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Brock, Lowry, Leon, Bailey, Woodward, Maple, Brett, Cripe and Cooper Families

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Addendum, Feb. 2013

FE (16 Feb. 1894) Erick Thorsen and Yarnell Cooper have been brought from Orleans to Eureka charged with grand larceny in having killed a beef belonging to C.S. Hoffman and used it for food.

FE (9 March 1894) Yarnell Cooper has been held to answer to charge of grand larceny [Thorsen released]

FE (3 May 1895) Mrs. Thos. Brett, aged 21 years, died at Hoopa a few days since, of consumption.

1880 U.S. Census, Humboldt county, Redwood; Willow Creek precinct [Indian residents]
9. Mary, 30, wife
10. George, 12, son
11. Mary, 30 sister
12. Franky, 3, son [of #11]
13. Julia, 50, mother

In Lyman Berry family
22. O'Donough, Cora, 24, servant
23. ____, Lizzie, half white, 1, daughter, Calif.; Ireland; Calif.
24. ____, Henry, 35, servant

37. John, Capt. 40
38. Anna, 30, wife
39. Stephen, 14, son
40. Marion, 1, son
41. Sarah, 60, mother
42. Betsy, 55, aunt
43. Maggie, 16, niece
6. Tom, Capt. 50, doctor
7. Mary, 40, wife
8. Louis, 20, son
9. Minnie, 12, daughter
10. Charlie, 25, nephew
11. Minnie, 14, niece

25. Redwood, Capt. 35
26. Jennie, 30, wife
27. Lena, 1, daughter
28. Joe, 28, cousin

1. Beaver, Jacob, white, 32, Penn.; Penn.; Penn.
2. ____, Mary, half white, 20, wife, Calif.; NY; Calif.
3. ______, Jessie, ¾ white, Calif.; Penn.; Calif.
4. ______, William, ¾ white, Calif.; Penn.; Calif.

28. Bill, Capt. 26
29. Kitty, 20 wife
30. Burton, 10

32. Wilson, Capt., 35
33. Jane, 16, daughter
34. Amanda, 14, daughter
35. Billy, 13, son
36. Grant, 2, son

37. Bayley, Ohina, ½ white, 22,

38. Charley, Capt. 28
39. Tom, Capt. 19
40. Lane, Capt. 35
41. Dusky, 9, orphan

1880 U.S. Census, Mad River, Willow Creek precinct
1. Indian, Robert, 32
2. Susie, 30, wife

3. Old Dick, 50
4. Sallie, 45
5. William, 15

6. Maggie, 50
7. Carrie, 55, friend
8. James, 12, son
9. Richard, 31
10. Ann, 25, wife
11. Old Doctor, 60, father

12. George, 33
13. Lizzie, 24, wife
14. Susie, 5, daughter

15. Thomas, 40
16. Laura, 48

17. Nealon John, 35
18. Martha, 17, wife
19. David, 20, brother
20. Maggie, 14, ½ Indian, friend

21. James, 18
22. Mollie, 20, wife
23. Nellie 9, daughter
24. Ellen, 15, friend

25. John, 40
26. Sarah, 20, wife
27. John, 8, son
28. Baby, 1, son

29. Thomas, 50
30. Mary, 40, wife
31. Jeremiah, 16, son
32. Charles, 30, friend

June 16, 1889 Hoopa Agency Census, Redwood
Jim Redwood, 60
Mrs., wife, 47
George, son, 25
Girl, daughter, 10
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Captain Redwood, 50
Mrs., 40
Edward, son, 19
Harry, son, 17
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Molasses, 40
Mrs., wife, 39
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Thomas Redwood, 60
Mrs., wife, 49
Lewis, son, 25
Minnie, daughter, 20
Charley, grandson, 3
Boy baby, grandson, 1
Mary Humboldt, sister, 45

Henry Redwood, 25
Netty, sister, 19
Nancy, sister, 17

Haniel, 37
Mrs., wife, 30
Girl, daughter, 3
Boy baby, 1

1930 Hoopa Agency Census, Blue Lake
1. Anderson, Carrie Scott, 19, ¼+, head

2. Bailey, Luther, 42, full, head
3. ____, Langster, 18, ¼+, son
4. ____, Sylvena, 17, ¼+, daughter
5. ____, Marjorie, 12, ¼+, daughter

6. Bates, John, 59, full, head
7. ____, Lucy Brock, 50, full, wife

8. Beach, Winfield, 37, ¼+, head
9. ____, Eleanor, 20, ¼+ daughter
10. ____, Marjorie, 18, ¼+, daughter
11. ____, June, 8, ¼+, daughter

12. Brock, Jim, 72, full, head
13. ____, Mollie, 76, full, wife

14. Brown, Edward, 34, ¼+, head
15. ____, Florence Quinn, 28 [?], ¼+, wife
16. ____, Charlotte, 14, ¼+, daughter
17. ____, Elma, 10, ¼+, daughter
18. ____, Eddie, 8, ¼+, son

19. Davis, Robert, 39, full, head
20. ____, Myrtle Richards, 34, full, wife
21. ____, Ewing, 22, full, son
22. ____, Christopher, 16, full, son
23. ____, Frederick, 14, full, son
24. _____, Christina, 12, full, daughter
25. Fletcher, Lizzie, 50, ¼+, head
26. _____, Emma, 26, ¼+, daughter
27. Hartman, Mrs. 54, ¼+, head
28. _____, Emma, 25, ¼+, daughter
29. _____, Theresa, 22, ¼+, daughter
30. Johnson, Mrs. Frederick, 70, ¼+, head
31. Johnson, Mrs. James, 66, ¼+, head
32. Kane, Daisy, 40, ¼+, head
33. Kane, James, 61, ¼+, head
34. Lowry, Frank, 70, full, head
35. _____, Gus, 27, full, son
36. Markinson, Grace Scott, 45, ¼+, head
37. Maple, Johnny, 56, full, head
38. Moon, James, 37, ¼+, head
39. _____, Eliza Lowry, 35, full, wife
40. _____, Robert S., 15, ¼+, son
41. _____, Leslie, 15, ¼+, son
42. _____, Margaret, 12, ¼+, daughter
43. Oscar, Ida Bailey, 32, ¼+, head
44. Bailey, Walter, 11, ¼+, son
45. Quinn, James, 45, ¼+, head
46. _____, Martha Noble, 41, ¼+, wife
47. _____, Earl, 21, ¼+, son
48. _____, James, Jr., 19, ¼+, son
49. Redner, Flora, Maple, 36, full, head
50. Lowery, Pearl, 14, full, daughter
51. _____, Kenneth, 9, full, son
52. Richards, Albert, Sr., 36, full, head
53. _____, Sadie Burtt, 30, full, wife
54. _____, Fernando, 17, full, son
55. _____, Albert, Jr., 8, full, son
56. Richards, Jay, 33 [?], full, head
57. Richards, Nick, 70, full, head
58. Roberts, Oliver, 13, ¼+, other
59. Scott, Ben, 66, ¼+, head
60. Ellen Martin, 60, ¼+, wife
61. Scott, Oliver, 65, ¼+, head
62. John A., 23, ¼+, son
63. Scott, William, 24, ¼+, head
64. Skinner, Fred, 55, full, head
65. Hattie Ahlagha, 52, full, wife
66. Stevens, Annie Ahsucheke, full, head
67. Bismark, 44, full, son
68. Taggart, Laura Stevens, 42, full, head
69. Morris, 11, ¼+, son
70. Touhey, Louise David, 47, ¼+, head
71. William J., 25, ¼+, son
72. Leora M., 17, ¼+, daughter
73. Audrey L., 9, ¼+, daughter

1937 Hoopa Agency Census, Blue Lake Rancheria
2. Bailey, Langster, 12/12/12, 24, husband, full Blue Lake Tribe, living in Hoopa non enrolled Wilson, Eleanor, wife
3. Bailey, Marjorie, 2/4/18, age 18, full Blue Lake Tribe
8. Brock, Mollie, 8/7/54, age 82, full Blue Lake Tribe
n.e. Frye, Julius
23. (Bailey) Sylvena, 15/16/1913, 23, full Blue Lake tribe, residence Klamath, Del Norte county
30. Kane, James, 3/25/69, age 67, ½ Blue Lake Tribe
n.e. (Land) [Leon] Daisy, 3/20/76, 60, ½ Blue Lake tribe
31. Lowry, Frank, 8/25/60, age 76, full Blue Lake Tribe, widower, head
32. Gus, 8/8/03, age 33, full Blue Lake Tribe, single, son
33. Lowry, Pearl, 5/7/16, age 20, full Blue Lake Tribe, head
34. _____, Kenneth, 10/11/21, 15, full Blue Lake Tribe, brother
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36. Maple, Johnny, 8/30/74, age 62, full Blue Lake Tribe, head
n.e. Gilman, Ida J. wife, ¾ Blue Lake Tribe
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n.e. Oscar, Jerry, Sr., husband
41. (Bailey) Ida, 7/3/98, 38, ¾ Blue Lake Tribe
42. Bailey, Walter, 2/13/12, 17, 3/8 Blue Lake Tribe

**Brock Family**

**Humboldt County Marriages (Milota Index, Eureka Library)**
Lucy Brock and James Kane, 7 Dec. 1908, Blue Lake

**Humboldt County Deaths (Milota Index, Eureka Library)**
John Bates, 9 July 1938; burial Blue Lake; informant Jim Kane, single, retired; residence Blue Lake; born 18 Dec. 1870 on Klamath River; parents unknown

**1900 U.S. Census, Mad River Township, Indian population, page. 143B**
21. Brock, Jim, head, Indian, 1842, 58, married 7 years, Mad River tribe, full
22. _____, Molly, wife, Ind., 1842, 58, married 7 years, 1 child living out of 2 born;
   Mad River tribe, full
23. _____, Dasie, daughter, Ind., 1875, age 25, single, Mad River tribe, full

**1920 U.S. Census, Mad River Township, North Fork Precinct, page 244A**
32. Brock, Jim, head, Indian, 70, married, born Calif.; parents born Calif.
33. _____, Molly, wife, Indian, 60, married, born Calif.; parents born Calif.
34. _____, Dan, brother, Indian, 75, single, born Calif.; parents born Calif.

**1924 Hoopa Agency Census, Blue Lake**
0. Brock, Dan, widow, 1862, died Oct. 8, 1923
1. _____, James, husband, 1869
2. _____, Molly, wife, 1860
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27. Johnny, Monkey Wrench, head, 1876
28. _____, Lucy Brock, wife, 1880
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44. Scott, Ben, husband, 1871
45. _____, Ellen Brock, wife, 1876
46. _____, Grace, daughter, 1891
47. _____, Albert, son, 1890


Application Number 4479; approved.
Name: Brock, Jim, no Indian name, head, age 74, male, date of birth Aug. 7, 1854; 4/4 degree Indian blood.

Residence on May 18, 1928: Blue Lake, Humboldt County, California

Post Office: Blue Lake

Living on Trust property.

Place of birth: Blue Lake, Humboldt County, California.

Where have you and your children resided since birth: Humboldt County, California

Are you married: Yes

Name and date of birth of wife: Mollie Brock, do not know date of birth.

Her degree of Indian blood: 4/4 Redwood (Hupa) Humboldt County, California

What is your degree of Indian blood: 4/4 Mad River-Eel River Tribe, Humboldt County, Calif.

To what treaty or treaties were you or your ancestors a party: Have heard of the treaty, but do not know when or where it was made. Ancestors resided in Humboldt County, California on June 1, 1852.

Names of California Indian ancestors: Yee-tek-ma-sic, Mad River Band, Father

Bushy Hair or Ka-ti-yon-kut, Eel River Band, Mother

Names of Chiefs of tribe or band to which your ancestors belonged on June 1, 1852 who executed treaties: I do not know.

What lands in California do you claim were taken from you....: In Humboldt County, Calif.

Name of father: Yee-tek-ma-sic, 4/4 degree of Indian blood

Name of Mother: English name, Bushy Hair; Indian Name, Ka-ti-yon-kut, 4/4 degree of Indian blood.

Where were they born: Father, Blue Lake, Humboldt County, California

Mother, Near Bucksport, Humboldt County, California.

When and where were your parents married: Married in Humboldt County; do not know when.

How were they married: Indian custom.

Where did they reside after their marriage: Blue Lake.

Where did they reside on June 1, 1852: Both resided in Blue Lake.

Dates of deaths of father and mother: Do not know.

Were you or your minor children or parents ever enrolled for any land or other benefits: No.

Allotments or enrollments: Never enrolled for allotments


Property: Cabin on Indian colony at Blue Lake, value, $50.00

Occupation: none

Grandparents: Do not know, but all were 4/4 degree Indian blood.

Where were they born: Humboldt County, California.

Where did they reside during their lives and where were they living on June 1, 1852: Resided in Humboldt County and were residing there on June 1, 1852, if living at that time.

Names of paternal and maternal California Indian ancestors back to June 1, 1852: Know of none aside from ones already named.

Signed: Jim Brock with thumb print.

Witness: Ben Scott

Date: 7 Aug. 1929
**Affidavit:** Personally appeared before me Frank Lowry and Ben Scott, who, being duly sworn on oath depose and say that they are well acquainted with Jim Brock who makes the foregoing application and statements and have know him personally for 45 years and 50 years, respectively; that they know that he is of California Indian blood of the degree and lineage stated in the above application and that the facts stated with reference to his ancestors, the parentage of his children, their ages and degree of Indian blood, and their places of residence are true; that they know him to be the identical person he represents himself to be and that all statements made by him are true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest whatever in his claim. Signed by Ben Scott; Frank Lowry with thumb print.

**1928 California Indian Census**
2103  4479. Brock, Jim, head, age 74, 8/7/1854; full Mad River, living at Blue Lake on trust land.
2104; 4478. Brock, Mollie, wife, 74, 8/7/1854, full Redwood, living at Blue Lake on trust land ------
Brock, William, single 59, 2/11/1869, one-half Wailaki, living in Eureka.

1220  6160  Bates, John, Ker-up, head, 57, 8/20/71, full Yurok, residence Blue Lake, divorced

**1931 Hoopa Agency Census, Blue Lake Rancheria**
Brock, Jim, 8/7/54, age 77, Blue Lake tribe, full, head _____, Mollie, 8/7/54, age 77, Blue Lake tribe, full, wife

BLA (11 March 1893) Fish Protection--Mr. A.T. Smith, deputy fish and game commissioner, has written the following letter to Kneeland Jack, an Indian of this place, in reply to a request from the last-named for information relative to his right to construct a fish dam on Mad river. We make the following extract:

> Yours of the 4th instant, inquiring as to building of a fish dam in Mad river, to hand.
> In reply will state that such contrivances are strictly forbidden by law and for the guidance of yourself and that you may inform others (be they Indians or whites) I quote you the law on that subject. Section 636 of the political code says:
> "Every person who shall set, use or continue or who shall assist in setting, using or continuing any pound, weir, set net, trap, or any other fixed contrivance for catching fish in the waters of this state is guilty of a misdemeanor..."

