

KING FOLK

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King Family Association

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KING FOLK REUNION
SATURDAY, JUNE 21, 2008
9:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.

KINGS VALLEY CHARTER SCHOOL
39088 KINGS VALLEY HIGHWAY
(IN THE GYM AT BACK OF SCHOOL)

The morning session is a workshop. Please bring King family material to share. Pictures are especially wanted and may be scanned to our CD. (see info. in newsletter) Perhaps you will discover a new relative, or be able to assist someone else with their research. A copy machine will be available to use free of charge. Coffee and donuts provided.

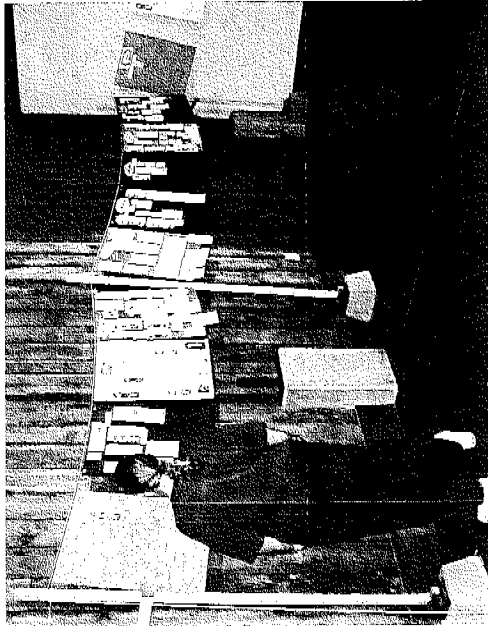
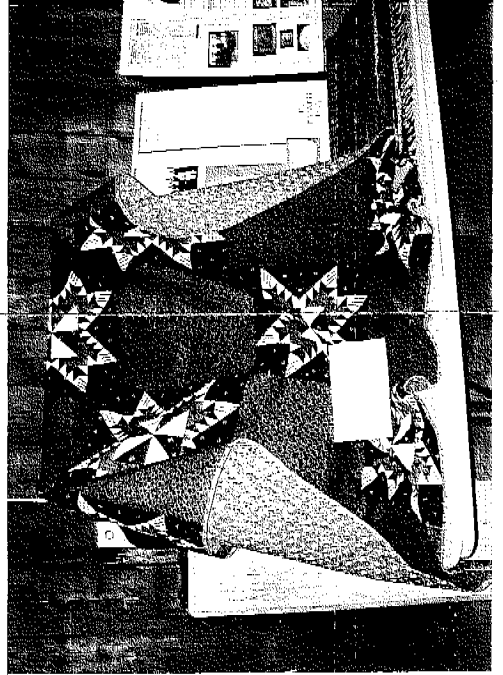
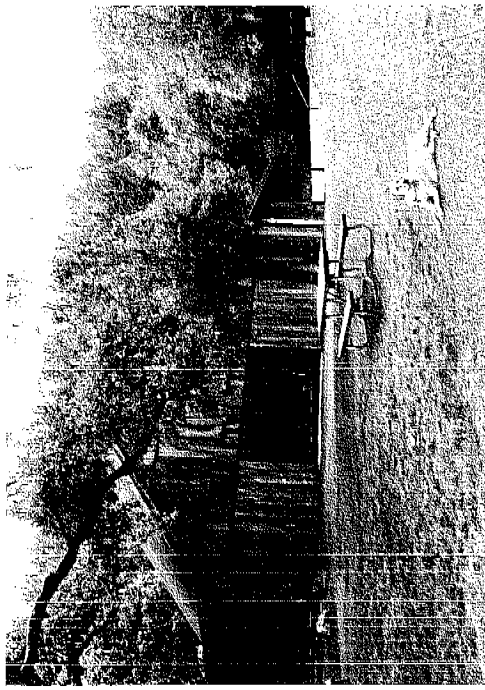
POTLUCK LUNCH AT NOON

Please bring a main dish and one other item of your choice (dessert, salad or munchies). Bring your own table service. Coffee, soda pop and bottled water will be provided. There is refrigeration and a stove in the kitchen

BUSINESS MEETING AT 1:30 P.M.

(Need more information? See back page to contact officers)

See next page for candid shots from 2007 reunion compliments of Nigel Parkhurst.



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PRESIDENT'S LETTER - April 2008 - Mimi Stang

Greetings King Family members. I have enjoyed another wonderful year as president of the King Family Association. It is a wonderful legacy and I am so proud to be a part of it.

