

## **SOUTH LINCOLN COUNTY TIME LINE EVENTS**

**1826** McLeod, Hudson Bay trapping party in June sent two men south to trap in the "Alciyieh River".

**1832** Two Alsea Indians kill two Hudson Bay Trappers at Beaver Creek.

**1836** Migration over Oregon trail begins.

**1843** 900 settlers to "Williament" Valley. First America's government on Pacific Coast formed in Oregon. "Provisional"

**1844** Lash Law: Slavery becomes illegal, but blacks required to be whipped twice a year until they left territory. Later changed to forced labor instead of whipping.

**1846** Central Coast fire. US & Great Britain agree to north boundary of Oregon at 49<sup>th</sup> Parallel.

**1848 California Gold Rush. Oregon Territory established by Congress on August 14.**

**1849** Sep, Lt. Talbot sent from valley to journey from Yaquina Bay to the Alsea River to survey the Alsea Bay. Walks with Yokona Indian guide and four of his men.

**1850** Sept, Donation Land Act started. Fires north and south of Waldport area. Benton county population 844.

**1851** Congress votes the prepaid 3 cent stamp. Gold discovered southern Oregon.

**1852** Indian Laws & Treaties Agreement.

**1854** Benton County population 2176. Rycraft, Holgate, Ellis, Mason, Edwards & Kellums families come around Alsea River Headwaters.

**1855 Nov 9 Indian Reservation** from Cape Lookout to Umpqua River and 20 miles inland. Alsea sub-agency established in area of now Yachats cemetery.

**1856** First vessel in Yaquina Bay, schooner "Calamet". Indians walked and shipped by boat to coast reservation from north California and southern Oregon.

**1859 Feb 14 Oregon becomes state as 33<sup>rd</sup> state.**

**1860** Indians number 3000 on Coast Reservation. State population 12,093. Coos and Umpqua Indians removed fall of 1860 to Yawhuch Prairie, north of Yawhuch River.

**1861** Linius Brooks, Alsea sub-agent Yachats. Law requires blacks, Asians, and people of mixed race to pay \$5 yearly tax.

**1863** Amas Harvery, Alsea sub-agent Yachats, 1 Oct 1862 to 1 July 1864. 50 Alsea Indians along Alsea Bay. Agent earning \$1000 year in wages.

**1864** George W. Collins Alsea sub-agent Yachats. Bensell reports April 22, 1864, G. Collins has a Squaw and has small grocery store. Corvallis and Yaquina Bay **Wagon Road Company started**. Alsea Indians have three Acres in potatoes, turnips and cabbage.

**1865 Dec 21 Homesteading opens** to squatters north of the Alsea River, Abraham Peek, William Simsons & Alfred Strobe.

**1866** Amendment 15 granting citizenship to blacks. G. Collins reports Coos/Umpqua 215, Lyouslaw 133, Alsea 155 and 12 acres of potatoes.

**1867** Thomas Clark farmer for Yachats sub-agent. G. Collins, Copeland and Bensell fight and bring back Indians in SW Oregon that ran away from reservation. Natives and animals fled to the Alsea Bay sand spit to wait out forest fire.

**1869** George W. Collins still at Alsea sub-agency at Yachats. In May, Lt. Fredrick A. Battey, Alsea sub-agent at Yachats. Battey reports Mr. Peek with sawmill nine miles up the Alsea River.

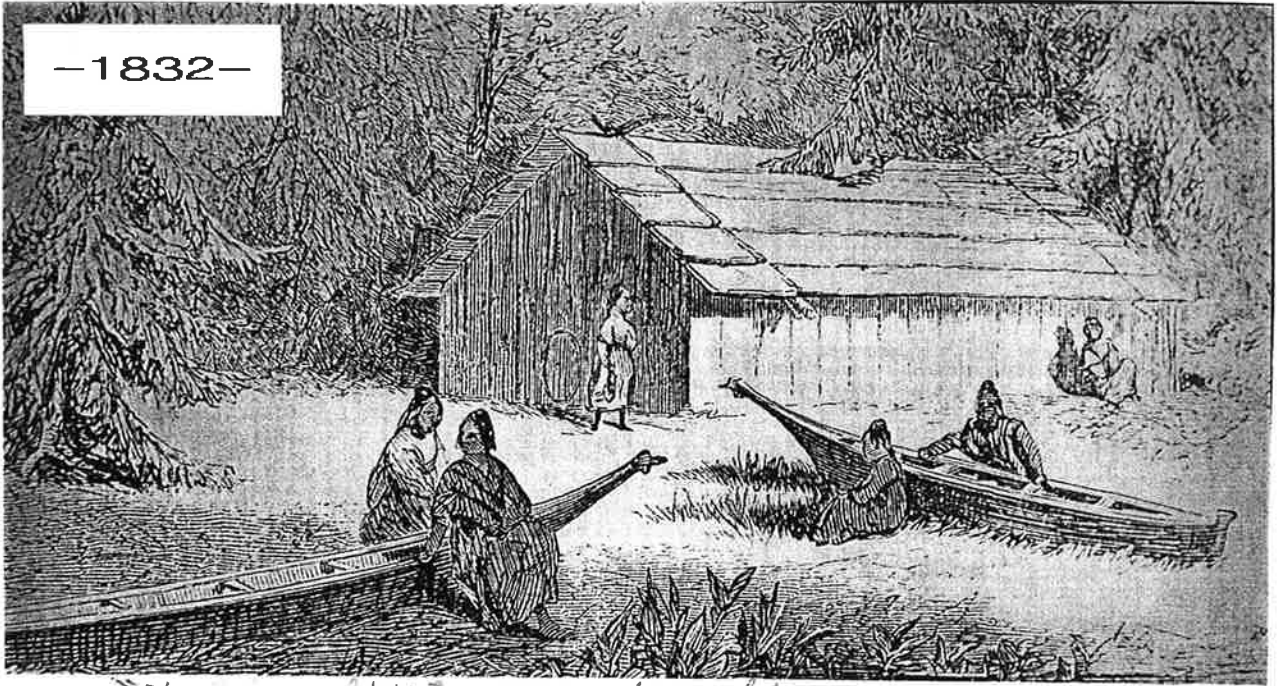
**1870** Oct. 13, Sam Case Yachats sub-agent to June 1873. Benton county population 4,458. Lt. Battey reports Alsea River area not desirable for white settlement.

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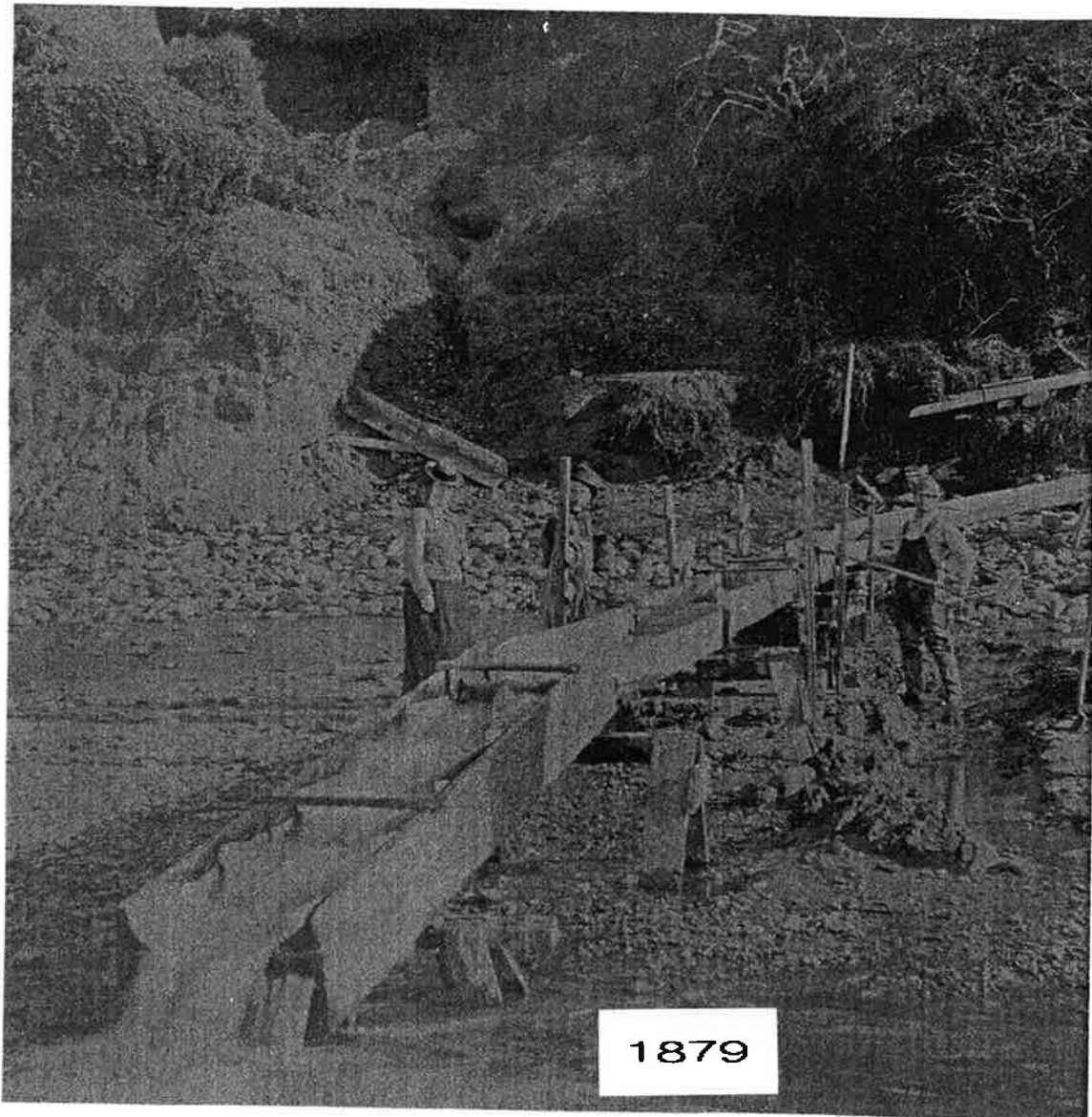


*Leona Ludson (Alsea/Yaquina) is pictured in the the center of this photo, with her husband Major Ludson (Alsea/Chetco) at left, Thomas Jackson (Alsea) above, and an Alsea relative of Thomas Jackson at right.*

