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COHASSET RIDGE

By ElRoy N. Nathan

COMING OF THE LUMBERMEN

Not until the 1848 Gold Rush drew thousands of white men to the western Sierra Nevada can we be reasonably certain that white men ever ascended or crossed Cohasset Ridge, and that was in futile search for gold. When the placer deposits of the Mother Lode were exhausted some of the miners began working for wages. Some returned to their homes. Others elected to remain in California and looked around for a more satisfactory means of earning a livelihood. As a general rule they sought pursuits similar to their former activities. The level lands of the Sacramento Valley attracted the farmers so the stretch between Rock and Mud Creeks below the ridge was acquired early and farms were started. The lumbermen headed for the hills with the tall virgin timber stands and they were the first non-transient white men to arrive in Cohasset. Cohasset Ridge lay within and along the northwest border of Maidu territory. Rock Creek defined the dividing line between the Maidu and Yana people north of it. The lumber mill locations in the large timber were well above the earlier Indian village sites so it is unlikely that there was any immediate friction between the Indians and the white men, if indeed the Maidu still resided on the ridge when lumbering operations began in the late 1850's. The natives certainly were no longer there when the early farmers came in the late 1860's and the 1870's; they noted the village sites which were not occupied.

The ridge was early called the Campbell Pinery and subsequently the Keefer Pinery by the lumbering men to give it some identification. The first sawmill constructed was the Stratton Mill. The fine stands of tall straight sugar pine (*pinus lambertiana*) soon attracted competitors and the screeching saws from a number of mills were heard throughout the northern or upper parts of the ridge. These included the Morrill and Company Mill and the Vermont Mill prior to 1862 and the Burnt Mill, Catlin Mill, and the Mecum Mill at Campbellville in 1862 or later.

J. L. Keefer, after he purchased his large ranch and station on Shasta Road on lower Rock Creek in 1850, foresaw a potential lumber market in the Sacramento Valley and built one of these early mills (the Burnt Mill) on "Jakie's Cove" near the Butte-Tehama County line. He subsequently built another mill on the Vilas Road. One had a capacity of 22,000 board feet a day and the second could saw 16,000 board feet

daily. Keefer was the first large scale mill operator on the ridge and it was he who built the first road to the valley down one of the Cohasset ridges which still bears his name. This was a steeply graded and rough road but enabled the ox-team-drawn lumber wagons to get the mill products to market. It was reportedly Keefer's lumber that was the first to be used for construction purposes in Chico in the 1860's.

Keefer was a man of many ambitions. He raised wheat and livestock on his 2,000 acre station ranch. He was also the Rock Creek postmaster until the Southern Pacific Railroad arrived. In 1860 Keefer bought the Sadorus ranch and flour mill which had been built in 1852 by Allen M. and Henry Sadorus below the ridge and powered by Rock Creek water. Keefer built a dam on the creek to furnish a more dependable water supply. Hugh Stephenson was Keefer's miller for many years. The Rock Creek Flour Mill took many prizes in both County and State Agricultural Fairs. The mill produced five hundred quarter sacks of quality flour daily (about 12,500 pounds) by the use of the burr process with grinding stones imported from Asia. One of these stones is affixed atop

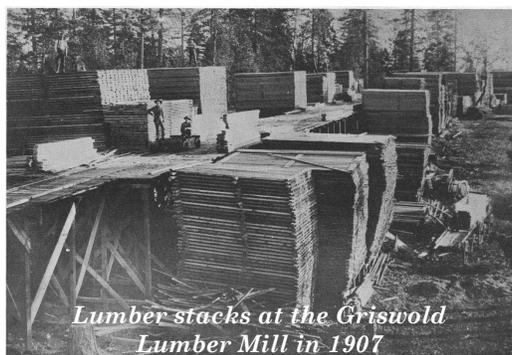
the monument commemorating its site.

Keefer ran his sawmills on the ridge until 1892 when the choice pine timber was depleted. Keefer, in common with his contemporaries, selected only the prime sugar pine (*Pinus lambertiana*) and scorned the other timber varieties. They utilized only the lower portion of trees in order to get clear, knot-free lumber. All of the early homes built on the ridge and those on the ranches below the ridge, as well as the construction in Chico,

were built of prime, clear, sugar pine. It was not until years later that Ponderosa pine (*pinus ponderosa*) was cut. Incense cedar (*Libocedrus decurrens*), was neglected completely in the early days.

