

Peter Britt, a Swiss painter-photographer, arrived in Jacksonville, Ore., in 1852. This early picture by him shows a holiday celebration.

## The Old West Lives Again Oregon Town Boasts 19th Century Flavor



Bypassed by the railroad, the town finally got a passenger train.

JACKSONVILLE, Ore., used to be a gold mine in the literal sense. Today it is a gold mine of Americana, having preserved to an extraordinary degree the character and architecture of a Western town of 1850-75. A panoramic photograph taken in 1887 shows that the town has changed little since that day. Jacksonville lies off the beaten path in southwestern Oregon near the California border. An urban renewal plan is now being proposed for the restoration of Jacksonville's former municipal glory. Some of the townspeople would like a living museum along the lines of Greenfield Village, Mich., or Old Sturbridge Village, Mass., with, of course, the appropriate frontier atmosphere. Other residents oppose such a move, contending that the influx would be like a plague of locusts. In 1852, gold brought the first settlers to this area. The community grew rapidly, but within twenty-five years economic dystrophy had set in, as has been the case with nearly all gold rush towns. Today the population is 1,200, or 300 more persons than in 1884.



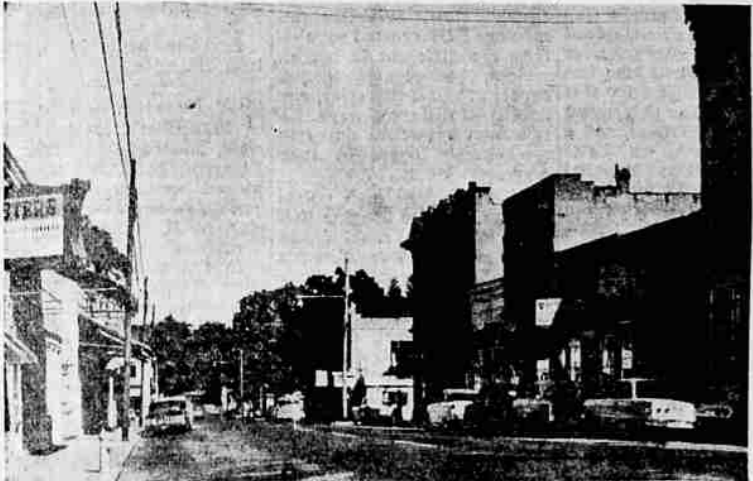
The Jacksonville Museum has arranged a replica of Britt's studio and his equipment. He was the first photographer in the state of Oregon.



The headstone tells what happened to George Harris, one of the pioneers. His wife Mary, who fought off the Indians, then married again.



California Street looked this way in 1910. President Rutherford B. Hayes once slept here at United States Hotel.



California Street today. It has been paved and different stores added, but its basic character remains unchanged.



B. F. Howell house (1839). Its owner, a bachelor, eloped with a guest at the housewarming.

JACKSONVILLE PICTURED WIDELY - A full page picture layout featuring Jacksonville of the early days and today last week went to 90 newspapers in all parts of the United States.

It was distributed by King Features Syndicate to its client newspapers. Old pictures were provided by the Jacksonville Museum, and the others were taken by Miss Margie Good, Mail Tribune photographer. It is reproduced here by courtesy of King Features, and is shown about one-quarter of the actual size of the feature layout.

## The Family Council

Editor's note: The Family Council consists of a judge, a psychiatrist, three clergymen, three editors and a women's editor. Each article is a summary of a family disagreement presented to the Council. The Council deals with problems, major and minor, entered by guidance counselors and social workers. Edited by Mrs. Alma Denny. (Copyright by General Features Corp.)

James C. - She wants to be married and I want to settle a money dispute. Lorraine plans to keep on working for a year at least. Is it right for her to continue banking her salary in her own account? She wants my salary to be turned over to a joint bank account.