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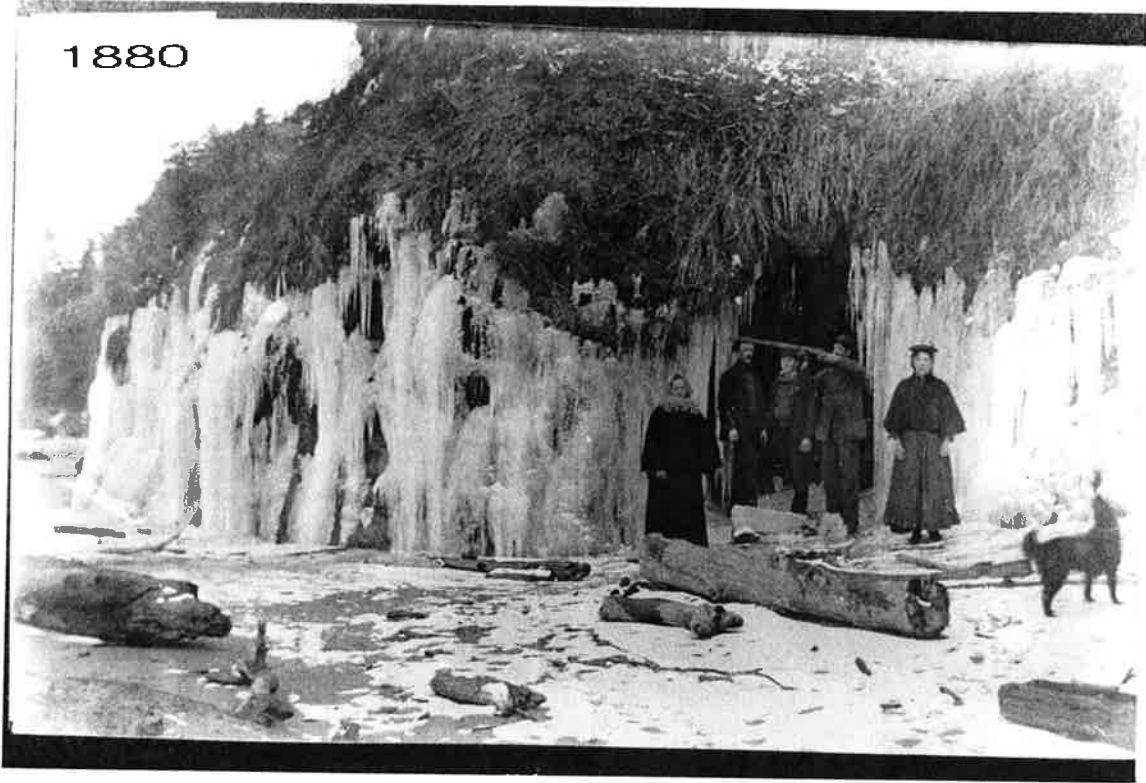
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1879

*Gold mining at Nye Beach, circa 1898-1906  
photo, Lincoln County Historical Society*

1880



1881



**1871** George W. Collins locates at Seal Rock with Jennie, daughter of the Sixes Indian Chief and three sons. George and brother James, first mail carriers north to Newport. Ida Case, daughter of Sam Case born on Yachats Sub Agency 3 Sep 1871.

**1872** Aug, Toby settles "Nice" land, Bishop Titus family squatted south side of Alsea Bay. James Craige sub-agent Yachats. September, Mr. & Mrs. McWillis settle on north side of Alsea Bay. November, Teters and Lee build schooner "Lizzie" at Tidewater. It later goes down Feb 1876 Yaquina Bay mouth with a cargo of oysters. 300 Indians on Reservation, 30 are Alsea Tribe.

**1873** May, Sam Case at Yachats as sub-agent. Thomas Smith settles north side of Alsea, later is first grave at Tidewater cemetery 1831-1873. In June, George Litchfield sub-agent Yachats. George Starr settles north side of Alsea Bay and later 1876, the Yachats agency.

**1874** James Watts and Charles Price, Yachats sub-agency teachers. Cora Litchfield born Yachats sub-agency. August is first Drift Creek Post Office. 15 Indian deaths and 24 births reported by Litchfield year to date.

**1875 March 5, Alsea River south opens to settlement.** Barclay family moves to the Alsea River area. C.M. Starr settles on north side Alsea River Bay. City of Newport plotted. Sam Case closes sub-agency at Yachats. The remaining Indians move to Siletz.

**1876** George M. Starr homesteads Oceanview (Yachats) 150 acres including the Indian sub-agency buildings. He later sells to Hosford in 1888 for \$3200. O.V. Hurt later buys for \$7200 and later the land sells for \$25,000 to Robert Perks. Jan. 31, Collins Post Office, north side of Alsea Bay.

**1877** The first school at Bayview, north side Alsea Bay. Waldport beaches yielding gold.

**1878** Nettie Gualt born at Tidewater. Baldwins settle Bayview (Devils Bend). Seal Rock "Fernridge Cemetery" first known burials, Simonson and Colvin.

**1879** Doty, Southworth (Darkey Creek Road) and Keady Sr. moves to Waldport area, Lint Starr is on lower Lint Slough and sell squatters rights to David Ruble for \$300. First church service at Salmontown on north side of Alsea Bay. Sept. 12, Mr Lutjens Post master north side of bay. Keady & Seymore mine \$3500 from ocean beaches just south of Alsea Bay.

**1880** Benton county population 6,403. Winter temp down to 6 degrees along coast. Abraham Peek builds a one mast sailing ship at Tidewater which disappeared on trip from San Francisco. Louis Southworth homesteads along Alsea River.

**1881** Waldport (forest-port) named. June, Waldport post office at Lint Starr's cabin on Mill Street, later at Hunter's Café. Keady homesteads south end of Waldport in area of 2<sup>nd</sup> hand store and gas station. Helms family settles south end of Lint Slough.

**1882** Waldport first school is Indian Hut across from Old Town Printer on Mill Street with 16 pupils. Transcontinental railroad comes west to Oregon. Newport incorporated 23 Oct 1882, population 250.

**1883** Scows laid on edge, roofed and floored for 2<sup>nd</sup> school, across from Catholic Church on Broadway, teacher Miss Maxey. David Ruble donated lot for first non- sectarian church. Reynolds from Minn. homestead on south Yaquina John Point. Keady had north half. Southworth donates ½ acre for new school.

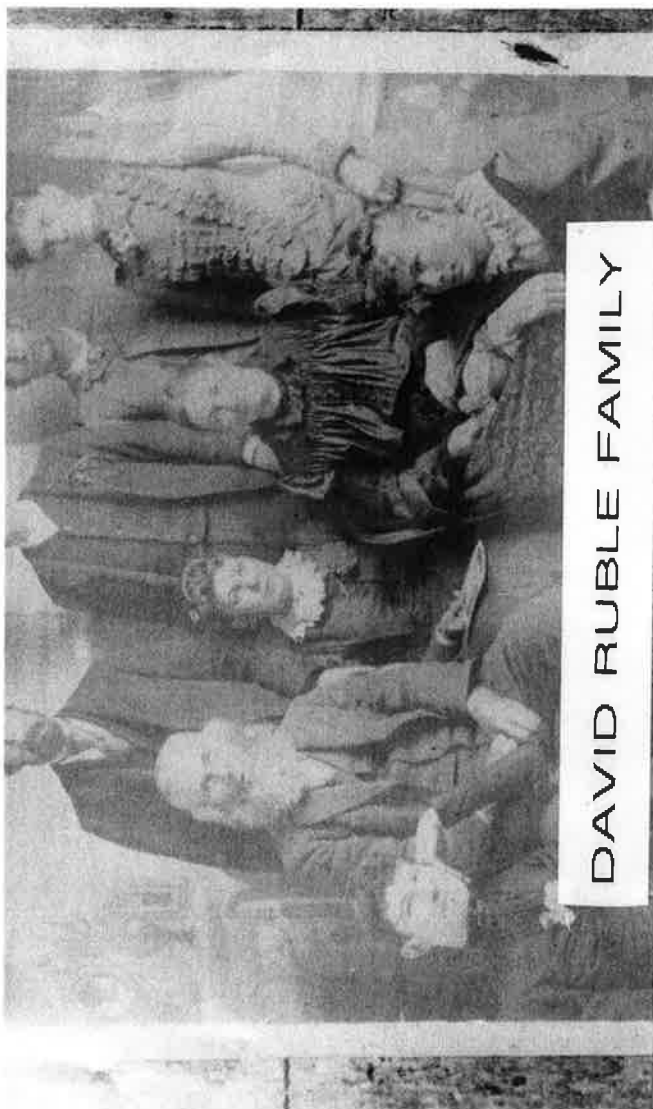
**1884** David Ruble plats Waldport by the stars. The first mill at Waldport by Baldwin family, later sold to Harrisons. Brassfield builds Seal Rock Hotel.

**1885** March, first train from Corvallis to Yaquina City. Dec. 3 Mr. Peek Post Master north side of the Alsea Bay.

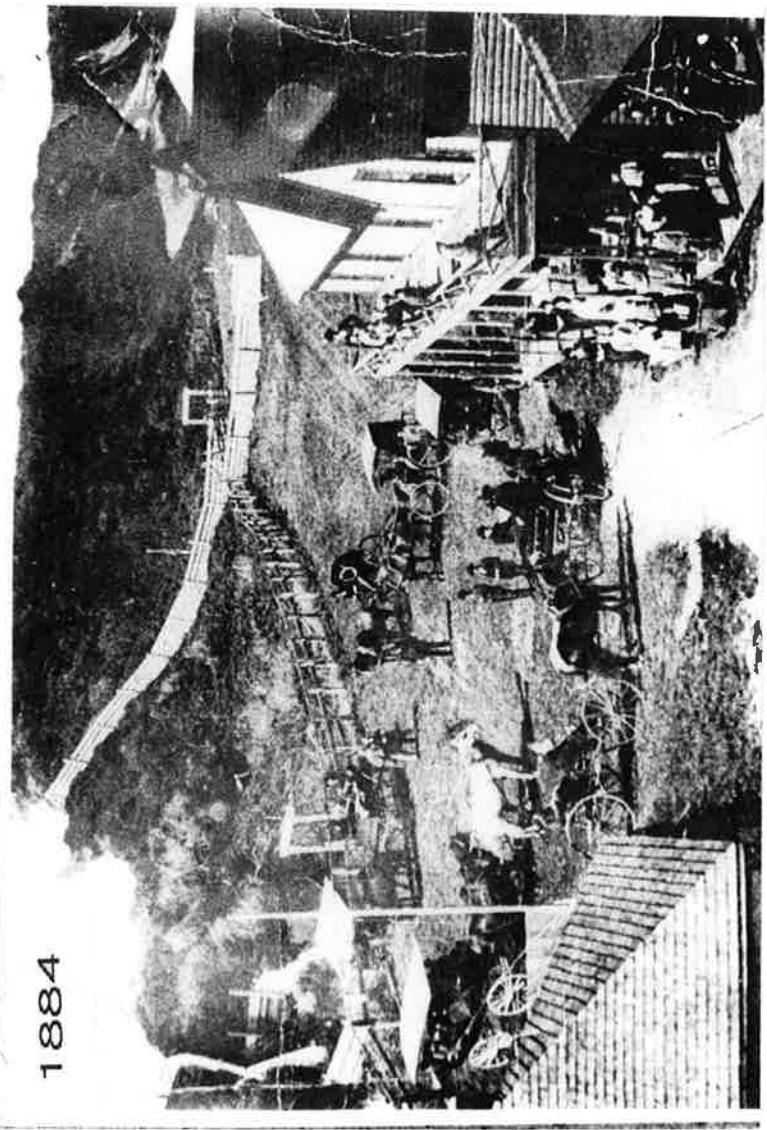
**1886** Harrisons, Ludemans and Bobells settle Yachats River. Silas Howell builds Waldport (Central) Hotel on Broadway Street. 1886-87 winter Alsea River freezes. Harrison & Dodge build first cannery in Salmon Town on north-west Alsea Bay .