> The opinion seems to prevail with some parties along Mad river that an Indian is allowed privileges under the law that are not granted to white residents. This is not a fact; and you will observe in the section quoted above that the law reads "every person" and there can be no doubt of its meaning. The fish and game laws will be strictly enforced so far as I am able to perform that duty.

> In a note to the editor of this paper commission Smith adds: The old Indian method of trapping fish and at the same time preventing free passage of others to spawning grounds must cease. I am aware that the prime object of Mr. Indian is to secure eels (for which no special mention is made in our laws), but his conscience does not suffer for taking of trout at the same time...
BLA (12 July 1902) An Indian known as Charley Saxey, [possibly Saxon?] of Indianola [Table Bluff], who was engaged in shingling Kneeland Jack’s new house near the creek here, fell off to the ground...fractured his left leg....

BLA (12 Dec. 1908) Mrs. Lucy Brock, who was once married in Indian fashion to John Bates, better known here as Monkeywrench Johnny, is not the latter’s wife any longer as her parents have paid the money back to Johnny. Lucy soon found another admirer, James Kane, a well-known woodsman and last Tuesday evening at the home of the bride’s parents near Blue Lake, they were married by J.P. Merriam.

AU (14 Nov. 1918) Obit Kneeland Jack, at Blue Lake, age 80; lived with John Kneeland family as young man. [Arcata Bottom Kneelands]

BLA (16 Nov. 1918) Obit Jack Brock "Indian Jack;" lived in Blue Lake until a few years ago when he went to Arcata; fought whites in early days; Leaves two full brothers James and Dan Brock, Blue Lake; about 70 years of age; burial Greenwood cemetery in Arcata.

BLA (13 Oct. 1923) Dan Brock, one of the very few left of the Mad River tribe of Indians, passed away at the home of his brother, James Brock, in Blue Lake on Friday, Oct. 5, after a prolonged illness due to old age. Dan Brock was about 80 years of age and leaves one brother, James Brock to mourn his passing. Indian Dan was well-liked by all who knew him, being honest and square in all his dealings and he was a particularly good friend of the whites during the Indian war in the early sixties. Funeral in Arcata, Rev. S.C. Gilman of Blue Lake officiating. Interment in Arcata cemetery where his oldest brother, Kneeland Jack, is buried.

BLA (6 Sept. 1930) Mollie Brock, an aged Indian, long a familiar feature in Blue Lake, who has been ill at the home of her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Scott, is very much improved and has returned to her home on the Indian Reservation. Mollie, whose parents and brothers and sisters were killed during a battle in the Indian war, is the last of the Nongatl tribe, which until recently was supposed to be extinct. She will figure largely in a book by Mrs. Gladys A. Nomland, who is connected with the Anthropology Department of the University of California, for which Mrs. Nomland was stationed near the reservation recently gathering satisfactory data from Mollie and others.

BLA (28 March 1936) Obit James Brock, 85-year-old Indian of Blue Lake; passed away at his home; had been deaf for a number of years; leaves wife Mollie Brock; two daughters Lucy Brown of Blue Lake and Maggie Roberts of Weitchpec; step daughter Mrs. Ben Scott of Blue Lake; interment Greenwood cemetery in Arcata.

BLA (23 May 1936) Obit, Lucy Brown, age 64, Blue Lake; died of leg infection resulting from auto accident some weeks ago; daughter of Molly Brock; half sister Mrs. Ben Scott, Blue Lake.

BLA (3 April 1937) Mollie Brock Died Sunday—Death claimed Mollie Brock, well known Indian woman of Blue Lake, who had made her home here for over 50 years, Sunday, in a Eureka hospital.
“Mollie,” as she was universally known here, was born on Bug Creek above Kneeland nearly 90 years ago. She was one of the few remaining Indians who had seen the Indian massacres. Her father and mother and sisters and brothers were all killed at that time. Mollie, then a young girl, hid away in the brush and was spared by the white soldiers.

Mollie was a familiar figure and up to a few years ago never missed visiting her white friends once a week. Of late years, Mollie was nearly blind and had been forced to remain in her home. Mollie was believed to be a member of the Nongatl Indians. A year ago, Mollie’s husband Jim Brock died and two months later, a daughter Lucy Brock passed away. Another daughter Mrs. Ben Scott and one granddaughter survive. Interment Greenwood Cemetery, Arcata.

Lowery/Lowry Family

Calif. Death Records, online
Frank Lowry, 8/25/1860; died 12/26/1942
Gus Lowry, born 8 Aug. 1903; died 9 Sept. 1941; mother Wilson; father Lowry.

Humboldt County Death Records (Milota Index, Eureka Library)
Ed Lowery, died 9 March 1922 at Trinity hospital in Arcata; burial Blue Lake, age 36, woods accident near Korbel.
Jennie Lowery, died 18 Jan. 1924 in Blue Lake, age 55, husband Frank Lowery, died of TB
Paul Lowery, died 16 Sept. 1924 in Blue Lake; born 24 Dec. 1910; parents Flora Maple and Edward Lowery, died of TB.
Frank Lowry, 26 Dec. 1942, Hoopa; burial Blue Lake; heart failure; widower of Jennie Lowry.
informant Langster Bailey, born 25 Dec. or Aug. 1860 at Blue Lake; parents unknown.
Gus Lowry, 9 Sept. 1941 at Hoopa hospital; burial Blue Lake; pneumonia; sheepherder, single, lived at Redwood Creek; born 8 Aug. 1903 at Redwood Creek; parents Jennie (Wilson) and Frank Lowry, both born Redwood Creek.
Leslie Moon, born 8/14/27; died 9/11/42, mother Lowery
Robert Moon, born 8/3/15; died 11/28/63; mother Lowery
Eliza Moon, 10 Oct. 1934 at County hospital; burial Blue Lake; residence Hoopa; husband and informant James Moon; born 1895 on Redwood Creek; parents Jennie Wilson of Redwood Creek and Frank Lowery, born Maple Creek.

Humboldt County Marriages Index (Milota Index, Eureka Library)
Eliza Lowery and James Moon, 6 July 1917, Eureka
Flora Maple and Edward Lowery, 10 Sept. 1918, Eureka

1920 US. Census, Mad River, pg. 236A
3. Lowery, Edward, head, Indian, 34, born Calif.; parents Calif.; woodsman logging camp
4. ____, Flora, wife, Indian, 26, Calif.; parents Calif.
5. _____. Paul, son, Indian, 9
6. _____. Pearl, daughter, Indian, 3 ½

1924 Hoopa Agency Census, Blue Lake
33. Lowry, Frank, head, 1860
34. _____. Jennie, wife, 1872
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35. Lowry, Flora, head, 1872
36. _____, Pearl, daughter, 1917
37. _____, Kenneth, son, 1920
38. _____, Paul James, son, 1910

1928 California Indian Census
11358   4497 Lowry, Frank, Who-lish; widowed, head, male, age 68, 8/8/1860, full Mad River, allotted, living at Blue Lake; land, house, barn valued at $600, living on trust land
11359   4497 Lowry, Gus, son, male, age 25, 8/8/1903, full Mad River, living at Blue Lake

16243   6187 Redner, Flora, head, female, 36, 8/21/92, full Redwood, living in Blue Lake, husband is a white man
16244   6187 Lowery, Pearl, daughter, female, 12, 5/7/16 full Redwood
16245   6187 Lowery, Kenneth, son, male, 7, 10/11/21 full Redwood
16246   6187 Redner, Raymond, son, male, 1, 5/7/27, ½ Redwood

13434  4498  Moon, James, head, 35, 8/8/93, ½ Redwood Band, never allotted, residence Blue Lake.
13435  4495  Moon, Eliza, wife, 33, 8/8/95, full Redwood Band
13436  4498  Moon, Robert Sidney, son, 13, 8/3/15, ¾ Redwood Band
13437  4498  Moon, Leslie, son, 11, 8/14/17, ¾ Redwood Band
13438  4498  Moon, Margaret, daughter, 10, 11/3/18, ¾ Redwood Band.

BLA (4 March 1922) Woodsman Fatally Injured—Ed Lowry of Blue Lake, who was employed as chopper in the Korbel Camp No. 17, up Mad River, was seriously injured last Wednesday afternoon when he was struck on the side of the head and face by a redwood limb. He was unconscious for over an hour. Dr. Walter Scroggs, the Company’s physician, rendered him first aid and he was afterwards taken on a special train to the Trinity hospital in Arcata. His left leg was also fractured below the knee.

Later—The injured man died from the shock Thursday evening at the hospital. Ed Lowry was a native of Redwood Creek, aged about 30 years, and he leaves a wife and two children here besides other near relatives. He was well and favorably known in this community, where he resided a number of years.

BLA (26 Jan. 1924) Obit Mrs. Jennie Lowery, living at Redwood, died in Blue Lake on Friday of last week and was buried in the Indian cemetery near Blue Lake on Sunday following the services being conducted by the Rev. S.C. Gilman. She was age 55, the daughter of Jacob Wilson and the mother of Gus Lowery, Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Moon and Ed Lowery, who was killed in the Korbel woods two years ago.

BLA (20 Sept. 1924) Obit Paul James, the 13-year-old son of Mrs. Flora Lowery, died at his home in Blue Lake on Tuesday afternoon after a long illness of tuberculosis. The funeral services were held at the home on Wednesday, Rev. S.C. Gilman officiating. Members of the 5th and 6th grades were present and the pall bearers were made up from among the boys of the public school. Interment Blue Lake cemetery.

Leon Family
**Humboldt County Marriages (Milota Index, Eureka Library)**
Mary Leon and Arthur Saxon, 11 Oct. 1911, Eureka

**Humboldt County Deaths (Milota Index, Eureka Library)**
Bob Leon, died 4 May 1910, age 75, burial Blue Lake, hit by railroad locomotive
James Kane, 7 Dec. 1946 at County hospital; wife and informant Daisy Kane, age 70, lumber worker Blue Lake; born 28 March 1868 at Hoopa; parents mother unknown; father Peter Kane, born California.

**1937 Hoopa Agency Census, Hoopa**
Saxon, Mary A. Leon, died 3/29/38

**California Deaths online**
Daisy Kane, born 3/16/68; died 8/5/54; mother Maple
James Kane, born 3/28/68; died 12/7/46, father Kane
Fernando Richards, born 5/25/13; died 9/17/82
Albert E. Richards, born 3/20/94; died 10/2/69, mother Wilson

**1870 U.S. Census, Klamath Co., Klamath**
34. Kane, John, 33, mule packer, Denmark
35. Donaldson, James, 38, mule packer, Scotland

**1900 U.S. Census, Humboldt Co., Klamath, pg. 124B**
93. Hancorne, Thomas, head, Aug. 1835, 64, married 12 years; England; parents England
94. ____, Susie, wife, Oct. 1869, 30, 3/3 children; Calif.; father Germany; mother Calif.
95. ____, Henry, C., son, Jan. 1893, 7, Calif.
96. ____, Thomas, son, Oct. 1857, 42, Michigan; England; Michigan
97. Kane, John, father-in-law, Jan. 1838, 62, widowed, Denmark [father of Susie]  

**1910 U.S. Census, Mad River, District 29, Indian population, page 143A**
11. Leon, Bob, head, Indian, 1832, age 68, widowed, born Calif.; full Klamath
12. ____, Dasie, [Daisy] daughter, Indian, 1876, age 24, married; no children living out of 2 born, full Klamath

**1910 U.S. Census, Mad River, Indian Population pg. 56A**
1. Maple, John, head, 45, married 1st time 8 years; born Maple Creek; father Maple Creek; mother Redwood Creek. Full Whilkt
2. ____, Ida, wife, 47, married 2nd time 18 years; 4 out of 7 children living; born Samoa; father Ireland; mother Bucksport, mother Humboldt Bay tribe, Ida ½
3. ____, Harvey, son, 12
4. ____, Alice, daughter, 10
5. Leon, Mary, boarder, 21, born Redwood, parents born Redwood; full
6. Maple, Betsy, sister, 45, widow, born Redwood, parents born Redwood, full

**1920 U.S. Census, Mad River, Blue Lake, pg. 231B**
78. Kane, James, head, Indian, 50, married; born Calif.; father U.S.; mother Calif.; chopper logging camp
79. ____, Daisy, wife, Indian, 43, married, Calif.; father U.S.; mother Calif.
80. Richards, Fernando, grandson, Indian, 6, born Calif.; parents born Calif.
81. ____, Harold, grandson, 4 yrs. 5 months; born Calif.; parents born Calif.
1920 U.S. Census, Trinidad, pg. 84B
58. Saxon, Arthur, head, Indian, 48, Calif.; parents Calif.; blacksmith lumber camp
59. ____, Mary [Leon], wife, Indian, 32, Calif.; parents Calif.
60. ____, Alvina, daughter, Indian, 7
61. ____, Angeline, daughter, Indian, 5
62. ____, Rachel, daughter, Indian, 3
63. ____, Eugene, son, Indian, 6 months

1928 California Indian Census
9899   6159  Kane, James, head, male, 59, 3/25/69, ½ Yurok, residence Blue Lake
9990   6158  Kane, Daisy, wife, female, 52, 3/20/76, ½ Redwood Creek, residence Blue Lake

1930 U.S. Census, Mad River, Blue Lake
29. Kane, James, head, 62, married at age 48; born Calif.; father mixed blood; mother Klamath; chopper
30. ____, Daisy, wife, 54, married at age 40; Calif.; father mixed blood; mother Mad River
31. ____, Richards, Fernando, grandson, 16, born Calif.; father mixed blood; mother Mad River

1931 Hoopa Agency Census, Hoopa
442. Saxon, Arthur, 58, 4/2/73, full Hupa, head
443. ____, Mary A. Leon, 44, 8/28/87, quarter plus Hupa [this could be incorrect], wife
444. ____, Alvina L., 19, 5/7/12, daughter
445. ____, Angelina E., 17, 7/20/14, daughter
446. ____, Rachel M., 15, 6/22/16, daughter
447. ____, Eugene A., 11, 6/10/19, son
448. ____, Nathan C., 11, 11/28/20, son

1940 U.S. Census, Mad River, Blue Lake pg. 468A
36. Kane, James, head, Indian, 72, married, born Calif.
37. ____, Daisy, wife, Indian, 64, married, born Calif.
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38. Richards, Fernando, head, Indian, 26, Calif.; laborer road construction.

1894 Voter Register, Humboldt County
Kane, James, 26, 5’8”, dark complexion, brown eyes, black hair, Calif.; laborer; residence Bald Hills; post office Blue Lake

BLA (22 Feb. 1902) Owing to the heavy rain of Saturday night and Sunday, Mad river rose considerably again and at the rancherie on the Chase property the current washed away two more cabins, those belonging to Indian Dick and Ned Woodward, and was threatening to cut into the Indian cemetery. Indian Jack, known as Kneeland Jack, Bob Leon, Leon Billy, and Indian Jim rushed to Blue Lake Monday and hired three men to help them dig up the remains of their dead relatives and friends before the river should wash them away. Messrs. Geo. Rowe, Geo. McDermott and Emerson Hower went to their assistance and dug out 17 graves and one more had already been washed away by the river. In 13 of the graves nothing but remains were found,
the coffins and boxes having rotted away, which were gathered up, put into a long box built for that purpose and buried together. In the other graves the coffins were found intact, and all were interred in the eastern corner of the Blue Lake Cemetery. The Indian cemetery had been established about 30 years and among those buried there were not only Mad river Indians, but Indians from Redwood and the Bald Hills. This rancherie is now a thing of the past, and these Indian families are left without a home.

