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## John & Mary Gigler

### Andrew Gigler

Born: 1873 Germany  
Father & Mothers 's Birth Place: Germany

### Mary Gigler

Born: 1887 Ohio  
Father's Birth Place: Australia  
Mother's Birth Place: Germany

### 1910 Census. Grants Pass Ward 4, Josephine County, Oregon

|                      |               |           |             |              |
|----------------------|---------------|-----------|-------------|--------------|
| Andrew Gigler        | Head          | Germany   | 1873        | 37 yrs       |
| Mary Gigler          | Wife          | OH        | 1887        | 23 yrs       |
| <u>Bertha Gigler</u> | <u>Dau</u>    | <u>OR</u> | <u>1907</u> | <u>3 yrs</u> |
| Anna Huber           | Sister-in-law | OH        | 1891        | 19 yrs       |

Andrew's occupation was proprietor of bakery. Ann's was clerk of bakery.

**1912** Three Pines was recently developed and a going concern in 1912 with over a hundred citizens; a brand new one-year old school, Three Pines Elementary; two stores; the Corliss Hotel; a post office; a planning mill that was connected by a 11.5 mile flume to the upper reaches of Jump-off Joe Creek and the lumber town of Mountain; and a railroad siding and small depot. The town was platted and there was the Three Pines Fruit Tracts just to the east.

**Mid-1910s** The Three Pines mill and lumber town had declined ca., 1915 - 1917 and the Town of Three Pines was in decline.

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## The Andrew Gigler Family, Early Settler: ca., 1900s - 1930s

### 1920 Census. Fruitdale Precinct, Josephine County, Oregon

|                      |            |           |             |               |
|----------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| Andrew Gigler        | Head       | Germany   | 1873        | 47 yrs        |
| Mary Gigler          | Wife       | OH        | 1887        | 33 yrs        |
| <u>Bertha Gigler</u> | <u>Dau</u> | <u>OR</u> | <u>1907</u> | <u>13 yrs</u> |
| Julia Gigler         | Dau        | OR        | 1911        | 9 yrs         |
| Andrew R. Gigler     | Son        | OR        | 1915        | 5 yrs         |

### 1920 Census. Seattle, King County, Washington

|                     |            |           |             |               |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|-------------|---------------|
| William L. Baker    | Head       | WI        | 1868        | 52 yrs        |
| Clara Baker         | Wife       | WI        | 1883        | 37 yrs        |
| <u>Robert Baker</u> | <u>Son</u> | <u>WI</u> | <u>1903</u> | <u>17 yrs</u> |

William's occupation was conductor for a railroad.

**1928** Bertha Gigler was a teacher at the Three Pines School. She later married Ben Baker, who was a logger and miner up Jump-off Joe Creek. She married Ben the same year that Verlin Grimes graduated from the eight grade in May 1928. After they were married Ben and Bertha lived in a little yellow house about 50 feet north from the Ludwick home. The yellow house had previously been used as an office when the old planing mill was operating in Three Pines. The Grimes family eventually tore the old yellow house down and used the wood to remodel their own home.<sup>1</sup>

**1929** Clarence Kolkow started first grade at Three Pines Elementary School in 1930. His teacher was Bertha Gigler. His dad made him wear bib-overalls and he just hated wearing them. She would teach at Three Pines for two years: 1928 - 1929 and 1929 - 1930.<sup>2</sup>

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## Bertha Gigler, Three Pines & Hugo School Teacher

### 1930 Census. Lucky Queen Precinct, Josephine County, Oregon

|              |      |    |      |        |
|--------------|------|----|------|--------|
| Robert Baker | Head | WI | 1901 | 29 yrs |
| Bertha Baker | Wife | OR | 1907 | 23 yrs |

Robert "Ben" Baker's occupation was gold miner. Berth's occupation was teacher at a grade school.

**1931** During the summer of 1931 Frank Holden and Lela Sexton and others quit claimed about three acres just south of the school to Ben and Bertha (Gigler) Baker. Mrs. Bertha Baker, our grade teacher for next year, has finished her course at Southern Oregon Normal school and is residing in a tent near the new home now being built (Hugo Items, *Grants Pass Bulletin*, August 28, 1931). The couple built a little house there right next to the church. Bertha Baker taught at the Hugo Elementary School. Later after the Bakers left the little house became a room for the teachers.<sup>3</sup>

**1936 - 1937** For awhile Teacher Baker was sick and Mrs. Hanson was the substitute teacher. Seventh grader Beatrice Decker liked her a lot as she thought Mrs. Hanson was a kind teacher. Mrs. Bertha Baker would died of throat cancer.<sup>4</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.

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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.

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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.

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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