**1887** Bobells builds a cannery at McKinney Slough.

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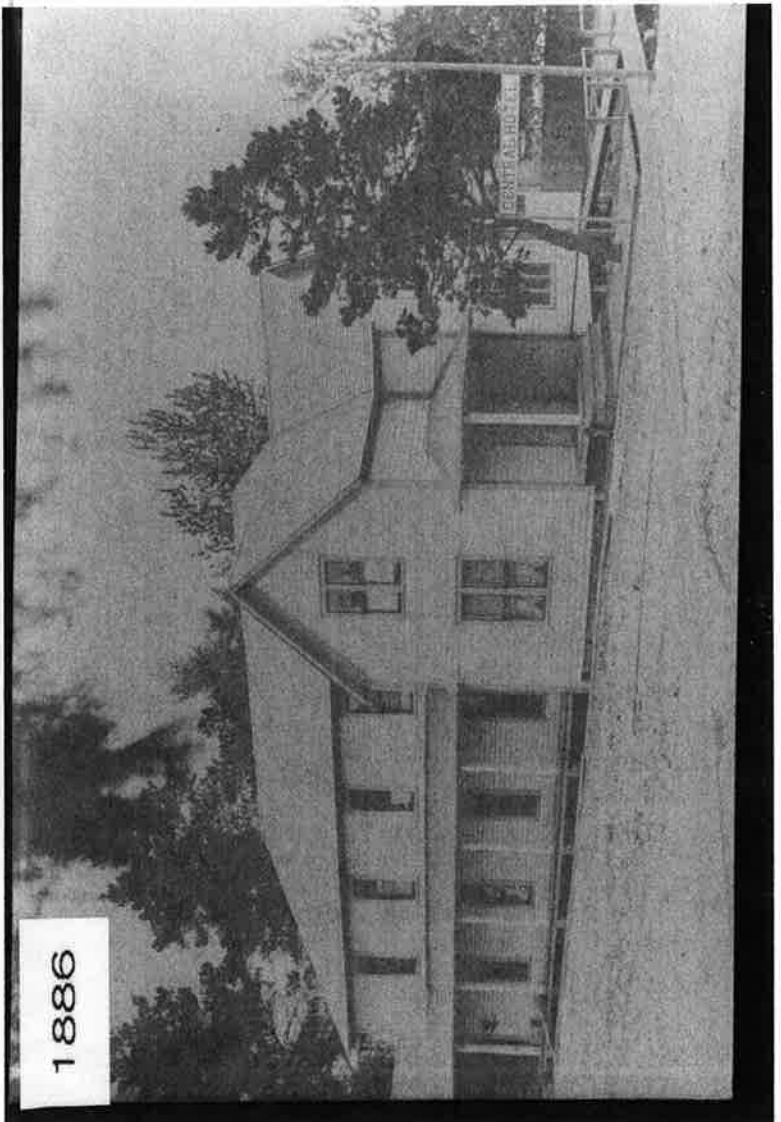
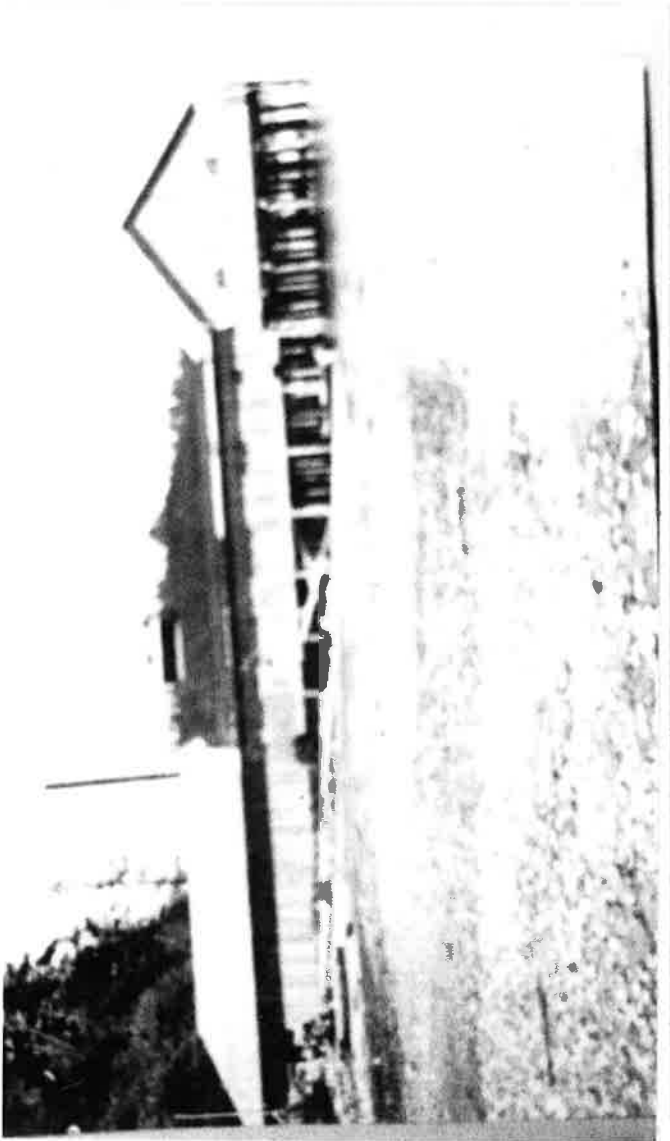
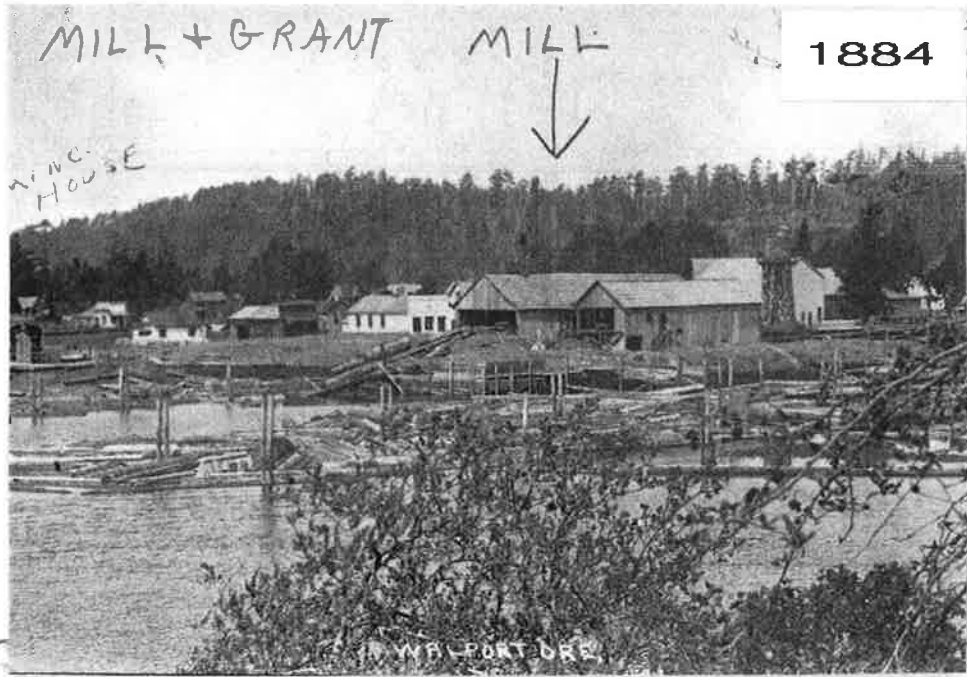


DAVID RUBLE FAMILY



1884





**1888** Wagon road Tidewater to Corvallis, 4 day journey.

**1887** Oceanview Post Office (Yachats). Harrisons move to Salmontown. First salmon cannery on north side Alsea Bay, Dodge & Harrison.

**1889** Waldport Mill Street has three dwellings, Ruble, Starr & Howell. Spencer has grocery store and Harrisons have the mill who also built the W.H. Harrison boat that wrecked in the bay 1891.

**1890** Waldport new school "Evens Hall" across from Catholic Church. J.W. Brassfield at Seal Rock set up Post Office and Lutjens Post Office is at north end of now Waldport Bay bridge. Oregon population 174,768.

**1891** W.G. Helms builds in old town Waldport. Yaquina John Point first burial is Robert Mitchell and Lucy M. Doty. Cemetery between Adahia & Corona Street. Second Bayview school built, still in use as a home.

**1892** Miss Hayford teaching "Evens Hall" school on Broadway. Total Indian population down to 500. Jeanetta Kindred Post Mistress Oceanview(Yachats) 10 June 1892.

**1893 Feb. 20, Lincoln County separates from Benton county** with the help of Attorney Ben Jones. Sanford (Lutjens) Post Office north end of bridge. George A. Landis Lincoln County sheriff 1893-1898.

**1894** C.R. Evan builds first bridge across Eckman Slough.

**1895** Helms house sold to Wakefields for Alsea Hotel, later moved to Mill & Spencer streets and reopened 1914 as Wakefield Hotel.

**1896** Linville Post Office on Drift Creek, discontinued 1915.

**1897** First known burial Alder Grove Cemetery on Eckman Creek is Elwin Glines.

**1898** The clipper ship "Atalanta" wrecks south of Waldport. Built 1886 Scotland. Captain McBride and 22 others lost their lives, three lived.

**1899** Harvey Vader buried Carson Cemetery on Yachats River. Jennetta Kindred Post Mistress Oceanview (Yachats).

**1900** Ellen Warfield Webber earliest known burial Ona Cemetery on Beaver Creek. Lincoln county population 3,575. First Presbyterian Church built.

**1901** Fernridge Cemetery east on Cross Street at Seal Rock donated by Charles and Minnie Bond. Cass Ludeman builds first motor launch on Alsea Bay.

**1902** David Ruble sells lot for \$1 to W.G. Helms to build at Commercial and Ruble. Barnes builds cannery on Mill St.

**1903** Oregon women get 10 hour work day law.

**1904** Carson Cemetery, Yachats River, donated one acre by Vader family. Effie Williamson teaches school in abandoned homestead house.

