

**Historic Resources Survey
City of McMinnville
Yamhill County, Oregon**

Site Information

Site Address

900 SW Baker Street

Owner at Time of Survey

Linfield College

Map/Tax Lot

R4420DD00400

Current Zoning

R-4

Special Tax Assessment

No

Downtown Historic District

No

Subdivision Name

Samuel Cozine's DLC

Block

Lot

Lot Size

Quadrant

SW

Site Number

Aerial Number

Resource Classification

Resource Number

Historic Significance

J-13

B

553

Historic Information

Date of Construction

"Older than Columbus"

Early Additions/ Remodels

Builder/Architect

Historic Name

Edelweiss Oak

Original Use

Tree

Common Name

Old Oak

Present Use

Tree

Condition of Structure

Comments (at time of Survey)

Building Type

Outbuildings

Building Style

Stories

Porch

Basement

Roof Style

Roof Type

Moved

Demolished

Year/Date

2008

Permit Number(s)

Additions/ Alterations

Resource Information

Recorded By

Elizabeth Atly

Date

3-30-1984

Sources

Mahala Cozine Obituary,
Telephone Register, April 24, 1908

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Statement of historical significance and description of property:

B553 – Tree fell down/removed 2008

Samuel and Mahala Cozine's original log cabin stood on the site of Pioneer Hall, just southeast of this tree. "Mr. Cozine, ...known throughout the county as "Uncle Sam", put up his blacksmith shop near the tree on the college campus which is now name for one of the sororities, the "Edelweiss Oak". There, ashes and cinders and an occasional scrap of iron from his forge can still be found." (Mahala Cozine Obituary, Telephone Register, April 24, 1908)

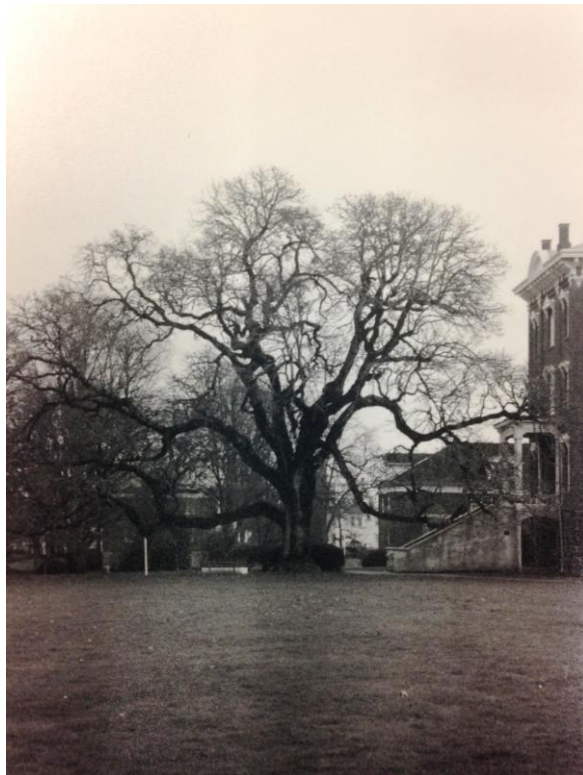
The Cozine's donated the land that Linfield College now occupies. It was the eastern portion of their Donation Land Claim.

*Photo caption in Kenneth Holmes' Linfield Hundred Years reads: "The Old Oak gives us courage.' Older than Columbus, this massive tree stands as a symbol for countless generations of Linfield students." (photo facing p. 167)

**Historic Resource No. B551
Fell down & removed 2008**



Photo November 2000



Original 1983 Survey Photo