First, let me thank everyone for being so understanding about the last minute change of place for the 2007 reunion. Circumstances far beyond our control at the Kings Valley Charter School left us scrambling for a place to meet – just two months prior to the reunion. (Although we had been on their calendar for six months) With the help of the school principal, Mark Hazelton, we were able to reserve the Education Center at the newly opened Beazell Forest Park. The cost to rent the center for the day was \$450. Way beyond our means but Mark was nice enough to have the school pay one half the cost. We pay less than \$50 to rent the Kings Valley Charter School.

It was a nice facility, and fun to be there because it was on the old Plunkett farm, but it did not meet our needs nearly as well as the Kings Valley Charter School gym always has. And, sadly, I heard later that some folks could not find it the day of the reunion so gave up and went home! So this year, we will once again be back at the school. And look forward to everyone finding us this time! See announcement on front page of newsletter.

Two years ago at the reunion I presented the idea of placing a marker at the Kings Valley Cemetery for the Nahum & Sarepta King family. It would include family information as well as all the children's names and birth/death dates. I had seen a similar marker in Salem at the Lee Mission Cemetery for the Cornell family (Cornell Road in Portland) and loved it. Others agreed with me that it would be a great project for the King Family Association. A vote taken at the 2006 reunion granted approval for the project and since then we have been collecting donations. We also asked, and received, permission from the Kings Valley Cemetery Association to place the marker. I am pleased to announce that this project is underway at last. See page 5 for further information.

It is exciting to me when I think back on the projects we have been able to complete in the past years – benches, informational signs/maps, and tombstone repair at Kings Valley Cemetery (working in conjunction with the Kings Valley Cemetery Association) and most recently, a replacement marker for the King infant's grave at Locke Cemetery. These projects would not have been possible without the support and donations from many King Family Association members. Projects such as these guarantee that the King family legacy will not be lost for future generations. Thank you all for your support.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the reunion in Kings Valley on June 21st!

BITS AND PIECES (Mimi Stang, Earle Greig, Anne Trussell)

Old King Family Portraits – those of you at the reunion last year saw the wonderful framed portraits donated to us by Linda Hahn Perrett. One portrait is of Amos Nahum King (son of Nahum & Sarepta) and the other of Lulu May King Hahn, granddaughter of Amos Nahum King and daughter of Edward Albert King. Linda said the portraits had originally hung in the home of Edward Albert King in Portland and she had taken them with her when she moved to California. Her children were not interested in the portraits so she very generously donated them to the King Family Association. Thank you, Linda.



Fromherz Reunion – The annual Fromherz family reunion is scheduled for Sunday, June 22, 2008, from 1 – 5 p.m. at the Thompson Kitchen at Avery Park in Corvallis. Contact Mike & Mary Holt at [m Holt at m Holt at fromherz.com](mailto:mholt@fromherz.com) for more information.

Photo Scanning Project and King Family CD – Anne Trussell and Earle Greig are continuing the photo-scanning project. The King family data CD also continues to be a work in progress. Please see the article on page 10 for more information on these CD's.

Historian Ken Munford Dies – Ken Munford began writing local history columns for the Corvallis Gazette Times in 1983. Ken wrote over 500 columns on Benton County history – including numerous articles about Kings Valley and our King family. His articles were also occasionally included in the King Folk. Ken had been in failing health in recent years and passed away in July 2007 at the age of 95.

King Folk Newsletter No. 1 – June 24, 1992. Many of you may not realize that Char Wirfs, who was serving as President of the King Family Association, began our King Folk Newsletter in 1992. Char continued to publish the newsletter for the next nine years. She often published more than one issue a year. What a wonderful gift to the King Family. In reviewing that very first newsletter I noted that it included a mailing list of 19 members! Today, our newsletter mailing list includes more than 180 members. Complete sets of the newsletters are available to purchase – please contact Vice President Earle Greig for more information – his e-mail is on the officer's page.

Dues Payment Checks Reminder – Please remember to make checks out to “King Folk.” The Washington Mutual Bank where we have our checking account will not accept checks made out any other way – save our Treasurer, Anne Trussell, the trouble of having to send a check back to you to be reissued!

