

# A TASSAJARA SCRAPBOOK

LITERATURE PERTAINING TO TASSAJARA  
HOT SPRINGS FROM 1860 TO 1966

A Greatly Expanded Second Edition



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In those days historical newspaper holdings were on microfilm, and you needed to perform the tedious work of viewing the reels with the film viewing—copying machines at the libraries.

Since that time a number of northern California libraries have had their historical newspapers collections digitalized and put online for the use of the general public. The two greatest advantages of this advent are that you can do the work from home and the newspapers are searchable by key word. These libraries include Monterey Public Library, the San Francisco Public Library and the Watsonville Public Library.

The most useful of titles that have been made available by the Monterey Public Library are the *Monterey Gazette* from 1963 to 1869, the *Monterey Weekly Herald* from 1874 to 1876, the *Monterey Californian* from 1876 to 1882, the *Monterey Argus* from 1882 to 1886, the *Monterey Weekly Cypress* from 1889 to 1901, the *Monterey New Era* from 1890 to 1909, the *Monterey Daily Cypress* from 1907 to 1922, and the *Monterey Peninsula Herald* from 1922 to 1996.

The San Francisco Public Library has put online the *San Francisco Chronicle* from 1865 to 2017 and the *San Francisco Examiner* from 1865 to 2007. Genealogical information (from census records, voting registers, city directories, marriage and death records, etc.) was also made available by the San Francisco Public Library through their subscription to Ancestry.com.

The Watsonville Public Library's historical newspaper collection includes the *Watsonville Pajaronian* from 1868 to 1913, the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian* from 1903 to 1937, the *Watsonville Morning Sun* from 1937 to 1942, and the *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian* from 1938 to 2012.

Another source of digitalized newspapers has been the California Digital Newspaper Collection website. The most useful holdings at this site in regards to this work were the *King City Rustler* from 1901 to 1936, the *San Francisco Call* from 1890 to 1920, the *San Jose Herald* from 1876 to 1900, the *San Jose Mercury* from 1861 to 1920, the *Santa Cruz Evening News* from 1909 to 1941, and the *Santa Cruz Sentinel* from 1884 to 2010.

As for Salinas Newspapers, one of the perks of a having a subscription to the *Salinas Californian* is access to their historical collection, which is made available through Newspapers.com. The titles include the *Salinas Daily Journal* from 1889 to 1897, the *Salinas Daily Index* from 1898 to 1928, the *Salinas Index-Journal* from 1928 to 1942, the *Monterey County Post* (later the *Salinas Post*) from 1929 to 1942, and the *Salinas Californian* from 1942 to the present.

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## 1860 to 1864, THE EARLIEST KNOWN DOCUMENTS; p. 1.

### 1860

From part one of 'The Indianology of California' by Alexander Taylor, *California Farmer and Journal of Useful Sciences*, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1860:

Conversing with an old Indian of the Mission Carmelo a short time ago, he gave me the following account of the Indians of Monterey and vicinity. This information agrees with that of others of the most aged Indians and several old native Californians brought up in this county, to whom I have inquired on this subject.

From part five of 'The Indianology of California' by Alexander Taylor (San Carlos de Carmelo and Soledad Indians, etc.), *California Farmer and Journal of Useful Sciences*, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1860:

The foregoing vocabulary [of the Eselenes or Eselenas Indians] was taken from an old Indian of 65 years, and his companion, a young man of 25... The old man, a crafty piece of Indian antiquity and a hale and hearty rogue, informed us that he was born on the rancheria called Cakanaruk, now known as the rancho "El Sur," on the ocean shore, about thirty-five miles south of Monterey. . .

There is also a hot water spring, high up in the Carmelo mountains, and not far from it, a large cave filled with Indian figures in vermilion or red color, and which last was the place where the Indians used to, on set times, visit to make worship to their Gods. The spring and cave are known to the Americans, in their occasional hunting in these rugged sierras which form part of the Santa Lucia Range.

### 1863

The following are the first and fourth of 17 mining claims that were located in the "Mining District called Agua Caliente" (or sometimes stated as "Agua Caliente Mining District") that were "supposed to contain gold and silver." They were recorded in Monterey County Preemptive Claims Book B, on pages 33 to 50, and on pages 52 to 55, and they were recorded between May first and May twenty first of 1863. These claims were variously under-signed by a total of 135 different men. Of these 17 claims, only the following two state a landmark that is clearly identifiable today.

Monterey County Preemptive Claims  
Book B: 33-34, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1863:

Notice of Mining Claim. We the undersigned hereby give notice that we have this day taken up and located and intend to hold a mining claim consisting of two hundred feet each and two hundred feet additional to the discoverer, making together two thousand two hundred feet (2200)—and all the dips, spurs and angles—on a certain lode or ledge of mineral rock supposed to contain gold and silver. We also claim all the wood and water on either side of said ledge for the distance of one half mile or so much thereof as may be necessary for working and developing said mine and for all mining purposes. Said ledge and mining claim are situated in the Mining District called "Agua Caliente," in the County of Monterey & State of California; said ledge

is known as and called the "Vulcan Ledge," is about forty miles from the City of Monterey, and runs or is supposed to run about north & south varying with the formation of the mountain—and said claim is located on the said ledge, and is known as "La Fortuna" claim and commences at an oak tree about five hundred yards to the north or northerly of the oak tree on which this notice is put, said oak tree being marked J. D. E. and running thence southerly, crossing a ravine where a cut has been made on said ledge, continuing thence along the easterly of the mountain passing a shake marked E. W. S. and crossing a second ravine where another cut has been made on said ledge and continuing from thence along the line of said ledge in a southerly direction passing a shake marked D. E. to the tree on which notice is placed, which tree is marked D.E. J.E. J.W. J.S. continuing thence in a southerly direction and crossing the stream of water called the "Agua Caliente" where the said ledge makes its appearance and following the line of said ledge until a point is reached distant two thousand two hundred (2200) feet from the point of commencement—Monterey County, State of California, May the 1<sup>st</sup>, A. D. 1863.

1. James A. Wall. 2. D. S. Gregory. 3. Amparra Smith. 4. Daniel Harris. 5. Samuel Marx. 6. Dionicio Escobar, Discoverer. 7. Jacob Escobar. 8. Nicolas Escobar. 9. Augustine Escobar. 10. Juan Escobar

Received for record at request of J. S. Wall, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 10 o'clock A. M., A. D. 1863.

Monterey County Preemptive Claims  
Book B: 36-37, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1863:

Notice of Mining Claim. We hereby give notice that we have this day taken up and located and intend to hold for mining purposes a mining claim consisting of two hundred feet for each of the undersigned and two hundred feet additional to the discoverer, making together four thousand two hundred (4200) feet, and all the dips, angles, spurs and sides thereof, on a certain lode or ledge of mineral rock supposed to contain gold and silver—we also claim all the wood and water on either side of said ledge for the distance of one half mile or so much thereof as may be necessary for working and developing said mine and for all mining purposes—said ledge and mining claim are situated in the Mining District called "Agua Caliente" in the County of Monterey & State of California, said ledge is known as and called the "Caves Ledge," is about thirty five miles in a S. Easterly direction from the City of Monterey and runs or is supposed to run about North West and South East varying with the formation of the mountain, said ledge is also situated on the Southerly side of the mountain opposite to the Great Caves, and said claim located on said ledge is called the "San Augustine" and commences at a point on said ledge to the North Westerly two thousand one hundred (2100) feet distant from the oak tree on which this notice is placed, said tree being in the center of said claim and standing on or near the ledge & marked W. E. S. and running along the side of the mountain, passing about forty yards above a sycamore tree marked W.

+ E. till it reaches the tree on which this notice is placed, and continuing thence South Easterly along the line of said ledge till it reaches a point on the same, distant from the point of commencement, four thousand two hundred feet. State of California, Monterey County. May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1863. Augustine Escobar, Discoverer.

Dyonsio Escobar, D. S. Gregory, Jacob Escobar, Ampara Smith, Tomasa Garcia de Escobar, J. A. McDougall, Nicolas Escobar, Wm. Wiggins, Jose Antonio Escobar, Daniel Harris, Bill Fast, James Collins, Agapito Rameriz, P. A. Roach, Antonio Mendez, Sam Marx, Juan Escobar, E. G. Palmer, J. A. Wall.

Recorded at request of Jas. A. Wall, May 9<sup>th</sup>, A. D. 1863 at 10:00 P. M. + 4 min.

No newspapers were being published in Monterey County at that time, but I did find the following information in the *Santa Cruz Sentinel*:

From 'Great Race at Monterey,' *Santa Cruz Sentinel*,  
May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1863:

A new and very rich silver mine has been discovered in the Coast Range south of this city.

From 'Letter from Monterey,' *Santa Cruz Sentinel*,  
May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1863:

Editor *Sentinel*:—The silver mining excitement still rages here. Don Santiago Bum made another raid a few days ago and captured the "lead" at last. It is the finest silver you ever saw—so fine that I "can't see it."

### 1864

Excerpts from 'Mineral Springs of Monterey County' by C. A. Canfield, *Monterey Gazette*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1864:

In a direction nearly west from this vineyard [at what is now known as Paraiso Springs], perhaps eight miles, at the head of the Arroyo Seco, there is another large hot spring which I have not seen, but from the descriptions of it, is very similar to the one in the vicinity of the vineyard of the Soledad, and of the same nature, but of a higher temperature. There are quite a number of separate streams of hot water flowing out of the side of a rocky ledge, uniting in a larger stream lower down. The water smells strongly of sulphur, but after cooling, appears to be neatly pure and clear. There is near it, also, a stream of cold water. This hot spring is known in this vicinity as the "Agua Caliente," and is best reached by way of Carmel Valley. . .

If a hot and cold bath together is needed for rheumatic complaints &c., accompanied by pure air, clear skies and opportunities for a rough camp life, plenty of exercise or hunting large and small game, I know of no place better than the Agua Caliente near [nearer to] Monterey, or the Agua Caliente at [near] the Mission of La Soledad.

## 1869 to 1871, THE RUST AND HADSELL PREEMPTIVE CLAIM, p. 2.

J. E. Rust's preemptive claim to the "Hot Spring in the Aqua Caliente Canyon" was recorded on August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1969, and on the same day a deed was recorded that granted to James R. Hadsell an undivided one half interest in this property. Rust and Hadsell advertised their resort from 1870 to 1871, and although their last ad ran until April 6<sup>th</sup> of 1872, I suspect that they had abandoned Tassajara at some date in 1871. It was during their tenure that a Tassajara like name (as Tessahara and Tassahara) first became applied to the hot springs.

I found very little biographical information about John E. Rust. A John Edward Rust was listed in a Monterey County voter register, who was a 27 years old miner from New York who registered to vote at Hollister (San Benito County had not yet been created) on June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1870. In contrast, the J. E. Rust who was enumerated in the U. S. census of 1870 was a 31 year old roadmaster from New York. The age discrepancy may be due to a failure of a registrar of voters to fully update a voters information. Many times I have encountered instances where the date of a voter's registration is updated over the years, but the person's age and all of the rest of the information about them remains the same. If this is the case, Mr. Rust first registered to vote in what was then part of Monterey County in 1866. Mr. Rust may have remained in Monterey County for a time after his departure from Tassajara, for a J. E. Rust, a miner whose post office was Monterey, was listed in Paulson's *Handbook and Directory of Santa Clara, San Benito, Santa Cruz, Monterey and San Mateo Counties*, 1875.

As for James Rice Hadsell, he was born in Connecticut in 1810, and

thus he was 59 when he purchased a half interest in John Rust's preemptive claim to Tassajara. In 1833 Mr. Hadsell was married to Sophrona Coastes in Trumbull, Ohio. In the U. S. census of 1850 he was listed as being a 40 year old resident of Rock Island, Illinois, who was born in Connecticut in 1810, who was a physician who could perform medical and other services, except hospitals, and had a real estate value of \$5,000. His wife, Sophrona, was 36, his son James was 16, his daughter Cynthia was 14, his daughter Harriet was 12, his daughter Sophrona was 10, his son John was 7, and his daughter Wattie was 2. Also living in the same household were five boarders.

James Hadsell had become a resident of Monterey by 1868, for a Monterey County voter register listed James Rice Hadsell as being a 58 year old physician from Connecticut who registered to vote at Monterey on August 11<sup>th</sup> of that year.

Mr. Hadsell returned to Monterey after his departure from Tassajara, where by May of 1874 he had become the "Resident Physician and Apothecary" at Hadsell's Drug Store, which was on Alvarado Street near Pearl. Hadsell's store not only sold drugs and medicines, but also books, stationary, newspapers, magazines, toys, window shades, paints, toilet and fancy articles, fine wines and liquors, oils, varnish, brushes, wallpaper, bird cages, bird seed, sewing machines, needles, razors and the "latest patterns." Mr. Hadsell died at his Monterey home on June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1891, at the age of 83 years, 2 months and 18 days.

I have a hunch that the following article was written by Dr. Hadsell:

*Monterey Gazette*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1869:

### A TRIP TO THE HOT SPRINGS

Written for the *Gazette*

ED. GAZETTE—Having just returned from a visit to the Hot Springs of this county, situated some fifty miles southeast of your city, I thought a few notes of the trip would, perhaps, be acceptable. I will premise by saying that I have been four years suffering from rheumatism and half of the other ills that flesh is heir to.

My starting point was from the Tularcitos rancho. I had been told many hard stories as to the impracticability of the route, but seven years of mountain life had taught me that thirty miles of trail did not all go away at once, and where one man had gone, another could go. So, securing the services of an efficient guide, we started. I was riding a powerful little mustang which, raised in the mountains, knew how to take advantage of the hills, and in addition was lazy enough not to hurt himself.

From Tularcitos across to the Carmel is three miles, thence up the river, which here is but a brook, two and a half miles, when crossing some rolling hills, we descended into Fresno Canyon, after ascending which for a mile and a half we came to the foot of Tes-sa-ha-ra Mountain, whose lofty summit far o'ertops its surrounding brethren, and up whose rugged sides we had to climb. Up, up we went, the guide ahead and your correspondent behind, in no amiable mood, from the fact that he had to expend a large amount of muscular power by way of reminding his steed that he was to go up the hill and not crop the luxuriant grass which grew by the trail. Two hours were thus consumed, when we reached the highest point, and here the view would well repay two weeks of such climbing.

Lingeringly we left the spot, and started down the hill. Here the guide rode at a pace which did credit to him, much as I had heard of his skill as a mountaineer. Whether he wanted to show the Gringo a trick or two, or

was in a hurry, I do not know, but, certainly, to a person who could hardly sit his horse it was not very pleasant. But, thanks to our stars, or the mustang, we at length arrived at the foot of the hill, where a beautiful valley, fresh and green, welcomed us through its pure daughters, the wild flowers, that swept by the wind bowed their heads as we passed [this must be in Miller Canyon]. Passing a beautiful little sheet of water, the guide pointed out the spot where lay the remains of an unknown man supposed to have been killed by grizzlies. But the pleasures of the valley, like all things of earth, were fleeting, and a sharp turn started us up another mountain whose ascent was abrupt, but not so long as the Tessahara. Pausing but a moment, to catch a glimpse of the surrounding scenery, we again go down, and at the foot of the hill find the wild oats waist high. This is Cave Valley, so called from a beautiful cave within it. The hurry we were in did not permit of our visiting it, but we were told that it was a *muy curiosa*.

For three or four miles we rode down the valley, every short distance startling up a deer, which, after a look of astonishment, would bound away. We camped for the night in a beautiful spot under the shadow of a huge live oak. My companion started out to kill a deer, and in five minutes I heard the crack of his rifle. He had shot a deer, which being only wounded, had dashed over a bluff of rock and rolled several hundred feet. A fawn starting up, he brought it into camp, and it made us a fine supper and breakfast. Next morning we started early, expecting to reach the Springs in an hour, but the trail being washed away, we had to make a detour, so it was eight o'clock when we arrived. So strongly are the Springs impregnated with sulphur that we caught the odor when two hundred yards away. An hour's rest and we started to have a look at the Springs, and taste the waters which to us were to be the elixir of life.

The Springs, some four or five in number, well out from the face of a solid cliff of rock,

flowing altogether about twelve inches of water, and varying in temperature from 100° to 140° Fahrenheit. Through the canyon, which here widens out some three hundred yards, runs a cold mountain stream of, perhaps, two hundred inches of water, and abounds in trout. The mountains surrounding are bold and abrupt, covered with a few scattering oaks. On one of the highest peaks stood a solitary stock of mescal [yucca], which being in full bloom looked like some sentry guarding the sacred waters, and to which we gave the name of Sentinel Peak.

In the morning the guide left me, and I had the waters to myself. I remained there ten days, fishing, bathing and prospecting for silver, of which there are some extravagant stories told of fabled rich veins in this immediate vicinity. When I arrived it was only with great pain and difficulty that I could get off and on my horse, but at the expiration of my stay, the change was so great that I could hardly realize it. I was again a boy of eighteen and walked twenty miles between 11 o'clock a. m. and 5 o'clock p. m., carrying a heavy pair of blankets and feeling no fatigue; and I predict for the waters these Springs a popularity unrivaled by any in the State when their medicinal properties shall have become known. As to the scenery on the route to them, years of a vagabond life have shown me but one locality where nature seemed more attractive. The road there is not a McAdam, nor the accommodations cosmopolitan, but to any person suffering from chronic diseases and able to ride on horseback, they can be reached. There is a house to stop in, plenty of venison and trout for the taking, and there will be a few bath tubs there at a very early day, so that parties seeking health or recreation and having the courage to rough it for a time, can find no finer locality on the Pacific Coast.

But I fear I am trespassing on your space, and will close until some future time. Meantime, I am,

A WANDERER.  
Monterey, June 15, 1869.



Monterey County Preemptive Claims Book B: 369,  
August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1869:

**John E. Rust's Preemptive Claim to the "Hot Spring in the Agua Caliente Cañon:"**

State of California, County of Monterey, ss. To all to whom there presents shall come. Be it known that on the second day of August, A. D. 1869, before me, W. M. Parker, a notary public in and for said County, personally came J. E. Rust, who being by me duly sworn, deposeth and saith that he is a Citizen of the United States, and of said State, that under and by virtue of an Act of the legislature of said State, passed 20th April, 1852, entitled "An Act prescribing the mode of maintaining and defending possessory actions on public land in this State," and of acts amendatory thereof, that he has taken possession of, and now actually occupies, for the purposes of cultivation and grazing, the following described tract of land, to wit: situate in said State and County in Township of Monterey, and situate in a south easterly direction from the Tularcitos Rancho about 15 miles, and in the immediate vicinity of the old furnace for mining purposes erected by Pancho Rico, commencing at a stake about 400 yards southwest from the Hot Spring in the Agua Caliente Cañon, and running thence easterly half a mile to another stake, thence northerly half a mile to another stake, thence westerly half a mile to another stake, thence southerly half a mile to the place of beginning. That the land embraced within said lines does not exceed one hundred and sixty acres, that deponent does not hold any other claim under said acts, and that to the best of knowledge and belief the said land is not claimed under any existing title. (Signed) J. E. Rust, Sworn to and subscribed before me, on the day and year first aforesaid (Signed) W. M. Parker, Notary Public

Recorded at the request of J. R. Hadsell on 2d August at 11 A. M., A. D. 1869.

Monterey County Deed Book I: 45-46, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1869:

**John E. Rust to James R. Hadsell, an undivided one half interest in his claim to the "Hot Spring in the Agua Caliente Cañon," \$100:**

This indenture made the second day of August in the year of our lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine, between John E. Rust of the County of Monterey, State of California, party of the first part, and James R. Hadsell of same County and State, party of the second part. Witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of one hundred dollars gold coin of the United States, to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part, at or before the ..?. and delivery of these presents, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, has remised, released and quit claim, and by these presents doeth, remise, release and quit claim unto the

said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assignees forever, all his one undivided one half interest in and to that certain possessory claim situate in Monterey Township and County—about 15 miles in a south-easterly direction from the Tularcitos Rancho, and in the immediate vicinity of the Pancho Rico furnace erected for mining purposes, and commencing at a stake about 400 yards southwest from the Hot Spring in the Agua Caliente Cañon, and running thence easterly half a mile to another stake, thence northerly half a mile to another stake, thence westerly half a mile to another stake, thence southerly half a mile to the place of beginning. Comprising half of one interest in said claim and the Hot Springs. Together with all and singular, the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances there unto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, and also all the ..?. right, title, interest, property, possession, claim, ..?. whatsoever as well in ..?. or equity of said party of the first part, of in or to the above described premises and every part and parcel thereof with the appurtenances. To have and to hold all and singular the above mentioned and described premises together with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever, in witness whereof the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal this day and year first above written. (signed) J. E. Rust, (seal), signed sealed and delivered in the presence of ..?. State of California, County of Monterey, on this second day of August, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty nine, before me, W. M. Parker, a notary public in and for said County, duly ..?. and ..?. ..?. appeared the within named J. E. Rust whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument as a party thereto, personally known to me to be the individual described in and who executed the said annexed instrument and who acknowledged to me that he executed the same freely and ..?. and for the use and purposes therein mentioned. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal the day and year in this certificate first above written (signed) W. M. Parker, notary public (notarial seal).

Recorded at the request of J. R. Hadsell on 2d August, 1869, at 1 min. past 11 a. m.

The following item is noteworthy because it is the earliest known document in which a Tassajara-like name was applied to the hot springs:

*Monterey Gazette*, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1869:

**ARRIVALS**

At the Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, for the week ending July 31, 1869: J. Robertson, Wm. Hitchcock, J. E. Rust, Charles Robertson, Dr. J. R. Hadsell.

From 'Report of the Surveyor General of California, from November 1, 1867 to November 1, 1869':

**MONTEREY COUNTY**

W. V. McGarvey.....County Assessor.  
Assessor's Office, Monterey, September 12, 1869.

...A discovery has lately been made in regard to the healing qualities of a hot mineral spring which, although known since the early days of the settlement of California, has been until now unappreciated. About forty-five miles southeast from Monterey, in the mountains between the heights of Galiagua and San Antonio, there exists a large cave, covered in the inside with Indian hieroglyphics. This cave has, according to tradition, been occupied by Father Junipero Serra, the founder of the first missions in Upper California, when, with his escort, he went on expeditions to the rancherias in quest of proselytes. A crucifix cut in the walls of the cave is said to be the work of Father Junipero himself. Near this cave, and in close proximity to a fine mountain stream abounding in trout, is a sulphurous spring, the temperature of which is one hundred and twenty degrees, Fahrenheit. This spring has lately been resorted to by persons afflicted with rheumatic complaints, and the effects, according to the testimony of those who have visited the locality, have been wonderful. A man afflicted for several years with chronic rheumatism, and who had to take daily four grains of morphine to allay his suffering, was, after five days using the water, greatly relieved. He made a second trip to the spring, and, after four days stay, went away so far cured that he has since resumed his occupations, which, for a period of four years, he had been obliged to abandon, and is at present able to perform manual labor.

Several jars of this water have been brought to Monterey, and will be sent to San Francisco for analyzation. The road from Monterey to the place aforesaid is everything but a good one. There is an indifferent wagon road, terminating twenty miles distant from the spring; the rest is a rugged mountain trail, but susceptible of improvement with some outlay. Parties have preempted on the spring and neighborhood, and are about making the necessary improvements for the reception of visitors. . .

*Monterey Democrat*, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1869:

**PROGRESS OF OUR COUNTY**

Indebted to the courtesy of Capt. Ruurds, Deputy Assessor, we publish today statistics of the material interest of the county, which will be read with satisfaction. In addition to the tabular statements, we take, from the report of the Assessor, accompanying his return to the Surveyor General, a portion of his remarks, the whole being too long for publication in our columns. . .

**A HOT SPRING**, the healing qualities of which are just being brought into notice, is mentioned in some detail. It is about forty-five miles southeast from Monterey, in the coast mountains, between the heights of Gachagua and San Antonio. Nearby is a cave said to have been visited by Father Junipero Serra, founder

of the California Missions, when in quest of proselytes. A crucifix cut in the wall of the cave is said by tradition to be his handiwork. The spring is in close proximity and nearby is a fine trout stream. The water of the spring has a sulphurous odor and its temperature 120 deg. Fahrenheit. It has lately been visited by a number of persons with rheumatic affections, and from its use they assert wonderful benefit. Among other accounts of its benefits, this story is told: A man, affected for several years with chronic rheumatism, who had to take daily four grains of morphine to allay his sufferings, was, after five days' use of the water, greatly relieved. He made a second trip and after four days stay left, so far cured that he has since resumed the practice of manual labor. The spot has been pre-empted and measures are being taken to make it accessible by a good road.

## 1870

*Monterey Republican*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1870:

**TO THE SPRINGS.**—Today will be found in our advertising columns the notice of J. E. Rust & Co., who will put on a stage line on May 5th from Monterey to the Tas-sa-ha-ra Hot Springs. Already these Springs have effected wonderful cures, and we believe it will not be long, with the opportunity soon to be afforded to the public, before their superlative curative properties will be known and appreciated throughout the State. Those who have visited them as invalids, although few, can best attest to their excellence, and those who will visit them hereafter as such, we venture to say, will but concur with the universal verdict of the former, that these Springs are undeniably possessed of those much sought rejuvenating medicinal qualities which waft a blest relief to the weary sufferer of years. The rates of fare will be given hereafter.

*Monterey Republican*, April 21<sup>st</sup> to Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1870:

## MONTEREY AND TASSAHARA HOT SPRINGS STAGE LINE

ON AND AFTER MAY 5, 1870, THESE SPRINGS will be open for Tourists and Invalids. The rare Cures effected the past season of Chronic Diseases, among which were cases of Sciatica, Rheumatism and Dyspepsia, are giving them celebrity based upon real merit. Situated forty miles east of Monterey in the Coast Range, the scenery in reaching them for beauty and grandeur is unsurpassed in the

State.

### A SEMI-WEEKLY STAGE

will leave Monterey, going within ten miles of the Springs, thence over a GOOD SADDLE TRAIL.

Invalids unable or not wishing to ride on horseback will be transported this distance on

### PALANQUINS BY TRUSTY CARRIERS

at a trifling expense above the regular fare.

The Trout and Gunning offer particular inducements to Sportsmen.

Further information promptly furnished by addressing Proprietors, Tassahara Hot Springs, Monterey.

**J. E. RUST & CO., Proprietors.**

MONTEREY, April 21, 1870.

*Monterey Republican*, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1870:

**TASSAHARA.**—The following is a list of visitors to the Tassahara Hot Springs to June 11, 1870:

W. P. Chalmers, John McLean, Jno. Sheehy, Harvey Nevel, R. W. Fash, Watsonville; Wm. Noyce and James Gordon, Santa Clara.

We understand that the new road, work on which has been rapidly and steadily progressing and is still going on, will shorten the distance of the present route, besides affording a much better road for travelers.

A party which has just returned from these Springs express themselves pleased with the trip and waters, and do not hesitate in recommending the latter to the public.

From Minutes of the Monterey County Board of Supervisors Book B: 65, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1870:

### ROAD TO TESAHARA SPRINGS

It is now ordered by the Board that the road commencing at the Finch Rancho Los Fresno and running up Anastacio Cañon about two miles, thence to the head of Miller Cañon, thence to the Caves or Leese's Cañon, and following the same to the Tesahara Springs, be and the same, is hereby declared a public highway. Being the same road laid out and traveled by J. E. Rust et. al.

From 'Board of Supervisors,' *Monterey Democrat*, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1870:

Road to Tassahara Springs declared a public highway, being the same road traveled by J. E. Rust et. al.

*Monterey Republican*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1870:

**ANOTHER COUNTY ROAD.**—The Board of Supervisors, at their recent meeting, declared the road running to the Tassahara Hot Springs a public highway. This is as it should be, as a

great increase of travel on that road is anticipated; private enterprise has already done much in the bettering of the road spoken of, and now that it is a public one, we hope that the Road Master for that district will vigorously prosecute the work on it and put the trail in good condition, as numerous parties, from this and adjacent counties, desirous of visiting these Springs for health and recreation, contemplate trips thither soon.

### U. S. CENSUS OF 1870

Enumerated in the Monterey Township, outside the city of Monterey, on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1870:

Rust, J. E., age 31, white male, profession:

Road Master, value of personal estate: \$320, born in New York.

Hadsell, J. R., age 60, white male, profession:

Physician, value of personal estate: \$430, born in Connecticut.

Beasley, A., age 35, white male, profession:

Hunter, value of personal estate: \$510 [?], born in Missouri.

From 'Board of Supervisors,' *Monterey Democrat*, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1870:

The Board allowed the following accounts against the county: . .

J. E. Rust, road master, \$100.00.

## 1871

*Monterey Democrat*, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1871:

**THE TASSAHARA SPRINGS.**—By reference to our column of new advertisements, it will be seen that the Springs are ready for the reception of visitors. From parties who have used them we hear most favorable reports of the efficacy of the waters, which are considered sovereign for rheumatic and cutaneous affections. The climate of the locality is, also, said to have the happiest effects on pulmonary complaints.

*Monterey Democrat*, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1871, to April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1872:

### TAS-SA-HA-RA HOT SPRINGS

Will be open for visitors on and after May 15th. The great improvements made on the trail the past season now make them easy of access to the most timid rider.

Distance from Monterey, thirty-eight miles. To James' Ranch, by wagon or carriage, twenty-nine miles; thence by saddle, nine miles.

Camping parties will find the best of pasturage for their animals.

J. E. RUST & CO., Proprietors.

## 1874 TO 1876, JOHN BLAIR BORDEN'S PREEMPTIVE CLAIM; p. 5.

According to the earliest known history of Tassajara, 'Tassajara Has Interesting History' (see June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1929), "Jack Borden was the next owner. He built several cabins of logs and a rock bath house." This history is very credible, for it was based on the recollections of Eleanor James Chew. Eleanor was a resident of Jamesburg from 1867 to 1919, and was the daughter of John and Cynthia James, for whom Jamesburg was named, and also the wife of Constantine Marcus Chew, for whom Chew's Ridge was named. Eleanor was also the Jamesburg postmaster from 1894 to 1919, and during this period of her life she was also a prolific Jamesburg newspaper correspondent for the *Salinas Index*.

John Blair Borden was born in Ohio in October of 1828, and thus he was 44 years old when he filed his preemptive claim to Tassajara in June of 1874. Mr. Borden had resided in Monterey for at least a year before he made his claim to Tassajara, for he registered to vote there in June of 1873. This voter register also states that he was a teamster who was born in Ohio. Six years earlier a John Blair Borden was listed in a Santa Clara County voter register of 1867 as a 38 year old teamster from Ohio. It is probable that Mr. Borden was also the J. B. Borden who, during the California Gold Rush, was listed in the 1850 U. S. census as being a 21 year old miner from Ohio and who was living in the Calaveras District of Calaveras County.

After Borden sold his preemptive claim to Tassajara in November of 1876, he returned to Monterey, where he purchased a grocery and general merchandise store on Alvarado Street. According to a report in the April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1878 *Monterey Californian*, "Jack is showing our citizens what push and energy can do. About a year ago he bought out old man Austin and since that time has more than trebled the trade and stock of

his establishment. He has also just had built a first class delivery wagon."

Although Alvarado Street is the main business street of old downtown Monterey, it is only three blocks long, and thus Borden's business was close to that of another former claimant to Tassajara, James Rice Hadsell, who had a drug and general merchandise store on Alvarado Street near Pearl.

According to the United States Census of 1880 John Borden was a white male merchant of Monterey who was born in Ohio, and his wife, Natividad, was an Indian from Lower California whose occupation was keeping house.

I did not find any listings for Mr. Borden as being a resident of Monterey beyond 1891, but a Tuolumne County directory for 1893 lists a John B. Borden as a miner who was a resident of Big Oak Flat, and a Tuolumne County voter register lists a John Blair Borden as being a 66 year old miner from Ohio who was registered to vote at Big Oak Flat on June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1896. The U. S. census of 1900 lists a J. B. Borden as a 71 year old quartz miner who was born in Ohio in 1828, and who was at that time an "inmate" at the Tuolumne County Hospital. Also dating to 1900 is a death record for a John B. Borden, who died on September 28<sup>th</sup> of that year, and who was buried in the Tuolumne County Hospital Cemetery.

The U. S. Census of 1900 lists Natividad Borden as being a 61 year old head of household who was a resident of Monterey, who was born in Mexico in 1838, who was the mother of one child and the mother of no living children, who could not read, write or speak English, and who was living with her 81 year old father and 56 year old sister in law.



One of the early log cabins at Tassajara. This building could have been constructed during John Borden's tenure (1874-1876), but it could also have been built during the tenure of John Rust and James Hadsell (1869-1872). It was situated between the kitchen and the club house (the building in the background—now the guest dining room). This photograph was taken after the upper floor was added to the club house in 1912. Photograph courtesy of the Monterey County Free Libraries.



The first bath house at Tassajara—now known as the stone rooms. According to the history of Tassajara that was based on the recollections of Eleanor James Chew (see June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1929), Jack Borden built a rock bath house during his tenure, while other histories give the credit to his successor. As can be seen here, this building is slightly bent, suggesting that an addition had been made to an earlier structure. Photograph courtesy of the Mayo Hayes O'Donnell Library.

Monterey County Preemptive Claims Book E: 36,  
June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1874:

**John Blair Borden's  
preemptive claim to the  
"Tassahara Hot Springs"  
property:**

State of California, County of Monterey, ss.

To all whom these presents shall come, be it known, that on the seventeenth day of June, A. D. 1874, before me, Herbert Mills, County Recorder, in and for said County, personally came John B. Borden who, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith that he is a citizen of the United States and of said State, that he is not the owner of 320 acres of land in said State or in any other State or Territory of the United States. That, under and by virtue of an Act of the Legislature of said State, passed 20th April, 1852, entitled "An Act prescribing the mode of maintaining and defending possessory actions on public land in this State," and of Acts amendatory thereof, he has taken possession of and now actually occupies, for the purposes of cultivating and grazing, the following described tract of land, to wit: situate in said State and County, in the township of Monterey, commencing at an oak tree marked JB, which said tree is about 100 yards in a southerly direction from the Tassajara Hot Springs in said County, running thence west four hundred yards, thence north one mile to sycamore tree marked JB, thence east 400 yards to tree marked JB, thence south to the place of beginning. The said claim including

what is known as and called the Tassahara Hot Springs. That the land embraced within said lines does not exceed one hundred and sixty acres; that deponent does not hold any other claim under said Acts; and that to the best of his knowledge and belief, the said land is not claimed under any existing title.

Sworn to and subscribed before me, on the day and year first aforesaid, (signed) J. B. Borden. Herbert Mills, County Recorder.

Recorded at the request of claimant on June 17<sup>th</sup>, A. D. 1874, at 40 minutes past 9 o'clock a. m. H. Mills, County Recorder.

From the 'Local News' column,  
*Monterey Democrat*, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1874:

**FIRE IN THE MOUNTAINS**—For some days a fire has been raging on the breast of the mountain range south of this place. It seems to have originated in one of the deep canyons which channel the sides of the range, and is fed by the thick chaparral adjacent.

*Monterey Weekly Herald*, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1874:

BORN. In this city, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, to the wife of J. B. Borden, a daughter.

**1875**

*Monterey Weekly Herald*, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1875:

**FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS.**—Jack Borden came in from the Tassajara Springs the fore-part of the week and brought us a bottle of its celebrated waters. He informs us that it snowed at the Springs on Saturday and Sunday last. Also, that very promising indications of coal

have been discovered within three miles of the Springs. Jack will have lots of visitors at the Springs this summer.

*Salinas City Index*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1875:

The following named persons are sojourning at the Tassajara Springs: J. S. Field, J. Wilcox, J. Logwood, A. Beasley, G. P. Beal and lady and four children, Miss Flora Beal, M. King and lady, Henry King, D. Reed, S. King, W. Kopland, Mr. Drodger, and Mr. Jackson.

*Monterey Weekly Herald*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1875:

**ARRIVALS AT THE TASSAJARA SPRINGS:** Our friend Jack Borden, of the Tassajara Springs, has got his quarters pretty well filled with guests, judging from the following list of arrivals which he furnishes us: J. S. Field, J. Wilcox, J. Logwood, A. Beasley, G. P. Beal and lady and four children, Miss Flora Beal, M. King and lady, Henry King, D. Reed, S. King, W. Kopland, Mr. Drodger, and Mr. Jackson.

*Monterey Weekly Herald*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1875:

**THE TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

EDITOR *HERALD*.—Thinking a few lines from a friend would prove acceptable, I pen these in the "rough" hoping they will be made smooth through the process of putting them in type. I am at present stopping at

**THE GREAT TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

Which are situated about twenty miles south of Monterey, in an air line, in the Santa Lucia range of mountains. These springs used to be

resorted to by the Indians in the olden time and their healing qualities were known throughout the coast, but the advent of the Americans drove the Indians father into the interior, but still many of them

**BRING THEIR SICK TO BE HEALED**

The reason why these springs have not become more noted as a watering place has been the difficulty of reaching them, and the diffidence of American invalids to undertake a journey into the mountains. These difficulties could all be overcome by the construction of a good wagon road, which would not cost over eight thousand dollars. From Monterey or Salinas by road the distance is about forty miles, with only some eight or ten miles of grading to be made. To the Soledad station the distance is about twenty miles, with the same amount of road to build.

The waters could very easily be taken in pipes to suitable locations on the roads already made, where there are fine places to build all necessary habitations, and within easy distance of the railroad, which could be reached, over a good road, within two hours travel.

**QUALITY OF THE WATER**

These waters have been sent to Washington and subjugated to chemical analysis. They have thirty-two different ingredients and the report stamps them as the best mineral waters in the United States for the majority of diseases.

The Springs are owned by Mr. J. B. Borden. He is living here and accommodates all who come to the best of his ability. He has good baths and plenty to eat. To those who wish to camp he can furnish provisions. He has troughs set to two different springs, in one of which the temperature is 140 degrees and in the other 150 degrees. There are several other springs in close proximity, but none so warm. Mr. Borden has entertained about thirty visitors since the opening of the season and as his charges are low he expects many more.

**JOINT STOCK COMPANY**

He is getting up a joint stock company to take the water out in pipes, and we believe it will be one of the best investments going, and when taken out and the necessary buildings made it will be one of the best institutions in the State, and it will be only one days travel from San Francisco by cars and coach. More anon.

ROVER.

*Monterey Weekly Herald, May 22<sup>nd</sup> to Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1875:*

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS,  
NOW OPEN TO VISITORS**

The undersigned gives notice that the Tassajara Springs are now open for visitors. These springs were noted centuries ago among the old aborigines for the medicinal virtues of their waters, and the pale faces are now adding their praise to that of the red man to the Great Spirit for the gift. Parties visiting the Springs can be furnished with meals, or, if camping, with provisions. Also, parties wishing to be taken to or from the Springs can be accommodated. Apply to

J. B. Borden.

*Monterey Weekly Herald, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1875:*

**ARRIVALS AT THE TASSAJARA SPRINGS.**—J. Marin, Carmelo; J. Leack, San Carlos; R. Ross, Canada; J. Tell, Salinas; G. W. Lee, San Joaquin; J. Logwood, Mesquite Valley; J. S. Field, Napa.

*Salinas City Index, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1875:*

**ACCORDING** to a *Herald* correspondent the famous Tassajara Springs are situated in the Santa Lucia Mountains, about twenty miles to the south of Monterey. These springs used to be resorted to by the Indians in the olden time, but upon the advent of the Americans the Indians were driven away. The correspondent thinks the reason these springs have not become more noted as a watering place has been the difficulty in reaching them.

*From The Handbook to Monterey and Vicinity, Walton and Curtis, Publishers, August 1875:*

Retracing your steps to Mr. O.'s house [on Rancho Los Tularcitos], and again pursuing the main road, we pass S. P. Gordon's ranch, Los Conejos, three-fourths league. Government land succeeds to this, occupied by Messrs. Finch, Robinson, James, and others. Near Mr. James' house the wagon road ends, and some ten miles of trail leads to the last glory of Carmel,

**THE TASSAJARA HOT  
SPRINGS,**

about forty-five miles from Monterey. There are here some dozen hot mineral springs—reported to be very effective remedial agents. "All the ills that flesh is heir to," barring consumption, may here find alleviation or cured. The late Dr. O. A. Canfield, our Monterey savant, forwarded some of the water to the Smithsonian Institute, to be analyzed, and it was reported the richest spring then known in the United States. Thirty-two distinct ingredients were found therein. The water reaches the surface of the earth at 140 to 150 degrees Fahrenheit. Mr. John Borden, the present proprietor, reports some remarkable cures.

The proprietor is endeavoring to form a joint stock company to build a comfortable hotel and bath houses. Visitors can be accommodated either with "al fresco" lodgings, in which case they should carry their own necessities, save provisions of all kinds, which can be furnished to them, or board and lodging can be found for a limited number.

Having completed his course of baths, our traveler may now proceed to the Mission of Soledad, twenty-five miles hence, or to the Mission of San Antonio, through the Reliz Cañon, about the same distance.

*Also from The Handbook to Monterey and Vicinity, Aug. 1875:*

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS  
NOW OPEN TO VISITORS**

The undersigned gives notice that the Tassajara Springs are now open for visitors. These springs were noted centuries ago among the old aborigines for the medicinal virtues of their waters, and the pale faces are now adding their praise to that of the red man to the Great

Spirit for the gift. Parties visiting the Springs can be furnished with meals, or, if camping, with provisions. Also, parties wishing to be taken to or from the Springs can be accommodated. Apply to

J. B. Borden.

*Monterey Weekly Herald, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1875:*

**Tassajara Hot Springs.**—The following gentlemen have recently visited these invigorating mineral fountains: James Bardin, Sr., Jacob Bardin, James Bardin, Jr., Wm. Thompson, Wm. Monroe, R. Porter. They speak very highly of the water.

**1876**

*From the 'Town and County' column, Monterey Weekly Herald, Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1876:*

We are told that snow in Miller's Canyon near the Tassajara Hot Springs is about five feet deep, making the trail impassable.

Jack Borden wants a road to the Tassajara Springs.

*Monterey Californian, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1876:*

The Tassajara Springs are now open. Pedro Serrano can find teams to take you there. Enquire at the Express Office.

*Monterey Californian, June 6<sup>th</sup> to June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1876:*

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS  
NOW OPEN TO VISITORS**

The undersigned gives notice that the Tassajara Springs are now open for visitors. These springs were noted centuries ago among the old aborigines for the medicinal virtues of their waters, and the pale faces are now adding their praise to that of the red man to the Great Spirit for the gift. Parties visiting the Springs can be furnished with meals, or, if camping, with provisions. Also, parties wishing to be taken to or from the Springs can be accommodated. Apply to

J. B. Borden.

*Salinas City Index, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1876:*

**LOCAL INTELLIGENCE**

**FLED TO THE MOUNTAINS.**—A party of Salinas City gentlemen, consisting of Postmaster McDougall, A. B. Jackson, W. V. McGarvey and G. A. Tolman, took their departure last Monday for the Tassajara Springs, which are located some 60 miles south of here. They go on a general hunting and piscatorial trip for recreation and pleasure, and will be gone several weeks. They are well supplied with a camping outfit, guns fishing tackle, etc., and will doubtless have a jolly time. They took a wagon along which they would use a portion of the distance, when they intended to transfer themselves to saddle horses and their traps to pack animals. The Tassajara Springs gush from a perpendicular rock some distance above the ground and form quite a stream. The waters are hot, being of a temperature ranging between 130° and 140°. The medicinal properties of the water are said to be excellent and very beneficial for many of the ills that flesh is heir to. The Springs are situated in a steep cañon difficult of access, and the surrounding country is very rough, having on that

account never been thoroughly explored. It abounds in trout streams, deer, quail and some bear.

