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Douglass notable burials



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1. Clara Latourell Larsson

Block 1, Lot 50

Clara Latourell Larsson, daughter of Joseph and Grace Latourell, was born in the Columbia Gorge community of Latourell. Clara was 40 when she was the first woman elected mayor of Troutdale in 1913, one year after women got the vote in Oregon. The wife of saloon keeper, John Larsson, she bested another saloon keeper to take the office and served her community until her death in 1939.



2. John Larsson

Block 1, Lot 50

In a town with many saloons, John Larsson's tavern in Troutdale, owned in partnership with his brother, Carl, was regarded as the best in town. John was married to Clara Latourell Larsson. In 1915, as mayor, she was obliged to close Troutdale's saloons because city residents, emboldened by the prohibition movement, voted to ban alcohol in town. John later owned a livery stable and garage.



3. John Douglass

Block 3, Lot 26

John Douglass fought in the 1813 Battle of Lake Erie with Lieutenant (later Admiral) Perry and came west on the Oregon Trail in 1852. His wife, Elizabeth, died of pneumonia at Green River, Wyoming, and is buried there. He filed a land claim of 161 acres in this location and donated land for Douglass Cemetery. In 1876 he was the only veteran of the War of 1812 to ride in procession in Portland.



4. Eunice Douglass

Block 3, Lot 27

Eunice Douglass, storekeeper, organizer of the Troutdale chapter of the Women's

Christian Temperance Union, church member and doll collector, was known for her pet goose, "Bob, the Auto Rider." Bob rode on the hood of her automobile on trips as far as Seattle and Astoria. The ashes of Eunice Douglass were placed in the grave of her husband, James Douglass, grandson of John Douglass who donated this cemetery.



13. Kent Henry Plischke

Columbarium

Kent Henry Plischke, known professionally

as Kent Henry, was a guitarist in the music group Blues Image, best known for the hit, "Ride Captain Ride," which reached Number 4 on the Billboard Pop Chart in 1970. He was a member of Steppenwolf during the latter part of that band's history and came to Portland in the 1980s where he played with the Paul deLay Blues Band.

14. Mary Tibbets

Burial location unknown

Though her grave has not been located, Mary Tibbets, of the Columbia River Indians, lived and worked as a housekeeper in local homes. She died of tuberculosis at age of 40 at the Multnomah County Farm. Much respected by the residents of Troutdale, the costs of her funeral and grave were paid by local residents and the Troutdale PTA. The Oregon Daily Journal wrote: "A little procession yesterday afternoon left the Multnomah County Farm escorting the remains of Mary Tibbets, an Indian woman, to the cemetery over the hill."



9. William Butler

Block 5, Lot 5

William Butler, an English coal miner, emigrated to the U.S. and to Ohio in 1860. He enlisted with the Second West Virginia Cavalry in the Civil War serving under Generals Hunter and Sheridan and was mustered out in 1865. He came to Oregon in 1884 to claim a homestead and then acquired 160 acres in farmland in East Multnomah County where he also served three years as road supervisor.



10. Charles Richard Knarr

Block 5, Lot 44

Former Troutdale mayor Dick Knarr, came to Troutdale with his parents in 1894. After service in World War I he began selling sand, shoveled by hand from the Sandy River. He then founded Troutdale Sand and Gravel, helped establish a Troutdale bank, and had one thumb out of whack, damaged when as he was ejecting a professional boxer from a Troutdale dance.



5. Roy Meger

Block 3, Lot 39

Roy Meger, keeper of the Troutdale General Store, was

often the only presence in Troutdale's downtown for many years. He took up a broom there at the age of 15, went to war in 1945, returning to buy the store which he ran until he was 80. When he retired, he had a cash register full of old watches taken in trade along with IOUs never paid up. He was known to never turn down a kid or a dog.



6. Laura Bullock Harlow & Louis Harlow

Block 4, Lot 122

Laura Bullock Harlow was Troutdale's second woman elected mayor, "when she was prevailed upon at the last minute to become a candidate" in 1924. Her husband, Louis Harlow, was Troutdale's second mayor. They lived in Troutdale's Harlow House. During her time in office the city imposed a dog tax and shut down Troutdale's dances, justly famous for getting out of hand.



11. Erick Rolf Enquist

Block 7, Lot 43

Erick Rolf Enquist,

The Fish King, was the largest independent operator of Columbia River fish wheels which plucked salmon from the river 24 hours a day. He came to the US in 1902 at the age of 17, teaching himself English by reading his Swedish Bible and then the same verse in an English Bible. After fish wheels were banned in 1933, he was a builder, landowner and mayor of Troutdale in 1944.



12. Garth Sterling Nelson

Block 9, Lot 104

Garth Nelson, a funeral services instructor at Mt.

Hood Community College, had a rare liver disease and at the age of 42 needed a liver transplant. Medical insurance did not cover transplants, so the community raised more than \$100,000, declaring March 1, 1985, as "Garth Nelson Day." In June 1985, he was flown by special aircraft to Texas to become the first Oregonian to have a successful liver transplant.



