THE FRAZIER FAMILY

When William S. Frazier and Pauline Rachael Frazier, looking for a new home in the west, led their family north from Texas to the Oregon Trail and turned aside to settle in the Walla Walla Valley, they must have found what they were searching for.

On October 1, 1867, their outfit arrived and spent the winter in a log cabin (the Ingle place) near the State Line.

In March 1868, they purchased property, a homestead-right from Thomas Eldrich, with a log cabin on it in what is now the south part of Milton. It stood near the present location of the Frazier home.

In the years that followed, the Frazier’s and their many descendants took an active part in the development of enterprises in the community, as need for them arose.

This family history is remarkable as an example of harmony and satisfaction with life in the valley. The family ties of the clan have remained closely knit. Few of its members have wandered far. The following genealogy is an exhibit of that.


Willie and Frances Beardsley Frazier – Lela, May Smith, Earl B. Frazier. Robert and Ella Frazier, Bob (deceased), Martha and Martin Elam – Verna (Henry Piper) and Bertie (single).

Susan and S. K. COE – Maggie Campbell, Lina (Will Craig), Mary (Clyde Harris), Ernest (deceased), Arthur (Lula Hart), Frank (Eva Comstock), Elmo (Truth Ebert) and Harold (Ora Wilson).

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