*Salinas City Index*, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1876:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS.**—As will be seen by a notice elsewhere in today's *Index*, these Springs are now open to visitors. Parties who have visited them are loud in the praises of the medicinal and curative properties of the waters.

*Salinas City Index*, July 20<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1876:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS  
NOW OPEN TO VISITORS**

The undersigned gives notice that the Tassajara Springs are now open for visitors. These springs were noted centuries ago among the old aborigines for the medicinal virtues of their waters, and the pale faces are now adding their praise to that of the red man to the Great Spirit for the gift. Parties visiting the Springs can be furnished with meals, or, if camping with provisions. Also, parties wishing to be taken to or from the Springs can be accommodated. Apply to J. B. Borden.

From the 'Local Intelligence' column, *Monterey Democrat*, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1876:

The forepart of last week, Mr. W. V. McGarvey, who for several weeks has been out in the Tassajara mountains, met with a painful misadventure. He was out fishing for trout some miles above the Springs, and fell from a bank fifteen to twenty feet high, upon rocks below, receiving severe contusions about his feet and legs. He was disabled thereby, and suffered much pain, but as reported to us, his hurts were only temporary, it being expected that he would soon be in a condition to come home.

**The Jack Swan article that was said to have been written in 1876**

In an article titled 'Tassajara Springs,' which was published in the July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1950 edition of the *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Mayo Hayes O'Donnell quoted from an article that she said was written by Jack Swan in 1876 (the full text of this article is

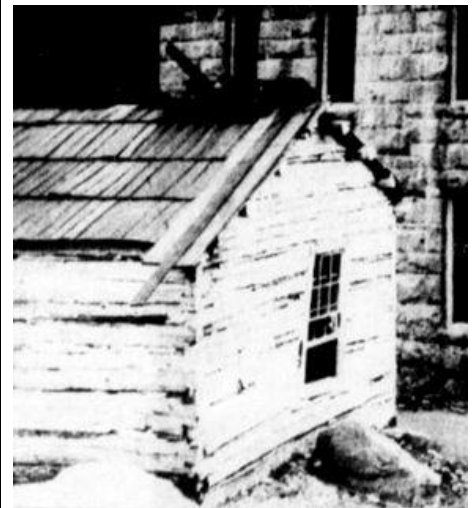
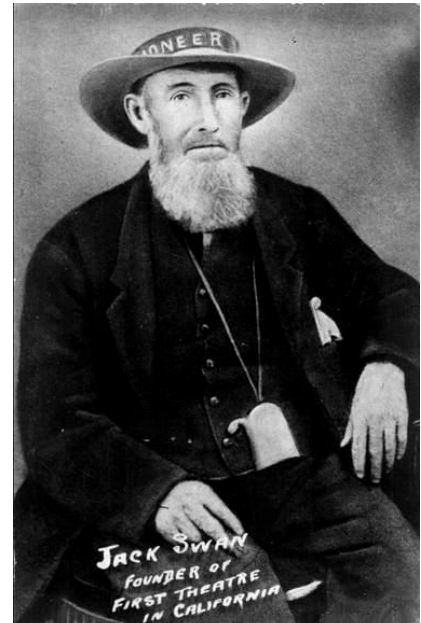
included in this work). Subsequent to the publication of this article in 1950, these passages have been frequently repeated in other texts on the history of Tassajara Hot Springs.

The problem with Mayo's text is that she failed to state the source of this article, and all of my efforts at finding the original document were to no avail. While doing this research, however, I did find nearly 60 Jack Swan (a. k. a. "Pioneer" and "Pioneer of 1843") articles that were published in Monterey County newspapers during the 1870s and 1880s, and one of Swan's most frequent topics was his historical recollections about people and places in Monterey County (excerpts from three of these articles are included in this text). In the O'Donnell article of 1950 it was stated that:

For several hundred years before the Americans came to Monterey or to California, Tassajara Springs were famous, according to an article written by Jack Swan, who arrived in Monterey in 1843 and built the adobe building now known as "The First Theatre." Writing in 1876 he says:

"I first heard of Tassajara Springs in the spring of 1843 while hunting in the Carmel Valley. I met a large band of Indians coming up the valley, some being on horseback and others on foot. The leader, who had been educated at the Missions, spoke good Spanish. He stated that he and his tribe were bound for Tassajara Springs to take the waters for a rash or skin disease that had broken out among them. They would build a sweat hut of mud and branches over the place here the hot water flowed from the ground and then remain there until they got so weak the medicine men would have to carry them out. After which they would scrape their bodies with the ribs of a deer or some other animal."

Frequently there would be several tribes in there at one time, but because of the great abundance of wild game of all kinds, and fish, they had no trouble living. In fact there was so much game there, according to Swan, and it was such an ideal place to dry the meat, that the Indians gave it the name of Tassajara, meaning a place to dry meat. It is pronounced "tass-a-har-a" and has been repeatedly used as a place name in California. It is a Spanish-American word.



Another one of the early log cabins at Tassajara. This one was located to the north of the hotel, which is in the background.

## 1876 to 1885, THE TENURE OF WILLIAM HART; p. 9.

It was during William Hart's tenure that the three oldest of the extant buildings at Tassajara were erected, or, perhaps in the case of the stone rooms, in part. The stone rooms were the first bath house at Tassajara.

In the earliest of the texts that address the history of Tassajara, 'Tassajara Has Interesting History' (see June 28, 1929), it is stated that the previous owner, Jack Borden, built "a rock bath house," and that "Hart improved bath house facilities and put up the rock part of the present dining room." This history is very credible, its principal informant was Eleanor James Chew. Eleanor was a resident of Jamesburg for 52 years (1867 to 1919), and for nearly half this time (from 1894 to 1919) she was the Jamesburg postmaster and a prolific Jamesburg newspaper correspondent. Eleanor was also the daughter of John and Cynthia James, for whom Jamesburg was named, and the wife of Constantine Marcus Chew, for whom Chew's Ridge was named. If this information is correct, then it is likely that Borden built part of the structure and Hart erected an addition to it. There is a slight bend in this building, suggesting that an addition had been made to an older structure.

In Carol Card's 'A Spa Is Born' (June, 1949), it is stated that "Hart built a log 'hotel' of two or three rooms, some small cabins, a shale rock dining room, and a rock bath house with a plunge and several individual wooden tubs strongly reminiscent of horse troughs."

In the first of Dorothy Vera's two histories of Tassajara, 'Colorful History of Tassajara Hot Springs Goes Back to Indians in Arroyo Seco Area' (Sept. 10, 1949), she states that "Hart then built a log 'hotel' of two or three rooms, some small cabins, a shale rock dining room, and a rock bath house with a plunge and several individual wooden tubs," and in her second history of Tassajara, 'Tassajara Springs—Once Sold for \$700, It Grew to Be a World Famous Health Spa' (June 22, 1963), she states that: "William Hart built a more substantial hotel, a few small cabins, a shale rock dining room and a rock bath house with a plunge and individual wooden tubs."

All of these histories of Tassajara are in agreement in that it was William Hart who erected the stone or stone portion of the dining room (which included the kitchen and office). In April of 1913 a fire destroyed the dining room portion and part of the kitchen, and in April of 1978 a fire destroyed the dining room (which was then the zendo) and the office portions of this structure (by then the kitchen had been completely rebuilt and was protected from this fire by a fire-wall).

I have found no historical information regarding the construction of the stone club house (now the guest dining room), but its stonework and architecture, including the arched upper window frames, strongly resembles that of the dining room and bath house (stone rooms), and thus Mr. Hart must have been responsible for its construction (the wooden upper floor of this building was completed in 1912 ('Tassajara Springs open next Monday,' May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1912).

William Hart was born in Kentucky in either 1814 or 1815, and thus he was 61 or 62 years old when purchased the preemptive rights to Tassajara in November of 1876. When he first registered to vote in Monterey County in 1871, Mr. Hart was listed as 56 year old miner from Kentucky who resided in Castroville, and thus he is probably the same person from Kentucky who, in 1867, was listed in a voter register of El Dorado County, CA., as a 52 year old miner who was a resident of Georgetown. Three years later a William Hart, a 55 year old miner from Kentucky, was listed in the United States census of 1870 as being a resident of Georgetown, El Dorado County, and twenty years before that the U. S. Census of 1850, which was taken soon after the start of the California Gold Rush of 1849, a Wm. Hart was listed as being a 35 year old miner from Kentucky who resided "along the Cosumnes River," as did a long list of other miners on the same census page.

Mr. Hart's residence in Castroville was very short, for in the same year that he registered to vote there (1871), he was re-registered to vote in Salinas, where his occupation was listed as a merchant. In 1875 W. Hart was listed as a Salinas merchant in Paulson's *Handbook and Directory of Santa Clara, San Benito, Santa Cruz, Monterey and San Mateo Counties*. It was during this period of Mr. Hart's life that the following item was published in the May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1876 edition of the *Salinas City Index*: "Wm. Hart, merchant of our city, returned home from Soledad [Paraiso] Springs last Saturday, where he has been sojourning for his health. He is now looking better than for many months past."

In her article 'A Spa is Born' (June 1949), Carol Card stated that "Hart used to bring in great wagon loads of supplies from town as far

as the James ranch (now Lambert's), and leave them in the dairy house there, to be packed in bit by bit over the Chew's Ridge trail. This proprietor is described as a queer, cranky old fellow who was not very well liked. Guests were known to depart from the Springs fuming over his stinginess." In contrast, in 1878 A. T. Blaine stated that "Visitors may always be sure of courteous treatment from the proprietor," and in 1879 a newspaper correspondent of the *Salinas City Index* wrote: "As the courteous host of Tassajara Springs is today compelled to go to Salinas for supplies, I embrace the opportunity to send you a line. This climate is a wonderful appetizer, and I question very much whether Mr. Hart enjoys much of a profit off his boarders. He sets a good table, plenty to eat and Mrs. Elliott prepares it in a splendid manner."

It is curious as to why Mr. Hart did not promote his resort through advertising. The nearest thing to an advertisement was 'Tassajara Springs, A Visitor's Testimonial' by A. T. Blaine, which ran in the news columns (instead of the advertisement columns) of the *Salinas City Index* from May 30<sup>th</sup> to August 29<sup>th</sup> of 1878.

It is also curious as to why Mr. Hart stated his occupation as being a stock raiser (instead of a resort owner) when he registered to vote in the Tularcitos precinct in 1882. During his tenure Mr. Hart did keep a herd of "150 goats more or less," and in 1884 a corral was depicted along the trail to Tassajara, in The Pines, on the original plat of Township 19 South Range 4 East. The goats were included in Mr. Hart's sale of Tassajara in 1885, after which they became feral. In October of 1888 William J. Hill, owner and editor of the *Salinas Index*, noted that "There is a band of wild goats on the mountains in the vicinity of the Springs—the progeny of some that Wm. Hart took out there in 1879" (see 'Tassajara Springs,' Oct. 4, 1888). In June of 1900 it was reported that "Another [mountain lion] has made his presence known by frightening the wild goats into the settlement" ('Notes From Tassajara,' June 8, 1900), and later on that month it was noted that "Four wild goats were seen on the Flag Rock mountain one day this week inspecting the Stars and Stripes" ('Tassajara News,' June 17, 1900).

In 1882 Mr. Hart entered into a formal agreement with John Wickham Leigh to sell the Tassajara Hot Springs property, but the deal was not finalized. At that time Mr. Leigh was the owner and editor to the *Monterey Democrat*, which later became the *Salinas Journal*.

The only document that I found that stated Mr. Hart's marital status was on his homestead claim to the Tassajara Hot Springs property (1880), which stated that he was a single man, but according to Marilyn McDonald's *A Brief History of Tassajara* (2018), he was a widower, and newspaper reports that were published in Salinas during the later years of his life stated that he had a daughter who lived in Salinas.

After Mr. Hart sold Tassajara to Charles Quilty 1885, he moved to San Lucas, which is in the Salinas Valley in southern Monterey County. During the early years of my research I was unsure of this, for the only data I had was from a few newspaper items and voter registers, but in recent years (thanks to digitalized and searchable newspaper databases) I discovered the following line in an article about the history of southern Monterey County: "The stable [at San Lucas] belonged to and old man named Hart, who used to own Tassajara Springs" ('Looking Back Down an Old Trail,' *Salinas Index-Journal*, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1930). In the 'San Lucas News' column of the September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1889 edition of the *Salinas Weekly Index* it was reported that "Wm. Hart's new stable is just completed. There will be a grand opening ball in the large hall overhead on Friday evening, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>. Everybody is going."

In early 1892 Mr. Hart sold his property in San Lucas and moved to Imusdale, a former post office community in far southeastern Monterey County near Parkfield, where his stated occupation was that of a farmer. When he updated his voter information on June 15<sup>th</sup> of 1896, his postoffice address was at Imusdale and his voting precinct was at Parkfield.

On October 1<sup>st</sup>, 1896, it was reported in the *Salinas Daily Journal* that "Mrs. James A. Lawrence and her two daughters, Miss Lena Lawrence and Mrs. J. W. Melville, have gone to Parkfield to visit Mrs. Lawrence's father, William Hart," and nineteen days later (on Oct. 20<sup>th</sup> 1896) the same newspaper published the following item:

### DIED

HART, At Imusdale, Monterey County, Cal., Oct. 12, 1896.  
William Hart, a native of Kentucky, father of Mrs. James A. Lawrence of Salinas, age 82 years, 9 months and 2 days.



The northwestern portion of the original bath house (now the stone rooms). Note the bend in the building on the left, which suggests that there had been an addition to an earlier structure. As the history of Tassajara that was based on the recollections of Eleanor James Chew (1929) states that John Borden built a rock bath house, I suspect that part of this building was erected during his tenure of Tassajara (1874 to 1876), and that Mr. Hart built an addition to it during his tenure (1876 to 1885).



The office part of the dining room and kitchen building. This portion of the structure was rebuilt 1982, after having been destroyed by a fire in April of 1978. Prior to the completion of the two story sandstone hotel in 1893, this was probably the resort's business office.





The club house—now the guest dining room. The person to the far left is Helen Quilty, who managed Tassajara from 1905 to 1927 and again from 1933 to 1942, and who owned Tassajara from 1909 to 1945. It is likely that this photograph was taken in 1912, soon after the upper floor was completed, and those assembled are probably the staff members of the resort. The stone walls of this structure and those of the dining room and bath house (stone rooms) had been painted white at some time in the 1800s, and it was Helen Myers, the owner of Tassajara from 1946 to 1951, who had the walls sandblasted free of paint during the renovation of the resort prior to its reopening in 1949. Photograph courtesy of the Mayo Hayes-O'Donnell Library.

## 1876 to 1877

Monterey County Deed Book U: 479-480, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1876:

### John Borden to William Hart, his preemptive claim to the Tassajara Hot Springs property, \$1,200:

Know all whom by these presents that I, John B. Borden, for and in consideration of the sum of twelve hundred dollars in United States silver coin to me in hand paid by William Hart of the city of Salinas, have this day remised, released, quit claim and conveyed, and by these presents do remise, release, quit claim and convey unto his heirs and assigns forever, all my right, title, interest and Estate of in and to the following described real property, lying and being situate in Monterey County, State of California, and described as follows: commencing at an oak tree marked J.B. which said tree is about 100 yards in a southerly direction from the Tassahara Hot Springs, in said County, running thence west 400 yards, thence north one mile another oak tree marked J.B., thence east four hundred yards to tree marked J.B., thence south to the place of the beginning, the said premises including what is known as and called the Tassahara Hot Springs, with all the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in

anywise appertaining, and for and in consideration of the said sum of money, I, John B. Borden, have this day sold, assigned and set over, and do by these presents sell, assign and set over to the said William Hart, all the household & kitchen furniture now on the above described premises, and also one horse, one mare and one mule. In witness thereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal at Salinas City, Monterey County State of California this 9<sup>th</sup> day of November in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy six. The word gold erased and the word silver introduced on the first page before execution. J. B. Borden (seal) State of California, County of Monterey ss. On this ninth day of November of A. D. one thousand eight hundred and seventy six, before me, W. H. Clark, a notary public in and for the County of Monterey, personally appeared J. B. Borden, known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument, and said J. B. Borden acknowledged to me that he executed the same. In witness thereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at my office in the said County of Monterey, the day and year in this certificate first above written. W. H. Clark, Notary Public.

Recorded at the request of Wm. Hart, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1876, at 3 p. m.

Salinas City Index, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1876:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS.**—As will be seen by reference to "Real Estate Transactions," published in our columns today, Jack Borden has sold the Tassajara Hot Springs to Wm. Hart, of this city, for \$1,200. Mr. Hart has gone out to the Springs and will winter there. We understand he will fit the premises up in good style for the accommodation of visitors.

### Real Estate Transactions

The following deeds have been placed on record in the books of the County Recorder since our report last week:

John B. Borden to William Hart, what is known as the Tassajara Hot Springs and all appurtenances thereunto belonging, consideration, \$1,200.

## 1877

Salinas City Index, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1877:

School Superintendent McCroskey has just returned from a trip to the Tassajara Springs, looking as fresh and handsome as though he had found Ponce de Leon's fountain of perpetual youth.

*Salinas City Index*, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1877:

## LOCAL INTELLIGENCE

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**—Last fall, Mr. Wm. Hart, of this city, purchased the Tassajara Hot Mineral Springs property from Jack Borden, and has since that time been engaged in building houses and putting up tents for the accommodation of visitors. He has also just completed an excellent trail from the terminus of the wagon road at Finch's Ranch over the mountain to the Springs. Mr. Hart estimates the distance from Salinas City to the Springs at 45 miles, 30 miles of which is a good wagon road, the remainder of way being the new trail over which a person can ride in a few hours on horseback. To be known abroad is all that the Tassajara Springs need to make them one of the most favorite resorts for invalids on the Pacific Coast [missing words]. For general debility, asthma, cutaneous diseases, rheumatism and kindred complaints, their waters are said to work almost miraculous cures. Many years ago sick Indians used to come all the way from Oregon to imbibe and bathe in the waters. They thought it was the headquarters of the Big Medicine. The natural scenery of the mountains in the vicinity of the Springs is grandly magnificent and game of all kinds is abundant. It is a delightful resort both for health and pleasure.

*Salinas City Index*, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1877:

Our old friend Wm. Hart was in from the Tassajara Springs this week. He has fitted up the premises in good shape for the accommodation of visitors, and the road and trail leading thereto are in good condition.

*Salinas City Index*, Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1877:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A party, consisting of Oscar Reese, of this place, and Messrs Crooks and Fletcher, of San Francisco, went to Tassajara Springs last week. They went on horseback, and the last named gentleman succeeded in getting himself thrown from his horse before they had got a half mile on their way. He was uninjured, however, and, after procuring a more trusty animal in place of the refractory one, the party proceeded on its way. I am not aware as to whether they went with a view to purchasing, or simply on a pleasure trip.

Among the visitors to the Springs here during the past few days I noticed R. L. Porter, A. A. Witherell, B. V. Sargent, Vick McGarvey, M. R. Merritt and Chris Franks.

Bob P. was with us for some days, and when he left, several of the guests, who like a good yarn well told, utterly refused to be comforted.

The number of visitors here is considerably reduced just now, but they will probably flock in again after election.

*Salinas City Index*, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1877:

## BACK FROM SPRINGS

Mr. Hart has got back from the Tassajara Springs, completely cured of his asthma. He is very enthusiastic over the medicinal qualities of the springs, and says that if he can get help enough to build a road to them, they will be-

come the great health resort of the Pacific Coast. We hope this will be done.

## 1878

*Salinas City Index*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1878:

Mr. A. Blaine, who, for many years past, has been extensively in the mercantile business at Indianapolis, Indiana, arrived here last Saturday, and is stopping with his sister, Mrs. U. Hartnell. He is traveling for the benefit of his health, and intends roughing it for a while at the Tassajara Springs and in the San Antonio country. He is an enthusiastic disciple of Isaac Walton, and will find plenty of sport in that line in our mountain streams. Mr. Blaine is a very genial, intelligent gentleman, and we hope that restored health will be the result of his sojourn here.

An item that ran in the *Salinas City Index* from May 30<sup>th</sup> to August 29<sup>th</sup> of 1878:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

### A VISITOR'S TESTIMONIAL

Having spent three weeks at Tassajara Hot Springs, owned by W. Hart, Esq., of Salinas, I desire to publicly testify to the wonderful curative properties of these springs. I have visited most of the noted resorts for health in the Eastern and Northern States, but failed to realize any benefit. I came to California as a last resort and went to Tassajara Springs. I there found a climate as nearly perfect as it is possible to find on this continent, free of the chilling fogs of the valley, and very exhilarating. After taking the second bath I found myself entirely free from neuralgia for the first time since last October, and instead of any weakness from the hot bath, I gained steadily in strength and flesh. To those in search of health, I take great pleasure in recommending these springs as possessing magical medicinal properties. Visitors may always be sure of courteous treatment from the proprietor. For amusement, the streams abound with fine trout, and the mountains in wild game.

A. T. Blaine.  
Salinas City, May 29, 1878.

From 'Monterey Items,' *Salinas City Index*, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1878:

There is a report adrift that N. W. Spaulding has bought the Tassajara Springs. The waters of these springs possess a multiplicity of medicinal virtues.

From 'Letter from Monterey' by Pioneer (Jack Swan), *Salinas City Index*, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1878:

I hear no more about Spaulding, of the Laureles, buying the Tassajara Springs. I wish this was true, as Spaulding would be apt to make a wagon road to the Springs, if he owned them, for he believes in making improvements, while many of the wealthy men in Monterey County and other parts of California do not.

*Salinas City Index*, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1878:

## A TRIP TO TASSAJARA

Editor *Index*:—In company with J. H. McDougall, I left Salinas on the 20th of October

for the Tassajara Springs, in search of recreation from business and restoration to health. My health had become very much impaired. In fact I was completely run down, my whole system being debilitated and poisoned with bilious matter. Add to this a violent cold, accompanied by incessant coughing day and night, and with no appetite for food. I had been in that condition about four weeks. Medicines did me but very little good, and many friends thought I had fastened upon me that scourge of the human race, consumption. Uncle Johnny (the undertaker) had become exceeding friendly with me, with an eye to business, no doubt; but I have cheated him out of a job this time, and also got even with the doctors.

After leaving the Salinas Valley and crossing the river we traveled the Monterey road until we reached the Carmelo road, following which we soon reached, by easy grade, the summit of the divide that separates the Salinas and Carmelo valleys. On our left, spread out like a beautiful panorama, with the distant Gabilan mountains for a background, lay the Salinas Valley, as handsome as a picture; on our right was the Carmelo, fringed with its evergreen trees that completely shade the ground and give the valley a very picturesque appearance. Leaving the divide by the finest graded road I have ever traveled over, and which is a credit to its builder, Mr. Ougheltree, we soon found ourselves at the Laureles rancho, owned by Mr. Spaulding, of Oakland.

I had visited the rancho 1872, and it was then covered with brush and trees; since that time the wand of the magician has passed over it, and brush and trees have disappeared. Substantial improvements and finely cultivated fields of alfalfa skirt the roadside for a long distance, and modern houses and barns have taken the place of the primitive structures; a canal brings the waters of the Carmelo over this fine table land, irrigating it and making it blossom like a flower garden—all of which attests the intelligence and enterprise of the owner. Noon brought us to the Carmelo River, where halted to rest our horses and partake of the lunch prepared by my good wife, and to which we did ample justice. From here our route led to and over Tularcitos rancho, owned by Mr. Ougheltree. This is a continuation of the road already passed over and of the same easy grade across a fine undulating country. The Tularcitos is the finest cattle range I have seen. The ranch house is located on the crest of a hill overlooking a rich and beautiful valley which Mr. Ougheltree cultivates and raises corn, hay, pumpkins, etc. In due course of time we reach the rancho of our friend Gordon, used by him exclusively as a sheep range, and a good one it is, too. Our route leads up and over hills and dells, and, to the lover of scenery, affords a treat of rare interest; notwithstanding my extreme debility, I enjoyed my day's ride very much. At nightfall we reached the mountain home of Mr. Austin Smith, who had accompanied us from Salinas to entertain us in his home, and a right royal welcome he extended to us. I shall ever bear in mind their kind hospitality, and hope that the shadows of himself and good wife may ever grow less. The comfortable sitting room, with its glowing, cheerful fire; the kitchen

adjoining where Mrs. Smith, with true hospitality intent, was preparing the evening meal, made up a picture that took away from me much of the pain of sickness.

The early morn saw us on our way again. Here we left our wagon and mounted our horses. Our route lay, as the day before, in a southwesterly direction, and we soon discovered that we were gradually attaining a higher elevation. Passing over a considerable mountain and across a tributary of the Carmelo, we enter into and up Anastasia Canyon, so named after a desperate outlaw who at one time used it for a hiding place, and it must have answered his purpose well. We soon found ourselves climbing the Tassajara Mountain by a steep but good trail. Jim informed me that the name—Tassajara—signifies “dried meat.” It used to be a favorite resort for early pioneers to kill deer and dry their meat. Half way up I turned in my saddle and there, apparently almost at my feet, lay a locality that I could not recognize. In response to an inquiry, Jim told me it was Moss Landing and Monterey Bay! I could scarcely believe it, so near to us did it seem in the clear blue sky. Onward and upward we went, and at last reached the summit of the ridge crowned with majestic oak and pine. To our left was wooded but open country of fair pasture land; to our right were the huge old rock-ribbed mountains of the coast, which rise peak above peak to the clouds, and are densely covered with chemisal and greasewood. Passing over the mountain rancho of Mr. Chew [in Miller Canyon], we enter the hoary old mountain, every step revealing new beauties whose grandeur keeps one in continual delight and relives the journey of half its fatigue. To the right, to the left, and across our path, beautiful mountain streams go sparkling, singing and dancing on their way to lose themselves in the bosom of old ocean, making music that rivals the feathered songsters in their glee.

Our path leads through dense chaparral for a long distance, then emerges into a more open but more mountainous region, and winds around rough, cragged peaks and over rugged rock-covered hills; but the grades are easy, and higher and higher we climb, the scenery becoming more wild, grand and beautiful as we advance. Jim at last halts me by the side of a beautiful mountain stream, where we turn our horses loose to graze and we eat a bountiful lunch put up for us by our kind hostess of the night before, and which we wash down with clear cold water from the stream. Here Jim informs me that we were within one hour's ride of the Springs. After resting awhile we proceeded on our way, descending by the same easy grade. During the day we have met no human being, but now, away below us on the trail, we discern and recognize Mr. Hart, the proprietor of the Springs. A halloo brings him to a halt. We are soon at his side and receive a hearty welcome from the old veteran. Then down we go till 2 o'clock p. m., when we reach the cabins at the Springs, where we find Duncan McKinnon, Sam Irvine, Joe With and Peter, who keeps the Swiss Hotel in Dean's building, Salinas. Of course they are glad to see anyone from Salinas and, after their usual greetings, we all repair to the springs, some

300 yards distant.

The Tassajara Springs are located on the left bank of the Arroyo Seco. The principal spring comes out of the solid rock about six feet above the waters of the creek, and has a temperature of 115 degrees. The rock, through which the water runs, is comprised of many minerals, such as saltpeter, alum, iron, carbonate of soda, lime, etc. That the water possesses wonderful medicinal properties there can be no question. It was fully demonstrated in my case, and all who have tested the efficacy of the waters will testify in like manner.

In my humble opinion people who visit the Tassajara Springs for the benefit of their health ought to drink freely of the water, as hot as they can swallow it, and bathe once a day, as near the middle of the day as convenient. The temperature of the bath is about 112 degrees. After remaining in it until the perspiration starts freely from the face, come out and rub yourself dry; then roll yourself up closely in blankets, and forthwith your will be astonished at the wonderful manner in which the perspiration will pour out of the body. After a second rubbing dress yourself and take moderate exercise until you cool down and your blood is properly circulating. Never bathe directly after a meal. I do not think excessive bathing is good, as it is followed by weakness and prostration.

Our sojourn at the Springs was very pleasant, everybody endeavoring to make it mutually agreeable. We remained nine days and left with my health wholly restored. My cough left me the fourth day after commencing to use the water, and I now feel perfectly well, full of vigor and new life.

Now, Mr. Editor and readers of the *Index*, whenever you find yourselves run down, debilitated and out of fix generally, take a trip to the Tassajara Springs. You will find it a veritable “Siloam,” and it will repay you a hundred fold. You can get board there for \$10 per week—good wholesome food and plenty of it, and the beds are good and clean; or, if you prefer, you can board yourself, in which case a fee of \$3 per week will be charged for the use of the water. Those who wish to hunt game or fish for trout one can find both close at hand. If a rough ramble among the mountains is desired, you can be gratified to your heart's content. And, Mr. Editor, if you ever do go to the Tassajara, may it be your fortune to be accompanied by a companion as agreeable as mine was. Bro. J. H. McDougall left his business to accompany me. Through the kindness, wholesomeness and friendship, for which he is so well noted, he felt that I ought not to go alone. While the trip would do him good, perhaps, yet he was actuated wholly by a fraternal feeling.

On our return we diverged from our path in order to call on Mr. Chew, who has a heart as big as that of a buck. We also took in the fine mountain rancho of the Finch Bros.; also part of John Comfort's ranch, arriving at Austin Smith's just at dusk and finding a warm welcome there again. Home was reached the next day at three o'clock. Our trip was one of real pleasure and, what was of more value to me, perfect restoration to health. At the opening of the next season, the accommodations at the

Springs will be very much increased. Some desirable improvements will be made on the trail. An easy and comfortable wagon will be in readiness here (Salinas) at a stated day of the week to take parties to the foot of the mountain where they will be met by a saddle train from the Springs. To a party of three or four families joining together, it would be a splendid trip. A few days snatched from business and spent at those springs will give one a new lease on life.

N. L. Allen.  
Salinas City, Nov. 4, 1878.

From 'Prospecting Notes' by Pioneer (Jack Swan),  
*Salinas City Index*, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1878:

Mr. Blaine was at Finch's ranch when I was there, and there was no one in charge of the Tassajara Springs. Since Mr. Hart left there have been four health seekers at the Springs—two from Gilroy and two from San Jose.

## 1879

*Salinas City Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1879:

### FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

AN INTERESTING BATCH OF  
NEWS FOR “INDEX” READERS

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, May 31.—Dear *Index*: As the courteous host of Tassajara Springs is today compelled to go to Salinas for supplies, I embrace the opportunity to send you a line. This climate is a wonderful appetizer, and I question very much whether Mr. Hart enjoys much of a profit off his boarders. He sets a good table, plenty to eat, and Mrs. Elliott prepares it in a splendid manner.

At this time of year we enjoy glorious weather. An occasional shower freshens up the atmosphere—if that is possible where it is always so pure—lays the dust and drives the transient dwellers of Tassajara into the various social pastimes incident to camp life; otherwise on a bright day, the rugged mountain sides adjacent to the hot springs and settlement, may be seen dotted here and there, with venturesome men and women and goats at such a height that it is sometimes difficult to distinguish one from the other.

I am one of a party of campers who have pitched their tent within twenty yards of the finest medicinal hot springs in the State, I suppose. The Tassajara Creek ripples along by our tent making very soothing music to lull one to sleep. The stream is as much entitled to be called a river as is the Salinas, for it contains quite as large a volume of water as the latter. Beautiful green alder trees grow on its banks, and the stream is full of excellent mountain trout.

On the mountain sides we can find numbers of the mescal [yucca] in bloom. It is a beautiful thing indeed. It is, I believe, a species of cacti, something like an agave or century plant, sending up a stalk from the center to a height of twelve to fourteen feet, with short branches growing thickly around it, fitted with beautiful, creamy, white flowers, richly fragrant. Our first desire on seeing it, was to secure a plant for the front garden, but on being informed that its nature was to propagate from the seed and bloom once in twenty years, after which it

died, root and all, we thought it paying pretty dear for the whistle.

We see in the settlement the faces of "Old Hill," a veritable "old Man of the Mountains," who can toss up a slap-jack from a frying pan, run around to the opposite side of the campfire, and catch it the other side up with the grace and dexterity of the '49ers, who probably introduced the culinary feat into California camp-life, and his wife and little boy, also that genial couple, Dr. O. S. Trimmer and wife, who constitute one of the several camping parties here at present. Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Armstrong and family, Jim Frasier (one of the best trouters, and most generous of men), and his family, Charley Whisman, Geo. Graves, Ed Harvey, Ed Fitton (formerly of Salinas), John Brown, Charley Cockerill, Mr. Roach (of San Jose), Miss Belle Smith, Mrs. Jim Lawrence and two children (of Salinas), Duncan McKinnon, his wife and that immense bright boy of theirs, Duncan Jr., and some two or three others, whose names I do not know.

People are going and coming and many are repeating their annual trips, thus showing their faith in the efficacy of these waters.

Mr. Westlake, his daughter Clara (for whom Mr. Hart's Billy goat had such an aversion) and Mrs. McCandless (whose limited experience in crossing mountain torrents on smooth boulders was the cause of precipitating her headlong into the raging stream) took their departure for Salinas yesterday morning by the ten o'clock train.

In regard to the trail from James' ranch to the Springs, our party pronounce it in excellent condition. The country is very rough, but on a sure-footed animal one can trot at a brisk pace much of the way. We ladies think the horseback ride about sixteen miles, although Mr. Hart argues that it is only twelve. Much of the distance is through beautiful scenery—shady groves of oak and sycamore, interspersed with some fine specimens of madrone trees and a large variety of under-growth, including the aromatic mountain laurel or bay tree, yerba santa, so valuable for its medicinal properties. There are several resting places on the route where travelers can quench their thirst at cold sweet springs, and let their animals feast on the luxuriant growth of wild oats everywhere found on the mountain sides.

To one who possesses energy enough the most magnificent views can be obtained by ascending the different mountains around. Everything is grand and sublime and immense. Very little is delicate and sentimental except the ferns and wild flowers which are found here in great beauty and variety.

Our party is well-contented, well-fed and happy. We belong in Salinas, but feel that under the new constitution, things will go well enough to admit of our leaving them to themselves for a few weeks. AMELIA.

*Salinas City Index, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1879:*

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

From W. V. McGarvey, who returned last week from the Tassajara Springs, we learn many little items of interest from that locality, some of them concerning the exploits of our Chief, who is now enjoying the resuscitating

virtues of that truly wonderful place. Mr. McGarvey says that a person addicted to the use of tobacco can bathe in the water, come out and wrap himself up in a blanket and take a sweat, and the blanket is highly impregnated with nicotine. He informs us that our Chief has thrown away his pipe, tobacco, cigars and cigar-case, and is thoroughly and persistently working the tobacco out of his system, which, with the help of the yerba santa which grows in abundance there, Mr. McGarvey says he will undoubtedly accomplish. It is the opinion of all visitors that they are the most wonderful springs on the Coast, in a medicinal sense of view as well as the picturesqueness of their location. The present owner, Mr. Hart, has not the means to make them artificially attractive, but he is doing all he can, but, as difficult of access as they are, every succeeding season sees them growing in popular esteem and the number of visitors increasing. Eminent medical men from abroad who have visited them say that for dyspepsia and diseases of the kidneys they surpass any medical decoction yet discovered. Fish and game of all kinds are plentiful, and those going there can feel assured of having a good time and regain their lost energy. Parenthetically, Mac told us that our chief was the best "camper" he ever saw, almost equaling himself, and that when he (Mac) left he was rapidly assuming the picturesque characteristics of the aborigines. We have not the least bit of doubt of it, for our Chief is a sensible man, and when he goes out roughing it, enjoys himself hugely.

*Monterey Californian, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1879:*

Mrs. Lockwood, who has been a victim to that grim monster rheumatism for a long time, has returned from Tassajara Springs somewhat improved, but still unable to walk. We sincerely hope, however, to soon be able to report her entire recovery.

## 1880

*Monterey County Homesteads Book A: 16, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1880:*

### William Hart's homestead claim to the Tassajara Hot Springs property:

Know all men by these presents: that I, William Hart of the County of Monterey, do hereby certify and declare that I am a single man, and do now at the time of making this declaration actually reside at the lot and premises situate, lying and being in the said County of Monterey, State of California, bounded and described as follows, to wit:

Commencing at an oak tree marked J.B. which said tree is about 100 yards in a southerly direction from the Tassahara Hot Springs, in said County, running thence west 400 yards, thence north one mile another oak tree marked J.B., thence east four hundred yards to tree marked J.B., thence south to the place of the beginning, the said premises including what is known as and called the Tassahara Hot Springs; and being the same property conveyed to William Hart by J. B. Borden by deed of conveyance recorded in Book "U" convey-

ances of Monterey County at page 479 and following, and that it is my intention to use and claim, the said lot of land and premises, together with the dwelling houses thereon, and its appurtenances, as a homestead and I do hereby select and claim the same as a homestead—that the actual cash value of said property is \$1,000.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 4th day of December one thousand eight hundred and eighty—signed William Hart—Seal—Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of John Markley—State of California, County of Monterey, on this Fourth day of December A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty, before me, John Markley, Notary Public in and for said county, personally appeared William Hart, known to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument, and he acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Witness my hand and official seal, John Markley, Notary Public—Notarial Seal.

Recorded at the request of Wm. Hart, 4 Dec. 1880 at 30 min. past 10 a. m.

*Monterey Californian, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1880:*

## HOMESTEADS

Wm. Hart—The land and property known as The Tassajara Hot Springs, value, \$1,000.

## 1881

*From History of Monterey County, California, Elliott & Moore, publishers, 1881:*

### THE TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

About forty-five miles from Monterey. There are here some dozen hot mineral springs—reported to be very effective remedial agents. "All the ills that flesh is heir to," barring consumption, may here find alleviation or cure. The late Dr. C. A. Canfield, forwarded some of the water to the Smithsonian Institute, to be analyzed; and it was reported the richest spring then known in the United States. Thirty-two distinct ingredients were found therein. The water reaches the surface of the earth at one hundred and forty to one hundred and fifty degrees Fahrenheit. But these springs are in the mountains, and almost inaccessible except by a trail distance forty miles south of Monterey. A new road over the mountains to Tassajara has assisted travel to those springs, and we frequently hear of the wonderful sanitary virtue of the waters. The climate is incomparable. These springs are especially valuable in kidney diseases and rheumatism, which often yield after only a brief use of the water.

## 1882

*From The Great Register of Monterey County, 1882:*

Hart, William. Age: 67; born in Kentucky; occupation: stock raiser; voting precinct: Tularcitos; registered to vote on April 13, 1882.

Monterey County Agreements Book B: 404-405,  
July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1882:

**William Hart to John W. Leigh,  
An Agreement to Sell the  
Tassajara Hot Springs Property**

An agreement made and entered into by and between William Hart and J. W. Leigh, both of Monterey County, California, said Wm. Hart agrees to sell to said J. W. Leigh the possession, preemption right and homestead rights to him, the said Wm. Hart, in and to a possessory claim to Public Land of the United States now held by him, with all improvements thereon situate on both sides of the Arroyo Seco Creek in Monterey County, Cal. and known as "Tassajara Springs," including all land now claimed by and in possession of said Wm. Hart, for the sum of Three Thousand dollars (\$3000) on payment of which sum to him by said J. W. Leigh he agrees to give up to said J. W. Leigh or his assigns the quiet and peaceable possession of said springs land and improvements, and to make and execute to said Leigh or his assigns, a deed of sale thereof and deliver the same to him, and it is hereby mutually agreed between the parties hereto, that this contract shall be binding between them, their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns from date hereof until the first day of January, A. D. 1883 and no longer, and lastly said Wm. Hart in the event of the transfer contemplated by this agreement agrees to give to said J. W. Leigh the choice of one of the two mules now owned him.

Witness the hands of the parties hereto, on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of July A. D. 1882. Wm. Hart, J. W. Leigh. Witness W. S. Johnson—State of California, County of Monterey, ss. On this Fourteenth day of August A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty two before me, E. W. Mills, a Notary Public in and for the County of Monterey, personally appeared W. S. Johnson, know to me to be the same person whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument

as a witness thereto, who being by me duly sworn, deposed and said, that he resides in Monterey County, State of California, that he was present and saw Wm. Hart Personally known to him to be the same person described in and who executed the said instrument, as party thereto, sign, seal and deliver the same; and that the said Wm. Hart acknowledged in the presence of said affiant, that he executed the same, and that the said affiant thereupon subscribed his name thereto as a witness. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at my office in the County of Monterey the day and year in this certificate first above written. E. W. Mills, Notary Public (Notarial Seal), State of California.

From 'Salinas Siftings,' *San Jose Daily Mercury*, Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1882:

Anybody who can sit in the saddle can go to the Tassajara Springs. The pack trail, over from James,' climbs pretty high, but it is perfectly safe and through very interesting scenery. It transverses forests of pines, black and white oaks, together with magnificent madrone trees, the later being equal to the magnolia grandiflora in beauty of foliage.

**1883**

*San Jose Weekly Mercury*, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1883:  
(Written for the *Mercury*)

**TASSAJARA**

BY LIZZIE KING

Tassajara! Still thy shadows  
Fall beneath on hill and dale,  
Still thy pine trees wave in beauty  
Over springs that never fail;  
Still in Anastasio's Canyon  
Silver-leaved the alder trees  
And the tangled chaparral bushes  
Shaking in the morning breeze.  
Still the Bear Trap you are holding,

Weighted, baited as of yore,  
And the antlered deer is feeding  
By the Saco's rocky shore.  
Bursting from its gloomy prison  
Still, hot water spring does flow—  
Oh! how well do I remember  
Journeying to it long ago;  
Never from my memory's pages  
Will that wild excursion fade;  
Bright before my eyes forever  
Will its sights and scenes be laid.

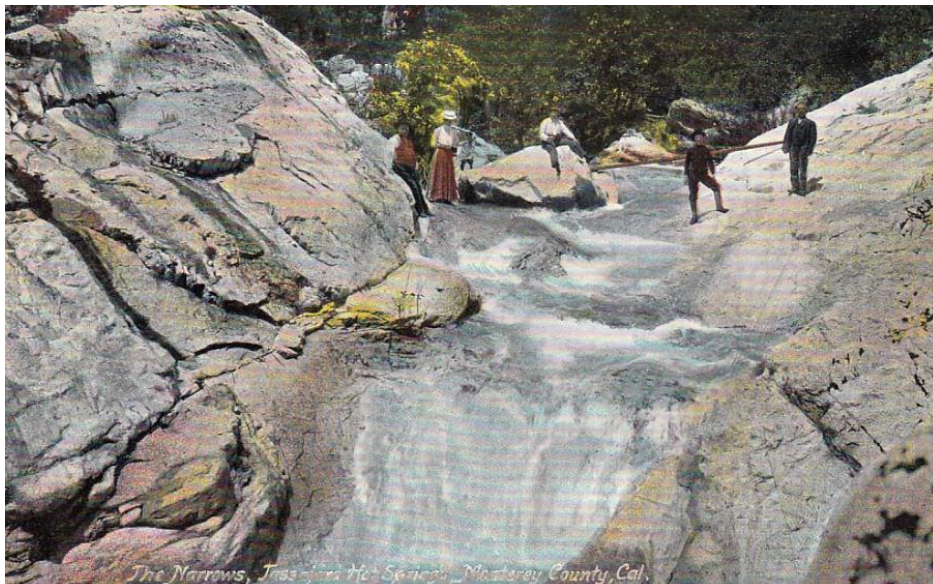
Yet in dreams I climb the mountain  
That the Spanish hunters tell  
Took its name from drying venison  
That before their chases fell  
There oft within that canyon  
Where was hidden bandit bold,  
Anastasio, dark and swarthy—  
Long his name the place will hold.

