



***LEWIS FIELDS LINN***

**Linn City, later to become West Linn, was named by Robert Moore in 1845 in honor of Senator Lewis F. Linn of Missouri, a free-state advocate and friend of Oregon.**

**Lewis Fields Linn was born near Louisville, Kentucky on November 5, 1796. He served in the War of 1812 as a surgeon. He also played a significant role in combating two cholera epidemics in Sainte Genevieve, in the Territory of Missouri.**

**Linn, a democrat, was a U.S. Senator from Missouri from 1833 to 1843. He was a strong advocate of the free acquisition and colonization of the Oregon Territory and was author of the Oregon Bill.**

**Linn died in office on October 3, 1843. Linn County Oregon, Linn County Iowa, Linn County Kansas and Linn County Missouri are also named for Lewis Fields Linn.**