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A FUTURE FOR JACKSONVILLE.

Jacksonville gives a stranger a very poor impression of its possibilities for its present appearance does not indicate that it would ever rally from its lethargy and become a live, growing town such as abounds in the West. That the town has advantages that could be utilized to make it one of the most prosperous towns in Oregon is a fact that the dilapidated appearance of the business streets of the town belies in the eyes of strangers.

But other towns under a greater handicap than Jacksonville have rallied and taken new courage and grown into bright, handsome, progressive places. An instance of this reanimation of a dead town is that of Carthage, Missouri, which but a few years ago was the embodiment of a dead and forsaken town. But new courage on the part of the townpeople aided by the infusion of new blood that gave renewed energy brought new hope and new life to the old dilapidated town and now it is one of the most thriving, hustling towns in the Mississippi Valley. Of the new growth to this old town the Carthage Evening Press has the following to say:

Visitors who come to Carthage are invariably greatly impressed with the magnificent Jasper county court house which was built ten years ago of Carthage stone at a cost of \$100,000. But the court house is not all. A \$75,000 High school building is now being erected. A \$25,000 Carnegie library is almost completed, and a \$10,000 hospital is to be built at once (the donation for the purpose being now in bank and \$75,000 to \$100,000 promised later.) A beautiful park and a large, fine Chautauqua auditorium. The Elks club house was built a few years ago at a cost of \$15,000; we have a \$20,000 college building and it is almost certain that before another year has rolled by congress will have appropriated money for a suitable government building for Carthage.

THE COPPER DEAL CLOSED.

The final transaction in the sale of the Blue Lead copper mines on Upper Applegate was closed this week and now Dr. J. F. Reddy and E. L. Jones who have been engineering the deal are able to announce that this famous copper mine is to be developed and a big smelter will be erected at some point on Applegate in the vicinity of either Joes Bar or Watkins within the coming year.

The purchaser of the Blue Lead mines is a company of New York millionaires at the head of whom is John R. Allen, president of the Bradshaw Mining Company, which operates a big copper mine at Middletown, Arizona. This company now holds the five-sixth interests held by L. F. Cooper, Wm. Malone, W. M. Hamilton, Geo. M. Keller and M. Wenger, of Crescent City. The other five-sixth is held by Dr. J. F. Reddy, Judge Chas. Prim and Geo. E. Neuber and they will

retain this interest in the new company. Before purchasing the New York Company sent out an expert mineralogist, who thoroughly examined the mine and tested the ores, and a topographic engineer who examined the route for the railroad and the site for the smelter. Each of these men made a favorable report, the engineer, Mr. F. J. Siebert stating that the entire proposition was far more favorable than he anticipated, the ledges being so situated as to be ideal for getting out ore and to the smelter, while the building of the railroad and the installation of the smelter could be done for half a million dollars less than the Company expected owing to the favorable route for the railroad and to the power, water and other advantages for the smelter. Before the final papers were signed a thorough examination of the title to the mine was made by the Company's attorney, Andrew F. Burleigh of New York who reported the title perfect.

Dr. Reddy has received word that the company will send on a mine superintendent who will arrive here about the first of July, and who will secure a force of men and at once begin running additional tunnels and otherwise developing the mine ready for getting out ore when the smelter is built. A preliminary survey for the railroad will be made in the near future. If the Jacksonville route is selected the road will be either built up the left fork of Jackson creek and by a tunnel through the divide to the right fork of Forest creek or turn on Jackson creek where the tunnel would begin and by a switchback pass over the divide south of town and west of the Applegate road to Poorman creek and down that stream to Forest creek and on to Applegate and thence up that stream to the copper mines. As to when work will be commenced on the railroad is not given out but there is a probability that it will be begun this summer or early this fall.