Of in Miller's Canyon wander;  
Grandest, wildest place of all  
Hear the mountain quail go whirling,  
See the gloomy waters fall.  
There I think has nature mastered  
Works of any by her hand;  
There the scenery far surpasses  
That which lies in any land.

Tassajara! still thy shadows  
Fall on hill and dale below;  
Still thy pine trees in their beauty  
Wave o'er springs that ever flow;  
And in dreams, oh mighty mountain,  
Still I'm with you as of yore,  
Though my weary feet are treading  
Border of the silent shore.

*Watsonville Pajaronian*, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1883:

Wm. Wilkinson, who spent about three weeks at Tassajara Springs, is again with us. He speaks very highly of the water of those springs, and feels improved in health.



A Tassajara post card. The text at the bottom reads "The Narrows, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Cal."

## 1885 to 1888, CHARLES QUILTY AND THE ROAD CONSTRUCTION YEARS; p. 16.

Charles Walter Quilty was born in South Carolina 1858, and thus he was 27 when he purchased Tassajara in March of 1885. His family moved to San Jose while he was a very young, where he attended San Jose schools and later attended Santa Clara College, where he earned a law degree. In July of 1878 he married Mary Hagan, who was the daughter James and Mary Hagan. James Hagan was the founder of the Metropolitan Gas Company in San Francisco, the Los Angeles Gas Works, the San Jose Light and Power Company, the Salinas City Gas and Water Works, and the Tulare Water Company. Charles Quilty became the president of the three latter companies after James Hagan's death in 1882. It was from the substantial sum of money that Mary Hagan-Quilty had inherited from her father that Charles Quilty purchased Tassajara (five months after he purchased the property Mr. Quilty officially acknowledged that he had purchased it with his wife's money, and thus it was part of Mary Hagan-Quilty's personal and separate estate).

On May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1885, it was reported in the *Salinas Weekly Index* that "The new proprietors are surveying a route for a wagon road all the way in, after the completion of which the Springs will be comparatively easy of access," and on July 11<sup>th</sup> of that year it was reported in the *San Jose Daily Mercury* that "John McPhail has purchased a half interest in the Tassajara Springs, Monterey County. He is in partnership with C. W. Quilty of San Jose. The firm is now engaged in opening up a road from Monterey, and by the first of August the Springs will be easily accessible to conveyances of all kinds" (there is no documentation of this transaction on file at the Monterey County Recorder's Office, but the transaction could have taken place in Santa Clara County and recorded there, or perhaps it was just a verbal agreement).

It appears that the actual construction of the road did not commence until the following year, for on May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1886, it was reported in the *Salinas Weekly Index* that "Here [at the Lewis ranch, which was near the junction of Carmel Valley and Tassajara roads] I found 17 men at work building a wagon road to Tassajara Springs. It is understood that the force will soon be increased to 100 men so as to have the road ready for the traveling public by the first of July. White men are employed and receive one dollar a day and board."

According to Carol Card's history of Tassajara (see 'A Spa is Born,' June 1949), John "McPhail acted as boss of the road crew, composed

largely of road men, while Mrs. McPhail and family ran the resort. From the James ranch to the crest of Chew's Ridge the work was comparatively easy, for much of the road could be plowed. The last eight miles, however, from the crest of the ridge to the Springs, taxed the builders to the utmost." Much of this section of the road had to be blasted through bedrock comprised of high-grade (hard) metamorphic rock that was broken by numerous veins and dikes of even harder granitic rock. Card also stated that "Since the undertaking was financed out of Mr. Quilty's own pocket, a time came when money began to give out, and the road gang grew tired of waiting for its pay."

In the local news columns of the September 15<sup>th</sup>, 1887 edition of the *Salinas Weekly Index*, it was reported that "Mr. Quilty has purchased Mr. McPhail's interest in Tassajara Springs and is now the sole owner of that property," and on January 9<sup>th</sup> of the following year the McPhail's officially quitclaim to their interest in the Tassajara Hot Springs property.

By January of 1888 Chinese laborers from San Jose had taken up the task of building the road, for included in a listing of altitudes in Monterey County that was published in the January 5<sup>th</sup>, 1888 edition of the *Salinas Weekly Index* was "China Camp, head of Miller Canyon, 4,388 feet." The same edition of the *Index* included an article about Tassajara Springs, in which it was stated "A wagon road is completed to within three miles of the Springs, the remainder of the journey being made on foot or horseback." I suspect that it was actually three linear miles. Anthony (Tony) Dourond was the surveyor and superintendent of construction of this phase of the work.

In the 'Personals' column of the June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1888 edition of the *Monterey Democrat*, it was reported that "A splendid wagon road is finished to a point about two miles from the Springs, and it is expected to complete it for the remaining distance within the next thirty days," and in an article about Tassajara that was published August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1888 edition of the *Salinas Weekly Index* it was stated that "The road has been constructed to within one mile of the Springs and will be finished all the way within a month."

On September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1888, William J. Hill, the owner and editor of the *Salinas Index*, started out on a wagon trip Tassajara, and his lengthy account of this outing is included in this work.

Monterey County Deed Book 10: 94-95, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1885:

### William Hart to Charles Quilty, the Tassajara Hot Springs property:

This indenture, made the twenty eight day of March, in the year of our Lord on thousand eight hundred and eighty five, between William Hart of the County of Monterey, State of California, the party of the first part, and Charles W. Quilty of Santa Clara County, state aforesaid, the party of the second part, witnesseth that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars gold coin of the United States of America, to him in hand paid by the party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, does by these presents grant, bargain, sell, convey, and confirm unto the party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the said County of Monterey, State of California, and bounded and particularly described as follows, to wit: known as the Tassajara Hot Springs Property and being the north east quarter of section thirty two township nineteen south of range four east, Mount Diablo Meridian (NE1/4 of Sec. 32, T. 19 S. R. 4 E., M. D. M.), and also quit claim to same party my possession and right to possession, to the adjoining land in said township, and also all my

kitchen and household furniture, bed and bedding, in and about what is known as the "Tassajara Springs, together with said springs, also one hundred and fifty goats more or less, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, to have and to hold all and singular the said premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, in witness whereof, the said party of first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written, W. Hart, (seal) signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of W. M. R. Parker, State of California, County of Monterey ss. On this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March one thousand eight hundred and eighty five before me, W. M. R. Parker, a Notary Public, in and for the said County of Monterey, personally appeared William Hart, personally known to me to be the same person described in, whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and who acknowledged to me that he executed the same. In witness, whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, the day and year in this certificate first before written, W. M. R. Parker, Notary Public, (Notarial Seal).

Recorded at the request of C. W. Quilty, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1885, at 50 minutes past 4 P. M.

From 'Real Estate Transactions,'  
*Salinas Weekly Index*, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1885:

Wm. Hart to Charles W. Quilty, of Santa Clara County, what is known as the Tassajara Springs property, including 150 goats, \$3,500.

*San Jose Daily Herald*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1885:

### THE TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Wm. Hart has sold to Mr. C. W. Quilty of this city the Tassajara Springs property in Monterey County for \$3,500. With the completion of a good road to the Springs they will no doubt become a popular resort, their waters being spoken of as possessing rare medicinal virtues.

*The Evening News*, San Jose, Cal., April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1885:

C. W. Quilty of this city has purchased the Tassajara Springs property in Monterey County.

*Watsonville Pajaronian*, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1885:

The Tassajara Springs, Monterey County, have been sold to C. W. Quilty of San Jose. These springs are said to be among the best in the State. If the new owner will build a good road to the Springs Tassajara will soon become a popular resort.

Monterey County Patent Book B: 387, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1885:

## United States of America to William Hart, A Homestead Patent to the Tassajara Hot Springs Property

Recorded in Monterey County at the request of Charles Quilty on May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1885.

The United States of America. To all to whom these presents shall come. Greetings. Homestead Certificate No. 2259. Application 6305. Whereas there has been deposited in the General Land Office of the United States a Certificate of the Register of the Land Office at San Francisco, California, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress, approved 20<sup>th</sup> of May, 1862, "To secure homesteads to actual settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto. The claim of William Hart has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law for the north east quarter of Section Thirty Two in Township Nineteen South of Range Four East of Mount Diablo Meridian in California. Containing one hundred and sixty acres, according to the official plat of the survey of said land, returned to the General Land Office by the Surveyor General. Now know ye. That it is therefore granted by the United States unto the said William Hart, the tract of land above described, to have and to hold the said tract of land, with the appurtenances thereof unto the said William Hart, and to his heirs and assigns forever, subject to any vested and accrued water right for mining, agricultural, manufacturing or other purposes and rights to ditches and reservoirs used in connection with such water rights as may be recognized and acknowledged by the local customs, laws and decisions of courts, and also subject to the right of the proprietor of a vein or lode to extract and remove his ore there from, should the same be found to penetrate or intersect the premises hereby granted, as provided by law. In Testimony whereof I, Grover Cleveland, President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed. Given under my hand at the City of Washington, the ninth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty five, and of the independence of the United States in one hundred and nine. By the President, Grover Cleveland, M. McKean, Secretary. S. W. Clark, Recorder of the General Lands Office (seal of General Land Office). Recorded in Vol. 6, page 79.

Recorded at the request of C. W. Quilty, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1885, at 50 minutes past 11 a. m.

*Salinas Weekly Index, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1885:*

### HEALTH RESORTS

Within the limits of Monterey County are some of the best medicinal springs and health resorts to be found on the Pacific Coast. . .

The Tassajara Hot Springs are situated in the Coast Range mountains about fifty miles south of Salinas City. There are over a dozen different springs, and the water reaches the sur-

face of the earth at a temperature of 140 to 150 degrees Fahrenheit. An analysis shows that the water contains thirty-two distinct mineral ingredients, and its remedial properties are wonderful, especially for kidney disease, stomach troubles and rheumatism. The springs are situated in a deep, wooded canon, and the climate itself is almost enough to cure nearly "all the ills that flesh is heir to," being mild, balmy and delightful. Heretofore it has been necessary, in order to reach them, to leave vehicles and ride some fifteen miles on horseback; but the Springs have recently changed hands and the new proprietors are surveying a route for a wagon road all the way in, after the completion of which the springs will be comparatively easy of access. If Ponce de Leon had found the Tassajara Springs he would certainly not have gone further to search for the Fountain of Youth.

*San Jose Daily Herald, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1885:*

### THE TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The *Hollister Free Lance* says: "John McPhail has purchased a half interest in the Tassajara Springs, Monterey County. He is in partnership with C. W. Quilty of San Jose. The firm is now engaged opening up a road from Monterey, and by the first of August the Springs will be easily accessible to conveyances of all kinds. Heretofore they could only be reached by horse trail. They are said to be equal to the finest springs in the State."

From 'Local Brevities,' *San Jose Daily Mercury, Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1885:*

It is understood that J. W. Combs of this city is about to sell his interest in the Tassajara Springs property to a San Francisco capitalist, who will at once make a good road to the property, build cottages and otherwise improve the property.

*The Evening News, San Jose, Cal., Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1885:*

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It is understood that J. W. Combs of this city is about to sell his interest in the Tassajara Springs property to a San Francisco capitalist, who will at once make a good road to the property, build cottages and otherwise improve it.

Monterey County Deed Book 10: 280, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1885:

### Charles Quilty to Mary Quilty, the Tassajara Springs Property:

An acknowledgement that the property was purchased with Mary Quilty's money, and thus was part of her personal and separate estate

This indenture made the twelfth day of August A. D. eighteen hundred and eighty five, between C. W. Quilty, of the City of San Jose, County of Santa Clara, State of California, party of the first part, [and] Mrs. Mary E. Quilty, his wife of the same place, party of the second part, witnesseth: That the party of

the first part, in consideration of the fact that he purchased the property hereinafter described, with the money of the party of the second part, does by these presents give, grant and convey to the party of the second part the property so purchased as aforesaid and described as the "Tassajara Springs Property" situate in Monterey County, California, and particularly described as the N. E. 1/4 of Sec. 32 T. 19 S. R. 4 E. M. D. M. Together with the tenements and appurtenances hereunto belonging. To have and to hold the said premises unto the party of the second part as her separate estate, and to her heirs and assigns forever. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written. C. W. Quilty (seal), State of California, County of Santa Clara. On this twelfth day of August A. D. one thousand eight hundred and eighty five, before me, George D. Smith, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared Charles W. Quilty, personally known to me to be the same person described in and who executed, and whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Witness my hand and official seal, at said County, the day and year first above written, Geo. D. Smith, Notary Public (Notarial Seal).

Recorded at the request of C. W. Quilty, Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1885, at 51 min. past 10 a. m.

From 'Pioneer's Budget,' by Jack Swan, *Salinas Weekly Index, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1885:*

The fires down the coast have done considerable damage. T. B. Slate [at Slate's Springs] was fighting it two days to save his orchard and buildings, and in that he was successful, but his pasture was destroyed as well as that of his neighbors in the Reliz Canyon [15 miles distant!]. These fires in the mountains are apt to send the wild game nearer to the ranches in quest of food, and it will not be strange if the hunters bag a grizzly or lion now and then, as well as deer.

### 1886

From 'Radom Notes Picked Up in the Corral de Tierra and Carmel Region,' *Salinas Weekly Index, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1886:*

James Lewis has a Government claim of 100 acres, and is raising stock and farming. Here I found 17 men at work building a wagon road to Tassajara Springs. It is understood that the force will soon be increased to 100 men so as to have the road ready for the traveling public by the first of July. White men are employed and receive one dollar a day and board.

### 1887

*San Jose Daily Mercury, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1887:*

### A SPORTSMAN'S PARADISE

Ex-sheriff Branham says it's all a mistake about his going to seek Joaquin Murieta's hidden treasure. He would never take an unfair advantage of his partners, Sam Moreland, Johnny Owens and John T. Bury in that style.

It may be inferred that he and his friend, George E. Graves, are once more in San Jose, after an absence of three weeks. They went from here to Salinas, where they were joined by John Riley of Monterey. At Charles Robertson's ranch, on the head waters of the Carmel River, Mr. Robertson and Cipriano Rodrigues joined the party. Packing their traps on horses they proceeded to Miller Creek, where they had several days of magnificent fishing. From there they went to Pine Valley, a paradise for deer hunters, where they killed twelve large bucks, and could have got twice as many if they desired. Thence they went to Tassajara Springs and from there to Lost Valley, on the head waters of the Arroyo Seco, which is noted for the size and number of trout which it contains. From there they returned to Miller Creek, where they again spent a day, and then back to Robertson's, to Salinas, home. They made no attempt to see how many fish they could take in a day, for they had no use for them except for their own eating, but on the last day at Miller Creek, Messrs. Branham and Graves in a few hours filled their baskets for Mr. Robertson's family, reserving two specimens, 14 and 15 inches long, which were last evening displayed in the window of the Overland Restaurant. Messrs. Branham and Graves declare that this is the most enjoyable camping trip they ever took.

Local news items in the *Salinas Weekly Index*, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1887:

Mr. Quilty has purchased Mr. McPhail's interest in Tassajara Springs and is now the sole owner of that property.

A party of Salinasites, consisting of J. H. McDougall, M. Hughes, J. B. Iverson, Frank Doud and J. S. Shermantine, took their departure last Tuesday to spend a fortnight at Tassajara Springs. That crowd will spin many a tall old yarn during the trip.

## 1888

*Salinas Weekly Index*, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The Tassajara Hot Springs are situated in the Coast Range mountains, about fifty miles south of Salinas City. There are over a dozen different springs and the water reaches the surface of the earth at a temperature of 140 to 150 degrees Fahrenheit. An analysis shows that the water contains thirty-two distinct mineral ingredients, and its remedial properties are wonderful, especially for kidney diseases, stomach troubles and rheumatism. The springs are situated in a deep, wooded canyon, and the climate itself is almost enough to cure 'all the ills that flesh is heir to.' The late Dr. C. A. Canfield forwarded some of the water to the Smithsonian Institute for analysis, and it was reported to be the richest spring then known in the United States, thirty two ingredients being found in therein.

A wagon road is completed to within three miles of the Springs, the remainder of the journey being made on foot or horseback. The accommodations are good.

From 'Altitudes of Monterey County,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1888 (all locations except the first are listed in the order that they were published):

Salinas City. . . . .	45.
Top of Carmel Grade. . . . .	1,235.
Laureles Ranch House [Carmel Valley Village]. . . . .	370.
Top of grade between Laureles and Chupines Creek. . . . .	1,013.
Chupines Creek. . . . .	.696.
Summit between Chupines Creek and Tularcitos Ranch House. . . . .	1,030.
Tularcitos Ranch House. . . . .	848.
Summit between Tularcitos and Gordon's. . . . .	1,719.
Jamesburg. . . . .	1,533.
Wheeler Cabin [Bruce Flats]. . . . .	3,690.
China Camp, head of Miller Canyon. . . . .	4,388.
Ridge beyond Miller Canyon. . . . .	4,815.
Head of canyon leading to Tassajara Springs. . . . .	2,872.
Tassajara Springs. . . . .	1,650.

Monterey County Deed Book 17: 112-113, Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

### John and Barbara McPhail to Mary Quilty, their interest in the Tassajara Hot Springs property:

This Indenture, made the ninth day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and eighty eight, between J. R. McPhail of Monterey, Monterey County, California, and Barbara McPhail, wife of the same J. R. McPhail of the same place, parties of the first part, and Mary E. Quilty of San Jose, Santa Clara County, California, party of the second part. Witnesseth: That the said parties of the first part, for and in consideration of the sum of one (\$1.00) dollar gold coin of the United States of America, to them in hand paid to the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do by these presents devise release, and forever quitclaim, unto the said party of the second part, and to her heirs and assigns, all that certain piece or parcel of land, situated in the said County of Monterey, State of California, and bounded and particularly described as follows, to wit: All the right, title, claim, interest of the party of the first part in and to the "Tassajara Springs" property and appurtenances, and particularly described as the North East quarter (1/4) of Section thirty-two (32), Township nineteen (19) South of Range Four (4) East, MDM. Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any wise appertaining, and the reversion and reversion, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof, to have and to hold all and singular the said premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, in witness whereof, the said party of first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first written above. J. R. McPhail (seal), Barbara McPhail (seal). Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of A. Westfall, State of California, County of Monterey, ss. On this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year one thousand eight hundred

and eighty-eight, before me, A. Westfall, a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County of Monterey, personally appeared J. R. McPhail, known to me to be the person described in, whose name is subscribed to and who executed the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Also, on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of January A. D. 1888, before me, A. Westfall, a Justice of the Peace in and for the said County of Monterey, personally appeared Mrs. Barbara McPhail, wife of the said J. R. McPhail, known to me to be the person described in, whose name is subscribed to and who executed the within instrument, described therein as a married woman and upon an ..?.. without the ..?.. of her husband. I made her acquainted with the contents of said instrument, and thereupon she acknowledged to me that she executed the same and that she does not wish to retract such execution. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand at my office, the day and year this certificate first above written. A. Westfall (Seal), Justice of the Peace.

Recorded at the request of C. W. Quilty, Jan. 11, 1888, at 12 min. past 4 P. M.

*Monterey Democrat*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The Tassajara Springs are situated in a deep, wooded canyon in the Santa Lucia range, about fifty miles south of Salinas City. The beneficial qualities of the water have long been known to the old settlers, and many made regular yearly trips to these springs, despite the fact that they were almost inaccessible.

Tradition says that the Indians were aware of the wonderful curative properties of these springs in early days, and used to come hundreds of miles to visit them.

Men with energy and capital have lately taken hold of them and propose to make them one of the notable health resorts of the State.

There are about twenty mineral springs, ranging in temperature from cold to scalding heat. They issue from the rocky sides of the Arroyo Seco, a mountain stream running through the canyon. An analysis of the water has been made by the Smithsonian Institute and pronounced to be of first quality, having no superior in the United States, thirty-two ingredients being found therein.

A finely graded road, fifteen miles in length, and costing over \$13, 000, has been built over a spur of the Santa Lucia Mountains and will soon be thrown open to public travel.

The Springs are only partially opened to the public, but a limited number of guests being received as yet. The proprietor, C. W. Quilty of San Jose, intends this year to build a neat hotel out of the sandstone so abundant in the neighborhood. A dam will be thrown across a narrow gorge of the large stream flowing by the springs, thus backing up water for a mile and a half, furnishing a large body of water for fishing and boating, supplying fresh mountain water under heavy pressure to the hotel, cottages and different fountains to be built on the grounds. There is also abundant water power for generating electric light for the hotel



and grounds. Steam, plunge, swimming and other baths will be erected from time to time to meet the demands of visitors. It will take some time to get things in shape as projected by the proprietor, but when finished the Tassajara Springs will be one of the finest resorts on the coast.

From the 'Personals' column, *Monterey Democrat*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

Postmaster McGarvey, who has just returned from Tassajara Springs, reports that the weather is most delightful at these famous Springs, and that trout fishing in the streams in the vicinity was never better. A splendid wagon road is finished to a point about two miles from the Springs, and it is expected to complete it for the remaining distance within the next thirty days.

From the 'Events in Society' column in the *San Jose Daily Herald*, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

C. W. Quilty departed last evening for Tassajara Springs, where he will remain for ten days.

From the 'Personals' column in the *San Jose Daily Mercury*, Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

C. W. Quilty has gone for a ten days' visit at Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1888:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

We glean the following items of general interest from a private letter received from friends of ours now sojourning at Tassajara Springs:

We left Pacific Grove at 6 o'clock a. m.—seven of us in a comfortable three-seater drawn by four good horses. We lunched at Chupines creek and reached the ranch of Jas. Lewis about 4 o'clock, where we stayed overnight and made the remaining seventeen miles the next day.

The road has been constructed to within one mile of the Springs and will be finished all the way within a month.

Board is one dollar a day at the eating house, and baths \$3 per week for each person. There are two nicely fitted up bath houses.

There is no feed for horses here and the nearest place it can be obtained is at Bruce's, 12 miles from the Springs.

Work has commenced on the stone hotel, which is expected to be completed in a year from now. They are going to blast away thirty feet of the mountain and erect cottages.

We bathe and sweat and eat and sleep. The weather is very warm, but we all feel better already and are acquiring ravenous appetites.

Mr. and Mrs. Foss from San Jose and Mrs. and Miss Snyder from Mountain View are here. They came in with J. H. McDougall who has returned to Salinas.

Mr. Quilty and wife and several other parties are expected soon.

There is no family in charge here at present—only the hired men at work on the road.

Mr. Lewis brings passengers and the mail

from Salinas, leaving there on Saturday morning and reaching the Springs on Sunday.

From the 'Events in Society' column, *San Jose Daily Herald*, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

Mr. and Mrs. Foss of San Jose are at Tassajara Springs, Monterey County.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Hollenbeck and family and Miss Lola Lowery are at Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Nominated to Win,' *San Jose Daily Herald*, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1888:

The Senatorial Convention met in the rear of the hall and nominated C. W. Quilty for Senator.

*San Jose Daily Herald*, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

## MR. QUILTY DECLINES

To the Democratic County Central Committee and to the delegates to the late Democratic County Convention—Gentlemen: I sincerely thank you and my friends for the nomination of State Senator for Santa Clara county. While I consider it a high honor to represent our great county in that exalted position, yet it is one for which I do not aspire. My business affairs demand my entire attention, and even if assured of election I would not accept the honor. Respectfully declining to accept the nomination, and tendering my thanks to you all, I am very humbly yours,

San Jose, Sept. 4, 1888. C. W. Quilty.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

The editor of the *Index* took his departure for Tassajara Springs last Saturday, to be absent two weeks.

From the 'Society Personals' column in the *San Jose Daily Herald*, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1888:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty and Miss A. Quilty of San Jose are at Seaside Home, Santa Cruz.

From the California State Mining Bureau's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Report of the State Mineralogist, Oct. 1, 1888:

## MINERAL SPRINGS

Monterey County claims to have within her boundaries some of the best medicinal springs to be found on the coast.

## THE TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The Tassajara Springs are situated in a deep canyon in the Santa Lucia Range, about fifty miles south of Salinas City. The beneficial qualities of the water have long been known to the Indians and all old settlers, and many make yearly trips to these springs, despite the fact that they are almost inaccessible. They are said to be especially beneficial for kidney diseases and stomach troubles. There are in all twenty-nine mineral springs, varying in temperature from cold to boiling heat.

A finely graded road, fifteen miles in length, has been built over a spur of the Santa Lucia Mountains, and will soon be thrown open to public travel.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

EDITORIAL VISIT TO THE FAMOUS LOCALITY—DESCRIPTION OF THE SPRINGS—INCIDENTS OF THE TRIP, ETC.

Afflicted with rheumatism and neuralgic aches and pains and feeling a need of a little rest from the never ending work of a newspaper office, we concluded to take a fortnight's vacation and spend it at Tassajara Springs, which are situated in the Coast Range mountains about fifty miles south of Salinas City. Having thus made up our mind, we found ourselves seated by the side of J. W. Lewis, the Jamesburg mail carrier, on his buckboard, and whirling out of town in a southerly direction, as the town clock struck eight on the morning of Saturday, September 8th.

Mr. Lewis drove a good span of horses and we sped merrily across the Salinas River, up the Toro and over the Carmel grade to the Laureles rancho, where the horses were watered and a lunch partaken of. Proceeding on our journey we traveled up the Carmelo, across Chupines Creek and up Tularcitos Creek over the rancho occupied by Hon. C. S. Abbott, the Shipley tract and the Blomquist range (all of which are on the Tularcitos grant), arriving about 3 o'clock p.m. at the home of Mr. Lewis, 2 miles from Jamesburg and 35 miles from Salinas. Here we were kindly greeted by Mrs. Lewis, a bright, pleasant little woman, who had a nice dinner ready, and to which we did ample justice.

The following are some of the altitudes along the route from Salinas City to the Lewis place: Salinas City, 45 feet above the level of the sea; top of Carmel grade, 1,235 feet; Laureles ranch house, 370 feet; top of grade between Laureles and Chupines Creek, 1,013 feet; Tularcitos ranch house, 848 feet; summit between Tularcitos and Gordon's, 1,719 feet; J. W. Lewis' house, 1,533 feet.

Upon arriving at the Lewis place we learned that a Democratic picnic was in progress at Jamesburg, to be followed by a dance at the residence of Post master James that night. We accepted an invitation from Mr. and Mrs. Lewis to accompany them to the dance and reached the festive scene about 8 o'clock in the evening. There we learned that Hon. Thos. Reunison, Democratic candidate for the Assembly, had made a speech at the picnic in the afternoon and taken his departure immediately afterwards, so that we did not have the pleasure of hearing him.

Although it was a Democratic affair yet quite as many Republicans as Democrats attended both picnic and dance, all alike enjoying the generous hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. James.

Most of the settlers for ten to fifteen miles around were present—married men and their wives, young men and their sweethearts, young ladies and their beaux, and everybody else. The dance took place in Mrs. James' large parlor and it was one of the jolliest and most enjoyable parties we have attended for many a day. Old Tom Hunter from the Blomquist ranch furnished the music, making his violin fairly talk as he dashed off tune after tune to which merry feet kept time. At midnight

a splendid supper, prepared by Mrs. James, was partaken of by all present with a zest super induced by the agreeable exercise and general jollity of the occasion. Dancing continued till broad daylight, when the merry dancers bade the genial host and hostess good-bye and repaired to their respective houses in the mountains.

Besides Postmaster James and his wife there were present Mr. and Mrs. I. T. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. Price, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Souza, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Finch, Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Cahoon, Mr. and Mrs. John Drake, Mr. and Mrs. Wagner, Misses Annie Dozier, Lissie Raymond, Lottie Reed, Nettie Cahoon, Minnie Souza, Della Mason, Clara and Hazel Lewis, Mary and Emma Forman, Messrs. Pike Tash, Frank Carrier, S. Lent, Paul Bryant, Manuel Souza, V. Lent, S. Cahoon, John Souza, P. Thornton, Thos. Church, Wm. Bruce, Ed Hunter, J. Newlin, Henry Bruce, Will Hunter, Jas. Dozier, J. Cahoon, Deed Lewis, Levi Cahoon, Chas. Anderson, Chas. Lander.

At 7 o'clock on Sunday morning we again took a seat beside Mr. Lewis on his buckboard and started for the Springs, fifteen miles distant. After going down the creek about two miles the road turns to the left up a wooded canyon. Here the heavy grade of the new road commences and continues all the way to the Springs, except across the flat by the Wheeler Cabin, now known as Bruce's [Bruce Flats], where considerable barley hay was raised this year. From Bruce's the wagon road runs along the divide at the head of Miller Canyon, thence over the ridge beyond and down the left [east] side of the canyon leading to the Springs. It is a good mountain road, considering the roughness of the country over which it has been built. In many places the roadway had to be blasted out of the solid rock and for long distances the lower side of the grade is supported by a perpendicular wall of loose stones constructed for that purpose.

Anthony Dourond was the Surveyor and Superintendent of Construction, and the road cost the proprietor, Mr. Quilty, the sum of \$15,000.

Mr. Lewis landed us at the Springs about noon, and we were the first passengers who went all the way thither in a wagon. Just before reaching the Springs we were signaled to halt, when half a dozen blasts were fired as a salute of welcome and to proclaim the completion of the road.

We were at once taken charge of by Aunt Maggie Lawrey and her daughter, cousin Lola, of Pacific Grove, who had then been at the Springs a month. They conducted us to their camp among the alder trees up the creek, where awaited a splendid dinner for which the morning ride over the mountains had given us an excellent appetite.

The Tassajara Springs, as above stated, are in the Santa Lucia or Coast Range Mountains, about fifty miles south of Salinas City. The Springs are 1650 feet above the level of the sea, only about 100 feet higher than the Lewis place. The altitudes of other points between the two places are as follows: Bruce's (Wheeler Cabin), 3,690 feet; China Camp, head of Miller Canyon, 4,388 feet; Ridge beyond

Miller Canyon [Black Butte Ridge], 4,815 feet; head of canyon leading to Springs [Lime Point], 2,872 feet.

The springs are about a dozen in number and are situated in a deep wooded canyon, through which flows the main branch or middle fork of the Arroyo Seco. They pour out of the rocky mountainside on the south bank of the creek and range from icy coldness to 150 degrees Fahrenheit. Some of the water was sent to the Smithsonian Institute for analysis and it was reported the richest spring then known in the United States, thirty-two ingredients being found therein, including sulphur, iron, magnesia, soda, potassium, etc. The water possesses wonderful curative properties, being especially good for rheumatism, neuralgia, kidney diseases, cutaneous affections, dyspepsia and other stomach troubles.

The climate in summer is warm, dry, balmy and delightful, just the thing for invalids in connection with the water.

At present there are only two bathing establishments—one supplied with a plunge bath and the other with a common wooden bathtub. The water is conducted to them in wooden troughs and the temperature regulated to suit.

The *modus operandi* is as follows: have the water as hot as you can stand it—say from 90° to 115°—stay in it from fifteen minutes to half an hour, drinking as much of the hot water as you can swallow in the meantime, which ought not to be less than two quarts. You will then be pretty well heated up. Now come out of the water and roll yourself up in a couple of pairs of woolen blankets and sweat for half an hour or so. The perspiration will emerge through the pores of the skin and roll off in great drops, making the blankets almost as wet as though they had been dipped in water. Rub dry and dress yourself, after which some light exercise—say a few minutes' walk—should be taken before setting down for any length of time. Repeat every day and drink plenty of the hot water. You will soon feel the beneficial effects. If the sweating process should weaken you too much, do not take it every day, but do not fail to drink plenty of the hot water.

Visitors are charged \$3 per week for bathing, camping ground and such wood as may be picked up for fuel. Plenty of driftwood can be had a short distance up the creek. Meals and beds can also be had at reasonable rates.

The Springs are owned by C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, who, now that the road is completed, will turn his attention to the improvement of the property. Material is now being prepared for a large stone hotel, it being Mr. Quilty's intention to have the building ready for the accommodation of guests next season. It will be situated at the junction of the canyon, down which the road runs, and the creek. Half a dozen additional plunge baths will be constructed and as many smaller bathhouses. Cottages will be erected along the base of the hill on the north side of the stream opposite the springs, and stables will be built on the flat a short distance above. Mr. Quilty also proposes to light up the hotel and grounds with electricity to be generated by waterpower. An abundance of excellent lime rock can be had along the road a short distance from the Springs and a kiln is now being constructed to

burn it for building purposes.

Mr. Quilty resides in San Jose and pays only occasional visits to the Springs. His superintendent of work and general charge d'affaires is Anthony Dourond, who is evidently the right man in the right place, being wide awake, courteous and accommodating. He is an accomplished hunter and fisherman and, in season, keeps the camp supplied with venison and trout. It is no uncommon thing for him to go out and kill one or two deer before breakfast, and he brings in many a basketful of trout.

Quite a number of visitors came away from the Springs just before we went in. The following named were present while we were there: Mrs. Lawrey and Miss Lola Lawrey, of Pacific Grove; Wm. Bardin and H. Cosseboom, Blanco; Wm. Clark, Salinas; Mr. Cain, San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. Chew and two sons, Miller's Canyon; Miss Frese, Cachagua. The resident population were "Tonie" the boss, Jim Allison the stone cutter, a woodchopper and an Italian cook.

The days were devoted to bathing, eating, reading and taking strolls; the evenings to card playing and storytelling; the nights to sound, sweet sleep. Mrs. Lawrey told stories of pioneer days, she having come across the plains to California in 1846; Bardin related bear stories; while Chew and Hill regaled the crowd with Indian stories.

The first literary entertainment ever given at Tassajara Hot Springs took place in the hotel dining room on Wednesday evening, Sept. 19th, on which occasion the editor of the *Index* gave a short lecture descriptive of Mount Vernon, the old home of Washington, as he saw it during a visit there five years ago; also a poetic medley entitled "Pearls at Random Strung."

A cunning old raccoon made himself familiarly troublesome to some of the campers. One night he uncovered a can containing two dozen eggs belonging to Mrs. Lawrey and sucked every one of them. Returning the next night he was greeted with a shot, which awoke neighboring campers who looked out of their tents and laughed at the strange sight of a woman in white with a candle and a man in white with a pistol gliding about like ghosts hunting for that coon. But they didn't find him. An ineffectual attempt was made to snare him, and when it came our turn to "stand guard," we watched for him with a shotgun, but the sly old coon took the hint and didn't come back any more.

The most terrific storm of thunder and lightning that we have ever experienced on the Pacific Coast took place in the Tassajara mountains on the night of Friday, Sept. 14th. It was a scene of indescribable grandeur and bewildering in its sublimity. It seemed as if vast armies were stationed on the surrounding peaks and engaged in a tremendous mortal conflict. The moon rode high in the heavens. Black, threatening storm clouds gathered and hung on the summits of the mountains while far above the struggling tempest the moon cast her rays through the tossing clouds and fringed them with a silver lining. The sky became rapidly overcast and soon inky darkness prevailed. The lightning's erratic flash darted from peak to peak and at times made the deep, dark canyon at the Springs as light as day; while

the thunder, at first resembling the rattling discharge of a vast line of musketry, suddenly deepened into the tremendous boom and roar of heavy artillery which reverberated through the canyons and gorges and echoed from peak to peak until lost in the distance. A momentary hush, then another blinding flash of light, with the rattle and bang and roar and crash of thunder repeated until the earth would tremble as though, in the titanic struggle, the frenzied combatants were hurling mighty rocks at each other down the mountain side. The never-to-be-forgotten scene was the very sublimity of moral and material grandeur—a panorama that God alone could have fashioned. At length the lightning and the thunder ceased and the rain, which seemed thus far to have been spell-bound, fell in torrents.

The next morning the sun came out bright and warm; the air fresh and the sky seemed of a deeper blue. All nature was refreshed and everything was lovely again.

Mr. Lewis landed us at home safe and sound on the afternoon of Friday, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, and we are happy to state that we parted company with our aches and pains at the Springs.

#### General Notes

There are plenty of deer in the neighborhood of Tassajara Springs, but no quail to speak of.

Henry Cosseboom planted a flag on the rock-crowned summit of the high mountain immediately northeast of the Springs Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>. It was a hard climb and he says he would not do it again for \$200. Mrs. J. H. McDougall put up a flag on the same spot in 1879.

A magnificent view of the ocean can be had from the ridge beyond Miller's Canyon.

Persons subject to being affected by poison

oak should be very careful, as it is one of the annoyances at the Springs and abounds along the road all the way in.

Wm. Clark held a pistol to Jim Lewis' ear as a gentle reminder to be careful in driving down the steep grade to the Springs. Clark had a dream which caused him to return home a week sooner than he intended.

They call the hot water 'granite wine.' When seasoned with pepper and salt and a little butter, it tastes very much like chicken soup.

A species of small fly or gnat is troublesome at the Springs in the daytime, but ceases to annoy at nightfall. Numerous 'yellow jackets' are also on hand at mealtime. There are neither mosquitoes nor anything else to bother at night.

There is a band of wild goats on the mountains in the vicinity of the Springs—the progeny of some that Wm. Hart took out there in 1879.

They have a little garden along the creek near the bathhouses. It is about 30 x 100 feet and produces large quantities of melons, corn, onions, carrots, red peppers, tomatoes, etc. Hot water is used for irrigation, and melons of the second crop have been ripe for a month past.

The Tularcitos and Cachagua region is destined to be a fine fruit country. Peaches, apples and pears grow splendidly at Finch's and Cahoon's above Jamesburg, at Frese's on the Cachagua and at Chew's in Miller Canyon.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lewis have a cozy home adjoining the Blomquist place about fifteen miles this side of Tassajara. Apple, peach and other fruit trees set out last spring are thriving nicely and grape cuttings show a healthy growth without irrigation. Mrs. Lewis raises

chickens, turkeys and geese. She is an excellent shot, and the hawk or coyote that comes within range of her gun is out of luck.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Lewis (parents of J. W.) have a nice cottage, a young vineyard, etc., about two miles down the creek, near where the road starts up the mountain towards the Springs.

One of the springs is strongly impregnated with arsenic, and the lady visitors wash their faces in the water to improve their complexions.

Jim Lewis has dispensed with his old buckboard and put a new spring passenger wagon on the route from Salinas to Tassajara.

Large numbers of the mescal [yucca] plants, a species of cactus, grow on the mountain slopes around the Springs. It sends up a stalk 12 to 15 feet high, with stout branches growing around it filled with beautiful creamy white flowers richly fragrant.

A large number of settlers have located in the mountains during the past few years and many of them now have comfortable homes.

Mr. Quilty has swung numerous hammocks to the trees on the campground for the benefit of visitors to the Springs.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Weekly Index*, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1888:

Anthony Dourond, Superintendent at Tassajara Springs, and Jim Allison, stonemason, came in with the mail carrier Lewis last Friday, and went to San Jose the next day.

From the 'Events in Society' column, *San Jose Daily Herald*, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1888:

C. W. Quilty is at Tassajara Springs.



A wagon passing along the Black Butte summit en route to Tassajara. Photograph courtesy of the Mayo Hayes O'Donnell Library.

## 1889 to 1891, THE PROPRIETORSHIP OF ANTHONY (TONY) DOUROND; p. 22.

Mr. Dourond's first name is memorialized in the Tassajara region for two passages that he was responsible or partly responsible for their construction. The name Tony's Trail is still in common use, but now it is most often referred to at the Tony Trail. The other is Tony's Boulevard, which was in common use for decades after he was "The surveyor and superintendent of construction" of it in 1888 (see 'Tassajara Springs,' Oct. 4, 1888). This is the downward grade of Tassajara Road between the Black Butte summit and the hot springs.

Due to the large amount of newspaper literature that testifies to his long association with Tassajara, in combination with the very uniqueness of his last name and the place of his birth, which makes database searches both easy and certain, much is known about the life of Anthony Dourond.

The U. S. censuses of 1910, 1920, 1930 and 1940 are all in agreement in that Anthony Dourond was the son of a French father and a Polynesian mother, and who was born in Hawaii, but the date of his birth in these documents varies from being in 1854 or 1855.

Nothing is known about the first 30 years of Tony's life, but he must have been educated in the American missionary schools that are so prominent in the history of the Hawaiian Islands, for he was fluent in his use of the English language. According to the census 1910, his native tongue was English.

By about the age of 31 Mr. Dourond had become a resident of the Santa Lucia Mountains of Monterey County, for in August of 1886 he purchased a patent to 120 acres of California State School land on the coastal slope of the South Coast Ridge above Pacific Valley.

Unless Tony held a preemptive claim to this property for an extended period of time before he purchased it, this part of his life was short, for by 1888 he had become "The surveyor and superintendent of construction" of Tassajara Road."

After the road was completed, Mr. Dourond remained at Tassajara and served as its manager, a position that he held for three years (in January of 1890 Tony formally leased the resort from Charles Quilty). In the last year of his management of Tassajara, On June 22<sup>nd</sup> of 1891, Tony purchased a patent to 162 acres of federal land in the Gabilan Mountains in northwestern San Benito County, in section 14 of Township 14 South Range 5 East.

On February 25<sup>th</sup>, 1892, it was reported in the *Salinas Daily Journal* that "A. Dourond, the popular manager for the past two years of the Tassajara Hot Springs, has turned over the property to his successor and came in yesterday, leaving today for his old home in San Jose." Tony frequently returned to Tassajara over the next fifteen years, and during this time he acted as the caretaker of the resort at least twice.

Tony was again at Tassajara during the summer of 1893, for on August 25<sup>th</sup> of that year it was reported in the *Salinas Daily Journal* that "Tony Dourond came in from Tassajara Springs yesterday on his way to San Jose." On this occasion he had the opportunity of checking out the newly completed hotel.

On August 13<sup>th</sup> of 1895 Tony became a citizen of the United States, and Charles Quilty was one of his witnesses as to how long he had resided in the U. S., and in that time had "behaved as a man of good moral character."

According to a Santa Clara County voter register, Tony registered to vote on July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1896, and this document described him as being 40 years old, five feet six inches tall, and with a dark complexion, brown eyes and black hair.

On June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1897, Tony passed through Salinas on his way to Tassajara, and in a Jamesburg news column in the June 29<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Salinas Daily Journal*, it was stated that "A. Dourond of San Jose, a former manager of Tassajara Springs, came up Tuesday and went to Tassajara to see the improvements that have been made since he was there."

