5) who were slain by the Indians on the night of February 22, 1856. At the time of the massacre, Christina and her daughters, Mary (age 13) and Annie (2 weeks) were captured by the Indians and held captive for two weeks until their release was negotiated by Charlie Brown. She later joined her first husband in the Geisel Monument grave upon her death in 1889.

Christina had led a most interesting life. She married John Geisel in Germany in 1847 and was widowed by the Indian raid in 1856. She then married Frank Bugey in 1858 and divorced him in 1865. She married for a third time in 1869 to Jim Pate but was also divorced on June 2, 1871. She wed A.J. Edson in 1879 and was again widowed in 1883. Her life ended the same way as John Geisel's, she was murdered on Sept. 20, 1889. Coleman Gillespie was tried for the “foul deed” and was hung on Oct. 5, 1900. This was the first and only legal hanging in Curry County..

In 1887 Christina (then Christina Edson, having married A.J. Edson in 1879) filed an unsuccessful suit against the Federal Government in an attempt to recover her losses caused by the Indian massacre in 1856. Mike Riley, Maria B. Riley, E.H. Meservey, Wm. Pugh, Rolla Canfield, W.S. Winsor, William Tichenor, W. Gauntlett, and Charles Brown also filed affidavits in the case.

“I, Christina Edson being duly sworn say, that I was on the 22nd day of February in the year 1856 the wife of one John Geisel

now deceased. That on the said twenty-second day of February 1856, my said husband and myself were living at our home situated about six miles north of the mouth of Rogue river, on the bluff, of the ocean beach in the above named County of Curry. That we had a family consisting of five children, three boys and two girls, the oldest being a girl aged about thirteen years and the youngest being a girl, an infant at the breast, and about two weeks old. That we had been living at our said home for about two years previous to the time above mentioned, my husband being engaged at mining on the ocean beach most of the time, also keeping hotel and a few articles of merchandise for sale to the miners then in that vicinity. That on the night of the 22nd and the morning of the 23rd day of February in the said year A.D. 1856 while we were asleep at our said house, a band of the Rogue river Indians suddenly and unexpectedly went upon the war path and came to our said home, broke open our house and killed my said and three boys and wounded me while attempting to save my husband and children's lives, burnt our house, and carried myself, eldest daughter and infant child into captivity amongst the Indians where we remained for about two weeks, until we were ransomed by the people who were in a fort near the mouth of said Rogue river. That said Indians on the said night of February 22nd 1856, and days following, burnt the houses stole and destroyed the property hereinafter mentioned. That said property is more particularly described and valued as follows, to wit:

(See the chart on opposite page.)

That at the time said property was taken and destroyed, as aforesaid, and for two years previous thereto, my said husband, myself, and our family were lawfully domiciled in the Indian Country as were many others, settlers and miners in the same vicinity, that the place

