



Scenic Spot at Home—The Willamette university campus in Salem holds many spots of visitor interest. The university is the oldest in the western part of the United States.

Jacksonville

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passing Jacksonville by several miles.

A station was established, first known as Chapparral City, and later officially named Medford. Medford developed into a trading center for the valley and Jacksonville lagged. The county seat remained at Jacksonville until 1927 when voters, after several elections, moved it to Medford.

To a visitor it seemed Jacksonville began brooding with the past. Windows of the empty courthouse stared into the lamented yesterdays. Boys began breaking glass out of the courthouse and out of the county jail. The nearby weeping willows appeared to be forever in sorrow.

But Jacksonville is no more a brooding city. It is alive and alert to its opportunities. Its population since the war has shown steady growth and citizens take pride in its golden yesterdays.

It is thus that Jacksonville's colorful past greets visitors with the spirit of today. Diggings around the town are much as they were left long ago. The buildings retain their pioneer charm.

Still in place is the studio of Peter Britt, who set up the first portrait shop in 1852. The upstairs studio in the home place built in 1862 is of never-failing interest. Neck braces and head rests stand at mute attention as if waiting for customers who long since have shuffled off the mortal coil. Old-fashioned cameras without shutters are all on display, supplementing photos of pioneers who came there by covered wagon and by stage.

For visitors there are the museums with their historic collections. The U. S. hotel still stands. It was here that President Rutherford B. Hayes paid \$75 for a night's lodging about the time the hotel opened in 1881.

The Beckman bank has each piece of furniture in place as left when C. C. Beckman, pioneer banker, died many years ago. There are the old signs telling of gold dust transactions, letters of credit and kindred subjects. One of the first Protestant churches, built west of the Rockies, stands among the trees, little used by the years since it was built from gold donated by miners and gamblers in 1855.

A second gold rush in a mild sort of way came to Jacksonville

during the time depression days were at their darkest. Numerous town and southern Oregon residents established "backyard mines" all through the city. In its small but beneficial proportions, mining was carried on throughout the historic town. Some of the underground tunnels caused streets to cave in here and there.

And even today some prospectors still insist the best gold is yet to be found as they dig prospect holes in persistent attempts to find the glitter beneath.

Rock Gardens North Of Bend Good to See

Those traveling U. S. Highway 97 north of Bend, Oregon, should take time to see Petersen's rock gardens located a few miles west of the highway.

The view of the gardens is free and is like walking through a fairland of miniature structures and castles. The children have fun, too, riding on the canals in swan-like paddle boats.

Rhododendron Test Garden in Portland

Something new has been added to sights to see in Portland, Oregon this year.

World famous for her International Rose Test Gardens, Portland has now opened a rhododendron test garden at Crystal Springs Municipal Park. The rhododendrons were at their height of bloom in late May.

Rhododendrons Bloom

Government Camp (#) — Rhododendrons are in full bloom along the Mount Hood highway, resident here reported Wednesday. The flowers are expected to remain in their peak throughout the week.

During pupping season at Sea Lion Caves on Oregon's coastline, the sea lions form "harems", consisting of 12 to 15 cows with their last year's pups and a large grown bull weighing two thousand pounds or more.

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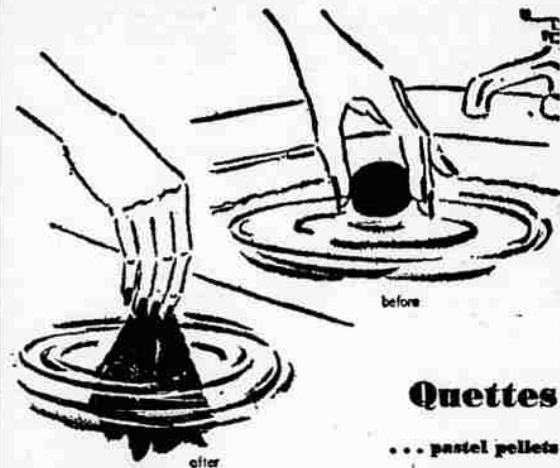
New Forestry Products Museum Now Open

A new forest products museum has been opened to the general public in Portland, Oregon's forestry building, a product of the Lewis and Clark worlds fair of 1905.

The new museum will show many phases of the present lumber industry of the Pacific Northwest. The forestry building, itself is the largest log built structure in the world.

The Smithsonian Institute will investigate three former Indian camps back of McNary Dam on the Columbia river in Oregon now under construction. The institute hopes to uncover Indian relics before the waters backed by the dam cover them.

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