King Marker at Kings Valley Cemetery Detail

Capital Monument Company in Salem made the Cornell marker that is in place at Lee Mission Cemetery and the quality of the work is outstanding. They are very easy to work with and have no problem traveling to Kings Valley Cemetery for the installation. The cost for a granite marker, with as much lettering as we need, (the lady winced when I told her that the Kings had 16 children) and installation, started out at \$2200. But, through the generosity of the Salem monument company, working with their supplier in Hillsboro, we are receiving a discount of about \$400 so the total cost will be right around \$1800. This will be an upright, gray, polished marker with a King family narrative on one side and all 16 children listed on the other side. Our donations to date, earmarked for the marker or for the cemetery, are about \$1800. We have decided to go ahead and order the marker – it will be four to six weeks before it is finished. I am keeping my fingers crossed that it might be in place for our reunion so that everyone will be able to go see it.

King Folk Directory

Last year we had available for the first time a King Folk Directory, thanks to the efforts of Nigel Parkhurst. It included the name and mailing address of each King Family member – a telephone number and e-mail address if available. Nigel added a second section showing from which King child each member descended. There were a number of new members who signed in at last year's reunion so Nigel is doing an update of the directory and it will be for sale at this year's reunion. If you need to update your information from last year's directory, please let us know. I have used my directory over and over this past year. Thank you, Nigel, for all your work on this!

Horner Museum Collection (Thanks to Earle Greig)

Many of you are familiar with the Horner Museum that for years operated out of the basement of Gill Coliseum on the Oregon State University campus. I believe there were some King family artifacts there. It was closed many years ago but the artifacts have remained in the basement in storage. The Benton County Historical Society was granted ownership of the artifacts in 2006 - last year the university requested that the artifacts be moved out of Gill Coliseum as soon as possible. That forced the Society to divide their building project into two phases - the downtown project to construct a new building had to be put on hold while a 13,000 foot storage facility was built next to the museum in Philomath. That facility is now completed and volunteers and staff have been moving the artifacts out of Gill and into the new facility. That move is expected to be completed by March 31st. This new facility is strictly for storage and will not be open to the public. That will come later with the new facility in downtown Corvallis. An inventory is being done - do you suppose the missing King family Bible will turn up?

Message from Linda Crew, author of *A Heart for Any Fate*

Greetings to all King Family descendants! (and fans!) In my closet right here at Wake Robin Farm I still have copies - both hard and paperback - of *A Heart for Any Fate*, although the supply is diminishing as teachers order classroom sets. One teacher bought a copy from my listing on Amazon.com and liked it so much; she paid \$100 in shipping to have 25 copies sent to her Montessori School in Germany! Also, a class at Western Oregon University in Monmouth has been using the book, and just today they ordered another two dozen copies for their bookstore. At this rate, my stockpile will not last indefinitely.

The Oregon Historical Society Bookstore still carries the book, of course, and stores in Corvallis have been selling and restocking copies regularly. It's available at Grassroots Books, the OSU Bookstore and the Benton County Historical Museum.

If you want copies directly from me - I love personalizing them for King Family members - you may contact me through my website at www.linda-crew.com, directly by e-mail at linda@linda-crew.com or send me a check by snail mail to 950 SW Wake Robin Avenue, Corvallis, Oregon 97333. Hardbacks (which come with a lovely gold Willa Prize medallion sticker) are \$25.00. Paperbacks are \$14.00. Whether you order one copy or a boxful, please include just \$3.00 to help defray shipping expenses.

I sincerely hope mine will not be the last remaining copies of the book available. A publisher has recently expressed interest in the re-print rights, and, of course, I'll keep the Kings informed of any developments along these lines.

Have fun at the reunion!

Best, Linda

Message from David Trask, King Family Historian

As the historian of the King Family since 1989, I have enjoyed seeing pieces of the King Family puzzle put together. It is really fascinating to find out who was related to whom, and in how many different ways. My special interest has been collecting obituaries over the years, and I have probably close to 2000. These all tell a story, and when reading generation after generation, it really tells us so much about our ancestors. Most of what I have are from those family members who died in Oregon, as these obituaries are the most accessible. However, I have appreciated receiving some from elsewhere.

The project I am embarking on now is to get them indexed and organized into descendants of the children of Nahum and Serepta King. Then, these will be put onto CD discs for everyone. In order to do this, Daniel Frommherz is donating an enormous amount of time to help me. He is looking up and copying obituaries for me of those people whose obituary I do not have. This is going to take a lot of time and effort, but it will be worth it in order to get this information on disc.

