

ALBUM COLUMBIA RIVER HIGHLIGHTS

Album Description

A spring visit to the eastern stretch of the Columbia River was a historical and geographical eye opener! There was so much to see, so much to learn, and much pondering about why I didn't know about much about what I saw and learned. Related resources are abundant in the Library of Congress. This album includes a few historical resources representing places that caught my eye.

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MULTNOMAH FALLS, COLUMBIA RIVER, OREGON



Teaching Notes:

Multnomah Falls is the 2nd highest Waterfall in the United States. What is the highest?

Locate Multnomah Falls on a map.

Reference Link: <http://www.loc.gov/item/2018650676/>

Contributor Names: Keystone View Company.

Created / Published: Meadville, Pa. ; St. Louis, Mo. : Keystone View Company, Manufacturers and Publishers, [1898]

Subject Headings: - Cliffs--Oregon--Multnomah Falls--1890-1900

- Waterfalls--Oregon--Multnomah Falls--1890-1900

- Multnomah Falls (Or.)--1890-1900

Genre: Stereographs--1890-1900

Photographic prints--1890-1900

Notes: - Copyright, 1898, by B. L. Singley.

- No. 9326.

- Title from item.

Repository: Library of Congress Prints and Photographs Division Washington, D.C. 20540 USA

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H. B. CO'S. [I.E., HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY'S] POST, FORT VANCOUVER, COLUMBIA RIVER - OFFICERS' MESS HOUSE AND QUARTERS, MAY 1860



Teaching Notes:

Officers' mess house and quarters, May 1860

How was the Fort used? How did indigenous North American people and indigenous Hawaiians help the fur traders and settlers?

Named for British North American explorer George Vancouver, the fortress was a 19th-century fur-trading post that was the headquarters of the Hudson's Bay Company's Columbia Department. There, trade goods from London were exchanged with American Indians for fur pelts.

What is Fort Vancouver today? How is it used?

Social Studies/History Fur Trading Fort Vancouver

Reference Link: <http://www.loc.gov/item/2003663139/>

Summary: Photograph shows view officers' quarters and other buildings at the Hudson's Bay Company's post at Fort Vancouver, on the Columbia River.

Created / Published: 1860.

Subject Headings: - British North American Boundary Commission--1860

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- Hudson's Bay Company--Buildings--Washington (State)--Fort Vancouver--1860
- Officers' quarters--Washington (State)--Fort Vancouver--1860
- Mess halls--Washington (State)--Fort Vancouver--1860
- Forts & fortifications--Washington (State)--Fort Vancouver--1860
- Fort Vancouver (Wash.)--1860

Genre: Albumen prints--1860

Notes: - Title from item.

- In album: [British Northwest Boundary Commission and Related Subjects, 1859-1861, leaf 10].
- Unprocessed in PR 13 CN 1999:001.01

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ENTRANCE GARDEN AT FORT VANCOUVER, A U.S. NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE ALONG THE COLUMBIA RIVER IN VANCOUVER, WASHINGTON



Teaching Notes:

Contemporary view of the garden at the Visitor's entrance. The garden is maintained by volunteers.

Reference Link: <http://www.loc.gov/item/2018699309/>

Contributor Names: Highsmith, Carol M., 1946-, photographer

Created / Published: 2018-06-06.

Subject Headings: - United States--Washington (State)--Clark County--Vancouver

- America
- Fort Vancouver
- George Vancouver
- Hudson's Bay Company
- Fur trading

Genre: Digital photographs--Color--2010-2020

Notes: - Named for British North American explorer George Vancouver, the fortress was a 19th-century fur-trading post that was the headquarters of the Hudson's Bay Company's Columbia Department. There, trade goods from London were exchanged with American Indians for fur pelts.

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THE ROCK REFERENCED IN THIS SIGN IS ACROSS THE RIVER IN WASHINGTON STATE, BUT THIS EXPLANATION OF IT IS ON THE OREGON SIDE OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER, IN MULTNOMAH COUNTY



Teaching Notes:

A sign explains the geologic and historical significance of Beacon Rock, a giant chunk of basalt in the Columbia River Gorge.

Photo of Beacon Rock National Park Service. Page includes geologic and historic information.

More information from the Columbia River Gorge web site

Beacon Rock

Reference Link: <http://www.loc.gov/item/2018699542/>

Contributor Names: Highsmith, Carol M., 1946-, photographer

Created / Published: 2018-06-09.

Subject Headings: - United States--Oregon--Multnomah County

- America
- Oregon Trail
- Columbia River Gorge
- Oregon trail signs
- Beacon Rock sign

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- Signs

Genre: Digital photographs--Color--2010-2020

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- While Oregon and Washington were once part of a large U.S. territory , Oregon Trail's destination was, in fact, in what is now Oregon and marked at an end-of-the-trail site in Oregon City, near Portland. The sign is one of hundreds posted along the remnants of the famous westward trail.

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SANBORN FIRE INSURANCE MAP FROM ASTORIA, CLATSOP COUNTY, OREGON.



Teaching Notes:

What is the significance of Fort Clatsop?

Locate Astoria on a map. Why was it a (and still is) a significant port?

Social Studies/History Astoria, Oregon e

Reference Link: http://www.loc.gov/item/sanborn07319_006/

Created / Published: Sanborn Map Company, 1908 - May 1948

Notes: - 1908 - May 1948.

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THE 125-FOOT-TALL ASTORIA COLUMN, A TOWER OVERLOOKING THE MOUTH OF THE COLUMBIA RIVER FROM A HILL HIGH ABOVE ASTORIA, OREGON



Teaching Notes:

Examine the images on the column. What story do they tell?

Astoria Oregon

Reference Link: <http://www.loc.gov/item/2018698851/>

Contributor Names: Highsmith, Carol M., 1946-, photographer

Created / Published: 2018-05-21.

Subject Headings: - United States--Oregon--Astoria

- America
- Astoria Column
- Great Northern Railway
- John Jacob Astor

Genre: Digital photographs--Color--2010-2020

Notes: - Built 1926, the concrete and steel structure is covered with murals depicting voyages of discovery and settlement in the Pacific Northwest that led to the city's founding. Financed by the Great Northern

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Railway and a great-grandson of fur-trade baron John Jacob Astor, the tower is patterned after the Trajan Column in Rome.

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ROSS'S ADVENTURES OF THE FIRST SETTLERS ON THE OREGON OR COLUMBIA RIVER, 1810-1813

Teaching Notes:

Adventures of the first settlers on the Oregon or Columbia River.

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A FORTUNE MADE FROM FUR: JOHN JACOB ASTOR

Teaching Notes:

This Library of Congress Blog provides historical background.

Learning about the roles Astor and the Hudson Bay Company was an "Ah" moment for me and a reminder of things not always taught in school to those of us living in another part of the United States.

John Jacob Astor Social Studies/History Hudson Bay Company