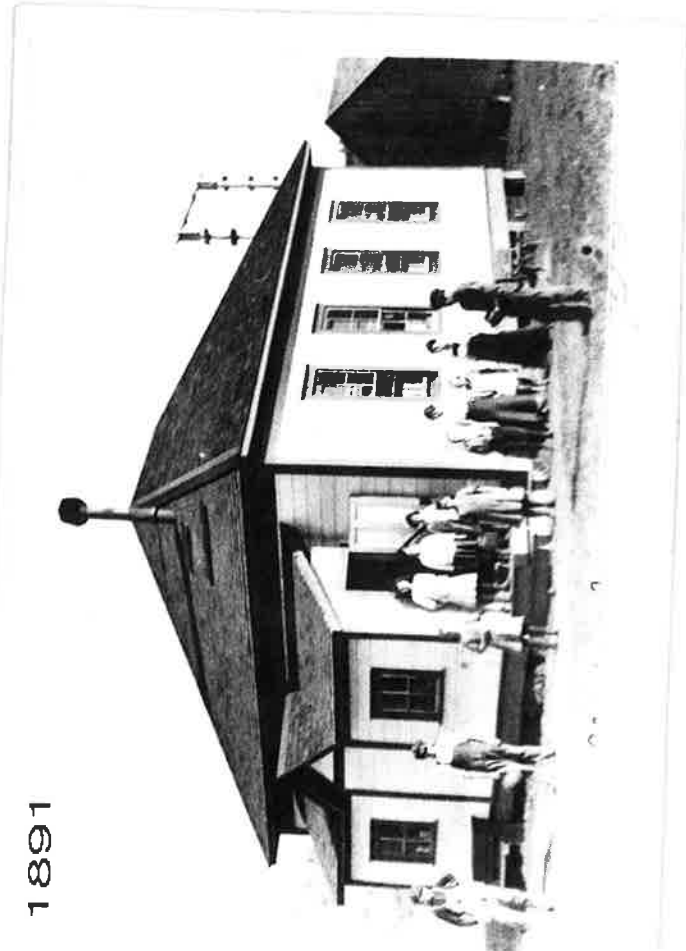
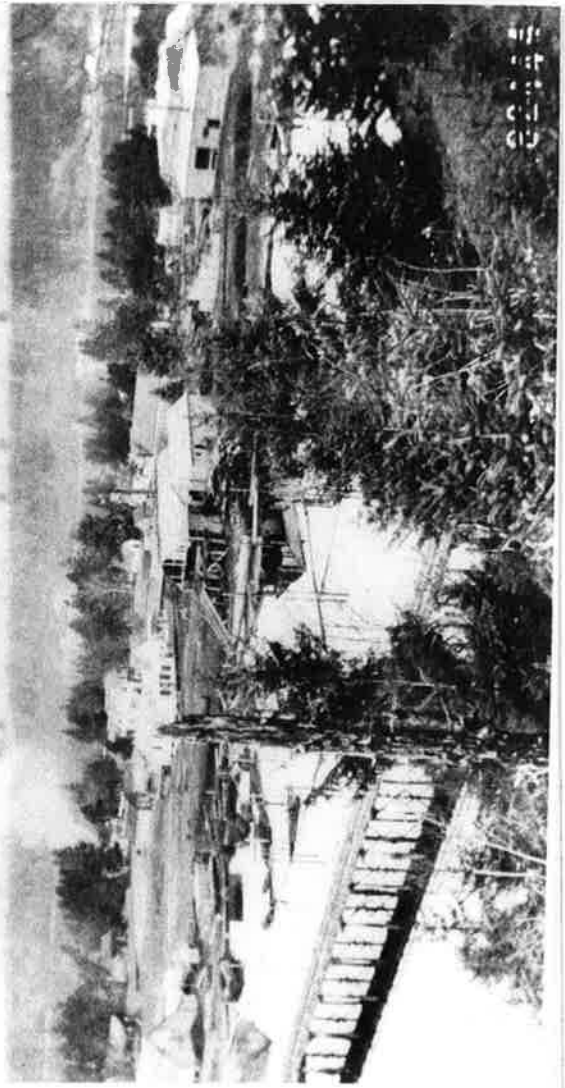
**1907** Next Waldport school built, now Waldport library, Miss Martha Kent teacher. R.P. Goin Superintendent who later married Miss Kent.

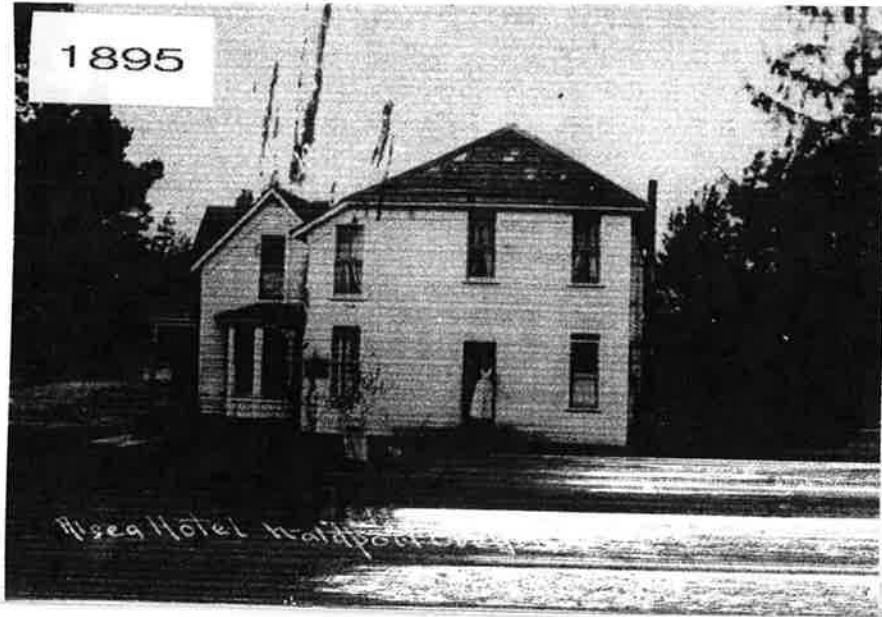
**1909 Waldport High School grads: Earnest Lebow, Erwin Hosford, James Goin, Halcie Glines & one girl. First Lincoln County Fair & Waldport Band. First newspaper "Waldport Journal" by William F. Keady. 29 Yakonan Indians still living in Alsea area.**

**1910** Edward Steele lands his bi-plane on Alsea Bay mud flats. Opera House on Mill Street built by James Kent Sr., burned 1967 as local movie theater. First Waldport water system from head of Red River. Four year High School course established at grade school.  
*Nov 5 - Port of Alsea starts*

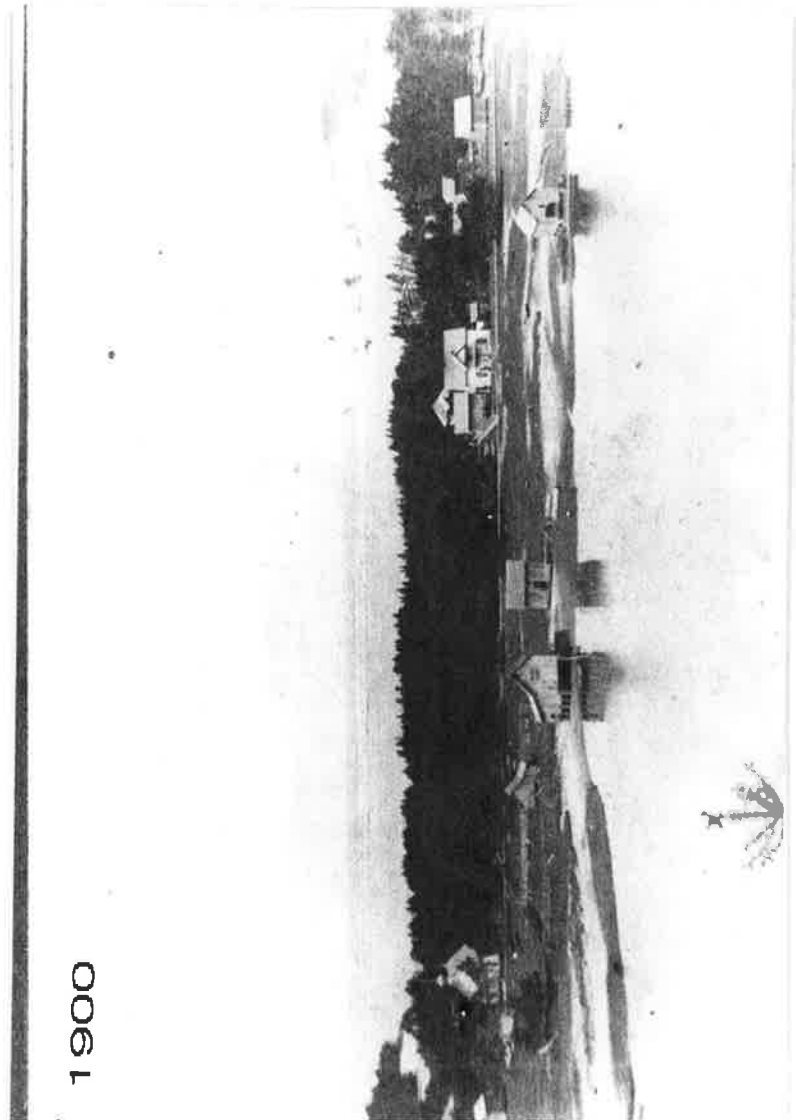
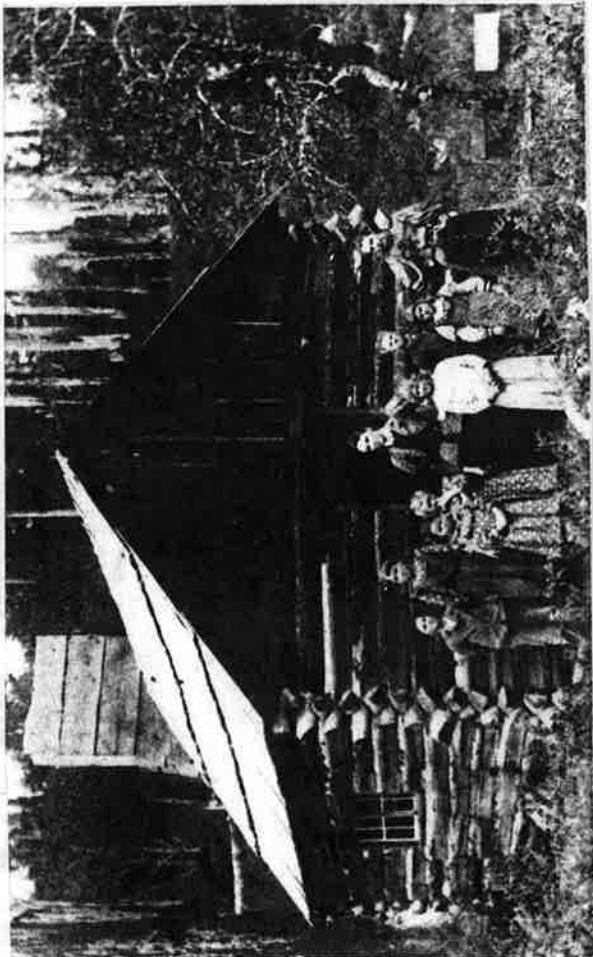
**1911 Waldport Incorporated, pop 150.** Two room high school built on south hill above Waldport, Miss Jessie Bell teacher. It was later used as a hospital, doctor office, rest home, hotel and now a private home.

**1912** Women get the right to vote. John H. Glines had first library in his home on Alder St. Condor ship wrecks south Alsea Bay.