I, as always, appreciate everyone sending me a copy of every obituary you may run across. I like to document the correct name of the descendant, dates and place of birth and death, and the newspaper name, city of newspaper, date, page and column number where the obituary appears in the newspaper.

Also it helps to send updated family trees, as it gets so confusing to know who fits where in the puzzle. If everyone can help with this project, we can get the information on a CD quicker. The most amazing thing is how often I find that someone who has been attending the reunions has something I have been looking for, for a long time. We shouldn't reinvent the wheel. If the information is already out there, send it to me so we can get it in a form that everyone else can enjoy and benefit from. The more we can document and confirm now, the more our children and grandchildren can also benefit from our efforts.

David Trask, King Family Historian

Some Books With King Family Information – available on out of print sites or library

All Quiet on the Yamhill, The Civil War in Oregon by Royal A. Bensell. (A soldier's diary March 20 1862 - October 16, 1864) Soldier served in same regiment as James Plunkett and George Erwin.

Ghost Towns of the Pacific Frontier by Lambert Florin. Photo of Chambers grist mill and of Rowland Chambers with seven of his sons.

Covered Wagon Women, Diaries & Letters From the Western Trails, 1840 – 1849 by Kenneth L. Holmes. A Letter from the Luckiamute Valley by Anna Maria King – 1846.

KINGS VALLEY

Written in 1940 by Lavell Williams Ploub
great granddaughter of James Edward and Martha Witcher Williams
(Copied in 2007 at home of Russell Stewart, whose wife was Dorice Williams)

This was once the donation land claim of Mr. King, thus the name Kings Valley. A quiet little valley among the foot hills of the coast range, it has been farmed for years and at one time a flour mill was in operation on the banks of the Big Luckimute (sic) River, back of where the store now owned by Mr. Price now stands. The old building is still standing. Logging and lumbering has been carried on quite extensively in the near-by woods. At present time (1940) Mr. Christenson operates a planing mill near the Valley-Siletz railroad and a sawmill is a few miles S.E. of the store.

Mr. Phy Simpson was one of the prominent loggers of an earlier day. He operates a planing mill near the r. r. tracks and a sawmill west of Pedee employing perhaps 35 men in all. The Kings Valley store now owned by Mr. Price is doing quite a thriving business. Coming on down the road pass thriving country homes. We now cross Ritner Creek via the old covered bridge, which is one of the few still in use.

Near this old bridge there used to be a hop yard owned by Mr. Bump. The hop yard is no more but the Bumps now have a thriving peach orchard on the hill. Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Johnson and others are farming in this district. Mr. Johnson was a farmer & manager of the Pedee store.

Passing the old Ritner & Edwards farmsteads, which have been owned by these families, acres of Scotch broom, where 50 years ago a few bushes were growing by the roadside. Uncle Lou Ritner is, I believe, the oldest surviving member of these two pioneer families, he is now in his 80's and resides on the old home place where he was born, being cared for by his daughter, Mrs. Annie Arnold.

PEDEE

Entering Pedee Valley we see the old school building still standing on the hill, a relic of by-gone days. Going on down the road there is the store servicing the entire countryside, owned by Mr. Brassfield. Here also is Mr. Aashiem's confectionery, Dyers Garage and Van Den Bosh's mill are located.

Some of the farms are owned: Homer Link has considerable land leased besides the home place. He raises Lincoln sheep, hay, and grain and keeps some good Jerseys. There is an orchard of walnut trees on the river. Elmer Hastings farms the place that was formerly owned by his cousin Reuben Hastings. Mike Branch raises potatoes, clover for hay, and seed, and also raises hops.

One of the last of the old landmarks, the house on the old Johnson farm, was destroyed by fire just after being vacated by Mr. & Mrs. Weidman.

Did You Know ...?

Nahum King and his family moved to Orange Township, Delaware County, Ohio, in the year 1810. (History of Ohio and Delaware Chicago; Baskin S. Company; Historical Publishers; 66 Dearborn Street)

During the War of 1812, Nahum King was a sergeant in Captain Aaron Strong's Company, 3 Regiment, Ohio Militia. His date of enlistment was October 7, 1812 and his term of service lasted until December 5, 1812. During that time he took a ten day furlough. He was paid \$8 per month. For his total service, he received \$15.48, which would be the equivalent to \$190.29 in 2007 dollars.

