Pt. Townsend, Mar. 9

Swan gravestone:
all cop
Pioneer Historian
James C. Swan
Born Medford Mass.
Jan. 11, 1818
Died Pt. Townsend Wash.
May 18, 1900

- Gray marble, rust-orange lichens down b. cut letters
- Shape 7 x 6 feet
- Newest stone, set on old rough base.
- Just 5 7 5's, air war memo—"Our Country's Defenders-
- Concrete cannon, much spotted c lichens, amid long slab-
- Concrete, like an ask-axe or a raft, c faded with slab—stones
- Edge 7. and nearest 5.
Swan's grave-stone

- Uphill by urn-topped marble of George H. Garnick (b. Portland, Me., Jan. 24, 1818, d. Nov. 25, 1890)

- There are thrusting stones all around: urn-topped, round-spinelled like colonial marble banisters—red, peaked & sharp (pyramid-topped). Swan's s. exact shape & size of lantern. (Conical?)

- View is east, to homes of PT's "uptown," forest-topped ridge, high, bold & heavy on hilltop, toward east house. Lts out a land be owned? Cases are beyond! Glacier Peaks just to right (s.) 7 rods hs.

- Gravely on east-facing slope, hedged c. madrones. Big gravels to a madrona to west, in mild.

- Gravely one is tipped just a bit, slightly of level 8 yards' width.
Pt T, Mar 9 - abd. Yakima

- Olyp are & pale blue alt identical to sky;
  the snow is a lacy bunting draped
  somehow to smooth

- 5 min out 7 Edens - 9:38 - fire 6 boat drill
  for crew: bells like big alarm clocks (blur)

- C: Olyp - alt as 1 snow win painted or
  glass for X mas window scene. (min range
  is 1 - dimmre.)

- Newark: Sea-Land van @ Pt No Pt

7 lengths 7 vans
The Morning Leader, June 28, 1891

S's despatch to P.T.

"When specialty employees of various ore companies shall have unloaded wild cat lands on eastern shores of PS and which they are just along, they will be well off zealous to tell it with a P.T. I once said, already well for here, no more very nor as well beat upon. Oregan Parks, largest city on Pac Coast,"
TH. Townsend Leader, Dec. 31, 1959, p. 1

"pioneer 2-story Hall & handes and Sheahan & Seavey blocks, 72-yr-old relics of Pt. T.'s boom days."

Burned, first fire out 2:30 a.m., Sunday (Dec. 27?)

- H. L., 720 Water St.; "adjacent S" Evidently Ex east 1/4 L.

(T). Tol. ALL '01, 1890, p. 11, shows Seavey block, elaborate 2-story
Aug 26, 1885—
S applied interp to mo term I court "in cases
where testimony is to be given."
Port Townsend never won the ill repute of a Virginia City, a Tucson or Abilene, but the place had its moments. It was a port of call for writers and bureaucrats from the East—in its first decade or so, it was the prime port of Washington Territory, since the customs house was there—and the tome was set by one early observer who said a person could dig down ten feet in the beach sand and still smell the whiskey.
Port Townsend has a pleasant openness, houses sitting on large lots.
You speak of voluminous unpublished manuscripts, relating to the local history of the Pacific coast, and possibly useful to some future historian. I should think that so far as they are of local interest they ought to be given to some historical society or public library in Washington or Oregon, or perhaps they might be of interest to the Smithsonian Institution for which my grandfather did some work. I think that we have not sufficient local knowledge of the Pacific Coast to classify and discriminate the documents of real value from the others, and really no space in which to store anything more than a trifling quantity, so that it would not be worth while to ship them.

The diaries, copy books, & correspondence may contain family matters and would doubtless be interesting, but it would not be worth while to send them unless at very slight expense. I dislike to have you take any particular trouble in the matter, for there is really very little satisfaction, I think, in old correspondence unless it (sic) so old that it no longer calls up sad recollections.
9-5 May 1, 1902 Seavey to Chas Swan about settlement of estate to date. After relating arrangements to sell 70 acres and S's ¼ block in the cemetery:

There are hundred and one things and more of this personal property that has no value whatever.