HT (6 May 1910) He Survived Massacre—Leon Bob, the aged Indian who was killed Wednesday morning near Blue Lake by being run over by an Arcata and Mad River railroad passenger train, was probably the last survivor of the Indian massacre, which took place on Indian (Gunther’s Island) about 50 years ago. This fact has been practically established by the Blue Lake and Arcata correspondents of The Times, and many pioneer residents of the northern part of this county can doubtless vouch for the truth of the above statement.

The Indian massacre took place on the night of February 26, 1860, according to H.L. Ricks who last evening hunted up the date which he found in one of his histories of the county.

Mr. Franklin Ellery, Sr. was a resident of this city at the time of the massacre, but last evening he stated that he had forgotten just when it took place. He is of the opinion that it was in the early 60s. Mr. Ellery, the night of the massacre, was in Eel river valley but he cannot name the date within several years.

A great many Indians were at the time living on what is now known as Gunther’s island, and infuriated by the depredations of the aborigines in other parts of the county and by misdeeds of the Gunther island inhabitants, a number of residents of this city one night crossed to the island and with few exceptions took the lives of every member of the colony.

The party of white men, between 75 and 100 went to the island while the Indians were enjoying a feast, fell upon them and put to death about 100. All members of the party were sworn to secrecy and their names never became public.

Bret Harte, the famous poet and essayist, was at that time employed by The Times and it is a tradition that he was “fired” because of his too vivid write-up of the massacre in which he took occasion to censure certain prominent citizens.

Leon Bob, who was buried at Blue Lake yesterday, was living on Indian island at the time of the massacre and he was one of the very few Indians who escaped the wrath of the thoroughly aroused white settlers.

Just how old Leon Bob was at the time of his death is not known but it is stated that he must have been at least 80 years old, while attorney L.F. Puter, who knew him well, declared last night that he must have been close to the century mark.

The passing of Leon Bob marks “finis” in one of the most turbulent and bloody chapters in the history of Northern California.

BLA (7 May 1910) Indian Killed by a Train—Bob Leon, one of the best-known Indians of the Mad River section, has [died]….Bob was run over by the passenger train of the Arcata and Mad River Railroad last Wednesday morning at about 10:20 o’clock. The accident occurred on the railroad right of way track a short distance from the first McCahan ranch crossing above Blue Lake. The old Indian was quite deaf and did not hear the coming train speeding behind, although a number of whistles were blown by Engineer Harry Liscom, who was unable to stop his train before running him down. The pilot of the engine struck him on the back of the legs, throwing his body backward onto the pilot and in that position he was carried a distance of about 85 yards
before the train stopped. When picked up he was dead. His head evidently struck against the iron frame of the locomotive inflicting a deep gash and fracturing his skull, thus causing his instant death. One of his legs was almost severed just above the ankle, while several bones in his body were fractured. Otherwise, his body was not badly mutilated. [coroner’s jury summoned; accidental death was verdict] Burial Blue Lake cemetery.

Mad River Bob was about 75 years of age. He was born and raised in this vicinity and he leaves three cousins, Jack Kneeland and his two brothers James and Dan of this place besides four grandchildren, Mrs. Ned Woodward, Misses Rena and Flora Maple and Peter Maple, all of this section.

At one time Indian Bob was considered as a chief and legal advisor by his tribe and he was known as a friend of the whites. It is reported that he was one of the two last surviving Indians who escaped from the great Indian Massacre which occurred on Indian Island at Eureka, Feb. 25, 1860. Indian Bob was well thought of by our late beloved sheriff, T.M. Brown, and on his body was found the following letter or certificate of character written by our late sheriff.

“Sheriff’s Office, Eureka, Cal., June 28, 1905.

“To All Who May See This:

“The bearer of this is Mad River Bob (Indian). He lives at Blue Lake, Humboldt county, Cal. He is one of the few Indians who don’t drink whiskey. He has always been a good friend to white men and Indians, and is a good honest Indian. Please treat him well and oblige yours, T.M. Brown.

“P.S. Leon Bob is the true name of this Indian. TMB”

The document is written in the well-remembered chirography of Sheriff Brown and bears his signature, as in dictated above.

BLA (4 July 1936) Rena Littel [father George Maple; mother Elizabeth Leon, according to Milota] died in Eureka, burial Blue Lake Cemetery.


1930 U.S. Census, Samoa

Littell, Rena, head, Indian, 38, widow, born Calif.; parents born Calif.; waitress in camps.

BLA (15 July 1950) Obit Albert George Richards, 28, died at Eureka hospital; burial Rohnerville cemetery; born in Eureka; lived in Rohnerville and served in WW II. Father Elmer [Albert] Richards, Blue Lake; brother Fernando Richards, Blue Lake; aunt Mrs. Jessie Brenard, Rohnerville; uncle Guy Burt of Rohnerville.

BLA (12 Aug. 1954) Obit Daisy Kane, 86, long-time resident of Blue Lake; widow of late James Kane, member Pentecostal Church and active in its work; two nieces Stella Cripe of Arcata and Pearl Decker of Imlay, Nevada; two nephews Kenneth Lowry of Blue Lake and Ray Redner, Eureka.

T-S (5 Oct. 1969) Obit Albert Earl Richards, father of Fernando Richards of Blue Lake; Darlene Richards, Eureka and Sue Ellen Richards, Ukiah; 4 grandchildren; nieces and nephews; age 75; burial Blue Lake cemetery.

Bailey Family
California Deaths Online
Bailey, Langster, 12/12/1912—11/13/1974, Humboldt County
Bailey, Marjorie, 2/4/1918—1/14/1976, Humboldt County
Oscar, Ida Mary, 1/1/1890—11/11/1949, Humboldt County; mother James; father Bailey
Fred Skinner born 1/1/74; died 6/17/41, father Skinner
Humboldt County Deaths (Milota Index, Eureka Library)
Lillian Bailey, died 16 Aug. 1929 at County Hospital in Eureka, age 36, husband Luther
    Bailey, parents Jennie Wilson and Fred [Frank] Laurer [Lowery], both born California; died of abscess on leg.
Luther Bailey, died 12 Dec. 1933 at County Hospital in Eureka, born 26 Dec. 188 at Redwood Creek, parents Mary and Ohagin. Died of gangrenous appendix.
Sylvia Jean Bailey, ¾ Indian, died 10 May 1939 at Hoopa Hospital; born 22 Jan. 1939, parents Elinor Wilson, born Hoopa, and Langster Bailey, born Blue Lake
Humboldt County Marriages (Milota Index, Eureka Library)
Langster Bailey and Elinor Wilson, 17 April 1930, Blue Lake

1880 U.S. Census, Humboldt county; Redwood, Dist 027; page 319B
37. Bailey Ohina, half white, age 22, laborer, born Calif.

16 June 1889 Hoopa Agency Census, Redwood
Haniel, 37
Mrs., wife, 30
Girl, daughter, 3
Boy baby, 1

1892 Voter Register
Bailey, Ohaniel, 34, 5 ft 8 inches; dark complexion, hazel eyes, black hair, born Calif.; laborer; residence Bald Mtn.; registered July 22 1892 at Acorn.

1920 U.S. Census, Mad River, Blue Lake
Woodward, Ned, Ind., 60, Calif.; U.S.; Calif.
    ____, Mary, wife, 59, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
Skinner, Fred, stepson, Ind., 35, single, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
Bailey, Ida, stepdaughter, 30, single, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
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Bailey, Luther, head, Ind., 36, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
    ____, Lily, [Lillian] wife, Indian, 26, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
    ____, Langster, son, 7, Calif.
    ____, Cuvina, [Sylvena] daughter, 6, Calif.
    ____, Maudry, [Marjorie] daughter, 11 months, Calif.

1924 Hoopa Agency Census, Blue Lake
3. Bailey, Ida, head, 1890
4. _____, Walter, son, 1920
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5. Bailey, Luther, husband, 1895
6. _____, Mrs., wife, 1884
7. _____, Lancaster [Langster], son, 1913
8. _____, Sylvena, daughter, 1914
9. _____, Marjorie, daughter, 1918


Application No. 6145, Approved

Name: Bailey, Luther, no Indian name, head, age 40, male, born Dec. 27, 1888, three-quarters degree Indian blood. See application of Lillian Bailey, #4496.

Residence on May 18, 1928: Blue Lake, Humboldt County, California.

Post Office: Blue Lake.

Not living on trust property

Place of birth of yourself and minor children: Redwood Creek, Humboldt County, Calif.

Where have you and your children resided since birth: State of California. Never resided outside of state.

Are you married: Yes

Wife and date of birth: Lillian Bailey, do not know date of birth.

Her degree of Indian blood: 4/4 Redwood Tribe, Humboldt County.

Your degree of Indian blood: ¾ Redwood (Hupa) Tribe, Humboldt County.

To what treaty were you or your ancestors a party: Have heard of the treaty, but do not know when or where it was made. Indian ancestors resided in Humboldt County on June 1, 1852.

Name of your California Indian ancestors living on June 1, 1852, through whom you claim, who were parties to any treaty with the U.S.: Lucy or Hu-nin-sin-sin [?, photocopying poor], Redwood Band (Hupa) Humboldt County, Maternal grandmother.

Chiefs: I do not know.

Lands taken from you: In Humboldt and Trinity counties, California.

Father: O’ [can’t see name, poor photocopying, but would be O’Haniel] Bailey, ½ degrees Indian blood

Mother: Mary Woodard, 4/4 degree Indian blood.

Where were they born: Father: Do not know; Mother; Redwood Creek, Humboldt County.

When and where they were married: Married in Humboldt County. Do not know when.

Married: Indian custom.

Where did they reside: Humboldt County.

Where did they reside on June 1, 1852: Not living on June 1, 1852.

Dates of their deaths: Father: 1912; Mother: Living Blue Lake, Calif.

Were you or your minor children or your parents ever enrolled for any land or other benefits: Yes. Do not know number. Allotment on Redwood Creek. Fee patents to me and sold for $800.00

Enrolled on Census Roll: No. 6 (Blue Lake Roll) Hoopa Valley Agency

Property: No property

Occupation: Mill hand
Grandparents: Do not know name of father’s father, white. Do not know name of father’s mother, 4/4 degree of Indian blood. Do not know name of mother’s father, 4/4 degree Indian blood; name of mother’s mother, Lucy, 4/4 degree Indian blood.

Where were they born: Maternal grandparents born at Redwood Creek. Do not know as to others.

Where did they reside during their lives and where were they living on June 1 1852: Maternal grandparents resided at Redwood Creek and were living there on June 1, 1852. Do not know as to others.

Signed: Luther Bailey, 20 Aug. 1929.

Affidavit: Personally appeared before me Robert Davis and Daisy Kane, who being duly sworn, on oath depose and say that they are well acquainted with Luther Bailey who makes the foregoing application and…have know him personally for 20 years and 40 years, respectively…..

Signed: Robert Davis with signature; Daisy Kane with thumbprint.

1928 California Indian Census
Bailey, James M., single, 61, 5/6/1867, one-half Wailaki, living in Samoa

14559 4111 Oscar, Jerry, Sr., head, male, 34, 7/3/94, 4/4 Yurok, Blue Lake
14560 4112 Oscar, Ida, wife, female, 30, 7/3/98, ¾ Hupa, allotted
14561 4112 Bailey, Walter, son, 9, 2/13/19, 3/8 Hupa
14562 4111 Oscar, Ethel, daughter, female, 6, 1/18/22, 7/8 Hupa
14563 4111 Oscar, Caroline, daughter, female, 4, 8/12/24, 7/8 Hupa
14564 4111 Oscar, Irene, daughter, female, 2, 3/15/26 7/9 Hupa
14565 4111 Oscar, Jerry, Jr., 4 months, 1/19/28, 7/8 Hupa

18157 4390 Sinner, Fred, head, 51, 7/26/77; full Hupa; never allotted, living at Blue Lake
18158 4391 91-T, Skinner, Hattie, wife, 52, 7/26/76, full Yurok; allotted, living at Blue Lake

1931 Hoopa Agency Census; Blue Lake Rancheria
Bailey, Luther, 12/17/86, age 43, Blue Lake Tribe, full; widowed, head

BLA (30 March 1895) Indian Patents for Delivery--Mr. John C. Gamble, register of the land office at Eureka, favors the Advocate with the following Indian patents which have been received by him and are now ready for delivery: In Trinity county, Lucy Eveland; in Del Norte county, Fanny J. Early and Julia A. Lewis; in Humboldt county, Dan Prince, Minerva
Shakespeare, Susie Miller, Nora? Tom Miller, George Miller, Jennie Denman, Weaver Denman, Andy Denman, Ida Bailey, Luther Bailey and Mary Bailey.

BLA (30 May 1903) Shearing Sheep—Sheep shearing in northern Humboldt will commence next week. Mr. Ohania (O’Haniel Bailey) and his crew of fourteen shearsers will go to J.H. Hooker’s ranch on the Bald Hills Monday and commence shearing Mr. Hooker’s flock, about 3000 head in number. From there the shearsers will go to Will Ford’s ranch on Mad River, after which they will shears the flocks of Thomas Bair at Three Cabins, Madrone and Rock ranches. After their sojourn there, Mr. Ohania and his crew will return to Thos. Bari’s ranch on Redwood creek and from thence to J. Lyons and Sons ranches on the Bald Hills. From present indications the wool crop this year will be fairly good.

BLA (27 May 1905) Sheep Shearing in Progress—Ohaniel Bailey and his crew of twelve sheep shearers commenced the sheep shearing season at William Ford’s ranch u Mad river. They will then shear Thomas Bari’s flocks on Mad river and will afterward move to Redwood creek, where they will shear the Bair Brothers’ sheep, those of J.H. Hooker and the Lyons Brothers on the Bald Hills. They expect to get through with their circuit in about two months.

BLA (30 June 1906) The shearing season in northern Humboldt has begun in earnest. Ohaniel Bailey and his Indian crew have finished shearing at the Hooker ranch and are now at work on the ranches of the Lyons Brothers at Elder. At the Hooker ranch, they sheared over 2600 sheep, 1000 of which being yearling and as an average there was about seven pounds of wool to the sheep, which is a remarkably good crop. Thos. Bair of Arcata purchased the wool at 31 cents per pound.

BLA (13 June 1908) Sheep shearing in northern Humboldt is now in order. Last Tuesday evening the Indian shearing crew of Ohaniel Bailey of thirteen men finished shearing the flock of Arthur Stover on the Hooker ranch, amounting to 2960 head in number. They finished their work after a five days’ session. Each man gets six cents per head and board for shearing.