The Santa Fe Trail played a part in the King Family history. On 16 September 1839, Nahum purchased nearly 242 acres in Carroll County, Missouri, on the north side of the Missouri River **AND** fourteen more acres in Lexington County, Missouri. This last acreage was on the south side of the Missouri River and directly opposite the Carroll County property. There's little doubt that Nahum purchased this land with the idea of running a ferry. After all, the Santa Fe Trail followed the south bank of the Missouri River in Lexington County, giving him an opportunity to ferry people, wagons, freight, and animals between northern and southern Missouri.

Highlights from 2007 Minutes – Patricia Plunkett Holler, Secretary

About 55 family members and guests attended the 2007 reunion at Beazell Memorial Forest Park which is the old Plunkett farm. Bill Dixon, the great grandson of Ashnah Norton and James Plunkett, shared stories about living there during grade and high school. The Educational Center is actually the reconstructed Plunkett barn. Patricia Plunkett Holler brought Plunkett items to display and told how the Plunketts connect to the Kings. Ashnah Norton Plunkett was the first King family child born in the Kings Valley area (1847) and this farm was her home for many years. Ashnah was a granddaughter of Nahum and Sarepta King, born to Hopestill King Norton and her husband, Lucius C. Norton.

The youngest King descendant in attendance today was Amber Rose Gilson, age 22 months. Amber is a descendant of Isaac King.

Nigel Parkhurst read the names of the King children who were our ancestors and asked descendants to stand when their ancestor was named. As usual, Hopestill King Norton had the most descendants present.

Dee Parkhurst inquired if Amos King was part of the old Olds and King Department Store in Portland. He is not, but he left his mark in Portland with place names such as Kings Heights. Also, his tannery was located where the PGE ballpark is now.

All officers of the King Family Association were reelected at the meeting.

King Family CD – The 2007 and 2008 King Family CD's will be available for purchase at the reunion. The 2007 CD contains 192 King Family photographs. The 2008 CD, still a work in progress, will contain 100-200 family photos and computer scans of a few family documents, such as Nahum King's 1812 military record. Both CD's contain a photo index as well as information on five generations of King Family, which is updated each year with new information gathered by Earle Greig, Mimi Stang, David Trask, and Anne Trussell from death certificates, obituaries, marriage records, cemetery records, census records, family group sheets, and past issues of the King Folk Newsletter. Cost for each CD is \$3. If you can't attend the reunion, the CD's can be mailed to you after July 1. Cost: \$6 to mail one CD and \$7 to mail two CD's (that price includes the cost of the CD's). Send checks (made out to **King Folk**) to Anne Trussell, 2108 Stacia Way, Sacramento, CA, 95822. Please specify which CD(s) you want and an email address or phone number. These CD's are priced nearly at cost. Any profit will be returned to the King Family treasury. All photographs on the CD are for private use only. For commercial use, permission must be obtained from the owner of the original photograph.

Photo Scanning Project –

Would you like to share your old family photographs with the rest of the King Family? We are attempting to gather as many King family photos as possible, by computer scanning the originals, so they can be shared with everyone, now and in the future. A copy of each CD will be donated to the Benton County Museum.

Last year's CD contained 192 King Family photographs. Some (but not all) of the names represented on the 2007 CD include Bottger, Plunkett, Price, King, Read, Chambers, Norton, Ramsdell, Rexford, Watson, Kohl, Lyndon, Hallock, and Pittman. The 2008 CD will include photos donated by the Benton County Museum, those scanned at last year's reunion, and more photographs scanned this year before the reunion.

Besides family photos, we're trying to include photographs of Benton County in past times... Kings Valley, logging operations in Kings Valley, Hoskins, etc.

Do you have photos to share? Here are some different ways:

1. Bring them to the reunion. We'll scan them and return the originals to you.
2. Can't come to the reunion and still want to share your photographs? Maybe we can come to you. We have a laptop and a portable scanner. Regardless of where you live, contact Earle Greig or Anne Trussell. Their e-mails (and Anne's address) are on page 16. Earle's address is: 4441 NW Elmwood Drive, Corvallis, OR 97330.
3. Can you scan your own photographs or have a family member who can? If so, save them to CD and bring it to the reunion or mail it to Anne Trussell (or just a few photographs can be emailed.)

Thanks to everyone who contributed photographs for the 2007 King Family CD: Maxine Bell, Dorothy Turner Brown, Earle Greig, Jim Kohl, Joan Larson, Anne and Peter Lema, Linda Perrett, Francis Rexford, Mary Schell, Marge and Ted Schilsky, Al Studach, Char Wirfs.