By July 20<sup>th</sup> of 1897 Tony had begun work on his namesake trail, for in a Jamesburg news column that was published in the July 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of the *Salinas Daily Journal*, it was stated that "A. Dourond has taken a contract of C. W. Quilty to build a trail from Tassajara to Lost Valley, and has already commenced." It appears that Tony only performed preliminary work on the Trail in 1897, for it October of that year it was reported in a Jamesburg news column that "A. Dourond has gone to San Jose, after spending several months at Tassajara."

Tony returned to Tassajara in late March of 1898, and by May of that year the trail had been made passable all the way to Willow Creek, for it was reported in the 'Personal & Social' column of the May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1898

edition of the *Salinas Daily Index* that Eugene Jeffery of the Jeffery House "was one of the first to go over Tony's new trail to Willow Creek." Tony remained at Tassajara during the winter of 1898-1899, when he was the resident caretaker, and it appears that the trail was not finally completed until July of 1898, when it started to become frequently mentioned Tassajara new items.

On July 16, 1898, two long articles appeared in the *Salinas Daily Index* that described an outing that fourteen people took to Willow Creek and back via Tony's Trail. One of these, 'A Tassajara Picnic,' stated that:

As some of the guests are about to depart for their homes it was suggested that a picnic would be an appropriate event as a farewell act; so 'Tony' Dourond was chosen as guide and general factotum, and no better selection could possibly have been made. Tony has long been a resident of these mountains, and is familiar with every rock and tree, brook and trail within a radius of many miles. Fourteen of us put our lives in Tony's hands with a beautiful faith that the day's arrangements would be a perfect success.

The other article, 'Tassajara Notes,' described this outing in a light-headed poem. Three days later a 'Tassajara Notes' column in *Salinas Daily Index* included the following paragraph:

In consideration of the fact that Mr. Dourond has been instrumental in providing for the comfort of the guests in many ways, including the famous picnic at which he had his watch torn from his pocket by the bushes and lost, the party assembled last evening and presented him with a new one, which Mr. Barlow, the accommodating stage driver, had been instructed to purchase in Salinas. The presentation was quite a formal affair, Professor Sterling reading the Tassajara articles from the *Index* in an impressive manner just before tendering the gift. Tony was visibly affected, and accepted the compliment in a neat speech.

On August 22<sup>nd</sup> of that year it was reported that:

Tony Dourond received a handsome present of a new Winchester rifle from the boys with whom he hunted recently. He petted the present until about midnight, when he could wait no longer, and with gun in hand and deer in mind he was heard creeping up the trail (see Aug. 22, 1899).

A Jamesburg news column in the January 31<sup>st</sup> edition of the *Salinas Daily Index* stated that "A. Dourond has gone to San Jose to remain."

Tony was at Tassajara during the summer of 1905, and in late summer of 1906 he again returned to Tassajara to serve as the winter caretaker. That was a severe winter, and massive flooding took place in Monterey County and elsewhere in California. In January of 1907 it was estimated that the snow on Chew's Ridge was nine feet deep, and month later it was reported in a Jamesburg news column that "T. Call of Tularcitos went to Tassajara Springs Sunday, and reports that there is one and half feet of snow on Chew's Ridge yet, and found Tony Dourond well and hearty, and glad to see him."

In 1908 Tony served as an election officer in San Jose, and by 1910 he had moved to the Sierra Nevada in Tuolumne County. According to the census of 1910, Tony was a 56 year old lodger in a rural region of Tuolumne County who was employed at an electric power plant. It is possible that Tony was once again an employee of Charles Quilty, for in the September 2, 1905 edition of *Electrical World and Engineer*, it was reported that "H. Hersey is president and C. W. Quilty manager" of the Tuolumne Electrical Company.

By 1914 Tony had returned to Santa Clara County, for in a Santa Clara County precinct register, he was listed as a San Jose laborer who resided at 26 South River Street. In a 1915 directory he was listed as a laborer at Alum Rock Park, and in a 1916 directory he was listed as a laborer for the Park Department. A 1917 directory listed Tony as a San Jose laborer who resided at 109 San Augustine St.

In June of 1917 Tony leased Lick Observatory land on Mount Hamilton from the University of California. His lease stipulated that he was to "Use the lands for grazing only, excluding sheep and hog grazing, and no timber or wood to be cut, the lessee to comply with all federal, state, or county requirements concerning the extermination of ground squirrels" ('Annual Report of the President of the University, 1916-1917,' in the *University of California Bulletin*, third series, vol. 11, pt. 6, page 283, December, 1917). In 1922 Tony renewed his lease of the Lick Observatory land for a three year period beginning on May

21<sup>st</sup> of that year (*U. C. Annual Report, 1922-1923*).

The 1919 Polk-Husted directory for San Jose and Santa Clara County listed Anthony Dourond as a laborer who resided in the Mount Hamilton district, and the U. S. census of 1920 listed Tony as a 65 year old self employed stock farmer who rented his home on Mount Hamilton Road.

In about 1929 Tony paid a visit to an old acquaintance in Watsonville, for in an article that was published in the *Watsonville Morning Sun* (see Feb. 18, 1939) Gil Cano was quoted as saying "Mr. Quilty had a man named Tony, a Kanaka [Hawaiian], in charge of the Springs. About 10 years ago a man came to my home in Pajaro and asked if I were Gil Cano. I said yes, he grabbed my hand and said he was Tony. I couldn't remember him, and he asked me if I didn't remember Tony who ran Tassajara for Quilty when I drove the stage there from Salinas. Tony went to San Jose from here and I have not heard from him since."

The U. S. census of 1930 listed Tony as a 76 year old single head of household who lived on Mount Hamilton Road, who owned a radio, and who was a laborer who was engaged in "county work." I suspect that Tony's occupation at that time was the maintenance of Mount Hamilton Road.

Tony was not listed in San Jose and Santa Clara County directories beyond 1934, but in 1938 he was listed in a Santa Clara County voter precinct register as being a retired person whose address was Route 3, box 68, Los Gatos.

Tony appears to have been a victim to dementia or Alzheimer's disease in his final years, for in the U. S. census of 1940 he was listed as an 85 year old patient at Agnews State Hospital for the Insane. According to his California State death record, Tony died in Santa Clara County, at the age of 86, on December 8, 1941.

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From 'Jamesburg Items,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

Antone Dourond has returned to Tassajara from San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Items,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1889, datelined Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1889:

Tonie Dourond of the Tassajara Hot Springs went to San Jose last week.

From 'Jamesburg Items,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

William Bruce went to Salinas this week after a load of provisions and materials for the Springs Co.

Anthony Dourond has commenced clearing out and repairing the road to the Tassajara Springs. People will be able to go in by wagon in another month.

From *Monterey County Illustrated, Resources, History, Biography*, by E. S. Harrison, early April, 1889:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

California is a land of wonders. Her mineral springs alone would make her famous. First among these, and equal to any in the world, it is said, are the remarkable hot and mineral springs in Monterey County called the Tassajara Hot Springs, a cut of which will be found on the cover of the pamphlet edition of this book. These springs were held in high esteem by the Indian tribes, by their Spanish successors, and our people of today who have seen them say that they surpass anything of their kind.

They are situated about thirty-five or forty miles south of Salinas and Monterey. The proprietor of the Springs, Mr. C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, has constructed a road of fifteen miles at a cost of about \$15,000, and opened the Springs to the world. He did this without any assistance whatever from the supervisors of the county or people along the road, and has thrown it open to the public. The Board of Supervisors ordered the opening a road connecting with his up the beautiful Carmel and Cachagua Creek. This will be a picturesque, fine-graded and substantial road, and will shorten the distance to the Springs about five miles, besides opening up a fine country, peopled with many thrifty and prosperous farmers.

The drive from the Hot Springs from Salinas or Monterey cannot be surpassed. The journey up the Carmel River, by the sparkling waters which now supply the great system of water

works for Pacific Grove, Monterey and the Del Monte, presents a change of scene at every rod of road. The road winds through the Laureles Ranch, comprising thousands of acres of gently undulating fields, studded with evergreen oaks. This ranch is owned by Southern Pacific Railroad Company.

Leaving the Laureles, the road passes through the Tularcitos Rancho, now controlled by the Hon. C. S. Abbott. Here also one finds a succession of valleys opening one into the other for miles and crossed here and there with mountain streams, flowing, some into small lakes, others finding their way to the noble Carmel.

At the Gordon place, on the Tularcitos Rancho, is the first of the new road built by the present proprietor and his former partner, J. R. McPhail, Esq., now of Monterey. It was a great undertaking by private individuals, as the road passes over a spur of the Santa Lucia Mountains at an altitude of 4,500 feet. It is well graded and surveyed and for miles is blasted out of solid rock and cut through forest of madrone, cedar, pine and valparaiso oak trees, the home of deer, mountain quail, and thousands of wild pigeons. The scenery on this road cannot be excelled. Southward rise the Santa Lucia Mountains, now famous for the Los Burros gold mines; eastward lies the great Salinas Valley, yellow with the light reflected from ripening grain; westward, and as though at your feet, thunders the Pacific Ocean against the roughest coast of the whole California seaboard, and northward rests the bay of Monterey, blue in the distance, and bordered with a crescent of white sandy beach stretching far north to Santa Cruz.

The road now descends into the great canyon where the Tassajara Hot Springs are located. It winds downward through great masses of granite, then through snowy limestone, and finally through immense layers of sandstone piled in regular order one on another and ranging from one to twenty feet in thickness. A neat hotel is now being built of this sandstone.

Here flow the swift waters of the Arroyo Seco. On its southern bank, bursting from their rocky prisons, are the Tassajara Hot Springs. They issue from the mountainside at a height of six feet, their thermal waters falling into the cold stream of the Arroyo Seco. There are about eighteen springs. Some of them spout out great quantities of hot water; from others it wells up in large bubbles, and, flowing down the rocks, leaves many varicolored deposits of iron, sulphur, lime, magnesia, soda, etc. Some large hot springs rise in the center of the creek,

warming its waters. Fifteen feet away are several cold springs of pure and agreeable tasting water, also a large spring red with the oxide of iron. The temperature of the springs ranges from icy coldness to a boiling heat. These springs are a sure cure for rheumatism and for all blood, kidney and cutaneous diseases. The results are equally wonderful in dyspeptic, liver, and stomach troubles. The climate is faultless, being mild and dry, fog being unknown.

New baths are being added and a fine stone hotel built. The immense water-power of the Arroyo Seco will be used in lighting the hotel and grounds with electricity and running small cold storage rooms. These springs and grounds, with all the facilities of the place, water, baths, towels, etc., are open to campers at \$3.00 a week each, a reduction being made to families. Boarders will be accommodated at the hotel at \$10 a week.

From 'Personals,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

Dr. J. T. Enos, who is at the Tassajara Hot Springs, is reported as recovering rapidly.

From 'Personals,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1889:

The latest news from Tassajara is to the effect that Mr. and Mrs. George Hunter, who have been there for the past three weeks, are improving in health each day.

Hon. H. S. Ball and wife started Thursday morning for Tassajara Springs, where it is hoped Mr. Ball, who has been a little under the weather of late, will soon recuperate.

J. A. Weber took a trip to the Tassajara Springs Thursday 23d ult. Mrs. Dr. Enos accompanied him to join her husband, who has been at the Springs for the last month. We are glad to report that the doctor's health has greatly improved since going to these famous springs.

From 'Personals,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

Hon. H. S. Ball and wife returned Tuesday after a two weeks stay at Tassajara Springs. They are both feeling much improved by their stay at the Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. James H. McDougall and their sons, Edgar and Charles, and Jimmy Hughes and Alfred Bardin, left Thursday morning for Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

Dr. J. T. Enos returned home from Tassajara Monday, where he had been for five weeks. While there they pressed him into service as a cook. He is almost well of his rheumatism, and speaks highly of the waters of Tassajara.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1889  
(6/15 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

Mr. and Mrs. George Hunter returned Monday from a five week's sojourn at Tassajara Springs. They speak in the highest terms of the good treatment accorded visitors at these famous springs.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

## LETTER FROM TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA, June 18, 1889.—Editor *Index*: After a drive of a day and a half, we arrived safe and sound at the Springs. The first thing we did was to fill up with Tassajara Hot Spring water, which, in my opinion, is the best and most delightful beverage for man, woman and child ever invented. We then pitched our tents and commenced camp life. On Saturday we took a hot bath—hot, and make no mistake!

Following are the names of persons boarding and camping here at present: Mr. Icanberry, E. Archer, Mr. Monroe, James Hughes, Mr. McIntire, Miss McBride, Alfred Bardin, J. H. McDougall and wife, Edgar and Charlie McDougall, Rev. Geo. McCormick, wife and daughter, Mr. Mitchell from Pacific Grove, and R. H. Willey, Nelson Little, A. Sanchez and Charlie Rodriguez from Monterey. All are enjoying themselves splendidly.

Board per week at the hotel is \$10, and campers are charged \$3 per week for camping grounds, baths, etc.

James Lewis leaves Salinas every Saturday morning at 7:30 o'clock, and brings passengers for \$5 each, furnishing them with supper, bed and breakfast at his place for free, which is a very moderate charge. Passengers may feel quite safe with him, as he has a good team and is a careful driver.

Rev. Geo. McCormick preached last Sunday to a mixed congregation of eighteen persons, saying nothing about the boss, the hired help or the Chinese cook.

The McDougall, Hughes and Bardin boys went fishing last Monday, and brought back to camp 70 fine trout.

Messrs. Little, Willey and Rodriguez start back to Monterey today.

The weather is fine, with a nice cool breeze every afternoon. Mc.

*Monterey Weekly Cypress*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1889:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

### WHAT THREE MONTEREYANS SAW THERE

On Monday, June 10<sup>th</sup>, our party, composed of N. I. Little, R. H. Willey, Adolfo Sanchez and C. H. Rodriguez, started from Monterey on a trip to Tassajara Springs, which place we reached on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 5 p.m.

On ascending the Carmel hill our first trouble began—one of the whiffletrees broke, which compelled us to send to town for an-

other wagon; after waiting for one hour and a half a fresh wagon was secured—again we repacked our blankets, cooking utensils, provisions, rifles, shotguns, munitions of war, fishing rods, etc... and resumed our journey. It was very lucky our wagon broke down so close to town, had it happened on some other place along our route perhaps we would not have been enabled to reach camp at all.

On our first day out we camped at the Tularcitos Ranch, turned our horses in a small field with permission of the owner, and after partaking of a hearty supper, rolled in our blankets, intending to start early at 5 a. m. the next morning. All were up in time; we went after our horses, but there were no horses to be found, they were gone, and our disappointment and indignation knew no bounds. What had happened to them? It would have been a study to have seen Little and Willey's faces just at this moment. We held a consultation and decided to take immediate steps in the matter; we very soon found out that our horses had been turned out early in the morning through mistake; they having been taken for stray horses. Matters were soon righted, our horses brought back to us, [and] again we hitched up and at 9 a. m. we started for our destination.

At 11 a. m. we reached the foot of the grade that takes you over a crooked and narrow road for a distance of fourteen miles over rough and rugged mountains, until you reach the Springs. After lunch we started; the scenery is grand, from the top of the grade you can easily and plainly see a part of the Salinas Valley and on all sides as far as the eye reaches, you can see nothing but rugged hills and mountains. Little did we dream that part of the road we were about to travel was of such nature as it was; for a mountain it is very good, but it is so warm, and water so scarce that unless you take advantage of an early start in the morning, your horses are liable to peter out before get to the top of the grade. Three of our party, however, proved to be fair mountain pedestrians—[we] walked all the way up the grade, thus greatly relieving our horses. From the top of the grade to the Springs, the road is hardly wide enough and the turns are so short, and the descent so steep that you have to have a good and gentle pair of horses, besides a good driver and good brakes on your wagon, otherwise the least misstep will send team and occupants a thousand feet below. This part of the road ought by all means be made wider for the safety of parties contemplating going to the Springs.

#### In Camp

We reached camp—or rather the Springs—at 5 p. m., and the first one to greet us and give us a hearty shake was Mr. Moses Mitchell, formerly messenger for Wells Fargo & Co., who kindly gave us the free use of his cooking stove for our evening meal. Too much praise cannot be given to Mr. Mitchell for the kindness shown us, he even at times went out of his way to minister to our wants. Four years ago he went to the Springs an invalid—being partly paralyzed, the result of an accident received on the railroad, and although not entirely recovered, he is very much improved; he climbs the hills like a mountain goat, and proposes to stay at the Springs until fully

recovered, which will eventually come in time. We left one of our party, Adolfo Sanchez, in his charge. Adolfo could wish for no better companion to cheer him up, in fact he couldn't find another person that would minister to his wants like Mose, for certainly Moses Mitchell is the guardian Angel, yes, the good Samaritan of the Tassajara Springs. In four days at the Springs we could easily see the marked change for the better Adolfo had; we advised him by all means to remain longer, which he gladly consented to do, and notwithstanding, we very much regretted to part with his company—still it was for the better, for the benefit of his health.

On 13<sup>th</sup> Mr. James McDougall and family, from Salinas, camped along side of us. He of course brought his fiddle along with him and kept camp lively [by] discoursing occasionally sweet melodies, such as Arkansas Traveler, Yankee Doodle, Rock Me Bye Baby, etc. On the 12<sup>th</sup> Rev. Geo. McCormick, wife and daughter of Salinas, also pitched camp in our midst; he went to the Springs for the benefit of his wife's health.

Our camp was pitched on the edge of the Tassajara Creek, where a stream of fresh mountain water flows. Right on the edge of this creek, and directly opposite our camp, are the sulphur springs, from one of which is supplied the plunge baths and tub baths; there is also an iron spring that comes from the ground, the water of which is as cold as ice [on] the warmest day that a person can experience at the springs. The waters of the sulphur spring are boiling hot and have to be cooled considerably for bathing purposes. The water is also very handy for camping parties, and serves for washing dishes and clothes.

During the time we were in camp our smoking tobacco got pretty dry; Willey suggested that putting a small piece of potato in the tobacco would moisten it. Little agreed with him, and said that was not the only good quality of the potato—he said that if you were afflicted with rheumatism all you would have to do was to take a piece of potato, put it in your pocket, and that in time it would become petrified, and as long as you packed the same petrified potato about your person, you would never be troubled with rheumatism; his version of the potato took the camp by storm.

On Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, Rev. Geo. McCormick held Divine services at the hotel, this being the first time Divine service had ever been held at the Springs—the meeting was well attended. Among those present were: James McDougall and family, Mr. Archer and wife, Mr. McIntyre, Mrs. McCormick and daughter, Salinas—N. I. Little, R. H. Willey, Adolfo Sanchez and C. H. Rodriguez, Monterey; several others, in all twenty three.

On Tuesday June 18<sup>th</sup>, at 5 a. m. we left camp, bidding good-bye to all in camp who were up; we all shook hands with Adolfo and wished him a speedy recovery. Mr. Mitchell accompanied us to the top of the hill, with whom all shook hands, and at the last words he said were: "I will take Adolfo hale and hearty into Monterey." We arrived in Monterey last Tuesday, feeling greatly improved from having taken the sulphur baths at the Springs.

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*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1889  
(also 6/22 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

From Sam Logwood, who is in town, we learn that things were never before so lively at Tassajara Springs, which are having a big run. The new road renders access to the Springs easy, and the number of visitors there attests the popularity of its waters.

From 'Personals,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*,  
June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1889:

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Adcock left Wednesday for a few weeks recreation at Tassajara Springs. They went fully equipped with camping outfit and cooking utensils and will remain six or eight weeks, in the hope that Mrs. Adcock, who has been ailing for some time, may be benefited thereby.

Hugh Graves and family went over to Tassajara Springs Thursday. Mr. Graves is very much used up with rheumatism and goes to try the efficacy of the Tassajara waters, which are so justly famed for the cure of rheumatic troubles.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1889 (also in the  
6/29/1889 *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

### AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Private advices from Tassajara Springs bring the gratifying news that the many Salinasites there are getting along finely. Rev. Geo. McCormick is improving slowly and expects to remain until the 10<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup> of next month. Mrs. Adcock stood the trip to the Springs well considering her enfeebled condition, and up to the time of our information was getting better. Elisha Archer is reported doing as well as could be hoped for, and McIntyre is gaining in both strength and appetite. All other parties at the Springs are as well as could be expected and are pleased with the accommodations afforded.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

A. Dourond, manager of the Tassajara Hot Springs for C. W. Quilty, came into Salinas Friday. He reports the weather fine, and the Salinasites at the Springs nearly all getting along nicely.

From 'Personals,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*,  
July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Adcock returned Thursday from a three week's sojourn at Tassajara Springs. We are sorry to report that Mrs. Adcock, who improved for a brief spell while at the Springs, is not at all benefitted by the trip.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1889  
(also 7/27 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

News was received from Tassajara Monday that Hugh Graves is very badly off at the Springs, and Dr. Richmond left next day to attend to him.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, August 8<sup>th</sup>, 1889  
(8/10 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

A. Dourond, manager of Tassajara Springs, was in Salinas yesterday.

From 'Personals,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*,  
Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

Hugh Graves returned from Tassajara Hot Springs Saturday slightly improved, but still very much under the weather.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of the Tassajara Hot Springs, arrived in town last evening from San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

M. J. Frese, proprietor of the Capital Hotel in this place, returned yesterday from Tassajara Springs, where he was staying for some time. He returns feeling much benefited.

From 'Local Brevities,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*,  
Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1889:

C. W. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Springs, and T. Creighton of San Francisco, went out to the Springs Saturday to spend a week.

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*Salinas Daily Journal*, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1890:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

C. W. Quilty has leased the Tassajara Hot Springs to Anthony Dourond, the former manager of the place, whom so many of our people know as an obliging and accommodating host. Many new improvements have been made during the past season, principally the building of two plunge baths and eight small bath rooms and baths. The new proprietor's well known disposition and determination to please, is a sufficient guarantee to guests and campers at the Springs, that nothing will be left undone that can conduce to their accommodation and comfort.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1890:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, owner of Tassajara Springs, arrived in Salinas last evening, and will leave today for a couple of week's fishing and hunting in the vicinity of the Springs.

From the 'Personalities' column, *San Jose Daily Mercury*,  
May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1890:

Charles W. Quilty is rustivating at Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1890:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose passed through Salinas last Saturday on his way to Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1890:

A. Dourond is in from Tassajara Springs this week, purchasing supplies for his hotel. The road to the Springs is now in good shape for travel. New baths have been constructed, and the bathing arrangements are much more convenient than heretofore. The hotel is in charge of Mrs. R. H. Lewis and daughter, who know how to minister to guests. See advertisement in today's *Index*.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1890:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

#### A. DOUROND, Proprietor.

This famous health resort is now open for the season.

The road has been thoroughly repaired and is in excellent condition.

#### NEW BATHS, NEW ROOMS

And other improvements.

#### MRS. R. H. LEWIS & DAUGHTER

Have charge of the Hotel, and will spare no pains to promote the comfort and pleasure of guests

#### THE TABLES

Will be supplied with the best that can be obtained, including game and fish.

#### HOW TO GET THERE

Stage leaves Salinas at 8 a. m. every Saturday, stays overnight at Jamesburg and arrives at the Springs Sunday noon.

Returning—Leaves the Springs Thursday, stays overnight at Jamesburg and arrives in Salinas Friday afternoon.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1890:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, owner of Tassajara Springs, came down to Salinas last evening and leaves for the Springs today.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1890:

J. H. McDougall and Sam Westlake have returned from Tassajara Springs. James McDougall, Sr., remained at the Springs and will try the efficacy of the waters a little while longer, as he has been feeling rather poorly of late.

From the 'Personalities' column, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1890:

John H. Yoell and C. W. Quilty returned last evening from a two week's visit at Tassajara Warm Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1890:

Tony Dourond, the genial landlord of the Tassajara Springs, called at our office yesterday. He has made new arrangements by which persons wishing to visit the Springs can do so much more conveniently than heretofore and at a much less cost. Look out for ad in Tuesday's *Journal*.

"Uncle Mac," James McDougall Sr., returned yesterday from Tassajara Springs, where he had been for his health. He comes back feeling as fine and frisky as a young colt. He declares the waters there the finest in the State, and the table good enough for a king.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup> to Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1890:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

#### A. DOUROND, Prop.

This famous health resort is now open for the season.

The road has been thoroughly repaired and is in excellent condition.

**NEW BATHS,  
NEW ROOMS**

And other improvements.

**EXPERIENCED LADIES**

Are in charge of the hotel, and will spare no pains to promote the comfort and pleasure of guests.

**THE TABLES**

Will be supplied with the best that can be obtained, including game and fish.

**HOW TO GET THERE**

Stage leaves the stable of C. N. Schoonover in Salinas at 8 a. m. every Friday; stays overnight at Jamesburg and arrives at the Springs Saturday noon.

Leaving—Leaves Springs Friday; stays overnight at Jamesburg and arrives in Salinas Saturday in time for train.

Stage fare \$3.50, round trip \$7.00.

Board per week \$10.00; Campers, with privilege of Baths, per week \$3.00.

*Salinas Weekly Index, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1890:*

Tony Dourond, who is now the proprietor of the place Ponce de Leon lost his life in hunting, was in town Saturday. He knows he has the fountain of perpetual youth, warranted to restore youth and beauty, and has been wrestling with the problem of how to get those in search of these desirable commodities to his place. He thinks he has now perfected arrangements by which people with attenuated bank accounts may enjoy the rejuvenating influences of Tassajara Springs.

"Uncle Mac," James McDougall, who has been sporting with the "fountain of youth" at Tassajara Springs for the past three weeks, got home Friday. He is enthusiastic over the waters and the accommodations.

*Salinas Weekly Index, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup> to Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1890:*

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

**A. DOUROND, Prop.**

This famous health resort is now open for the season.

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Campers, with privilege of baths . . . \$3.00

*Salinas Daily Journal, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1890:*

**TASSAJARA LETTER**

**A JOLLY CROWD OF SALINASITES  
HUGELY ENJOYING THEMSELVES**

TASSAJARA, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1890.—After a pleasant trip of one and a half days we arrived at this beautiful place on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> inst., at noon. On the way out, William Schmechel, our popular merchant tailor was fortunate enough to bag two and a half dozen doves, so we were amply provided with sufficient game to make a first class stew for which our friend J. Webster has made himself famous.

Mr. Davis of San Jose caught a trout which measured eighteen and a half inches, while Miss Hawkins caught one which measured fifteen inches.

Friend Mable is quartered in a tent where he enjoys himself to his heart's content.

Miss Ethel Webster has also taken to fishing and is a success.

Our host "Tony" has just come in from hunting and he brought in two large bucks.

M. O. Meyers has caught more fish than any of the party who are now here.

Schmechel has learned to play 'freeze out,' and last night he held 5 sevens against 3 aces. How he got them 'tis hard to explain.

Mable says his clothes are getting too small for him, and how can one wonder when the inner man is so well provided for?

The accommodations here are first-class and the time is not far distant when Tassajara will be the leading spring in the West.

Our party are all well enjoying themselves. The weather is quite warm, but not uncomfortable.

Another discovery has been made here. It is a complexion spring, and if any of our fair ladies are hunting for complexion, why they must come to Tassajara by all means.

We miss the *Journal*, but still we are content. Readers hardly can imagine how much they do miss a daily paper until they get beyond the reach of one. Yours truly, M.

*Salinas Daily Journal, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1890:*

Tony Dourond, the popular and accommodating landlord of Tassajara Springs, is in town.

*Salinas Daily Journal, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1890:*

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty and two children came down last evening from San Jose, and will go out to Tassajara Springs today for a couple of week's recreation.

*Salinas Daily Journal, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1890:*

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, owner of the Tassajara Springs, came down to Salinas last evening.

*Salinas Daily Journal, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1890  
(1/3/1891 in the Salinas Weekly Democrat):*

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, owner of the Tassajara Springs, came down to Salinas Tuesday evening.

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Monterey County Water Rights Book A: 96,  
Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

**APPROPRIATION OF  
WATER RIGHTS**

Notice of Appropriation of Water. 1. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned Mary E. Quilty claims and hereby appropriates the water in the stream flowing at this notice and across the road to and near the Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, California, to the extent of one hundred (100) inches, either miners inches or other standard inches of measurement under a four (4) inch pressure. That said place of appropriation is in the S. E. 1/4 of section 29 T19S R4E M.D.M. 2. That said water is claimed and appropriated for horticultural manufacturing and domestic purposes and the said place of intended use is at the Tassajara Hot Springs in the N. E. 1/4 Sec. 32, T19S R4E M.D.M., Monterey County, California. 3. That the undersigned intends to divert said water by means of a ditch one foot in depth and one foot wide, and by iron pipes commencing 3 inches in diameter and ending 2 inches in diameter, and the undersigned further appropriates and claims the right of way over the U. S. public lands from the place of appropriation to said Tassajara Hot Springs. Mary E. Quilty, by A. Dourond, her agent. Dated January 10, 1891.

Recorded at the request of C. W. Quilty, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 1891, at 9 o'clock a. m.

*Salinas Weekly Index, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1891:*

Antone Dourond is in town from Tassajara this week. He has constructed another plunge bath for ladies, and made other improvements at the Springs for the accommodation of guests this season.

*Salinas Daily Journal, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1891:*

Tony Dourond is in from the Tassajara. C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose Thursday.

*Salinas Daily Journal, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1891:*

**A PUBLIC HIGHWAY**

C. W. Quilty, owner of the Tassajara Hot Springs, appeared before Board of Supervisors yesterday and made a proposition to deed to the county the road into Tassajara Springs, built by him at a cost of about \$12,000. As quite a number of settlers have taken up land along the line of the road and as the same has now become an indispensable outlet for such settlers and, therefore, a matter of public benefit, the Board very wisely, as we think, accepted Mr. Quilty's proposition and have determined to declare the same as a public highway.

Mr. Quilty contended that after having built the road at so great an outlay of money, it was



an unnecessary hardship for him to be at expense each spring of repairing the road, as he was only one of the many benefited by its being kept in good repair. He also very justly argued that the visitors brought into the Springs left money here in the county, the money spent for beef, groceries, wines, etc., being a clear gain for the county, as all these things are bought of our local merchants and the money thus spent put into circulation at home. The Board saw the application of the argument offered, and as soon as the deeds are given for the right of way, the road will be thrown open for public travel and the county will undertake the work of keeping the same in repair.

From 'Board of Supervisors,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

In the matter of road to Tassajara Hot Springs—Ordered that road built by C. W. Quilty to Tassajara Hot Springs be declared a public highway when all the land owners over whose land said road passed shall deliver to Monterey County a good and sufficient deed for said right of way for said road.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

C. W. Quilty, after a business visit of a couple of days in this city, leaves for his home in San Jose this morning.

The road to the Tassajara Hot Springs is now opened for travel and the Springs ready for visitors. New accommodations and improvements have been made during the past winter and this famous resort is now in better shape than ever. See advertisement in another column.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 9<sup>th</sup> to July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1891:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY COUNTY, CAL.

Situated near the head waters of the Arroyo Seco River, at an altitude of 1,500 feet. There are fifteen different kinds of water, ranging from ice cold to 145 degrees of heat.

The waters are specific for cutaneous diseases and very efficacious for stomach, liver and kidney trouble. Climate dry and balmy.

Stage leaves Salinas for the Springs every Friday at 6 o'clock a. m. and returns every Saturday. Fare for round trip, \$8. For further particulars inquire of C. N. Schoonover, Salinas.  
A. DOUROND, Proprietor,  
Jamesburg, Monterey Co. Cal.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1891

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty came down to Salinas last evening and will leave today to enjoy two weeks of recreation at the Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1891  
(6/6/1891 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

We acknowledge a pleasant call from B. A. Eardly of Pacific Grove Saturday afternoon. Mr. Eardly and his wife, accompanied by her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Robson, returned Friday from a couple of weeks sojourn

at that most delightful of health resorts, the Tassajara Springs.

Mr. Eardly's appearance speaks more than words could do for the rejuvenating effects of the Tassajara waters upon the overworked and debilitated system.

Mr. Eardly reports that James A. Webster, who went into the Springs ten days ago a very sick man, is about well again and will be out by the next stage. Mrs. J. P. Raymond he also reports as improving, but will prolong her visit until the meeting of the Chautauquans in July.

Dr. and Mrs. O. S. Trimmer are expected out in a day or two.

Mr. Quilty of San Jose, proprietor of the Springs, with his wife, is enjoying with extreme pleasure a couple of weeks outing at the Springs.

Fishing and hunting were never better there than this season, and landlord Tony Dourond's attentions make everyone feel like prolonging his stay as long as possible.

The roads are said to be in splendid condition and, the trip can be made in a day with a double team to buggy or spring wagon.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty returned to Salinas yesterday morning from a stay of two weeks at Tassajara Springs, and left in the afternoon for home.

J. A. Webster and daughter Ethel returned yesterday from Tassajara Springs. We are glad to relate that Mr. Webster has entirely recovered his health.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Mrs. Guy Schoonover and her father, W. H. Wisecarver, are at Tassajara Springs.

Mrs. C. N. Schoonover went Friday to try the waters of Tassajara Springs for the benefit of her health.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1891  
(6/20/1891 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

Hon. and Mrs. S. N. Laughlin and their son Lester of Moss Landing came up to Salinas Thursday evening and will leave this morning for a two week's stay at Tassajara Springs.

Mrs. Cato J. Vierra and child of Moss Landing came up to Salinas and expected to go to Tassajara Springs yesterday, but could not get passage on the stage, which was crowded.

Monterey County Deed  
Book 32: 100-103, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

### C. W. QUILTY ET. AL. TO MONTEREY COUNTY, THE TASSAJARA ROAD

State of California, County of Monterey s. s. Whereas C. W. Quilty et. al., being ten or more free holders of Road District No. ... in Monterey County, and taxable therein for road purposes, did petition in writing the Board of Supervisors of said Monterey County to declare the Tassajara Road a public road in said district, and whereas the said Board of Supervisors did thereafter, on the 8<sup>th</sup> day of May, A. D. 1891, acting upon said petition, ordered and declared that the Tassajara road be declared a public highway upon filing of a deed for right

of way of said road in said district and the said Road be known as the "Tassajara Road," the description of the center line of said road as declared a public highway as aforesaid, being as flows, to wit. The center line of that certain road in Monterey County, California, known as the Tassajara Road, and running from the junction of the Gordon, Cachagua and Tassajara Creeks in Section 1 Township 18 South Range 3 East M.D.M., in a southeasterly direction through lands of F. E. Souza in Sec. 1 T. 18 S. R. 3 E., through lands of Frederick Freeze in Sec. 12 T. 18 S. R. 3 E., through lands of John James in Sec. 7 T. 18 S. R. 4 E., through lands of R. H. Lewis and Wm. Bruce in Sec. 18 T. 18 S. R. 4 E., through lands of Wm. Bruce in Sec. 20 T. 18 S. R. 4 E., through lands of C. H. Bruce in Sec. 19 T. 18 S. R. 4 E. and in Sec. 30 T. 18 S. R. 4 E. M.D.M., and through lands of C. W. Quilty and over and along said Tassajara Road as aforesaid built by the said C. W. Quilty through Sec. 31 T. 18 S. R. 3 E. M.D.M., and through Sections 6, 7, 18, 17, 20, and 29 to the northern boundary of line Sec. 32, all said last named sections being in T. 19 S. R. 4 E. M.D.M., said road being the present traveled road now used in going and coming from Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, California, said road way herein granted shall be forty (40) feet in width its entire length. Now therefore, in consideration of the location, establishment and maintenance of said County of Monterey of said road as above described, and of the benefits to accrue to us and each of us by said location, establishment and maintenance, we the undersigned owners, occupants and claimants of lands required for road purposes on the line of the foregoing designated route, hereby signify our approval of the location of said road, and do hereby consent thereto; and we hereby grant and dedicate the lands belonging to us and to each of us, so far as the same may be required for such road, to said County of Monterey, to that purpose and for the use of said road; and we hereby waive all claims to damages for and on account of the same. In Witness Whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and seals this Twenty Second day of May, A. D. 1891, Wm. Bruce (L.S.) C. W. Quilty (L.S.) R. H. Lewis (L.S.) C. H. Bruce (L.S.) F. E. Souza (L.S.). Witness to annexed signature of C. W. Quilty, Witness to Signature of C. W. Quilty. State of California, County of Santa Clara, On this Twentieth day of June in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety one before me, John H. Yoell, a Notary Public in and for the said County of Santa Clara, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally C. W. Quilty, known to me to be the person described in whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument, as a witness thereto, who, being by and duly sworn, deposes and says; that he resides in San Jose, Santa Clara County, California, that he was present and saw Wm. Bruce, R. H. Lewis, John James, C. H. Bruce and F. E. Souza, Acknowledge in the Presence of said affiant, that they executed the same, and that he, the said affiant, hereupon subscribed his name thereto as a witness. In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, at my office in the said County of Santa Clara the day and year in

this Certificate first above written, John H. Yoell, Notary Public (Notarial Seal) State of California, County of Santa Clara s. s. On this 20<sup>th</sup> day of June, A. D. one thousand eight hundred ninety one, before me, John H. Yoell, a Notary Public in and for said County, personally appeared C. W. Quilty, personally known to me to be the same person described in, and who executed, and whose name is subscribed to the annexed instrument, and he duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same, Witness my hand and official seal, at said County, the day and year last above written, John H. Yoell, Notary Public (Notarial Seal).

Recorded at the request of Monterey County, June 20<sup>th</sup> 1891, at 45 min. past 2 P. M.

*San Jose Daily Herald*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

C. M. Wooster and a party of friends leave this afternoon for the Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County.

Take a look at the photographs of these wonderful Springs on view in Lion's show windows, Second Street.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1891:

A number of visitors from San Jose bound for Tassajara Springs arrived yesterday and will be taken to the Springs today by Louie Hestorff. The number of visitors at these famous Springs was never before so large as now.

Some very fine photos of Tassajara Springs can be seen at Chandler & Co's.

From 'Real Estate Transactions,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1891:

C. W. Quilty and others to Monterey County, right of way for Tassajara Road, grant.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1891:

The Tassajara Springs views displayed in Chandler and Co.'s show windows attract a great deal of attention.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Steve Lean drove through from Tassajara Springs yesterday, having taken a party of visitors to Tassajara Springs the day before.

*San Jose Daily Herald*, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

These Marvelous Mineral Springs are now open to the public. There are different kinds of mineral water which vary in temperature from ice cold to boiling hot. The surroundings are beautiful and the spring surpasses anything of the kind in the State. For particulars address

C. W. QUILTY, San Jose, Cal.

*San Jose Daily Herald*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

### HE IS A HUNTER

C. M. WOOSTER CAUSING GREAT HAVOC AMONG FISH AND GAME

Probably it is a fact not generally known outside San Jose, but nevertheless it is true, that when any of the Garden City's most

worthy citizens indulge in a fish or hunt, the report of their catch or the exact number of the animals slain by them can be relied upon, and no San Jose hunter's statement is ever questioned. Therefore when C. M. Wooster, who is sojourning at Tassajara Springs, sends a statement that he caught in a few hours on Saturday 100 of the finest trout ever taken from streams in that vicinity, and that on Monday he hooked 160 more, San Joseans will rejoice at his great success in that line. Mr. Wooster left yesterday for a bear hunt and it is expected a car-load of "bar meat" will be received from him tomorrow. Those who are in need of lion skins will do well to communicate with Mr. Wooster immediately, as he leaves on an extended lion hunt on Saturday. He will skin the slain animals and send the hides to the address of any of his friends.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1891 (also in the 7/4 *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

Tony Dourond, the genial proprietor of the Tassajara Springs Hotel, came in yesterday. He reports the present season as the most successful in point of patronage ever enjoyed by the Springs management.

J. W. Lewis of Jamesburg came in from Tassajara Springs yesterday. He reports the heat excessive in the hills.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1891:

Hereafter, until further notice, the stage for the Tassajara Springs will leave the Lean & Harris Fashion stables calling at the Jeffery House at 6 a. m. every Wednesday morning, returning to Salinas on Thursdays.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1891:

C. N. Schoonover desires the public to know that he is still on deck and will land passengers at Tassajara Springs on schedule time as heretofore. See ad.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 3<sup>rd</sup> to Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

### TASSAJARA STAGE

The Tassajara Stage will leave C. N. Schoonover's stable, Salinas City, every Friday morning at 6 o'clock, arriving at the Springs at 6 p. m., returning to Salinas on Saturday.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

F. W. Schmechel and wife go today to Tassajara Springs for a month's sojourn.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Wm. Clarke and Frank McCaffrey left Wednesday for a couple of weeks at Tassajara Springs.

*San Jose Daily Herald*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

### RETURNED HOME

SAN JOSEANS WHO ENJOYED AND OUTING AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

C. M. Wooster and family, J. H. Yoell, F. C. Struvy, G. C. Manner and Fred Brunst returned to San Jose today after a two week's vacation at Tassajara Springs. A pleasant time was had. Game and fish were plentiful and as

the consignment of saltpeter sent to Mr. Struvy did not arrive in time, that gentleman and other members of the party had to resort to the smoking process. A large number of the trout were thus preserved and brought to this city.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Tony Dourond, mine host at the Tassajara Springs, came into town Friday night and will return to the Springs today. He desires us to call attention of the public to the change of time in the stage schedule; also to the change in arrangements for mail intended for the Springs. See ad.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 12<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY COUNTY, CAL.

Situated near the headwaters of the Arroyo Seco River, at an altitude of 1,500 feet. There are fifteen different kinds of water, ranging from ice cold to 145 degrees of heat.

The waters are specific for cutaneous diseases and very efficacious for stomach, liver and kidney trouble. Climate dry and balmy. Stage leaves Salinas for the Springs every Wednesday at 2 o'clock p. m. and returns every Friday. Fare for round trip \$8. For further particulars inquire at Jeffery House or Bullene's City Stables, at which places stage will call for passengers.

All persons intending to visit the Springs should be sure to be on hand to take this stage. Mail intended for the Springs should be addressed in care of the Jeffery House, Salinas.

A. DOUROND, Lessee,  
Jamesburg, Monterey County, Cal.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

William Clarke, while not the boss wing shot, can lay claim to being a howling success as an angler. Tony Dourond reports that Clarke landed a trout measuring 20½ inches and weighing 3 ½ pounds, near the Springs, in time for breakfast the day after his arrival.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 14<sup>th</sup> to July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

### NOTICE

The Tassajara Springs Stage will leave the Jeffery House every Wednesday at 1:30 p. m., promptly. Persons going or wishing to send anything to the Springs, will call or leave word at City Stables or Jeffery House.

A. F. BULLENE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 15<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1891:

Schoonover lands passengers at Tassajara Springs in one day, by changing horses at Jamesburg. Stage leaves Salinas at 6 a. m. every Friday.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 16<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Frank Bullene's stage will leave the Jeffery House for Tassajara Springs at 5:30 a. m., every Wednesday morning, changing horses at Jamesburg, and landing passengers at Springs at 5 o'clock the same evening. Stage returns Thursday. Mail or packages left at Jeffery House will be delivered at the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Henry Johnson, the colored barber of this place, returned yesterday from Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Wm. Clarke, the boss trout catcher, and Frank McCaffrey got in from the Tassajara Springs yesterday.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1891:

P. Garrissere and Louis Schneider went yesterday to Tassajara Springs to stop about a week.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Tony Dourond, lessee of the Tassajara Stage, came in last evening and goes to San Jose on business matters today.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Schmechel returned yesterday from Tassajara Springs where they spent a couple of weeks most pleasantly. They report all the Salinasites at the Springs as enjoying themselves hugely.