1896 YACHATS FIRST SCHOOL



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Familiar Scene Alsea Bay Waldport Oregon

Collins - 1874    Stanford - 1843    Lutgens - 1890    Bayview - 1905    Post offices North Alsea Bay



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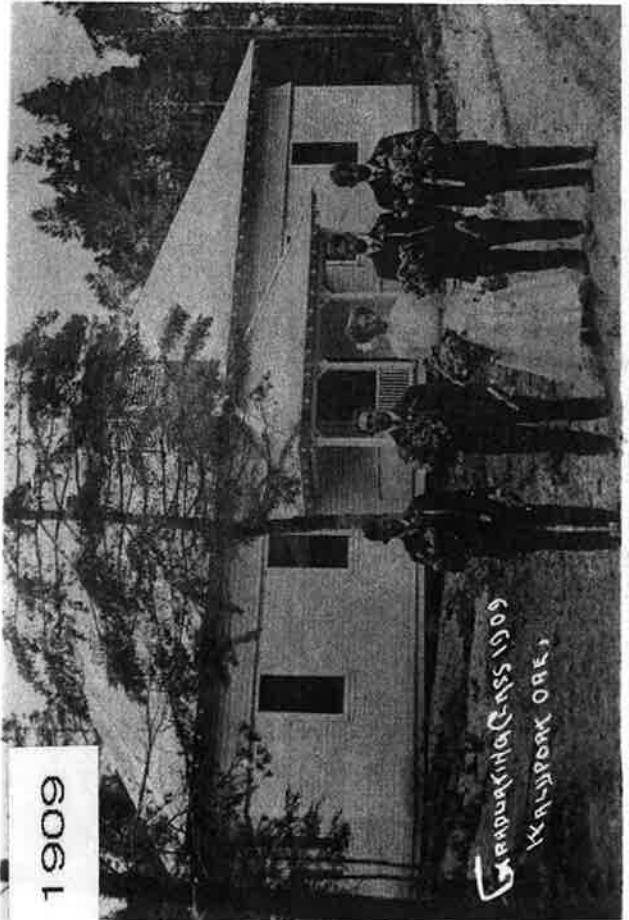


FIRST WOODEN BRIDGE TO ALSEA  
UP OVER WALDPORST HEIGHTS



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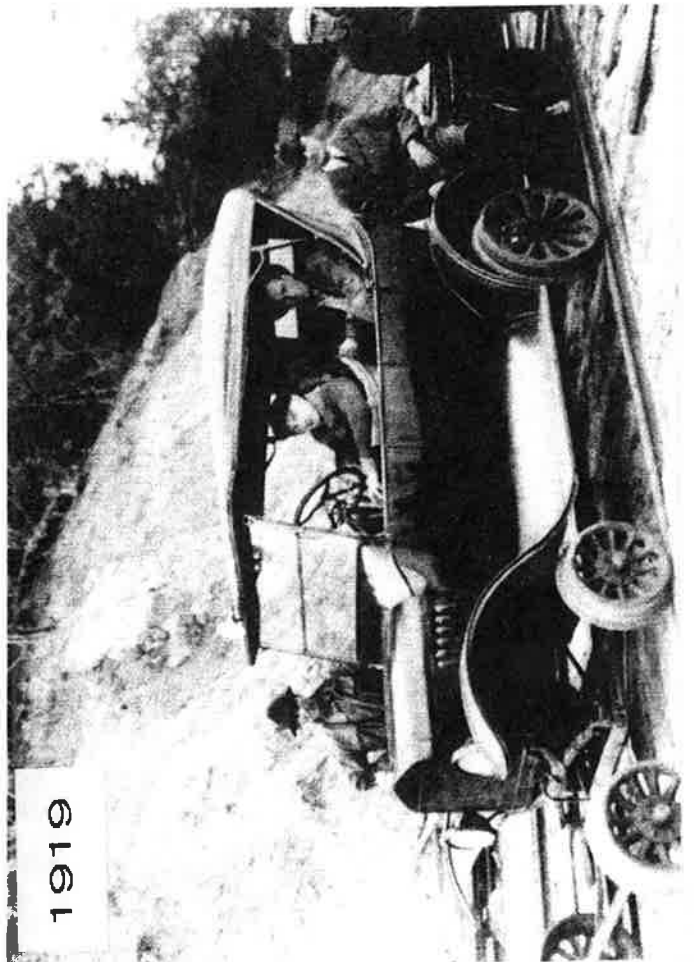
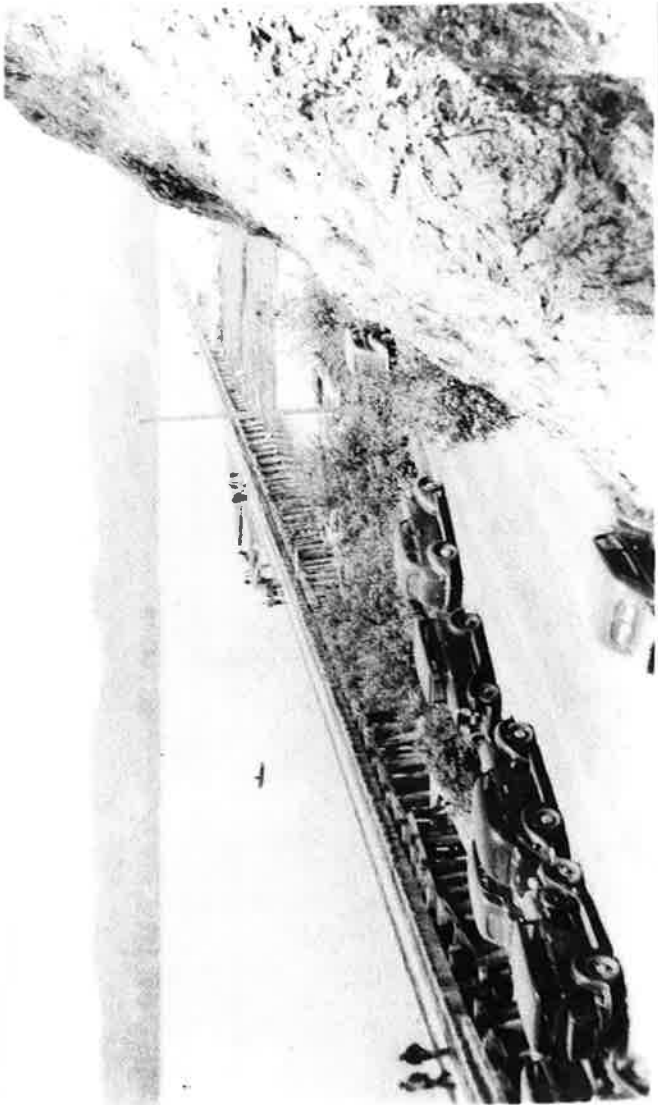
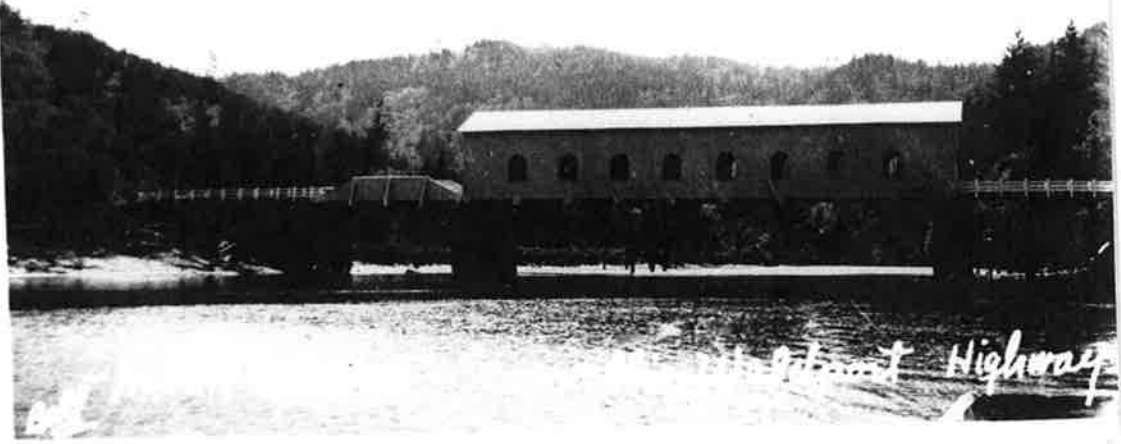


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**1913** Sept. Mr. Steel lands 1<sup>st</sup> plane along Alsea Bay for repairs. Tidewater store and Post Office built. Oregon beaches declared Public Highway. First Waldport newspaper, H.H. Cook. Alsea River covered bridge built near mouth of Canal Creek. Chinamen still working in canneries at Lutjens on north side of Alsea Bay.

**1914** First wagon road around Cape Perpetua built by Forest Service.

**1915** Elmore Cannery burns. Waldport Watchman newspaper, Frank Robert. More gold mined from bedrock on ocean beaches. Oregon Fish Commission constructs Salmon Hatchery near Tidewater at Hatchery Creek, closed 1953, moved to Fall Creek.

**1916** Waldport has three auto: Dr. Linton, Cass Wolfe & Mr. Durban. C.R. Evans (mailman) builds tramway across Bayshore dunes.

**1917** Nice Post Office, north end Waldport bridge, Nona Strake post Mistress. Oceanview changed name to Yachats.

**1918** WWI Military builds railroad from South Beach to Camp One, south of Waldport. Mr. & Mrs. O.V. Hurt, of Yachats, first to ride train to Camp One. **November 11, 1918** war ends.

**1919** Oregon first state to do a gas tax of 1 cents for funding highway 101 (Coast Military Roosevelt Highway) (Congress providing matching funds). January all military working on the railroad lines leave. John Walker runs passengers and freight on line till C.D. Johnson buys the RR line from the Army in 1936. Waldport population 181. First wagon road Alsea to Waldport. Alsea Indian, William Smith dies, buried at Siletz.

**1920** Waldport jail on Mill Street built. Drift Creek area burns.

**1921-22**, 13 bridges washed out in floods: Tidewater, Five Rivers, Drift Creek & Alsea/Canal Creek (Second bridge built on Alsea in 1940). Library moves to Evans Hall, which was moved to that spot in 1892 on South Broadway St. The Roosevelt Coast Highway starts connecting coast towns.

*original mill 34 near 1934*

**1926** gravel road opens from Alsea to Waldport. Sasse family has Waldport Tribune newspaper. Oregon repels Exclusion Law of 1859. Yachats listens to Arthur Carpenter's first Yachats radio broadcast. Water wheel on Eckman Creek to run generator for Waldport lights. Waldport school gym built, now Moose Lodge.

**1927** Yachats Little Log Church built. Roosevelt Highway (101) grading started from Washington line to California line. Ferries only way to cross bays. Alsea Hwy grading & surfacing completed. Dean Dorsey began bus run for mail and passengers to Corvallis and back in one day. Marge Johnson Wolsiffer drives across the Alsea Bay RR trestle in an Essex car.

**1929** Last ship into the Alsea Bay, "Point Reyes". Roosevelt Highway between Waldport & Yachats completed.

**1930** Waldport population 369. Newspaper reports Jan. 16, eighteen below and two and one half feet of snow. 9 Yakonan Indians living Alsea Bay area. Ferry slips & approaches constructed by State of Oregon at both Yaquina & Alsea Bays.

**1931** Bayview Post Office (Barnes store) established, discontinued 1941. Harry Morris and Andrew Kent plant Japanese Oysters near the north rail road trestle on Alsea Bay. Roosevelt Hwy completed south from Waldport to Lane County line. Free ferry operations contracted by the state in April to serve until new bridge opens in 1936.

