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**Daniel Houck Byrd (1827-1875)**

**Background:**

Daniel Houck Byrd was born in Ohio 12 May 1827 and came to Steilacoom, Washington Territory in 1859, where he operated a general store and a wharf at the foot of Main Street. Around 1870 he went to Pilor Rock, OR, where he died 9 August 1875. A son, Frank Thomas Byrd, was born in Pilot Rock, where he ranched.

**Scope and content:**

The collection consists of an account journal for Byrd's Steilacoom store, 1859-1870 (pp. 1-136). Accounts are listed by name of purchaser and include goods purchased, credits, and debits.

The journal continues with ranching entries by Frank T. Byrd, 1905-1931, which consist mainly of cattle breeding records, 1899-1903 (pp. 422-433) with detailed notes, including dates of breeding, castration, and death.

The journal also contains a daily diary of Frank T. Byrd, 29 October 1897-27 May 1898 (pp. 400-419), entitled, "A happy bachelor," which contains good detail on ranch life in eastern Oregon.

**Volume:** 1 vol.

**Restrictions:** None

**Accession:** 1970.45.5

Folder	Contents
1	Journal, 1859-1933