No records were maintained of the number of board feet of lumber cut. Some of the mills were small and easily transported when an area was logged over. Others changed hands and the second cutting around a mill was most frequently done by someone other than the original owner. The Mecum Mill at Campbellville was purchased by Eugene Griswold who operated it until 1903 or 1904. He then moved his operations to the present end of the hard-surfaced portion of Cohasset Road where he bought another mill originally built by James Mann and which Griswold operated until 1925.

The Vilas Mill on the ridge above Mud Creek was operated for seven years, from 1907 to 1914, by Perry and Walter Vilas. This mill used a steam boiler that had been brought,



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2010—2011 Officers

President: Linda Hartsong - 891-8337

VP: Maggie Krehbiel - 342-6547

Sec: Lara Conkey-Wiebelhaus - 899-3929

Treasurer: Mayeve Tate - 342-2494

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Lisa Vegvary - 899-9823

Susana Malcolm - 893-0109

1-Year Board Members

Dan Botsford - 893-1616

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July Deadline - Jun 17, 2012

It's that time of year again – the annual nominations and elections for the Cohasset Community Association Officers and Board of Directors. If you've been thinking you would like to get more involved in your community, now is your opportunity! The elections will be held on Thursday, June 14th at 6:00 p.m.. A meeting will be held directly after the elections at 6:30 p.m. with the new officers and board presiding. Please attend and support your community!

The Cohasset Community Association is made up of four Officers and a seven person Board of Directors. We meet on the second Thursday of each month and take December off. The CCA is the official Cohasset representation in Butte County political matters. Currently our members are involved in fundraising to maintain the building, keeping our history alive in the Historical Society, and keeping our residents safe and informed with our Emergency Preparedness Committee. There is plenty of room for growth and the board is always open to new ideas! We would like to see more involvement in the Historical Society, the EPC, and the Bazaar Committee. We now have a 501(c)3 non-profit status and would like to begin grant-writing. If you have the time and interest, energy and skillsets, please consider joining the board.

Nominations can be made from the floor the night of the elections; however, a nominee must be a current CCA member. Nominations can also be made in this time leading up to June 14th – if you are interested in volunteering or know of an interested community member who you think would make a great addition to our dedicated team, please email or call a CCA officer or board member with the nomination.

Current nominations are as follows:

President –
Vice President –
Treasurer – Mayeve Tate
Secretary – Lara Conkey-Weibelhaus

1-year Board Member (5 positions available)

Dan Botsford
Liz Davison
Michael DuFloth
Bob Hursh
Janice Lee

2-year Board Member (1 position available, Susana Malcom is fulfilling the second year of her 2-year board position)



CCA Building Rental Reservations

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1/4 page	\$40	Full page	\$150

Government & Cohasset Community News



Supervisor News

by Maureen Kirk,
Butte Co. Supervisor, District 3

When the weather warms up, the week-ends get busier and busier. There are so many non-profits trying to raise money in this tough economic climate that it is hard to decide what to attend. I attended the Run for Bidwell Mansion, the Run/Walk for the Peg Taylor Center and the Patrick Ranch events to name a few. Our community is very generous and it is fun to see.

We will be interviewing for a new Library Director on May 22. There are some wonderful applicants so I know we will be successful. The front desk remodel at the Chico library branch is a big improvement. Thanks for the Chico Friends of the Library. Please note that Rupert McDowell will be co-president next year, so you have a strong Cohasset connection.

I attended the Victim Witness Recognition Ceremony in April in honor of National Crime Victims Rights Week. The purpose was to honor the courage of victims who speak out, recognize extraordinary service to victims and to remind the community about victim's rights. This is an important program. There are five Butte County employees dedicated to working with victims. They do anything from counseling to helping get financial compensation. Victims are compensated by fines paid by the criminals, but certain steps must be taken to receive the money. The Advocates and Compensation Claims Specialists are an extremely dedicated group. So, if you know someone who is a crime victim, call the Victim Witness Assistance Center in the District Attorney's office at 538-7411. They are there to help.