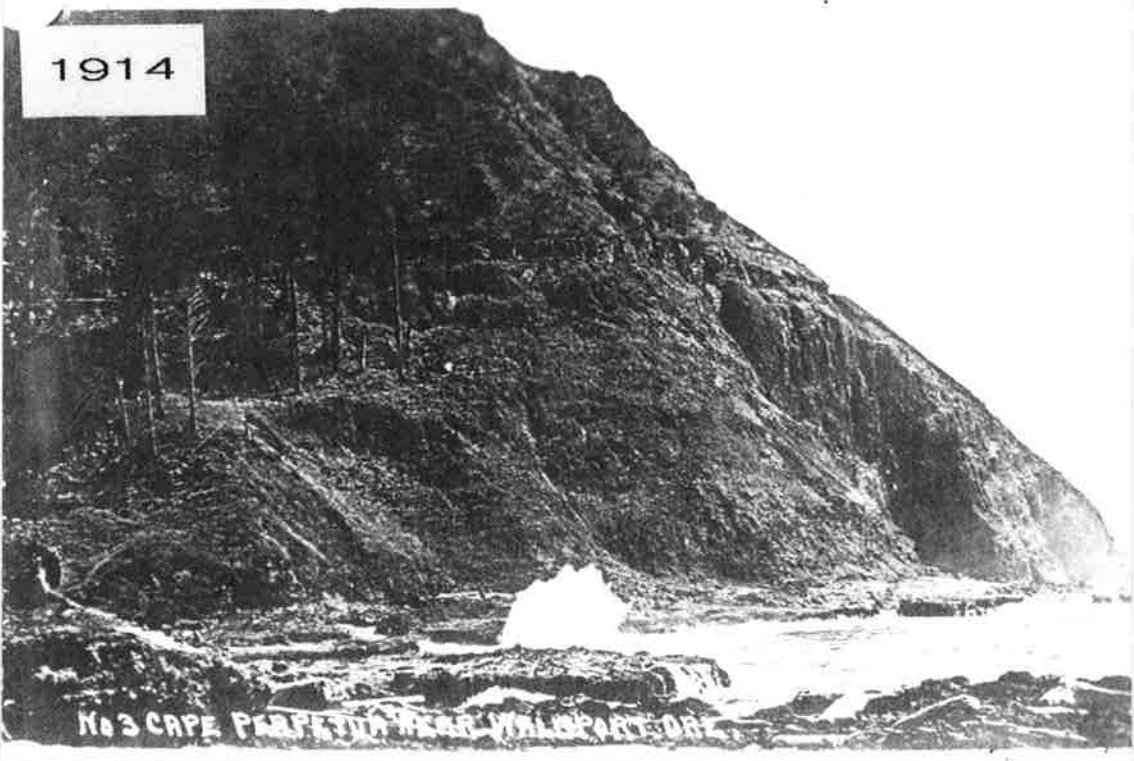
**1932** total of 21,900 out of state automobiles travel the Oregon coast route.

**1933** Yachats cemetery earliest known burial Lean Kempl.

**1935** Airport runway bulldozed on Waconda Beach Road. ~~Waldport High School built by WPA on Spring Street.~~

**1936** Vengie Creek/Blodgett forest fires. Alsea Bay bridge finished in spring. Newport Bay bridge finished in November. Five coast bridges built by the WPA, depression relief act by Pres. Roosevelt.

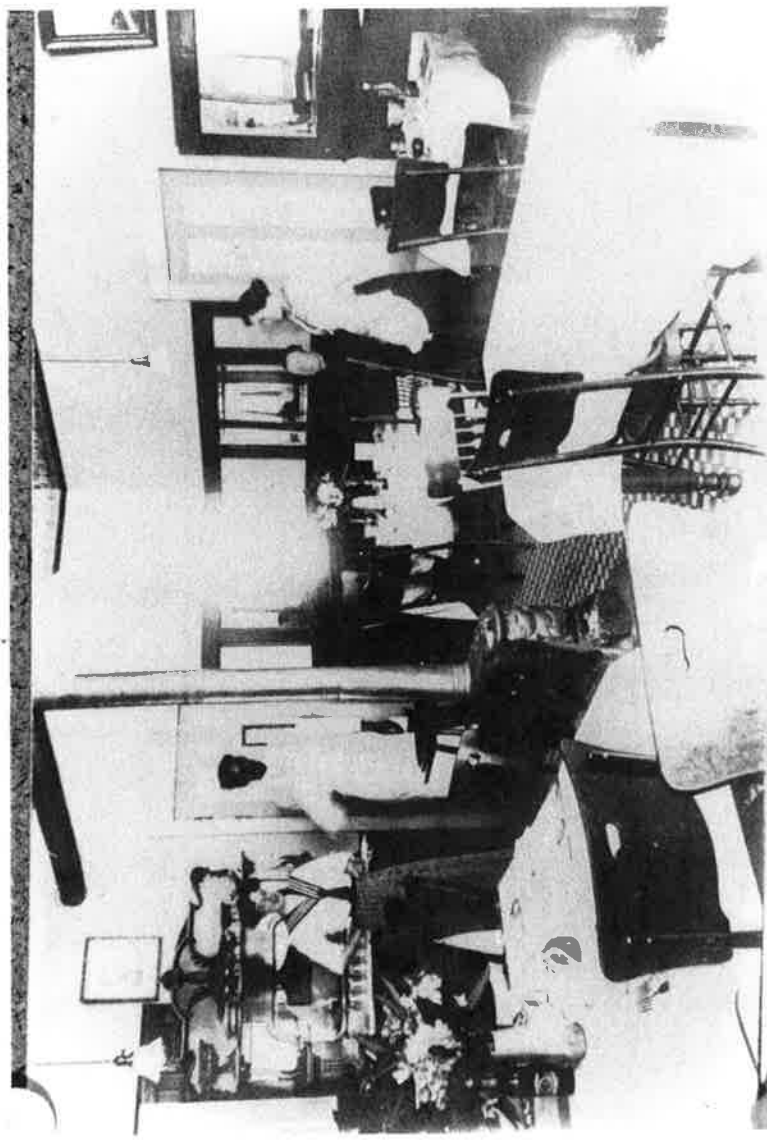
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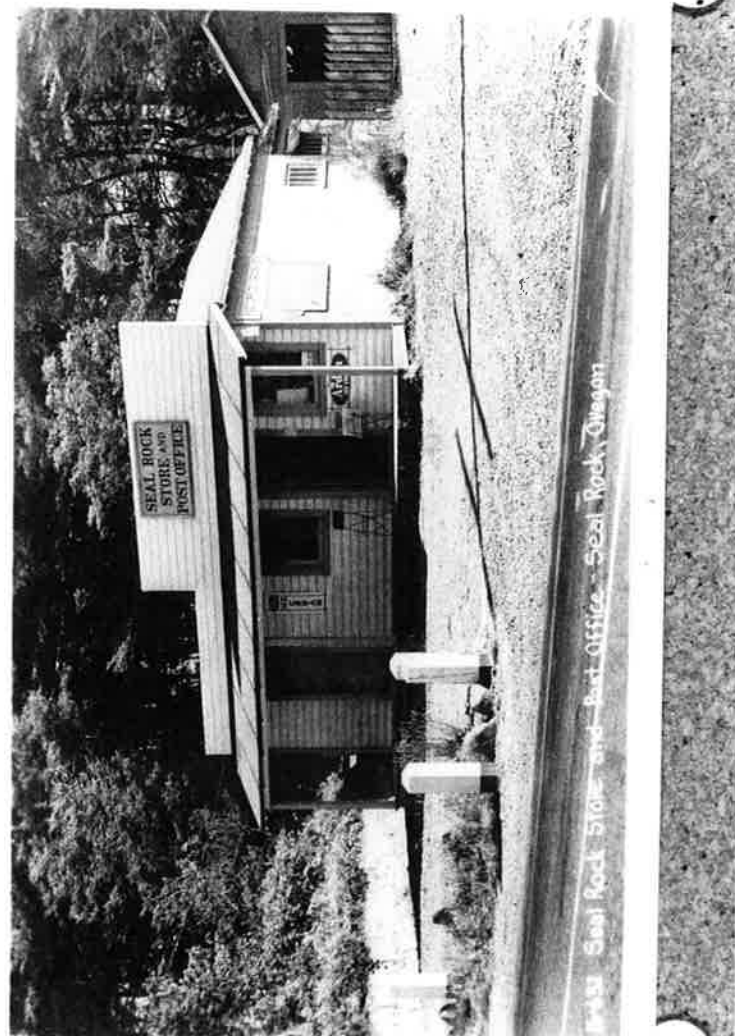
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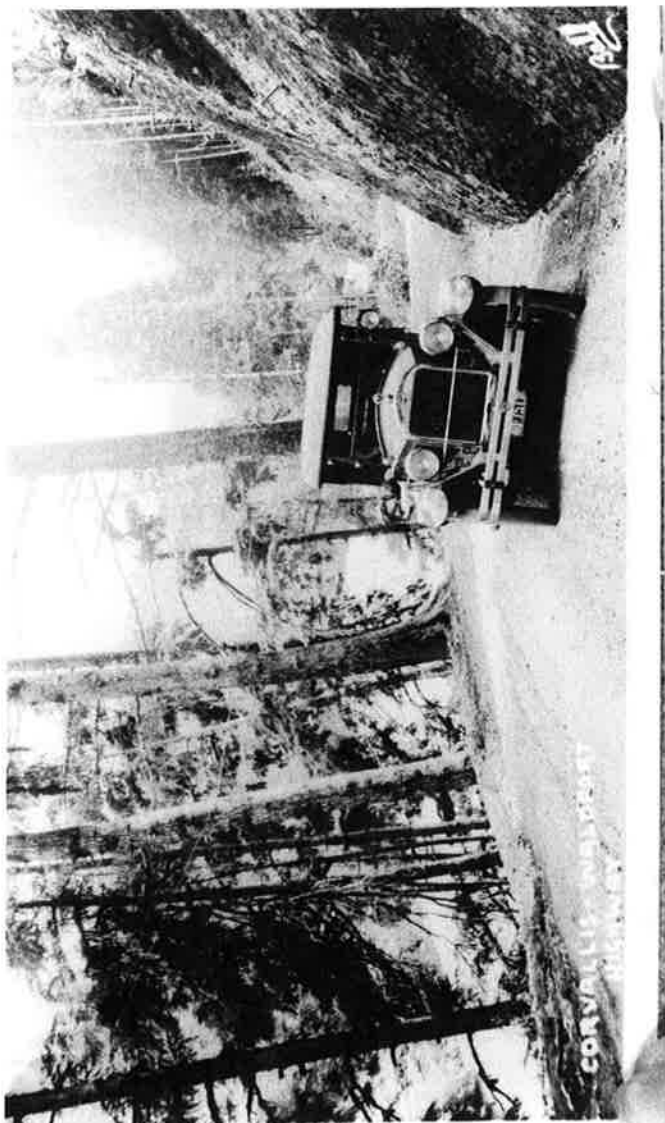


