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October 8, 1941

17 ft.-8 in. Diameter, breast high. 6400 Board Feet

Left to Right:

Raymond Noan - Contract logger with George Crippin.

Fergus Morrow - Grays Harbor County Commissioner.

Pete Walton - Mill worker from Anacortes.

Red Donley - Attorney for Polson Logging.

Vic Esses - Logger.

Lynn Forrest - Polson Logging employee.

Bill Raddaty - Mill worker, Polson's Northwest Mill.

Cleve Jackson - Chief of Quinalt Indian Tribe

This Douglas Fir tree is still standing. It's located 2.4 miles beyond the Queets Road in the upper Queets River Valley.

Douglas Firs are the tallest of the Northwest trees and this one has been classified as the tallest tree known in the whole Northwest at 326 ft.*

*Giants of the Forest; Olympic Peninsula Big Trees.

by Arthur Lee Jacobson

75th Anniversary: Roosevelt At Lake Quinault

It was on the rainy day of Friday, October 1, 1937 that President Franklin D. Roosevelt stopped in at the Quinault Lodge for lunch as he was touring the Olympic Peninsula. A few still remember that day, "School was let out early so we kids could go next door to see the President," my sister recalled. "We were standing on the front deck, looking in through the large windows and when the President saw us out there in the rain, he motioned to us saying, 'Let the children come in.' It was so exciting to see the President of the United States!"

15 years ago I had the opportunity to visit with one of the Presidents motorcycle escorts. He, also, remembered the rain...very well.

Below are memories from the Aberdeen Daily World's, "World Gone By."

By Phyllis

THE ABERDEEN DAILY WORLD, ABERDEEN, WAS

Roosevelt At Lake Quinault



(Associated Press Photo)

President Roosevelt received first-hand information on Indian art from school children at Lake Quinault when he stopped at the lake for lunch on his tour around the peninsula yesterday. The children, some of them dressed in Indian costumes and beads, exhibited Indian baskets, carved boats and such-like things for the chief executive. Photo shows the president conversing with the students as he inspects the display.

75 YEARS AGO, SEPTEMBER 27, 1937

• No! A thousand times, no! Or perhaps Frank McNeil of the Quinault Hotel believes it is a million times.

But in any event, the answer is definitely negative. There is nothing he can do about it.

Mr. McNeil has been bombarded by innumerable requests for table reservations in the dining room of the Quinault during the time President Roosevelt is lunching here Friday. But he has had to turn a deaf ear to all.

Under instructions from the Secret Service the dining room will be closed during the time it is occupied by the president and his party of officials and correspondents and will not be opened to anyone else until after the president retires from the hall.

Guests of the hotel will be served later.

And...

From the
Montesano
Vidette



75 years ago

Thursday, Oct. 7, 1937

Massed thousands of Montesanans and others from neighboring communities cheered and peered Friday afternoon as President Roosevelt passed slowly through the city on his way to Tacoma after a precedent-breaking tour on the Olympic loop from Lake Crescent. It was a gala day, which reached its climax here when the president's car came to a halt before the flag-massed federal building to acknowledge informal greetings from Mayor J.E. Calder.

"Mr. President," said the mayor, "they may call you Santa Claus, but I'm the real stuff."

The president looked at Mr. Calder's famed beard, laughed and replied, "Right you are," Mr. Mayor.

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75 YEARS AGO, SEPTEMBER 24/25, 1937

• "Him might see my last canoe."

Thus did Washington Howeattle, 96-year-old patriarch of a famous Indian family of canoe-builders, greet news of the forthcoming Olympic peninsula visit by the "Great White Father," President Roosevelt.

Howeattle, descendant of a Quilayutte chief, is hewing out at his Raft River camp, what he says is his "last canoe."

Eldest of three Howeattle brothers, all of whom are canoe craftsmen, he has been shaping dugouts all his life. The three brothers live in the three reservations sometimes known as the "three Q's" — Quilayute, Queets and Quinault.

His wife, Mattie, expert basket weaver, is helping him carve the canoe and both are hoping the president will be able to pause a moment to view their work.

75 YEARS AGO, SEPTEMBER 29, 1937

President Roosevelt prefers plain, simple foods, plenty of hot coffee and hot buttered rolls.

Frank McNeil, proprietor of The Quinault Hotel, where President and Mrs. Roosevelt will lunch Friday as the presidential party swings down the western slope of the Olympic Peninsula enroute to Tacoma, was informed of this as he prepared the luncheon menu.

