

COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON

LOCATION:

In the Northwestern part of Oregon, on the Columbia River, with about 70 miles of river front.

AREA:

About 700 square miles. 422,592 acres.

TILLABLE LAND:

15,726 acres. This is land that is actually in cultivation and cleared, exclusive of town lots.

NON-TILLABLE LAND:

406,756 acres, which includes all timber where there is more than 100,000 feet on a quarter section, also all logged off land which is not suitable for and in no condition for cultivation.

TIMBER:

About seven and one half to eight billion feet.

ASSESSED VALUE OF TIMBER: \$11,467,180.

ASSESSED VALUE OF TILLABLE LAND: \$911,355.

TOTAL ASSESSED VALUATION OF ALL PROPERTY:

\$18,000,000.

MILES OF COUNTY ROADS:

500 miles, some of which is in first class condition, some in fair condition and some in very poor condition.

MILES OF RAILROADS:

About 125 miles which includes the main line of the S. P. & S. and the various logging roads.

POPULATION:

Census of 1910 gives 16,580 but a careful estimate this year gives it at least 15,000.

CLIMATE:

Temperate. During the summer the thermometer rarely reaches 100 in the shade and in the coldest weather of winter zero weather is almost unknown. During the winter months there is considerable rain, but not too much. Just enough to insure crops. Crop failures are unknown.

PRODUCTS:

Fruits of all kinds, especially apples, pears, plums and berries; Grain and grasses; garden truck of all kinds and dairying.

SHIPPING:

Ships from all parts of the world carry Columbia County products down the Columbia River and to the markets of the world. A through line of Railroads traverse the county from the North to the South. River boats carry local products to local markets at low rates.

LAND:

Thousands of acres of first class land can be purchased at reasonable prices upon which are stumps left from the timber operations. This land is especially suited for farming, fruit raising and dairying.



ST. HELENS

A city on the Columbia River, 28 miles from Portland, with a population of 2500 people. The County Seat of Columbia County. A Four year Standard High School. Methodist, Congregational, Episcopal and Catholic Churches. All the leading fraternal orders. Gravity water system owned by the city sufficient to supply a city of 10,000 people. Electric lights, graded and macadamized streets, sewers. Principal industries are lumbering, shipbuilding, creosoting, stone quarrying, fishing and shipping. Two large saw mills with a capacity of 250,000 feet per day; more than 5 million feet of lumber shipped each month; several large ocean going vessels built each year; timber treated with creosote and shipped all along the coast. Two big stone quarries and rock crushing plants in continuous operation. An average of 300 tons of Columbia River Salmon caught and marketed. A farming country back of it that cannot be excelled in the world. Several new business blocks now under construction. Five miles of sewer being built. **A PAY ROLL OF NEARLY \$100,000 PER MONTH.** Many beautiful and attractive homes.

INDUSTRIES:

Lumbering and timber is the principal industry; there being about twenty-five saw mills. Salmon fishing in the Columbia River is also an important industry. Farming and fruit raising; Stone quarrying; Ship building and all kinds of lumber manufacturing plants.

OPPORTUNITIES:

There are fine opportunities for the small farmer, dairyman, fruit grower and truck gardener. Also a number of choice deep water sites for manufacturing plants.

THE DELTA GARDENS:

12,000 acres of low lands along the Columbia River which have recently been dyked and are now in high state of cultivation especially adapted to growing of vegetables and small fruits.

SCHOOLS:

Four standard High Schools; Grade schools in each locality.

CHURCHES:

Nearly all denominations represented.

THE COUNTY OFFICERS:

Circuit Judges, J. U. Campbell and J. A. Eakin
District Attorney, W. B. Dillard
County Judge, W. A. Harris
County Clerk, H. E. LaBare
Sheriff, A. E. Thompson
Assessor, C. W. Blakesley
School Superintendent, J. B. Wilkerson
Treasurer, R. S. Hattan
Coroner, F. H. Sherwood
Surveyor, Geo. Conyers
Commissioners, John Farr, Louis Fluhrer.

