
Ezekiel Corliss Hotel

Ezekiel S. Corliss

Born: December 1853
Birth Place: Michigan

Flora Corliss

Born: May 1863
Birth Place: Australia

1870 Census – Keene, Ionia County, MI

Corliss, Ira	43 yrs b. Canada	Farm laborer
Corliss, Lou	41 yrs b. NY	
Corliss, Ezekel	17 yrs b. MI	Farm laborer
Corliss, Levi	15 yrs b. MI	Farm laborer
Corliss, George	13 yrs b. MI	
Corliss, Alexander	11 yrs b. MI	
Corliss, Lois	7 yrs b. MI	

1910 Census – Lucky Queen Precinct, Josephine Co., OR

Corliss, Ezekiel	56 yrs	MI Sawmill Boarding House
Corliss, Flora	46 yrs	Australia, Boarding House Cook
Corliss, Della	27 yrs	MI Ferry Boat Clerk
Corliss, Zoe	14 yrs	MI
Corliss, Charlotte	12 yrs	MI
Corliss, Venita	5 yrs	OR

Corliss Creek is located in the Three Pines Fruit Tracts and flows south to Bannister Creek. It was named after the Ezekel and Levi Corliss families.¹

1911 “Another sign of growth is the hotel being erected by E. S. Corliss. This building will have accommodations for about twenty regular patrons and able to handle a much larger transient business. The new hotel, the Corliss house, is rapidly nearing completion and when finished will be occupied by the owner and conducted in first-class style.” *Rogue River Courier*. March 31, 1911. [Three Pines](#).

The Ezekiel Corliss Family, Early Hugo Settlers: ca.,1910 - 1920

1911 “Five carpenters are today putting the finishing touches on the Corliss hotel. It will soon be occupied and a much needed improvement will have been supplied.” *Rogue River Courier*. May 26, 1911. [Three Pines](#). “The Misses Rose and Evelyn Corliss have gone to their home at Fernville, but will return and attend the school here this winter. Mrs. Delta Walker of Grassmere, Wash., who has spent the summer with her mother, Mrs. E. S. Corliss, has returned to her home.” *Rogue River Courier*. August 25, 1911. [Three Pines](#).

“Ezekel Corliss is about to move into his home on his fruit tract to make room for Wm. Rolph, of Medford. Mr. Rolph has been in charge of Bear Creek orchard but has resigned his position and now intends to make his home at Three Pines.” *Rogue River Courier*. November 29, 1912. [Three Pines](#).

1915/1916 Zoe Mae Corliss, daughter of Ezekiel, married Oliver Nelson Ward on 12 Sep 1915. Charlotte Beverly Corliss, daughter of Ezekiel, married Lauren Arthur Gale on 16 June 1916.

1920 Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walker visited Mr. and Mrs. Corliss Sunday. *Rogue River Courier*. January 2, 1920. [Three Pines Weekly](#). “A pleasant evening was enjoyed at the home of Mr. Price on the evening of December 24 by Mrs. Corliss and daughter, Venita, Mr. and Mrs. Wright, Miss Iva Wright, Fred, Tom and Virgil Wright and Mr. Springer. Venita Corliss in spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Allen, in Grants Pass.” *Rogue River Courier*. January 9, 1920. [Three Pines Weekly](#). “Miss Venita Corliss was very much surprised when the following people entered her home: Mr. G. M. Crawford and Margaret, Miss Elsie Powers, Elmer, Harold, Lila and Esther Ludwick; Misses Edna and Adelma Price; George Price, James Price, Miss Iva Wright; Leo Garner, Grantz Garner, Asa Powers, William Powers and Frank Batchelor. Cake, pie and coffee were served.” *Rogue River Courier*. January 23, 1920. [Three Pines Weekly](#).

Corliss Hotel At Town of Three Pines, Oregon

1920 Miss Venita Corliss spent the week end at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. L. Allen at Grants Pass.. *Rogue River Courier*. February 6, 1920. [Three Pines Weekly](#). Mrs. Ed. Rathbone, of Winona called on E. S. Corliss Saturday. *Rogue River Courier*. February 13, 1920. [Three Pines Weekly](#). Mrs. E. S. Corliss and daughter, and Mrs. Garner and sons went to Grants Pass Saturday. *Rogue River Courier*. February 20, 1920. [Three Pines Weekly](#). E. S. Corliss made a business trip to Merlin Wednesday. *Rogue River Courier*. March 15, 1920. [Three Pines Weekly](#). Mrs. A. L. Allen and family of Grants Pass were visiting at the home of Mrs. E. S. Corliss Sunday. *Rogue River Courier*. March 19, 1920. [Three Pines](#).

“Miss Venita Corliss was an over Sunday guest of Miss Elsie Powers. Mrs. E. S. Corliss spent Sunday evening with her daughter, Mrs. H. E. Walker, at Grants Pass.” *Rogue River Courier*. March 19, 1920. [Three Pines](#)

1920s “In the 1910s there was a big two-story hotel located at Three Pines Corner. In later years it was abandoned and all the windows were knocked out. It was during the late 1920s that Clarence and the other kids used to play in it. They would go upstairs and out the back window to pick apples off an apple tree.”²

1925 Verlin Grimes lived in the Town of Three Pines just below the school house from 1925 - 1941. “Verlin Grimes discovered the Three Pines Hotel after they were in Three Pines. It was abandoned, but had been a hotel and store.”³

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

1. State Water Resources Board. 1970. *Rogue Drainage Basin Oregon*. Map No. 15.6. Salem, OR.

2. Walker, Mike. 2001. *Clarence and Bernice (Brazille) Kolkow's Memories*. Hugo, OR.

3. Hugo Neighborhood. 2007. *Verlin Clare Grimes' Three Pines & Hugo Memories: 1913 - 2002*. Hugo, OR.

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