Rowland Chambers Photograph Wanted: A photograph of Rowland Chambers with seven of his sons (circa 1866-1868) was published in the 1970 book "Ghost Towns of the Pacific Frontier" by Lambert Florin. The author says, *"Picture is thin, positive film on cracked glass, provided some problems in copying by this photographer. It is about 100 years old."* Is anyone familiar with this photograph?

Keegan Asbury Moyer King Family Display Board

We received a pleasant surprise at last year's reunion from one of our younger King family descendants. Keegan Asbury Moyer brought a large display board on the Kings that he had done for a 6th grade project at his school – Kennedy Middle School - in Eugene. It was beautifully done and included photos of many Kings, including Sol King. According to his father, Keegan's school requires all 6th grade students to complete a project for a multi-cultural fair – the students choose what they want to do and Keegan chose to research his King family ancestors. We were all very impressed with Keegan's work and could easily see why he received an "A" on the project. Proudest of all was Great Grandma Glenva King Chotard. Keegan is the son of Neil and Laurie Moyer of Eugene. Thank you so much for sharing your project with us, Keegan – we are proud of you!



INTERVIEW WITH WILLARD PRICE

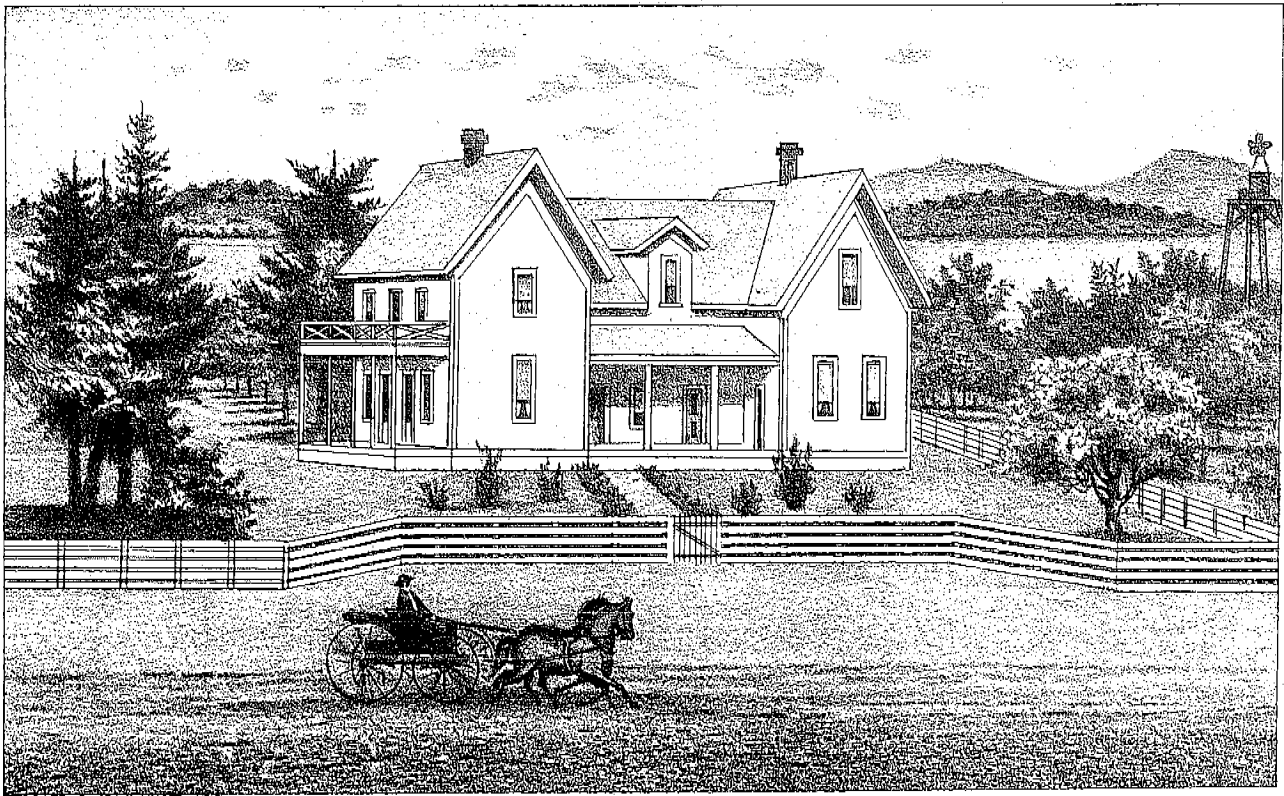
(Son of Willard & Sarepta Norton Price, Grandson of Lucius C. & Hopestill King Price)
By Mark Phinney for Historical Records Survey – 1936
Submitted by Carole Norton Putman

