

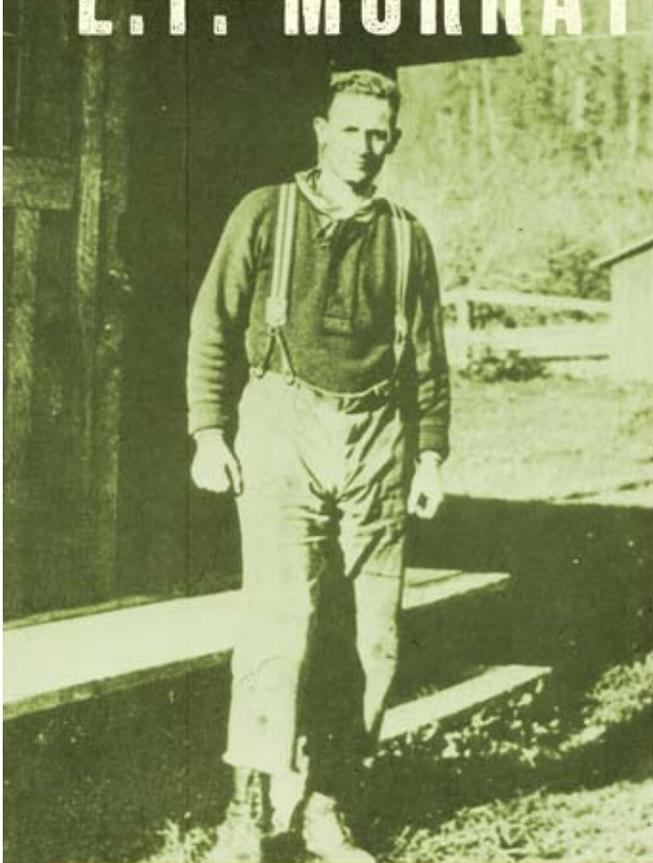


Mill manager, Mayor and School Superintendent

PERSONAL STATS:

- Managed the Eatonville Lumber company from 1913 to 1941. Most of those years he managed it with his father, T. S. Galbraith.
- John was on the Eatonville School Board several terms on the school board between 1919 and 1941.
- For 22 years — from 1919 to 1941 — Galbraith was the mayor of Eatonville.
- John's home is still standing in Eatonville, at 216 Oak Street East.
- In 1926 he headed the Eatonville Lumber Company Japanese baseball team.
- Not all of John's ideas were popular, and sometimes split the community into two factions. For example, in 1935 he and other school board members decided to eliminate the position of "high school principal".

L.T. MURRAY



Logger, Land owner, Visionary

PERSONAL STATS:

- Born: 1886 in Ohio
- Didn't grow up in a "timber" family.
- In 1906 (20 years old) he arrived in Oregon and only 5 years later he had created and was running West Fork Logging.
- Lived in Mineral, Wash.
- Murray started buying up timberland in 1913.
- He was a Captain in World War I.
- In 1938, his controversial (and now common) logging method called "selective logging" caused a stir. People flocked to Mineral to get a look.
- Murray's logging method led to a meeting with President Franklin D. Roosevelt (FDR) to discuss reforestation in New York state.
- His 100,000-acre ranch in eastern Washington made him the largest private landowner in the state.

FACT OR FICTION? MINERAL HAD THE LARGEST TREE IN THE WORLD.

THAT'S A
REALLY
BIG TREE!



FACT: The Fir tree was 225 feet high, 48 feet around and over 15 feet in diameter. The first branch was 90 feet in the air (the average telephone pole is only 60 feet high). It was estimated at 1,200 years old and if milled would produce 125,000 board feet – enough wood to build 41 three-bedroom ranch style homes.

In the early 1900s the tree was a favorite spot for picnics. Over the years thousands climbed it, carved their initials in it and left calling cards in one of the tree's holes.



FACT OR FICTION?

A donkey puncher was a logger who made extra money by fighting animals including pigs, donkeys and the occasional rooster.



OUCH!

FICTION:

A **DONKEY PUNCHER** was actually the operator of the heavy diesel that powered loaders and yarders that helped move big trees around the lumberyard. The name is left over from the days when everything ran on steam and most of the power in the mill came from a “steam donkey”.