M. J. Hughes and son of Watsonville came into Salinas from Tassajara Springs yesterday and leave for home today.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

### THOSE PROMISED FISH

Ed Burk exacted of P. Garrissere and Louie Schneider, when they hied themselves away to Tassajara Springs Monday last, that they would send him on the first opportunity a fine mess of speckled beauties from the laughing, gurgling waters of that romantic region, and all week Ed had day and night dreams of a glorious feast of trout. Yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Schmechel arrived in this city from Tassajara and Ed's hopes grew strong and his rheumatism was for a time forgotten. He had read of the monster caught by Wm. Clarke a short time ago, and when Ed espied Mr. Schmechel in front of the Abbott House with an immense package in his hand and learned that he was to be the recipient of a mess of trout direct from Tassajara, his always pleasant face took on a broader smile that enveloped his whole countenance and extended even down his back beneath his collar. The crowd, too, gathered in the inspiration of the hour and grew larger as the package under Ed's delicate touch grew smaller and smaller yet. Alas! the end is reached and with a roar of laughter from the assembled crowd Ed's face grows long and wears an expression of bitter disgust. Out in the street flew the monster fish, two in number—7-8 inches long.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Tony Dourond returned Friday evening from San Jose and left Saturday afternoon for the Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

P. Garrissere and Louis Schneider returned Sunday night from Tassajara Springs. Shortly after their return Mr. Garrissere was seen going around with his arm in a sling, and his friends conjectured that he and Ed Burk had met in a back alley and settled their "fish" difficulty.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Dr. D. F. Fox, the veterinarian, and D. Coy went to Tassajara Springs yesterday to rusticate for a few days.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1891:

Dr. D. F. Fox came in yesterday from Tassajara Springs.

Sheriff Horton and James Corn came in yesterday from the Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1891:

Peter Bontadelli has returned from Tassajara Springs, where he was staying for a short time for the benefit of his health, which has been greatly improved.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

C. W. Quilty, owner of the Tassajara Springs, came down from San Jose last evening and will go to the Springs today.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

James Jeffery Jr. came in yesterday from Tassajara where he had been staying for four weeks for the benefit of his health, which shows but little improvement.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

W. H. Wisecarver, whose health has been poor of late, has gone to the Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

M. O. Meyer of this city and brother Sam of San Francisco, came in yesterday from a week's sojourn at Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1891:

Messrs. A. B. Jackson, Al Graves and O. Cayer (the irrepressible "Frenchy"), are enjoying life for a couple of weeks at the Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

The time for leaving for Tassajara Springs of Frank Bullene's stage has been changed from Wednesday to Friday. See notice elsewhere.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Frank Bullene's stage will leave the Jeffery House for Tassajara Springs at 5:30 a. m., every Friday morning, changing horses at

Jamesburg, and landing passengers at Springs at 5 o'clock the same evening. Stage returns Saturday. Mail or packages left at Jeffery House will be delivered at the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 28<sup>th</sup> to Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Frank Bullene's stage will leave the Jeffery House for Tassajara Springs at 5:30 a. m., every Wednesday morning, changing horses at Jamesburg, and landing passengers at Springs at 5 o'clock the same evening. Stage returns Thursday. Mail or packages left at Jeffery House will be delivered at the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1891:

W. H. Wisecarver returned Saturday from a month's sojourn at Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1891:

James H. McDougall, M. Hughes and James B. Iverson leave this morning by private conveyance for Tassajara Hot Springs, where they expect to rusticate for a couple of weeks.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Captain Al Graves, A. B. Jackson and O. Cayer returned yesterday from a visit of a couple of weeks at Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

Mr. and Mrs. John Hunter and children leave this morning for a sojourn of a few weeks at Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

John Dougherty, who has been at Tassajara Springs for a week, returned home Friday. When he went to these Springs he was stiff with rheumatism, but he returns as supple as a boy in his teens. He is pronounced in his praise of the waters and climate of the Tassajara.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

C. W. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Springs, came down from San Jose last evening.

Frank Bullene's stage made its last trip of the season to Tassajara Hot Springs Wednesday.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

George Hunter and family and John Hunter and family have returned from a visit of a month at Tassajara Springs and in camp life at Miller Canyon. The party returned feeling greatly benefited by the outing.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1891:

A. Dourond, lessee of the Tassajara Hot Springs, came into the county seat yesterday.

George Thrift came in yesterday from a ten week's stay at Tassajara Springs.



Part of the Tassajara dining room and kitchen. This photograph is said to have taken in about 1890, and thus Tony Dourond may be one of those assembled. If so, my guess is that he was one or the other of the two men to the right.

## 1892, THE FIRST FRANK AND CLARA METCALF PROPRIETORSHIP; p. 30.

Not much is known with certainty about Frank and Clara Metcalf. Frank was born in 1856 and grew up in Alviso, a small port community at the southern most shore of San Francisco Bay (it is now part of San Jose), and Clara Rogers was born in 1860 and grew up in San Jose. They were married in 1878, and at the time when they were enumerated in the U. S. census of 1880, they resided with Clara's family in San Jose. According to San Jose and Santa Clara County directories, at the time when they leased Tassajara the Metcalfs were living at 321 South Third Street in San Jose, and thus two blocks down the street from the

Quilty family, who resided at 156 South Third Street.

On March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1892, Frank Edward Metcalf was appointed as the first postmaster of the Tassajara Post Office; this office was closed on Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1894 (the Tassajara Hot Springs Post Office was established in 1912).

When Mr. Metcalf registered to vote in the Tularcitos precinct on June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1892, he was described as being a 35 year old hotel keeper who was five feet seven inches tall, who had a light complexion, blue eyes, dark hair, and had a wart on the side of his nose.

*San Jose Daily Herald*, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

### MRS. M. A. HAGAN'S WILL

#### A VALUABLE ESTATE DISTRIBUTED TO A SON AND DAUGHTER

Yesterday the purported last will of Mary A. Hagan was filed for probate. It is dated May 28, 1888, and witnessed by Chas. F. Wilcox and J. R. Patton. To Chas. A. Hagan, an adopted son, is bequeathed \$20,000, to be paid as soon as possible out of the revenue and income—not out of the estate—subject the family expenses of her daughter, Mary E. Quilty, which shall be first deducted. The remainder of the estate is bequeathed to Mary E. Quilty, who, with her husband, C. W. Quilty, are named as executrix and executor, with power to sell or dispose of any part of the estate without order of Court or bonds.

The petition for probate by Mary E. Quilty recites that Mary A. Hagan died in San Jose on December 22, 1891, leaving an estate worth

about \$130,000.

The property consists of a lot and improvements on the northeast corner of San Carlos and San Jose streets, \$20,000; a lot on the southwest corner of Wilson Avenue and the Alameda, \$5,000; 240 acres of land near San Miguel, \$10,000; 1408 1-6 shares of capital stock in the San Jose Light and Power Company, \$50,000; 200 shares of capital stock in the Salinas City Gas and Water Company; 1000 shares in the Tulare Water Company; \$15,000; thirty-four shares Odd Fellows Hall Association, \$500; a judgment against Rufus Fish, \$550; personal property about \$500. The monthly revenue is about \$400.

John H. Yoell and C. W. Quilty are attorneys for the petitioner.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

A. Dourond of Tassajara Hot Springs returned last evening to Salinas from a visit at San Jose.

From 'Society Events,' *San Jose Daily Herald*, Feb. 15, 1892:

Frank E. Metcalf leaves this week to assume the management of the Tassajara Hot Springs, in Monterey County.

Monterey County Patent Book F: 111, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1892.

### United States of America to Wilburn McPhail, a patent to the Horse Pasture property

Wilburn McPhail, a son of John and Barbara McPhail, who were the managers of Tassajara Hot Springs from 1885 to 1887, filed a preemptive claim to this property fifteen months earlier, on December 9<sup>th</sup>, 1890.

McPhail's patent to this property was a 'Bounty Land' grant. The patent states that "In pursuance of the act of congress approved March 3, 1855, entitled "An Act in Addition to certain Acts granting

Bounty Land to certain Officers and Soldiers who have been engaged in the Military Service of the United States, there has been deposited in the General Land Office warrant 26,419, for 160 acres in favor of Loly Tharp, widow of Joseph Tharp, Private, Revolutionary War." This patent also states that "The said warrant" has "been duly assigned to Wilburn McPhail."

As it will be seen, in December of 1893 Wilburn McPhail sold this property to Charles Cockrill (Monterey County Deed Book 40: 350), an early settler in the Arroyo Seco region, who would sell the property to Charles Quilty six months later.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

F. E. Metcalf came down from San Jose last evening and leaves today for Tassajara Springs to take charge as successor to A. Dourond. He was accompanied by his son.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

A. Dourond, the popular manager for the past two years of the Tassajara Hot Springs, has turned over the property to his successor and came in yesterday, leaving today for his old home in San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

F. E. Metcalf, manager of the Tassajara Hot Springs, is in town and is registered at the Jeffery.

From 'Board of Supervisors,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

Bills allowed—Tularcitos Road Fund:  
A. Dourond, labor, \$36.00.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose came down to Salinas on business matters last evening and will return today. He informs us that the Tassajara Springs, of which he is the owner, will be opened to visitors and the stage will begin to run from this place to the Springs about April 1<sup>st</sup>. Due notice will be given in the columns of the *Journal*.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1892

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The *Monterey Era* says: "Monterey is to have direct communication with Tassajara Hot Springs this summer. In a couple of weeks a line will commence to run once or twice a week from Monterey to Laureles ranch, there to connect with the stage running from Salinas to the Springs. A post office will also be established at Tassajara Springs. These conveniences will add greatly to the popularity of the resort."

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1892  
(4/10 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

Reports from Tassajara Springs state that the health of Duncan McKinnon, who went there quite ill a couple of weeks ago, has improved very much.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Stage leaves the Jeffery House and Abbott House, Salinas, Mondays and Fridays at 6 a. m. for the famous Tassajara Springs, through in one day. Returning leaves the Springs at 6 a. m. Tuesdays and Saturdays. Good accommodations and skilled drivers.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1892  
(4/30 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

C. W. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Springs, and Mrs. F. E. Metcalf, hostess at the Springs, came down from San Jose Sunday and left the next day for the Springs.

*Monterey New Era*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

C. R. Few of the Club Stables is agent for the Tassajara stage line. Stage starts from Salinas every Monday and Friday, returning on Tuesday and Saturday.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

### CHANGED HANDS LIVERY AND FEED STABLE

Having purchased the Livery Stable and Feed Yard recently conducted by C. N. Schoonover, on Main Street, we have determined to overhaul and repair the buildings and put in several new and fashionable rigs for hire.

### THE TASSAJARA STAGE

Leaves this stable, calling at all the hotels, at 6 a. m. Tuesdays and Fridays, through in one day, returning Wednesdays and Saturdays. Remember the place, the old Uncapher yard, and give us a call.

**J. B. STERLING & CO.**

*Salinas Weekly Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup> to July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

### J. B. STIRLING & CO.'S

(FORMERLY UNCAPHER'S)

### LIVERY and FEED STABLE

NEAR AGRICULTURAL HALL,

Main Street, Salinas City

The undersigned have purchased the stock and leased the premises formerly known as Uncapher's Stables, renovated, repaired and made extensive additions thereto, making it a

### FIRST-CLASS ESTABLISHMENT

Both single and double turnouts on reasonable terms. Horses boarded by the day, week or month. Orders by telephone promptly attended to. We respectfully solicit a share of public patronage, and shall do our best to please our customer.

### THE TASSAJARA STAGE

Carrying the mail, will leave the stable at 6 o'clock a. m. every Tuesday and Friday, calling at all the hotels in town for passengers, and go through to Tassajara Springs in one day, returning every Wednesday and Saturday.

**J. B. STERLING & CO.**

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

Mayor H. S. Ball and wife and little daughter

leave today for a visit of several weeks at Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

### A STAGE SMASH-UP

The Tassajara Springs stage on Tuesday near the Laureles while the driver, Ed Soberanes, was opening the door to help a passenger in, made a dash down the grade and piled up in the creek at the grade [?]. Fortunately there were no passengers in the stage, which was wrecked and a couple of the horses hurt. Mr. Soberanes secured a wagon and a couple of extra horses and went to the Springs without further mishap.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1892

(5/21 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

The reports brought to Salinas about the Tassajara Springs stage being smashed up in a runaway, were greatly exaggerated. The fact is that the horses started up, being stung by bees, while the driver was putting a trunk in the stage, but did not get away, as Mr. Soberanes grabbed the lines and ran them into the fence, breaking one wheel of the stage. Only this and nothing more.

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, owner of the Tassajara Springs, came down last evening on his way to the Springs, where we understand it is his intention soon to erect a fine hotel commensurate with the requirements of the constantly increasing patronage of these justly famous springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

Mayor H. S. Ball and family came in yesterday from a three weeks' visit at Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1892:

Mr. and Mrs. John Hunter returned Saturday from a months' sojourn at Tassajara Hot Springs. We are pleased to state that Mrs. Hunter's health is greatly improved.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1892:

J. A. Webster came in Monday evening from Tassajara Springs. His sister-in-law, Mrs. Roberts of San Francisco, and Mr. Webster's children remained at the Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, June 2<sup>nd</sup> to Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

These marvelous mineral springs are now opened for the season. Everything has been renovated, bathing facilities increased and new additions built and a new management installed. These waters are renowned for the cures they have effected.

TERMS--\$10 Per Week for Boarders and \$3 Per Week for Campers; Children Half Price.

Stage in care of careful driver leaves Salinas from Abbott and Jeffery House every Tuesday and Friday morning.

MR. AND MRS. F. E. METCALF, Lessors.

Salinas Weekly Index, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1892:

## TASSAJARA NOTES

The visitors to the Tassajara Hot Springs last week increased to thirty-nine, among whom were John H. Yoell and L. Rutherford, from San Jose; Mr. McCormick and Mr. Fratas, Watsonville; Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Eardly and Dr. and Mrs. Trimmer, Pacific Grove; Hon. H. S. Ball, wife and child, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Robson and John Hunter and family, Salinas; Mrs. Wm. Hatton, two children and sister, Mrs. Mary Harney, Laueles.

An *Index* correspondent writing from the Springs last Thursday says: "That old patron of the Springs, J. A. Webster, and four ladies, have just arrived."

The weather is now settled, warm and balmy, and the baths are in great demand.

Salinas Daily Journal, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1892:

E. Cooper of San Jose, Juan Garat of Hollister, and Juan Indart of Tres Pinos, stopped over in Salinas last night and will take the stage this morning for Tassajara Hot Springs.

Salinas Daily Journal, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose last evening, and leaves this morning on a hurried business trip to Tassajara Springs.

Santa Cruz Daily Sentinel, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

## LETTER FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Ed. *Sentinel*:—A party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Call and son, and Mrs. Henry Call and grandson, Henry Yager, left Santa Cruz May 20th on a camping trip to the Tassajara Springs, for the benefit of Mr. Call's health.

We found the hay and grain crop along the road from Santa Cruz to Salinas very good. There is but little oats or wheat; it is mostly barley.

The roads are in good condition all the way, and from Salinas to the Springs there is a very good mountain road.

Leaving Salinas we traveled on the Monterey Road about eight miles, and then started up the mountain, and after crossing it we came to the Carmel River, where is situated one of the finest ranches in Monterey Co., owned by the Railroad Company and called the Laureles Ranch, consisting of 7,000 acres. They raise hundreds of tons of hay on this ranch every year, and it is all fed to the cattle in the winter.

Leaving this ranch we continued up the Carmel River three or four miles, and then traveled over some good grazing land until we reached the Tularcitos Ranch of 14,000 acres. The next ranch is owned by Mr. Bloomquist and comprises 8,000 acres. Then comes Jim Lewis' place, where is located the Jamesburg Postoffice. Climbing a long hill Bruce's ranch is reached, where a level spot and a cool drink of water awaits us.

Beyond are five miles of hill to climb, and then a down grade through some of the finest mountain scenery in California brings us to the springs, eighteen in number, located near the headwaters of the Arroyo Seco. The water in

the springs varies from cold to 145 degrees, and is clear as crystal. The Arroyo Seco Creek, into which the springs flow, is a large mountain stream, abounding with trout.

There is a lime quarry nearby, and an inexhaustible sandstone quarry.

The climate is fine, the Springs being only eight miles from the Pacific Ocean, high mountains shutting off the fog. The altitude is 1,650 feet above sea level.

The mountains are covered with the mescal [yucca], or wild cactus, that grows 10 to 15 feet high and a foot in circumference. Small branches are covered with beautiful flowers, which in scent is almost equal to the orange blossom. F. L. Call.

Salinas Daily Journal, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

Mayor H. E. Schilling of San Jose came down last evening and leaves this morning for Tassajara Springs.

Salinas Daily Journal, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1892:

F. E. Metcalf, the popular lessee of Tassajara Springs, came in last evening.

Salinas Daily Journal, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

J. Jepsen returned Saturday from Tassajara Springs. His companion, Chris Hanson, remained at the Springs and will not return for a fortnight.

Salinas Daily Journal, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

From J. Jepsen, who has just returned from Tassajara Springs, we learn that Chris Hanson's health shows a wonderful improvement during his stay there.

J. T. Park, cashier of the Bank of San Jose, came down Monday and left next morning for Tassajara Springs to recuperate from a too long continued and too close attention to business.

Salinas Daily Journal, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

C. W. Quilty, owner of the Tassajara Hot Springs, came down from San Jose yesterday and leaves for the Springs today. He informed a *Journal* reporter that work is being pushed on the new hotel, which will be a commodious sandstone structure and will accommodate the crowd of visitors next season that will flock to these justly celebrated springs. The Springs this season have had all the visitors that the present accommodations could provide for.

Salinas Weekly Index, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A correspondent of the *Index* writes that the weather is delightful at Tassajara Springs. Among the guests there at present are: Mr. and Mrs. McGrath, Watsonville; C. W. Quilty, Sam Milliken, Herman Begly, C. T. Park and wife and Miss Newhall, San Jose; Wm. Clark, J. Steigleman, C. M. Hansen, S. J. Burkman, J. E. McDougall, R. F. Miller, Fred McCullum, August Erickson and Albert Hansen, Salinas; W. N. Furlong and wife, Pacific Grove; F. M. Hickok, Junction City, Oregon.

Salinas Daily Journal, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1892:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose came in Sunday from Tassajara Hot Springs and left for home the next day.

Salinas Daily Journal, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

## TASSAJARA ARRIVALS

Following are some of the recent arrivals at Tassajara Hot Springs: Samuel Millikin, Miss Georgia Newhall, Mr. and Mrs. C. Y. Park, Florence Park, Hazel Park, and Dr. E. S. Meade, San Jose; W. W. Henderson, F. B. Day and Hiram Corey, Salinas; Lucy Griffin and J. H. Griffin, Castroville; M. Doyle, Santa Rosa; C. H. Rodgers, Watsonville; Jacob Claussen, Blanco; Henry Call and wife, Frank Call and wife and child, Santa Cruz; Hollis Hitchcock, Bodega, Sonoma County.

Salinas Daily Journal, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

## A POPULAR RESORT

There has been quite an outpouring of our town people this summer for Tassajara Springs, and still the exodus continues. On Sunday James B. Iverson, James H. McDougall, M. Hughes and James McDougall (Uncle Mac) left for that place, and today Mike Lynn, O. Cayer, D. J. Spence, J. W. Tholcke, J. J. Kelly and James Jeffery Sr. leave by stage for the Springs, to be followed in the latter part of the week by Hon. J. D. Carr and several others.

Salinas Daily Journal, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

## TASSAJARA JOTS

How the Boys Passed the Week at Tassajara and What is Said About Them

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Aug. 24, 1892.—That Uncle Mac holds the hammock down well.

That M. Hughes is bodyguard for the crowd.

That Jim McDougall makes a good chef and waiter.

That Kelly, Frenchy and Tholcke are the boss tumblers in the plunge.

That M. Lynn is the boss diver.

That Dave Spence can hug his bed longer than anyone in camp.

That Hiram Corey is a great wall climber in his sleep.

That Charles Rodgers can drink more hot water than any one.

That Joy is a beautiful kicker.

That Frenchy fainted in the plunge and had to be carried out by Tholcke and Kelly, and that Dr. Spence had to be called in.

That Joy and Frenchy will have a mortal combat before leaving camp.

That Jeffery is beginning to feel very young.

That Frenchy wears his Cleveland suit for dinner and no stockings.

That Johnnie Kelley is not right yet.

That Jim Iverson can snore some.

That Lynn, Tholcke, Kelley and Spence are the best bean eaters in camp.

That Hitchcock was the most liberal man in camp.

That Jim Iverson's pistol going off was caused by his falling over the tent rope.

That the Tassajara Springs invalids chal-

lunge any springs invalids to a tug-of-war contest. The team is composed of Conrad Storm, 232 lbs., M. Lynn 225 lbs., Uncle Mac 216 lbs., Jim Iverson 215 lbs., Frenchy 215 lbs., J. Jeffery 201 lbs., Kelley 192 lbs., Jim McDougall 182 lbs., Dave Spence 180 lbs., Tholcke 165 lbs., C. Rodgers, 186 lbs., Mike Hughes, Mascot, 187 lbs. OLD TASS.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose came down last evening on his way to Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, owner of the famous Tassajara Springs, came in from the Springs yesterday. He reports work on the hotel, which is being built of sandstone, going along nicely, the workmen being now engaged

on the second story. The building will be under roof by the first of December, and ready for the accommodation of guests early in the spring.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

The Tassajara stage has reduced its trips from twice a week to once a week for the remainder of the season.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose last evening and will leave today for Tassajara Springs to look after matters connected with the fine hotel which is nearing completion.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1892:

John Tully of Tassajara is in town.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

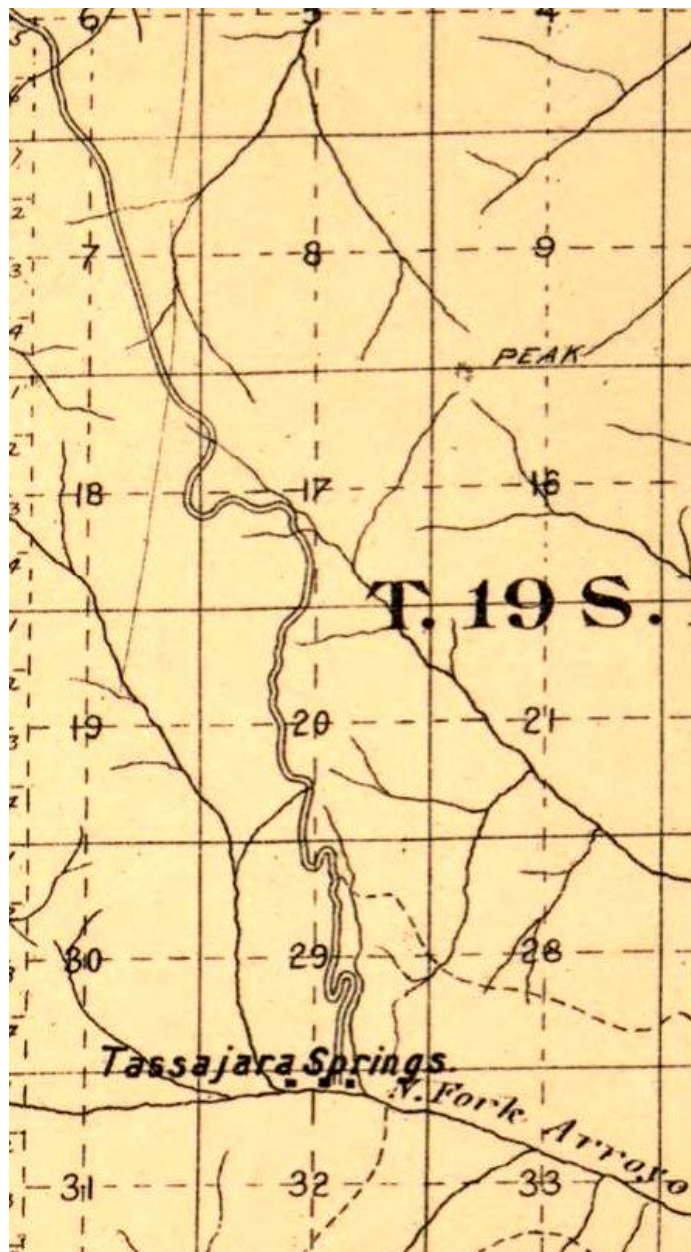
C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose last evening on his way to look after his Tassajara Springs property.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

Mrs. F. E. Metcalf and two children came in yesterday from Tassajara Springs on their way to San Jose, where they will spend the winter months.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1892:

The Bullene Bros. of this city have closed the contract with C. W. Quilty of San Jose to run the stage from Salinas to Tassajara Springs during the coming season.



Tassajara as depicted on Lou Hare's *Official Map of Monterey County*, 1898. The erroneous depiction of the streams is due to this map being based on the fraudulent original plats of this region.

## 1893, THE PROPRIETORSHIP OF C. S. (CARR) ABBOTT; p. 34.

The most noteworthy event during Mr. Abbott's proprietorship of Tassajara was the completion of the two storied sandstone hotel, which took nearly five years to construct.

The following biography of Carlsile Stewart Abbott is from Edward S. Harrison's *Monterey County Illustrated, Resources, History, Biography*, 1889:

"This gentleman was born in the Province of Quebec, on the 26<sup>th</sup> of February, 1828. As his parents were citizens of the United States, residing for the time in Quebec, and the subject of this sketch came to the United States to reside at the age of eighteen years, he is therefore a citizen of the United States without the aid of naturalization law. His parents were farmers, and his early life was passed on a farm, his early education being acquired in the district schools of Canada. At fifteen years of age he attended a select school in Sycamore, Dekalb County, Illinois, alternately going to school and working, as the exigencies of his life permitted. In 1850 he crossed the plains for California. After mining on the middle fork of the American River, in 1850 and 1851, where he made some money, he went East and married Elizabeth Meryman. In 1852 he re-crossed the plains with his young wife, and located near Sacramento, where he followed farming for two years. Then he went to Nevada City, and began the dairy business. In 1857 he removed to Marin County, and pursued dairying and stock raising upon an extensive scale. He remained here until 1865, prospering in business and accumulating considerable property and money. When, in the year 1865, he came to Monterey County, he brought, as his capital, some six hundred head of stock. Purchasing a league of the Buena Vista Rancho, he continued his former business of dairying and stock raising, with unprecedented success, until he had a dairy of fifteen hundred red cows, at that time probably the largest in the United States.

"In 1868 he built the Abbott House, in Salinas City, at a cost of \$45,000. He also bought eight thousand acres of the San Lorenzo Rancho, and raised cattle for the market. He was the principal promoter and organizer of the Monterey and Salinas Valley Railway Company—peace to its ashes. This last venture proved his financial Waterloo, and he went to Arizona, in 1879, to recuperate his fortunes. He began raising and slaughtering cattle, and is now a member of a syndicate owning a band of four thousand head of cattle, and an extensive cattle ranch.

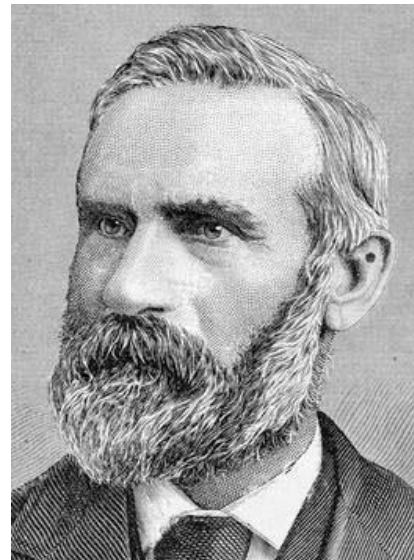
"In 1887 he returned to Monterey and leased from Alberto Trescony the Tularcitos Rancho, of thirteen thousand acres, near Monterey, his lease extending five years, with the privilege of purchase, at any time before its expiration, at the present valuation. His chances are now bright for occupying his former financial position in the county.

"During Governor Irwin's administration, Mr. Abbott was elected to

the Legislature from this county, in which position he rendered valuable services" [Abbott served for two terms, from 1875 to 1879]. "He was a delegate to the National Republican Convention in Philadelphia, in 1872, when General Grant was nominated" [for his second term]. "He has always been a consistent and enthusiastic Republican, and has taken an active part in politics. His positions have come to him unsought. His wife, and three of the four children which blessed his married life, are yet living. His son, H. E. Abbott, is a prominent and highly respected merchant of Salinas."

When Mr. Abbott registered to vote in the Tularcitos precinct in 1892 he was described as a 64 year old dairyman who was five feet six inches tall, and had a light complexion, gray eyes, gray hair, and had a scar in the center of his forehead.

After Mr. Abbott's departure from Tassajara he returned to Salinas, and later on he received a patent to land near Carmel Valley Road between Jamesburg and the Arroyo Seco. Carr Abbot died in Salinas, at the age of 91, on March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1919.



C. S. Abbott, as depicted in Edward S. Harrison's *Monterey County Illustrated, Resources, History, Biography*, 1889.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

The Tassajara Springs have undergone a change of management, or will do so shortly. E. F. Metcalf, the present lessee, will be succeeded by Hon. C. S. Abbott.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

A. F. and O. H. Bullene have purchased from Ed Soberanes the Tassajara stage line, including the vehicles, stock and mail contract. They will, for the present, carry the mails as far as Jamesburg, and as soon as the road between that point and the Springs is repaired, they will make regular trips to the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

A. Dourond of San Jose, formerly lessee of the Tassajara Hot Springs, is a guest at the Jeffery.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

C. W. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Springs, and C. S. Abbott, lessee of the Springs, were before the Board of Supervisors yesterday and secured the passage of an order for the repair of the road from Tularcitos to the Springs. It is

expected to have the road open for travel about the first of April.

From 'Board of Supervisors,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

Ordered that the contract for the repair of road from Tularcitos rancho house to Tassajara Springs be awarded to C. S. Abbott, he to put said road in good substantial repair to the satisfaction of the Board of Supervisors, at a cost of \$1,000...

The following bills were allowed:...

TULARCITOS ROAD FUND  
C. S. Abbott, labor. . . . . 16.50

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1893:

The Bullene Bros. have had their stage for the Tassajara line fixed up in good shape, all newly upholstered, etc., and visitors to the Springs are now assured of a very comfortable ride.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

C. W. Quilty, owner of the far-famed Tassajara Springs, came down from San Jose last evening and will leave today for the Springs.

He is accompanied by C. Pauley, a San Jose carpenter, who will put the finishing touches on the new hotel now being erected at the Springs. Mr. Quilty will return in two or three days, and now that the road has been repaired, preparations will be pushed to put everything in order to receive the large number of guests that have already spoken for quarters there.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1893  
(4/22 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

Bullene Bros. will begin their regular Tassajara stage service the first of next month.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1893 (4/29 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*; also in the 5/6 *Monterey Cypress*):

### TASSAJARA ROAD OPENED

TASSAJARA, April 23, 1893.—The Tassajara Road is open and ready for the stage and general travel. It is in better condition than it has been since the first stage passed over it. The roadbed has been widened, curves softened and grades bettered in many places.

The rooms in the old buildings are being fitted up for the reception of guests on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May, and the new building will soon be com-



pleted.

TASSAJARA.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1893  
(4/29 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

Bullene Bros. send their stage stock to the several stations on the Tassajara line today, and stages will begin to run regularly next Tuesday, May 2<sup>d</sup>, between Salinas and the Springs, leaving this place every Tuesday and Friday. The trip will be made to the Springs in one day and return the following day. There will be three sets of horses used, the first from here to Joe Steffani's, the next from there to Jamesburg, and the last from Jamesburg to the Springs.

Supervisors Samuels and Field returned yesterday from inspecting the work done on the Tassajara Road under the supervision of C. S. Abbott.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

Beginning next Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, and until further notice, Bullene Bros. stage will leave Salinas for Tassajara Springs on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, returning the next day.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

C. W. Quilty, owner of the Tassajara Hot Springs, came down last evening and will leave this morning for a visit to the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

The season's travel to Tassajara Springs is starting up quite briskly. There is every indication that this will be the liveliest season ever known at this health-restoring resort.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1893  
(5/20 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

C. W. Quilty came in last evening on the stage from Tassajara Springs, where he has been looking after the extensive improvements now making there

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1893:

C. W. Quilty and family of San Jose are registered at the Jeffery. They will leave this morning for a month's sojourn at Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Democrat*, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

C. S. Abbott, lessee of Tassajara Springs, was attending to business matters in town yesterday.

F. E. Metcalf, who last year was the jolly landlord of Tassajara Springs, is in town from San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1893  
(6/17 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA, June 15, 1893.—There are 50 guests at the hotel and 10 campers here at present.

The lower story of the hotel will be completed tomorrow and the upper story will be finished in ten days.

Harry Chamberlin, son of C. G. Chamberlin, fell and broke his collar bone yesterday. Dr.

Trimmer, one of the guests at the Springs, set the bone. He is resting quietly this morning, and will probably be able to go fishing again in ten days.

TASSAJARA.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose yesterday and leaves this morning to rejoin his family at Tassajara Hot Springs.

C. S. Abbott, mine host of the Tassajara Springs, came in yesterday for a load of provisions to supply the small army of guests now at the Springs and those arriving daily.

*Salinas Weekly Democrat*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

This week has witnessed a veritable exodus of our people to the camping grounds of the Carmel and to Tassajara Springs and the seaside.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1893:

C. W. Quilty and family came in from Tassajara Springs yesterday and leave today for their home at San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

## TASSAJARA LETTER

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, June 23d.—We venture to assume that a letter from one of our county's leading summer resorts will be of interest to some of your readers. This place is fast growing in public favor and is destined to become one of the most celebrated health resorts in the State. The weather here is simply perfect—not a trace of a cloud or fog.

The streams are well filled with trout. Only this morning our three famous anglers, Edgar McDougall, Frank Bullene and William Irvine, went out for a day's sport and came back with 223 fine large trout.

There are seventy-three guests here at present, and they are all enjoying life to its fullest extent. The accommodations here are superior to most places of this kind. A sandstone hotel is about completed. It contains forty-three cool airy rooms. The parlor has a new piano, which, by the way, has little rest. Every evening the guests assemble in the large parlor, where they listen to an impromptu concert. Later, dancing is indulged in to the music of the piano, violin and comet. Some prefer a quite game of euchre or whist.

Salinas is well represented by the following: Judge J. K. Alexander and family, James H. McDougall and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Irvine, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Bullene, Mr. Hartnell, Mr. Schmechel, Mrs. J. H. Poole, Miss Gertrude Tynan, and others. There are guests here also from Santa Cruz, Watsonville, San Jose, Castroville, Monterey and Pacific Grove.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

See Tassajara Springs ad in another column. This popular health and pleasure resort is now doing good business. Bullene Bros.' stage line lands passengers there every other day with comfort and safety. There are at present 81 people at the Springs.

Hon. C. S. Abbott was in town yesterday from Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

THIS FAVORITE

### HEALTH and PLEASURE RESORT

IS NOW OPEN FOR VISITORS

A new sandstone hotel of fifty rooms has just been completed. Fine grounds and excellent fishing. Rates \$10 and \$12 per week. Campers \$3 per week. Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday; through in one day, returning next day.

C. S. ABBOTT, Lessee.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

A. S. Pawley and William J. Bigger, who have just finished the carpenter work on the Tassajara Springs Hotel, came in yesterday on their way back to San Jose.

John Garside is the jolly jehu that now holds the ribbons on the Tassajara stage.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

These marvelous mineral springs are now open to the public. A large sandstone hotel has just been completed and is ready for accommodation of guests. In grandeur of scenery, climate, quality of water, temperature and medicinal qualities these springs have no equal. Terms, \$10 and \$12 per week. Fine stages leave Bullene's stables, Salinas, on Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Stage fare to Springs, \$4.

*Watsonville Pajaronian*, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1893:

Judge Lee is spending a vacation at Tassajara Springs, which appears to be a popular resort with Watsonvillans this year. Carr Abbott is now in charge of the Springs, and a fine hotel was opened there by him this season.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

C. S. Abbott, lessee of Tassajara Springs, came in to the county seat on business yesterday. Just at present business is quite at the Springs, but the inquiries for accommodations indicate a very lively fall trade.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1893  
(8/12 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

Frank McKay of Tassajara came in to Salinas yesterday to attend to business matters.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1893  
(8/12 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

The *Pajaronian* declares that Tassajara Hot Springs is a favorite place of inland resort for Watsonville people.

*Watsonville Pajaronian*, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

P. F. McGarth is home from the Tassajara Springs, and like every Watsonvillan who has visited them he is in praise of them. The climate is a complete change from that of the coast, and the accommodations are excellent.

1893; p. 36.

Watsonville Pajaronian, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

C. S. ABBOTT,..... LESSEE  
THIS FAMOUS HEALTH RESORT IS  
NOW open to visitors.

#### A NEW HOTEL

Of fifty rooms has just been completed, bathing facilities have been increased and other important improvements made.

These waters are renowned for the marvelous cures they have effected.

Rates.....\$10 and 12 per week.

Campers..... \$3 per week.

Stages leave Salinas for the Springs every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, going through in one day and returning the next.

Salinas Weekly Democrat, Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

Visitors returning from Tassajara Springs speak in rapturous terms the virtues of the waters and of the splendid fare and accommodations furnished by the lessee, Hon. C. S. Abbott.

Salinas Daily Journal, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

Tony Dourond came in from Tassajara Springs yesterday on his way to San Jose.

Hon. C. S. Abbott is in town from Tassajara Hot Springs.

Pacific Grove Review, April 26<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1893 (a previous ad in this newspaper failed to include instructions on how those coming from the Monterey Peninsula could connect with the stage):

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

#### THIS FAVORITE

#### HEALTH AND PLEASURE RESORT

#### IS NOW OPEN FOR VISITORS

A new sandstone hotel of fifty rooms has just been completed. Fine grounds and excellent fishing. Rates \$10 and \$12 per week. Campers \$3 per week. Stage leaves Salinas at 6 o'clock a. m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday for the Springs; through in one day, returning next day. Arrives at Laureles Ranch at 8:45, where private teams from Monterey and Pacific Grove can connect. Seats can be secured by letter or telephone to Bullene Brothers, Salinas.

C. S. ABBOTT, Lessee.

Salinas Daily Journal, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1893 (9/9 in the Weekly Democrat):

C. S. Abbott, lessee of Tassajara Springs, was in town this week.

Salinas Daily Journal, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

George B. Roop, proprietor of the Gilroy Hot Springs and his wife are in town, being on their way to Tassajara Springs.

Salinas Daily Journal, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

### A WOMAN'S PERILOUS TRIP

LOST IN THE MOUNTAINS,  
SHE PASSES A NIGHT AND DAY  
TRYING TO REACH CAMP

A few weeks ago, Mr. and Mrs. Roop of Gilroy Hot Springs, desiring to pass a quiet vacation of a month went to Tassajara Hot Springs where they enjoyed themselves to their heart's content.

Last Friday morning about 9 o'clock, Mrs. Roop who is fond of fishing and out-of-door exercise, went up the creek with another lady guest fishing. The two became separated, but about 1 o'clock, thinking Mrs. Roop had returned to the Springs, the other lady returned and supposing Mrs. Roop to be in her room at the hotel with her husband, she said nothing about her companion of the morning.

It was getting late in the afternoon and Mr. Roop began to wonder at his wife's long absence. Inquiry developed the fact that she had not been seen since she separated from her companion up the creek in the morning. Search parties were at once organized and the creek and every canyon and gulch near the Springs was searched. Night coming on, lanterns were secured and the search kept up by some of the parties all night.

The next morning the several deep holes in the creek were dragged, and the searchers became satisfied that she had not been drowned.

Carr Abbott mounted the stage and drove it to Salinas, leaving John Garside, the regular driver who is younger and more active, to join the search party. All the forenoon a minute search was made, it being supposed that she must have fallen over some steep bluff and had either been killed, or was lying at its base badly wounded and in need of help.

The search was to no avail, for about 2 o'clock Saturday afternoon, the lady got back to the Springs alone, pretty tired, footsore and hungry, having been out 30 hours.

The facts of the lady's wanderings and her safe arrival at the Springs were received by telephone here by Mr. Abbott Sunday and are very meager. It is learned that the lady after separating from her lady companion continued up the creek about five miles. Then desiring to return, she took what she supposed to be a cut off, by going across a point of the mountain, to get back to the Springs and lost her way, thus furnishing the most exciting episode that has occurred to vary the quite of every-day life at the Springs this season. Her experience must have been quite thrilling, and would, if told by her, form the basis for an exciting story of adventure in the hands of some sensational story teller.

Salinas Daily Journal, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

Mr. and Mrs. George Roop of Gilroy Hot Springs are at the Jeffery House, on their way home from a month's sojourn at Tassajara Hot Springs.

Salinas Daily Journal, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1893  
(10/21 in the Salinas Weekly Democrat):

Hon. C. S. Abbott, lessee of the Tassajara

Springs, was in town yesterday.

Salinas Daily Journal, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1893:

C. S. Abbott, lessee of the Tassajara Springs, is in town. He informs us that C. W. Quilty of San Jose, owner of the Springs property, will have charge of them himself during next season.

Pacific Grove Review, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1893:

### A POINTER ON TASSAJARA

Mrs. Editress of the *Review*: A brief sketch of a recent trip to Tassajara Mineral Hot Springs may not be uninteresting, particularly if you contemplate a visit to that wonderful locality.

On December 5<sup>th</sup> a tenderfoot [one who is not accustomed to the adversities of rural life] and a half tenderfoot procured from the stable of Mr. Kent that noble bay horse, Sam, and a buggy, and started for, to them, that terra incognita, Tassajara Springs.

Passing through Monterey, with its modern buildings interspersed with old adobes, we ascend the mountain which divides Monterey Bay from the Carmelo Bay. At the summit we stop a moment to take a view of Monterey Bay to the north and the beautiful Carmelo Bay to the south. Here we leave the seventeen-mile drive and take the county road down the Carmel Valley. Leaving Point Lobos Road near the old San Carlos Mission we follow up the pretty Carmel River Valley, passing many dairy and fruit ranches until we reach Stefani's ranch house and hotel combined—eighteen miles from Pacific Grove, where the stage from Salinas to Tassajara changes horses and the passengers dine. The proprietor is a ready talker and so is Tenderfoot. Immediately they get into an argument. Our host discusses the beautiful climate, mountain scenery and rich valleys. Tenderfoot claims that the price of climate with land thrown in is exorbitant—out of all reason. The discussion is kept up evening and morning and when the last word is said the question remains undecided.

Leaving our jolly host in the morning the way leads up the river to a point three miles below the dam of the P. I. [Pacific Improvement] Co., from which the pure, clear, cool water is piped to Pacific Grove and Monterey. The better road leads up the Tularcitos via Jamesburg. We were directed to take the plainest traveled road. Unfortunately for us a drove of cattle had passed up and obliterated the wagon tracks, leaving the plainest road over a mountain by way of Cachagua. The distance was about the same, but more mountainous, causing us more foot travel to favor our good horse. We started out for sight-seeing, and we had considerable of it, but we cannot linger in describing the scenery lest we take too much of your time and space.

