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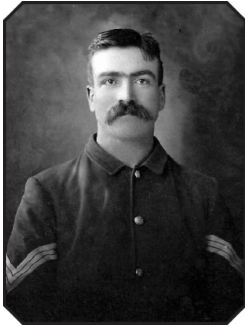
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Joseph Saunders Woodard

Joseph Saunders Woodard was born on November 9, 1836, in Hendricks County, Indiana, to Lemuel R. Woodard and Anna Blakemore. The family moved to Bloomington, Illinois, when he was very young and his mother Anna died there soon after in 1840. In 1841, Joseph's father married Mary Wilson. He was raised in Illinois with six brothers and sisters.

In 1854, he moved to Lawrence Kansas, and enlisted as a private in "A" Co. Kansas 9th Cavalry, which was formed as part of the Western Division, on October 7, 1861. Joseph also served in Company D, 8th Kansas Infantry. He was mustered out on November 19, 1864, at Leavenworth, Kansas. During the Civil War, he took part in the battle of Prairie Grove, and about 40 other engagements. During one of the battles, he was shot and wounded in the left eye. Joseph also registered for the Spanish American War. Joseph died on October 18, 1920.



Howard Ritner Woodard

Howard Woodard was born on July 19, 1867. He lived in Kansas until he was fifteen years old, when he came by wagon train to The Dalles, Oregon. After a brief residence there, he moved to the Palouse and then on to Spokane County, where he secured a position with the C & C Milling Company, by which firm he was employed until 1898.

On April 25 of that year, Howard enlisted in Company L, First Washington Voluntary Infantry and served as a quartermaster sergeant during the entire Philippine war.

He participated in the Battle of Paco, fought February 5, 1899, the engagements at San Pedro, Macati, which took place between February 14 and March 12, 1899, the battle of Cuagaloupe, March 13, and the Pateros, March 14, 1899, also in numerous



Seth Thomas Woodard

***Pioneer ~ Historian ~ Educator ~
and Philanthropist***



September 14, 2018 at 1:00 p.m.

Greenwood Memorial

Terrace



Seth Thomas Woodard
Pioneer, Historian, and Philanthropist

Seth Woodard was born in Manhattan, Kansas, on October 14, 1872, to Civil War veteran Joseph Saunders Woodard and Sarah Amanda Dyer. With five children, the Woodards left Kansas in a covered wagon in April 1882, arriving in Spokane in October. After spending the winter in the Palouse, the family settled on 170 acres five miles east of Spokane in an area now called Millwood. There, they formed a friendship with Chief Spokane Garry and he and other Indians occasionally camped on their land.

Education was always important to the Woodard family. Joseph donated land in order to build a school in the valley so future generations would not have to suffer the hardships that his children had endured to obtain an education. In 1912, the Orchard Park School was built and Seth helped form the first school district, serving as clerk and board member for over two decades. He later donated land for the West Valley High School. Until his final days, Seth lectured at local schools and provided several generations of students with original research for papers and projects.

Seth married Celia Larson on December 31, 1897. The couple had twelve children. Four streets in the valley are named after his children: Ella, Marguerite, Edna, and Francis. Dale Street was named for a cousin. Originally named Woodard Road, Argonne Road was renamed in 1920 for the soldiers who lost their lives in the Argonne Forest in WWI.

In 1903, Seth donated land for an electric railroad right-of-way and station. At his urging, Seth's neighbors also donated land and the area was named Woodard Station. Later, when the paper mill was established, the name was changed to Millwood honoring both its largest industry and its largest benefactor. Seth was deputy assessor for one term and served as road supervisor of his district. He was also instrumental in forming and managing the Millwood irrigation system as water superintendent, until his retirement in 1955.

Seth belonged to the Salvation Army from its inception in Spokane, playing his cornet on the street corners in downtown Spokane. He was an active member for over 50 years. Seth was a founding member and president of the Kiwanis Club and the Spokane County Pioneer Society. He was also a member of the Spokane Historical Society, Sons and Daughters of the Pioneers, Valley Chamber of Commerce, the Grange, and the Masonic Lodge. History was one of his many interests and, with the Pioneer Society, he traveled around the state creating and dedicating historic monuments to tell of early life in the area. Many of the monuments around Spokane bear his wording. He was also a frequent contributor of historical articles for local news publications.

In later life, after the death of their spouses, Seth Woodard and Sonora Smart Dodd, the founder of Father's Day, traveled all over the country garnering support to ratify Father's Day as a national holiday. They formed the International Father's Day Association. Seth wrote the dedication for the plaque honoring Sonora Dodd that was donated to the YMCA by the Spokane County Pioneer Association. Seth earned many awards throughout his life.

Seth's best legacy came in 1953, when the Seth T. Woodard Elementary School was named and dedicated in his honor. A time capsule of his life was

Seth Thomas Woodard
HISTORIC MONUMENT DEDICATION

Music provided by West Valley Jazz Band with Director Jim Loucks

- Presentation of FlagsSAR & WCWA
 - Opening Remarks.....Rae Anna Victor
SRLEM, HMC, JBDAR, WSC
 - Invocation.....Chaplain Karen Liptack
JBDAR
 - Welcome.....David Itner
CEO, Fairmount Memorial Association
 - The Woodards of Millwood.....Mayor Kevin Freeman
 - Remarks.....Dr. Gene Sementi
Superintendent West Valley School District
Mike Lollar
Seth Woodard Elementary School Principal
Major Ken Perrine
Senior Pastor and Administrator, Salvation Army
 - Reading of Inscription Pat Bartleson
Seth's Great Grandson
 - Unveiling of MonumentDon Bartleson & Sheila Brown
Seth's Grandson and Great Granddaughter
 - Joseph Woodard Marker.....Julie Pittmann, *WSSDAR HSR*
Dale Woodard, *Grandson* and Dalton Van Houten, *Great-great Grandson*
 - Howard Woodard Marker.....Janell Braithwait, *WSSDAR HSR*
Dawn and Doug Bartleson, *Howard's Great-great niece and nephew*
 - Special Recognition and Closing Remarks.....Rae Anna Victor
Sheila Brown and Dale Woodard
 - BenedictionMajor Ken Perrine
 - Taps.....West Valley Jazz Band
- Non Profit Groups Represented: FMA -Fairmount Memorial Association, SRLEM - Spokane Regional Law Enforcement Museum, HMC - Historical Monuments

Reception at Heritage Funeral Home following Dedication