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Fine Sanitarium Completed--Terminals Acquired by The United Railways--Hill--And The Pacific Railway and Navigation Railroad--Harriman--New Industries.

With two rival railroad systems building into Bay City, with trains in operation to Portland by October 1, of this year, and 20 miles in operation now to Vossburg by the Lytle road, officially known as the Pacific Railway and Navigation company, with the Wakefield construction camp of the Hill system making headquarters at Bay City, there is a greater immediate future for that deep water harbor on Tillamook Bay, than for any place this writer has visited in western Oregon. The United Railways is erecting its depot opposite and alongside of the Harriman station in Bay City. The railroad itself is building at both ends of the line, from Banks and from Bay City and now aims to have its tracks completed into Portland by January, 1911. The Hill system has bought 100 acres for terminals and owns 400 feet into the water for its dockage. With the impulse of investments and construction on the part of two great railroad systems there is no wonder that Bay City property is jumping in every direction but downwards. More money has been made in deals in dirt--and not dirty deals--at Bay City the past few months than on any little real estate boom that has ever happened in Oregon. I was right there and saw the dirt and saw the men who handled the dirt and handled the money made out of the dirt.

Bay City, Tillamook County, has a population of about 500 to 700 people and is growing rapidly into a fine residence and seaport city.

In co-operation with the Port of Tillamook, the Port of Bay City has been organized, and altogether, \$300,000 of bonds have been issued that will be expended on harbor improvements, and deepening the channel of the Bay. These bonds will be placed on the market through a financial syndicate at Detroit, Michigan. The Port is organized under the general port commission act, and every dollar of the \$300,000 will be expended on labor to improve the transportation conditions. Bay City will not only be a railroad terminus of the two transcontinental lines, but both Hill and Harriman railroads will operate steamer lines out of this port. Two sawmills that are enlarging their plants, will also send their entire lumber cut out of here by ships. The Bay City Lumber Company and the Fox Lumber Company both expect to begin operations during the present month of July.

The Bay City Water Company is expending a large amount of money on extensions. There is a good supply of pure mountain water. The Tillamook Public Service Company is operating here and furnishes water, light and power. The Oregon Fisheries Company has begun work on erecting a cannery, and will begin canning salmon the latter part of this month. The piling is going in and lumber is being shipped here for an additional warehouse. The cannery will be operated by Ridehaigh & Parks. Many new buildings are going up all over Bay City, from the water front to the tops of the hills.

Some large sales of land have been made to Portland syndicates, and outside investments are becoming more numerous.

The First Bank & Trust Company of Bay City was organized in 1896. It has a capital stock of \$25,000, total deposits of \$50,000, and assets of \$93,000. R. J. Hendricks of Salem, is President of the bank, and John H. Bozorth, Cashier. This bank has just moved into a new banking

house, costing \$5,000. It is beautifully equipped and has all modern banking conveniences. This bank is also the head quarters of the Bay City Land Company. This real estate syndicate was organized at Salem, and for many years struggled under adverse circumstances, but Mr. Hendricks has had that immortal optimism that never acknowledges defeat, and the Bay City Land Company has justified his faith in this location for a fine seaport and residence city. The several corporations of which Mr. Hendricks is the head, have all proven winners and some of them have made big money, which has put Mr. Hendricks into the class of large and successful realty operators. He has proven himself one of the makers of Greater Oregon, and wears the title with becoming modesty that is characteristic of a newspaper man.

Like all the cities around Tillamook Bay, Bay City is blessed with perfectly delicious, cool summer weather. The winters are mild and there is only one point of the compass from which hard winds ever blow in upon Bay City, and that does not happen very frequently. The soil is very fertile, and naturally adapted to producing vegetables and small fruit. You will behold the strange sight of strawberry patches extending almost down to the tide-water. Wherever an acre of land is cleared, it will produce big grass crops, and fruit trees make a fine growth here, and raise all kinds of fruit. There are all the way from 300 to 500 people living in and about Bay City.