Mr. Willard Price keeps the General Merchandise Store at the village of Kings Valley. He is about 60 years old and is a descendant of the King and Norton families who settled in 1846. Said Mr. Price:

“ The party consisting of the King Family, Lucius Norton, Roland Chambers and others which settled Kings Valley, came from Ohio by way of Missouri, where they lived for a few years. They crossed the plains in 1845, taking six months for the trip. They made the trip without special incident and stayed the first winter in the neighborhood of Lafayette. The men of the party obtained horses and explored southward, locating claims in Kings Valley on the Luckimute River. This region was covered with grass so tall they could lap and tie it over their ponies withers. They had been trouble with overflows in both Ohio and Missouri and the higher ground in this region appealed to them. They traveled up the valley and found creeks coming down from the hills to the east about a mile or so apart. This would give each man his mile square claim with running water on each claim. They located enough claims for their party, numbered them and put the numbers in a hat to draw lots. Before they drew, Roland Chambers made the proposition that if they would give him his choice of claims he would build a grist mill. His proposal was gladly accepted. He chose the claim which took in a natural fall in the River of about four feet. This fall was caused by an outcropping ledge of rock across the bed of the stream.

Chambers established his water right in 1852 and began grinding in 1853. This was one of the earliest grist mills in this part of the country. The water right was unlimited, and the state in recent years has tried in vain to compel the owner of the franchise to install a fish ladder at his own expense. For more than fifty years the mill ground flour on the stone burrs shipped from France around the Horn. Finally more modern machinery was installed. The river bottoms here supplied hard wheat and the higher ground grew a fine grade of hard wheat. This made it possible for the Kings Valley mill to manufacture the finest grade of flour. In recent years the supply of local wheat has become insufficient and the quality of flour failed until it could not compete successfully. The mill is now used to grind feed for the surrounding farms.”

Editor's notes: I was a bit taken aback by Mr. Price's statement that "the trip was made without special incident" since we know they were lost for days on the Terrible Trail and that the John King family, except for Luther, drowned in the Columbia. But, perhaps Mr. Price was not aware of all of that. Also, the stone burrs that were in use at the grist mill are the ones now in Avery Park in Corvallis – we published a story and photos of them in last year's King Folk.



A. G. Walling, Lith. Portland, Or.

RESIDENCE OF SOL, KING,

Corvallis, Benton Co., Or.

By Earle L. Greig

This is a copy of the Sol King Residence as shown in the *The Fagan History of Benton County*. The residence is probably the original home built by Nahum and Sarepta King. Sol bought the residence from his parents for \$2,000. The document dated 11 June, 1855 is in Misc. book B, page 8 at the Benton County Courthouse.

A couple of quotes from the document: "*The said Nahum and the said Sarepta are to reside in the mansion house if 'they think proper' which they now reside in, during their natural lives.*" There are numerous other conditions stipulated such as the care for Sarepta should Solomon and Nahum both precede her in death.

This "mansion" was probably built on a natural bench overlooking the claim of Nahum and Sarepta. It likely would have faced primarily South and East. The water tower in the picture is approximately where a water source remains to this day. There are hills behind the house as well as some Lombard Poplars that are still living.

Here is a little background information before we go further.

Oscar Fritzallen Clark left Missouri in 1847 with the Joel Palmer wagon train. Oscar left the train at the Valley of the Grande Ronde and rode on to Portland alone. From Portland, Oscar rode south to Corvallis (Marysville). He immediately made his way to the Nahum King farm near Wren where he was welcomed and invited to move in with them and their son Sol. (More about that later.) Meanwhile, across the mountains, in Kings Valley, Charles Allen and his wife and family had also just arrived and were busily improving their claim. Part of this claim was later to become the Kings Valley Cemetery. Eventually, Oscar crossed those mountains from the Wren home of Nahum and called on Charles and Hetty Allen where he met Mary Ann Allen, the half sister of Charles. Charles had brought Mary Ann with him from Porter County, Indiana. Oscar and Mary Ann were married 2nd December, 1849 at the home of Charles Allen.