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Dwelling house, used as a hotel and store 30 x 35 feet, 2 story high, had 3 doors on the outside, 12 rooms, 12 windows, frame house built of boards and whipsawed lumber, was then nearly new, and was	of the value of	\$1,100.00
Three mining cabins, stone chimneys, 1 door each, two windows each, 1 room each, built of boards and whipsawed lumber and said houses were about 14 x 20 feet, nearly new, and were	of the value of \$150. each	\$450.00
1 Large house, near dwelling house had been used as store, one story high, 20x30 feet with 3 doors on outside, five windows, four rooms, frame house nearly new, built of lumber and contained shelves and counters, was a good house and was	of the value of	\$800.00
15 long-handled shovels	of the value of \$2.50	\$37.00
11 picks	of the value of	\$27.50
23 Iron gold pans	of the value of \$1.50	\$34.00
60 sluice boxes	of the value of \$3.00	\$180.00
6 Toms (?)	of the value of \$15.00	\$90.00
350 lbs. galvanized copper plates	of the value of	\$525.00
200 feet of canvas hose	of the value of	\$100.00
350 yards of flume, consisting of about 87 boxes, 6 x 8 inches, 12 feet long nearly new	of the value of	\$174.00
300 lbs. quicksilver	of the value of	\$300.00
2 Horses	of the value of \$100.00	\$200.00
14 Head of Cattle	of the value of \$40.00	\$560.00
20 Hogs	of the value of \$10.00	\$200.00
40 Chickens	of the value of	\$40.00
5 Bbls. of flour	of the value of \$10.00	\$50.00
100 lbs. coffee	of the value of	\$30.00
50 # Tea	of the value of	\$50.00
200 # Sugar	of the value of	\$40.00
300# Bacon	of the value of	\$75.00
2000# Potatoes	of the value of	\$80.00
100# Lard	of the value of	\$30.00
100# Butter	of the value of	\$75.00
50# Hams & Shoulders	of the value of	\$12.50
25# Salaratiars (?)	of the value of	\$6.25
25# Cream tartar	of the value of	\$6.25
1 Large Cooking Stove	of the value of	\$100.00
1 Lot of dishes, consisting of plates, cups, saucers, pans and cooking utensils	of the value of	\$75.00
Four feather beds	of the value of \$40.00	\$160.00
Four shawls	of the value of \$20.00	\$80.00
2 Cloaks	of the value of \$25.00	\$50.00
1 Doz. Woolen blankets, nearly new,	of the value of	\$144.00
10 Good Bed Quilts	of the value of \$10.00	\$100.00
2 Bedsteads	of the value of \$20.00	\$40.00
2 Bedsteads	of the value of \$5.00	\$20.00
1 Doz. chairs	of the value of \$5.00	\$60.00
35 oz. gold dust in the house	of the value of 17.00	\$595.00
Gold and silver coin in the house		\$500.00
8 women's dresses	of the value of \$15.00	\$120.00
4 Girls dresses	of the value of \$12.00	\$48.00
8 pairs boys trousers	of the value of \$5.00	\$40.00
7 " " " shoes	of the value of	\$24.50
2 " " " boots	of the value of	\$10.00
5 Boys Hats	of the value of	\$12.00
4 Gum Coats	of the value of	\$24.00
1 Suit mens Clothes	of the value of	\$45.00
8 Boys shirts	of the value of \$1.50	\$12.00
1 doz. boys and mens stockings	of the value of	\$6.00
1 pair mens boots	of the value of	\$10.00
1 " " " shoes	of the value of	\$4.50
1 Lot ladies underclothing	of the value of	\$45.00
1 Doz. women's and girls stockings	of the value of	\$12.00
1 Extra good rifle	of the value of	\$85.00
1 Do(?)	of the value of	\$60.00
1 Good rifle	of the value of	\$45.00
1 Doz. Towels	of the value of	\$12.00
1 Doz. Linen table-cloths	of the value of	\$24.00
1 Doz. Pillow slips	of the value of	\$18.00
1 Colts Navy Revolver	of the value of	\$50.00
1 Colts Navy Revolver	of the value of	\$40.00
Total		\$7,875.00

where said depredations were committed was not within the boundaries of any Indian reservation set apart by any treaty provision or Executive order. That on the day previous to the outbreak of said Indians, Ben Wright, the Indian agent came to our house, and in a conversation with my said husband and

myself, assured us that the Indians were well and peaceably disposed towards the white people and that there was no danger of an outbreak from them. That no part or article of said property, so stolen or destroyed has subsequently been recovered by or for me, or my said daughters, and that I have not received

any compensations whatever for said property, or any part thereof. I further swear that I have in no way endeavored to obtain private satisfaction for the loss and destruction of said property. That at the time the said depredations were committed, as aforesaid, the said property was in the possession of my said husband and was properly guarded and cared for, and that the loss thereof was not occasioned by the negligence or carelessness of my said husband or any of his employees. And I further swear, that the values set opposite each item of the above list of property, is a just and reasonable valuation of the same at the time the said property was destroyed or stolen.

I would further state the circumstances and facts connected with the killing of my said husband and sons, the loss of all of our property, and the subsequent captivity of myself and daughters. On the night that my husband and sons were killed, a "tame" Indian, who had been at work for us, and who had been out hunting our hogs the day previous, returned about midnight and knocked at our door for admission. Knowing his voice and not suspecting any treachery or danger, my husband got out of bed, and opened the door. As soon as the door was opened, the Indian who had been in our employ,



Christina Edson

and three or four others rushed in and immediately commenced a murderous assault upon my husband. Though I had not completely recovered from sickness, (my youngest child having been born two weeks previous,) I rushed

