

J. C. Cochrane Quartz Creek House

John C. Cochrane

Born: August 4, 1868 PA

Father Mathew Cochrane

Born: 1840 Ireland

Mother Cyrrisca Cochrane

Born: 1848 PA

Wife Florence M. (Neely) Cochrane

Born: 1874 OR
Father & Mother's Birth Place: MI

1895 J. C. Cochrane, owned 240 acres in Hugo, Oregon on Jump Off Joe Creek in 1895. The ranch was on the main Applegate Trail.¹⁻² His 160-acre 1861 military patent by Davis/Heatt included most of the open wetlands of what would become the J. C. Cochrane Ranch.



1910 Census. Merlin Precinct, Josephine Co., OR

J. C. Cochrane	Head	41 years	PA
Florence Cochrane	Wife	36 years	OR
Norma Cochrane	Daugh	13 years	OR
Gordon Cochrane	Son	11 years	OR
Curtis Cochrane	Son	10 years	OR
Emmett Cochrane	Son	3 years	OR

1930 Census. Lucky Queen Precinct, Josephine Co., OR

John C. Cochrane	Head	61 years	PA
Florence Cochrane	Wife	56 years	OR
Gordon W. Cochrane	Son	31 years	OR
Emmett Cochrane	Son	23 years	OR
Ann Potts	Boarder	59 years	IL

The J. C. Cochrane Family, Early Pioneers: 1893 - 1939

History³ The John C. Cochrane House on Quartz Creek was constructed ca., 1895 for John Cochrane and his wife Florence (Neely) Cochrane. He moved with his parents to Michigan as a child. At the age of 21 he worked in the woods, then practiced the butchering trade for one year. He then went to Josephine County where he purchased his farm in 1893. He married Florence Neely on October 11, 1893, and the two planned their new home. Florence Neely was the daughter of Elizabeth Vannoy (Gibson) Neely, and James Neely who lived on their ranch on Jump-Off-Joe Creek.

Through the years the Cochrane ranch was known as one of the most valuable in the area. During the first decade of the twentieth century, John Cochrane operated a dairy farm on the property. They raised several children at the ranch. After they passed Emmett continued to live on the Quartz Creek Ranch, while another son, Gordon, settled on their mother's property on Jump-Off Joe Creek.

1932 The Quartz Creek School District No. 47 is clearly identified on the J. C. Cochrane Ranch.

1939 John Cochrane died October 20, 1939, about one month after the death of his wife.³

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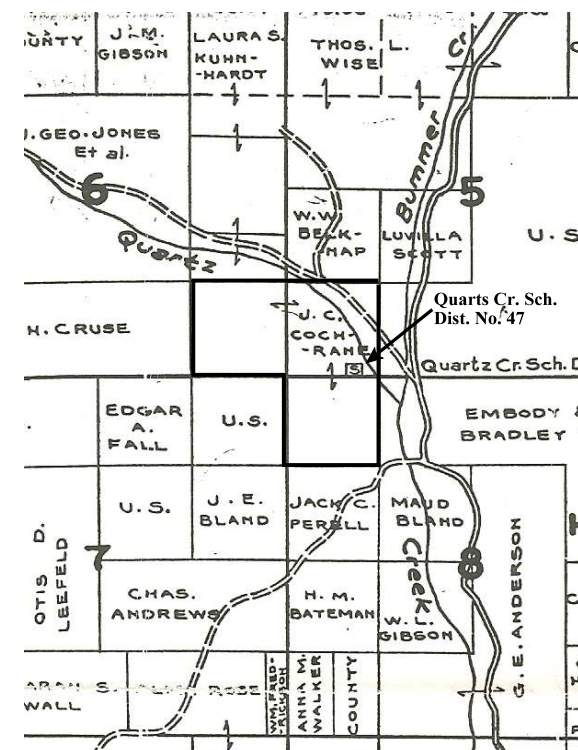
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Cochrane Ranches

Importance³ The John C. Cochrane House has received little exterior alteration, and with its relatively intact setting is a good representative of nineteenth century substantial farm houses in Josephine County.



J. C. Cochrane's Quartz Creek Ranch: 1932

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The *Hugo Neighborhood's* land use mission is to promote Oregon Statewide Goal 1 — Citizen Involvement, and to preserve, protect, and enhance the livability and economic viability of its farms, forests, and rural neighbors. It will act, if requested, as a technical resource assisting neighbors to represent themselves.

Its history mission is to educate, collect, preserve, interpret, and research its local history and to encourage public interest in the history of the Hugo area.

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