

Cache County, Its Thriving Cities, Towns and People.



PERSONNEL OF THE CACHE COMMERCIAL CLUB WHICH IS DOING SO MUCH FOR THE UPBUILDING OF NORTHERN UTAH.

The Cache Commercial club embraces practically all of the business men, as well as many other prominent citizens of Logan and Cache county. It has an elegantly furnished home in the Commercial block, where its members have access to the club privileges. It is supported financially by the payment of monthly dues from its members. The board serves without compensation. The club was organized two years ago, and has been able to bring together the business interests—removing some of the undesirable conditions that have existed among the business people, and today there is perhaps no city of its size where a better feeling exists among its business interests. Aside from business the club has been able to bring about a change in many conditions that have operated against the growth of the community. Its organization is always ready to meet any emergency. It is the vigilant guardian of the people's interests. The officers of the club are: Melvin J. Ballard, president; John A. Hendrickson, vice president; Louis S. Cardon, treasurer; Frederick A. Mitchell, secretary and manager. The board of governors consists of Wesley Jacques, Ben F. Riter, E. W. Robinson, Robert Anderson, Joseph Odell, J. A. Hendrickson, A. M. Fleming, Lorenzo Hansen, Louis A. Cardon, Melvin J. Ballard, W. K. Burnham, N. Ralph Moore, A. H. Thompson, Joseph S. Campbell, Frank K. Nebeker. The likeness of Mr. Moore is omitted for the reason that the gentleman is absent from home.

CACHE COUNTY embraces the larger part of the valley that bears its name. It is bounded to the north by the state of Idaho, to the south by Weber county and on the east and west by Rich and Boxelder counties, with a population of 20,000, and comprises the cities and towns of Logan, Wellsville, Smithfield, Richfield, Hyrum, Lewiston, Mendon, Paradise, Hyde Park, Providence, Clarkston, Newton, Millville and many other growing villages, with well irrigated farms and ranches on every side, yielding large crops of grain, hay, potatoes, fruits and all the various vegetable products raised in this latitude.

Horses, cattle, sheep and hogs, as well as poultry, produce a large share of the wealth of the county. There are two beet sugar factories which will produce this season 10,000,000 pounds of sugar. There are butter, cheese, condensed cream and milk factories within reach of every township and settlement in the county, receiving and paying out many hundreds of thousands of dollars annually. The Cache Valley Condensed Milk & Creamery company at its factories in Logan, Wellsville, and Millville, produces yearly 22,000 cases of condensed cream and milk, 100,000 pounds of butter, 700,000 pounds of cheese. The Utah Condensed Milk Co., of

Richmond, is paying monthly for milk and labor, an average of \$15,000 at rates higher than are paid at any other point between the Missouri river and the Pacific coast. The creamery at Paradise also as well as a number of other concerns are not a whit behind those mentioned and whose products can also be found on the markets far and near.

MILLING.

The milling interests of Cache county stand among the first in quality of product. Flour and grain products are widely distributed in successful competition with the greatest milling concerns both east and west, many cargoes going to Japan and the Orient. The mountains of Cache contain treasures of mineral wealth. While we cannot yet boast of extended developments on a footing with some of our neighbors, there are claims, such as the Amazon, Lucky Star and Mineral Point, that promise to become rich producers in the near future.

MARBLE QUARRIES.

The Utah Marble company, with its 1,750 acres of mountain realty in Logan canyon, has some 15 varieties of marble, including a jet black—equal to the Italian. This company is offered by some of our most prominent citizens with Joseph E. Cardon as president. The company is equipped with a complete sawing, rubbing and polishing plant, as well as air compressor and pneumatic tools, and have during the past season expended some \$50,000 in opening up quarries on their property, uncovering large ledges of superior and perfect marble which will be placed on the market shortly. They have varieties especially desirable for inside decorations as well as for outside purposes.

COLLEGES.

Our colleges and schools are chief among the features that make Cache county and Logan the gem of Utah.

BRIGHAM YOUNG COLLEGE.

The Brigham Young college was founded by that noble pioneer whose name it bears, and is located in the city of Logan, and on the 20th anniversary of the arrival of the pioneers into the valley of the Great Salt Lake. The late President Brigham Young conveyed to a board of trustees 3,612 acres of agricultural lands located within a distance of eight miles of Logan as an endowment to support this institution of education, and on the 7th of August following the board of trustees held its first meeting and began work of organizing the college pursuant to the requirements of the deed of trust, and in September, 1875, the institution was opened for students, in rooms of the old City hall of Logan. In 1881 the first part of the present site of the college was purchased, affording some seven acres of ground, and in 1882-4 was erected the first, or East building. In 1888 the system of education estab-

lished by the Church was extended to the Brigham Young college, and it was placed under the general supervision of the Church board of education. In 1897 the people of Cache county, assisted by popular subscription, erected the West building; and steadily the college has grown with other substantial improvements. That during the year 1905 it has erected a four-story brick and stone mechanics' art building, 50x95 feet— which it now occupies, placing it upon a footing fully equal to the demands.