We arrived at 1 p. m. at Messrs. James and Chew's, another stopping place, where the stage changes horses, sixteen miles from Stephani's. Here we found agreeable company with old time Californians and miners in the early '50's. We did a little in that line ourself long, long ago, and had old times brought to

recollection.

After a pleasant rest we started early in the morning to climb mountains and cross canyons. Our way lay three and a half miles up a mountain, then along a divide with a deep canyon on either side. Then up we go over Santa Lucia Peak, 5,000 feet above the ocean, the highest point reached. Pretty soon we approach the range overlooking canyons converging at the Springs. Here the view is indescribable—a heterogeneous conglomerate of rocky mountains and deep canyons. What an awful stress of nature when this upheaval occurred. *Mirabile visiu! mirabile dictu!* John Muir or Clarence King, eminent as they are, would find a picture worthy of their pen.

For six miles we descend along the side of mountains and around heads of canyons until we arrive at Tassajara Springs. Here a sad mishap befell us. The season was over and the hotel left in charge of a man devoid of the milk of human kindness. Not a bite of horse feed

would he let us have at any price. His plea was he needed all for his own horse. Here we were at 1:40 p. m., sixteen miles from our stopping place across that terrible region over which we had walked half the way to save faithful Sam. Tenderfoot was anxious to start on our return, fearing we would have to camp out over night, giving Half Tenderfoot scarcely time to visit the bath house and springs to test their instantaneous curative properties, for it was impossible to remain in that present inhospitable region.

How is it there are nearly ice cold and hot springs so near together? There must be fire down below; friction won't heat water.

At 1:50 p. m. we start our return, walking most of the way leading the horse up that steep six-mile grade. There is only one house between the Springs and James' [the Wheeler cabin on Bruce Flats], where we hoped we might stop over night, but when we reached it we found it locked and the proprietor gone.

It was now dark, and three and one half miles down the mountain. It is not a pleasant experience to walk and lead a horse with buggy down such a mountain by starlight and feel the road, especially where the evergreen trees overlap their branches and shut out the light. Nevertheless we arrived safely at the hospitable house from which we started in the morning, with some-what tired legs and sore feet. Faithful Sam, for whom we entertained mercy and pity, relieved our feelings by exhibiting less weariness than ourselves.

From the James ranch to Pacific Grove is a fairly good road by way of Jamesburg, with no long or steep mountains to climb.

The moral to be learned from this trip to Tassajara Springs is that unless one proposes to walk a considerable part of the way, don't take a single horse and buggy, but a pair or two pair, or go by way of the stage from Salinas. W. R. N.



The Tassajara Hot Springs Hotel, as photographed on its completion in early July of 1893. The zendo, upper garden, the garden cabins and the library now occupy this site.

## 1894 to 1896, THE PROPRIETORSHIP OF HENRY AND SARAH ARNOLD; p. 38.

Prior to and after Henry Arnold's proprietorship of Tassajara he was involved in stone masonry work at Tassajara. According to Carol Card (see 'A Spa is Born,' June 1949): "Henry Arnold was hired to blast out all the stone used in the new hotel from great masses of rock nearby, and this was squared into blocks on the spot by masons from San Jose who laid the walls. Mr. Arnold himself built the walls about the resort grounds and filled in the terraces." Much of Mr. Arnold's building of the walls and terraces was probably done during the early 1900s, for between December of 1902 and October of 1905 there are many newspaper reports from Jamesburg that state or imply that he was a resident employee at Tassajara, who often returned to his home in Jamesburg for family visits. Unfortunately only one of these reports stated a specific project: "H. Arnold and P. Soberg will remain at the Springs, working on the new bath house, which will be quite an addition to bathing facilities, as there will be two new plunges and four new bath tubs" ('Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1903; this was the former bath house that was on the southern bank of Tassajara Creek).

According to Mr. Arnold's grandson, Jesse Arnold: "One account said Henry Arnold learned stone work in the German Army (make that Prussian). That could be true. But we do know that his experience loading and unloading ships would have made him a good man with block and tackle to move stones and beams into place" (p. c. 7/22/2001).

Henry Arnold was born in Berlin, Prussia (now Germany), and according to the U. S. census of 1900, he was born in September of 1853 and had immigrated to the United States in 1883. According to his grandson, Jessie Arnold: "Henry Arnold came to California on a

ship to San Francisco. He decided to stay ashore for a while (or jumped ship) and ended up working for Thomas Church felling redwood trees" [in San Mateo County]. "Henry Arnold had an accident in the woods which broke his leg. Thomas Church was kind enough to take his worker into his home while his leg was healing. That is how he met Sarah Church, who was 15 years younger than he was. After his leg healed Henry Arnold went back to sea for a short time. When he got back from that voyage and went to see Sarah, the Churches had moved to Monterey County. Henry had to have gotten general directions about where to look for the Churches, but he did track them down" (p. c. 7/22/2001). The Church family had moved to their homestead claim at The Caves in 1883.

On July 30<sup>th</sup> of 1886 Henry Arnold became a citizen of the United States, and on the same day he registered to vote in the Tularcitos precinct. According to the voter register, he was a 32 year old sailor from Prussia.

In 1887 Mr. Arnold married Sarah Wallace Church. When they settled on their homestead claim near Jamesburg is unknown, but in September of 1899 Henry Arnold received a homestead patent to 80 acres of land, and in July of 1908 he received another patent to another 80 acres of land; all of this land was in section 17, T. 18 S., R. 4 E. The Arnold homestead is now part of the Hastings Natural History Reservation.

In 1897 Mr. and Mrs. Arnold and their five children moved to Salinas, where Mr. Arnold was employed at the Spreckles sugar factory, but in early 1901 they returned to their Jamesburg ranch. In 1920 they moved to Salinas, where Mr. and Mrs. lived for the rest of their lives. Henry Arnold died in 1934, and Sarah Church Arnold died in 1957.

*San Francisco Call*, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

### PLUCK SAVED HER

MAMIE ROOP WAS LOST  
FOR THIRTY HOURS

Nothing But a Fishing-Rod and Pen-knife for  
Protection in the Mountain Wilds

Genuine sport has always a smattering of risk to spice it, but few women have had to face the unpleasant experience that befell Mrs. Mamie Roop two or three months ago.

In company with her husband, George Roop, the proprietor of the Gilroy Hot Springs, Mrs. Roop determined to take a month's vacation at Tassajara, and they were successful in getting more than the usual quantity of amusement during their stay up till the time that Mrs. Mamie determined to try her hand at fishing.

In company with a lady friend, who was also one of the hotel guests, Mrs. Roop started for an excursion up the creek, armed with a small angling outfit and a penknife. After trying one or two likely spots together the ladies separated and Mrs. Roop proceeded up the stream.

After traveling some five miles on a sort of exploring expedition she determined to make for home in the quickest way possible, and in order to save time took what she supposed to be a short cut over one part of the mountain.

In the mean time her companion had returned to the hotel, thinking, as it was long past the lunch hour, that Mrs. Roop, finding herself near home, had joined her husband, and was by that time resting after her walk. Never dreaming to the contrary, she never even mentioned her friend's disappearance.

As the afternoon wore on, however, Mr. Roop became a little anxious and commenced making inquiries. Learning that his wife had not been seen since separating from her angling friend he organized search parties and every canyon and gulch for miles round echo-

ed and re-echoed with the voices of anxious friends. Night came and still no word came in and no trace could be found of Mrs. Mamie, and it was feared that she had met with a tragic end. Lanterns of every description were provided and the search kept up all through a long and weary night.

As daylight came in dragging parties were organized to search the deep holes in the creek, and dozens of good swimmers and divers joined in the work headed by the husband, himself a good diver.

John Garside, the regular stage-driver, joined the search and his place was taken by Carr Abbott in order to put the driver's youthful



Mrs. Mamie Roop

strength at the disposal of the hunters. The dragging and diving were given up when it was almost certain that the lady's body was not under water. All hands were then put on to a minute examination of every canyon and corner in the vicinity, as it was feared that the plucky lady had fallen over some ledge and lay killed or dying as the result of a fall or false step. The search parties worked without tiring, or at least without complaining of fatigue, but every effort was unrewarded.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon a tired, footsore and half-dead woman almost crawled back to Tassajara and had a thrilling experience to relate.

After being out for over thirty hours it was a wonder that she had lived through a cold night.

Finding herself on a sort of ledge, worn out and by this time almost barefooted, she sat down to spend the night. In her vain attempt to find the lost track she had torn her boots to pieces and there was scarcely any covering to her feet. Her fishing-rod was broken, but she had retained the lower and stouter part as a protection and arranged her clothing in the best possible manner to withstand the cold. The night had become very dark and it was an utter impossibility to even search for the path.

As daylight came Mrs. Roop, in spite of her sufferings from fatigue and cold, made a bold effort to retrace her steps to that spot on the creek's bank from which she had attempted her "cut." Her surprising endurance and commendable courage saved her, and, to the joy of her husband and friends, she managed to reach the Tassajara Springs. Few women would have been physically strong enough to undergo the strain, and not one in ten thousand would have had the undauntable perseverance and pluck to be her own savior.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1894:

C. W. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Springs, came down from San Jose last evening and is a guest at the Abbott.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1894 (4/7 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, proprietor of the Tassajara Hot Springs, came in yesterday from the Springs on his way home. He is at the Abbott.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

Henry Arnold, manager of the Tassajara Hot Springs, was in town yesterday and reports that the prospects for a good summer trade at that great health resort were never better.

The Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the reception of guests on Monday, the 23d instant, on which date the first stage for the Springs will leave Salinas.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

Attention is directed to the Tassajara Springs announcement. This famous health resort will be opened on the 23d inst., under the management of Henry Arnold, and as the curative properties of these waters have become known over the whole coast there is no doubt a good season is assured for the present management.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**  
THIS FAVORITE  
**HEALTH and PLEASURE**  
**RESORT**  
IS NOW OPEN FOR VISITORS

A new Sandstone Hotel. Fine grounds and excellent fishing. Rates \$10 and \$12 per week. Campers \$3 per week, including water. Stage leaves Salinas Monday and Friday for the Springs; through in one day, returning next day. HENRY ARNOLD, Manager.

*Salinas Daily Journal and Salinas Weekly Democrat*, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1894:

Bullene Bros. start their Tassajara stage line tomorrow. For the present the stage will leave here Mondays and Fridays, through to the Springs in one day, returning next day.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS,**

THOSE WONDERFUL HOT MEDICINAL springs are now open for the season. A new sandstone hotel furnishes first class accommodations for guests. There are stone plunge baths and porcelain tub-baths, with unlimited quantities of hot water for bathing and drinking purposes. Beautiful grounds, grand scenery and fine fishing. Altitude 1800 feet. Rates \$10 and \$12 per week. Campers \$3 per week. Stage leaves Salinas every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning. For pamphlets, address HENRY ARNOLD, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Cal. Or C. W. QUILTY, San Jose, Cal.

*Salinas Weekly Democrat*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

There are only a few guests at Tassajara Springs, but about a dozen campers have pitched their tents there.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1894:

**BORN**

ARNOLD—At Tassajara Springs, May 15, 1894, to the wife Henry Arnold, a son.

Monterey County Patent Book G: 417, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

**United States of America to Grace McPhail, The Pines Property**

Grace McPhail, a daughter of John and Barbara McPhail, who were the managers of Tassajara Hot Springs from 1885 to 1887, filed a preemptive claim to this property 16 months earlier (on February 6, 1893). McPhail purchased the patent to The Pines property (as opposed to having been granted a homestead patent). Her brother, Wilburn, had been awarded a patent to the Horse Pasture property two years earlier.

In 1903 Grace McPhail stopped paying her taxes on the property, and thus in 1904 the property was deeded to the State of California. In January of 1916 McPhail (then Grace Dodge) sold this property to G. P. Hansen, but in order to redeem the property from the state, Hansen had to pay the delinquent taxes (Monterey County Deed Book 142: 24 & 257). G. P. Hansen sold this property to Helen Quilty two years later.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1894:

Beginning yesterday Bullene's stage leaves for Tassajara Springs three times a week for the remainder of the season.

Bullene Bros. stage for Tassajara Springs leaves Abbott House every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6 a. m.

*Salinas Weekly Democrat*, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1894:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

The following guests are at present at the far-famed Tassajara Hot Springs. Capt. R. McDonald, U. S. A.; Mr. McGarth, Mrs. McGarth, Mrs. Bramer, Watsonville; Mr. Bell, Salinas; Mr. Moore, Mr. Anthony, Pacific Grove.

*Watsonville Pajaronian*, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

Tassajara Springs, Monterey County, are open for the season. A new sandstone hotel is open for reception of guests, rates \$10 and \$12 per week. Campers \$3 per week. Stage leaves Salinas Monday and Friday for Springs, through in one day, returning next day. The Springs are under the management of Henry Arnold. Tassajara has been a popular resort for Watsonvillians, and is one of the best health restoring spots on the coast.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

Guy P. Schoonover has secured the contract for transporting the U. S. mail from Salinas to Jamesburg. Stage leaves Salinas on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 6 a. m., going through to Tassajara Springs in one day, returning next day. Office at Jeffery House.

Monterey County Deed Book 43: 49, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

**Charles and Mary Cockrill to Charles Quilty, the Horse Pasture Property:**

As stated earlier, in 1892 the patent to this property was awarded to Wilburn McPhail, a son of John and Barbara McPhail, who managed Tassajara from 1885 to 1887.

In December of 1893 Wilburn McPhail sold this property to Charles Cockrill, an early settler in the Arroyo Seco region (Monterey County Deed Book 40: 350).

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

**NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC**

The impression having gone abroad that we were not running a stage to Tassajara Springs, because Guy P. Schoonover has the contract for carrying the mail to Jamesburg, we desire to inform the public that we have the contract for 1894 for carrying the mail and all packages for Tassajara Springs, and that our stages leave Salinas at 6 a. m. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, going through in one day and returning the next. BULLENE BROS.

*Salinas Evening Owl*, June 19<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1894:

**HURRAH FOR TASSAJARA SPRINGS!**

Bullene Brothers, the pioneer stage men are running the best equipped stage line in California, to this wonderful resort. Carrying U. S. and Wells Fargo's Express.

Stages Leave Salinas every Monday Wednesday and Friday.

Leave orders at the Abbott House or City Stables.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

The rush for Tassajara Springs required Bullene Bros.' to send out an extra stage this morning.

C. W. Quilty and wife, and seven daughters and maid, L. Rothermal, Charles A. Hagan, Miss Holgrirth, and J. D. Roberts, all of San Jose, are at the Abbott and will leave this morning for Tassajara Springs.

*Watsonville Pajaronian*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

**ARE YOU GOING TO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS?**

IF SO, REMEMBER THAT BULLENE BROS.

Still run the Tassajara Stage Coach and carry the Tassajara mail. Round trip tickets can be secured at any of the Southern Pacific offices. Stage leaves Abbott House, Salinas, Monday Wednesday and Friday mornings.

*Watsonville Pajaronian*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**  
THIS FAVORITE  
**HEALTH and PLEASURE**

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

Henry Arnold, the popular manager of the Tassajara Springs, will have charge again next season of that wonderful sanitarium.

Monterey County Deed Book 66: 37-38. Document dated Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1894; recorded in Monterey County on June 17, 1901:

## Mary Quilty to Charles Quilty, the Tassajara Hot Springs property, a gift:

This Indenture made the fourth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-four, between Mary E. Quilty of San Jose, Santa Clara County, California, the party of the first part, and C. W. Quilty, her husband of the same place, the party of the second part, Witnesseth: that the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the love and affection which the said party of the first part has and bears unto the said party of the second part, as also for the better maintenance, support protection and livelihood of said party of the second part, does by these presents give, grant, alien and confirm unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all those certain lots, pieces or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the County of Monterey, State of California, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: the northeast quarter (1/4) of Section Thirty Two (32), Township Nineteen (19) South of Range Four (4) East, M. D. M., and containing 160 acres, together with the hotel and improvements and personal property thereon, and water rights, water locations and rights of way connected with said property. Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances, thereunto belonging, or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof. To have and to hold all singular the said premises, together with the appurtenances unto said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever. In witness whereof the party of the first part has hereunto set her hand and seal the day and year first above written. Mary E. Quilty (seal). Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of Joseph R. Patton, State of California, County of Santa Clara ss. On this fourth day of September, A. D. 1894, before me, Joseph R. Patton, a Notary Public in and for the County of Santa Clara, State of California, personally appeared Mary E. Quilty, wife of C. W. Quilty, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that she executed the same. Witness my hand and official seal at my office in the said County of Santa Clara, the day and year last above written. Joseph R. Patton, Notary Public in and for Santa Clara County, State of California. (Notarial Seal).

Recorded at the request of P. W. Soto, June 17, 1901, at 10 min. past 9 A. M.

## RESORT

### IS NOW OPEN FOR VISITORS

A new Sandstone Hotel. Fine grounds and excellent fishing. Rates \$10 and \$12 per week. Campers \$3 per week, including water. Stage leaves Salinas Monday and Friday, through in one day, returning next day.

HENRY ARNOLD, Manager.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, from July 1<sup>st</sup> and onward during the guest season of 1894:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Hot Magnesia Springs, temp. 120 degrees.  
Hot Sulphur Springs, " 150 "  
Cold Iron Springs  
Magneto Thermal Baths

These wonderful Hot Medicinal Springs are now open for the season. A new two story sandstone hotel furnishes accommodations for guests. There are stone plunge baths and porcelain tub baths, with unlimited quantities of hot mineral water for bathing and drinking purposes. Infallible cure for rheumatism, liver and kidney troubles and kindred complaints. Altitude 1600 feet. Grand scenery and fine fishing and hunting. Rates \$10 and \$12 per week. Stage leaves Salinas every Monday and Friday morning. For particulars address,

H. ARNOLD,  
Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey Co., Cal.  
or C. W. Quilty, San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1894:

Guy P. Schoonover's stage leaves the Jeffery House on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6 a. m. for Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

On the return trip last Tuesday from Tassajara Springs, the day being very hot, one of the stage horses of Bullene Bros. melted down and dropped dead coming through the Toro.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1894 (7/21 in the *Weekly Democrat*):

C. W. Quilty came in yesterday from Tassajara Springs, on his way to San Jose. His family remains at the Springs and he will rejoin them in a few days.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose is at the Abbott and leaves this morning for Tassajara Springs to bring in his family, who have been sojourning at that delightful resort for the past six weeks.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

C. W. Quilty and family came in from Tassajara Springs yesterday and registered at the Abbott. They leave for their home in San Jose today.

Pete Anderson returned from Tassajara Springs last Saturday. Mr. Anderson made the trip to the Springs on a bicycle, and was the first man to enter the resort on a wheel, says the [*King City*] *Rustler*.

From the California State Mining Bureau's *Twelfth Report of the State Mineralogist*, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

**Tassajara Springs.** They are in a deep cañon, tributary of the Arroyo Seco, in the heart of the Santa Lucia Mountains. They are reached by road from Salinas, and by road and trail from Soledad up the Arroyo Seco. The elevation is about 1,400 feet. Here are eighteen springs, varying in temperature from 124° to 150° F. They issue from crystalline schists in the bed of the creek and southern bank. In addition to sulphur, the springs carry magnesia and some other minerals. They are used for both drinking and bathing, more particularly the latter, being especially efficacious in cases of rheumatism.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Mrs. F. Cleaves and John O. Tucker, of San Jose, are registered at the Abbott. They leave this morning for Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty and J. O. Tucker of San Jose were registered Sunday at the Abbott, returning home from Tassajara Springs.

October 16<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

## C. W. QUILTY TO THE MONTEREY COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

To the Honorable Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, California:

Your petitioner respectfully asks that your Hon. Board appoint Henry Arnold, lessee of Tassajara Hot Springs, to care for the Tassajara Road from Jamesburg to the Springs, a distance of about 16 miles, during the winter months until March, 1895, which he will do for the sum of thirty (\$30) dollars.

The work to be done, being the cross ditching of the road every 200 feet, so as to prevent the washing away of the road, also the removal of rocks and landslides, opening cross streams and gullies, and looking after bridges.

He will also go over the road from time to time during winter, and keep it in good condition, so as to save expensive repairs in the spring.

Mr. Arnold has leased the Springs for the next season, he lives right on the road, and can look after the road better than a person from a distance, who will lose time in coming and going to the scene of the work.

Furthermore, Mr. Arnold is directly interested in keeping the road in as good repair as possible, so as to be ready early for the next season business.

All the receipts of the Springs, and more too, are left yearly in Monterey Co., and the visitors coming and going to the Springs make business for hotels, saloons, groceries, livery and other business in Salinas, and Monterey County.

In view of the above, I trust this petition will be receive your favorable consideration.

Dated Oct. 22, 1894.

Respectfully yours, C. W. Quilty.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1894:

Henry Arnold, manager of the Tassajara Hot Springs, is, with his wife and children, registered at the Jeffery.

From 'Board of Supervisors,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

In the matter of petition of C. W. Quilty, asking that contract be made with Henry Arnold to keep in repair, during the winter months, the road from Jamesburg to Tassajara Springs—Petition granted, and the compensation for keeping road in repair until March, 1895, is fixed at \$30.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

C. W. Quilty leaves this morning on a business trip to his Tassajara Springs property.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1894:

C. W. Quilty arrived in town yesterday from Tassajara Springs and took the afternoon train for his home in San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1895, datelined Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1894:

The late rains have washed out the Tassajara road in some places. WILLOW TREE.

## 1895

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

### TO EVERYBODY! TO EVERYBODY!

Wherever you go, call for a good mild drink of Tassajara Seltzer; put up in new system siphon bottles; kept by all saloons. It's good for your health. Try it.

Drink Tassajara Seltzer.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1895 (4/13 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined April 5<sup>th</sup>:

C. M. Chew, who has the contract of fixing the Tassajara road, has a force of men at work.

C. W. Quilty of San Jose went to Tassajara Springs yesterday to look after his interests there. They expect to have everything ready for visitors by the first of May. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, left Salinas Thursday for the Springs, taking with him a lot of fruit trees and grape cuttings for planting. He will return in about a week, after making arrangements for opening the Springs for the summer rush of visitors.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose is at the Abbott, returning from Tassajara Springs.

H. Arnold, manager of Tassajara Springs, and J. W. Lewis, a Jamesburg rancher, are among the guests at the Jeffery.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

The Tassajara Springs stage, Arnold & Lewis, proprietors, will start on Friday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, and make tri-weekly trips during the season, leaving Salinas at 6 a. m. Monday, Wednesday

and Friday, returning next day. Fare \$4 each way.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

J. A. Lewis, one of the proprietors of the Tassajara stage, is at the Jeffery. The first stage to the Springs leaves here at 6 o'clock tomorrow morning.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined April 25<sup>th</sup>:

William Bruce is hauling for the Tassajara Hot Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*Watsonville Pajaronian*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1895:

The Tassajara Hot Springs are under the management of H. Arnold this season and visitors can be assured of a splendid reception. The waters of the springs are specially efficacious for rheumatism and liver and kidney troubles, and a number of Watsonville's prominent citizens endorse this statement. The new hotel and bath rooms are admirably conducted. Rates \$10 and \$12 per week. Stage leaves Salinas at 6 a. m. each Monday, Wednesday and Friday, returning the following day. There is no health resort in Lake County superior to Tassajara Springs.

From "Little Reviews," *Pacific Grove Review*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

Mr. H. Arnold of the Tassajara Hot Springs calls the attention of our readers this week to the wonderful medicinal properties of the waters of his baths, and the splendid accommodations of the new hotel he has erected for his guests. See his ad in another column.

*Pacific Grove Review*, *Monterey Weekly Cypress*, *Salinas Daily Journal*, and *Watsonville Pajaronian*, from early May onward during the guest season of 1895:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Hot Magnesia Springs, temp. 120 deg.  
Hot Sulphur Springs, " 150 deg.  
Cold Iron Springs.  
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These wonderful Hot Medicinal Springs are now open for the season. A new two story sandstone hotel furnishes accommodation for guests. There are stone plunge baths and porcelain tub baths, with unlimited quantities of hot mineral water for bathing and drinking purposes. Infallible cure for rheumatism, liver and kidney troubles and kindred complaints. Altitude 1600 feet. Grand scenery and fine fishing and hunting. Rates \$10 and \$12 per week. Campers \$3 per week. Good barn accommodations. Arnold & Lewis' stages leave Salinas at 6 A. M., every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and arrive at the Springs at 6 p. m., returning next day. Fare \$4 each way. For particulars, address

H. Arnold,  
Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey Co., Cal., or  
C. W. Quilty, San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined May 5<sup>th</sup>:

We are having more rain at present than usual at this time of the year. The Tassajara stage

has not made its regular trip on account of bad weather.

Mr. and Mrs. Quilty and daughter and others of San Jose whose names we did not learn went to Tassajara Springs yesterday.

The Tassajara road has been repaired and is now in good condition for travel.

WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1895 (5/11 in the *Salinas Weekly Democrat*):

### TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, May 6, 1895.—The weather here is simply delightful and the outlook for a prosperous season could not be better; already the hotel and camping grounds are fast filling up.

The time is passed enjoyably by all. During the day the ladies amuse themselves with fancy work, with bathing and drinking the famous waters; while the gentlemen seek to cover themselves with glory, with the rod and hook.

The fishing is excellent. Yesterday Mr. Quilty and Mr. Demoine made a joint catch of 240 fine trout in three hours. Today another basket of 114 was brought into camp.

The evenings pass all too quickly. Music, gay badinage and moonlight all help to lend wings to time.

The latest arrivals are Mr. Williamson of Pajaro, Mr. and Mrs. Quilty of San Jose, Miss May Quilty of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. Demoine of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. Jno. J. Hebbron and family of Salinas, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hebbron of Salinas, Mr. Mertin of San Francisco. OLD TASS.

Our Tassajara correspondent, to prove that the trout stories mentioned in his last communication are not the proverbial "fish stories," sent in a basket of as fine trout as were ever taken from the shady nooks of that most delightful of trouting regions. Thanks, "Old Tass."

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

C. W. Quilty and C. Desimone came in on last evening's stage from Tassajara Springs on their way home to San Jose. Their "better halves" remain at the Springs for a short time longer.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

### TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, May 10, 1895.—The latest arrivals here are Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Ball, Miss Eva Ball and Mr. J. H. Foster, all of Salinas.

The weather continues fine, and the wild flowers and ferns make every nook and corner between the rocks a beautiful flower garden.

Mr. Hebbron has caught the largest fish of the season. It measured eleven and one half inches.

Mr. Quilty and Mr. Desimone have gone home to San Jose.

Mr. John J. Hebbron has also gone to town to attend to business, but will be back on the next stage. OLD TASS.

## 1895 to 1896; p. 42.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined May 14<sup>th</sup>:

There are quite a number of people at the Tassajara Springs at present, about twenty-five in all. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty and daughter, Miss May Quilty, and Mrs. C. J. Desimone came in on last evening's stage from Tassajara Springs, and are registered at the Abbott on their way home to San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined May 21<sup>st</sup>:

H. Arnold of the Tassajara Springs went to Salinas on business last week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1895; datelined May 27<sup>th</sup>:

J. W. Lewis, driver of the Tassajara stage, spent Saturday and Sunday with his family here. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined June 5<sup>th</sup>:

Will Church made a trip to Salinas this week after a load for the Tassajara Springs.

We are having warm weather at present, but last week it was cold and rained some, and on Chew's Ridge snow fell until the ground was white. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined June 12<sup>th</sup>:

Will Church drove the Tassajara stage into Salinas Tuesday. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

### TASSAJARA WATER

Just received by John Tunesi, 28 Main Street, a fresh lot of Tassajara water. Parties desiring it for table or for medicinal purposes can get it put up in siphon bottles, charged, or plain, just as it comes from the springs. A fresh supply received weekly.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined June 17<sup>th</sup>:

Twelve people from Santa Cruz went to Tassajara Monday.

Quite a number of people from Watsonville are camped at the Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined June 27<sup>th</sup>:

C. W. Quilty and family of San Jose went to Tassajara Monday. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

### A BASE IMAGINATION

Tassajara water is the best and purest in the market, and is strictly first-class for man only. "Housekeeper," in the *Index*, drew basely upon his imagination when he used it for his dirty comparison in connection with the canine tribe. (\*) STOREKEEPER.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined July 16<sup>th</sup>:

Harry Staples has been driving the Tassajara stage for the last few days, while J. W. Lewis is taking a vacation. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1895:

Henry Arnold, manager of the far-famed Tassajara Hot Springs, came in last evening and registered at the Jeffery.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1895; datelined July 29<sup>th</sup>:

Henry Arnold, manager of Tassajara Hot Springs, went to Salinas on business last week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Weekly Democrat*, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>:

The Tassajara stage made its last trip for the season today and the Springs will be closed for the winter.

Mr. H. Arnold of Tassajara went to Salinas today on business. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1895; datelined Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>:

Frank McKay of Tassajara went to Salinas yesterday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1895 (11/9 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>:

Mr. and Mrs. Arnold of Tassajara have moved out here to spend the winter. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1895:

Henry Arnold of Tassajara Hot Springs came in yesterday and registered at the Jeffery.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1895 (12/14 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>:

C. M. Chew is busy ditching the Tassajara road so it will not wash out when the heavy rains come. WILLOW TREE.

## 1896

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

Henry Arnold, the Tassajara Springs manager, came in yesterday and registered at the Jeffery.

From 'Jamesburg Jots' (misnamed as "Paraiso Springs Notes"), *Salinas Daily Journal*, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1896; datelined Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

H. Arnold, manager of Tassajara Springs, went this week to Salinas. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (3/14 in the *Weekly Democrat*):

JAMESBURG, March 7.—We had 6 inches of snow here this week and about one-half inch of rain. We hear there is two feet of snow on top of the mountain between here and Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (4/4 in the *Weekly Democrat*) datelined 3/28. 1896:

C. M. Chew is repairing the Tassajara road. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1896:

C. W. Quilty, owner of the Tassajara Hot Springs, came down from San Jose yesterday.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

C. W. Quilty took the stage yesterday for Jamesburg, going thence to Tassajara Springs, which will be opened for the season in a few weeks.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (4/11 in the *Weekly Democrat*):

C. W. Quilty of San Jose came up yesterday and went to the Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1896; datelined April 11<sup>th</sup>:

Mr. C. W. Quilty returned to San Jose Friday.

H. Arnold, manager of Tassajara Springs, went to Salinas this week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (4/25 in the *Weekly Democrat*), datelined April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

Frank McKay of Tassajara went to Salinas this week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1896; datelined April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

The Tassajara Stage—Arnold & Bruce, proprietors—will begin running from Salinas to the Springs on the first of May.

Work on the Tassajara road has been delayed by the rains. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1896; datelined April 25<sup>th</sup>:

We hear the Tassajara Springs will be opened for visitors the first of May. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (5/9 in the *Weekly Democrat*), datelined May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1896:

Wm. Bruce, having bought J. W. Lewis' interest in the Tassajara stage, made his first trip yesterday. WILLOW TREE.

*Watsonville Weekly Pajaronian*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

The first stage of the season reached Tassajara Springs on Monday. The Springs are now open for the season, under the management of Henry Arnold, who was the capable manager last year. For rheumatism, kidney and blood troubles these springs are said to be unexcelled, and they have been a popular resort for the people of this valley who desired an outing in the mountains while building up their systems. For further information read the advertisement in this issue or write to the manager of the Springs, Henry Arnold.



Watsonville Weekly Pajaronian, from May 7<sup>th</sup> onward during the guest season of 1896:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

HOT MAGNESIA SPRINGS,  
TEMPERATURE  
120 DEGREES.

HOT SULPHUR SPRINGS,  
TEMPERATURE  
150 DEGREES.

These wonderful hot medicinal springs are now open for the season. A new two story sandstone hotel furnishes accommodation for guests. Stone plunge baths and porcelain tub baths with unlimited quantities of hot mineral water for bathing and drinking.

Infallible Cure for Rheumatism, Liver and Kidney Troubles,  
Skin Diseases and Like Complaints.

Altitude 1600 feet. Grand scenery, fine fishing and hunting.

Rates: \$10 and \$12 dollars per week. Campers \$3 dollars per week. Good barn accommodations.

Arnold & Bruce stages leave Salinas at 6 A. M. every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, arriving at Springs at 6 P. M., returning the next day. Rate: \$4 each way. For particulars address:

H. ARNOLD,  
Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County.  
Or C. W. QUILTY, San Jose, Cal.

Salinas Daily Journal, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty and daughter and Mrs. J. E. Keller of San Jose are guests at the Salinas.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' Salinas Daily Journal, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1896; datelined May 21<sup>st</sup>:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty and daughter and others from San Jose went to Tassajara Springs yesterday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' Salinas Weekly Index, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1896, datelined May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

C. W. Quilty, wife and daughter, and Mrs. Keller of San Jose are at the Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

Salinas Daily Journal, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1896:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty and daughter of San Jose, and Mrs. J. E. Keller of the steamship Zealandis, are at the Salinas, returning from Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' Salinas Weekly Index, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1896, datelined June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

Tassajara Springs hotel is rapidly filling with guests. PINAFORE.

From the 'Social Mirror' columns in the San Jose Daily Mercury, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Quilty will spend the summer at Tassajara Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' Salinas Daily Journal, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (6/20 in the Salinas Weekly Democrat):

There are 15 guests at the Tassajara Springs Hotel. WILLOW TREE.

San Jose Daily Mercury, guest season of 1896 (an identical ad ran in the San Jose Daily Herald):

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

THOSE MARVELOUS MINERAL springs are now open for the season. Fine sandstone hotel. Eighteen hot springs, surpass anything of their kind in the State. Positive cure for stomach, kidney, liver and rheumatic troubles. Three big trout streams. Elevation 1600 feet.

Terms, \$10 to \$12 per week; campers, \$3 per week. Stage leaves Salinas, Monterey County, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. For pamphlets address,  
C. W. Quilty, San Jose, Cal.

Santa Cruz Evening Sentinel, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1896:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

WHAT IT OFFERS TO THE CAMPER—  
THERE IS PLENTY OF SPORT FOR  
THOSE WHO ENJOY HUNTING

The Tassajara Springs, a health resort, made so from the beneficial qualities of its springs, and its near vicinity, seems to be the favored termination of camping parties from this city. There are now camping at the Springs Oscar Kron and family, and at Chew's Ridge or Miller's Canyon, eight miles this side, are the camps of Holway-Forsyth and Drennan-Blas-Austin. Next week W. H. Crow and family, Miss Lily Barton and Eva Whinery will be among the campers of the Monterey mountains and within easy reach of the Springs.

Tassajara Springs is 60 miles from Salinas and 100 miles from Santa Cruz. It is a good three days drive, for most of the road is a mountainous one, with two heavy grades to climb, one eight miles in length and rising to an elevation of 4,000 odd feet. The road passes through Watsonville, Castroville and Salinas, leaving the county road about midway between the latter place and Monterey, turning to the south and soon losing the camper in valley and on mountain top. There are many points of interest, the scenery is grand and the country traveled through is a continual change.

The Carmel Valley, at the head of which starts the Carmel Creek, the source of water supply of the Hotel Del Monte, and in which are several large dairy ranches, the principal one being the Pacific Improvement Co.'s dairy, which supplies the Hotel Del Monte with farm produce, is owned by the Southern Pacific Co. as is also the water supply. There are also many uninteresting stretches of road that tax the patience of both man and brute.

Game is plentiful. Deer, valley quail and mountain quail, the latter a very fine bird for eating, abound, but trout are not so plentiful, for the streams of water run very low during the dry season. A peculiarity about the streams of that country is, that they disappear, running under the surface of the earth, and reappearing further down their course.

The climate is all that could be asked for, the

people kindly disposed towards campers and the camper's life, with a little wild honey to sweeten him when out of luck, is truly what camp life cracks it up to be.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' Salinas Daily Journal, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1896 (8/1 in the Weekly Democrat), datelined July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

H. Arnold and daughter of Tassajara paid Salinas a visit this week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' Salinas Weekly Index, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1896; datelined Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1896:

H. Arnold and daughter of Tassajara made a short visit to Salinas last week. PINAFORE.

The Evening News, San Jose, Cal., Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

**TAKEN BY DEATH**

MRS. C. W. QUILTY DIES IN  
SANTA CRUZ OF HEART  
DISEASE THIS MORNING

The many friends of Mrs. C. W. Quilty will be shocked to learn of her death in Santa Cruz at an early hour this morning. She had been improving of late, and yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Quilty went to Santa Cruz where it was hoped the health of the invalid would be improved.

On the trip over she experienced a relapse and Mr. Quilty feared she would not live to the end of the journey. She was low during the night and passed away at 6:30 this morning.

Mrs. Quilty was Miss Mary Hagan before her marriage, and the daughter of Mr. Hagan, a pioneer and one of the original projectors of the Gas Company. She was a native to San Jose, 38 years of age. She leaves eight children, the oldest about 16 years of age.

The remains will be brought to San Jose this evening.

Mrs. Quilty's foster brother, Charles Hagan, died a year ago today.

San Jose Daily Mercury, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

**DEATH OF MRS. C. W. QUILTY**

SHE PASSED AWAY AT SANTA  
CRUZ YESTERDAY MORNING

Mrs. Mary A. Quilty, wife of Charles W. Quilty, President of the [San Jose] Light and Power Company, passed away yesterday at Santa Cruz, after a lingering illness. Her ailment was heart disease. Mr. and Mrs. Quilty went to Santa Cruz Thursday, where it was hoped the health of the invalid would be improved. On the trip she experienced a relapse. She was very low during the night and passed away at 2:30 o'clock yesterday morning. Mrs. Quilty was Miss Mary Hagan before her marriage, and the daughter of Mr. Hagan, a pioneer and one of the original projectors of the [San Jose] Gas Company. She was a native of San Francisco, aged 38 years. She leaves eight children, the oldest about 16 years of age. The remains were brought to San Jose last evening.

Mrs. Quilty's foster brother, Charles Hagan, died a year ago yesterday.

The deceased was a devoted mother, whose happiness was in her home circle. She had no social aspirations. She was charitable to a fault, and her purse was always open to the needy.

*Santa Cruz Evening Sentinel*, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

## DEATH OF MRS. QUILTY

A PROMINENT LADY OF SAN JOSE  
PASSES AWAY ON BEACH HILL

On Thursday evening Mrs. Chas. W. Quilty died of heart trouble at the cottage on Beach Hill known as the Bungalow. She arrived on the noon train Thursday to spend several months in this city, having frequently been here before. For some time Mrs. Quilty had been in ill health and it was in the hope that she would be restored to health that she contemplated making an extended stay.

The deceased was the wife of Chas. W. Quilty, President of the San Jose Light and Power Co. She was the only daughter of the late James Hagan, the founder of the San Jose gas system, and in his day among the most progressive citizens of that city. She was 38 years of age. The remains will be shipped to San Jose for interment.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (8/22 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

John Souza is hauling hay to the Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

## LEFT A BIG ESTATE

WILL OF MRS. C. W. QUILTY  
PRESENTED FOR PROBATE

The will of Mary E. Quilty and a petition for probate was filed in the Superior Court yesterday by C. W. Quilty, husband of the deceased.

The estate consists of real estate and buildings in Santa Clara, Tulare, San Benito, San Luis Obispo and Monterey counties, valued at \$125,000 and bringing an annual rental of \$6000; stock in the San Jose Light and Power Company, Salinas City Gas, Water and Electric Light Company, Tulare City Water Company, Odd Fellows' Hall Association of San Jose, Farmer's Union of Salinas and San Jose Safe Deposit Bank and Savings, of an aggregate value of \$125,000, and miscellaneous personal property valued at \$5000; total, \$255,000.

The will is dated July 15, 1896, and names C. W. Quilty as executor without bonds. One third of the estate is willed to the husband, and the remaining two thirds is to be divided equally between Gertrude C., Mary J., Irene M., Pauline L., Alice L., Estella I., Ruth E. and Genevieve Quilty, children of the deceased. The husband is appointed guardian of the estates of the minors.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

A forest fire is raging on the headwaters of the Carmel. PINAFORE.

From the California State Mining Bureau's 13<sup>th</sup> Report of the State Mineralogist, Sept. 15, 1896:

## MINERAL SPRINGS MONTEREY COUNTY

TASSAJARA.—See our VIIIth and XIIth reports, pp. 411 and 341. They are in a deep cañon, tributary of the Arroyo Seco, 50 miles S. of Salinas, by road, and about the same distance from Monterey, at 1,650' altitude. The waters are said to be efficacious in cases of rheumatism, stomach, liver, kidney, and cutaneous diseases. A small hotel and bath-house constitute the improvements. The following copy of an analysis was furnished by the manager. Each imperial gallon contains 10/6 grains of mineral constituents, as follows:

	Per Cent.
Sulphate of soda.....	15.04.
Sulphate of magnesia.....	13.17.
Sulphate of lithia.....	3.10.
Silica acid.....	8.50.
Organic matter.....	18.00.
Carbonic acid.....	22.46.
Potash.....	1.45.
Sulphuric acid.....	2.41.
Hydrogen and sulphur.....	3.00.
Alumina.....	3.87.
Sesquioxide of iron.....	7.08.
Iodine.....	.75.
Arsenious acid.....	1.08.
Bromine.....	0.09.
Total.....	100.00

C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, owner; Henry Arnold, of Salinas, manager.

## SANDSTONE MONTEREY COUNTY

TASSAJARA.—A gray and olive-colored sand-stone, suitable for building purposes, occurs in large quantities near Tassajara Springs. It overlies the crystalline schists, dips 30° to 45° E., is soft enough to be easily worked, and is said to harden with exposure. The hotel at the Springs is built of this stone. It is too far from railroad to be commercially valuable.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (8/22 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined Sept. 15, 1896:

John Souza drove the Tassajara stage up yesterday while Wm. Bruce is attending business in Salinas. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

Henry Arnold, manager of Tassajara Hot Springs, came in yesterday and registered at the Jeffery.

The Tassajara Springs stage made its last trip out for the season Friday, returning yesterday. The season was fairly successful.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (10/10 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>:

H. Arnold, proprietor of the Tassajara Hot

Springs, went to Salinas last Friday on business.

The Tassajara stage made its last trip for the season Saturday, and returning on Sunday.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (10/24 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose came up yesterday and went to Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose came in last evening from a few days trip at Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1896 (11/7 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1896:

C. W. Quilty has returned to San Jose after a business trip to Tassajara Springs.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (11/14 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

Henry Arnold has moved from Tassajara Springs to his ranch here, to spend the winter.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Jots,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1896 (11/21 in the *Weekly Democrat*); datelined Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

Frank McKay of Tassajara made a business trip to Salinas the first of the week.

WILLOW TREE.

From "Jamesburg Gleanings," *Salinas Weekly Index*, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1896; datelined Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

H. Arnold and family have moved out from the Tassajara Springs to their home in this neighborhood.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

We think it was a mistake for the Postoffice Department at Washington to give the name of our famous Tassajara to a postoffice in Contra Costa County (the first Tassajara Post Office was established at Tassajara Hot Springs on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1892, but it was closed on Feb. 6, 1894).

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

D'Arcy Porter left yesterday for Tassajara Springs on work for data to be used in preparing the new county map.