7. Joseph & Grace Ough Latourell

Block 4, Lot 126 & 127

Joseph and Grace Ough Latourell were founders of the small community of Latourell just east of Crown Point in the Columbia River Gorge. Joseph, a French Canadian seaman, came to the Columbia River and met Grace Ough, of a Cascade Indian tribe. Joseph and Grace were married in 1859. They raised eight children on their land claim below Crown Point, had a family brass band, hosted dances, and entertained Columbia Gorge visitors.

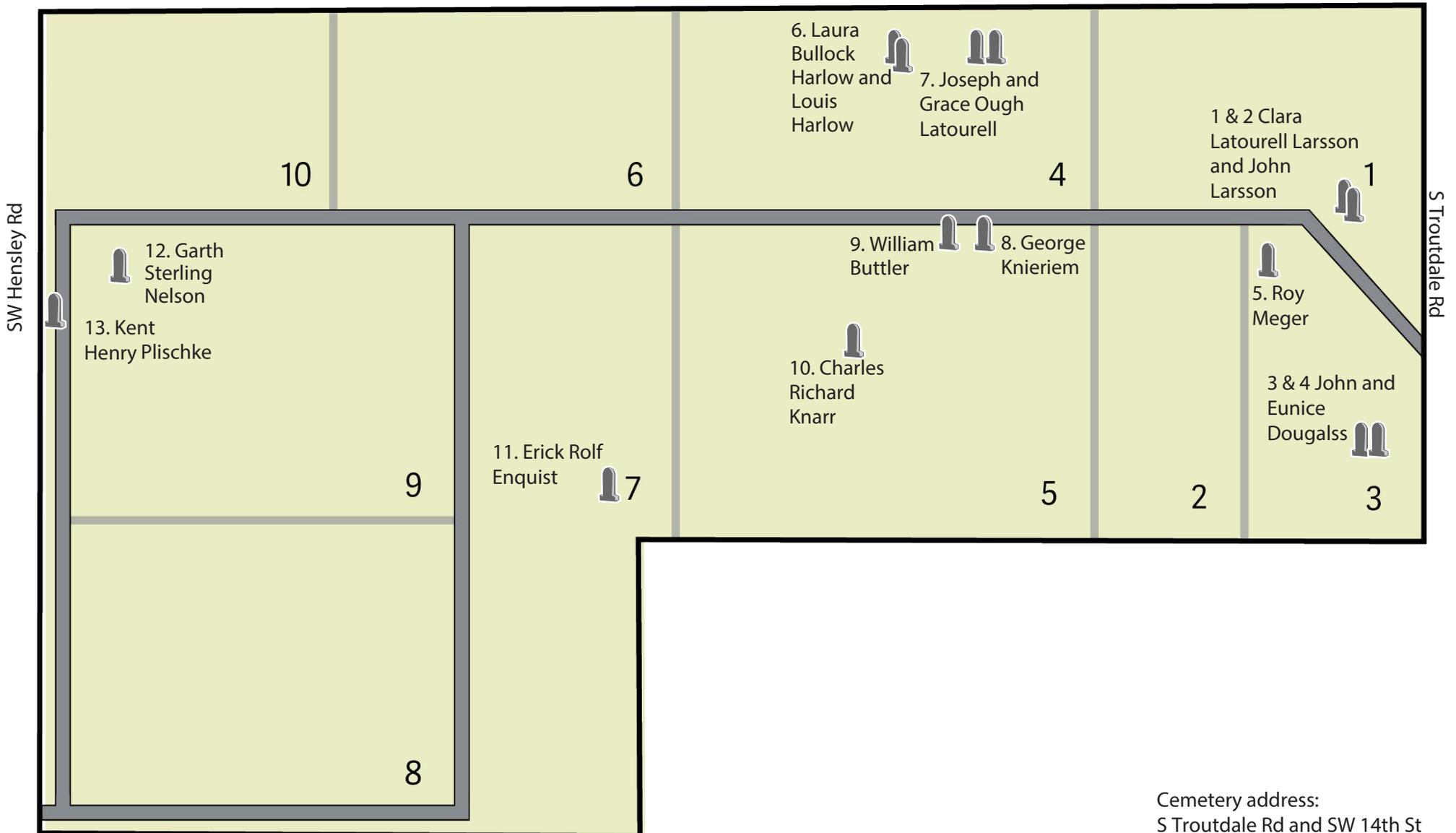


8. George Knieriem

Block 5, Lot 4

George Knieriem was born in Germany in 1844 and came to America when he was six. In July 1862, he enlisted in the Third Wisconsin Battery, fighting in 18 battles and skirmishes in the Civil War. He came to Corbett in 1896, farming 80 acres. He died with his son in a car wreck in 1936 in California where he was visiting and lecturing to other Civil War veterans.

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