This institution affords its students opportunities to acquire proficiency in all the higher branches of college work, and at the same time get a thorough training in the principles of the Church that will qualify men and women for missionary work and work in the home organizations.

The enrollment the present season is 666, with an additional 100 in the training school.

THE AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Is located in Logan and beautifully situated on the "East bench," about one mile from the heart of the city, with the lofty peaks of the Wasatch mountains in the background, from which flow the clear waters of the Logan river a short distance away. Pursuant to the provisions of an act of Congress in 1892, the legislature of Utah accepted the national law providing land grants to states inaugurating agricultural colleges and founded the Agricultural college of Utah, thereby securing a grant of public lands of 20,000 acres, and in 1894 by the terms of the enabling act of Congress for the admission of Utah as a state, the college received a further land grant of 20,000 acres with annuities from March, 1897, to 1899, of \$15,000, when subsequently it was increased to \$25,000 annually, to be applied only to instruction in agriculture, mechanics, arts, the English language and various branches of mathematical, physical, natural and economic science, with special reference to their application to the industries of life.

The legislature of Utah has appropriated funds at various sessions to erect buildings and to maintain the institution: In 1880, \$25,000; 1890, \$48,000; 1892, \$108,000; 1896, an annual appropriation of \$15,000; in 1897 there were further appropriations from the manual training school, the erection of the Mechanics Arts building, the chemical laboratories and domestic arts; in 1901, \$108,300 was appropriated for general maintenance and to complete the main building and other improvements; in 1903, \$116,975 for general maintenance, etc., was appropriated.

The policy of the Agricultural college of Utah is in accordance with the spirit of the law under which it is organized, to provide a liberal, thorough, and practical education; and its growth and importance have been steady and marked with phenomenal suc-

cess—by the last published report the total registration is 663.

COUNTY SCHOOLS.

The county schools, with J. L. McCarray superintendent. There are 88 district schools in Cache county. The school population is 7,066, and the enrollment, 6,500. All the schools are in good condition and have 88 teachers, 39 per cent of whom have certificates from the state boards. The trustees of the district are required by law to compare the attendance of pupils, which has resulted in its being substantially increased.

LOGAN, COUNTY SEAT.

Logan is the county seat of Cache county. The first settlement was made on the site of this city in 1859, and on the 21st day of June of that year the settlers drew lots for their land. In August, the Thatchers, with William B. Preston, settled there, and in November the last named was appointed the first bishop of Logan, since which date he has taken a prominent part in building up and developing its material resources. The population now numbers some 6,000. The city is divided into seven ecclesiastical wards. The Cache stake tabernacle is the central edifice.

The temple is on an eminence two blocks east of Main street, and a commodious meetinghouse is in each ward, in which church services and Sabbath school are held. There are also Methodist, Presbyterian and Episcopal churches. The Cache county courthouse and other auxiliary buildings do much credit to the county.

The Agricultural college on the upper plateau, stands as a monument of the educational progress of our state.

The Brigham Young college down in the heart of Logan is truly an ornament that will for ever merit praise and be appreciated by all who have contributed to its existence.

The district schools of Logan are 10 in number, two large central buildings—the Woodruff and the Benson—the balance of smaller capacity in the outlying districts. The total enrollment this year is 1,550, 125 in excess of last season. The average attendance rate is higher than any other city in the state. Teachers are paid good salaries, those of Salt Lake City only being in advance.

Many valuable buildings and improvements have been completed in 1906. The additions to the county courthouse, erection of the city fire department building, an addition to the Thatcher Music Co.'s block, the Andrews block, the Cardon and Ballard block, Mechanics Art building of the

Brigham Young college, and many good and stately residences. The city has over 10 miles of cement sidewalk. It owns and operates its own electric light and power plant. It owns and operates its own water system, to which it is now making valuable extensions, looking to bringing the entire city within the service of that important convenience; our streets are well lighted with electricity, and the question of sewerage is under consideration, and will become a fact no doubt the coming year. It is connected by telegraph with the outside world, and with our intermountain neighbors by the Bell and Independent telephones and a branch of the Oregon Short Line railroad

traverses Cache valley from Cache Junction via Wellsville and Logan to Preston.

The manufacturing interests are not lacking a just measure of success.

There are four knitting factories, all working to the fullest capacity the plants afford. The pioneer in this lucrative industry is the Cache Knitting works, which has kept pace with the improvements and holds its place with the foremost, as also does the Logan Knitting Factory. The four companies find employment for between 250 and 300 people, their products cover a range of knit goods fully adequate to the wants of all customers. Their goods are marketed in Colorado, Montana,

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