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"The Story of Marcus Whitman" is the work of the Marcus Whitman Foundation, a non-profit corporation which came into existence as the result of legislation passed by the 1949 session of the Washington State Legislature.

Two major assignments are before the Foundation. One assignment is to tell more completely and more thoroughly than ever before, the story of the historic record and accomplishments of Dr. Marcus Whitman and his wife, Narcissa Prentiss Whitman.

The second assignment and the major one which resulted from the 1949 legislative action is the raising by popular subscription of \$30,000 to pay for a statue of Dr. Whitman to be placed in Statuary Hall, Washington, D. C.

This statement of objectives is printed on the inside of a reproduction of the cover of a newly written and illustrated version of THE STORY OF MARCUS WHITMAN.

This folder itself is intended to provide general information regarding the complete project, and to provide readers with the opportunity to:

- 1—Order copies of THE STORY OF MARCUS WHITMAN at 50 cents per copy, and
- 2—Make subscriptions to the statue fund and to the work of the Marcus Whitman Foundation.

The Whitman Statue . . .

The 1949 session of the Washington State Legislature by almost unanimous votes in both the Senate and House passed a bill designating Dr. Marcus Whitman as the first official representative of the state in Statuary Hall, Washington, D. C., as the result of a program initiated by the Washington State Business and Professional Women's clubs.

Each state is entitled to two statues in the "Hall of Fame," the choice to be made by the respective state legislatures from among the citizens who have made great contributions to the progress and development of their particular state.

The legislation carried no appropriation, but provided for the appointment of a commission to select a sculptor, approve a statue and design (there are no pictures of Dr. Whitman), and raise the necessary funds (\$30,000).

Governor Arthur B. Langlie named a twelve-person state-wide committee and this group, after considering proposals from ten different sculptors selected the statue design offered by Dr. Avarad Fairbanks, dean of the College of Fine Arts, University of Utah.

People familiar with "The Whitman Story" have widely endorsed Dr. Fairbanks' interpretation of the man who did so much to assure the growth and development of the Pacific Northwest as a vital part of the United States. In the statue, Dr. Whitman carries in his right hand a Bible, which was his inspiration, while in his left hand are plans and the saddlebags which were an important part of his equipment, for he truly was "a doctor on horseback."

The statue interprets, in part, Whitman's saying "My plans require time and distance." Unveiling of the statue is tentatively scheduled for Sunday, April 29, 1951.

Other objectives of the Foundation are to provide a duplicate of the statue for location on the mission site and to provide other assistance in developing the Whitman National Monument, one of the Pacific Northwest's great historic shrines.

Governor Langlie is Honorary Chairman. Members of the Foundation Board are: Chairman, Mrs. Goldie Rehberg, Walla Walla, representing the Business and Professional Women of the State; vice-chairmen, Chapin Foster of Tacoma, director of the Washington State Historical Society, and Ashley Holden of Spokane, columnist for the Spokesman-Review; treasurer, Clinton S. Harley, Seattle businessman and former state senator; secretary, Alfred McVay, Walla Walla Chamber of Commerce manager and member of the Washington State Advertising Commission; Mrs. Ida Burford of Olympia, state librarian; State Senator Henry Copeland of Walla Walla; Dr. Willard F. Goff, Seattle doctor and historian; E. V. Kuykendall of Pomeroy, retired superior court judge; Dr. C. C. Maxey, of Walla Walla, president of Whitman College; Cameron Sherwood, Walla Walla attorney and Whitman College alumnus, and Herbert G. West of Walla Walla, president of the Whitman Centennial Corp.

Those interested in aiding the project may send subscription in any amount made payable to the MARCUS WHITMAN FOUNDATION, P. O. Box 357, Walla Walla. Additional information regarding the Whitmans and the work of the Foundation may be secured at the same address.

The Whitman Booklet . . .

For a long time there has been a need for a brief publication which could give some of the essential information about the Whitmans, their work and their place in Pacific Northwest and national history. The statue program provided the impetus for the publication of such a booklet.

Dr. Chester C. Maxey, president of Whitman College and a member of the Foundation board, has written the introduction to "The Story of Marcus Whitman." It has been illustrated with sketches and special art work by Harry Bonath of Seattle, who also did the cover piece.

It includes pictures of Whitman College and the Whitman National Monument. The material itself has been checked by authoritative sources such as Dr. Clifford Drury, noted student of the Whitmans; Dr. Ronald V. Sires and Prof. Robert G. Comegys of the Whitman College history department (and themselves authors of a new paper titled "Marcus Whitman—The Pioneer"), Albert and Jane Salisbury, Seattle historians and writers, and others familiar with The Whitman Story.

The booklet is not new as to subject or as to information in general, for the story of the Whitmans has been told and retold in many ways. It is, however, a new study in miniature, and especially appropriate to the current project.

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their journey as to Dr. Whitman."

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Captain of the Cow Column
The Great Migration of 1843.