The shearsers came to Angel’s Ranch yesterday, where they will attend to the clipping of Mr. James P. Anderson’s sheep. After this they will go to Rock Ranch and Three Cabins up Mad river, where they will spend a week or ten days on the ranches of Thomas Bair. From thence they will move to Redwood creek, where after shearing the sheep of Thos. H. Bair and Len Berry, they will proceed back to the Bald Hills and finished the season on the Lyons Brothers sheep ranches. The wool crop this year is very promising and an average of eight pounds per sheep is expected almost everywhere on the ranches above mentioned. If the price of wool is just as good as the quantity and quality, our sheepmen will do well this year.

BLA (29 May 1909) The shearing season in northern Humboldt will begin on June 1st. Mr. Ohaniel Bailey and crew of about fourteen men will start on that date at the Redwood ranch of Mr. Thos. Bair where about 3500 head will be sheared. From there Mr. Bailey and crew will come to Angel Ranch and will attend to Mr. James P. Anderson’s flock of about 1500, and then they will go up Mad river and shear the 5000 head of sheep that are on the Three Cabins and Rock ranches of Mr. Thos. Bair. This accomplished, Bailey and crew will move to Elder and the Bald Hills country, where they will shear about 2800 head for Arthur Stover and William Lyons, respectively and about 1500 for Tomlinson. They will finish the season at Berry’s ranch on
Redwood, where about 1000 head will be relieved of their wool. Mr. Bailey estimates that it will require about one month to perform all this work, his crew being composed of fast shearsers. According to present indications, the wool crop in northern Humboldt promises to be excellent.

BLA (4 June 1910) The sheep shearing season in northern Humboldt is at hand and on June 10th, Ohaniel Bailey and his Indian crew of fourteen men will commence work on Fred Bair’s ranches at Three Cabins, Madrone and Rock ranch, when about 6000 head of sheep will be deprived of their valuable wool.

The crew will then move to Redwood creek where T.H. Bair will have about 3000 head of sheep sheared. The shearsers will then go to the Hooker ranch and Lyons Bros ranches on the Bald Hills. The wool crop promises to be excellent this year and will command a top-notch price.

BLA (29 July 1911) The Molasses Indian Tragedy—Hower’s Ranch Redwood, I write to correct a statement made in the Advocate of July 22nd in regard to the death of the Molasses. The old Indian, Molasses, did not die several years ago, as it was stated, but they were both found dead, the old man in the hut and the old woman about 20 feet from the door. Both were buried at the same time.

The children of Indian Grant went to the house about a week before they were found and went home and told their mother that Molasses was lying on the bed with the blanket drawn over his face and the old woman was sitting in the hut talking to herself. There was a fearful smell in the room and the children were frightened and ran home and told the story, but as Grant was not home, being away shearing sheep, no one would venture near until Grant and Ohaniel Bailey, who were on their way to Stovers to shear, on being told by Grant's woman, went around by the Molasses house and found the woman lying outside but did not venture in the house. They came down the creek and told Mr. Hower who stopped his work in the harvest field and sent a man to the Bair place to telephone to Dolson, who telephoned back to bury them, which Mr. Hower and son did the next day.

The bodies were in a fearful condition, having been dead for some time. The woman was torn by the hogs but the man lay on the bed in the hut and his body was not touched. Save for the flies, which had done swift work, the burying was a Job not to be envied. In fact, such a thing happens but seldom in a lifetime. The Hower men hope such a thing will never happen again in their lifetime or they be called upon to perform such a task again. Mrs. L.W. Hower.

BLA (19 Aug. 1911) On Oct. 16, 1911, the three Indian allotments of 160 acres each of Ida Bailey, Mary Bailey and Luther Bailey situated on Redwood Creek, just above Berry’s Redwood House, will be offered for sale.

BLA (18 May 1912) Sheep Shearer Retires—One of the old time and best known sheep shearers of this section is Ohaniel Bailey, a half blood Redwood Indian, who has worked on the ranges of Humboldt county for the past 31 years, being foreman of a crew of 28 years. Lately ill health has compelled him to abandon that pursuit and he has now retired to the government quarters near Blue Lake. It will be up to the rest of the Indian sheep shearers to find a foreman among them.

BLA (21 Sept. 1912) Ohaniel Bailey a well-known Indian, held in high respect both by the Indians and whites, died Wednesday forenoon after an illness of about a year with tuberculosis. At his funeral and while lying at his home just before it, his Indian friends manifested great grief.
at his loss. Not long ago the deceased published his valedictory in which he mentioned his principal life service, that of head of the sheep shearing crew of northern Humboldt, a position he held for many years and until he was incapacitated by ill health about a year ago. He was counted one of the most expert shearers ever known in Humboldt. Mr. Bailey was of a kindly, quiet disposition and he will long be remembered by many friends he made in life. The funeral took place Thursday in Blue Lake cemetery. Besides his wife, he leaves a son, Luther, and a daughter, Ida Bailey. [Goddard said O’Haniel Bailey was an interpreter for him when he visited Molasses and his wife in 1907]

BLA (19 Feb. 1916; 26 Feb. 1916; 19 July 1919) Luther Bailey

AU (10 Aug. 1916) Warrants were issued last week out of Justice of the Peace Fraser’s court for the arrest of Luther Bailey and George James on charges of furnishing liquor to 16-year-old Alice Maple, an Indian girl, who is in the county jail, having been brought to Eureka from Maple Creek by Sheriff Redmond. She is being held pending action on the part of her mother, who is said to be contemplating sending the girl to a reformatory. Ida Gilman was the complaining witness against the two men.

BLA (26 Jan. 1924) Obit Mrs. Jennie Lowrey, 55, lived at Redwood, died in Blue Lake; buried in Indian Cemetery in Blue Lake; daughter of Jacob Wilson; mother of Mrs. Bailey, Mrs. Moon, and Ed Lowrey, who was killed in Korbel woods two years ago.

BLA (24 Aug. 1929) Funeral services for Mrs. Lillian Bailey, wife of Luther Bailey (Indian), who died at one of the hospitals Friday night from blood poisoning, took place at the Blue Lake cemetery Sunday afternoon, conducted by Rev. S.C. Gilman.

BLA (6 Sept. 1930) Luther Bailey Held at County Jail—Luther Bailey of Blue Lake is being held in the county jail following a cutting affray at Blue Lake Sunday morning and Ewing Davis, his victim, was in the Trinity hospital in Arcata for several days with a cut on his right side extending from his armpit to his hip bone. Thirty-five stitches were taken to close the wound. Bailey was arrested by undersheriff George Fraser and deputy Jim Sage. He told officers that the cutting scrape was the result of an old argument over a pocket knife. Bailey is being held in jail in lieu of $2500 cash bail fixed by Justice Charles L. Eby of Blue Lake.

BLA (16 Dec. 1933) Obit Luther Bailey; age 39; survived by children Langster Bailey; Mrs. Sylvena Fry of Klamath and Marjory Bailey of Riverside; mother Mrs. Mary Bailey; sister Mrs. Ida Oscar and brother Fred Skinner, all of Blue Lake; interment Blue Lake Cemetery.

HS (26 June 1939) Langster Bailey of Hoopa was cited on a charge of drunken driving and driving on the wrong side of the highway following a collision between Bailey’s car and another. Three persons slightly injured and both cars badly wrecked; injured were Jay Richards of Hoopa and Bailey’s four-year-old son, as well as Bailey; person in other car only shaken.

BLA (15 Nov. 1941) Obit George James better known as Redwood George; Blue Lake; died at Hoopa; age 75; niece Ada [Ida] Oscar; nephew Langster Bailey, both of Blue Lake; burial Blue Lake cemetery.
BLA (19 Sept. 1942) Obit Leslie Moon, 25 years old of Blue Lake, was shot and killed in a shack on the Samoa road about one mile beyond the Mar River Slough bridge last Friday evening, and Harvey Maple, 44, has been booked at the County jail on a charge of murder as the result of a shooting affray. The charge was brought by Margaret Moon, sister of the slain man. Two other men, Albert Richards, 21, and Christopher Davis, 28, were questioned but were not held, officers stated. The gun with which Moon was assertedly shot, a 12-gauge shotgun with both barrels discharged, was found in the brush about 60 feet from the Maple cabin.

Maple telephoned the sheriff’s office and reported that he had been beaten during a drinking party and Moon had been killed. Officers said his statement to them was hazy, but indicated that the triggers on the gun were loose and could be set off with a slight jar.

Moon was a resident of Blue Lake. He and Richards and Davis, also of this area, were reported by officers to have been involved in a drinking party at the cabin. Margaret Moon was in the cabin when officers arrived. Funeral services held in Blue Lake Presbyterian Church; interment Blue Lake cemetery.

Besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Moon of Rohnerville, he is survived by two brothers Robert Sidney Moon of Blue Lake and James Moon, Hoopa, and sister Margaret Moon, Blue Lake. Coroner’s jury recommended that Harvey Maple be held.

BLA (15 Sept. 1945) Walter Bailey returned to Blue Lake following discharge; served in 1st Cavalry and participated in some of the hardest fighting in the drive from Australia to the Philippines.

AU (18 Nov. 1949) Obit Ida May Oscar (Mrs. Jerry Oscar); burial Blue Lake; husband Jerry Oscar, sons, Jerry, Jr. and W.L. Bailey of Hoopa; daughters Mrs. Caroline Saxon, Rohnerville; Mrs. Ethel Jackson, Klamath, Oregon; Mrs. Irene Moon, Maple Creek. Pallbearers: Albert Richards, Fernando Richards, Lester Latham, Ewing Davis, H. Helman and A. Davis.

BLA (22 Nov. 1951) Hoopa—Janice Latham of the high school senior class was crowned football queen by Ronald Bailey, football king, at the dance Nov. 3.

BLA (21 Feb. 1952) Jerry Oscar, Jr., age 23, Blue Lake; killed in truck accident; Alfred Moon was driver of truck; Oscar was Navy veteran; employed as logger; wife Harriett Oscar; children Jerry, III and Larry, Blue Lake; brother and sisters Walter Bailey, Hoopa; Mrs. Ethel Jackson, Chiloquin, Wash.; Mrs. Irene Moon, Maple Creek; Mrs. Carolyn Saxon, Garberville; burial Greenwood cemetery, Arcata.

AU (22 Feb. 1952) Obit Jerry Oscar, Jr., died of car accident; Navy veteran, age 23; wife Mrs. Harriet Oscar; children Jerry Oscar, III and Larry Oscar of Blue Lake; brother Walter Bailey of Hoopa; sisters Mrs. Ethel Jackson, Washington; Mrs. Irene Moon of Maple Creek and Mrs. Carolyn Saxton of Garberville; interment Greenwood Cemetery, Arcata.

BLA (23 Oct. 1952) Hoopa—Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Latham, parents of daughter born Oct. 9 at Hoopa, Muriel Angela, 7 pounds; paternal grandparents Wesley and Bessie Latham; maternal grandparents Mr. and Mrs. Langster Bailey, all of Hoopa.
AU (7 May 1954) Obit Jeff Wilson, age 80, Hoopa; retired blacksmith; brother William Wilson, Hoopa; daughter Mrs. Elinore Bailey, Hoopa; nephew Albert Richards, Blue Lake; four grandchildren; five great grandchildren. Burial Hoopa.

AU (29 Oct. 1954) Obit Muriel Angela Latham, age two, Hoopa; parents Mr. and Mrs. Lester Latham; brother Lester, Jr. and sisters Wanda Ann and Brenda Latham; grandparents Wesley Lathams and Mrs. and Mrs. Langster Bailey, all of Hoopa.

BLA A(5 Dec. 1963) Obit Robert Sidney Moon, 48, died 25 Nov. in Hoopa; survived by father James J. Moon, Sr., Rohnerville; brother James Moon, Jr., McKinleyville; sister Margaret Bowie, Rohnerville; five nephews; eight nieces; pallbearers Donald Natt, Robert Pilgrim, Phil Yerton, George Henshaw, Kenny Murray and Charles Beck.

T-S (15 Nov. 1974) Obit Langster Bailey, resident of First Street, Eureka; father of Blanch Ammon, Salyer, Beverly Polmateer, Reno; and Ronald Bailey of Long Beach; brother of Marjorie Bailey, Eureka and Sylvena Grant, Ukiah; two nieces; 12 grandchildren and three great grandchildren; native of Blue Lake, age 61.

T-W 915 Jan. 1976) Obit Marjorie Bailey, resident of 512 First Street, Eureka; mother of Renaldo Bailey, Indianapolis; sister of Sylvena Grant, Ukiah; aunt of Blanche Ammon, Salyer; Beverly Polmateer, Blue Lake; David Frye, Eureka and Ronald Bailey, Long Beach. Native of Blue Lake, age 57.

Woodward Family

California Death Records, online
Ned Woodward, born 8/15/56; died 1/31/41, Humboldt county

Humboldt County Deaths (Milota Index, Eureka Library)
Ned Woodward, died 31 Jan. 1941 at Willow Creek; burial Hoopa; pneumonia; informant Freda Norton; widower of Mary Woodward; lived at Redwood Creek; born 15 Aug. 1845 at Redwood Creek; parents unknown.

15 June 1889, Hoopa Agency census
Bald Hills, Ned, 40
Nellie, wife, 36
Lizzie, daughter, 12
Lucinda, daughter, 8
Louisa, cousin, 14

1890 Hoopa Agency census
Ned Woodward, 41
Nellie, 37
Lucinda Grant [Crane], stepdaughter, 9
Sallie Woodward, stepdaughter, 13

1891 Hoopa Agency Census
326. Woodward, Ned, husband, 42
327. ____, Nellie, wife, 38
328. Grant [Crane], Lucinda, Stepdaughter, 10
329. Woodward, Lillie, stepdaughter, 5

1895 Hoopa Agency census
Ned Woodward, husband, 46
Nellie, wife, 42
Lille, daughter, 9
Lucinda Crane, stepdaughter, 14
Jennie Canyon sister, 31

1907 Hoopa Agency census
Jack, Abraham, husband, 27
____, Lucinda, wife, 24
____, daughter, 1 month
Woodward, Nellie, mother-in-law, 54

1920 U.S. Census, Mad River, Blue Lake
Woodward, Ned, Ind., 60, Calif.; U.S.; Calif.
____, Mary, wife, 59, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
Skinner, Fred, stepson, Ind., 35, single, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
Bailey, Ida, stepdaughter, 30, single, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.

U.S. Department of the Interior; Office of Indian Affairs. Application for enrollment with the Indians of the State of California under the Act of May 18, 1928.

Application No. 835, Accepted.

Name: Jack, Lucinda, no Indian name, wife; age 45, born Dec. 18, 1883, ¾ degree Indian blood; no children. (See application of Abraham Jack, No. 836)
Residence on May 18, 1928: Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation, on Indian allotment.
Post Office: Hoopa, Humboldt County, California.
Place of Birth: Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation.
Maiden Name: Lucinda Crane
Your degree of Indian blood: 3/4 Hupa and Trinidad tribes.
Ancestor living on June 1, 1852: Mack, Hupa Tribe, maternal grandfather.
Chiefs of your tribe at time of June 1, 1852 treaty: Wa-pe-shaw was one of them.
Father: Bill Crane, ½ Trinidad tribe, born Trinidad.
Mother: Nellie [photocopy unreadable but believe it is Woodard], 4/4 Hupa tribe; mother’s maiden name was Nellie Mack. Born Hoopa Valley.
Parents Marriage: Indian custom.
Death dates of parents: Father, years ago; mother about 1918, age about 60.
**Allotment:** No. 148. Located in Mescat Field, Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation. Fee patent issued for my allotment and I traded it for the allotment of Delia Hostler No. 131, Hoopa Valley Reservation. I am paying taxes on my land now.