Oscar and Mary Ann had thirteen children. They ended up in Dayton, Washington where Oscar was the District Attorney for many years. Oscar died in 1895. A few years later, Mary Ann returned to Corvallis to obtain affidavits & depositions to prove that Oscar had participated in the Cayuse Indian Wars. She needed these sworn statements to substantiate her pension application.

Portions of the deposition from Sol King, dated 5 March, 1904:

"Oscar F. Clark, I first knew him in Missouri where he lived right across the river from where I lived. Where I lived was Carroll County but I do not know the county on his side of the river and he lived with our family for several years. . . . He and my brother Stephen King enlisted and went into the Cayuse War. I saw them go away and I saw them when they came back."

Portions Of an Affidavit from Sol King, dated 29 April, 1903:

"I played as a boy with O. F. Clark when we were both about 12 or 13 years old and I knew him intimately until the time of his death. . . . I know that he served in the Cayuse Indian War of 1847-48 and my brother Stephen was in the same company with him and served all through that war. I saw them both to the war and I saw them arrive from it."

Portions of an Affidavit from Mary Ann Clark dated 17 December, 1902:

". . . . Oscar. . . . as a private in the company commanded by James W. Nesmith in the 1st Regiment of Oregon riflemen commanded by Col. C. Gilliam in the Cayuse Indian War of 1847-48. . . . Her said husband enlisted at Oregon City on or about the 18th day of April, 1848. . . . and was discharged on the 5th day of July, 1848. . . . That she and her husband resided at Corvallis, Oregon, 15 years, Umatilla, Oregon, 12 years, and Dayton, Washington, 20 years."

Note: Oscar and Mary Ann lost their first baby. The grave and marker are in the Locke Cemetery very close to the grave where the King Family Association recently replaced a marker for the infant son of Amos King.

In addition to the above affidavits, there are two others by Alfred M. Witham. Alfred's wife was a sister to Mary Ann. There is a second one by Mary Ann in which she states that she and Oscar had thirteen children. There is a military document that gives the height, color of eyes, etc. of Oscar Clark. There is an affidavit from Emily Allen Bump. Emily was the daughter of Charles Allen and states that she attended the wedding of Oscar and her Aunt, Mary Ann, which was held in Emily's parents home at Kings Valley. There are other affidavits from those who served in the same outfit as well as an old friend from Corvallis. A Washington affidavit is from a W. O. Matzger whose mother was another sister of Mary Ann.

Mary Ann was awarded a very nominal pension which she collected until her death in 1906.

CHILDREN OF NAHUM AND SAREPTA NORTON KING:

SARETTA KING MOORE 1808 – 1877

LUCRETIA KING HALLOCK 1809 – 1862

DULANNY KING 1811 – 1823

JOHN KING 1813 – 1845

HOPESTILL KING NORTON 1815 – 1892

HANNAH KING 1816 – 1825

STEPHEN KING 1818 – 1852

ISAAC KING 1819 – 1866

AMOS NAHUM KING 1822 – 1901

SARAH KING CHAMBERS 1823 – 1845

JAMES KING 1826 – 1829

LOVISA KING CHAMBERS 1828 – 1889

ABIGAIL KING FULLER 1829 – 1857

LYDIA KING WILLIAMS 1831 – 1921

SOLOMON KING 1833 – 1913

RHODA ANN KING PHILLIPS SUMMER 1835 - 1912

I thought you might be interested in seeing a list of Nahum and Sarepta's children all in one place! We have had lots of back and forth discussion with about half a dozen King family members on this information. Not easy to sort it all out. Please note that Lucretia King Hallock's correct death date is 1862. Anne Trussell found her obituary in the Oregon Argus newspaper with that date although her stone says 1860. On the front side of the stone we are listing Sarepta King's death date as 1864 as per the family Bible even though the monument at the cemetery says 1869.

"King Folk" is a newsletter published by the family of Nahum and Sarepta Norton King, Oregon Pioneers of 1845. Annual subscriptions are \$10.00 due January 1st. These funds are used for various projects plus publication costs. Please make checks payable to "King Folk" and mail to Anne Trussell, 2108 Stacia Way, Sacramento, CA 95822.

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The annual King Family reunion is held in June on the first Saturday after Father's Day at the Kings Valley Charter School in Kings Valley, Oregon.

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