The menu includes a relish tray of Quinault dills, ripe olives and pickled peaches, clam chowder, a molded vegetable salad, boiled Chinook salmon in a white egg sauce, whipped potatoes, Humptulips green peas, Grays Harbor cottage cheese, hot rolls, small wild blackberry pie, fresh strawberry shortcake, coffee, tea, milk and buttermilk.

We have two of the Roosevelt luncheon menus at the Museum. One was donated to us by May (Olson) Torres along with this authentic Franklin D. Roosevelt autograph. The autograph was written in pencil on a "now" aged file card. May was also one of the students that met the President that historic day. The other menu was from my mother, Eudie Marston, who was called in by the McNeils to help serve at the luncheon. She made several references to the Presidents tour of the Olympic Peninsula and his part in the establishment of the Olympic National Park in her book, "Rain Forest."

It was said that the President took a particular liking to Stella McNeils, "Quinault Dills." The following Christmas she sent a package of them to the White House and when Duncan Hines heard about the dills he offered to buy the recipe. However, Stella wouldn't part with it because Duncan Hines wouldn't guarantee her he would call them Quinault Dills. These pickles have always been a part of our holiday table.

Quinault Dills: Take either homemade dill pickles or store purchased dills and cut into chunks. Bring to a boil 2 cups of sugar and 1 cup of vinegar. Put the pickle chunks, a clove of sliced garlic and diced pimento into the jars. Cover with the hot brine and seal.

Let age for several months before using.

These red and green pickles are sure to complement most any occasion but especially so during the Christmas Season.

By Phyllis

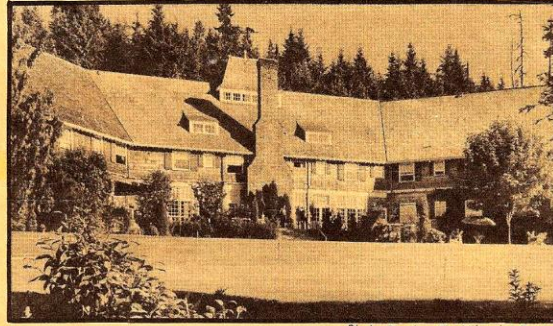


Photo-Courtesy The Milwaukee Road

THE QUINAULT

FRANK L. MCNEIL, MANAGING DIRECTOR
IN THE
OLYMPIC NATIONAL FOREST

menu

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 1, 1937
Luncheon

<u>RELISH</u>		
Quinault Dills	Ripe Olives	Pickled Peaches
<u>SOUP</u>		
Clam Chowder		
<u>SALAD</u>		
Molded Vegetable		
<u>ENTREES</u>		
Boiled Chinook Salmon, Egg Sauce		
Whipped Potatoes		Green Peas
Grays Harbor Cottage Cheese		Currant Jelly
Hot Rolls		
<u>DESSERTS</u>		
Wild Blackberry Pie		
Milk	Tea	Buttermilk
Coffee		

Franklin D. Roosevelt

Mattie Howeattle



Shown here are two of our Dell Mulkey photos of Mattie Howeattle. So far, we haven't found a picture of her husband, Washington. However, from our Dale Northup collection, we do have this vintage photo of Chief Charles Howeattle which was taken in Queets. Circa 1930's. All of the Howeattle brothers were expert canoe craftsmen.