Henry D. Kubli, of Applegate, congressional central committeeman for Jackson county, was in Jacksonville Tuesday, and being displeased because the Sentinel advocated, along with the other Republican candidates, the election of Judge Hanna, called at this office and stopped his subscription. To stop his subscription is a right any subscriber to a paper has, but for Mr. Kubli to stop his subscription to the Sentinel for the only reason that the editor of this paper criticised his unfair work in opposing Judge Hanna and supporting the Democratic nominees was not a legitimate reason, when considered with the fact that Mr. Kubli was bound by every rule of political honor and his own manhood to support the entire Republican ticket. This protest to Mr. Kubli's conduct was made privately to Republican leaders, but had it not been for the request of Judge Hanna, who counseled forbearance, the Sentinel early in the campaign would have shown up his traitorous work that the Republicans of Jackson county might know how their central committeeman was knifing the ticket and thereby weakening the chances of success of all the candidates on their ticket. Had Mr. Kubli been an ordinary voter his offense would not have been a serious matter, but for him to work against Judge Hanna's election was another thing. In the Ashland convention Mr. Kubli moved the adoption of the resolution that was offered by Dr. Robinson, pledging the Jackson county delegation in the state convention to support the candidacy of Judge Hanna, and in the Portland convention Mr. Kubli voted for Judge Hanna's nomination. It was on that understanding with prominent Republicans, and Kubli's personal and unsolicited pledge to Judge Hanna, that he was permitted to go as a delegate. And furthermore Mr. Kubli, at his re-

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quest, was made congressional committeeman for Jackson county and as such had the disbursement of the funds contributed for carrying on the congressional campaign. It was supposed that he was to devote his entire energies to supporting the Republican ticket from top to bottom, but instead he saw fit to work early and late against one of the leading candidates, co-operating to his utmost with Nickell and his Democratic Times to do all the injury possible to the Republican ticket. It is just such work as this of Kubli's, and he is not the only guilty one, that renders it impossible for the Republican party, though having a big plurality in Jackson county, from electing more than half of their ticket.

Two highly interesting relics of pioneer mining days have been donated to the Sentinel office mining exhibit by Sergeant R. S. Dunlap. One is a pair of scales for weighing gold dust, which Sergeant Dunlap bought in California in 1850 and which he brought with him to Oregon in 1852 and has since kept. As there was little coined money in the mining districts most of the miners had these small pocket scales to weigh out gold dust whenever they had occasion to make a purchase. This one of the Sergeant's is in a small box made of walnut. It is a balance affair, the gold being placed in one pan and the required weight in the other pan, and the scales was suspended from the hand or from some fastening when in use. These pocket scales would only weigh to 12 ounces Troy. One of the first purchases that Sergeant Dunlap made on his arrival in the Rogue River Valley was a lantern, and this he presented to the Sentinel exhibit. It is a square box affair of tin with small glass windows on each side and was for candles. It did duty for the Sergeant for fifty years and is yet in good repair and has a candle in it ready for use. A lantern that was much used by pioneer miners was made out of a bottle. By heating and suddenly cooling the bottom was broken out and then a candle was placed inside, inserting the lower end in the neck. This bottle lantern was carried by grasping the neck in the hand, and gave a fairly good light and would stand quite a heavy wind, but it had to be kept under cover when carried in heavy rain, for having no top the water would drown out the light.

Eden Valley News.

Late sown grain is needing rain. First crop of alfalfa is now nearly all under cover without damage by rain. Miss Effie Edsall, who has been a resident of Dunsmuir, Cal. for some time, visited a few days with her many friends here, while on her way to home folks on Butte creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Joel Hartley and daughter Mrs. C. E. Stewart and children left Tuesday for St. Louis where they will take in the sights then visit relatives in Kansas their former home.

L. A. Rose is putting the finishing touches on the Bennett-Hartley road and is doing a good job of grading. This piece of road has been sadly neglected but the district work that is now being put on it together with nearly \$150 in labor and money now pledged by the farmers and the county court will make what was in winter an almost impassable road a well drained and graveled road, a good road the year round.

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