From "Jamesburg Gleanings," *Salinas Weekly Index*, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1896; datelined Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1896:

D'Arcy Porter, John Harvey and C. M. Chew went to Tassajara last Friday on a surveying trip in connection with the new county map.

PINAFORE.

## 1897 and 1898, THE SECOND METCALF PROPRIETORSHIP; p. 45.

After their first proprietorship of Tassajara in 1892, Frank and Clara Metcalf eventually moved to San Francisco, where Frank was employed as a "dynamo man" at the Edison Light and Power Company.

When Frank registered to vote in the Tularcitos precinct in July of 1898 he was described as being a 42 year old hotel keeper who had a light complexion, blue eyes, brown hair, and had a crippled left hand

forefinger.

After the Metcalf's departed Tassajara in 1898, they returned to San Francisco, where Frank was employed at a meter inspector for the Spring Valley Water Works. He was later employed as a mill hand and later on as a clerk. Frank died in San Francisco in June of 1913. I did not find a death record for Clara Metcalf.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1897:

F. H. McKay of Tassajara has gone to Salinas. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Guy McPhail came up to Tassajara Springs from Salinas last Friday night with a telegram for Wm. Church, summoning him to a position at Mare Island navy yard. Mr. Church went to Salinas on Saturday to take the train for Vallejo. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Feb. 28, 1897; datelined Feb. 27, 1897:

The weather for the past week has been warm and pleasant, with the exception of a few frosty nights. There is plenty of snow in sight yet, it being 20 inches deep on Chew's Ridge. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Ben Badasci and Will Cockrill started to go across the mountain to Mr. Church's place, but found the snow too deep on the summit, and were forced to come back. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Henry Oerly returned yesterday from Tassajara Springs, but the balance of the party, consisting of William Koester, Pete Soberg and Arthur Seegelken, will remain at the Springs awhile longer. Mr. Oerly reports snow four feet deep on the mountains between Chew's and the Springs. The party was unable to get through to the Springs with their horses, and had to send them back to James' and foot it in to the Springs.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, March 28, 1897; datelined March 27, 1897:

W. W. Stice and J. W. Lewis paid a visit to Tassajara Springs this week, but had to turn off the road and go by Mr. Church's to get there, on account of so much snow on top of the mountains. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1897:

It is reported that Frank Metcalf has leased the Tassajara Springs this year. Mr. Metcalf is quite well known here, having run the Springs five years ago. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf, the new lessee of Tassajara Springs, is at the Jeffery.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf, lessee of the Springs, has

come up to take charge.

PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (4/17 in the *Weekly*); datelined April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf, the lessee of the Tassajara Hot Springs, came up yesterday to take charge of the Springs.

C. M. Chew has four men at work on this end of the Tassajara road. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (4/24 in the *Weekly*); datelined April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

J. W. Lewis took F. E. Metcalf, Mr. Bryer and J. Klamman to Tassajara Springs last Saturday. He reports plenty of snow still on top of the mountain, but they had no difficulty in getting through with the wagon and found the road in very good order, with the exceptions of loose rocks that had fallen from the banks. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (5/1 in the *Weekly Journal*):

C. W. Quilty and Mrs. F. E. Metcalf and daughter of San Jose went this week to Tassajara.

J. W. Lewis went to Salinas the first of the week for a load of lumber and provisions for the Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Henry Arnold, a former proprietor of Tassajara Springs, came into the county seat from Jamesburg yesterday.

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, who was visiting his Tassajara Springs property, returned yesterday and is registered at the Jeffery.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

H. Arnold, of Tassajara Springs, and C. M. Chew made a trip to Salinas this week.

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, has returned to San Jose. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1897 (5/8 in the *Weekly Journal*):

C. W. Quilty returned this week to San Jose after a week's visit to Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1897:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, who was visiting his Tassajara Springs property, returned this week and is registered at the Jeffery.

Henry Arnold, a former proprietor of Tassajara Springs, came in to the county set from Jamesburg Wednesday.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (5/15 in the *Weekly*); datelined May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

F. H. McKay of Tassajara was in Salinas this week. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf, manager of the Tassajara stage, came in yesterday and registered at the Jeffery.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf arrived from San Jose yesterday, returning to Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS NOW OPEN

Mr. F. E. Metcalf, having thoroughly renovated and refitted the Tassajara Springs hotel, and also having purchased a new stage and live stock for the stage route, is now thoroughly prepared to receive and entertain guests in first-class manner. Stage will leave, as heretofore, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, beginning Friday, May 28.

The stages begin to run tomorrow to Tassajara Springs. There are already some eighteen or twenty guests there.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1897 (6/5 in the *Weekly*); datelined May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf, manager of Tassajara Springs, spent this week in San Jose and Salinas. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1897; datelined June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1897:

The new Tassajara stage made its first trip to the Springs on Monday with Cal Wilson as driver. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1897:

The Tassajara stage made its first trip to the Springs Monday, with Cal Wilson as driver.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (6/12 in the *Weekly Journal*), datelined June 5<sup>th</sup>:

The Tassajara stage made its first trip Monday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, June 22<sup>nd</sup> (6/27 in the *Weekly*); datelined June 19<sup>th</sup>:

There are about thirty people at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1897:

C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose yesterday to see how badly the store was wrecked, the exaggerated reports in the city papers having made him uneasy. He will leave this morning, accompanied by his daughter, for Tassajara Springs.

A. Dourond of San Jose, a former manager of Tassajara Springs, is registered at the Salinas.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

A. Dourond of San Jose, a former manager of Tassajara Springs, came up Tuesday and went to Tassajara to see the improvements that have been made since he was there.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (7/10 in the *Weekly Journal*); datelined July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Evan Metcalf came up from San Jose this week to spend his vacation with his parents at Tassajara.

WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

C. W. Quilty and four children are registered at the Salinas, returning to San Jose from Tassajara Springs.

*San Francisco Call*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

## TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 10—The Fourth was observed by the grandest celebration in the history of Tassajara.

The day opened with a salute of forty-five guns by the Salinas Rifles.

The leading feature of the celebration was the parade. Louis Lieber of San Jose acted as grand marshal. The procession formed on the boulevard at 2 p. m., lead by Dourond's band and followed by Captain Ayers's Salinas Rifles. Evan Metcalf impersonated Uncle Sam to perfection. Then followed the Goddess of Liberty, Miss Lyda Bell of San Francisco, accompanied by the maid of honor—Miss Hazel Metcalf and Miss Pauline Quilty; and flower girl, Miss Ruth Quilty. The procession marched to Bonita Camp and countermarched upon the boulevard to the grand stand in front of the hotel, where it was reviewed by the Hon. C. W. Quilty of San Jose. The grand marshal then introduced the orator of the day, Professor A. C. Barker, who delivered a patriotic and stirring address. The festivities were concluded in the evening by fireworks and a ball at the hotel.

Among those present were: Alex Miller, San Jose; Miss Lyda Bell, San Francisco; Miss Mary Caddy, Ed O'Connell, Watsonville; Miss Aggie Quilty, San Jose; the Misses Ethel, Mary and Inez Williamson, Watsonville; D. Stirling, Salinas; the Misses Gertrude and May Quilty, San Jose; Professor A. C. Barker, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf, Miss Sarah Aston, San Francisco; John Ayers, Salinas; Charles Quilty and family, San Jose; Miss Hazel Metcalf, G. C. Thompson, Salinas; J. Shechy, Watsonville; A. Dourond, E. Metcalf, Miss Mills, San Jose; Mrs. Patrick, Monterey; Mrs. W. Fletcher and child, Monterey; Miss Stevens, England; Mr. and Mrs. Williamson, Watsonville; Miss Marie Erickson, Fresno; John Klarman, San Francisco; Miss Kate Walsh, San Francisco; Will McGrath, Watsonville; Mr. Smith, Watsonville; Company A, First Infantry; Mr. Evans and family, Salinas; John Williamson, Watsonville; C. Wilson, Salinas; George and Fred Klarman, San Francisco; F. E. Metcalf, lessee Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

The Misses Quilty came in from Tassajara Tuesday and stopped at the Salinas on their way home to San Jose.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

## THE FOURTH AT TASSAJARA

ASSEMBLED GUESTS CELEBRATE THE NATIONAL HOLIDAY IN GRAND STYLE

Editor *Index*—The patriotic people of Tassajara celebrated in a manner which caused the eagles to scream on the cliffs above. The exercises of the day consisted of a parade, oration, salutes, songs and a grand ball in the evening.

The parade was a little tardy in starting, owing to the mullah objection of the burro which was to draw the ship of state. Finally Grand Marshall Leiber of San Jose charging up and down the boulevard brought the line to order. As the Goddess of Liberty, Miss Bell of San Francisco, marched down the walk it was showered with roses, and as she entered her carriage she was saluted with cheers and a volley from Infantry Co. F.

At 2:15 the marshal gave the word and the procession moved off headed by the worthy marshal. Then followed the wind, string and brass band, and drum corps.

Infantry Company A, Capt. Ayers, marched in a hollow square, in the center of which sailed the ship of state, containing the Goddess, Uncle Sam and pretty girls representing the states.

Next came C. W. Quilty as hospital guard, armed with all the necessities for relief in case of accident.

Then followed citizens on foot and other vehicles.

The procession passed up the avenue, past the armory to Camp Bonita, counter-marching on the boulevard past the grand stand, where they were reviewed by the genial host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf. Here the kodak fiend got in his deadly work and shot the crowd while the infantry volleyed and thundered.

The master of ceremonies then introduced the orator of the day, Prof. A. O. Barker, who delivered a stirring speech.

The choir sang patriotic songs and the audience split the atmosphere with three cheers for Tassajara and the United States. The exercises of the day closed with a salute of forty-five guns.

WHISKERS.

From 'Social Notes,' *San Jose Herald*, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Charles W. Quilty and daughter are home after a stay at Tassajara Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1897; datelined July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Mr. Metcalf, proprietor of Tassajara Springs, has gone to Salinas.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf of Tassajara is a guest at the Salinas.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1897; datelined July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

A. Dourond has taken a contract of C. W. Quilty to build a trail from Tassajara to Lost Valley, and has already commenced.

WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, guest season of 1897:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS!

There are about fifteen hot springs, varying from lukewarm to a boiling heat. Also two strong iron springs and numerous cold springs, sharp and biting.

### POSITIVE CURE

For stomach, kidney and rheumatic troubles and specific for all cutaneous diseases. Nervous disorders cured.

### TROUT FISHING

Splendid trout streams in the vicinity, and by way of a new trail over the mountain the famous fishing grounds of Lost Valley are only four miles away.

### THE HOTEL

Is built of sandstone, two stories high, and can accommodate 150 guests.

Charges per Week, \$10 and \$12.

Campers are charged \$3 per week, each, for use of grounds, waters, baths, etc.

### STAGES

Leave Salinas for the Springs at 6 a. m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Fare \$4.

F. E. METCALF, Proprietor.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1897:

There was a social hop at Tassajara last Wednesday night.

WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

J. W. Lewis of Jamesburg came in yesterday for a load of lumber to build a dancing platform for "the Tassajara cripples," as he calls them.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (8/21 in the *Weekly Journal*); datelined Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

J. W. Lewis is hauling lumber to Tassajara to build a dancing platform.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

The weather for the past week has been the hottest in the memory of the "oldest inhabitant," the heat being greatly increased by a large fire between here and the coast, changing the cool sea breezes into heat waves.

PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

There was a social hop at Tassajara last Saturday night.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (9/18 in the *Weekly Journal*); datelined Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Nearly all the campers that were at Tassajara have returned to their homes.

WILLOW TREE.

## 1897 to 1898; p. 47.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (10/2 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1897:

Frank Bruce is hauling hay to Tassajara Hot Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1897 (10/2 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Evan Metcalf has returned to San Jose to attend school. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1897:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, proprietor of the Tassajara Springs, came down last evening and registered at the Bardin. He leaves this morning for the Springs for a ten days' hunting and fishing trip.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (10/9 in the *Weekly*); datelined Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose went to Tassajara last Friday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

James Lewis is hauling lumber to Tassajara for the new bridges.

C. W. Quilty and A. Dourond, who where sojourning at Tassajara Springs, have returned to San Jose. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1897 (10/23 in the *Weekly*); datelined Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

A. Dourond has gone to San Jose, after spending several months at Tassajara.

C. W. Quilty returned this week to San Jose, after a two weeks' outing at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1897:

The Tassajara Springs stage made its last trip of the season on Tuesday.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1897:

The Tassajara stage made its last trip for the season on Monday.

F. E. Metcalf took Mrs. Metcalf and daughter and Mrs. Erickson to Monterey yesterday where they will visit a few days and then go to San Jose to spend the winter. Mr. Metcalf will return to Tassajara again. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1897 (11/6 in the *Weekly*); datelined Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf of Tassajara went to Salinas Thursday on business. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf, the popular landlord at Tassajara Springs, spent a couple of days at the county seat this week and left last evening for Monterey.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

F. E. Metcalf is at the Tassajara Springs for a few days, preparatory to taking his departure for the winter. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1897 (11/27 in the *Weekly*); datelined Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

G. Erickson of Tassajara made a visit here Sunday.

F. E. Metcalf of Tassajara has gone to San Jose to spend the winter. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1897; datelined Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1897:

Gus Erickson came out from Tassajara Springs last Friday. He says it is pretty lonely over there now. PINAFORE.

## 1898

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Gus Erikson of Tassajara came out yesterday and will go to Salinas today, Andrew Church taking his place at the Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1898; datelined Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Gus Erickson is out from Tassajara Springs to see the people and learn the news. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1898; datelined March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

F. Metcalf and Tony Dourond came down from San Jose and went to the Tassajara Springs last week. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1898, datelined March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

F. E. Metcalf came down from San Jose last Sunday and went to Tassajara.

Gus Erikson, who has spent the winter at Tassajara Springs, went to Salinas Monday to remain. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1898:

C. M. Chew has a force of men at work on the Tassajara road. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1898:

Mrs. F. E. Metcalf and daughter and niece, and Miss M. Erickson, came down from San Jose and went to Tassajara to spend the summer. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1898; datelined April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Gus Erickson came up from Salinas on Friday and went to Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1898; datelined May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

The Tassajara stage has started running for the summer, making its first trip on Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, with A. Rice of San Jose as driver. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Mr. Rice of San Jose came up yesterday. He will drive the Tassajara stage this season.

WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

This famous health resort is now open for the summer. Hay for sale and good pasturage for campers at reasonable rates. Stage leaves Salinas for the Springs on Monday and Friday of each week.

From the 'Personal & Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1898:

Eugene Jeffery of the Jeffery House returned Thursday night from a fortnight's sojourn at Tassajara Springs, greatly improved in health. He was one of the first to go over Tony's new trail to Willow Creek, and brought back a nice string of trout.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1898, datelined May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

C. M. Chew has finished the road work, and the road is now in first-class condition. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1898 (5/26 in the *Weekly*); datelined May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

C. M. Chew and his assistants have finished their work on the Tassajara Road. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

### HOP AT TASSAJARA

The first hop of the season at Tassajara Hot Springs was held Monday evening and was a grand success in every particular. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. George Rowe of Watsonville; Wakefall Kitzmiller, John Walsh, Miller, James P. Mitchell, of Castroville; Miss Rebecca Robertson of Jamesburg; Miss Marie Erickson, San Jose; Charles Desimoine, San Jose; Aleek Miller, San Jose; J. C. Menor, Salinas; Arthur Rice, San Jose; Miss Hazel Metcalf, San Jose; Hugh McAdams, Watsonville, Tony Dourond, San Jose; Miss Tessie Rogers, San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Metcalf, San Jose; Mrs. Lyman, Watsonville.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

#### THIS FAMOUS HEALTH RESORT

is now open for the summer. Hay for sale and good pasturage for campers at reasonable rates.

#### STAGES LEAVE

Jeffery House, Salinas, for the Springs

#### MONDAY AND FRIDAY

of each week, at 6 o'clock, a. m.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1898; datelined June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

A. Rice has resigned his position as driver of the Tassajara stage, and his place will be filled by Mr. Pollard. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

There are about thirty people at Tassajara at present. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

There are now fifty people at Tassajara. Some of them are camping. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1898 (6/16 in the *Weekly*):

## PARTY AT TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 11.—A social hop was given here last evening in honor of the Salinas Gun Club and a general good time was had. Captain O. Cayer had charge of the refreshment booth, while Steve Hauser acted as floor manager.

Following is a list of guests here at the present time. P. Garrissere, J. J. Kelly, Geo. White, Mrs. Wood, Cheryl Hebert, Mrs. Williamson and daughters Miss Inez and Ethel, Miss Teddy Clow, Aleck Miller, Otto Stoesser, Miss Stoesser, Mrs. Rossi and son Bert, J. Mitchell, Mrs. Lyman and son Frank, John Walsh, Wakefield Klitzmiller, Mitt Tuttle, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Rowe, Misses Rowe, Roy Rowe, Rebecca Robertson, Jim Williamson, Marie Erickson, Tony Dourond, Mr. Barden, Mr. Forster, Tessie Rogers, Mrs. Judd, W. H. Miller.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1898; datelined June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1898:

More guests are reported to be at the Tassajara Springs now than at any time last year. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Weekly Index*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1898:

## AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

During the past two weeks the guests at Tassajara Springs in camp and at the hotel numbered about 75. On Sunday last the Salinas delegation gave a picnic on the flat above the springs. A fine fat quarter of beef was barbecued for the occasion, which, with other good things contributed by the commissary department constituted a royal feast. A choice literary program was rendered in a manner that won the plaudits of the assembled throng. Judge Vanderhurst was president of the day, and Captain Cayer was the orator. Geo. White was the chaplain and Johnnie Kelly as poet wooed the gentle muse with rhythmic numbers in the sylvan retreat. Hebert, Garrissere and Hauser composed the orchestra, and, besides giving some fragments from the grand old masters, favored the delighted audience with some vocal selections. Dan Martin acted as grand marshal. "Old Glory" was unfurled to the breeze, and greeted with cheers that echoed from peak to peak of the surrounding mountains. Uncle Sam and the Goddess of Liberty were toasted in generous libations, and the spot was christened "Camp Dewy." The festivities closed in the evening with Steve Hauser giving and exhibition of riding and breaking a bronco horse.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

A grand barbecue was held at Tassajara Hot Springs on Saturday. It was given by the Salinas Gun Club to Mr. F. W. Griffin, and

party, and all at the Springs were invited and a jolly good time was had. Captain Cayer acted as chef, while Joe Steffani barbecued the meat which was the finest ever eaten. Among those present were G. W. Rowe and family, W. Kitzmiller, J. M. Walsh, James R. Mitchell, N. H. Miller, Lorena Rowe, Mr. Williamson and wife, M. Tuttle, James Williamson, Mrs. Clow, Mrs. Judd and son, Mrs. J. Ward, Ethel and Inez Williamson, O. Stoesser and daughter, C. Forster, O. Cayer, C. Z. Hebery, George A. White, P. Garrissere, Steve Hauser, J. J. Kelly, P. Fontain, Wm. Vanderhurst, J. Steffani, Miss F. Bell, Miss M. Smith, J. Walker, E. W. Griffin and family, Miss Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. Dogherty, Miss Walsh, Mrs. Kelly, Mr. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. Alfs and two children, Mr. Butler, C. Desimone, W. J. Irvine, wife and child and D. R. Martin.

The weekly hop was held in Maple Hall at Tassajara Saturday night, and was largely attended. Frenchy attended the lunch booth, and Steve Hauser acted as floor manager.

C. W. Quilty and three oldest daughters are expected at the Springs next Friday.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1898; datelined June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

C. W. Quilty and daughter of San Jose are at the Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1898, datelined June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

The Misses Quilty of San Jose went to Tassajara yesterday.

Evan Metcalf, son of Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf of Tassajara, came down from San Jose yesterday to spend the vacation at Tassajara.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1898:

C. W. Quilty went to Tassajara Monday.

There are about 70 people at Tassajara.

WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

## TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 30.—The weather is very warm here, but everyone seems to be enjoying it.

A very pleasant party was tendered Miss Hazel Metcalf on the 20th inst., in honor of her birthday. The younger portion of those in camp gathered in the hotel parlor at 2 p. m., where the time was spent in music, recitations and games. At 4 o'clock the young folks were ushered into the dining room where elegant refreshments were served. Those present were Rodie Rowe, Irene Quilty, Lillie Alfs, Jessie Rowe, Tessie Rogers, Leonora Rowe, Hazel Metcalf, Frank Alfs, Orman Williamson, Evan Metcalf, Raymond Griffin, Perry Fountain.

A good many of the campers go to their homes this week to spend the Fourth.

A progressive euchre party was given last evening on the terrace in front of the hotel. Six tables were in progress for three hours when the prizes were awarded to the winners. Mr. Kelly won first prize and Mrs. Kelly second.

Uncle Jim Williamson captured the booby. The evening was perfect and the party quite novel in every respect. MESCAL.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

## THE FOURTH AT TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 5.—The Fourth was celebrated at Tassajara in a manner that will long live in the memory of the many guests of that favorite resort. A salute fired at sunrise was a signal for the beginning of the day's festivities. Miss Lyda Bell, the charming goddess, was attended by Miss Hazel Metcalf and Miss Tessie Rogers as maid of Honor, and little Lillie Alfs as flower girl. Uncle Sam was well personated by Evan Metcalf.

In the evening the following program was well rendered in the parlor of the hotel:

Song—"America," by the audience.

Remarks—C. W. Quilty.

Piano solo—Hazel Metcalf.

Mandolin and piano duet—Gertrude and Irene Quilty.

Recitation—Lillie Alfs.

Song—Irene Quilty.

Piano solo—Miss Kelley.

Song—Hazel Metcalf.

Piano solo—Miss Kelley.

Song—Irene Quilty.

Song—Mrs. Metcalf.

Star Spangled Banner, by the audience.

The exercises over, delicious refreshments were served by the genial host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf, after which dancing was continued until the dawn began to brake over the eastern hills of Tassajara. MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1898 (7/14 in the *Weekly*):

## A TRIP TO TASSAJARA

We left Salinas last Wednesday July 6<sup>th</sup>, about 7 o'clock, and had a very peasant ride over the Laureles grade. On our arrival at the old Steffani place we found Mrs. O. B. Trimmer and Miss Nellie Clark, of Pacific Grove, in a neat little cottage under the hill. After we had delivered a package of papers from the *Index* office, we were invited to partake of some "bar" meat for dinner, which we enjoyed very much.

After dinner we hitched up our team and started for Jamesburg, passing a number of campers on our way, who were just going for a week's outing, among whom we recognized Todd Condon's and Jim Evans' families. We reached Jamesburg at half-past four, where we made arrangements to spend the night. We had with us a quantity of fireworks, with which we entertained our host and hostess.

While there Walter Chew, who is 12 years old and is a Jamesburg boy, was the means of much enjoyment. From pictures which he had seen in the columns of various newspapers he has constructed accurate facsimiles of the various American and Spanish war vessels in the fleets recently at Santiago, all correctly named. He had dammed up the waters of a small creek on the ranch, and on the inner side

had constructed Morro Castle, Zocapa, Agua-dores and the other now famous Spanish forts, and had placed the Spanish fleet under their protection. Outside the dam he placed the American fleet. A mock engagement and bombardment was given by the aid of the fire-works, much to the entertainment of all present.

Early Thursday morning we again started for our climb over the mountain and on our way saw a great many tree squirrels. We arrived at Tassajara Springs at half past one o'clock, after a very pleasant trip.

The guests at the Springs are W. S. Johnson and wife, Mrs. P. Piazzoni, Ethel Webster, Mrs. J. R. Sloan, Thomas Hagan and J. A. Webster of Salinas; C. W. Quilty, Misses May Quilty, Gertie Quilty, Irene Quilty, Helen Ford, Edith Ayers, Miss Bell and Miss Smith of San Jose.

As an amusement for the guests T. Hagan of Salinas had the ladies present take part in a shooting contest at a target placed at a distance of 100 yards for a prize. The prizes, which were for the best and second best scores with a rifle, were won by Miss Ethel Webster, who took the first, and Mrs. J. R. Sloan, the second prize.

A VISITOR.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1898 (7/21 in the *Weekly*); datelined July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

C. W. Quilty and daughters have returned to San Jose after an outing at Tassajara.

PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

The weather has been very warm for the last few days, partly on account of a large forest fire on the Arroyo Seco.

WILLOW TREE.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS  
MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIFORNIA**

THOSE MARVELOUS MINERAL SPRINGS are open for the season. Fine sandstone hotel. Eighteen hot springs; surpass anything of their kind in the State. Positive cure for stomach, kidney, liver and rheumatic troubles. Three big trout streams. Elevation 1600 feet.

Terms, \$10 to \$12 per week; campers \$3 per week. Stage leaves Salinas, Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning. For pamphlets address C. W. QUILTY, San Jose, Cal.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1898, datelined Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

There are about 35 people at Tassajara at present.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1898, datelined Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Tony Dourond came up from Salinas and is stopping here for a few days' hunting.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1898; datelined Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Evan Metcalf, who has been spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Metcalf of Tassajara Springs, has returned to school in San Jose.

PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1898; datelined Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Most of the campers have come out from Tassajara Springs.

A. Dourond has rented a portion of C. H. Bruce's ranch.

PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Nearly all of the campers that were at Tassajara have returned to their homes.

WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1898:

H. McAdams is the new driver of the Tassajara stage, having succeeded J. F. Pollard, who is going on a visit north.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1898, datelined Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose and goes to the Tassajara Springs today on business.

Mr. Pollard has given up the Tassajara stage to H. McAdams who will make one more trip this season.

WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

F. E. Metcalf, wife and daughter, returned from Tassajara Springs yesterday, registered at the Jeffery House, and will leave for their home in San Jose this morning.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1898, datelined Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Tony Dourond goes to Tassajara today to remain during the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Metcalf and daughter went to San Jose to remain through the winter after a most successful season at Tassajara.

H. McAdams went yesterday to Watsonville after spending the summer at Tassajara.

C. W. Quilty has returned to San Jose after a week's stay at Tassajara.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes and Comments,' *San Jose Daily Mercury*, Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

Frank E. Metcalf is no longer connected with the Tassajara Hot Springs. His family has returned to San Jose where they expect to settle—*Watsonville Transcript*.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1898:

T. Dourond came out from Tassajara last Friday and went back on Saturday.

PINAFORE.



## 1899 and 1900, THE PROPRIETORSHIP OF JAMES JEFFERY; p. 50.

James Jeffery Jr. was the son of James Jeffery, who founded the Jeffery Hotel in Salinas in 1885. He was born in Milpitas, Santa Clara County in 1866, and came to Salinas when he was five years old. When he registered to vote in 1888 he was listed as 21 year old blacksmith, and when he registered to vote in 1896 he was listed as a 30 year tradesman who was six feet one inches tall with a light complexion, blue eyes and light hair.

A seen here, it was during James Jeffery's tenure at Tassajara that there was a great proliferation in newspaper reports from Tassajara. On November 15<sup>th</sup>, 1900, and thus toward the end of James Jeffery's tenure at Tassajara, it was reported in a Jamesburg news column that he had purchased a Jamesburg ranch, and in subsequent Jamesburg and local news columns in Salinas newspapers stated that he was a resident of Jamesburg. In 1906 Mr. Jeffery advertised that his tavern and

blacksmith shop at Hilltown (in the immediate vicinity of the highway 68 bridge over the Salinas River) was for sale. James Jeffery appears to have not been enumerated in the U. S. census of 1910, but undated voter registers state that he was employed at the Jeffery Hotel in Salinas. In the 1920 census he was listed as a 53 year old mechanic who lived in Salinas, and, according to his obituary in the *Monterey County Post*, in about 1925 he became a trapper for the California Department of Agriculture's Division of Predatory Animal Control in King City. In the 1930 census he was listed as 63 year old government trapper who lived in King City. On June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1930 it was reported in the *Monterey County Post* that Mr. Jeffery was seriously ill from heart disease and had been in bed at the Jeffery Hotel for the past three months. James Jeffery died in Salinas on July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1930.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> to March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1899:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

These famous springs, hotel, grounds and stages for rent for a term of from 1 to 3 years. Only responsible applications with references received. Address: C. W. QUILTY, San Jose, Cal.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (2/16 in the *Weekly*); datelined Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery came up from Salinas last Sunday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery returned to Salinas Wednesday after a week's visit to A. Dourond at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1899:

C. W. Quilty, president of the Farmers Union of this city, but a resident of San Jose, was in town yesterday looking after his interests here.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (3/16 in the *Weekly*); datelined March 7<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery, well known in Salinas, has leased the Tassajara Springs for a term of three years. He passed through here last Friday on his way to the Springs, where he will at once begin to put everything in order for the coming season. Mr. Jeffery is familiar with hotel life, and under his able management this famous health resort will no doubt become more popular than ever. PINAFORE.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index* March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery came in from Tassajara Hot Springs yesterday.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (3/16 in the *Weekly*); datelined Mar. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

C. Barlow took a load of provisions to the Tassajara Springs for James Jeffery on Saturday.

Mrs. Maguire and children went to Tassajara the first of the week. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1899:

Mr. McGrath came out from Tassajara Hot

Springs yesterday after the mail and returned again to the Springs on the same day.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery of Tassajara Springs went to Salinas this week on business. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Gilroy Personal and Other Notes,' *San Jose Daily Mercury*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

The marriage of Charles Quilty of San Jose and Miss Helen Ford will take place at St. Mary's Church in Gilroy on Wednesday, the 12<sup>th</sup> inst., at 8 o'clock a. m.

*Gilroy Weekly Advocate*, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

### SOCIETY GOSSIP

#### A BEAUTIFUL MORNING WEDDING AT ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Amid ferns and lovely flowers, beneath an arch of exquisite Lady Banksia roses, Miss Helen Genevieve Ford became the wife of Mr. Charles W. Quilty of San Jose, on Wednesday morning. St. Mary's Church, Gilroy, was the scene of this impressive wedding.

The sacred edifice was a bower of green and white. Huge brackets from the mountains were used in profusion about the walls and pillars of the church. The loft was banked with ferns. Ivy was festooned over the windows, and the top of the wainscoting was a trailing mass of Lady Banksia roses. The main altar with its silver candelabra, was in pure white bride buds, and maiden hair ferns. The altars of the Blessed Virgin Mary and St. Joseph were also attractively decorated with bouquets of ferns and choice white roses. Calla lilies completely covered the candle stand. From chandelier to chandelier were festoons of Lady Banksia roses. The same clinging white and green vine was used in cordons extending from the arch to the rear of the church. On entering the church one was struck with admiration at the delicate odor and beautiful appearance of the interior. The decorators received merited praise on all sides.

Promptly at 8 o'clock a. m. the sounds of the Bridal Chorus from Lobengrin stole sweetly through the air, from the organ, presided over by Miss Evelyn Casey. The bridal party entered the church, the bridesmaid, Miss Gertrude Quilty, leading the way of the groom, Mr. C. W. Quilty. Very lovely was she in white organdie and Valenciennes lace over

yellow silk, with white picture hat. She carried a bouquet of white carnations and maiden hair ferns.

Then came the bride, beautiful as a dream, on the arm of her brother [cousin], Mr. Daniel Schafer. In a filmy white organdie and long tulle veil caught with sprays of orange blossoms, she was picture. As Miss Ford stood before the priest, a bright ray of sun-shine—heaven's benediction—burst through the windows and lit up the altar, making an indelible impressions on the minds of every-one present. She carried a bouquet of lilies of the valley.

Rev. Father Hudson performed the ceremony, ending with a nuptial mass and a short sermon. During the interval Mrs. Hecker on the violin rendered "Cavatina" by Raff in an artistic manner. Miss Lucile Moore sang charmingly "Ave Maria" impressing the assembly with the solemnity of the occasion.

After the ceremony that lasted over an hour, the bridal party marched out of the church to the strains of Mendelssohn's Wedding March, and were driven in carriages to the house of the bride's mother [aunt], Mrs. Henry Schafer. An hour or two was spent over the generously laden board.

The bride then donned a handsome traveling suit of brown cloth, with a brown straw hat to match. The couple were given a rousing send-off at the depot with rice. They will make a tour of Southern California.

The bride is one of Santa Clara County's loveliest daughters—a general favorite in San Jose and Gilroy, combining a bright, intellectual mind with a beautiful face and character. She grew to womanhood in our midst, graduated from the Gilroy High School, and shortly after secured a teacher's certificate and commenced teaching.

Mr. Quilty is a prominent capitalist of San Jose, a genial gentleman whom to know is to respect. We wish them every joy and happiness.

Among out of town guests at the wedding were Mr. Quilty and son, father and brother of the groom, the Misses Gertrude, Irene and Mary Quilty, and Miss Ayers, all of San Jose, Mrs. Reine and Miss Rose Kuss of San Francisco.

Two often identically worded accounts of the wedding were published in the 'Society' columns in the April 16<sup>th</sup> edition of *San Jose Daily Mercury* and the April 22<sup>nd</sup> edition of the *San Jose Daily Herald*. The concluding paragraph in both of these reports was "After a trip through the southern portion of the State Mr. and Mrs. Quilty will reside at the lovely Quilty home, 156 South Third Street."



From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (4/20 in the *Weekly*); datelined April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery, J. George and Mr. Cornett passed through here on their way to Tassajara last Saturday.

C. M. Chew and a crew of men are working on the Tassajara road.

John Barlow came up from Salinas last Saturday with a load of hay for James Jeffery.

William McGrath came out from Tassajara yesterday and returned the same day.

The Tassajara stage will begin making trips to the Springs on May 1<sup>st</sup>. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1899:

John Barlow came in from Tassajara Springs yesterday, and is a Salinas Hotel guest.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1899:

C. M. Chew has finished the Tassajara road and it is now in excellent condition.

J. D. Barlow is hauling hay and provisions to Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1899:

C. W. Quilty and bride returned from Pariso Springs yesterday, passing through our city en route to their home in San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1899, datelined April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

John Barlow went to Tassajara Springs yesterday with a load of provisions. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery, lessee of the Tassajara Hot Springs, the famous health and pleasure resort, is in town for a short business trip. He reports three inches of rain at the Springs for the last storm, and six inches of snow in places on the "Chew Ridge."

The Tassajara stage will begin its regular trips next Monday. J. D. Barlow has leased the stage line and will be the driver. He knows every inch of the road and under his careful handling of the reins the safety of passengers is secured.

If you want to spend a few days or weeks in rest and quiet, try the famous Tassajara Hot Springs. For full information write to James Jeffery, lessee, Tassajara, Monterey County, Cal.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

J. D. Barlow's "Four horse mule team" and Tassajara stage were in evidence on our streets yesterday. The stage will make its first trip tomorrow, leaving the Salinas Hotel at 6 a. m.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1899 (5/4 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1899:

The Tassajara stage made its first trip to the Springs for the season on May 1<sup>st</sup>, with John Barlow as driver and six passengers.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

**TASSAJARA STAGE**  
J. D. BARLOW,  
Proprietor and Driver  
FOR—  
**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**  
AND WAY STATIONS

Beginning MONDAY, May 1, stages leave Salinas as follows:

LEAVE SALINAS  
MONDAYS. . . . . 6 a. m.  
WEDNESDAYS. . . . . 6 a. m.  
FRIDAYS. . . . . 6 a. m.

Stages will return on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays until further notice.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined May 13<sup>th</sup>, *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

Tony Dourond of Tassajara was here this week on business. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' datelined May 16<sup>th</sup>, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (5/18 in the *Weekly Index*):

D. Jeffery is hauling lumber to the Tassajara Springs for a dancing floor. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

**TASSAJARA NOTES**

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 9, 1899.—Editor *Index*: There are thirty boarders at the hotel here at present and fifteen campers.

Uncle Jan of the Hoffman Café acts as leader of the orchestra and John Lauritzen is floor manager.

A great baseball game is scheduled for Tuesday between the Jamesburg Rattlesnakes and the Tassajara Hot Nine. Sam White of railroad fame will manage the Tassajara Nine.

When Sam White goes back to Salinas ask him what he thinks of the plunge.

J. Hughes, P. Storm and Wm. Hughes will break camp Tuesday.

Uncle Jan and family return home by today's stage.

Mrs. Jas. H. McDougall has become strong enough to engage in wrestling matches with her sons Edgar and Charley. FOUR BEANS.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' datelined June 20<sup>th</sup>, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1899:

Eugene Jeffery and Lawrence Cornett came down from Tassajara on Saturday and went to Salinas to remain over Sunday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined July 1<sup>st</sup>, *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

The Misses Quilty and Miss Ayers of San Jose are guests at Tassajara.

D. Jeffery went to Tassajara Springs yesterday. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

W. C. Hill of the *Index* takes his departure for Tassajara Springs this morning to enjoy a few weeks' vacation. He goes by private conveyance and will camp out.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

**THE FOURTH AT TASSAJARA**  
INDEPENDENCE DAY DULY  
CELEBRATED AT THE SPRINGS

Never before in the history of Tassajara did the sun look down on such a grand patriotic celebration as it did on July 4, 1899.

With the earliest beams of the morning sun the Tassajara eagle left his rocky roost screaming, "Hail Columbia, Happy Land!" and the festive coyote from the opposite summit cried back in his sweetest voice, "The sun never sets on Old Glory."

Hardly had the voices of these wary sentinels ceased reverberating through the echoing hills than Host Jeffery pressed the electric button which set off the batteries, proclaiming the birth of our Natal Day.

By 9 o'clock every trail had brought in its quota of natives to swell the throng which anxiously awaited the commencement of the program for the day.

The hotel and the principal buildings were beautifully decorated with flags and bunting, while the avenue along the line of the march was festooned with gay colored lanterns ready for the evening's illumination. The camp grounds and grand stand were one mass of red, white and blue and evergreens—the later, despite the fact the committee on decorations were somewhat handicapped because Billy Irvine had carried away most of the ferns within a radius of five miles.

One of the most exciting contests of the morning was the election of the "Goddess of Liberty." There were many aspirants for the honor, but the victory perched squarely on the standard of the Honorable Mike Hughes, a blushing, modest member of the Salinas aristocracy.

When the choice was announced, Mike came forward, and in a very neat little speech thanked his many friends for their loyal support, but begged that they tell it not to the Lying Club for fear they expel him from sheer envy. He then won the hearts of even his worst enemies by closing with a gracious invitation to all present to step up to the "spring" and have a drink of "hot water." He was simply irresistible.

Promptly at the appointed hour Grand Marshal Sterling gave the word of command, and the grand procession slowly passed in review before the hotel while the band filled the air with patriotism.

In the lead came the Grand Marshal mounted on a sweeping steed on which witches are supposed to ride. Immediately following came the band wagon pushed by Gus Sanborn of Watsonville. The front wheel and handle bars were twined with the national colors, while the bed was draped with red and evergreen. In the midst of this sat Jim McDougall sawing off music by the "chord."

Next came the real thing, the Goddess of Liberty riding in a two wheeled horseless carriage with Lund as the motor between the shafts and guided by Eugene Jeffery. The carriage is the latest out, and was decorated in a perfect blaze of flags and patriotisms and graced with beauty. Never did a Chinese idol

sit with more becoming dignity than did our idol grace the throne of our patron goddess. She was a thing of beauty and a joy forever, dressed in flowing robe of Roman striped outing flannel, which failed by a foot to meet across her heaving bosom. On her head was a silver crown set with golden stars, while the sun beams reflecting from her shining pate cast a halo about her head such as would have caused the whole Filipino nation to fall down and worship her could they but have seen our goddess. In her right hand she carried the golden scepter, while her left held aloft the Stars and Stripes.

Behind this blush of beauty stood Uncle Sam, personated by the only Chawley McDougall, dressed in his chokebore pants, high hat, swallow tailed coat and hay rope whiskers. With a winning smile upon pleasant features he stood guard over the goddess.

Then came the Misses Quilty, looking like pretty fairies and dressed in bloomers and each wearing a necktie of emblematic colors.

Following these came Mrs. Sterling, representing an Indian princess with flowing hair and bedecked from head to foot with macaroni beads while a savage tomahawk dangled from her belt.

Everywhere, in and out through the procession darted the demoniac dancing girl from Watsonville, Ella Thrurwachter, dressed in purist white, cut at the high water mark. Zoe McDougall represented the midget Cupid bearing the emblems of war, while Rosie O'Grady walked by her side in a vague uncertain manner, audibly wondering if Sid was still singing "Just the Girl." There was also a girl who put on Ayers.

Next came the heavy artillery, and citizens on their own conveyances. Half way down the boulevard the Horribles joined the procession and were loudly cheered. The parade took in all the points of interest, counter marching past the grand stand where the band and the goddess were received at each appearance with one continuous round of applause and cheering.

At the grand stand the program opened with a prayer by Sanborn, followed by music by the band, singing of the national songs, and an oration by "William McKinley."

At the conclusion of the forenoon program the multitude sat down to a feast that would have whet the appetite of a king—barbecued beef, salads, sandwiches, cakes, coffee, candies, nuts and fresh fruits. Over this banquet Host Jeffery presided with becoming modesty and at the conclusion the people gave him three cheers and a tiger as the prince of entertainers. Tony Dourond was given three cheers and a vote of thanks as the king of cooks at a barbecue.

The afternoon was taken up with games which we cannot take the space to describe further than to state that Mrs. J. H. McDougall won the fat woman's race, Mrs. Hughes won the cake walk, and Mrs. Shearer took the prize as the best jig dancer.

The games were concluded with a balloon ascension by Tony, who planted the Stars and Stripes on the top of Tassajara Peak. He was accompanied by Lawrence Cornett, who performed the daring "feet" of leaping from that

vast height using his shoes as parachutes.

Sundown was heralded by a volley from the camp, and as the shadows deepened the fireworks were let loose. "Old Tass" was awakened from his slumber and joined in the hilarity with a war whoop as of old. A realistic imitation of the capture at Manila Bay was given, besides candles, rockets, bombs, torpedoes and shooting stars without end.

The day's sport was concluded with a dance at the park in which all joined and:

"Soft love looked love to eyes which spake again,

And all went merry as a marriage bell"

TASSY HAIRY.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

The friends of Mike Hughes in Salinas—and their name is legion—will be pleased to read in this morning's *Index* that he was unanimously chosen to act as Goddess of Liberty at the Tassajara Springs celebration of Independence Day.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery, the Tassajara landlord, came in on last evening's stage on his regular monthly business trip.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

## TASSAJARA NOTES

"I got it by Got."

Mit has his arms full.

Sanborn thinks he is the "push."

Jim Jeffery plays croquet.

Rosie is despondent.

Jim McDougall brought in a box of cats. He also has a violin.

Tuttle is the boss entertainer in camp.

The horseless carriage is doing a rushing business.

Mike Hughes spends most of his time posing for his picture.

Mrs. Moore is neglecting her duties as chaperone.

Tassajara has the jolliest crowd that meet together for many a day.

John Keno! John Keno: Watsonville, hoy!

Ed Haney went hunting in his sleep. When he awoke he had his horse half skinned. He says that he thought he had killed a deer.

Will Hill arrived in camp Friday afternoon and pitched his little tent in the grove.

We had a slight shock of earthquake about noon Wednesday.

Tony caught 160 trout in a day's trip up the stream last week.

The stage is too slow for the Tassajaraites now. A number of carrier pigeons will be liberated from the top of Tassajara Peak tomorrow morning. Their home is in San Jose.