**Property:** Four acres of land on Hoopa Valley Indian Reservation and three room house, value $250.00.

**Occupation:** Housewife.

**Grandparents:** Father’s side: Do not know. Mother’s father: Mack 4/4 degree Indian blood; mother’s mother, do not know. Maternal grandparents born in Hoopa Valley. Do not know about others. Maternal grandparents resided in Hoopa Valley and were living there on June 1, 1852. Do not know about others.

**Signature:** Lucinda Jack, 13 June 1929.

**Witnesses:** John Sherman who has know her personally for 45 years and Tom Todi, who has know her 45 years. Signed by John Sherman. Tom Todi by his thumbprint.

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**1928 California Indian Census**

21699 6088 allotment 355-M Woodard [Woodward] Ned, head, male, 72, 8/15/56, ½ Redwood, residence Blue Lake

21700 6087 Woodard [Woodward] Mary, Haw-do-dowt, wife, female, 69, 8/15/59, 4/4 Redwood, residence Blue Lake

8771 836 Jack, Abraham, head, 48, 12/15/80, full Hupa, residence Hoopa

8772 835 Jack, Lucinda, wife, 45, 12/15/83, ¾ Hupa, residence Hoopa, allotted

**1940 U.S. Census, Hoopa, U.S. Govt. Hospital**

Ned Underwood, Indian, 88, widower

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Ames, Roy, head, Ind., 57

___, Lillian, wife, Ind., 55

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BLA (22 Feb. 1902) Owing to the heavy rain of Saturday night and Sunday, Mad river rose considerably again and at the rancherie on the Chase property the current washed away two more cabins, those belonging to Indian Dick and Ned Woodward, and was threatening to cut into the Indian cemetery. Indian Jack, known as Kneeland Jack, Bob Leon, Leon Billy, and Indian Jim rushed to Blue Lake Monday and hired three men to help them dig up the remains of their dead relatives and friends before the river should wash them away. Messrs. Geo. Rowe, Geo. McDermott and Emerson Hower went to their assistance and dug out 17 graves and one more had already been washed away by the river. In 13 of the graves nothing but remains were found, the coffins and boxes having rotted away, which were gathered up, put into a long box built for that purpose and buried together. In the other graves the coffins were found intact, and all were interred in the eastern corner of the Blue Lake Cemetery. The Indian cemetery had been established about 30 years and among those buried there were not only Mad river Indians, but Indians from Redwood and the Bald Hills. This rancherie is now a thing of the past, and these Indian families are left without a home.
BLA (13 April 1912) Belle Woodard, 14, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Woodard, died; TB, buried Blue Lake Cemetery.

BLA (8 Feb. 1941) Ned Woodward died at Hoopa; known as “Old Ned,” age 85; lived in Blue Lake but went to live with daughter, Mrs. Lillian Ames of Hoopa, some months ago.

BLA (21 June 1941) Obit Fred Skinner, Blue Lake, died in Eureka hospital, age 57, native of Hoopa; wife Hattie; sister Mrs. Ida Oscar, Blue Lake; burial Blue Lake cemetery.

BLA (30 Aug. 1957) Obit Lillian W. [Woodward] Ames, 71 of Blue Lake; burial Blue Lake cemetery; born in Hoopa and lived in Blue Lake for past 20 years; husband Roy Ames, Sr. and four children, Mrs. Freda Norton, Eureka; Leon Chase, Hoopa; Mrs. Lorraine Millot, Mill Valley; and Guy Chase, Hoopa; sister Mrs. Lucinda Jack, Hoopa, ten grandchildren and one great grandchild.


1928 Calif. Indian Census
21554; 837 allotment 62; Wilson, Lillian Chase, head, 42, 10/29/86, ¾ Hupa; allotted, residence Hoopa, divorced
21555 837 Masten, Freda, daughter, 20, 8/22/08, 5/8 Hupa
21556 837 Masten, Ruby, daughter, 18, 12/1/10, 5/8 Hupa
21557 837 Chase, Leo, son, 11 6/20/17, ½ Hupa
21558 837 Chase, Lorraine, daughter, 9, 11/20/19, ½ Hupa
21559 837 Chase, Guy, son, 5, 8/27/23, ½ Hupa

Maple Family and some Coonskin

California Death Records, online
Harvey John Maple, born 2/18/98; died 2/6/85; mother Saxon, died Humboldt county
William Maple, born 2/1/72; died 2/1/47, Humboldt county
Raymond Thomas Hickman, died at Red Bluff, Tehama County; born 5/19/22; died 4/19/93;
mother Maple [marriage online Raymond T. Hickman (53) and Odine D. Ford, (53) 24 May 1975 in Humboldt County]
Daisy Kane, born 3/16/68; died 8/5/54, mother Maple

Humboldt County Deaths (Milota Index, Eureka Library)
Peter Maple, died 24 Nov. 1911 in Blue Lake, age 23, parents Jessie and George Maple, TB
William Maple, 1 Feb. 1947 at Maple Creek; burial Blue Lake; heart failure; informant Wm. Moon; born 1 Feb. 1872 at Blue Lake; parents unknown.

Humboldt County Marriages (Milota Index, Eureka Library)
Alice Maple and Hans Peter Christensen, 23 Sept. 1922, Eureka
Flora Maple and Edward Lowery, 10 Sept. 1918, Eureka
1880 U.S. Census, Eureka, pg. 352A
49. ____, Edward, half Indian, 3, son
50. ____, Jack, half Indian, 2, son

1900 U.S. Census, Hoopa Boarding School, pg. 304A
Coonskin, Clifford, pupil, born Dec. 1885, age 14, ¾ Eel River.

1910 U.S. Census, Mad River, Indian Population pg. 56A
Maple, John, head, 45, married 1st time 8 years; born Maple Creek; father Maple Creek; mother Redwood Creek. Full Whilkut
____, Ida, wife, 47, married 2nd time 18 years; 4 out of 7 children living; born Samoa; father Ireland; mother Bucksport, one-half; mother Humboldt Bay
____, Harvey, son, 12
____, Alice, daughter, 10
Leon, Mary, boarder, 21, born Redwood, parents born Redwood, full
Maple, Betsy, sister, 45, widow, born Redwood, parents born Redwood, full
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Maple, William, head, 39, born Redwood, parents born Redwood full

1919 and 1920 Hoopa Agency Censuses, Eel River
Coonskin, Ed, husband, 1879
____, Nora, wife, 1876 [also in other censuses identified as Tom and Miller]
____, Eunice, daughter, 1905
____, Clifford, son, 1894 [Ida J. Gilman Maple’s son with Ed Coonskin]

1920 U.S. Census, Eureka, Precinct 6, 1915 4th Street., pg. 103B
85. Maple, John, head, Ind., 55, Calif.; no occupation listed
86. ____, Ida, wife, white, 58, Calif.; washer woman private family
87. ____ , Harvey, J., son, white, 21, single, laborer lumber mill
88. ____ , Alice, daughter, white, 19

1924 Hoopa Agency Census, Blue Lake
61. Quinn, James, head, 1887
62. ____, Mrs., wife, 1889
63. ____ , James, son, 1911
64. ____ , Earl, son, 1909
65. Maple, Johnny, head, 1872

1928 California Indian Census
11866  6285 Maple, Billy, single, 54, 8/30/74, full Mad River, allotted, residence Blue Lake, living on Indian allotment
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11867  6033 allotment 129, Maple, Johnny, head, 56, 8/13/72, full Redwood, allotted, residence Maple Creek, post office Blue Lake
11868  6030 Maple, Ida J., wife, 67, 3/2/61, ½ Eel River, residence Maple Creek
Ida J. Maple’s application for enrollment in 1928 California Indian Census [provided by Ann Roberts from National Archives in San Bruno]
Name before marriage: Ida J. Gilman
Degree of Indian blood: ½
Tribe: Weott (Eel River Band)
Mother: Alvina Gilman (Weott), 4/4
Mother’s maiden name: Alvina Thomas
Mother born: On Humboldt Bay
Father: Samuel Gilman, white
Father born: do not know where
Parents married in Humboldt County by Indian custom
Ida said her mother resided on Humboldt Bay June 1, 1852
Death date of father: do not know
Death date of mother: 1864
Is under the Hoopa Valley Agency jurisdiction (1929)
Names of grandparents: do not know
Ida signed her name 12 Aug. 1929. Her witnesses were Amos Riley and Charles Shakespeare. They each signed with a thumb print.

1930 U.S Census, Eureka township; 102 Adams Court, Samoa, pg. 199A
19. Maple, Harvey, head, white, 31, Calif.; crane operator lumber yard
20. ____, Nellie, wife, white, 25, Calif.; father French Canada; mother N.Y.
21. ____, Velma, daughter, 2, Calif.
22. Hickman, Raymond, nephew, white, 8, Calif.; father unknown; mother Calif.

1930 and 1931 Hoopa Agency Censuses, Eel River
Coonskin, Ed, Eel River, full head, living at Rohnerville
____, Nora Tom, Eel River, full, wife, living at Rohnerville
____, Clifford, Eel River, full son, living at Rohnerville

1932 Hoopa Agency Census, Blue Lake Rancheria
Maple, Johnny, 8/30/74, 60, full Blue Lake
Non enrolled Gillman, Ida J.

1940 U.S. Census, Mad River
Maple, John, head, Indian, 69, Calif.
____, Ida, wife, Indian, 75, Calif.
Christensen, Alice, daughter, Indian, 40, widow, lived in Eureka 5 years previously
Hickman, Raymond, grandson, Indian, 17, Calif.; lived at Samoa 5 years previously

Estate of Ed Coonskin, Eureka A1#109 Testimony by Harvey Maple, 21 March 1949 at Eureka. [provided by Ann Roberts]
Harvey Maple, age 41; residence on Samoa Road out from Arcata. Ed Coonskin was his step-father at one time, he was married to his mother. Ed Coonskin had children with his wife Nora, but all of them died when they were babies except one, Eunice. Ed Coonskin had one child, born
of his marriage to Harvey’s mother, Ida Gilmore or Ida Maple. This child is Clifford Gilmore, still living age about 56 in U.S. Army now in South Gate, Kentucky. He writes to Ida all the time. Harvey’s mother Ida Gilmore or Ida Maple was married to Ed Coonskin, Indian way, 50 or 60 years ago. Ida and Ed had one other child, Inez Coonskin Thomas, who died about 1908 or 1909 at age 14. Inez was married to Barber Thomas and had a baby who died at a year in about 1910. Ida still living up out of Maple Creek on her old ranch place, the John Maple place.

**Humboldt County Probate 11804, Johnny Maple**
Deceased died 2 March 1953; estate consisted of a welfare check for $77. Public administrator petitioned court to use money to pay for last illness and burial; paid to Chapel of the Redwoods.

BLA (17 Dec. 1898) Maple Creek--Indian Willie is camped on Boulder Creek catching salmon. He has neither blankets nor tent. When asked how he keeps from freezing he said, "Oh, I light big fire and lay by him close. I'm all right."

FE (28 Jan. 1910) Peter Maple, Martin Steven and Bismark Stevens, three Indians, charged with highway robbery, were examined last Tuesday morning in Eureka and pleaded not guilty. They are supposed to be the Indians who beat and robbed John Buchinger near Korbel on Christmas eve. They will have their trial on Feb. 26th.

FE (1 March 1910) Bismark Stevens, Martin Stevens and Peter Maple, were found guilty of assaulting and robbing John Buchinger near Korbel Christmas Eve; sentence to four years in San Quentin.

FE (7 April 1911) Peter Maple pardoned; released due to health; dying of consumption; arrived in Arcata.

FE (1 Dec. 1911) Obit Peter Maple; died at Blue Lake; consumption; recently paroled from San Quentin.

BLA (1 July 1916) Harvey Maple, 18-year-old Indian boy arrested several weeks ago for shooting H.W. Murray, foreman of Dr. Harold Gross’ ranch at Butler Valley; on the stand, the youth asserted that the confession he made to Sheriff Redmond was erroneous and that he did not shoot Murray; wounds not serious.

AU (10 Aug. 1916) Warrants were issued last week out of Justice of the Peace Fraser’s court for the arrest of Luther Bailey and George James on charges of furnishing liquor to 16-year-old Alice Maple, an Indian girl, who is in the county jail, having been brought to Eureka from Maple Creek by Sheriff Redmond. She is being held pending action on the part of her mother, who is said to be contemplating sending the girl to a reformatory. Ida Gilman was the complaining witness against the two men.
BLA (18 Nov. 1916) [Harvey Maples first tried as juvenile; given two years at Preston reformatory; his lawyer Henry Ford appealed to Supreme Court to have him tried by jury in superior court; this was granted; will have new trial]

FE (9 July 1926) Nellie May Maple suing for divorce from Harvey Maple; extreme cruelty.

BLA (9 June 1934) Obits Mrs. Minnie Pete—aged Indian woman died at Maple Creek; born at Big Bend of Mad River, 80 years old; last of very few Maple Creek people; cousin William Maple Tackitt.

BLA (3 June 1939) Harvey Maple was arrested by deputy sheriffs on a charge of battery and in connection with a beating claimed to have been administered to his wife; pleaded guilty before Justice of the Peace St. Clair Adams. He was fined $250, but $200 was suspended provided he pays the remaining $50 next month.

Humboldt Beacon (10 July 1942) Edward Coonskin Aged Indian Is Buried—Death called one of the oldest Indians of the valley when Edward Coonskin died at his home July 2 on the Rohnerville reservation, where he has lived since the first World War. Born at Smith River, approximately 90 years ago, Coonskin came to Humboldt County with his mother when a small child. She was later drowned in Humboldt bay. For many years, he was a well-known character, active in the fishing industry on Eel river as a gill netter and seiner.

….burial took place at Table Bluff cemetery. Surviving the deceased are a son, Clifford Gilman, who is serving with the U.S. Army, three step-daughters Mrs. Jessie Carroll and Mrs. Martha Seidner of Rohnerville, and Mrs. Amelia Thomas of Mad river and 19 grandchildren.

BLA (19 Sept. 1942) Leslie Moon, age 25, Blue Lake, shot and killed in shack on Samoa Road, one mile beyond Mad River slough bridge. Harvey Maple, 44, booked on a charge of murder. Charges brought by Margaret Moon, sister of slain man; two other men questioned and released, Albert Richards, 21, and Christopher Davis, 28; shotgun found 60 feet from Maple's cabin; heavy drinking. Maple telephoned the sheriff office and reported that he had been beaten during the drinking party. Moon survived by parents Mr. and Mrs. James Moon, Rohnerville; brothers Robert Sidney Moon, Blue Lake; and James Moon, Hoopa; sister Margaret Moon, Blue Lake, who was also present in cabin. [Maple later acquitted]

BLA (8 Feb. 1947) Obits William Maple, age 75, Maple Creek; services at Blue Lake cemetery; born at Maple Creek; lived there all his life; no known relatives.