The other thing I want to remind the citizens of Cohasset is of the Volunteer Firefighters Program. An extensive manual has just been adopted, Volunteer firefighters are invaluable. We have a small group in Cohasset and it would be wonderful to have more volunteers. The training requirements have been enumerated. There are various levels in which a volunteer can help but does not have to go through the physical training requirements, nor the extensive classes. For example, a water tender operator does not have to be fit tested, but does have lecture and training requirements for the job. Please consider this community service.

There is a program in Butte County from May 8-June 20 called Building Safety Month. This involves a waiver of penalty fees if you forgot to get a permit for a newly built structure. The usual fees are in

place but the penalties are waived. If you would like to make your project legal, this is the month to do it.

Later this month, our son moves to Bloomington, Indiana. He will be working in Crane at the Naval Surface Warfare Center. Their focus is "harnessing the power of technology for special missions, strategic missions, and electronic Warfare/Information Operations." I am not exactly sure what that means but there are a lot of scientists there so he should enjoy it.

Have a great summer.

Maureen Kirk (mkirk@buttecounty.net ♦ 891-2800)

2012 BAZAAR PLANNING MEETING

A planning meeting for the 2012 Annual & music festival will be held on June 4th @ 6:30 p.m. at the CCA building. All of those who are already committed to helping as well as those who would like to be involved in this year's festival are encouraged to attend as we begin planning and organizing.

We will be brainstorming and planning to make this year's event the best ever. If you have any ideas or suggestions to add to or improve the festival, please come & share them. We would love to see some new faces to help energize & support our faithful crew.



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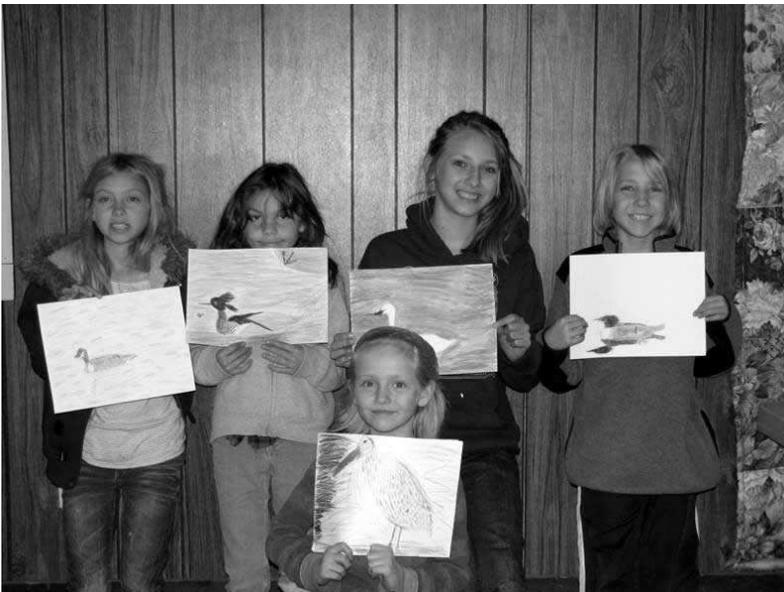
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CCA Clean Up Day

The CCA Building Committee and 4-H sponsored a yard clean-up day on April 29th at the CCA. The building committee members and their families were joined by community members who raked the yard, wacked weeds, and cleaned the roof and gutters to comply with fire safety rules. We would like to thank Mark Lawrence, the Palmquist boys, Natalie Clawson, and Deb and her crew for their enthusiastic and cheerful help. Lance Smith and his family also came out to help.



Next on the list of Building Committee plans is to replace the rear doors, cover the rest of the vents, and replace the flooring in the kitchen.

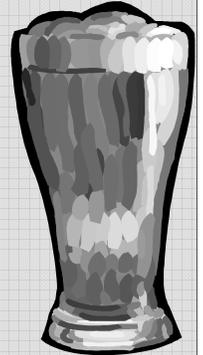
Brew Club News

All meetings will be held in the Cohasset Community building at 7 PM on the second Wednesday of each month.

June 13th, we will be tasting beers with purposely-added impurities and discussing ways to keep impurities from ruining your next batch of home brew.