Bay City has a first class public school. There are two religious organizations having houses of worship--the Presbyterians and Methodist Episcopal. The Masons, Eastern Star, Odd Fellows, Rebekahs and Woodmen of the World have lodge organizations. The Odd Fellows have a fine lodge hall, and own the opera house. There are two hotels in Bay City, one conducted by George Williams and the other by Bert Nichols. E. M. Rhodes conducts the Bay View Hotel. H. C. Todd conducts the Bay City restaurant. These hotels are fitted up to entertain summer visitors, and the lovely summer climate, good fishing, fine scenery and ocean atmosphere and sea bathing there, make Bay City more and more a summer resort. It can be stated incidentally that office room is scarce and there are no houses to rent at Bay City.

Dr. W. C. Hawk, of Jefferson, who is well-known at Salem, came to Bay City four years ago. He engaged in general practice, and opened a drug store, which his daughter, Mrs. B. H. Miller helps to conduct. He has completed the dream of his life--establishing a magnificent seaside sanitarium, that will be open August 1st, for the general public, and has a capacity for 150 patients. The top of the four-story building is 200 feet above the water and stands on four acres of ground. The building cost \$20,000, has operating rooms, a modern surgery and fresh and salt water baths. He will have several assistant physicians, and will be prepared to handle all classes of cases. From the wards on each floor there are magnificent views of the Pacific Ocean. Dr. Hawk is also interested in the Rockaway Beach property, a very beautiful summer resort, where lots are still selling at \$50.00 to \$150.00. J. O. Bozorth is secretary. All of Dr. Hawk's investments here have turned out well. In fact, he has made a great deal of money at Bay City, and takes pleasure in showing the town

to visitors. Bay City has a fine local newspaper, edited and published by B. H. Miller, who is also secretary of the Commercial Club, and prepared to furnish information to anyone interested in this country. Send to him for Printed Matter relating to Bay City.

William Heacock is putting in a planing mill, and will manufacture sashes and doors. He was formerly a foreman in the Hanson Planing Mills at Salem. His father and brother are still with Hansen. The new plant at Bay City will do general shop work, manufacture doors and window frames, mouldings and brackets.

J. Cove, formerly of Jefferson, is building a two-story rooming house and meat market.

F. J. Mueller has been conducting a barber shop here for two years, and speaks highly of Bay City. He makes good money in the winter time, shooting ducks for the Portland market.

Nelson Bros. came here from Michigan about 20 years ago. They laid out the town and have seen the timber disappear and graded streets lined with business blocks, take the place of the forest primeval. They are natives of Sweden, and Peter Nelson is now the postmaster of Bay City. Van de Vele & Provost a year ago, bought out the general merchandise business of Watt Bros., and keep flour and feed.

C. W. Pike has a variety store, and keeps fruits and confectionery.

A. K. Gregg conducts the Bay City Cheap Store, having a general variety of merchandise.

L. W. Beldin has a confectionery and ice cream parlors.

William Tuleok is the German shoemaker of the town. He arrived here three years ago, with \$50.00, and has done well, carrying quite a stock in his line.

The Wallace Investment Company has a real estate office here, of which W. S. Sone is manager.

We met an old Salem citizen, formerly on the police force, J. S. Longcor, who is now a general contractor.

H. L. Provost is carrying a \$10,000 stock of hardware, paints, and implements, and he has the biggest stock in his line on the lower bay.

The steamers Goldengate, Elmora and Oshkosk make regular trips between here and Portland.

I had the pleasure of having a talk with Mr. Van de Vele and he told me his family of seven had not been as well any where, as since coming to Bay City. "I have not been as well in 20 years, and have not paid out five cents for doctor bills since coming here." Labor is high, but living is cheaper than elsewhere, and coal is very cheap for fuel, and is pretty generally used.

I also had the pleasure of meeting Mr. John B. Giesy, of the firm of Giesy & Davidson, formerly County Clerk of Marion County. He came here two years ago last February, and has built up a general real estate and fire insurance business. Mr. Giesy has made some investments here, and they have all turned out lucky. He says he can recommend the climate and the city to any one seeking a home or wishing to make an investment.

There is a good livery stable here and general transfer business, conducted by the Provost Livery Co.

Bay City has a well organized Board of Trade, with W. C. Hawk president, and J. O. Bozorth secretary.

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