Seal Rock Ore 1918



Seal Rock Store and Post Office - Seal Rock, Oregon

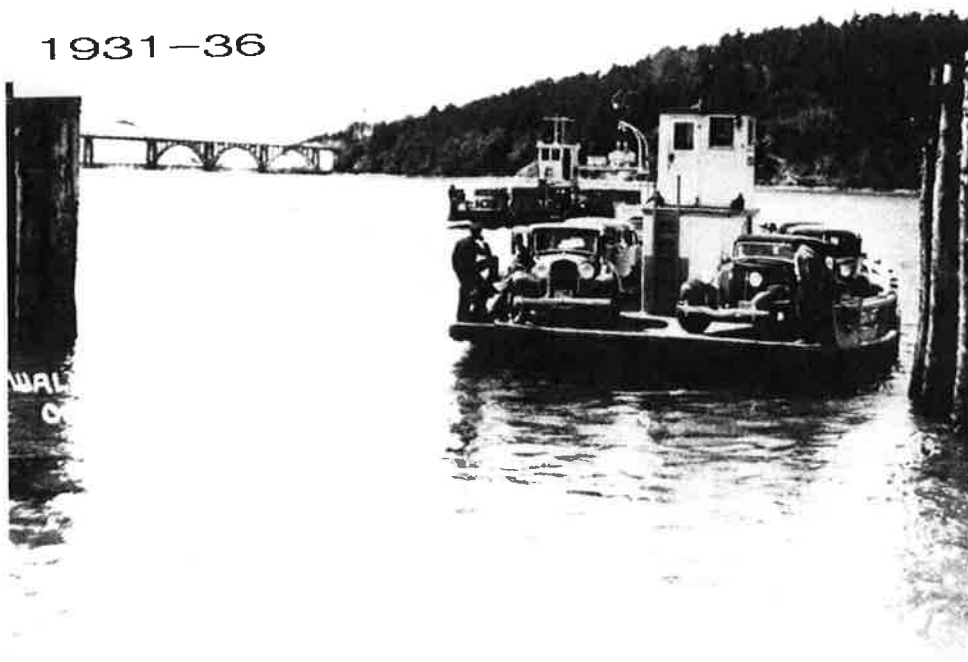
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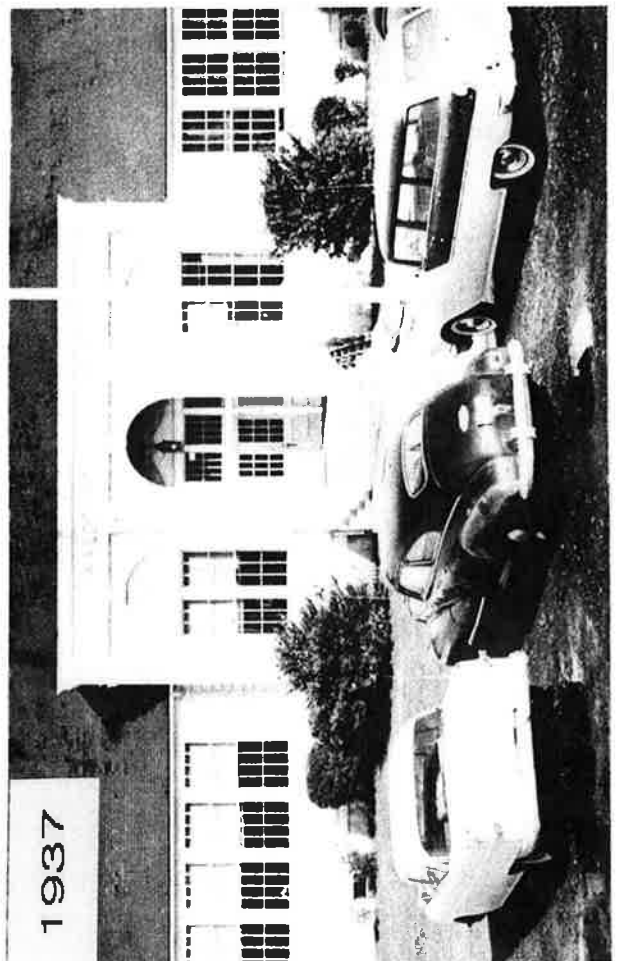
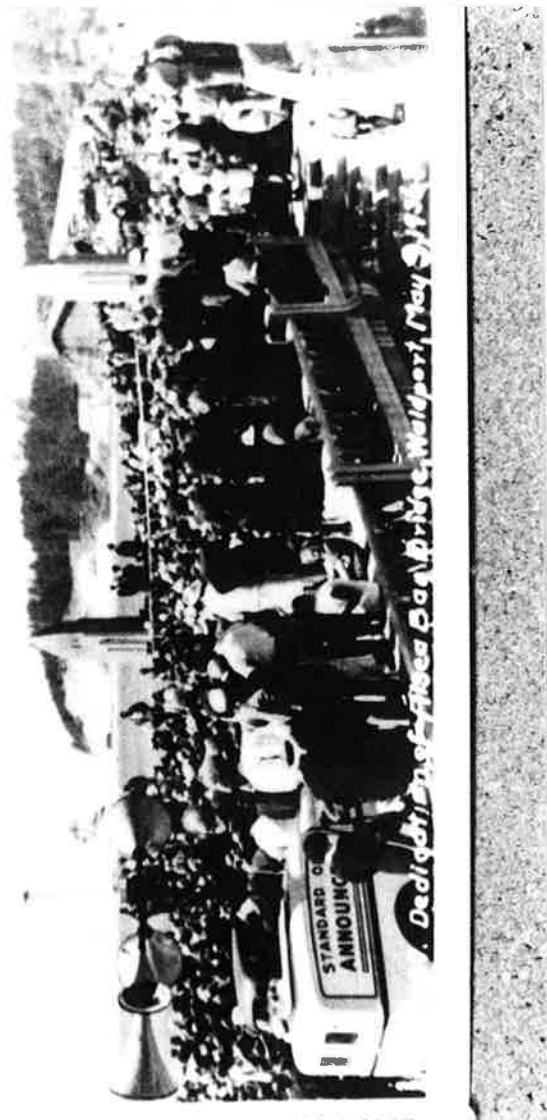
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1937

**1937** Last Yachats High School graduation: Emma Edgar, Eva Carson, Charles Hays, Larry and Lloyd Dawson. Alsea Southern Railroad torn out. *NEW WALDPORT High School.*

**1938** Waldport Memorial Cemetery deeded. Thelma Blanchard buried 1939. Tillie the Whale beached south of Waldport, five cents charged to cross land to see it. Dave Hall starts "Yachats Times" newspaper. Changed paper name in 1941 to South Lincoln County Times.

**1940** Steelhead newspaper by Hamil. 316 pure Indian Lincoln County. Waldport population 630.

**1942** Angel Job Corps (Civilian Public Service Camp #56), south of Waldport, first CCC Camp for WW2 Conscientious Objectors Camp. Waldport & Toledo vote to become part of Central Lincoln PUD.

**1946** Tidelands around Lint Slough are filled.

**1948** Waldport Record newspaper, Paul Vende Velde. Lincoln County Historical Society formed 2 April 1948.

**1949** Electricity up Yachats River. Waldport 1<sup>st</sup> sewage plant constructed.

**1950** Waldport population 689. Last creamery closed at Mill & Spencer "Mr. Greenbos". *gets Public wastewater system Conn 34 + Crestline*

**1951** Alvin McCleary age 85 dies, only colored man buried in Alder Grove Cemetery. Adopted son of Louis Southworth.

**1952** Library moved to the City Hall, originally Grade School on Hwy 34.

**1954** Homer Stokes has first TV antenna. Confederated Tribes of the Siletz, terminated by Congress. Waldport sawmill closes in Old Town.

**1955** Oregon law passes to legalize all mixed blood marriages and children.



**1956** Last commercial Salmon fishing on Alsea River. Eckman Creek slough unbridged & earth filled dam & overflow gate installed on west end. John Albert, last full blooded Yakonan Indian dies.

**1959** Nelson Wayside at Eckman Creek Lake donated to State for Park. Last class graduates at Waldport High on Spring street which become Middle School, then later sold to developer.

**1960** Indian bones found under Jolly Roger Motel, west of Chevron Station. Bones sent to Corvallis College. Waldport pop 667.

**1962** Oct. 12, Columbus Day Storm, wind gust 96 mph.

**1963** Lint Slough Salmon Hatchery completed.

**1964** Alaska earthquake, Tsunami wipes out city port docks and some up the bay. Christmas week flood.

**1965** Kozy Kove building mud slides onto highway near Tidewater on Alsea River.

**1966** March 22, Yachats incorporated.

**1967** Waldport Theatre & Hunters Café burns.

**1968** Cape Perpetua Visitor Center built south of Yachats. "Lassie Come Home" movie filmed at Yachats. Jetty at McKinley Marina built.

**1969** Crestview Hills Golf Course built south side Waldport.

**1971** Smelt Sands State park opened. Oregon has nations first bottle bill 5 cent refund.

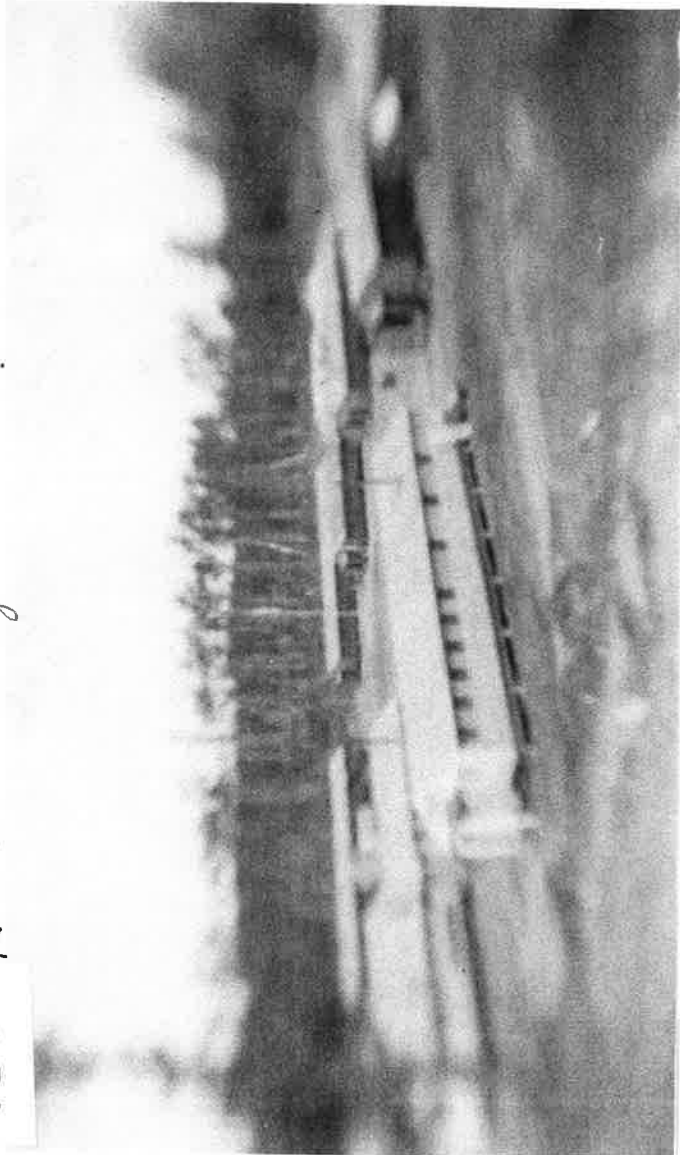
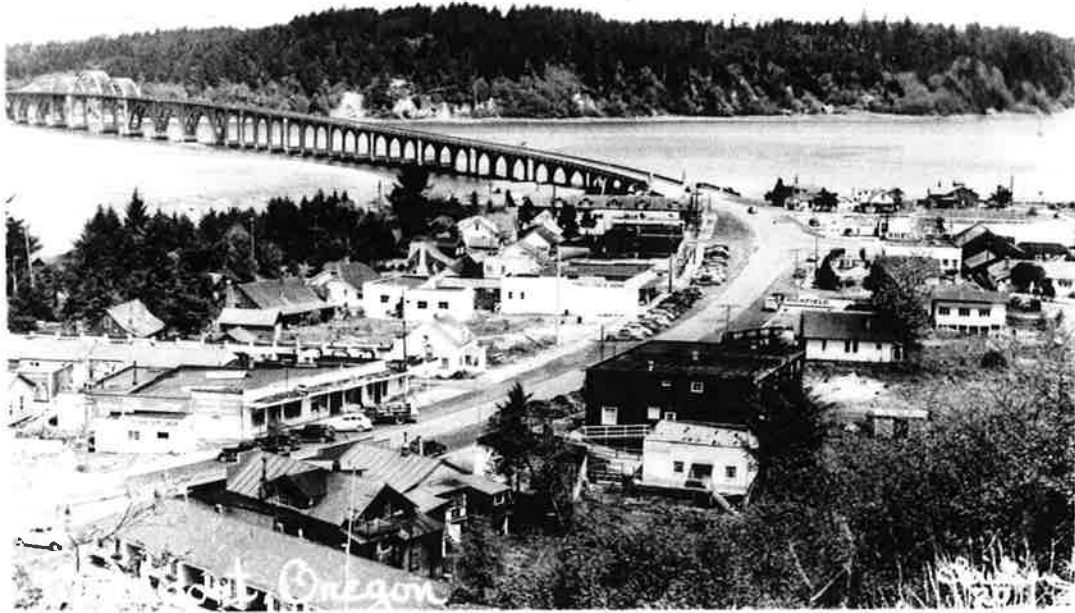
**1972** Waldport eleven inches of snow. McKinley Marina dredged & used for low lying area for Mobile Home Park.