to the assistance of my husband, and received a painfully cut, nearly severing one of my fingers. I was soon over-powered and my husband killed in a very short time. My oldest daughter, then but thirteen years old, was dragged out of her bed, and she and I were securely bound. My little boys were then, one by one brought out and brutally murdered in my presence, I being compelled to witness the awful deed and my daughter and I were then removed from the house in our night clothes, and securely tied, till the Indians searched the house and removed every thing of value there from which they deposited on the ground a short distance from the house. They found and took away with them all our money and gold dust, and the clothing of our family. They then set fire to the house, not permitting my husband and sons being removed from the burning house. Soon after my husband and sons were killed, quite a number of hostile Indians joined them and they were engaged in burning the other houses and cabins, and taking such things as suited them from about the said houses, and place, for about an hour and a half, when they started to return to their camp up Rogue river. My daughter and myself were not permitted to take any clothing with us, nor to put on our shoes, and we passed the remainder of the night in our night clothes. About a mile from our house we were compelled to halt near a cabin in which lived a settler named McPherson, whom they speedily killed in my presence, and burnt his house, first taking such articles of property as were of any use to them. not far from there they killed another man in his cabin, I being compelled to witness the inhuman acts. It was now daylight and before we reached the river I saw several dead white people near the trail whose bodies had been fearfully mutilated, their houses burnt and fencing destroyed. We were taken the same day to the Indian camp of the "Too-toot-nas" about 12 miles up the river and held as captives fourteen days. During said time myself and daughter were treated with great brutality by the Indians, and

were constantly maltreated and compelled to perform the hardest menial labor by the squaws. At the end of fourteen days, we were ransomed by the good white people then in the fort near the mouth of Rogue river, whom I have always understood paid quite a large sum in goods and money for our release. When my daughter and I arrived at the fort, we were almost destitute of clothing, were bare-footed and suffering greatly from hunger and vermin which got upon our persons and clothing in the Indian camp. That my daughter and myself were supplied with food and clothing until the Indians were driven out of the vicinity, by the people in said fort and as a partial satisfaction and recompense to me and my daughters, I would most respectfully ask Congress to give me the sum of Five Thousand Dollars, in addition to the amount of my claim."

(Signed) Christina Edson

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of April, A.D. 1887, and I hereby certify that the said Christina Edson is a person of respectability and that her oath is entitled to full faith and credit.

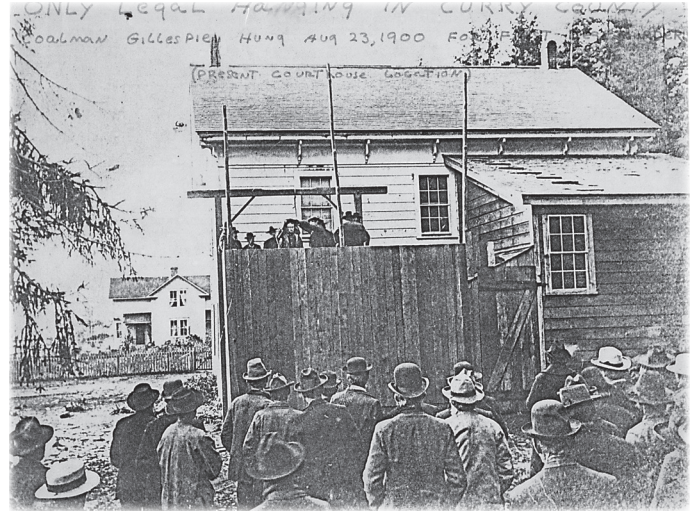
(Signed) W. Gauntlett

County Clerk of Curry County, Oregon.

Seal of the County Court

Geisel's second husband, Frank Bugey, was a miner. Following his death she lived for a time in Crescent City where she operated a boarding house. She returned to Gold Beach upon her third marriage to James Pate. Following the death of Avery Edson, her fourth husband who was buried on Edson Creek near Elizabethtown, Christina purchased a house on the south bank of the Rogue River near the original cannery site.

During the night of September 20, 1889, Coleman Gillespie and Charles Strahan, young men intent on robbery, entered her home but failed to find the large sums of money they believed hidden there. They only found the old woman's pension check, perhaps the result



Public hanging

of her affidavit given earlier that decade. The ransacking of her home awakened her and when she came to investigate, Gillespie strangled her. As the robbers fled, they dashed a kerosene lamp to the floor, setting fire to the residence. Gillespie was apprehended in a few weeks in the Willamette Valley when he attempted to cash the \$25 pension check.

Returned to Gold Beach, he implicated Strahan drowned in the Rogue River when his boat overturned as he attempted to escape. For Gillespie justice came swiftly. He was tried and hanged in Gold Beach on October 5, 1900.

Today the lonely site of the Geisel's cabin stands on the west side of Highway 101. The State of Oregon maintains the Geisel Monument in memory of these pioneers. Christina Geisel led a rugged life, suffered more than a heavy share of its burdens, but persevered in spite of adversity as one of Oregon's pioneer women."

From Curry County Reporter March 29, 1934

"The Geisel monument property has been cleared during the last winter by the boys at the Sebastian CCC camp and is in good shape. The land is at the site of the Geisel cemetery where the victims of the Indian massacre which took place there 70 years ago are buried."

