# George & Mary "Nettie" McCormick



**1885 Hugo Homestead** On September 15, 1893 George T. McCormick was issued a homestead patent for 80 acres in Hugo, Oregon (Patent No. 3164). 1-2

1895 The McCormicks were living on their homestead in 1895.<sup>3</sup>

1910 Census. Merlin Precinct, Josephine Co., OR

George C. McCormick	Head	MO	1850	60 yrs
Nettie McCormick	Wife	OR	1866	44 yrs
Wily McCormick	Son	OR	1887	23 yrs
Warney McCormick	Son	OR	1889	21 yrs
Winnie McCormick	Dau	OR	1891	19 yrs
Wilton McCormick	Son	OR	1896	14 yrs

George's occupation was boarding house.

Mrs. Bertha McCormic is quite ill. Dr. Parker was up to see her Sunday. There is no other reported case of sickness in Hugo. *Rogue River Courier*. March 4, 1910. Sparks From Hugo.

**1913** Constable McCormick, of the Merlin district, was here Tuesday watching the animals both within and without the big tents. *Rogue River Courier*. April 18, 1913. Personal And Local.

### The George McCormick Family, Hugo Pioneers: ca., 1890s - 1946

McCormick Hotel: ca., 1916 - 1920 "Mrs. McCormick was partly of Indian descent. Mrs. McCormick had a boarding house for the railroad men. Mary [Mary Ellen (Ritchie) Fitzpatrick] can remember sitting and playing with Edith McCormick [granddaughter Edith Bagley] when her little Indian mother (dressed like an Indian) was there sitting in the corner over by the fireplace. Her Indian mother never talked or said anything, but her eyes would kinda sparkle when the kids did something humorous while playing."

"Edith and Mary would sit in front of the fireplace and play when it was raining outside. The McCormicks had this rooming house and Mary would love to go there because they

had an upstairs, halls, and downstair while in comparison the Ritchies lived in a shack that did not have those neat features. Edith called her grandmother "Nanna." Mary remembers that Nanna always had these good things in the boarding house and she would give these good things to the kids and Mary would love it."<sup>3</sup>

**McCormick** 

Boarding House

Orville Dingler lived in Hugo from 1910 - 1920.<sup>4</sup> He remembered "The McCormicks ran the boarding house/hotel which rented rooms and would give you a meal if you wanted one. Mrs. Winnie (McCormick) Bagley ran the new Hugo railroad depot which is meant to say she had the keys and opened it when it was necessary."

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### **McCormick Hotel**

1920 Census. Lucky Qu	een Preci	nct, Jo	sephine	Co.,	OR
George McCormick	Head	MO	1849	71	yrs
Netty McCormick	Wife	OR	1867	53	yrs

In 1920 George McCormick's occupation was hotel keeper.

1920 G. T. McCormick and W. G. Vanderbuilt were in Grants Pass Saturday serving on the jury. (July 16, 1920. Hugo. *Rogue River Courier*). Wiley McCormick and wife returned to their home at Eureka, Cal., after visiting at the Geo. McCormick home. (September 17, 1920. Hugo. *Rogue River Courier*). Mrs. G. T. McCormick, who is staying in Grants Pass taking medical treatment, spent Sunday and Monday at home. (October 22, 1920. Hugo. *Rogue River Courier*). Mrs. Winnie Bagley went to Merlin Sunday morning to visit her grandmother, Mrs. Smith. *Rogue River Courier*. March 26, 1920. Hugo.

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**1930 - 1946** George McCormick passed in 1930. Nettie McCormick passed in 1946. George and Nettie share a tombstone in the Pleasant Valley Cemetery.<sup>5</sup>

**Want more information?** Contact an officer of the *Hugo Neighborhood* on how you can become involved in your community's history and land use.

<sup>1.</sup> Bureau of Land Management (BLM), General Land Office (GLO) Records. 2007. Official Federal Land Records Site (http://www.glorecords.blm.gov/).

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<sup>2.</sup> Hugo Neighborhood. 2007. *Hugo Pioneers*. Map Of Federal Land Transfer in Hugo, Oregon. Hugo, OR.

Koch, Joseph, Draughtsman. 1895 Official Josephine County, Oregon.
 Map. Scale 1 inch = 1 mile. Meston - Dygert Book M'F'G. Portland, OR.

<sup>4.</sup> Walker, Mike. April 26, 2000. Mary Ellen (Ritchie) Fitzpatrick's Hugo Memories. Interview. Mary attended Hugo School 1917 - 1920. Hugo, OR.

<sup>5.</sup> Hugo Neighborhood. 2004. Orville Dingler's Hugo Memories: 1910 - 1920. Hugo. OR.

<sup>5.</sup> Internet.net. October 22, 2007. Pleasant Valley Cemetery, Hugo, Josephine County, Oregon. Contributed by Jean Boling.

### Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society's Mission

This information brochure is one of a series of documents published by the Hugo Neighborhood Association & Historical Society (Hugo Neighborhood). It is designed to be shared with neighbors for the purpose of helping protect our rural quality of life by promoting an informed citizenry in decision-making. The Hugo Neighborhood is an informal nonprofit charitable and educational organization with a land use and history mission of promoting the social welfare of its neighbors.

## Land Use & History

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.

Volunteer membership dues are \$10.00 annually per family and normally used for paper, ink, envelopes, publications and mailings. Send us your e-mail address if you want to know what we are doing.

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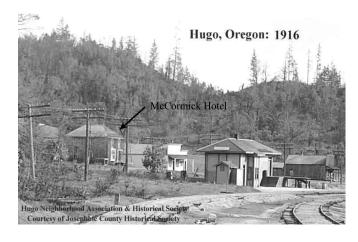
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