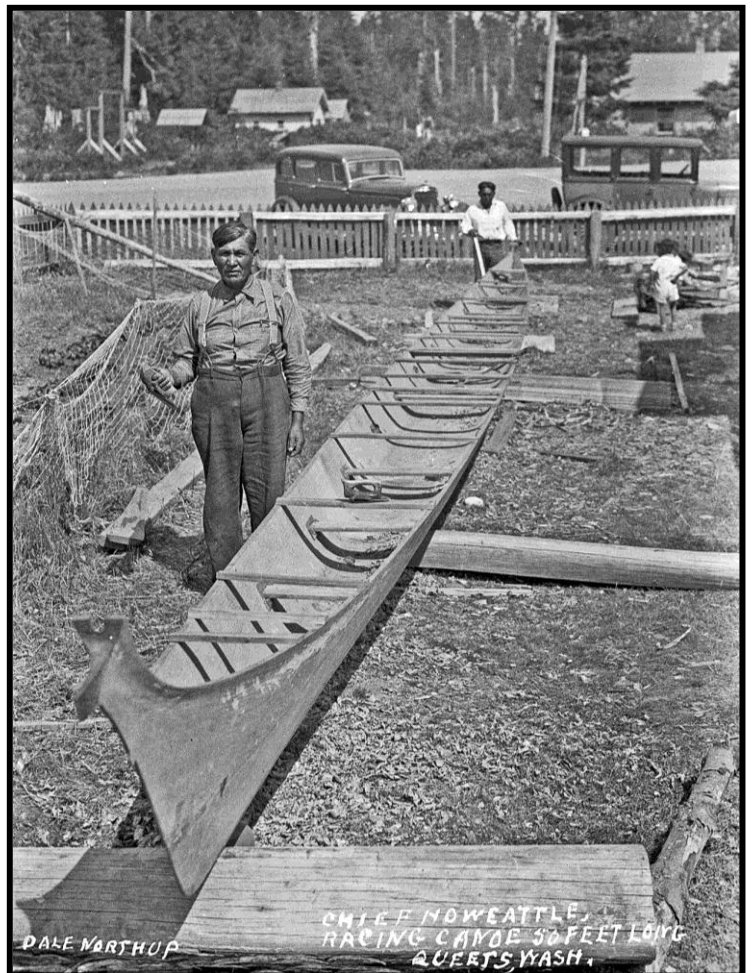
Washington and Mattie Howeattle

Washington Howeattle, was one of the representatives of the Quinault Council, a descendant of a Chief's family and one of the ruling families of the Quillyute. Washington married Mattie Wheeler Howeattle, whose father, Bachalowsuk Wheeler, was a Quinault Indian Chief.

Washington and Mattie lived in Taholah and we're well known amongst the Indians and non-Indians. Their vast knowledge on the history and culture of the Quillyute and Quinault tribes was invaluable.

Mattie was born April 2, 1861, in an Indian community on the Lower Hoh River and lived all her life in LaPush, Hoh and Taholah. She was a registered Quinault. Living to the age of 106 years, she was one of the oldest known Indians in the Pacific Northwest.

Mattie was known locally for her valued handcraft work which included weaving baskets and dolls in the tradition of her forefathers.



The Lake Quinault Museum has just finished the 2012 season, our best ever! We haven't yet tallied up our total number of visitors, but they have been very enthusiastic and complimentary. Having the entire building occupied with displays, including the looping video of Dell Mulkey photos and the section honoring our local veterans, has added tremendously to the visiting experience.

This year we have had visitors from 42 states and the District of Columbia, plus the following 33 foreign countries (you've earned an "A" in geography if you can locate them all on a map within 10 minutes): Armenia, Austria, Australia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Canada, Chile, China, Costa Rica, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Netherlands, New Zealand, Panama, Philippines, Poland, Russia, Saudi Arabia, Scotland, Slovakia, South Africa, Spain, Switzerland, and Taiwan.

The Board of Directors of the Lake Quinault Historical Society sincerely appreciates the interest and generosity of all of our visitors, members, and especially the volunteer hosts and hostesses who do so much to make the museum visits pleasant and interesting. This year's volunteers have included the following very special people: Kathy Clayton, Carol Miller, Elizabeth Carlyle, Willa Jones, Becky Hanson, *Tobie Knaack, *Dorothy Davis and Ken and Vivian Snow who had scheduled days and our subs, Liz Tarbox and Brooke Pederson. Board members, *Kathleen, *Tom and *Phyllis filled in as needed.

Again, we all thank you for your support!

In Memory



Barbara Jo Northup

Barbara passed away on October 10, 2012 after a short illness. In 1989 she and her husband, Tom, bought a house on the North Shore which they demolished in 2009. They constructed their present family

home at the site, moving in a year ago.

Having a Masters Degree in Counseling and Community Psychology, Barb's passion was working with school children where she touched and enriched hundreds of lives both in her professional career and her personal life.

Each year Barbara would arrange and escort an educational field trip for school children to the museum. She was fondly referred to as "Miss Barb."