Lorraine P. - As my future husband, Jim plans to support me and provide for our home. I'm a good manager, careful with a dollar, and I'll stretch his check to cover all current expenses; but our personal savings are for emergencies and surprises. Why mix matters?

James C. - What is marriage, Lorraine, if not the greatest "mix" of all human relationships? Might as well get used to the idea fast! Of course, the successful marriage is one where the mix is achieved by slow blending rather than colliding. And you two can certainly blend your views on money as you coincide, more and more, on your life goals. The matter of joint accounts depends upon trust. - But the best way to start out is to regard all income, after marriage, as "our" money. Part of it, usually the husband's salary, is "what we live on" - be it ever so modestly. The overflow is the "cushion," spent by mutual consent. At first Jim and Lorraine may want

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Although the Chinese were said to have used coal as fuel as early as 1,000 B.C., the first authentic records of coal mining did not appear until the first decades of the 12th century, according to the Encyclopedia Britannica.

## Quotes From the News

Shepperton, Pa. - Henry Throne being hauled 309 feet out of a mine shaft in which he had been trapped two weeks.

"What a ride this is: I feel like a banana."

Washington - A. Philip Randolph, Negro labor leader and "elder statesman" of the civil rights march on Washington.

"No force under the sun can block or stem this civil rights revolution now under way."

Shepperton, Pa. - H. Beecher Charnybury, state secretary of mines, praising workers who rescued two miners from a shaft 308 feet underground.

"The drillers put the drill down like they were dropping it on a basket of eggs."

Washington - Vietnamese Minister Counselor Nguyen Duy Lien, who resigned his post in protest of attacks on Buddhist pagodas.

"It is turning people away from the government and the principal task of fighting the Communist Viet Cong."

## New PP&L Rates Are Suspended by PUC

Salem-PP - New Pacific Power & Light Co. rate schedules for the water systems supplying Albany, Lebanon, Mill City, Independence and Prineville have been suspended by State Public Utility Commissioner Jonel C. Hill. Hill said the suspension was needed to provide time for further investigation of the proposed rates and to hold hearings.

The new rate schedules were to have gone into effect Aug. 22, he said. Hearing dates will be announced later.

### FIRES OUT

Salem-PP - Five small fires were noted on state-protected forest and rangelands Monday, the state forestry department said. All of the blazes were declared out.

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## Sept. 12 Deadline for Filing for Exemptions

Additional World War I veterans and widows entitled to property tax exemptions under legislation passed in the recent session are reminded they have until Sept. 12 to apply to the county assessor for the 1963-1964 exemption. This is the deadline for applying and may not be extended, according to Elmer W. Donahoo, Jackson county veterans service officer.

Under the old law, a World War I veteran had to show 90 days of military service between April 6, 1917, and Nov. 11, 1918. The new law extends his period of qualifying service to July 2, 1921, if he had at least one day of service on or before Nov. 11, 1918. The new law also qualifies him as a war veteran if he entered service after the Armistice and his 90 days of active duty included time spent with the United States forces in Russia on or before April 1, 1920. Completion of 90 days service is not required if the veteran was discharged for service-connected injury or illness, Donahoo said.

Persons entitled to the exemption, which amounts to \$7,500 of the true cash value of their home, include veterans with disabilities of 40 percent or more, certified by the VA or their branch of service, regardless of the amount of their income, and unmarried widows of veterans, regardless of income. Qualified persons who live in house trailers may receive an annual license fee reduction of up to \$100. Application for this benefit is filed with the Oregon department of motor vehicles.

Additional information and assistance is available from the county service office in the courthouse annex.

## Murder Trial Opens In Circuit Court

The Dalles-PP - The second degree murder trial of Dolphus Baker, 53, opened before Circuit Judge Edward Howell here Monday. A jury of eight women and four men was selected. Baker is charged with the fatal shooting of Edward Bisig, 31, in front of Baker's garage at Rufus April 9. Bisig died three days later at a hospital here.

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