

cept where by the context it is obvious that the bay itself is meant.

Yaquina bay is brought into special prominence at this season of the year because of its superb attractions as a seaside summer resort. Of course, previous to the advent of the railroad it was not heard of in this connection, for there was no popular means of reaching it. But ever since the road was put in operation to Willamette valley connections a large number of people have annually spent the heated term in the pleasant surroundings of Yaquina bay, and never before did so many seek comfort and pleasure there as this season. The fact is patent to any one that all that is needed to bring Yaquina to the first rank of watering places are satisfactory transportation rates, which the railroads now make, and increased facilities for accommodating the throng, which will be provided before another season. The best advertising is done by those who visit the bay, and the fame of this resort is being rapidly spread throughout the land. There are so many features of interest to pleasure seekers that it is scarcely possible to enumerate them all.

One thing that is peculiar to Yaquina is the absence of raw winds that often make Pacific coast watering places all but unbearable. There is a generous expanse of sand beach extending many miles north and south of the mouth of the bay, and at intervals may be found rocky points some of which possess the most fantastic and weird scenery. Cape Foulweather is five miles up the north coast and its spouting caves and curiously-formed rocks, cleft asunder by some mighty force, are objects of the most fascinating interest, especially to students of nature. A lighthouse of the first order is maintained on the cape, and its lantern, one hundred and sixty feet above the surf, affords a grand outlook along the coast on a clear day. Eight miles down the south coast is the Seal Rock resort, which has recently been fitted up for the accommodation of pleasure seekers. It is reached by a most charming drive on the beach, and the ledge of rocks jutting out into the sea encloses a delightful cove for surf bathing. Farther out, but still in plain view from the shore, are several large rocks, on which seals may be seen basking in the sun. Now that they are protected from the huntmen on the land it is probable that these interesting animals will soon grow tame enough to sport about the rocks nearer the shore. A hotel has been erected and about a dozen neat cottages show that this resort is already receiving a good deal of attention. The choicest fishing and hunting are readily accessible from the Seal Rocks resort. South Beach, on the south shore of Yaquina bay, is a pleasant place for camping, and it will also prove a popu-

lar location for cottages. Quite a number of families now reside there and a hotel is ready for operation when patronage shall warrant it. Newport is just now the most frequented by pleasure seekers because it is the largest town on the harbor and can accommodate the most people. Though the city really faces the bay it covers the entire point enclosing the bay on the north, with the exception of the government light house reservation, which consists of a few acres on the extreme outer end, and it fronts on both the bay and the ocean. On both fronts there are admirable opportunities for surf bathing, though the bay is preferred over the other by most bathers, it being sheltered from the ocean breeze and the surf not being so strong. The facilities provided are the best in every respect. The beach is within a stone's throw of the hotels; in fact, it is directly in front of the Ocean House, which is designed especially for the entertainment of seaside visitors, and occupies an elevated shelf overlooking the bay and ocean and in a most pleasant situation. Many people find additional pleasure in camping out in the thick growth of small trees that covers the hills, and the great number of romantic and secluded nooks seem to invite the pleasure seeker to erect his own habitation and enjoy the rustic simplicity of the situation.

Yaquina bay is said by scientists to be one of the richest places in archaeological and zoological specimens on the Pacific coast, and for this reason it is much frequented by scholars who make a special study of those branches. No more delightful place to spend a vacation could be found. Curious shells and sea mosses and rocks, the action of the water on the rocky cliffs, spouting caves and many other things are among the objects that interest even the most superficial naturalists. The water agates of the north beach and bay are especially attractive. The visitor at the seaside is by no means confined to aquatic sports, however. He need go but a short distance back from the towns to find many kinds of game—ducks, pheasants, partridges, curlews, snipe, deer, elk, bear, cougar are targets for the sportsman's gun if he chooses to hunt industriously. Along the coast an occasional seal or sea lion or sea otter may be shot. The streams from the hills swarm with mountain trout. The fisherman may sit on the rocks by the ocean and pull out salt water fish almost as fast as he can bait his hook. The oysters, clams and mussels are among the edible bivalves of the bay. Deep sea fishing for cod, halibut, kelt, etc., is a popular and profitable pastime and gives the participant a little marine experience that is usually of the most absorbing interest to himself or herself, as the case may be. Surely all that could be desired in the way of climate, bathing, boating, driving or riding, sport