The wearing apparel was appraised at $10.00. I have sold of same $5.25 which was purchased by an old friend more as keepsakes than otherwise. The balance is absolutely worthless, all his shirts and underwear I could not give away. The same with old coats, vests and shoes. There are many little nicknacks that might have a family value if his family was here to receive them....but the town has been flooded with just such articles as he left, by families selling out and leaving....Of his library quite a number of books remain, but book auctions have been so frequent here, new and old books, that they sell for little or nothing. His books have had become terribly grimed and dusty, as he cooked for himself, or had some one cook for him in his office. I have spent considerable time in dusting and cleaning his books and other things (which were left in an untidy condition) just to make them presentable.
9-5, May 12, 1902

Chas Swan to Seavey

Before my grandfather's death some money was placed in Mrs. Webster's hands to be used in her discretion for the needs of my grandfather. After his death about $30 remained, and we authorized her to use her discretion about giving any of it to Mr. Otto Peterson. If any of it is left in her hands, she may give it to you for gravestone purposes.
9-5, May 17, 1902, Ellen M. Swan to Seavey

The package that you kindly sent me, containing letters that my Mother & myself wrote to my poor Father arrived in due season and I thank you for regarding my request in sending them.

I here by authorize you to burn any other letters that I, or any of our family, have written to Father. I thank you for your thoughtful kindness, not wishing strangers, to read them.
Box 9-5, Charles H. Swan (Ellen Swan's nephew) to James Seavey, Pt. Td, May 21, about notfcn of S's death:

I understand he owned some land in Port Townsend a few years ago. Can you inform me whether he has sold it? I fear he cramped his resources in his last few years by attempting to invest in land beyond his ability. I know he once arranged a sale, but it fell through.

June 4, 1900, Ellen M. Swan to Seavey: asks that any of her mother's letters in S's papers be sent her; also thanks Seavey for his full description of the funeral.

July 10, 1900: Chas Swan to Seavey:
I should like to have a list of the taxes unpaid for each year since 1891, since when you say no taxes have been paid. How many of these taxes are still valid against the land?
9-5, Aug. 31, 1900, Chas Swan to Seavey:

Of course the manuscripts and diaries can have no great money value, and I should hope they might be lodged in some library interested in the special subjects they relate to. You will use your judgment in regard to them I have no doubt.
Typed excerpts from Pt. T Morning Leader about Swan's death and burial:

May 19, 1900, "James G. Swan is dead. The venerable old gentleman passed away last night at 11 o'clock."...

May 22--funeral--"...laid to rest last Sunday in Laurel Grove Cemetery under the auspices of the Chimakum Tribe of Improved Order of Red men, and they were followed to the cemetery by a large concourse of sorrowing friends. ..."the friends of the deceased were permitted to take a last look at the venerable pioneer, and just before the casket was closed a delegation of Indians from Neah Bay appeared and asked permission to take a last look at their oldtime friend and adviser. The Indians as they gazed upon the rigid features gave expressions of their grief in low moans and each affectionately patted the face of the dead man.
At the grave the impressive ritualistic exercises of the Red Men took place including the setting free of the white dove of peace and after which the interment took place."
close next to last day with quote from heirs about papers not worth anything.
Day 89

13.060, Water St. 1868 - dirt stake (unlit), no sidewalk of any sort

- all frame bldgs.; a few houses on

- stark bluff

- a few picket fences - one piece of prettifying

- no water to be seen; cd be level 7' West

- another album: 13.003 - 1868, in line across shacks on a raft

Downtown photo album

P.T., Mar 19
last line of book?