CITIES, TOWN, AND POST OFFICES:

St. Helens	Rainier	Clatskanie	Houlton
Scappoose	Warren	Deer Island	Goble
Yankton	Vernonia	Mist	Quincy
Mayger	Marshland	Columbia City	Reuben
Apiary	Hudson	Prescott	Trenholm
Inglis			

CITY OFFICERS OF ST. HELENS

MAYOR—A. W. Mueller
COUNCILMEN—N. O. Larabee, Chas. Grahman, M. Saxor, H. Morgus
CITY ATTORNEY—J. W. Day
RECORDER—E. E. Quick
MARSHALS—J. L. Chittum, L. L. Decker
TREASURER—H. P. Watkins
WATER COMMISSION—L. E. Allen, J. W. Aiken, Robert Dixon, E. A. Crouse, John Pringle
WATER SUPERINTENDENT—Chas. Lope
FIRE CHIEF—L. E. Allen

Columbia City

This place is surely beginning to respond to the new "Evolutionary Wave." For new buildings almost spring up in a night. The timber that used to be so much in evidence has been mown down. Our citizens have fell in with the rapid transit system some are now contemplating aeroplanes. The casualties that have happened of late consist of accidents from stubbing the toe to getting run over by an auto. The people have taken this as a good sign of the advancement to prosperity, but when it comes to crazy people selecting this place for a quiet spot to hang themselves, why it's a little too close home.

Miss Nora McClay who is attending school in Portland came home to spend Easter vacation week with her parents Mr and Mrs W. N. McClay.

Miss Louise Wharton of Portland spent a few days visiting her grandmother Mrs Lucinda Caples.

Mrs C. S. Rohl of the Ingleside farm took the 8:30 train Wednesday morning to combine both business and pleas-

ure and spend a couple of days in the city.

Mr McGregor and his barge loading crew completed another scow load of brush for the Iman-Poulson Co. The McGregor crew is out about every ten days now and if they can only keep it up a while longer they will have done a whole lot to help those people who were born tired.

A party consisting of Harry Caples, wife and daughter Ethel and Mrs G. L. Graham, autoed to Portland Thursday. Everything went lovely till a tire became punctured, but as Mr Caples is an expert in handling small accidents of this kind, he soon repaired it and arrived in town almost on schedule time.

Mrs Wm Wharton is spending a few days here looking after her interest in an orchard tract.

Mrs J. B. Ihayer is spending a few days among Portland friends and getting in touch with the new mode of dressing.

In order that he may more readily recommend his wares, our store keeper has taken to the soil. That he may

test the quality of the seeds he has in stock before offering them to his patrons, he has fenced his farm with the latest of animal proof fencing and any sunny day he can be found digging out recreation from mother earth.

Mrs G. L. Graham spent Friday and Saturday in Portland completing the purchasing of furnishings for her new home, which is very beautiful and complete, and dame fortune could not in her choice bestow her gifts upon a more deserving couple than Mr and Mrs Graham.

Mrs Hugh Caples and children spent the week's end in Portland, the guest of the Metlako, her husband being engineer on the boat, and as it was lying in for inspection the crew's family took advantage of the opportunity to visit Portland and enjoy home comforts on the boat as well, which can be readily enjoyed as Mrs Phillips of Portland has charge of the culinary department.

We, the voters of this vicinity do not wish to deprive ourselves of the pleasure of casting our vote for our chosen lady candidate, and when we do not see her announcement to the public we begin to feel uneasy.

Monday was a record breaker in this place for freakish weather. It hailed so abundantly that the ground was all white in a few moments. It did every thing that the weather knows how to do, even clear up.

WASHINGTON BY EFLETS

The corner stone has been laid for the new Eagles' hall at Stevenson.

Just 30 minutes after Secretary of the Navy Daniels telegraphed Governor Lister that the government needed for Mexican service the gunboat Vicksburg, which has been used at Tacoma as a training ship for the Washington naval militia, the governor was able to telegraph back that the Vicksburg was ready. He also offered Secretary Daniels the Washington naval militia, stating that to a man they were anxious to see service.

Aside from the state highway work in progress, contracts awarded or being advertised by the counties of Washington call for the expenditure of approximately \$1,500,000 and the construction of 207.5 miles of permanently surfaced roads. It is shown by figures compiled in the office of State

Highway Commissioner William R. Roy. The work under way and that which will be started when contracts are awarded within the next two or three weeks will be almost as extensive as that done in the three years from March 1911, when the permanent law became effective.

GENERAL FUNSTON



Brigadier General Frederick Funston, who will command the first detachment of troops landed at Vera Cruz.

