

# Rogue River Valley of 1883 Described in Old Magazine; Prosperous Future Foretold

Early history of Jackson county in the days when Jacksonville, Ashland and Phoenix were prosperous communities and Medford wasn't even a dream, is vividly told in a recently-found copy of "The West Shore," a magazine published in August, 1883, in Portland. The rare specimen of the pioneer printer's art is the property of Gilbert Stuart of this city, who discovered it in the old Williams post office, above Provolet.

In a lengthy resume on agriculture, livestock, climate, dairy products, fruit, prices of land, mining, manufactures, social and educational facilities of Jackson county the magazine says "though a third of a century has rolled by since smoke first issued from the clay chimney of the settler's cabin in Rogue river valley, that region is but now being opened to the world by that great factor of modern progress, the railroad."

**Iron Horse Comes**  
"The iron horse of commerce is rapidly approaching it from the north and south and before the birth of another year, its forest-crowned hills will echo across the grain-carpeted valley the locomotive's shrill whistle. The rude cabins have given place to comfortable and elegant residences, large and substantial barns have succeeded the thatched stables of the pioneer, well tilled fields and thrifty orchards attest the success of its many facilities."

The early magazine describes the Rogue river valley as being about 40 miles long by 20 wide, though sometimes the name is made to embrace the whole water-shed of the turbulent stream. It goes on to say "Jackson county is superior to any in the state, and needs but the railroad advantages soon to be given to take a front rank in wealth and importance." It also mentions the beauty of the mountains and the valuable resources and richness of the forests.

**Valley Settled Slowly**  
The West Shore, in describing the slow growth of the wonderful Rogue river valley says that owing to the fact that it was cut off from approach by sea and due to hostility of the Indian tribes of that region, no effort was made to occupy it until long after settlements in the Willamette had become so numerous that the territory of Oregon was organized. "The hostile and thieving character of the savages won for them the title of 'Rogue Indians,' and this name has descended to the valley, the river that drains this whole region and the mountains that border the stream toward the coast."

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**Jackson Co. in 1883**  
The publication then goes on to tell the story of Jackson county "today" (1883).

It describes the wonderful climate saying that the extreme limit of the thermometer in summer is 100, though it seldom exceeds 90, the average for the winter months being about 40, and seldom sinking as low as 10.

Concerning agriculture the West Shore says "the arable land embraces about one-fifth of the entire area of the county, including foothills, plains and river bottoms, twenty bushels of wheat to the acre is considered a very unsatisfactory crop, while as high as sixty bushels have been realized."

Regarding livestock, the magazine points out that so much attention was paid to improving sheep that southern Oregon wool rated higher in the market than that from the Willamette valley. It states that about 30,000 sheep were kept, chiefly in small bands, by the ranchers.

**Fine Fruit Noted**  
The Rogue river valley is referred to in the West Shore as "the Italy of Oregon," because of its superior fruit, including grapes, peaches, apricots and cherries.

Farms and ranches of all kinds could be purchased in 1883 at extremely moderate prices, the magazine advised. Good improved farming land could be bought from \$20 to \$50 an acre. "The mines have been the mainstay and prop of this whole region," the magazine said and mentioned the Sterling hydraulic mine situated on Sterling creek about eight miles south of Jacksonville and opened at an outlay of \$100,000. The West Shore stated that the company owned enough ground for fifty years of continuous operation, the whole property being valued at about \$200,000. It went on to say that the yield of gold dust during the past 30 years had been over \$30,000,000 and that there was no reason to anticipate a falling off in the industry for many years to come.

**Jacksonville Large**  
In 1883, Jacksonville, the county seat, had a population approximating 1200, its taxable property amounted to about \$500,000 and besides many attractive churches and buildings, it boasted two newspapers, the Democratic Times conducted by Charles Nickell and the Oregon Sentinel published by Frank Krause and edited by W. M. Turner.

The magazine's description of Jacksonville is illustrated by lithographs and many of the buildings shown are still standing. In the early days they were described as of outstanding architectural design. Among those pictured are the residences of T. G. Reames, Esq., H. V. Helms, Esq., D. Linn, Esq., C. C. Beekman, Esq., the Times building, Presbyterian church, St. Mary's Academy, Jackson county courthouse and the Masonic and Odd Fellows Temple,

showing the sign "Table Rock Billiard and Saloon," which is still intact on the building and is probably one of the oldest signs in the state.

The West Shore mentions the good flouring mill in Phoenix and then proceeds with a description of Ashland which it points to as being the second town of Jackson county. At that time Ashland had a population of 1,000 and was rapidly increasing in size and importance. In addition to its excellent public school, college and woolen mills, it also had a fine flouring mill, a saw mill and planing mill, all doing a good business. The magazine mentions the handsome residences with their well-kept yards and flowers. The Ashland Tidings was spoken of as being a spicy independent weekly published by W. H. Leeds.

**Residences Pictured**  
Several sections of lithographs show the residences of W. H. Atkinson, J. D. Thornton, J. M. McCall and the store and residence of J. Fraley.

The publication of 1883 prophesied that when shipping facilities were improved the Rogue river valley would populate rapidly and later history proves the point. It mentioned that the Oregon and California railroad began extending its line south from Roseburg a few months earlier and that it was expected that the road would reach Ashland soon thereafter where it would be compelled to halt for a few months until a very expensive tunnel through the summit of Siskiyou mountain could be completed, with the road eventually connecting a route between San Francisco and Portland.

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San Francisco, Nov. 15.—(AP)—Building permits in 92 far western cities totaled \$23,494,048 in October, as compiled by H. R. Baker & Company. That was 8 per cent higher than in September but 6 per cent lower than in October, 1938.

The 10 leaders in building activity, headed by Los Angeles with \$5,654,730 and followed by San Francisco and Seattle in the million-dollar bracket, included Oakland, Portland, Denver, Long Beach, San Diego, Honolulu and Sacramento.

All those, along with Burbank, topped \$600,000. The other 14 in the first 25 western building cities were, in order: Vancouver, B. C., San Mateo, Glendale, Spokane, Santa Monica, Inglewood, San Jose, Pasadena, Fresno, Phoenix, Montebello, Alhambra, San Bernardino and Boise.

**LADY FILM DIRECTOR DIES AFTER LONG ILL**  
Hollywood, Nov. 15.—(AP)—Lois Weber, 56, a star-maker as one of filmdom's few feminine directors, died last night after a lengthy illness.

A singer and concert pianist who started her career in Pitts-

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