The stone dot that is period to this winter, and the seed of its ellipse...
The Swan:
- Head high, on level 1 rock 0.3' wide, at alt 30° angle.
- Rock is iron-colored, slightly purplish, going to light reddish tan on upper 0.75' swan & above. Bottleship gray lichen to top of it.
- Moisture drips up soil & grass banks above, hitting directly in front 0.7' swan - making a tiny pond for it.
- Swan has a fine grace: plumed tail, high, "curve 1 neck, span 1 my fingers. "Head is most eroded, from eyes down and vanishing into rock - an enemy mile.
- Deep curve of wing & neck.
- 6" hi x 12" wide "pedestal" beneath, bird c 5's deep cut.
- Initials J & S on 4" hi. 5 is more eroded, & discernible.
- 5 still clean.
- All cut in 0.1"
Swan/2

- S chopped out a recess—a "frame" of 1" deep, 2'-6" wide, then carved a raised figure 1. swan & cut in his initials
- much weathered—but still distinct
- entire carving is 1'8" wide x 2'7" high
- with 1' it 0.20 yds, white painted Brain P
- slanted through in rocks out to bay, carving is partially above tideline.
- Swan had to stand on something to carve; no rock beneath spot now.
— Jan 13, Monday morning & weather —

— That 7/11 news gathering a H/F talk

— They are responding and much to think, in your patience and love. A turn

— This rain 12/15 - I have forgotten in the morning, don't notice 1 leaving.

— Notice a little toad (green) on the cloth -

— Any mountain or mesa in distant nature?

— Above you come to toad - for grand (no IJ age) in pronunciation.

— Where, dear weather -

— New career. 1. New: did you see & coffee on NY & E also

— Mean. Donovan Tekman.

— Cope's - no need to peek or worry about - season so much.

Mar 20
Yours, Kathy, Grampa

- Have John make out new
- Zander (letter, postcard)
- Forget about second piano

For "To Rome Prohibited"

Yours in a cheerful end

20 phone
See Dr. 73 2.1 Room
382 2.1 Long

Yours"
around Yasu [2]

wakeavel, freezing, snow-covered, running, running

a path, snow-covered, running

more sand out, wake sideways from boosts, 2 main waves

each direct, sidehill, 7 hit beyond

+NP, Seattle hills, 7 hit beyond

rolls, 5 hits, extreme boost

ground, 5 hits, extreme boost

4 hits, hit, 1 boost
2:22 – Pm Poso to. E.
- morning lun. 7. Janv.
- go to fr. X'pt, keep time + duty on S.
- Alt. weather change, time not, Ams -1.

Ell. H. 9:40

(8th day. 14th)
- Helen Peterson is of Chapmano Native Family.

At town, turn left at the reef, get on the beach so you're facing down to the reef. Turn left at the reef, get on the beach so you're facing the town. Go past the doctor's house, past remnants of lookout tower, to some make-shift steps.

To Beach Point. Near doctor's house at the end of the road.

Directions from Ocean: Phone 549-9814
May 20

<address>

Dear, Monday 1 front c. phoned corn wax
move, phone 1 front c. phoned corn wax

- nice, rear 1 pay 1:20 - right in corner, in win 7
- rear face 1 row trunk, at 4, u, red
- anything address day

Mar 20

March 20

- Cly-Pan-ia has been a "tender facility" for 130 yrs. It is
  nearing its years; crew members not exactly 7 years
  old, crew will now be replaced as Spain, "Havelock"!

- Tommy, it may be as unprintable as Spain. 7 explosions
  - backside. 7/11 storms,
  - old crewmen also the like notes. 7 explosion. 7 Amin econ. energy.

Letter, 7(5) - 7 mo ws. con. explosion. 7 Amin econ. energy.
Unanswer.

Let them choose. Within means, the under-mean, charity - war hero.

This is a surprising view, indeed. A facetless, I notice, past that transmigrant you own yourself.

- C. E. Wood.