GERMANS HELP AMERICANS

Mexicans at Tampico Cry "Death to Gringos," "Viva Huerta." Galveston.—Refugees from Mexico arriving here brought fresh stories of sudden flight, of privation and insult to the American flag. Many of the refugees were nearly destitute, with children in their arms.

The story of the anti-American riot in Tampico, when German officers and steamers went to the rescue of the Americans and escorted 20 women and children aboard the German cruiser Dresden, was told by refugees. Officers of the battleship Connecticut said, but for this assistance, there would have been bloodshed.

After dark crowds swarmed the plaza, where fierce speeches were made and parades formed. "Viva Huerta" and "Death to the Gringos" cried the crowd. Stones were thrown and windows smashed. Then it was that Captain Von Kohler, of the German cruiser Dresden, sent a terse

note to General Zaragoza, in command of the port of Tampico, that if he did not stop the rioting that "I will see to it personally that it is stopped."

Soldiers Go to Vera Cruz.

Galveston, Tex.—Twenty hours after orders to start for the front were received from Washington four regiments of infantry, comprising 3400 men, carrying 12 machine guns, sailed for Vera Cruz. The brigade will be commanded by Brigadier-General Frederick Funston.

Anti-Home Rulers Get 70,000 Rifles.

Belfast.—Outwitting the authorities, who had prohibited arms importation into Ireland, it was learned that anti-home rulers succeeded in landing 70,000 rifles and distributed them among the Ulster Orangemen.

COLORADO WIRES FOR FEDERAL SOLDIERS

Denver.—Yielding to the importunities of 800 militant Colorado women, Governor Ammons sent to the president a telegram "urgently requesting" that the chief executive order at least one battalion of infantry and troop of cavalry from the U. S. army into the Colorado strike zone.

The telegram sets forth in considerable detail the situation that has prevailed in southern Colorado since last September, and adds:

"There are probably 3000 men armed in open insurrection. I have available 650 militiamen without ability to materially increase this number. The situation has passed beyond the ability of the state to control. This domestic violence is the result of an industrial controversy between interstate organizations with headquarters outside of this state. I urgently request that you send forthwith not less than one battalion of infantry and one troop of cavalry."

American Consul Thrown Into Jail.

Washington.—United States Consul General Phillip C. Hanna, at Monterey, reported to Secretary Bryan that he had been humiliated and placed in jail by Mexicans on April 22. He was kept behind the bars until released two days later by the constitutionalists when they captured the city.

Mexico City Fed on Weird "News."

Vera Cruz.—The newspapers of the capital are reported to be publishing stories to the effect that the Ameri-

can forces at Vera Cruz are slaughtering women and children, and the papers call on Mexicans in Mexico City to retaliate in a similar manner.

Other stories printed by the newspapers say that France, Germany, Great Britain and Spain had declared war against the United States.

Offer to Mediate Reported Accepted.

Washington.—Spanish Ambassador Riano has announced that he had received private advices from Mexico City saying that General Huerta had accepted the offer of Argentina, Brazil and Chile to use their good offices to bring about an amicable settlement of the differences between the United States and Mexico.

VERA CRUZ PLACED UNDER MARTIAL LAW

Rear-Admiral Badger Orders American Non-Combatants to Leave on Steamer.

Vera Cruz.—Definite instructions from Rear-Admiral Badger, commander-in-chief of the Atlantic fleet, to all American non-combatants to leave Vera Cruz by the steamer Mexico, have been posted at the consulate and other places, and Vera Cruz is under martial law, Rear-Admiral Fletcher commanding the American naval forces on shore having issued a proclamation to this effect.

Admiral Fletcher determined there should be no more quibbling with the Mexican officials regarding forms of government. Until further notice, the residents will be judged by military law. A large number of local Mexican officials have reported their willingness to resume their duties as officers under the supervision of the Americans.

Roberto Diaz, mayor of Vera Cruz, is among those who have agreed to reopen their offices, and arrangements were made to open the public schools Monday.

General Maas has established headquarters at Soledad, about 15 miles from Vera Cruz, and his men are tearing up the railroad tracks.

American Consul Canada has notified the state department that many American refugees have been taken from trains and imprisoned at Aguas Calientes by Mexican mobs. Besides Americans, the consul reports, other foreigners have been detained, most of them having been employees of the smelters at Aguas Calientes. Among the Americans held was United States Consul Schmutz, of Aguas Calientes.



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