Margaret Jane "Tannahill" Larsson

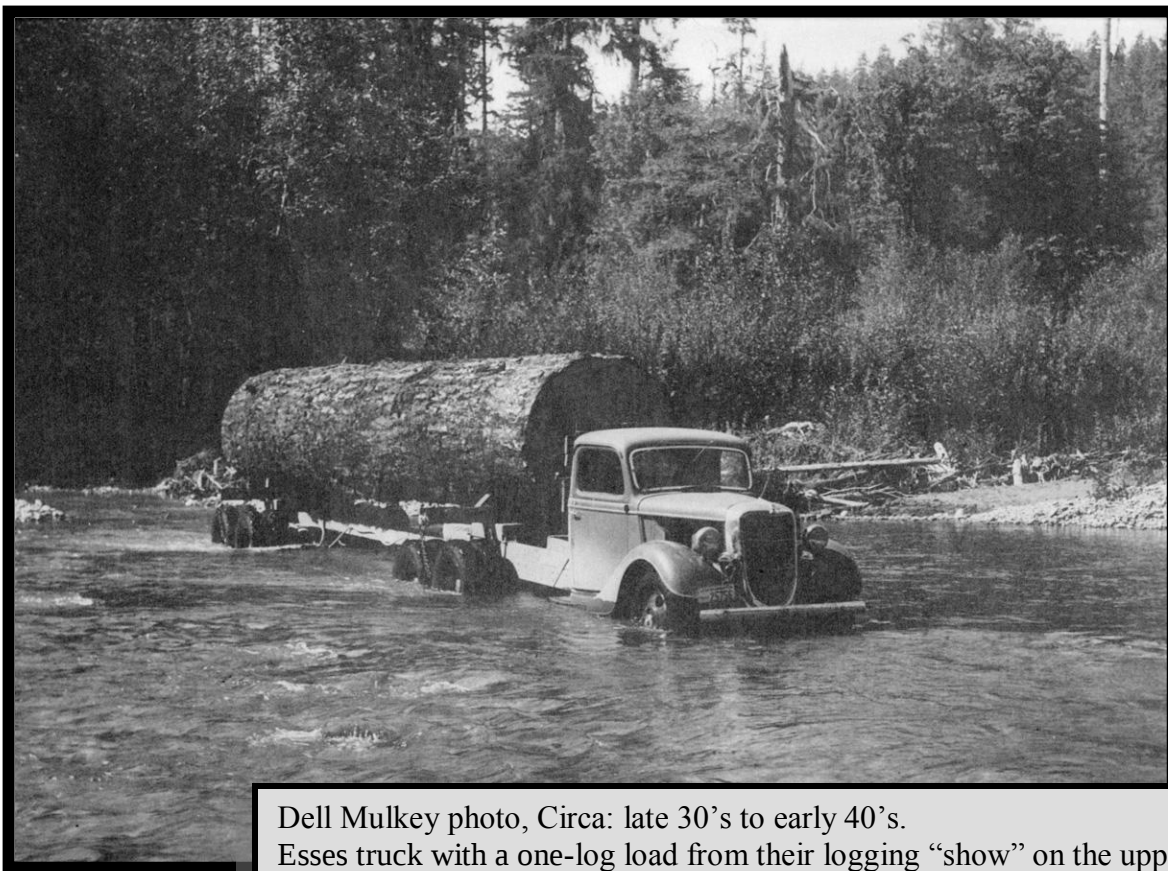
Margaret passed away on September 26, 2012, in her daughter's arms in the family home at Lake Quinault. Born on August 26, 1930, in Hoquiam,



Washington, she spent summers and holidays at Lake Quinault, the place she loved more than any other. Margaret has been a member of the museum since 2003 and her daughter, Margaret Johnston serves as one of our hosts when she's in the area.

John Sandberg

Born on August 9, 1929, in McCleary, WA, John passed away on October 24, 2012 in Viera, Fla. He grew up in Humptulips and was a 1947 Lake Quinault High School graduate. John's career was in the field of education. In 1953 he married Mollie Rehm who, in the early 1950's taught swimming to the Quinault children. She survives him at the family home. John's sister, Vicki Fenton, lives in Aberdeen. John and Mollie have been our most distant members, joining us in 2005.



Dell Mulkey photo, Circa: late 30's to early 40's.
Esses truck with a one-log load from their logging "show" on the upper Queets Valley. Dell captured it crossing the upper Queets River on its way to market. The log is an old-growth Douglas Fir.

Bits & Pieces

The Museum got its second coat of oil-base stain this summer. There were a few areas which were damaged by the 2007 storm, that hadn't been stained at all so this was a priority job. It looks better than ever!

The large "Museum" sign which will be mounted on the porch roof is in the process of being constructed.



Nevaeh Richards is holding one of the two signs Don Morrison made for us. They were mounted right below the large visitor-information sign at the intersection of South Shore Road and Highway 101.

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Winter project: Create the Museum website.



Phyllis Beaver at the Museum's "Quilting in Quinault."



Danielle Praxel is admiring quilts.

Quilting in Quinault

The Lake Quinault Museum and Friends of the Amanda Park Timberland Library cosponsored "Quilting in Quinault."

On Saturday, June 23, 2012, Phyllis Beaver of *the Master Quilters of Grays Harbor*, presented "Patterns of History; Quilting on the Harbor." The program included quilt making and tips on creating a fine quilt.

Refreshments were served.

Quilting Exhibition:

Quilts from our local crafters were on display in our "great room" in June and July.