

Joseph & Sarah McCaslin

Joseph R. McCaslin

Born: March 2, 1844 Johnson Co., Indiana
Died: July 7 1919 Coos Co., Oregon
Father James H. McCaslin: Indiana
Mother Elizabeth (Curry) Niday: Iowa

Sarah Elizabeth (Niday) McCaslin

Born: October 21, 1847 Wayne Co., Indiana
Died: October 23, 1936 Douglas Co., OR
Father David Niday: Virginia
Mother Sarah (Harless) Niday: Virginia

1865 Joseph McCaslin and Sarah Niday married
December 3, 1865 in Scotland County, Missouri.

1895 Jos. McCaslin owned the homestead in 1895.¹ Joseph was proving up the ranch. It was located on the main Applegate Trail.

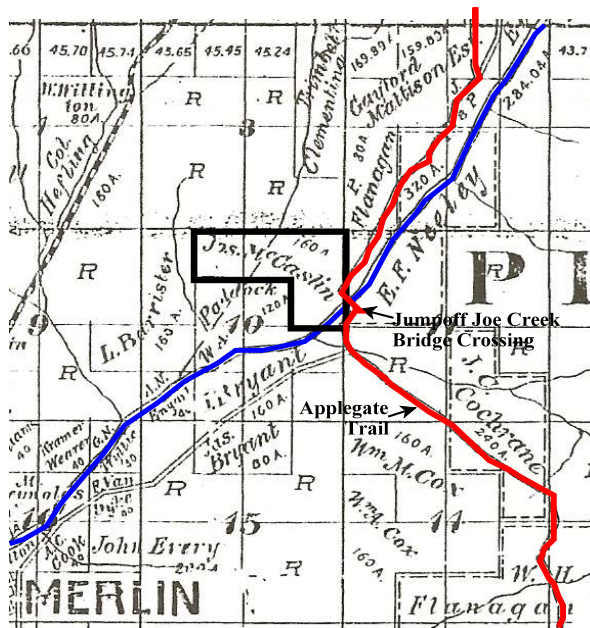


1896 Joseph McCaslin's Hugo Homestead On January 3, 1896 Joseph McCaslin was issued a homestead certificate for 160 acres in Hugo, Oregon (Patent No. 3581).²⁻³

1900 "A serious accident occurred today at the Jumpoff Joe bridge, nine miles north of town. Mrs. Sexton, who lives about two miles beyond, had just driven, with a team and buggy, on the north approach to the bridge, when it collapsed and fell with team, buggy and occupants. Mrs. Sexton was very seriously injured and was taken to McCaslin's place, not able to endure being moved to her home. The buggy was completely destroyed and one of the horses was killed."⁴

The Joseph McCaslin Family, Hugo Pioneers: ca., 1890s - 1910s

The bridge accident must have been an extremely serious accident for Caroline Sexton not to be taken the two miles north to her home. However, the close location was with family as Joseph McCaslin's wife, Sarah Elizabeth (Niday) McCaslin, was the daughter of David Niday who was the brother of Hiram Niday, Caroline Sexton's first husband.⁵



Josephine McCaslin's Homestead: 1895

1. Koch, Joseph, Draughtsman. 1895 Official Josephine County, Oregon. Map. Scale 1 inch = 1 mile. Meston - Dygert Book M'F'G. Portland, OR.
2. Bureau of Land Management (BLM), General Land Office (GLO) Records. 2007. Official Federal Land Records Site (<http://www.glorerecords.blm.gov/>). Internet.
3. Hugo Neighborhood. 2007. *Hugo Pioneers*. Map Of Federal Land Transfer in Hugo, Oregon. Hugo, OR.

Homesteader

1900 Census. Merlin Precinct, Josephine Co., OR

In 1900 Joseph McCaslin was a farmer.

Joseph McCaslin	Head	IN	1850	50 yrs
Sarah McCaslin	Wife	IA	1847	52 yrs
Charles McCaslin	Son	IA	1880	19 yrs

1908 This week the county court selected 96 residents of the various voting precinct of Josephine County, who will preside at the coming primaries and other elections. The said officials named are as follows: Merlin - Hugo Garbers, D. W. Mitchell and Joseph McCaslin, judges; C. D. Sexton, Charles Crow and Charles Ladd, clerks.⁶

1910 Census. Merlin Precinct, Josephine Co., OR

J. McCaslin	Head	IN	1844	66 yrs
Sarah McCaslin	Wife	IA	1848	62 yrs

J. McCaslin was a farmer owning his own farm.

1919 It was not until 1919 that *The Antlers* was built along the Pacific Highway in front of the McCaslin's home. The 'store' at that time consisted of a sandwich shop and a café. They sold lunch goods, candy and tobacco to the passerbys in covered wagons.⁷

Want more information? Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood*.

4. *Rogue River Courier*, May 21, 1900

5. Ancestry.com. February 11, 2008. *Greater Hamilton family tree* (Sarah Elizabeth Niday; David Niday; Hiram Niday); U.S. & International Marriage Records. Internet.

6. *Rogue River Courier*, January 10, 1908, (Front Page). Officers Chosen For Coming Elections Judges and Clerks Selected by Commissioners for the Next Contests.

7. Pierce, Kelly. November 1, 1986. *The Antlers*, Part One. Mountain Echoes, North Country Gazette.

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McCaslin Home Along Applegate Trail: 1897
Courtesy of Del Duncan

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