Hope to see you all there.

Please reply to leastrise@att.net or call 530-343-4951.



Chair Challenge

As many of you may already know, last September I lost my home to a house fire. The Cohasset Community responded with great kindness, and many generous financial contributions that aided in my family's recovery. I would like you all to know that we have relocated to our new home and are doing very well.



I have been trying to think of a way to thank you all, and I came up with the idea to start a "Chair Drive"! I have donated 10 padded, folding chairs that I purchased from Costco, and would like to challenge the rest of the commu-

nity to also purchase one, or more chairs so we can replace the old uncomfortable metal chairs.

I am suggesting Costco because they have a sturdy product, at an affordable price of approximately \$15. If you don't shop at Costco but would like to contribute, please consider making a donation to CCA and your funds will be directed accordingly.

Again, I want to thank everyone in this wonderful community for all your kindness and generosity.

—Jill Stewart

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Weed Wrench Loaner Program

The CCA has purchased three weed wrenches that they will loan out to CCA members to help them eliminate brush, especially Scotch Broom, by pulling them out by the roots. The wrenches are three different sizes and can be loaned as a group or individually. They are hand held mechanical tools that are not difficult to use. They may be loaned out for seven days at a time, with an additional seven days possible if they are not already reserved. A \$50 deposit is required, and will be returned when the weed wrenches are returned. You can call Linda Hartsong 891-8337 or Susana Malcolm, 893-0109, to reserve the wrenches. The agreement form is available from them or on our website, <http://cohassetcommunity.org>.

Scotch broom is that green bush with the yellow flowers that has naturalized all up and down Cohasset Rd. While it is colorful and cheery in the spring, it is an invasive species. It crowds out native plants and inhibits growth of pines and firs. The flowers produce many seeds that spread rapidly. It also spreads from its roots. It reduces habitat for native plant and animal species. By pulling out broom plants before they get a hold on your property, you can avoid big problems later. Bob Tate wrote a great article on Scotch Broom for the April 2010 issue of the Newsletter. It can be accessed from our website.

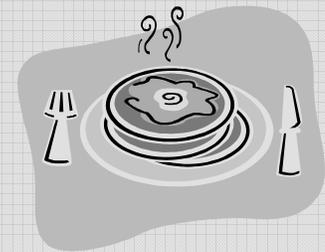
If you want to get started removing brush from your property, give us a call soon.

FREE PANCAKE BREAKFAST for all new/ renewed CCA Memberships

Come join or renew your membership to the Cohasset Community Association and you will be rewarded with a delicious pancake, sausage & egg breakfast beginning @ 8 a.m. on Saturday, June 23rd. The giant community yard sale will also be underway so it will be a busy, fun morning at the CCA building.

If you value any of the fine clubs & programs & community events the CCA sponsors or if you benefit from any of the work done for our community by this organization, please show your support by becoming a new member or by renewing your membership for the 2012-2013 membership year. Supporting the CCA means keeping our building and grounds open and maintained for all the community activities we enjoy.

You will leave not only with the yummy satisfaction that Linda's pancake breakfast always delivers & a few great finds from the yard sale, but also with that good feeling of contributing and being part of an important organization working to improve and enrich our community.



! NEW ADVERTISING OPPORTUNITY !

In an attempt to obtain more advertising, the CCA Board of Directors as agreed to single line advertising. Basically it would allow a business to list their name, service and phone number. The cost of this would only be \$10.00 for each listing. It will be charged on a month by month basis. If you know of any businesses that might be interested, please have them call me at 342-6547. Thanks—Maggie Krehbiel

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# Cohasset Community News

## Cohasset 4-H Report

The Cohasset 4-H is rapidly finishing up our year. We would like to thank the Cohasset community for your support. Our Round Table Pizza fundraisers and our Corned Beef and Cabbage Dinner brought in enough money to fund our projects, our presence at the Silver dollar Fair, and our participation in the Butte County Fun night. We were also able to provide scholarships for low income Cohassians to cover the county 4-H fees. We would especially like to thank Joe Campbell, manager of the Almond Orchard Round Table Pizza, and his staff for their help and support of our Pizza Nights. We would also like to thank the CCA for the use of the CCA building for our meetings and projects.