BLA (5 March 1953) Obits John Maple, 90-year-old native of Maple Creek, died at his home; wife Ida, son Harvey Maple of Samoa and daughter Mrs. Alice Christensen of Maple Creek; burial Blue Lake cemetery.

T-S (7 Feb. 1985) Obits Harvey John Maple; died Maple Creek Feb. 6 at age 86; native and resident of Maple Creek; born 18 Feb. 1898 to John and Ida Maple in their home near the mouth of Maple Creek; at age 19 he went to work for Hammond Lumber Co. and worked there until 1940; Mr. Maple then joined the California Barrel Co. where he worked until his retirement; His work in the lumber industry spanned more than 60 years; preceded in death by wife Nellie Maple
who died in 1962; he is survived by his daughter and son-in-law Velma and Fred Carlson, Sr. of Manila; grandchildren Fred and Sheda Carlson, Jr., Ronald and Cynthia Carlson; Michael and Dorothy Carlson; his great granddaughter Natalie Carlson; nephews Raymond Hickman and Peter Christensen; graveside services Blue Lake cemetery.

**Brett Family**

**Humboldt County Marriages (Milota Index, Eureka Library)**
John Brett and Daisy Zeigler, 25 Dec. 1890, China Flat
Thomas H. Brett and Maggie Ammon, 9 April 1893, China Flat
Thomas Henry Brett and Rena Copeland, 10 Nov. 1897, Arcata.
John Edward Brett, Jr., and Grace Beaver, 6 Jan. 1914, Eureka
Stella Brett and Fred A. Cripe, 20 Aug. 1917, Arcata
Pearl Marjorie Brett and Howard B. Melandy, 15 Sept. 1923, Eureka

**Humboldt County Deaths (Milota Index, Eureka Library)**
Clarence Brett, died 25 April 1917 at Blue Lake; born 4 Aug. 1914, parents Grace Beaver and John E. Brett; died of drowning

**California Deaths online**
Mary Ann Waterman, 1 Jan. 1859-24 Sept. 1944, father Brett
Daisy [Zeigler, Brett] Frazier, born 24 May 1875; died 26 March 1945; mother Kidd; father Zeigler
John Edward Brett, born 4 May 1891; died 26 Aug. 1951, mother Sherman; father Brett
Albert George Richards, born 11/27/21; died 7/8/50; mother Brett
Albert E. Richards, born 2/20/94; died 10/2/69; mother Wilson
Sadie Richards, born 5/25/01; died 9/17/40; father Brett
Grace Brett, born 8/31/93; died 1/8/56; mother Ashwood; father Beaver
Estella M. Emenegger, born 9/17/93; died 10/8/73, Humboldt County.
Wilhelmina M. Shanesy, born 10/17/92; mother Doyle; father Boyle; died 2/6/86 in Humboldt County.

**WW I Registration**
John Edward Brett, Blue Lake, born 4 May 1891; born Willow Creek; teamster for A. Brizard Co., Inc.; freighting between Korbel and Hoopa; dependents wife and child.

**WW II Registration**
John Edward Brett, Hoopa, age 50, born 4 May 1891; contact Mrs. Grace Brett, Hoopa; farmer Daniel Thomas Shanesy, 1448 G Street, Arcata, age 58, born Redwood Creek, 16 April 1884; employer Northwestern Pacific Railroad; contact: Mrs. Jane Dillon, Long Street, Eureka

**1882 Voter Registration, Humboldt County**
Brett, John, 21, born Maine, mail carrier; living at Redwood

**1888 Voter Registration, Humboldt County**
Brett, John, 27, born Maine, farmer, living at Willow Creek
Brett, Thomas, 55, born Ireland, farmer, living at Willow Creek; naturalized 19 Oct. 1858,
New York City.
Brett, Thomas Henry, 22, born Calif.; packer, living at Willow Creek

Deeds
Deeds P:582 (6 Sept. 1875) A. Wiley to Thomas Brett, property in Arcata
Deeds R: 490 (2 May 1876) Wm. Huestis to Thomas Brett, E half SE qt sec 22, SW qt SW qt sec 23, NW qt NW qt sec 26, 7N3E, 160 acres.
Deeds S:693 (8 Nov. 1876) John Charles Shanesy to Thomas Brett, SW qt SE qt SE qt SW qt sec 22, E half NW qt sec 27, 7N3E.
Deeds 11:694 (8 Jan. 1884) A. Norton as executor of William Kirkham estate to Thomas Brett, Kirkham’s placer mine in Willow Creek mining district.
Deeds 31:215 (28 May 1889) Thomas Brett to John Brett, undivided one-half interest in W half SW qt, SW qt NW qt sec 16, 7N5E, 120 acres; W half SW qt, SW qt NW qt sec 16, 7N5E, 120 acres; W half SW qt, SE qt SW qt, SW qt SE qt sec 4, 7N5E, 160 acres and Kirkham’s placer mine.
Deeds 59:370 (6 Jan. 1897) Thomas Brett to Thomas H. Brett, W half SW qt, SE qt SW qt, SW qt SE qt sec 5, 7N5E, also tract in Willow Creek Mining District known as Kirkham placer mine.
Deeds 75:533 (13 May 1901) John Brett to John Douglas, SW qt NW qt sec 16, 7N5E; W half SW qt sec 16, 7N5E, 120 acres; also E half NE qt sec 17, 7N5E, 80 acres; comprising all property owned on Trinity River by grantor.

1870 U.S. Census, Klamath County, Martins Ferry, pg. 371
18. Brett, Thomas, 37, white, laborer, born Ireland
19. _____, Lucy, 33, white, born Ireland
20. _____, Mary, 11, Maine
21. _____, Johnny, 10 Calif.
22. _____, Thomas, 2, Calif.

1880 U.S. Census, Humboldt County, Redwood, pg. 319
22. Brett, Thomas, white, 48, farmer, widowed, born Ireland
23. _____, Mary Ann white, 21, daughter, born Maine, parents Ireland
24. _____, John, white, 19, son, farmer, Calif.; parents Ireland
25. _____, Thomas H., white, 12, son, at school; Calif.; parents Ireland
26. Shanesy, Agnes, 5, granddaughter, Calif.; father Ireland; mother Maine
27. _____, Mary, 3, granddaughter, Calif.; father Ireland; mother Maine.
28. _____, Daniel, 1, grandson, Calif.; father Ireland; mother Maine

1880 U.S. Census, Willow Creek
Kidd, James, farmer, Kentucky
____, Malinda, wife, Indian, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
____, Nancy, 17, daughter
____, Amelia, 15, daughter
____, William, 11, son
Zeigler, Elizabeth, Indian, niece, 9, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
____, Daisy, Indian, niece, 7, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.

1892 Voter Register, Humboldt County
Brett, John, 31, 5 feet 8 inches, sandy complexion; brown eyes; sandy hair, born Calif.; farmer, residence Willow Creek; post office China Flat.
____, Thomas, 59, 5 feet 10 inches, dark complexion, gray eyes, dark hair, Ireland; farmer, residence Willow Creek; post office China Flat, naturalized 19 Oct. 1858, N.Y. City.
____, Thomas Henry, 24, 5 feet 4 inches, dark complexion, brown eyes, dark hair, Calif.; packer, residence Willow Creek post office Hoopa

1892 Hoopa Agency Census
John Sherman, head, 38
America ____, wife, 34
Sarah ____, niece, 17
Harry ____, step son, 5
Johnny ____, stepson, 2 [Indian John Brett; later John Edward Brett; he would have been son of America]
Eliza ____, niece, 13
Mary ____ sister, 30

1900 U.S. Census, Humboldt Co., Klamath, pg. 126A
21. Waterman, Henry B., head, March 1862, 38, married 11 years, Calif.; father Mass; mother Mass
22. ____ , Mary A., wife, Nov. 1859, 40, 5/5 children; Maine; Ireland; Ireland
23. ____ , Charles E., son, Jan. 1890, 10, Calif.
24. ____ , Frank F., son, June 1892, 7, Calif.
25. ____ , Julia F., mother, Aug. 1817, 82, widow; Mass.

1900 U.S. Census, Humboldt Co., Klamath, pg. 127A
8. Brett, John, head, white, Nov. 1861, 38, married 8 years, Calif.; parents born Ireland, farmer [this is the white John Brett]
9. ____ , Daisy, wife, 25, 2/2 children, born Calif.; father Ohio, mother Calif.
10. ____ , Winnie, daughter, Sept. 1891, 8, Calif.
11. ____ , Stella, daughter, Sept. 1896, 3, Calif.
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12. Brett, Thomas H., head, July 1859, 30, married 3 years; born Calif.; parents Ireland, farmer
13. ____ , Rena, wife, Feb 1872, 28, 2/2 children; born Ohio; parents born Ohio.
14. ____ , George M., son, Aug. 1898, 1, Calif.; father Calif.; mother Ohio
15. ____ , Vesta, daughter, Aug. 1899, 0 months, Calif.; Calif.; Ohio
16. Henry, Wm. N., servant, April 1847, 53, Iowa, NY, Penn. Farm laborer

1900 U.S. Census, Hoopa Reservation; Indian population
Brett, John, pupil [at boarding school], age 9, Klamath Tribe; father white; mother Klamath Tribe, ½ Indian
1900 Hoopa Agency Census
Sherman, John, husband, 46
____, America, wife, 42
Brett, John, stepson, 10 [Indian John Brett]
Sherman, Rachel, daughter, 3
____, Baby girl, 1 week

1907 Hoopa Agency census
Sherman, John, husband, 54
____, Nancy Todi, wife, 44
____, Rachel, daughter, 10
Todi, stepdaughter, 3 months
____, Dora, stepdaughter, 13
____, Lulu, stepdaughter, 9
____, Belle, stepdaughter, 4
Brett, John, stepson, 17 [Indian John Brett]

1910 U.S. Census, Humboldt Co.; Hoopa; Indian population
Brett, John, head, Indian, 20, single, laborer, lumberman, full Hoopa [probably not]

1910 U.S. Census, Humboldt County, Blue Lake, pg. 49A
29. ____ , Daisy, wife, 35
30. ____ , Winnie, daughter, 18, store clerk
31. ____ , Stella, daughter, 16

1911 Hoopa Agency Census
Sherman, John, husband, 56
____, Nancy, wife, 48
____, Gifford, daughter, 4
____, Harriman, son, 2
Todi, Dora, stepdaughter, 17
____, Lulu, step daughter, 15
____, Belle, step daughter, 8
Brett, John, stepson, 21 [Indian John Brett]

1920 U.S. Census, Freshwater Precinct
Brett, John Edwin, Indian, 28, born Calif.; father U.S.; mother Calif.; teamster logging camp
____, Grace, wife, Indian, 26, Calif.; Penn.; Calif.
____, Edwin, son, Indian, 2
____, Chester, son, Indian, 3

1920 U.S. Census, Arcata, pg. 62A
2. Brett, Thomas H., head, white, 50, Calif.; parents born Ireland; stock rancher
3. ____ , Rena, wife, white, 48, born Ohio; parents born Ohio
4. ____ , George M., son, 24
5. ____, Rodney A., son, 18
6. ____, Pearl M., daughter, 16
7. ____, Ella, daughter, 13
8. ____, Lucie, daughter, 11
9. Copeland, John, father-in-law, 85, born Ohio
10. ____, Liddie, daughter, 50, Ohio, nurse private family

1920 U.S. Census, 12th precinct, Eureka
79. Robinson, Elmer E., head, 28, born Calif.; parents U.S.; brakeman on railroad
80. ____, Winnie L., wife, 28, Calif.; parents born Calif.
81. ____, Maxine, E., daughter, 5, Calif.
82. ____, Jean L., daughter, 3, Calif.

1920 U.S. Census, Mad River, Blue Lake, Greenwood Road
76. Frazier, Albert, head, 67, born Missouri; millman lumber mill
77. ____, Daisy, wife, 44, born Calif.; parents U.S.

1920 U.S. Census, Humboldt County, Arcata, pg. 61A
45. Shanesy, Dan T., head, 36, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.; railroad conductor
46. ____, Wilhelmina, wife, 27, Calif.; Canada; Calif.
47. ____, Jane M., daughter 1, Calif.

1925 Polk Directory
Brett, John, 608 Summer St., Eureka
Brett, John E., (Grace), Korbel

1927 Polk Directory
Brett, John, 649 Summer St., Eureka
This John Brett not listed after 1927 in Polk Directory

1928 California Indian Census
2046 4201 Brett, John, head, 36, 5/4/92, ¼ Karuk, residence Hoopa
2047 4202 ____, Grace, wife, 35, 8/31/93, ¼ Hupa
2048 4092 ____, Chester, son, 12, 1/26/16, ¼ Hupa
2049 4092 ____, Edwin, son, 11, 12/16/17, ¼ Hupa

6104 6089 Frasier, Daisy, head, 53, 5/24/75, ¼ Hupa, residence Blue Lake; husband is white.

1930 U.S. Census, Hoopa
Brett, John, head, Indian, 38, Calif.; father mixed blood [white]; mother Karuk; truck driver for store
____, Grace, wife, Indian, 36, Calif.; father mixed blood; mother Hupa
____, Chester, son, Indian, Hupa
____, Edwin, son, Indian, 12, Hupa

1930 U.S. Census, Eureka
Robinson, Elmer E., head, 37, born Colorado; parents born U.S.
____, Winnie, wife, 37, born Calif.; parents born Calif.
____, Maxine, daughter, 15
____, Jean, daughter, 13
White, John, half brother, 11, born Calif.; England; U.S.

1930 U.S. Census, Mad River, Blue Lake
34. Frazier, Albert A., Head, 77, married at age 65, born Missouri
35. ______, Dasie C., wife, 53, married at age 43, born Calif.; father Ohio; mother Calif.

1930 U.S. Census, Humboldt County, Arcata
24. Shanesy, Daniel T., 45, Calif.; U.S.; Calif.; railroad conductor
25. ______, Wilhelmina, 37, Calif.; Canada; Calif.
26. ______, Jane, daughter, 11

1940 U.S. Census, Eureka
Frazier, Daisy C., head, 65, widow, born Calif.

1940 U.S. Census, Eureka
Robinson, Elmer E., 48, Colorado, clerk hotel
______, Winnie L., 47, Calif.; housekeeper hotel

NA (BLA) (1 June 1889) From Mr. Brett of Willow Creek was learned that the second section of the road is now completed….

NA (BLA) (8 June 1889) Willow Creek—Mr. John Brett is again among us, no place like Trinity!

NA (BLA) (6 July 1889) Willow Creek, dance, Prof. Hardy furnished music and J. Brett and Will Hemsted did the shouting, and in between dances H.B. Waterman and John Brett entertained the dancers with choice songs.

BLA (8 Aug. 1891) Mr. Tom Brett, boss packer in charge of the Government train at Hoopa Valley, was in town….