HE WAS A GOOD MAN, THAT CHARLEY BROWN

By Patrick E. Masterson

“To date, most histories on or about Curry County credit Captain William Tichenor as the first permanent white settler on the Southern Oregon Coast. It’s true that on June 9, 1851, Tichenor did land a party of nine men at the present day site of Port Orford with the intention of surveying a donation land claim. The results of the effort has been told and retold as the “Battle of Battle Rock.” At the Oregon State Highway Wayside, a marker at Port Orford, located just above the famous rock tells the story.

Was Captain Tichenor the first permanent white settler? Maybe... maybe not.

On June 21, 1850, the schooner Samual Roberts, under command of Captain Albert Lyman, lay off the mouth of what is now Rogue River after 13 day run from Sausalito, California. Their intentions were to survey the entrance of the Klamath River and prospect for potential donation land claims there. The Captain dispatched a small launch to sound the channel and determine the tide. This group of six men, under the command of first mate Mackey, ran into trouble and capsized near the mouth of the river. A second launch was sent to the rescue with no results. Lyman decided to “run the schooner in at any risk.”

The bar was crossed successfully and after a safe anchorage was made, four of the lost crewmen appeared in an Indian canoe, cold and wet—but safe. The following day the body of one of the missing, a James Cook was found by the natives on the beach south of the river. After a proper burial was provided, the crew spent several days exploring up the river and up and down the coast. (During this time it was determined that they were not on the Klamath River as was presumed earlier.)

After agreeing that the area was “not promising enough to warrant an attempt

ay settlement,” the schooner departed July 31 without recovering the remains of the missing sailor.

Oddly enough, this man Charley Brown, reappears after Captain Tichenor made his landing at Port Orford. He had apparently had his fill of the hardships and perils of exploring the rugged coast and being a strong swimmer had survived the capsizing. When he made it ashore he immediately decided that this country was his “Shang-ri-la.”

He apparently hid out in the tall timber during the stay of the “Samual Roberts” and was probably beneath a tall fir tree on the hill above the mouth of the river when the boat departed..... surveying his newly adopted domain.

He befriended the Indians who let him prospect, hunt, and fish in their country. At the height of the Indian uprising he married an Indian girl named Betsy. The nuptials were witnessed by several army officers, Captain Tichenor and several Indians. A short time later Betsy successfully negotiated for the release of the Geisel girls and mother who were being held hostage after the fateful night of February 22 when many settlers were attacked and killed. There are several descendants of the pioneer couple residing in Del Norte county today”.



Geisel Monument Park

Refer in reply to the following:

Depredation
4088

Department of the Interior,
OFFICE OF INDIAN AFFAIRS,

Washington, June 6th, 1887.

Mrs. Christena Edson
Ellensburg
Curry County
Oregon

Madam:

Yours of the 18th ultimo, enclosing application for indemnity in the sum of \$7,975, for depredations alleged to have been committed by the Rogue River Indians, on the 22nd, of Feb. 1856, has been received, the claim filed as No. 4088, and will be investigated, when reached on the docket.

Respectfully

A. Blupshaw
Asst. Commissioner

House of Representatives U. S.,

Washington, D. C. March 26, 1891.

Your favor of the _____ inst., relating to
Indian Depredation Claim _____ received.
It will receive prompt attention
I have placed your claim in hands
of Counsel here, and will file petition
in Court at once. Glad to hear from you.
Yours very truly, *Dwight Herrmann*

... FROM THE MUSEUM NEWS DESK

Curry Historical Society Museum reopened March 7th and is operating under new hours which are 10:00 AM –2:00 PM Tuesday through Friday.

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Gil and Marian are busy making changes inside the museum main building.

Jeani has been diligent clearing all previous sale items from the first floor in hopes to begin her project inside the Estlund Hoenie Annex.

Barbara is planning a museum booth at the Curry Public Library for the upcoming April 15th Community Engagement Fair.

THANK YOUS & SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

We are very fortunate to have persons who give their time and expertise to our museum. These wonderful citizens or Friends of the Museum need to be recognized with a word of appreciation for the difference they make being Friends.

Tracy Ellenbecker - repaired a book “Rogue River Rogue” by Howard J. Newhouse

Dave Trickett – helped with the installation of a new dehumidifier for the museum’s main building.