The Cohasset 4-H put on another successful Rainbow Craft Field Day. Midge, Linda and Leslie ran the show and we had lots of parental support with check-in, organization and judging. Members Zoe Conkey-Wiebelhaus, Danielle Hedglin and Jacinda Myre also served as judges. Sarah Buckhold won a County Medal, Dillon and Madison Campbell won first place ribbons, Sydni Apel and Ethan Emerson won second place ribbons, and Claire Emerson won a third place ribbon. Illiana and Gage Conkey-Wiebelhaus also received ribbons.

Most of our projects are finishing up for the year. The hiking group recently went to Table Mountain, and the arts and crafts, sewing, and welding projects are finishing projects for the fair. The swine project has eight members taking pigs to the fair. Judging will be on Wed., May 23 starting at 9:00 a.m. The pigs will be auctioned off on Saturday morning. If you are interested in buying a grain fed pig from one of our members, you can call the Silver Dollar Fair office ahead of time for a New Buyer Application Form. The number is 530 895-4666. Forms are also available on line at [www.silverdollarfair.org](http://www.silverdollarfair.org). We also have members participating in the Horse Show at the fair on Monday, May 28th at 8:00 a.m.

Our End of Year Celebration will be June 11th at the Botsford's. We will be enjoying a BBQ, swim party and awards will be handed out.

We would like to recognize our graduating seniors. Zoe Conkey-Wiebelhaus has been in our 4-H for 10 years. She has served as our President twice and she has been involved in most of our projects over the years. Sarah Buckhold has been a member for 4 years. She is our Treasurer this year and has also participated in many projects. Danielle Hedglin has been a member for 4 years as well, and has been a great addition to our group. They have all participated in the College Connection Program at Butte College during their senior year of high school. We wish them well as they continue their college education.

We will be starting our new year at our first meeting on Monday, September 3rd at the CCA building at 7:00 p.m. We will be enrolling members and electing new officers at that meeting. We are still finalizing the projects we will be offering. Membership is open to all school-age children. For more information call Midge at 343-7332 or Susana at 893-0109.



## History Corner



The English Country dance was wonderful our caller Morgan McDow and her band of two musicians taught folks three different dances dating back to cir. 1595 during the Renaissance period in England. Even with a low turnout of only 25 people and 4 board members we made

enough to pay the band for their hard work. Our first quilt was raffled off to Clara John a Native American who was thrilled to receive the blanket. Clara was visiting her son from Utha and is looking to relocate to Cohasset. Pizza and soda were offered by the CCA. Everyone enjoyed looking at the hand paintings made by our local school children currently displayed in the community building. There were old photos displayed of the 4 schools we have had on the hill, North Point, Grafton School, old Cohasset School and the current abandoned Cohasset School. The building was decorated in a western theme and we had a photo set to take pictures in our historical costumes. Also displayed were photos of the old meeting hall and church.

Kenny Cartledge and the Stumpjumpers rounded the evening out with great songs kicking off the Mountain Music series he will be hosting once a month. Stay tuned to the sign board for dates and time of future Mountain Music fun.

To all who support the historical society Thank You!

Abraham Lincoln once said "A country that does not have an affinity for their past will not be worth remembering in the future."

—Elizabeth Davison



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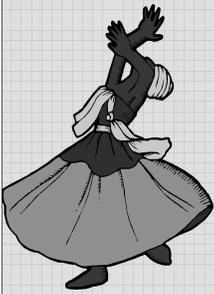
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# Events & Calendar

## West African Rhythms & Dance



Learn all about West African music. Have fun, meet old friends and make new acquaintances. Dance to great West African music with hosts Lansana & Tania. This recurring event is held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, 10am at the CCA Building. All ages are welcome. We'll see you all Sundays, June 10th & 24th. For more info, call Ruth: 891-3481.

## 3rd Annual Cohasset Community Association Giant Yard Sale

Save the date: Saturday June 23 from 9am to 2pm at the CCA building

Last year's yard sale was very successful in raising funds for the CCA. Let's do it again. Collect those special items that you no longer need and donate them to the sale.

Donations may be dropped off Friday June 22nd from 4pm to 6pm at the CCA building or you may call Mayeve at 342-2494 or Linda at 891-8337 to make arrangements.