BLA (1 May 1897) Death of Thomas Brett—Last Monday [April 26] afternoon at 1 o’clock Mr. Thomas Brett passed peacefully away at his home at Willow Creek. The gentleman had been ill for several months previous but his death was rather unexpected. Deceased was well and favorably known in northern Humboldt, where he had resided since 1866. He first came to the county in 1865 as a soldier in company B, California Volunteers, stationed at Fort Gaston where he stayed 13 months. He was then removed to Benicia where he was mustered out of service and returned to Humboldt, locating on a claim on Redwood Creek. After residing there a few years, he went to Willow Creek where he remained until the time of his death. He was a native of
County Clare, Ireland, aged 69 years and leaves to mourn his loss three children: Mrs. H.B. Waterman, John and Thomas Brett, and seven grandchildren; burial Arcata cemetery, J.S. Todd, officiating.

FE (4 May 1897) Thos. H. Brett asks to be appointed administrator of the estate of his deceased father, Thos. Brett, who died recently at Willow Creek. The estate is valued at $5000 and the heirs are the petitioner, John Brett, and Mrs. W.H. Waterman.

BLA (10 July 1909) Brett’s Store Burglarized—Shortly after 12 o’clock, Thursday night, a burglar entered the cigar store of John Brett in Blue Lake and robbed the fill of about $25 in silver….

BLA (6 July 1912) Miss Stella Brett returned from Bair’s resort on Redwood Creek after visiting there with her father and sister.

BLA (24 Jan. 1914) Half Breed Defies The Town—Charles Sims, a well-known half breed Indian, formerly from Weitchpec, but for the past few years a woodsman of this section and a resident of Blue Lake, went on the war path last Sunday morning, cutting and shooting right and left. When the smoke of battle had cleared away, Marshal Brett had been stabbed in the neck, H. Murray was shot in the back with a 22 caliber rifle, while John Bates and the originator of the fireworks, Charles Sims, were more or less perforated with shot from a shotgun.

About 11 o’clock a.m., Lucy Bates, more familiarly known as “Monkey Wrench Johnny’s wife, approached Trustee Frank Wheeler, who was standing at the corner of Lewis’ store, stating that Charles Sims was at her home creating a disturbance, and asked Wheeler to get the Marshal to come and take Sims away as he was threatening to do bodily harm to her husband.

Wheeler found the Marshal and together they went to the house of Bates. On the way to the house the Marshal gave Wheeler his club, saying that he had his gun in his pocket. Just as the two arrived at the house, the Marshal called on Joe Montgomery, who was standing outside, to accompany them into the house. About that time, Mrs. Bates, who was standing near the door, warned the Marshal to look out for Sims, as he had a knife.

On entering the house, Sims was sitting beside the bed on which was lying John Bates. Marshal Brett approached to within about for feet of Sims and said “I have come to arrest you. Give me that knife.” Sims said, “John Brett, what you arrest me for?” Brett replied, “For disturbing the peace.” At that Sims made a cat-like bound, striking Brett with a knife in the neck just at the lower part of the ear, and losing hold of the knife. Brett and Montgomery retreated outside the house, followed by Wheeler, who struck Sims on the head with the club, but failed to knock him down. Just after getting outside the house, Brett collapsed and fell to the ground where he lay in a daze for a short time, but when he revived he was taken to the house of H. Murray nearby, telling the bystanders to get Constable Underwood. The latter arrived in a few minutes, but meanwhile Sims had picked up a 22 caliber rifle that was in the house and flourishing it said he would shoot anyone that should try to take him.

On the arrival of Constable Underwood that officer went up to the corner of the house with his drawn pistol and where he could command a view of the door if Sims should attempt to come out. He called to Sims to come out and surrender, but Sims called back: “I see you, Jack, and you can’t take me.” Seeing that it was useless to try to get him to come out the Constable
retreated a short distance and sought the shelter of a nearby building, sending a message by telephone to the Sheriff. Deputy Helms, who answered back to surround the house and hold him in it until they could get there. Up to this time not a shot had been fired.

Dr. Mooney, who had been called to dress Brett’s wound, ordered O.C. Mulvany to bring his auto to convey the wounded man to his office. About this time, Constable Underwood ordered his shotgun brought him, but before the arrival of the shotgun is when Sims began shooting, first taking a shot at Murray, just as he was entering the door of his own home. Murray returned the fire with three shots from his pistol, none of which, however, took effect. About the same time, Sims took a shot at Mulvany, who had arrived with Dr. Mooney’s auto, after which Sims retreated back into the house, only to return in sight in a short time, when Constable Underwood, who had got his shotgun in working order, took a shot at Sims as he retreated within. He struck Sims in the leg and the same shot also struck John Bates in the leg, who was inside the house. All was quiet for awhile when Sims again appeared at the window. Underwood fired again crashing the window in. All was quiet again for some time when Sims poked his gun out of the window and took two shots at random, but failed to hit anyone, which was lucky, as by this time quite a crowd had gathered around. After another….at the door, but this time without the gun. He threw up his hands and said he would give up.

An examination of the wounds revealed the following facts: Marshal Brett had been stabbed with a pocket knife in the neck just at the lobe of the ear, severing it. The thrust narrowly escaped being immediately fatal. H. Murray received a wound in the back with a 22 caliber bullet, which lodged in the flesh. Sims was shot in the leg and arm with No. 6 shot, there being 36 pellets embedded in his flesh. John Bates had 5 shots to his credit in the flesh of his leg.

During the time the shooting was going on there was considerable excitement. Most everyone in town was attracted as near to the scene as it was at all safe to go. Most everyone knew just how to take the man, but no one was willing to venture on carrying out any of the plans, least of all the ones who proposed them. It is easy enough to stand around and say how anything should be done, but next to impossible to get in and carry out your plan.

Shortly after Sims had given himself up to Constable Underwood, Deputy Sheriff Helms and Ross arrived and took Sims to Eureka, where he was confined in Redmond’s hotel.

It is stated that the cause of the disturbance dates back to some time ago when Sims sold his place near the Klamath, later gambling away the money. Sims has been drinking considerably of late and having trouble with his wife, claiming the other half-breeds living here were inducing her to separate from him. That is the reason he was at the home of Bates, when Constable Brett went to arrest him.

BLA (24 Jan. 1914) Marshal’s Injury Proves Serious—The knife wound sustained by Marshal John Brett last Sunday at the hands of Charles Sims took on a more serious turn as the days progressed, with the result that he was taken to the Trinity Hospital in Arcata yesterday morning to undergo an operation. The thrust severed the nerves that control the muscles of the left side of the face, amounting to a facial paralysis on that side. He loses the action both of the eye and the lips on the left side. The operation is for the purpose of splicing the nerve together and if successful he will regain the use of those organs.

Regarding Sims, who stabbed Brett and wounded Murray, he is being held in the county jail pending the time when a charge will be preferred against him. District Attorney Arthur W. Hill stated that no complaint would be lodged against Sims until the outcome of Bretts’ condition could be determined.
BLA (16 Sept. 1916) Obit Miss Trena Brett, 11-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Brett of Redwood Creek, died at Trinity hospital as a result of an operation for appendicitis [ruptured]; funeral from Arcata Methodist church.

BLA (28 April 1917) Drowning of Young Child—About 10 o’clock Wednesday morning, Clarence, the two-and-eight-month old son of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Brett of this place was drowned in the North Fork of Mad river, near the Riverside mill, and his young companion, Lawrence Anger, the four-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed B. Anger, also of Blue Lake, had a miraculous escape.

It appears that the two little tots disappeared from their home at Powersville about 9 o’clock, their mothers believing that they were playing in the yard nearby. They walked to Riverside and attempted to wade across the river opposite the Riverside Mill, where the wagons usually cross on a riffle. Young Anger helped to pack the Brett boy across but when about half way, the current proved to be too swift and they both fell in and washed down the stream. The Anger boy managed to get out of the water by getting close to the bank and pulled himself out by clutching hold of some willows. The other boy washed down the stream a distance of about 300 yard where his body was afterwards recovered by Ed Anger, who had hurried to the scene. The body was about two feet under water, lodged against a snag, the pool where he was, being about seven feet deep.

As soon as the alarm was given, quite a number of men from the mill went to the rescue of the lad, but it was about an hour after the accident had occurred that he was recovered by Mr. Anger. The body was quickly taken to Blue Lake, but nothing could be done to resuscitate him, he having been in the water too long.

The funeral took place yesterday afternoon from the Presbyterian church, Rev. C.J. Irwin officiating with interment in the Blue Lake cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Brett have the sincere sympathy of the entire community in their sad misfortune.

BLA (4 Feb. 1922) Passing of Thos. H. Brett In Eureka….—The people of this northern section were grieved to learn Monday of the rather sudden death of Thomas H. Brett in a Eureka hospital following an operation for appendicitis. It appears that Mr. Brett, who was employed in Arcata as a cattle buyer for the J.C. Bull, Jr., Co. was out auto riding on Arcata Bottom Sunday morning when he complained of feeling ill at noon when he returned home. He rapidly became worse and about 4 o’clock Dr. McKinnon was called in and his condition was so alarming that an ambulance was telephoned for and he was taken to the St. Joseph hospital in Eureka. He was found to have an exploded appendix and a perforated bowl and the operation came too late to save him.

Thomas Henry Brett was born in Humboldt County on July 12, 1868 on the old Brett ranch which is now a part of the Bair ranch on Redwood Creek, being 53 years, 6 months and 18 days of age when he died. He spent most of his life at Willow Creek, where he owned a ranch which he sold some ten years ago to William Gallop of Eureka. At one time he conducted the Willow Creek Hotel and in 1915, he moved with his family to the Berry ranch on Redwood Creek, which he conducted for five years. About two or three years ago, he moved his family to Arcata and bought a home in the Anderson Addition where he has since resided, being employed as a cattle buyer for J.C. Bull, Jr. Company
On Nov. 10, 1897, he was married to Miss Rena Copeland of Arcata, who survives together with six children, two sons George Brett, Hoopa and Rodney of Arcata; and four daughters Mrs. Vesta Robinson, Eureka; Pearl, Constance and Jean Brett, Arcata. He is also survived by a brother John Brett of Eureka and a sister Mrs. Mary Waterman, Willow Creek. Funeral at Arcata Presbyterian Church, C.O. Hessel officiating.

HT (25 June 1936) George Marvin Brett died in Veterans hospital, Portland, lived in Yamhill, Oregon, age 38, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Brett. Native of Willow Creek; WW I vet; wife Hannah, daughter Trena, age 9; other relatives sisters Mrs. Vesta Robinson and Mrs. Howard Melendy, Eureka; Mrs. Ralph Case, Redwood City; Mrs. Walter Price, Denny; brother Rodney Brett, Walker, Calif.; burial Greenwood in Arcata.

BLA (30 Sept. 1944) Obit Mrs. Mary Waterman, wife of late Henry B. Waterman; lived for many years on ranch at Willow Creek; died in Eureka; born 85 years ago in New York; surviving children: D.T. Shanesy, Arcata; Mrs. William Johnson, Butte Montana; Frank E. Waterman, Reno; nieces and nephews Mrs. John Robinson, Mrs. Howard Melendy, Rodney Brett, Mrs. Elmer Robinson, Mrs. Edward Emenegger, Mrs. Constance Price, all of Eureka; Mrs. Jean Case, Redwood City and several grandchildren. Services by Rev. C.H. Murphy of St. Bernard’s Catholic Church at Willow Creek cemetery.

BLA (30 Aug. 1951) Obit John Edward “Johnnie” Brett, 66, Hoopa. Brett was one of the most widely-known residents of the Hoopa Valley. Born Willow Creek. Was employed by A. Brizard Co. for 23 years. For many years, he drove freight teams between Arcata and Hoopa and later was in the contracting business in Hoopa Valley. Survivors, wife, Grace Brett, son Edwin Brett, grandson Clarence Brett, all of Hoopa, two sisters Mrs. Elmer Robinson and Mrs. Ed Emenegger, both of Klamath. Burial Blue Lake cemetery. [Calif. Deaths online born 4 May 1891; died 26 Aug. 1951; mother Sherman] [This is the Indian John E. Brett, son of the white John Brett and a part Karuk woman]

DNT (18 Dec. 1952) Mrs. Robinson Laid to Rest in Eureka—Died suddenly Dec. 11 in Klamath; resident there for 12 years; active in community affairs. Born Humboldt county. Survived by husband Elmer E. Robinson and two daughters Mrs. William Mee, Klamath and Mrs. J.L. Lindstrom, Temple City, Calif.; She was active in the establishment of the new Klamath Community Church, member Klamath Women’s Club, the Ladies WBA of Klamath, the Klamath Valley Grange, and the Del Norte Pomona Grange. [Misc. 1:310 Affidavit of Birth, Recorder’s Office, Humboldt County: Winnie Lucille Brett, born 15 Sept. 1891 at Willow Creek; father John Brett, age 32, white, born Ireland, farmer; mother Daisy Carrie Zeigler, 16, white, born Willow Creek, housewife. Affiant: Daisy Carrie Zeigler Frazier, Eureka, 1942]


Cripe Family

Humboldt County Marriages (Milota Index, Eureka Library)
Fred A. Cripe and Stella Brett, 20 Aug. 1917, Arcata
Lauretta Cripe and Yarnell Cooper, 27 Aug. 1938, Hoopa

Humboldt County Deaths (Milota Index, Eureka Library)
Fred Armento Cripe, died 9 May 1932; burial Greenwood, occupation painter; wife Stella Brett Cripe; born 4 Sept. 1887 in Arcata; parents Sarah Tinkem and John Cripe, both born Indiana; died of stomach cancer.

California Deaths Online
Guilliams, Stella F., 9/26/96-2/28/63, mother Maple; died Humboldt County.
Alvera S. Bigovich, born 4/11/13; died 3 Dec. 1973
Viola Stella Marshall, born 1/8/19; died 1/20/91, Mother Brett; father Cripe, Humboldt Co.
Winifred Frances Marshall, born 1/9/22; died 12/5/90; mother Brett; father Cripe, Humboldt Co.
John Wilford Cripe, born 12/8/17; died 4/15/91; mother Brett, died Napa
Andrew N. Bigovich, born 11/30/94; died 3/12/67 in Alameda; mother Nikolich [burial Golden Gate National Cemetery, San Bruno.]
    Petition for Naturalization Andrew Nikola Bigovich at Camp Lewis Washington, soldier; born at Niksich, Montenegro. 1930 U.S. Census, living in Sheridan, Wyoming working as coal miner; 1930 U.S. Census he was in Billings, Montana, working as a dry cleaner. 1946047 Polk Directory Bigovich, Andrew N. (Alvera), 1403 West Ave., Eureka.

California Birth Index on line
Cripe, female, born 11 April 1913; mother Brett, Humboldt Co.

