

City begins to take shape along river...

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lands there. In fact, the middle of these three was started in the Highgrove area.

It soon became apparent that land sales weren't that brisk. Moreover, holders of streamside rights objected to any further water appropriation. The plan for two higher canals was abandoned.

Outside of the Mile Square Goldsworthy laid out 257 ten-acre farm plots. That left the colony land along the river, including both sides of Mt. Rubidoux and Little Rubidoux undivided. Neither did the colony map the lands which the Silk Center Association had acquired with University of California land grant scrip — about 1,400 acres south of the later Arlington Avenue and well to the southeast of the Mile Square.

Before the end of September the first building was erected — the colony office — on the block that would be-

come the home of John North and his family.

The following spring the colony would build a new office on Market Street and this first structure would become part of the North home between Seventh Street and University Avenue west of Vine Street.

The building was constructed by Thomas J. Wood and David Meacham, carpenters, whose families arrived at the end of October.

D.C. Twogood of Belle Plaine, Iowa, arrived with his family Nov. 1. His wife was the first woman resident. Twogood's brother, Adoniram J. also of Belle Plaine, had participated in the site selection but had gone back for his family.

Turner L. Abel arrived Nov. 1.

Dr. William Craig and his family and the family of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Paine, arrived Nov. 12.

John North returned with his family Nov. 30.

The population increased sharply in the first week of December. Three families — of Dr. E. Smith, his son Ad R. Smith and his son-in-law, William Horton — arrived then.

Also arriving that week were Luther C. Tibbets (of later navel orange fame), Tibbets' son-in-law James B. Summons, Dr. Sanford Eastman, Sanford Stevenson and S.O. Lovell. Some of their wives arrived later.

Dr. K.D. Shugart of Belle Plaine, who had participated in the site selection, returned with his family Dec. 8, and with them came Lyman C. Waite, also of Belle Plaine, who would become his son-in-law in 1872.

A.J. Twogood and E.G. Brown of Belle Plaine, also participants in the site selection, arrived as settlers

around midyear of 1871, although Brown's family didn't arrive until November.

Broadhurst, the wagon driver back on the September day, and D.C. Twogood built their first Riverside homes on government land east of the colony, in anticipation of a higher canal.

Other colonists too, including Tibbets, Summons, S.O. Lovell, and Sanford Stevenson, soon were residents on government land to the south of the colony.

Twogood and Broadhurst moved into the colony when it became apparent that a higher canal would be a long time in coming.

Frank Petchner usually is not called an original colonist. Nevertheless, he became the camp blacksmith for the canal digging. On its completion he took up residence in the colony and spent the remainder of his life in the horse shoeing, wagon repairing and stable business in Riverside.

Most of the original settlers would become prominent citizens. Some would be titans of business and civic life, notably Waite, the two Twogoods, T.J. Wood and Dr. Shugart.

Before Broadhurst moved into the colony proper, his wife gave birth to the community's first child, May, on Dec. 26, 1870. He soon returned to his role of sea captain, although his family lived in Riverside for a time after that.

Ad. R. Smith opened the town's first butcher shop and also earned money by hauling water in barrels from Spring Brook. On March 31, 1871, his wife gave birth to the first child in the colony itself, Jessie Riverside Smith.

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