## CCA BINGO!



CCA Bingo will be held on Saturdays, May 26th and June 30th, 2012. Bingo card sales start at 6:30 pm, and games start at 7 pm.

Bingo packages are \$15, which includes 6 (six) bingo cards for each of the 8 games. The final game of the night will be 'Split the Pot', which is an optional entry after the regular Bingo rounds conclude.

Bring your lucky Bingo good luck charms and bring a friend, because the more players there are, the greater the payouts! If you have any questions, call the CCA Bingo hotline at 530-893-5432 and leave a message.

*Reminder: No one under 18 years of age is allowed while Bingo games are in session.*

*All proceeds of these events benefit the Cohasset Community Center, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization.*

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| <b>June 2012</b>                                   |                                  |     |                                                     |                                         |     | 1<br>10am 4-H Arts & Crafts                        |
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from San Francisco, and which now stands as a rusting monument to the pioneer lumbermen.

Commodore P. Dix bought the Vilas Mill and moved what he could of it to Camp Promontory where he had purchased two hundred forty acres. Dix started operations there in September 1916 and used a seventy-five horsepower steam engine and boiler to operate a mill with a daily capacity of 20,000 board feet. He employed twenty-five men in the woods and in the mill. He also used the innovation of five 5-ton motor trucks to haul the logs to the mill and the sawed lumber to Chico where he sold it to the Diamond Match Company. Between 1920 and 1925 Dix operated an outfit on the Catlin Mill site on second cuttings, a mill that he had moved from Camp Promontory when that area had been logged off.

Ox teams furnished early motive power in the logging camps and from the mills to the market. Mules and horses were used, first in addition to and later exclusive of the oxen. About 1908 the Griswold and the Vilas Mills each acquired two large traction engines, one to haul lumber to town, pulling as many as seven loaded wagons, and one with which to log. These were steam powered, tricycle, wheeled tractors, slow but powerful, which added a hazard of sparkset fires in the woods as did the steam donkey engines when they were adopted for dragging logs.

The original Keefer Ridge road proved too steep and hazardous so another road was built along the top of the ridge east of Anderson Fork. This one had easier grades but it also had danger zones. There were some accidents resulting in damage to equipment and teams. In 1910 the Vilas Brothers' steam tractor was descending the road when the road shoulder gave away under its weight and the heavy rig rolled over the cliff into Anderson Fork. Perry Vilas, the operator, was not hurt nor was the machine extensively damaged. It was repaired in place and driven out of the canyon under its own power on a road which had to be especially built for it.



All in all there have been many mills on the ridge to harvest the second and subsequent growths of the timber. The last cycle of them was during the post-World War II period when seven mills sprang up and employed many men on the ridge in response to the heavy demand for lumber of all kinds. Sorenson's which can still be seen near the Cohasset School was a larger, stationary operation. The largest of this group, a mill started by Dave Ramme just east of the Monk's Store building has been completely dismantled and is marked only by a smoldering saw dust pile.

In harvesting of timber the general practice is to select the larger and better trees, but in each successive harvest the standard goes down, thus smaller and smaller trees are cut. The last ridge logging was just above the minimum standard of twenty inch diameter trees. Production costs for cutting small diameter trees are considerably higher and lumber grades of lower value are more common in the smaller trees. Thus smaller sized trees and inferior stock contribute to higher costs and poorer quality lumber resulting in a two way decline for the timber owner.

Another important factor in lumber production is the type of ownership of forest lands. Lands in small lots and diffused ownership do not lend themselves to effective management and sustained yield practices as do large holdings under forward-looking administration or in national forests. The ownership trend on Cohasset Ridge today is developing into the small lot and diffused ownership pattern where many people are purchasing acreages for residences or retirement homes. They are not dependent upon the timber as a prime source of income and have more interest in the trees for their esthetic and recreational value than in timber management. The private owners of large acreages do practice selective cutting but seldom depend up on this for a sole source of income. At present the Diamond National Corporation is the only large lumber company with holdings on the ridge. *(continued next newsletter)*

*Special thank you to Butte County Historical Society for the History of Cohasset Cemetery in last issue, and allowing us to print this article from their periodical "The Diggins"*