

E. S. Corliss Hotel

Levi T. Corliss

Born: December 25, 1855
Died: December 21, 1916

Mary Corliss

Born: September 1857, OH
Died: 1956 Multnomah County, OR

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 – Merlin Precinct, Josephine Co., OR

Corliss, L T	54 yrs b. MI	Farmer, general farm
Corliss, Mary	52 yrs b. OH	

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](#).

“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](#).

“William Rolph has rented the house now occupied by L. T. Corliss as a hotel and will live there until his own home on the fruit land is completed.” *Rogue River Courier*. July 28, 1911. [Three Pines](#).

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

1911 “L. T. Corliss, who is manufacturing shingles on the D. H. Clark place, will shortly move the plant to a point near the railroad.” *Rogue River Courier*. November 17, 1911. [Three Pines](#).

“L. T. Corliss has rented space in the planing mill and is setting up his shingle mill and will get power from the engine of the lumber company.” *Rogue River Courier*. December 15, 1911. [Three Pines](#).

1912 “Levi Corliss is at work for a time in the Hoover orchard at Medford.” *Rogue River Courier*. November 1, 1912. [Three Pines](#).

“Mr. and Mrs. Levi Corliss are entertaining their daughter-in-law and four children from Glendale.” *Rogue River Courier*. November 29, 1912. [Three Pines](#).

1916 Levi Corliss died December 21, 1916. He is buried at the Pleasant Valley Cemetery (lot B2/R5/L2).

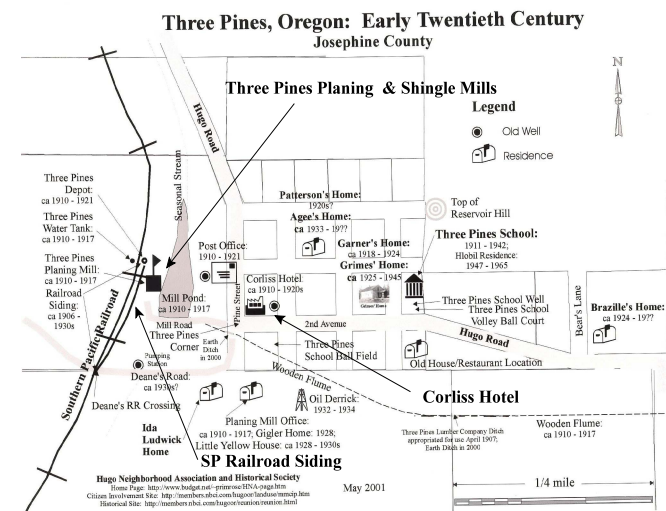
1920 “A pleasant evening was enjoyed at the home of Mr. Price on the evening of December 24 by Mrs. Corliss and daughter, Venita, Mr. and Mrs. Wright, Miss Iva Wright, Fred, Tom and Virgil Wright and Mr. Springer. Venita Corliss in spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Allen, in Grants Pass.” *Rogue River Courier*. January 9, 1920. [Three Pines Weekly](#).

1920s “The Three Pines railroad siding was used some in the early 1920s after the planing mill was shut down, but probably only to shuffle boxcars to and from Hugo when there was not enough room there. Historically the planing mill was located across a seasonal creek and adjacent to a railroad siding. Around 1927 or 1928 a very young Clarence [Kolkow] helped his dad tear the planing mill down by bundling shakes.”²

Shingle Mill

1956 Mary L Corliss died Multnomah County 1956 [not necessarily the 1910 Census Merlin Precinct Mary Corliss since this would make her 99 years old, but not impossible].

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



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.

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.

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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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