**1973** Waldport new sewage plant begins treatment.

**1974** Jim Ritchie finds Indian bones under home while working on foundation Old Town Waldport.

**1977** Siletz Tribe States recognized.

1940'S





1963

## BAYSHORE OREGON

One of Oregon Coast's newest resort developments — approx. 2 miles on the blue Pacific combined with ¼ mile of frontage on the beautiful Alsea Bay. More than 1,000 view homesites, including those on the ocean, bay and man-made channels, starting at \$2,500.00 with all improvements included, plus membership in The Bayshore Beach Club. The general area includes salmon and steelhead fishing on the Alsea River, crabbing and fishing in the Bay, surf and deep sea fishing, boating, swimming, game hunting, riding, hiking, exploring, beachcombing and other outside activities. Bayshore is located on U.S. Highway 101 just North of the city of Waldport.

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Waldport, Oregon

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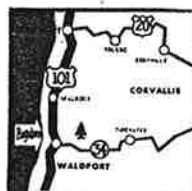
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whom I am most happy to sponsor as a member of the Bayshore Beach Club (private club).

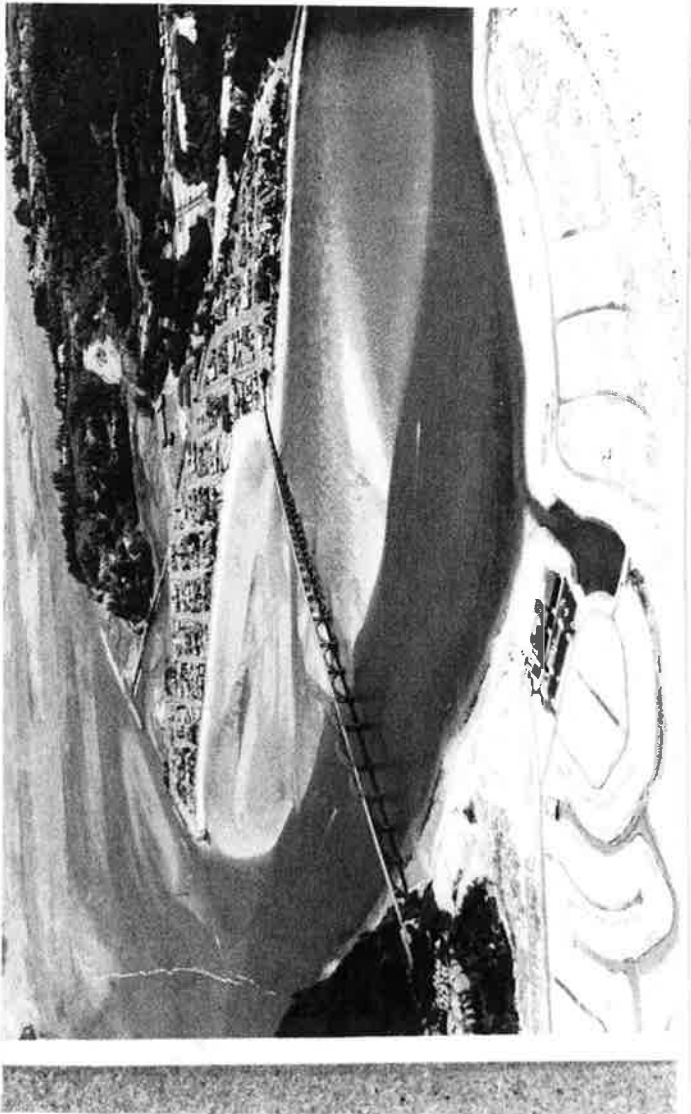
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Charter Member  
Bayshore Beach Club

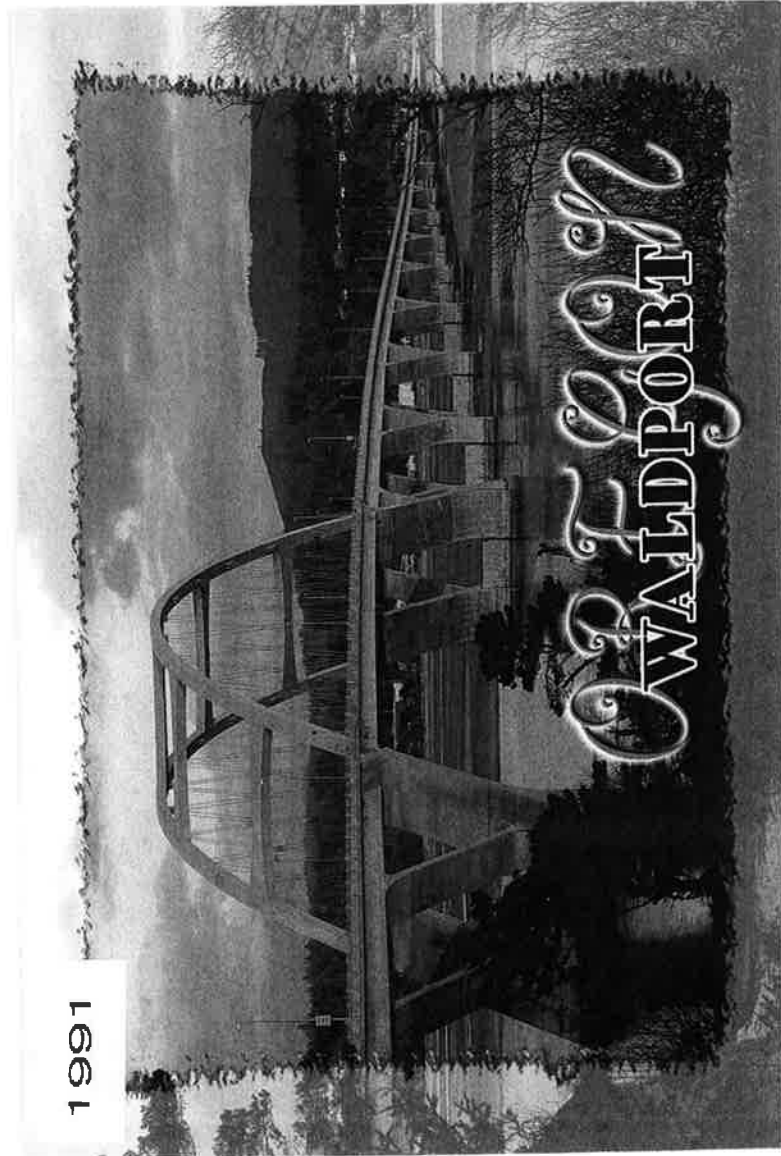
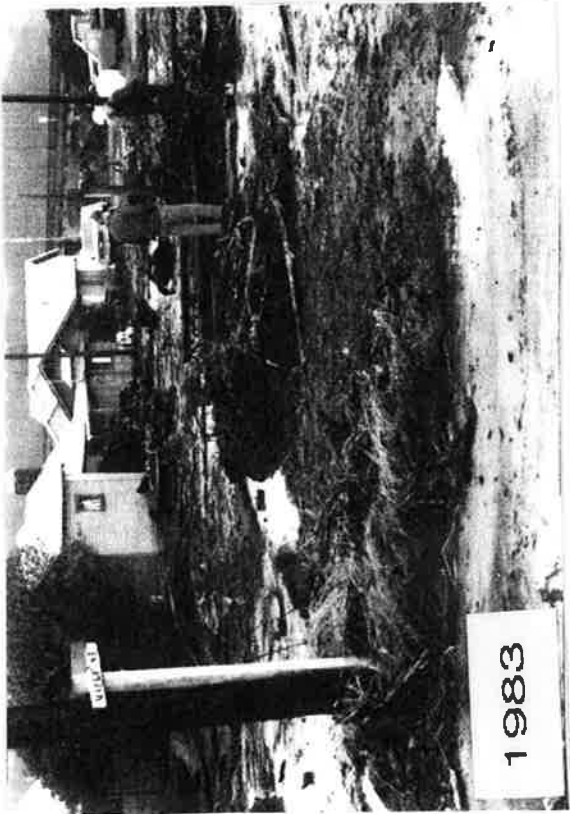


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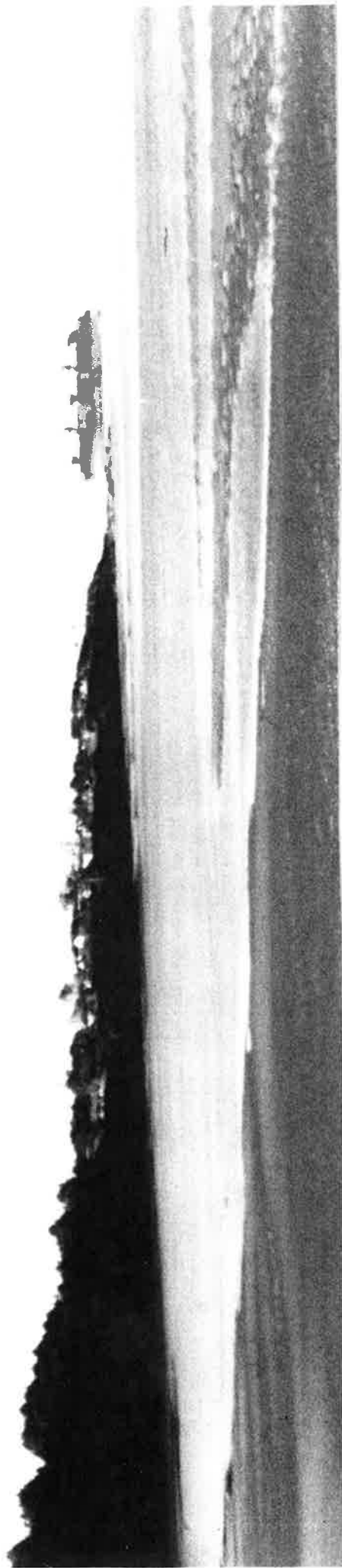


1960





1999 NEW CARISSA



**1980** Government Hill and 366 acres Siletz Reservation plan approved. November, the Alsi Historical & Genealogical Society started.

**1988** Wakefield Hotel (Mann Apartments) burns.

**1990** Oregon Population 2,842,321

**1991** Aug 24, new Alsea Bay Bridge opens

**1997 Jan 4**, Waldport Heritage Museum opens in CCC, WW2 building #1381 at Broadway and Grant, moved from Job Corp site.

**1998** Lincoln county population 43,200. Yachats pop.685. Waldport pop. 1845.

**2006** Feb., Beachcombers 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. November wettest since 1942, 20.11 inches Newport. Wind gust Mt. Hebo 114 mph.

**2009 Feb. 14 – 150<sup>th</sup> Oregon Birthday.**

#### **1859-2009 Timeline References**

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