

## **THE SWEGLE FAMILY**

Mr. And Mrs. Charles Swegle and son, M. W. Swegle, father-in-law of Raymond Bevans, purchased in 1880, the original Marcus Whitman claim and other land, making a total of 750 acres.

It is on this land that the Whitman Massacre occurred in 1847.

M. W. Swegle lived at Whitman for 50 years after which he moved to the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. And Mrs. Raymond Bevans.

The Bevans ranch is believed to be a portion of the old Hudson Bay Trading Post grounds.

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