

MRS. EDWIN BIRD HOLMES

HENNESSEY, OKLAHOMA

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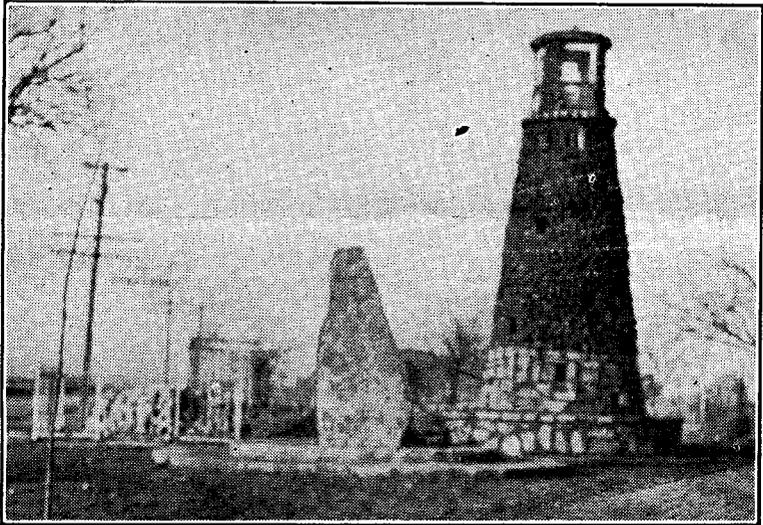
Mrs. Anna B. Cutlip
Newoka, Okla.

Dear Mrs. Cutlip — Reading the Jan.
"Oklahoma Club Woman" saw your letter
on first page. Enclosing a picture from
our local paper which will tell its own
story. Mrs. Ehler is a honorary member of our
club now, as she is completing two books
one for "Rainbow Girls" and other "Eastern Star."
so she resigned as active member part
year, all social live only her Star work.

Our Club are placing markers on 51 and
81 to "Pat Hennessey" grave, and help Mrs
Ehler with flowers soon as weather
permits, when done she deeding to City.

Sincerely Mrs. E. B. Holmes, Pres. of Hennessey Club
(over)

P. S. I forgot we have a monument to the
first Okla. boy to give his life in Spanish
American War Roy Cashier. State helped
place this monument in Hennessey -



**UNIQUE STONE LIGHTHOUSE COMPLETED—
MARKS SPOT WHERE PAT HENNESSEY MET
DEATH MORE THAN SIXTY-FIVE YEARS AGO**

A stone lighthouse, 24 feet in height has been completed near Pat Hennessey's grave in the northwest part of town. It marks the spot on the old Chisholm Trail where the rugged old Irish freighter met death more than 65 years ago. Located almost in the center of the tract recently purchased by Mrs. Annette B. Ehler, it towers above a five-ton slab of granite upon which she proposes to place bronze tablet bearing historical data. Unwilling to disturb the work of other hands, the iron fence that has kept trespassers at a distance for almost a half-century still stands, but the ground within has been smoothly spread with concrete.

Decorative white pagodas have been constructed at north and south end of the tract of ground, which has been

seeded to grass, six Chinese elms, 25 redbuds, 25 sumacs and number of flowering shrubs set out. Honeysuckle and Trumpet vines have been planted along the east edge of the tract which is fenced only on the north and east and the summer promises to make it a bower of beauty.

The neighborhood is illuminated at night by a 200-watt electric light located in the light tower. It is turned on and off automatically and musical chimes sounds daily at 8:00 a. m. and 8:00 p. m., that are audible several blocks away.

The ground was purchased by Mrs. Ehler and she is financing also its improvement as a memorial to Pat Hennessey, whose trail wagons rumbled by the spot innumerable times in the 1870s. She has announced her intention of presenting it to the City of Hennessey after completion.



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