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One of the first historians of Thompson was our mother & grandmother, Georgia (Taylor) Osterhout. She began gathering the information in order to provide a record for her son and daughter.

Georgia was born in Thompson on January 10, 1906. At that time the lumber mill was a very important part of the village. She wrote that she remembered sneaking out early in the morning to go and sit on the lumber piles to watch the ships as they sailed in and out of the harbor. She said they would maneuver out so far and then, all at once, hoist the sails. It was always a beautiful sight. Georgia would keep one eye on the boats, and one eye out for her mother, who was never too far behind her daughter's escapades.

Horses were the backbone of early logging operations and the teams were cared for by their drivers. One of Georgia's highlights of her early childhood was to hold the reins of a team named Picadore and Topsy, when on their way back to the barn, they would stop at Thompson creek to drink. Driver of the team, Mr. Fred Hinkson, would wait by the creek and let the children of the area drive the horses back to the barn.



*Henry Christmas  
from Our House to Yours!  
In Memory of  
Cassal & Georgia Osterhout*

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