1920 U.S. Census, Union Township
94. Cripe, Fred, 33, painter, Indiana
95. _____, Stella, 23, wife, Calif.; U.S.; Calif.
96. _____, Alvera, 6, daughter
97. _____, John, 2, son
98. _____, Viola, daughter, 3 months

Application No. 6186, Approved
Cripe, Stella F., wife, age 32, born Sept. 26, 1896, ½ degree Indian blood
Cripe, Alvera S., daughter, 15, April 11, 1913 3/8 degree Indian blood
Cripe, John W., son, 11, Dec. 8, 1917, 3/8 degree Indian blood
Cripe, Viola S., daughter, 9, Jan. 8, 1919, 3/8 degree Indian blood
Cripe Loretta J., daughter, 7, Aug. 25, 1921, 3/8 degree Indian blood
Cripe, Winifred F., daughter, 4, Jan. 9, 1924, 3/8 degree Indian blood
Husband No. 6203: Application was rejected.
Resident May 18, 1928: Arcata, Humboldt County, California
Place of birth of yourself and each of your minor children: Humboldt County.
Married: Husband Fred Cripe, born Sept. 4, 1885, ¼ degree Cherokee Tribe, Kansas
Maiden Name: Estella F. Brett, ½ degree Indian blood, Redwood Tribe, Humboldt County
[skipping some questions]
Indian ancestors living June 1, 1852: Bob Leon, Redwood Tribe, maternal great grandfather.
Parents: Father Thomas Brett, white; Mother Lottie Brett, 4/4 degree Indian blood; her maiden name: Lottie Maple, born Redwood Creek; parents married in Humboldt County, Indian custom. They resided at Redwood Creek after their marriage. Father died 1926; mother, do not remember.
Grandparents: Father’s parents were white; mother’s father was George Maple; 4/4 degree Indian blood; mother’s mother was Elizabeth Maple, 4/4 degree Indian blood.
Ancestors back to June 1, 1852: Bob Leon, full blood Redwood Indian, maternal great grandfather, resided in Humboldt County on June 1, 1852 at Redwood Creek.
Signature: Stella Cripe, 22 Aug. 1929.
Witnesses: Ben Scott who has known her 32 years and Ellen Scott who has known her 32 years.
1928 California Indian Census
Cripe, Stella, F., head, 32, 9/26/96, ½ Redwood, never allotted, residence Arcata, (Fred Cripe, Husband, application 6203 rejected; his Cherokee Indian heritage not documented)
___, Alvera S., daughter, 15, 4/11/13, ¼ Redwood
___, John W., son, 11, 12/8/17, ¼ Redwood
___, Viola S., daughter, 9, 1/8/19, ¼ Redwood
___, Loretta J., daughter, 7, 8/28/21, ¼ Redwood
___, Winifred F., daughter, 4, 1/9/24, ¼ Redwood

1930 U.S. Census, Humboldt County, Union, Anderson Addition
91. Cripe, Fred W., head, white, 43, married at age 29, Calif.; parents Indiana, painted, odd jobs
92. Stella F., wife, Indian, 33, married at age 20, Calif.; father mixed blood; mother
Redwood
93. Alvera, daughter, Indian, 17
94. John W., son, Indian, 12
95. Viola F., daughter, 11
96. Loretta J., daughter, 9
97. Winifred, daughter, 8
98. Charles R., brother, 47, single, Kansas; parents Indiana

1930 U.S. Census, Alameda, Berkeley. School for the Blind
17. Cripe, Alvera S., student, 16, Calif.; U.S.; U.S.
1940 U.S. Census, Humboldt Co., Weitchpec
Cripe, Stella, head, Ind., 43, widow
____, Alvera, daughter, Ind., 27, single
____, Winifred, daughter, Ind., 17, single
Cooper, Amos, lodger, Ind., 27, single, laborer
____, Yarnell, Jr., son, Indian, 10 months
____, Loretta, wife, Indian, 29
____, Yarnell, head, Indian, 31, faller in woods

AU (13 May 1932) Obit Fred Cripe. As the result of a long illness, Fred Cripe died on Monday night at 11 o’clock at a local hospital in Eureka, where he has been confined for the last two weeks. Deceased was born in Arcata Sept. 4, 1887 and for a number of years has followed the painting and paper hanging trade, being a competent workman in that line and was steadily employed up to several months ago, when he was stricken with a lingering malady. He was a good citizen and worked hard, and even after he was stricken and in a weakened condition, he worked at his trade having in mind the welfare and comforts of his wife and small children.

Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Stella Brett Cripe, and five children, Alvera, John, Viola, Loretta and Winifred Cripe of Arcata. He leaves a brother, Charles Cripe of Arcata and his father John Cripe of Santa Monica. Services at Presbyterian Church; interment Greenwood.

HT (2 March 1963) Obit Stella F. Guilliams, died Feb. 28 at Hoopa; wife of Roy Guilliams; mother of John Cripe, Calistoga; Winifred Marshall, Hoopa; Viola Marshall, Hoopa; Alvera Bigovich, Oakland; Loretta Cooper, Redding; 20 grandchildren and four great grandchildren. Member Hoopa Presbyterian Church. Native of Blue Lake; age 66, Burial Greenwood Cemetery.

Certificate of Death, #108; Book 7 page 439, Humboldt County Recorder’s Office
Stella Flora Guilliams, 28 Feb. 1963, Indian
Born: 9/26/96 in California; age 66
Father: Tom Brett, birth place unknown
Mother: Lottie Maple, born California
Married to: Roy Guilliams, sawmill laborer
Died: Klamath-Trinity hospital, Hoopa
Residence: Marshall Lane in Hoopa
Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Arcata on 3/5/63
Cause of immediate death: uremia due to cancer of bladder, uterus and pelvis

HT (5 Dec. 1973) Obit Alvera Sarah Bigovich, died 3 Dec. 1973; resident of Del Norte St., Eureka; mother of George Bigovich, San Pablo; Milovan Bigovich, Williams, Arizona; Zorka Neuman, Vacaville; Damia Bigovich, Sonoma; sister of John Cripe, Calistoga; Viola and Winifred Marshall, Hoopa; Lauretta Draper, Chico; three grandchildren. Native of Arcata; age 60; burial Greenwood cemetery.

Certificate of Death #734, Humboldt County Recorder’s Office
Alvera Sarah Bigovich, died 3 Dec. 1973, Indian
Born: 11 April 1913, age 60
Father: Ivan Brett; born Poland
Mother: Stella Maple; born Pennsylvania
Widow
Died: Humboldt Medical Center in Eureka
Usual residence: 833 Del Norte Street, Eureka
Informant: George Bigovich, San Pablo, Calif.
Burial: Greenwood Cemetery, Arcata

Cooper Family

Milota Death Index, Eureka Library
Cooper, Yarnell, 10 Oct. 1908, Bluff Creek; born 9 Aug. 1830 in Ohio; parents: mother unknown; father Yarnell Cooper, farmer, died of old age.

1860 U.S. Census, Trinity County, Honest Bar
Y. Cooper, 30, born 1830, Penn. Miner

1880 U.S. Census, Humboldt County, Martin’s Ferry
7. Dowds, Charles, hotel keeper
12. Cooper, Henry, 20, employee, placer miner, Calif.; Ohio; Calif.
15. ____, Yarnell, 51, stock raiser, Ohio

1888 Voter Register, Humboldt County
Cooper, Henry Clay, 28, Calif.; Rancher, Martins Ferry
Cooper, Yarnel, 56, Penn., Rancher, Orleans

1892 Voter Register, Humboldt County
Cooper, Henry Clay, 32, 5 feet 10 inches, dark complexion, brown eyes, dark hair, Martin’s Ferry, miner

1896 Voter Register, Weitchpec
Cooper, Yarnell, farmer 66, 5 feet 9 inches, light complexion, blue eyes, gray hair, Penn.

1900 U.S. Census, Orleans
Cooper, Yarnell, head, Jan. 1830, 70, widower, Penn., farmer

1900 U.S. Census, Hoopa Extension, Indian Population
31. Cooper, Henry, head, Ind., 41, married 5 years; Lower Klamath tribe, father white, mother Lower Klamath
32. ____, Lillie, wife, 21, full Lower Klamath
33. ____, Ollie, daughter, June 1896, 3, ¾ Indian
34. ____, Nettie, daughter, June 1898, 1, ¾ Indian
35. Billy, Weitchpec, father-in-law, 60, widower, full Lower Klamath
Ashton, Fred, grandson, April 1893, 7
1910 U.S. Census, Klamath, addition to Hoopa Valley, Indina population

26. Cooper, Henry, head, 50, married 2nd time, born Trinity Co.; father Iowa, mother Trinity Co.; Redwood tribe, father white, mother Redwood
27. _____, Nellie, wife, 30 married 2nd time for 15 years, 6/6 children, born Weitchpec; parents Weitchpec, full Weitchpec.
28. _____, Josephine, daughter, 14, ¾ Indian
29. _____, Nettie, daughter, 12
30. _____, Henry, Jr., son, 9
31. _____, Dora, daughter, 7
32. _____, Maggie, daughter, 5
33. _____, Yarnell, son, 3

1920 U.S. Census, Klamath, pg. 219A

25. Cooper, Henry, head, Indian, 61, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
26. _____, Nellie wife, Indian, 57, Calif.; Calif.; Calif.
27. _____, Josie, daughter, 23
28. _____, Henry, son, 19
29. _____, Dora, daughter, 17
30. _____, Maggie, daughter, 15
31. _____, Yarnell, son, 12
32. _____, Amos, son, 8
33. _____, Vera, daughter, 3

1928 California Indian Census

3868 916 Cooper, Fannie, widow, female, 65, 6/20/63, ½ Yurok, never allotted, residence Weitchpec
3872 6260 Cooper, Henry, head, male, 28, 10/12/1900, ¾ Yurok, never allotted, residence Bay View, Humboldt County.
3873 6258 Cooper, Elizabeth L., wife, female, 26, 2/16/02, 5/8 Mad River
3874 6258 Cooper, Roberta J., daughter, female, 5, 2/7/23, 11/16 Mad River
3875 915 Cooper, Henry C., head, male, 69, 1/8/59, ½ Wintun, never allotted, residence Weitchpec
3876 914 allotment 247-T, Cooper, Nellie, wife, female, 53, 6/19/75, full Weitchpec, allotted
3877 914 Cooper, Yarnell, son, male, 21, 10/14/97, ¾ Weitchpec
3878 914 Cooper, Amos, son, male, 17, 8/25/11, ¾ Weitchpec
3879 914 Cooper, Vera, daughter, female, 12, 8/12/16, ¾ Weitchpec
3880 969 Cooper, Homer, widower, male, 44, 6/22/84, ½ Yurok, never allotted, residence Weitchpec

1930 U.S. Census, Klamath, pg. 232A

Cooper, Henry, head, Indian, 71, married at age 37, Calif.; father mixed blood; mother Wintoon
_____ Nellie, wife, Indian, 51, Calif.; mixed blood; mother Yurok
_____ Yarnell, son, Indian, 22
____, Amos, son, Indian, 18
____, Vera, daughter, Indian, 13

1940 U.S. Census, Humboldt Co., Weitchpec
Cripe, Stella, head, Ind., 43, widow
____, Alvera, daughter, Ind., 27, single
____, Winifred, daughter, Ind., 17, single
Cooper, Amos, lodger, Ind., 27, single
____, Yarnell, Jr., son, Indian, 10 months
____, Loretta, wife, 29
____, Yarnell, head, 51

HT (26 Jan. 1937) Hoopa. Henry Clay Cooper, Bluff Creek, died Jan. 16; age 78; born Sacramento Jan. 8, 1959; left there at age 11, coming to Blue Creek; later established home about one mile from Bluff Creek overlooking Klamath River; leaves wife, three sons, five daughters and 26 grandchildren.

BLA (17 May 1947) Obit Amos Cooper, age 30, chopper for Arrow Mill Co., woods accident above Orick.

AU (8 Nov. 1957) Funeral services will be held today at 2 p.m. in Field Mortuary, Chapel of the Redwoods, for Yarnell Cooper, 48, of Arcata, who died as the result of a woods accident which occurred near Orick. Reverend William Barrett will officiate and burial will be in Greenwood Cemetery.

He was born at Weitchpec and had spent his entire life in Humboldt County. Cooper had worked in the lumber industry for the past 25 years. Survivors include his wife, Loretta Cooper of Arcata; five sons, Yarnell W., Ralph D., Ronald W. Rodney D. and Cornelius J. Cooper, all of Arcata; his mother Mrs. Nellie Cooper of Weitchpec; brother Henry Cooper, Bayside; five sisters Mrs. Vera Ryerson, Mrs. Josephine Robinson and Mrs. Nettie McKinnon of Weitchpec; Mrs. Dora Lewis, Arcata; and Mrs. Margaret Cinq-Mars of New York; niece and nephews.

AU (10 March 1961) Fieldbrook Father, Son Died in Rare Tragedy; Health Office Reports—The carbon monoxide poisoning that took the lives of a Fieldbrook man and his son early Sunday morning was an isolated tragedy having no prior record in this area, according to Dr. L.S. McLean, County Health Officer. Funeral services were held yesterday at Paul’s Funeral Chapel for Yarnell W. Cooper, III and his 16-month-old son, Yarnell W. Cooper, IV. Their tragic death was caused by fumes from burning charcoal briquets brought into their closed bedroom for warmth following an outdoor barbeque. Mrs. Nancy Cooper was released Monday from the Humboldt County Community Hospital where she was treated for severe carbon monoxide poisoning.

She had stepped out of the room for a drink of water at 10 p.m. and this act might have saved her life, according to Clyde Johnson, Humboldt County Sheriff’s deputy. She returned to the room and sleeping in a stupor, revived twice, the second time at 5:30 a.m., she managed to get out of the house to a neighbor, where a call went out for help….

Cooper and his son are survived by his wife, Nanc Cooper; mother Mrs. Loretta Cooper of Redding; brothers Ralph, Joe [Jay], Ronald and Rodney Cooper, all of Redding; grandmother
Mrs. Roy Gullean of Hoopa and Mrs. Nellie Cooper of Weitchpec; and several aunts and uncles. The boy is also survived by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Andrews of Orick; aunts and uncles Kathleen Andrews, Orick; Norman Andrews, U.S. Navy; James, Dennis and Marion Andrews, Orick and many other relatives. Interment Greenwood cemetery.

T-S (3 July 1986) Obit Henry C. Cooper, Bayside, age 85; raised on the family ranch at Bluff Creek; lived entire life in area; worked in logging industry as a fallen for 50 years. Survived by son Henry and Ruth Cooper, Santa Rosa; daughters Roberta and Bud Martin, Springfield Penn.; Velva and Bud Angell, Eureka; sisters Dora Lewis, Fieldbrook; Vera Ryerson, Eureka; Maggie Cinq-Mars, Eureka; and Nettie McKinnon, Hoopa; 24 grandchildren; several great grandchildren; nieces and nephews. Preceded in death by wife Kathryn E. Cooper in March 1985; two daughters Carol E. Koch and Marilyn Dugan; and two brothers Yarnell and Amos Cooper; and sister Josephine Robinson. Interment Sunset Memorial Park, Eureka.

Eureka Reporter (18 July 2007) Obit Vera Joleen Cooper, named for Vera Ryerson Cooper; member Yurok tribe; born 1 May 1981 at Fall River Mills; died in car accident; parents Joe and Mary Cooper, Lookout, California.