Tom Denning - outdoor maintenance

John Bell – outdoor maintenance

December 2020 was the first Curry Historical Society Echoes issue for which I was editor. It is time I moved on, if you are or you know someone looking for an absolutely wonderful volunteer job, editor for the Echoes is the one to have! The Curry Historical Society Museum Board will be taking names of interested parties. For further information send an email to info@curryhistory.com or letter to Curry Historical Society P.O. Box 1598 Gold Beach Oregon 97444.

The Curry Historical Society Board is made up of wonderfully generous agreeable people who are easy to work with. Curry County drips history, subjects to write or present are numerous, information readily available at museum. Believe me, it’s fascinating!



The Geisel Monument still stands tall north of Gold Beach.



A picnic table at the Geisel Monument calls for reflection.

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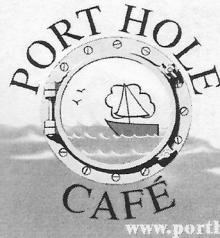
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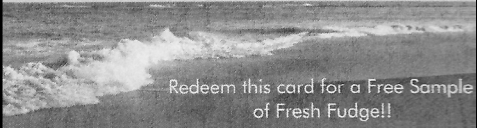
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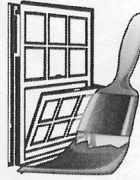
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PETER STARK TO BE FEATURED AT LIBRARY

By Yvonne Pettyjohn

Peter Stark, adventurous outdoorsman and author will be featured at the Curry Public Library April 5, 2023 at 5:30 PM. The event is free of charge and funds raised by book sales will go to benefit the Curry Public Library and Curry Health Foundation.

Author Peter Stark is a correspondent for Outdoor magazine, and has written for the New York Times, Men's Journal, New Yorker and Smithsonian. He has published a number of books as well. I read his website and was impressed by his adventurous nature. I read an interview NPR's Ari Shapiro did with Peter Stark about a story Peter wrote for Outdoor Magazine 20 years ago. The article was titled "Frozen Alive" that dealt with effects of hypothermia. Peter had to have done an amazing amount of research covering this subject.

I worked many years on the North Slope of Alaska, an area well known for it's vicious wind chill temperatures. Every year we would read or hear about death from hypothermia as well as terrible cases of frostbite and there were times we saw the effects of frostbite..

Personally, I am eagerly awaiting Peter's book that will be available for purchase in August. The title is "Gallop Toward the Sun", although this book has nothing to do with Curry County, it does cover history.

For those of you interested I suggest you go to Peter's official website, I have not seen one as well done as his. I will be attending the event April 5 at Curry Public Library, the cause is great and I want to listen to Mr. Stark on whatever he wishes to share.

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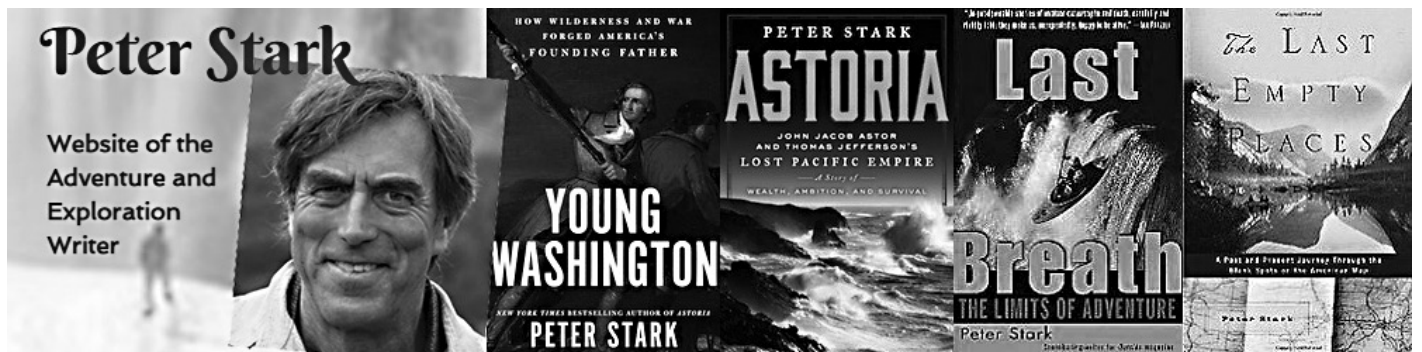
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Note the watercolor presentation of the Rogue River and all its tributaries and lodges and a historical exhibit of our Isaac Lee Patterson Bridge, judged as the most beautiful bridge known at that time. It opened in 1932, and reconstruction was finished just recently.

We have a small gift shop and some interesting books for sale by local authors about our early pioneers and Indians. We welcome all visitors, and look forward to your visit. We share with our members the Echoes, a newsletter publication with historical stories.