

# Fund-Raising Event for Historic Floed-Lane House

The Douglas County Historical Society and the Cow Creek Band of Umpqua Tribe of Indians are co-sponsoring a fund-raising event on Sunday, May 15, at 2:00<sup>PM</sup>, at Seven Feathers, Canyonville. The evening program is to help the historical society match a challenge grant from Restore Oregon to do much needed work on the 160-year old Floed-Lane House in Roseburg. Built in 1854/60, the structure is one the oldest surviving in the Umpqua Valley.

Dr. Stephen Dow Beckham will present an illustrated lecture, "Fifty Years of Writing Oregon History." Beckham is the author of "Land of the Umpqua: A History of Douglas County" and numerous books and articles on the history of the American West. Beckham, former "Oregon Professor of the Year," taught for forty-three years until his retirement from Lewis & Clark College. He will draw from research projects on the China Ditch, Bohemia Mining District, the U.S. Army's Fort Umpqua, early sawmill operations on the Lower Umpqua, studies at Milltown Hill (Yoncalla) and Elk Creek (Tiller), and the Coos Bay Wagon Road among other topics.

The Floed-Lane house was given in 1959 to the Douglas County Historical Society by the great-granddaughter of General Joseph Lane, Oregon's first territorial governor. Subsequent to running as candidate for vice-presi-



dent of the United States in 1860, Lane retired and lived near this home located at 544 SE Douglas, Roseburg. Sarah Emily Lane, a daughter, married John Creed Floed, a pioneer merchant. Because of its great age the building is "endangered" and needs restoration work. The house has served as a museum and headquarters for the Douglas County Historical Society for the past six decades.

Cost for the event: \$25.00 per person.

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