What was known as the old Wheeler cabin on the road between Jamesburg and the Springs was destroyed by fire last Friday morning. Mr. Bruce and family, who occupy a residence nearby, were awakened by the explosion of giant powder; rushing out they saw the old well seasoned cabin a mass of flames. The building was used as a blacksmith shop, kind of a storehouse, and contained many articles of value which will be a great

loss to Mr. Bruce, among them a good mowing machine with all the knives, and in the midst of hay cutting too. Several sets of harness, a lot of potatoes, wheat, packed butter, steel-yards, nails, saws, bellows, etc. A daughter of Mr. Bruce, in an effort to save some of the contents of the burning building, had a narrow escape from danger, as several exploding bullets whistled between some milk pans she held in her hands.

The people here all anxiously await the arrival of the *Index* by stage at about 6 o'clock in the evening, three times a week.

TASSY HAIRY.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

W. C. Hill of the *Index* passed through here on his way to Tassajara last week. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

## TASSAJARA NOTES

The band still plays on.

And still there is more to follow.

Mr. Bush and family arrived from Watsonville yesterday.

Fresh meat is rather scarce, and deer at that.

The "chaperone" flew the coop this morning and was sent out by carrier pigeon.

"The Boys" have taken to carrying in wood these mornings to keep the woodchopper busy.

J. H. McDougall killed a rattler at the highest point on Tony's trail one day last week.

We won't have any more birthdays now. Go ask the policeman why.

The Goddess has now added dancing to her many charms, and is the belle of the ball.

Three high minded young ladies from Mitt Tuttle's sugar beet camp climbed to the top of Flag rock Sunday morning. They provided themselves with all the things necessary to make the ascent a success. May Quilty led the way, carrying a gallon of cold water. Zoe McDougall came next with cracked ice as a cure for heart failure. Ella Thurwachter came next in line with a bucket of lunch and a club to kill snakes. They say they felt like kicking the bucket before they got to the top, which they reached just at 12 o'clock. They announced their victory by singing "Just Three Girls" from the highest pinnacle. The rescue party which went out to meet them found three sleeping "babes in the woods."

They arrived in camp at 6 o'clock, Chawley "bearing" Ella in the lead, the others following. From their tattered appearance they now have bloomers to "rent" and thereby hangs a tail.

Mike Hughes is learning to dance, and he has already mastered three, by name the Berlin, two-step and lancers. Mr. Hughes is graceful and is in great demand as a partner by the young people who nearly dance him to death.

Jim McDougall officiates as the orchestra, and the informal dancing parties are very pleasant.

TASSY HAIRY.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

## GOT LOST

Word was brought from Tassajara Springs yesterday that Will Hill, son of the editor of

the *Index*, got lost while out hunting Tuesday, and wandered around in the mountains from 4 o'clock in the morning until he reached the Springs some time after dark. He shot some game and had about made up his mind to camp for the night, when he struck the home trail just as searching parties were being organized to look for him. He was pretty well exhausted from his long tramp, but otherwise all right.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

## A TASSAJARA PICNIC

### A MERRY CROWD HAVE A JOLLY TIME IN THE MOUNTAINS

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 14, 1899.—Dear *Index*: We people of Tassajara are indeed enjoying our outing immensely. So many features combine to make strong limbs, healthy stomachs, good appetites and light hearts. We are a merry party, and shall sincerely regret the arrival of the hour for our parting. The return to the prosaic duties of life are not our dread, for we all feel rested and ready to assume them with renewed vigor.

As some of the guests are about to depart for their homes it was suggested that a picnic would be an appropriate event as a farewell act; so "Tony" Dourond was chosen as guide and general factotum, and no better selection could possibly have been made. Tony has long been a resident of these mountains, and is familiar with every rock and tree, brook and trail within a radius of many miles. Fourteen of us put our lives in Tony's hands with a beautiful faith that the day's arrangements would be a perfect success.

The automobile has not reached Tassajara, so we all carefully shod our pedal extremities with hob-nailed boots and started at 6 o'clock on Thursday morning last over what is called "Tony's Trail," estimated to be three and a half miles long, but we all felt sure it had been measured with a rubber tape line. This wonderful trail leads up the mountain and down again—on the other side, however. It is for the most part blasted out of a solid rock and is necessarily very precipitous, the mountain being about 1,600 feet above the hot springs. Our party started in single file, with Mr. Lund and Frank Clark in the rear leading a heavily laden pack horse. We climbed in the cool of the morning to the summit where we halted for a short rest and to admire one of the most beautiful views one can imagine. We could see the Arroyo Seco country and away beyond down into the great Salinas Valley in the vicinity of Soledad.

The valley and adjacent canyons were filled with a light floating fog, which had very much the appearance of an ocean view. We thought nothing could be grander, and were at a loss to express the full degree of our impressions.

After starting on the down grade new landscape scenes of beauty asserted themselves, one vista being down a gorge or canyon many miles long, seemingly terminating in a range of high mountains, with dense foliage on their sides up to a uniform height, above which arose peaks and pinnacles of barrenness. Niches and nooks, rills and rocks, curves and angles, with sturdy trees and delicate ferns were in all variety until we were almost satiat-

ed with the beauties of nature. Intuitively our moods changed and the suppressed merriment burst forth that bore us through the coming arduous duties of the day. Going down the mountain was more rapid than ascending, and we were soon at the picnic grounds.

A noisy, clear, cold stream of delicious water was hurrying on down the canyon between banks covered with bushes and vines of every kind, and many varieties of delicate ferns. The host of Tassajara, James Jeffery, had donated as his contribution to the picnic a generous supply of fresh, luscious beef, which Tony barbecued to a turn, and which with the cakes, pies and other good things gave delight to our sharpened appetites.

Well, there we all were, *sans souci* [French, for without a care], laughing at the sallies of wit of the bright minds among us, now and then enjoying an expression of deeper emotion from a sage or two of the party, and, incidentally, devouring food, until someone realized that we had been seated a long time around the table-cloth and suggested it might be well to make a move.

Imagine the consternation when all found themselves like Mark Twain's frog who had been fed with shot. But a supreme effort enabled most of the party to get on their feet once more. They then gave a helping hand to those worse off than themselves, and all were astir for a delightful afternoon. Several hours were spent singing, playing cards, games, etc., by the younger people, while the sages of the party dozed and dreamed under the canopy of heaven and the foliage of madrone trees.

Miss Gertrude Quilty and Professor Duncan Sterling had their cameras along, and took "snaps" of all the striking features of the trip.

On the return we were waylaid near the camp ground by two young ladies, Misses Rosie Vallair and Lou Thurwachter, perched on stumps on the sides of the narrow trail, and who commanded a halt, when Miss Thurwachter in gracious accents invited the entire party on behalf of Mitt Tuttle of Watsonville to come to his "Sugar Beet Camp" and have supper. It was 6:30 and every one of us was again ready to eat. We lined up, the Captain gave the order to "Forward march," and we moved down the boulevard in majestic style to Sugar Beet Camp. We were most cordially welcomed by the "only" Mitt Tuttle, who had gone to much trouble and expense to provide a delicious supper—and a sufficient quantity. Joe, the Japanese cook, deserves credit for his efforts. Professor Sterling was toast master, and made the way clear for all to return most cordial thanks to Mr. Tuttle for his liberality.

We then dispersed only to gather again to spend a few hours of the evening in song and conversation before speaking the good nights.

The picnic on Willow Creek and the magnificent supper given at Sugar Beet Camp will always be remembered with sincerest pleasure by all of the participants. ONE OF 'EM.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

## TASSAJARA NOTES

Mr. and Mrs. A. J. McCollum and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Porter drove into Tassajara Springs Wednesday.

The envious Lying Club of Salinas sent Brewer Porter out here to cut Mike out, but the "Goddess" was too much for him. Mike put him in the "plunge" and held him there till he looked like a boiled lobster. He then rolled up him up in four pairs of blankets and kept him hot till he sweated all the "fat" off him.

Mit Tuttle and his jolly company broke camp this morning and left for their home in Watsonville. A part of them went in the steerage.

There is a well developed specimen of the "kissing bug" at the Springs, and they call it Charley McD.

Thursday morning we took a walk—  
Listen now and you'll hear me talk:

The trail we took was rather stony,  
But we didn't mind 'cause 'twas built by  
Tony.

The chaperones we selected were Edith and  
Gus;

We all loved them dearly, 'cause they made no  
fuss.

Some of us didn't know the way,  
But we were guided all right by Gertie and  
May,

Who skipped along and in their glee,  
Frightened a rattler from under a tree.

Charley followed closely by the side,  
Of his loving little duck of a bride,  
Whose name is simply Zoe—

We all love her dearly, she hasn't a foe.

Our eyes were kept steady on Irene,  
She's the cutest girl that ever was seen.

We never forget to take her along,  
She always sings us such a sweet song.

When it comes to hill climbing Mr. and Mrs.  
Sterling,

Can climb any old hill and still keep awirling.

Mr. Clark came last with saddle and horse,  
And in front of him came the sugar beet boss;

Mr. Lund is his name, he's from good old sod,  
And when playing a game he will win "By  
Got."

We were all so glad we took Mr. Hill;  
He wouldn't rest till we ate our fill.

When it comes to barbecuing fine fresh meat,  
No use fooling—Tony can't be beat.

When we got back from our merry tramp,  
We were all invited to the Sugar Beet Camp.

We were somewhat dusty, but didn't mind a  
bit,

For we knew we'd be received all right by  
Mitt.

We were happily greeted by Lu and Rose,  
Who didn't dress up in their best clothes,

For fear we'd feel quite out of place,  
So all we did was to wash our face.

When it comes to John Kena, Watsonville  
Hoy,

He is a first class Japanese boy;  
The dinner he cooked will surely carry,

Us over the grade from Tassy Hairy.

Tony and I have a secret we won't tell,  
But all the same, please remember Nell.

E. A. T.

From the 'Society' column, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, July  
16<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

Miss Edith Ayers is spending a few weeks at  
Tassajara Springs as a guest of Mr. and Mrs.  
C. W. Quilty.

Salinas Daily Index, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

## TASSAJARA NOTES

(Reported for the *Index*.)

TASSAJARA, July 18.—Mr. and Mrs. Hughes leave today for home. They have been married thirty-five years, and have been spending their honeymoon here.

Brewer Porter was not afraid to ride over the grade, he just walked all the way for the exercise.

Mr. Lund picks pine nuts off the rose bushes. He finds the nuts all right, but the girls are the only ones who know how they get on those rose bushes.

Duncan Sterling got into the water so often while fishing that they say his toenails came off.

Professor Duncan Sterling and wife leave this morning for Eagle Camp to spend three or four days before returning home. They will be greatly missed.

Tony Dourond and Ed Haney were out hunting yesterday and Tony killed two deer.

James McDougall reluctantly departs for Salinas this morning.

In consideration of the fact that Mr. Dourond has been instrumental in providing for the comfort of the guests in many ways, including the famous picnic at which he had his watch torn from his pocket by the bushes and lost, the party assembled last evening and presented him with a new one, which Mr. Barlow, the accommodating stage driver, had been instructed to purchase in Salinas. The presentation was quite a formal affair, Professor Sterling reading the Tassajara articles from the *Index* in an impressive manner just before tendering the gift. Tony was visibly affected, and accepted the compliment in a neat speech.

The newest arrivals here are W. H. Mills, J. T. Talbot, W. Jeffery, and John Tynan of Salinas, W. H. Peterson and wife of Sacramento, and J. R. Dunlap and wife from Amador.

Salinas Daily Index, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

## HOME FROM TASSAJARA

M. Hughes and wife and J. H. McDougall returned last evening from Tassajara Springs, after a month's sojourn there. Upon his arrival Mike reported that he had undergone a thorough purifying while absent. He states that he was wrapped in blankets each day for several hours, and placed in the hot sulphur springs until he was bathed in perspiration (and agony). He claims that this caused him to gain over 15 pounds while at the Springs. Upon relating these facts last evening to the members of the Salinas Lying Club they unanimously reelected him as their president for another term.

Salinas Daily Index, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1899 (7/27 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

(Reported for the *Index*.)

TASSAJARA, July 20.—J. W. Bagby and his uncle, Frank F. Shaw, are new arrivals. Mr. Shaw, whose home and business interests are in Guatemala, is on his way to Canada to visit

relatives.

Billy Carter of Monterey, who is a brother in law of Frank Shaw, has also arrived at the Springs. Mr. Carter has been lost to all his relatives for the past sixteen years; his mother making her home with Mr. Shaw's family in Guatemala. Carter has just come up from Arizona, and the adjacent country, and arrived in Monterey a few minutes after Bagby and Shaw left for the Springs. Learning of their departure, he immediately followed, reached here soon after they did, and pitched his tent near that of his brother in law without recognition on either side. Later in the day the two men met and became known to each other, and there was great rejoicing. Carter's relatives had about given him up for dead, as they believed he had been killed by the Indians.

The weather here is now exceedingly warm.

Recent arrivals are J. G. Fair from Placer County, Mr. and Mrs. S. Hauser and Cheri Hebert and wife of Salinas, Joe Smith of Salinas.

Departures are as follows: G. Q. Bush, Martin Lund, Gus Sanborn, Watsonville; Mrs. Charles McDougall and Eugene Jeffery, Salinas.

Salinas Daily Index, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

## REUNION OF TASSAJARAITEs

Miss Ella Thurwachter came over from Watsonville yesterday and is guest of Mrs. Charles McDougall.

The Misses Gertrude, May and Irene Quilty, also Miss Edith Ayers of San Jose, arrived yesterday by stage from Tassajara, where they have been sojourning for some weeks.

Charles McDougall also came in from the Springs, and the entire party held a conclave last evening at the home of Professor and Mrs. Duncan Sterling on Capitol Street for the pleasant purpose of rehearsing the good times enjoyed together recently at Tassajara Springs.

The parties above named, with the addition of several others not able to be present, were the jolly crowd whose "notes" and other communications afforded *Index* readers considerable pleasure during their stay in the mountains.

From 'Home from the Mountains,'

Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

The party of the second trip consisted of Tony Dourond, Ed Haney, P. Garrissere, P. Bonfadelli, C. Herbert and Ben Bidache, starting from Tassajara Springs. They rode on horseback, taking along pack animals, but found it necessary to do considerable walking in some places. They went as far as Lost Valley, where there was excellent fishing, and enjoyed the trip, notwithstanding the rough riding and lack of feather pillows at night.

Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (8/17 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

(Reported for the *Index*.)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, August 10.—Watsonville is well represented at Tassajara with fifteen guests; Salinas next with 10, Santa Cruz two, and Monterey one, which with twelve

campers makes a total of forty.

Professor Pierce of Monterey has taken the altitude of the different ranges in this vicinity.

Gus Sanborn of Watsonville, a member of the Tassajara band, has again returned for a two week's vacation.

Mrs. Mary A. Bardin is taking a three weeks' vacation at the Springs.

F. Ceschi, Mayor of Corralitos, has accepted a membership, G. P. of the club. Frank is anxiously awaiting the arrival of a box of Corralitos' best apples.

Pony Maher is furnishing the entire camp with fish. His spirits are lower since his arrival.

Charles Stone returns today.

Mr. and Mrs. Somberger of Watsonville are among the late arrivals.

Milton Tuttle is taking his third vacation at the Springs. It is needless to say that Mitt knows the one place for health and pleasure—Tassajara Springs. FO BEANS.

Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (8/17 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NEWS

(Reported for the *Index*.)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, August 15.—There are at present more guests at Tassajara than at any time before during the season.

There is to be a grand barbecue at the Springs Wednesday, August 16<sup>th</sup>. Tony Dourond will again officiate as chief cook.

Much to the regret of Pony Maher, Nick Burton and F. Ceschi, Mayor of Corralitos, their time of separation draws near. Thursday next they return home.

Mrs. and Miss Wiley return to Watsonville today, after a two weeks' sojourn at the Springs.

Miss Sara Cox leaves for home Saturday.

Mayor Robert Johnson, wife and son of Monterey, arrived last evening.

W. C. Hill and Gus Kimmerle are monopolizing the croquet grounds.

A party of six Watsonvilleites with rod and gun visited The Caves one day last week. It is needless to say they were successful. With silver bullets and hooks they returned with bags and baskets laden.

Tony Dourond and Andrew Church are good hunters and fishers.

John Metz and Frank Hiserman will cut the pigeon wing at Wednesday evening's ball. FO BEANS.

Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (8/24 in the *Weekly*):

## FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The Tassajara stage arrived yesterday at 3:30 p. m., bringing Pony Maher and Nick Burton of Watsonville and Mr. Chesner of Corralitos, who took the narrow gauge and would reach their homes the same evening, which is pretty quick traveling.

Mrs. J. H. McDougall and John Cimpher also came in on the same stage.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (8/24 in the *Weekly*); datelined Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1899:

D. Jeffery is hauling hay to the Springs.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1899 (8/24 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NEWS

(Reported for the *Index*.)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Aug. 20.—Two loads of campers from San Jose arrived at the Springs Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, to enjoy a few weeks outing.

Some of Mitt Tuttle's many friends surprised him the other day by sending him a box of P. V.'s choicest fruit. Though Mitt is not positive of its source, yet he can guess, as the box contained his favorite beverage. Mitt gave the guests a rare treat upon the arrival of the fruit.

Services were held at the auditorium Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup>, by the Rev. Gus Sanborn, successor to the Hon. Ceschi, G. P. L. C., who recently returned to his home to resume his duties as Mayor of Corralitos.

A party of sports were out fishing Thursday, but silver hooks failed to find the man with the sack of fish.

Tony Doumond received a handsome present of a new Winchester rifle from the boys with whom he hunted recently. He petted the present until about midnight, when he could wait no longer, and with gun in hand and deer in mind he was heard creeping up the trail.

Sara Cox returned to her home in Watsonville, Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup>.

The Salinas butch accidentally surprised the Tassajara theatrical troop in its infancy, and we regret to say that it not only broke up the rehearsal, but was the cause of the troop abandoning the play, much to the regret of its star actress.

R. F. Johnson and wife returned to their home in Monterey Saturday after spending a few days with his father and mother here.

Eugene Jeffery expects to return to Salinas Monday, August 21<sup>st</sup>.

George Sornberger and wife, Ben Burland and Fritz return to Watsonville next Friday.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (9/7 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery of Tassajara Springs returned on Friday from a week's visit to Salinas.

Mrs. Granger of the Jeffery House, Salinas, passed through here yesterday en route for Tassajara. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1899; datelined Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery of Tassajara was a visitor in Salinas the first of the week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (9/14 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

Laurence Cornett of Tassajara Springs spent Sunday in Salinas.

James Jeffery of Tassajara has gone to Salinas. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1899:

## RECORD BREAKING TIME

John Barlow, the driver of the Tassajara stage, made a grand record yesterday. News of the murder of Sheriff Farley was received at the Springs Wednesday morning—Surveyor

Lou G. Hare and Peter Boysen of Salinas, as also John Hebborn of Monterey, wanted to attend the funeral. The stage was gotten ready and left the Springs Wednesday night at 10 o'clock. By skillful driving and management it reached Salinas yesterday morning at 8 o'clock, 9 hours ahead of schedule time.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (9/28 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

C. W. Quilty and wife of San Jose passed through here on their way to the Springs today. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose are guests at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1899:

## STAGE DRIVER BARLOW

Upon the arrival of the Tassajara stage in Salinas last night, the driver, John D. Barlow, registered 6,600 miles that he traveled since the first of May. He has made all trips on time and kept faith with the public and the mail contracts. Mr. Barlow has been a very obliging stage driver in the way of carrying and delivering packages from people in this city and those in Jamesburg, way points and Tassajara Springs.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery came in on the stage from Tassajara Springs last night to remain over Sunday.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

The Tassajara stage will make but one trip a week for the rest of the season. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (10/19 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The Tassajara Hot Springs are situated in the Coast Range mountains, about fifty miles south of Salinas City. There are over a dozen different springs and the water reaches the surface of the earth at a temperature of 140 to 150 degrees Fahrenheit. An analysis shows that the water contains thirty-two distinct mineral ingredients, and its remedial properties are wonderful, especially for kidney diseases, stomach troubles and rheumatism. The Springs are situated in a deep wooded canyon, and the climate itself is almost enough to cure nearly "all the ills that flesh is heir to," being mild, balmy and delightful. The late Dr. C. A. Can-field forwarded some of the water to the Smithsonian Institute for analysis, and it was reported to the richest spring then known in the United States, thirty-two ingredients being found therein. There is an excellent hotel with convenient bathing arrangements and good camping grounds. There is a good wagon road all the way to the Springs, and a stage carrying

mail and passengers makes three trips a week during the season. C. W. Quilty of San Jose is the owner of the property, and James Jeffery is the accommodating proprietor and manager at the Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (10/19 in the *Weekly*); datelined Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery and J. D. Barlow of Tassajara went to Salinas Friday and returned on Saturday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1899:

Jim George took a load of provisions to Tassajara yesterday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James George brought up a load of provisions for Tassajara last Friday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

Mrs. McGuire returned to her home in Salinas this week after spending the summer at Tassajara.

James Jeffery of Tassajara is in Salinas this week on business.

J. George of Tassajara went to Salinas the first of the week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery and Harry Gordon came out from Tassajara Springs yesterday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

J. Jeffery came out from Tassajara last Monday on business. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Nov. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

William McGrath is out from Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1899; datelined Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery of Tassajara went to Salinas the first of the week to spend Thanksgiving. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1899 (12/28 in the *Weekly*); datelined Dec. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1899:

James Jeffery and James George went to Salinas last week. PINAFORE.

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From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1900:

Mrs. Maguire and son Bert went to Tassajara last Tuesday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery was out from Tassajara Hot Springs on Sunday last. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1900 (2/1 in the *Weekly*); datelined Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

A. Dourond has gone to San Jose to remain. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

Farmers are growing very anxious for rain; there are plenty of clouds, but no rain.

Jas. Jeffery was out from Tassajara Springs on Sunday; he reports a light fall of snow on the mountains. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

The first snow of the season fell last Sunday on Chew's ridge. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

D. Jeffery has returned from a visit to Salinas. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

D. Jeffery came up last Monday after a visit of several weeks in Salinas. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1900 (3/22 in the *Weekly*); datelined March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery was out from Tassajara on Friday last.

C. M. Chew and Frank Frese are about to begin work on their respective portions of the county road. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

Mrs. E. McGuire of Tassajara went last week to Salinas on a visit.

C. M. Chew has a force of men working on the Tassajara road.

James Jeffery of Tassajara was here last Monday on business. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery, lessee of Tassajara Springs, is registered at the Salinas Hotel.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1900 (also 3/22 in the *Weekly*):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

James Jeffery is in from Tassajara Springs and reports everything lovely out there. The weather is fine and feed for stock excellent. The road is good and persons can go in with their own conveyances. Visitors can camp or stay at the hotel. Under Mr. Jeffery's management Tassajara was a popular resort last season, and he is making preparations to take care of a big crowd this season.

From the 'Local Brevities,' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1900:

Parties with their own conveyances can now visit Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery, lessee of the Tassajara Hot Springs, is registered at the Salinas Hotel.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (3/29 in the *Weekly*); datelined March 27<sup>th</sup>:

James Jeffery, manager of Tassajara Hot Springs, paid a visit to Salinas last week. On his return he was accompanied by his brother Eugene Jeffery of the Jeffery House, who will spend some time at the Springs. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (4/12 in the *Weekly*):

### TASSAJARA ROAD

C. M. Chew is putting the road between Jamesburg and Tassajara Springs in excellent condition. From Jamesburg to the summit, a distance of fifteen miles, the road has already been worked and all the large rocks removed there from. Within the next two weeks the remaining portion of this road will be in excellent condition for travel.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (4/19 in the *Weekly*); datelined April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

J. D. Barlow is hauling provisions from Salinas to Tassajara Springs. This popular health resort is now open for guests and the stage will begin running on May 1<sup>st</sup>. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1900:

John Barlow took a load of freight to Tassajara this week. He expects to start the stage the first of May. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (4/26 in the *Weekly*):

### FOR TASSAJARA SPRINGS

J. D. Barlow will start his tri-weekly stage to Tassajara Springs next Monday, leaving the Salinas Hotel in this city for the Springs at 6 o'clock a. m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. He will go out one day and back the next, arriving here Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday evenings. Mr. Barlow came in from Jamesburg yesterday and reports the road in excellent condition.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1900:

### TASSAJARA STAGE

J. D. Barlow's Tassajara stage rolled out of Salinas on its first trip of the season yesterday morning, and will return from the Springs this evening. James Jeffery, proprietor of the Springs, was a passenger out. The stage will make three round trips a week, carrying passengers, mail matters, packages, etc.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 26<sup>th</sup> to Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

### TASSAJARA STAGE

J. D. BARLOW

Proprietor and Driver  
Leaves Salinas Hotel, Salinas

City, for

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

and way stations at 6 a. m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Returns from the Springs  
Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, until further notice.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1900 (5/3 in the *Weekly*); datelined May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1900:

The Tassajara stage has begun its regular tri-weekly trips to the Springs, with J. D. Barlow, the popular driver of last summer, again holding the reins.

James Jeffery, manager of Tassajara Springs, has gone to Salinas.

C. M. Chew and his crew of men finished work on the Tassajara road Monday. The road is now in first class condition.

Miss M. Daly and Miss Ida Maguire and James George were passengers on the stage for Tassajara last trip. PINAFORE.

From 'Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

J. George of Tassajara went to Salinas Sunday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (5/17 in the *Weekly*); datelined May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

James George was out from Tassajara on Sunday.

George Caddy and son of Watsonville passed through here en route for Tassajara last week.

C. M. Chew is blasting out some of the rocks on the Tassajara road. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (5/31 in the *Weekly*):

### BOUND FOR TASSAJARA

A camping party consisting of W. H. Hoyt and wife, C. C. Hoyt of the Elkhorn district, Dr. Bixby and wife and George Tolman of Watsonville, and Mrs. J. Dreasler and daughter of Oakland, passed through Salinas Sunday en route to Tassajara Springs to spend a fortnight camping.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, guest season of 1900:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Fine sandstone hotel, 15 hot and cold medicinal springs, 5 boss trout streams; splendid climate and grand scenery. Terms \$10 and \$12 per week; campers \$2.50 per week. Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Address TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Monterey county, or C. W. Quilty, San Jose.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1900:

W. C. Hill, head bookkeeper and chief engineer in the *Index* office, will leave by tomorrow's stage for a few weeks outing at Tassajara Springs, his favorite mountain resort.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (also in the *6/7 Weekly*); datelined June 5<sup>th</sup>:

W. C. Hill of the *Index* passed through here yesterday en route for Tassajara.

J. Jeffery, manager of Tassajara Hot Springs, paid a visit to Salinas and Watsonville last week. PINAFORE.

*Watsonville Weekly Pajaronian*, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery, landlord of the Tassajara Hot Springs, was a Watsonville visitor Saturday. He is the champion trout fisher of the coast.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

## NOTES FROM TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 6.—Roy Alexander and his violin were welcome passengers on the stage today.

There have been a number of guests here who have had their outing and gone home, and others are coming in every few days. A large number are expected this month. Robert Porter and family of Blanco have just arrived with a commodious camping outfit.

George Caddy, from Sandy Corners near Watsonville, has returned home. He brought in his son, about 18 years of age, who is a victim of rheumatism, in the most serious form. The poor boy while at college was stricken with rheumatism, which gradually became worse and worse, until the limbs were drawn double and began to shrivel. He has been subject to heroic treatment, packed in ice, plaster cast and even had the tendons in his limbs severed that he might straighten them, but all was of no avail. The case was very discouraging. Hearing of these springs the father felt a new hope and brought his boy over the long mountain road to try nature's plan. Young Caddy, although only here a short time, is improving greatly, and will stay the whole season.

Mr. and Mrs. Steffani and daughter Josie of Salinas leave for home tomorrow. Mr. S. is greatly relieved of rheumatism by his two week's stay.

Mitt Tuttle of Watsonville, who has been here the past month, has gone home on a business trip, but will be back this week. He has a fine comfortable camp with plenty of hammocks.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Warnock of Salinas have gone home.

The Watsonville people who are here now are George Somberger and wife, J. C. Driscoll, S. Gallager, W. Trimble, S. Johnson, J. Peterson Mr. Frazier and wife, and Henry Peckham. The Salinasites are W. C. Hill, John Armstrong, T. Johnson and Miss Ida McGuire. From San Jose are T. F. Fishwaits, C. T. Parks and Miss Kennedy.

Dave Jeffery killed a large mountain lion some distance back of the Springs last week. Another one has made his presence known by frightening the wild goats into the settlement. He will no doubt soon become the target for one of the good rifle shots up here.

Fishing is first class. The weather is delightful, days warm, nights cool and comfortable for sleeping. James Jeffery's cows are furnishing plenty of good, rich milk, which he sup-

plies to campers who desire it. In fact every provision is made for their convenience.

Mr. Parks of San Jose is the crack fisherman here.

This delightful climate is certainly the dreamer's paradise. H. C. Peckham took a long siesta on the bench under the big oak tree, and discovered that he had killed nine fat turkey gobblers in seven shots. Jim Jeffery found out sometime between dark and daylight that he had caught 500 fish out of one hole in Lost Valley. He must have lost the fish, his boarders say.

The Belgian hare craze has reached Tassajara, but they are not the pedigreed pets of Salinas' valuable rabbit warrens; they are merely small animated attachments to four pairs of enormous ears, and afford a greater profit to their owners than the descendants of Lord Britain of Champion Fashoda would under the same conditions. These four little mules faithfully draw the big three-seater of Jim Barlow up and down the long mountain grades daily, bringing in heavy loads with the greatest of ease and surefootedness.

The *Index* is greatly appreciated at Tassajara, as we do not feel so far from the business and social center of the world after a careful perusal of the last number. SOJOURNER.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

## NOTES FROM TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 9, 1900.—Editor *Index*: Guests continue to arrive at the Springs. On Friday L. and E. J. Reiter came from Watsonville; K. Foley, San Jose; J. Hayes, Castroville; W. J. Irvine, wife and child, Frank Clark and wife, Salinas; L. Hansen and Charles Margorali, Watsonville; H. M. Parmalee, wife and child, New Monterey.

Weather has been warm, but we had a little sprinkle yesterday which freshened up the atmosphere and while the clouds hovered over the mountains the anglers caught many fish.

The dancing platform was moved yesterday further up the canyon to make room for campers. It is being put in shape for use, and tonight the first ball of the season will come off and will most likely be a regular institution from now on.

This is a great place to rest and eat. Everybody gets a big appetite here.

Many new arrivals are expected the coming week. SOJOURNER.

Enumerated on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

## The residents of Tassajara as enumerated in the 1900 census of the United States:

Jeffery, James. Head of household. White male born in November of 1865, 34 years old, single. Born in California, father born in Scotland, mother born in Scotland. Occupation: hotel keeper. Can read, write and speak English. Rents house.

Barlow, John. Lodger. White male born in December of 1861, 38 years old, single. Born in California, father born in New York, mother born in New York. Occupation: stage driver. Can read, write and speak English.

Daly, Mary. Lodger. White female born in April of 1876, 24 years old, single. Born in California, father born in Ireland, mother born in Ireland. Occupation: waitress. Can read, write and speak English.

George, James. Head of household. White male born in December of 1868, 31 years old, single. Born in Arkansas, father born in Missouri, mother born in Arkansas. Occupation: bath man. Can read, write and speak English. Rents house.

Lee, Jim. Employee. Chinese male born in May of 1860, 40 years old, single. Born in China, father born in China, mother born in China. Citizenship: immigrated to the United States in 1884, in the United States for 16 years, alien. Occupation: cook. Can read, write and speak English.

Maguire, Eliza. Employee. White female born in August of 1858, 46 years old, divorced, mother of 5 children, 4 of them living. Born in California, father born in Missouri, mother born in Missouri. Occupation: house keeper. Can read, write and speak English.

Maguire, Ida. Lodger. White female born in January of 1886, 14 years old, single. Born in California, father born in Iowa, mother born in California. Occupation: at school. Can read, write and speak English.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (6/14 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NEWS

(Reported for the *Index*.)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 12.—Weather is very fine, and all invalids improving in health rapidly. New arrivals frequently, who soon take on the famous Tassajara appetite and keep Host Jeffery hustling for fresh beef, milk and butter supplies.

Last night Mr. Jeffery and W. C. Hill rode over to Church's for another milk cow. The alfalfa pasture here is producing plenty of good feed, and the quality of the lacteal fluid furnished to sojourners cannot be excelled. It is a luxury which is appreciated, too. An incident of some interest here was the slaughter of a fine fat cow yesterday. Jeffery, Church and Oksen conducted the event. Mr. Oksen displayed great skill in removing the hide, and did it very quickly; there was no water at hand, but none seemed to be required, as the carcass was perfectly clean when dressed. A spirited guessing contest on the weight followed, which was won by Truman Johnson, his figures being 570 pounds. The scales registered 568 pounds. There is nothing more relished in camp than a delicious steak broiled over the coals.

Last Friday night about 7 o'clock as many of the guests were chatting under the big oak near the hotel they were surprised to see a gentleman and lady, the latter carrying an infant, approaching on horseback. They proved to be Sylvester Gilky and wife, who had followed a trail over some of the roughest mountain country in the coast range all the way from their home near Post's on the coast. They came in to the Springs over Tony's trail, an equestrian feat in itself not to be despised.

Two of their horses had been stolen and they were in search of the thieves, feeling that the clew they were following would lead to the ar-

rest of the culprits and the recovery of the horses. They are a gritty couple, and deserve success.

The Misses Reiter and Foley gave an occasional chicken dinner to their friends; at least one young man is ready to declare their cuisine unexcelled.

Two more tents were pitched yesterday, and we hear other parties are on the way. There is plenty of fine climate, appetite, and the most wonderful mineral water in the world here at Tassajara, and with a crowd of jolly people we are all right.

The latest arrivals are Mitt Tuttle, Misses Mabel Kilburn, Emma Kuhlitz and Carrie Linscott, James Oksen and wife, all from Watsonville; Charles McDougall and wife, J. A. Webster and Miss Alice McNoah of Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. P. Nissen of Blanco, William Koester and wife from Riverside and J. Alexander and Mrs. E. D. Thompson from Watsonville.

SOJOURNER.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (6/21 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

(Reported for the *Index*.)

TASSAJARA, June 14.—Jim Barlow, the stage driver, brought in a big load of baggage and passengers last night, and thirteen people arrived by private conveyance yesterday, which brings our census population up to eighty. More are on the way, but there is climate and hot healing waters enough for all who come and everyone will be benefited.

Frank Clark and wife and Charlie McDougall, all patriotic Salinasites, ascended what is called Flag Rock and planted the Stars and Stripes for the first time this season. It was an arduous undertaking, but they returned to camp in pretty good shape.

J. A. Webster and niece, Miss Alice McNoah, were greatly missed after their departure, especially as the young lady carried away so much musical talent with her.

Mr. Parmalee, wife and son returned to New Monterey yesterday.

William McGrath, wife and daughter, Miss Lizzie, of Watsonville, came in yesterday. They brought a big box of cherries, which were passed around and were greatly appreciated.

Either "Tony's Trail" is growing less precipitate and shorter, or the active ones of our campers are improving in pedestrianism, for a party took the trip to Willow creek and returned by noon yesterday. Another party walked over the Hog's Back and up to the falls on Tassajara Creek, and it seems only exercise.

J. G. Armstrong of Blanco has made a three weeks' stay and will start for home today.

Henry Peckham has been here long enough to "know the ropes" pretty well, and is very accommodating to new arrivals. He took J. Alexander out fishing one day to make him acquainted with the country generally, and they both fell into a big deep hole and got a thorough soaking and stampeded every fish for a long distance around. No serious results.

As was the case last year Mitt Tuttle's camp is again headquarters for the jolly folks. A person never knows what to expect next. A sedate, well behaved young man retired one

night as usual, only to light on a pile of rocks in the bed. He escaped with a few bruises, and a determination to get even. Suspecting the source, he procured a rich slice of Limburger cheese from the "Boers Nest" and carefully wrapping it in tissue paper labeled it "Wedding Cake" and mailed it. When Mr. Jeffery, who reads off the letter list, handed out the package, the fair recipient, always generous, read the words "wedding cake," and smiling, said, "Now we will all have a dream." Opening the seal the "cue" "litz" (Kuhlitz) on her olafactories, and brought color to her cheeks, her handkerchief to her proboscis and a good laugh all around. If the true source for revenge has not been located the antics of an alarm clock which sings like a rattlesnake, and which has been surreptitiously placed in the couch of another party, may serve to even up practical jokes.

A gentleman by the name of Ryan lost a gold watch and chain on his way to the falls several weeks ago. A young man named Hayes found it yesterday. Mr. Ryan is now said to be in Monterey.

Following is a list of new arrivals since the last items appeared in the *Index*: William McGrath, wife and daughter, from Watsonville, Elmer Palmtag of same place; Mrs. K. Rowe, Harry Howe, Willie, Shirley, Rhoda, Mabel, Ted, Myrtle Rowe; five families all in a row, from Watsonville.

SOJOURNER.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (6/21 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NEWS

(Reported for the *Index*.)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 16.—We had a grand ball on the platform Friday night. Music was furnished by Professor Roy Alexander of Salinas.

Four wild goats were seen on the Flag Rock Mountain one day this week inspecting the Stars and Stripes.

Miss Carrie Linscott of Watsonville, expert dumbbell performer and finger masher, gave an exhibition on the plaza yesterday and she has not been happy since.

Dr. Mitt Tuttle is in great demand; his patients survive in spite of his science and skill.

Henry Peckham returns to Watsonville today.

Roy Alexander goes to Salinas today, but will return next Wednesday.

C. T. Parks of San Jose, the expert fisherman of Tassajara, leaves for home this morning.

W. C. Hill and Frank Clark took a pack horse well equipped and a dog and started for Lost Valley early yesterday morning. They expected to be gone about three days, if they did not get lost. Imagine our surprise when they appeared in camp as usual this morning for breakfast. They explained that their fishing was such a success they thought they had better return and take a fresh start. Most of us think they traveled in a curve or followed the lead of the dog, which brought them home again. At any rate they speak of the rugged mountains and beautiful scenery and fine fishing with great enthusiasm. We hear much of Lost Valley around the camp fire, but as so few have ever visited it there seems to be a mystery about the place. In the language of

the poet it is a hard location to locate.

George Sornberger and wife, Miss Kennedy, Miss Foley, Ed Riter and Con Driscoll of Watsonville went yesterday on a fishing excursion through what is called The Narrows. These ladies are the first to take that perilous jaunt this year. The water in the creek passes through a very narrow gorge, and now as the creek is unusually shallow, the ladies thought they would enjoy the novelty. Some Kodak fiends thought they would perpetuate the scene, and snapped a view while the party were up to their ears in the roaring torrent.

General Mitt Tuttle and regiment went fishing to the falls yesterday. They have not finished counting their fish yet.

Charles Margaroll of Watsonville leaves for his home tomorrow to attend business, but will return in a few days.

There were sixty-five letters mailed today. There are but few more people needed to bring our population up to the century mark.

The newest arrivals are Carl Keef, Percy McKibbin, D. E. Lynn, John Winks of Salinas, and George Tuttle from Watsonville.

Everybody reads the *Index* and is happy.

SOJOURNER.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

## ARRESTED FOR GRAND LARCENY

On the 11<sup>th</sup> of June S. Gilkey of Posts lost two horses, some persons having visited his ranch and taken them. He found a slight clew, and on the 12<sup>th</sup> accompanied by his wife and infant, rode by way of Tony's trail to Tassajara Springs, and from there to Salinas. Sufficient evidence was secured by him to warrant his swearing to a complaint charging George Burden and Herman Geffey with grand larceny. Burden was arrested Saturday last and Geffey yesterday, and were held to appear for preliminary hearing by Judge Roadhouse in \$300 each. Just after he was released on bonds he swore to a complaint charging Gilkey, who is his accuser in the case against him, of perjury. The charge against Burden will be heard tomorrow.

Burden was arrested in January, 1899, on a charge of stealing cattle, but was acquitted when tried, owing to insufficiency of evidence.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1900; datelined June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

There are 85 people at Tassajara Springs at present.

WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

## TASSAJARA NOTES

(Reported for the *Index*.)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 19.—Appropriate Sabbath services were held in the hotel parlors in the evening, consisting of Scripture readings and singing.

The weather is gradually becoming warmer and the campers less energetic. All are feeling first rate, and most everyone drinks copiously of these health giving waters, their faith increasing as they note the beneficial effects personally and by comparison with others.

A new business has started here. Jim Oksen, the butcher, has established a boot-black stand.



Miss Kilburn is the dignified member of Mitt Tuttle's camp.

Mrs. Charles McDougall chaperoned a party over the mountains yesterday to a select spot that she knew of, where there are quantities of the rare lace fern to be found. They returned after a hard tramp through the brush and rocks with the lace effect in their tattered garments, but not any ferns. They are not interested in botany any more.

C. W. Hill accepts every invitation to dine he hears about, whether it is his or not. His appetite proves conclusively his appreciation of the hospitality of his neighbors.

Miss Foley and Mrs. Bixby have proved themselves to be the most graceful cake-walkers in camp.

John Hughes of Watsonville requires a cast iron wheelbarrow to remove his shoes from camp to Oksen's shining establishment and return.

Miss Emma Kuhlitz had a collision with little George Tuttle of Watsonville and has been poulticing her eye in porterhouse steak for three days. At first we coveted the steak, but we don't now.

Jim Jeffery had to kill another fat beef yesterday to supply the demand. This is a great place to whet the appetite.

The pleasant companionship of the quartette, S. Gallagher, W. Trimble, S. Johnson and J. Peterson, from Watsonville, whose camp was known as the "Boers' Nest," will be greatly missed. They left for home yesterday.

Miss Kuhlitz is suspected of being in sympathy with the "Boxers," not only because she has her eye in a sling, but the Chinese envelope that came to her by mail with a foreign appearance is, to say the least, a queer looking affair. We hope there is no bubonic plague in it, although it could not last long, if we turned the hot springs on it.

Jim Jeffery put another cold shower in the ladies department of the bath house yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fraser and Mrs. Wilson leave today for their home in Pajaro.

F. G. Anthony of Pacific Grove and S. K. Jackson of San Jose are late arrivals.

SOJOURNER.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

J. W. Sproat, district manager of the Sunset Telephone Company, came down from San Jose to resume his canvas of the city for telephone subscribers. As the result of his last canvas week eighteen new phones have been put in, and the manager is now negotiating with the proprietor of Tassajara Springs for the extension of a wire to that famous resort.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1900 (6/28 in the *Weekly*):

## A TASSAJARA PICNIC

### WHILE ON A TRIP AFTER FIVE-FINGERED FERNS

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 20, 1900.—Editor *Index*: Tuesday morning there were signs of great activity on the part of some who are usually sluggish and slow early in the day. Inquiry elicited the news that a picnic and barbecue over Tony's Trail on Willow Creek was

planned. With many a merry smile, which wore off as progress was made toward the top of the mountain, the party started, and accomplished the trip over in the record breaking time of two and one-half hours. Robert Porter of Blanco got warm in the collar and shed his overalls on the way up. He forgot to get them on his return, and had to make a special trip for them.

The pack horse and his load were escorted over by Miss Wickersham and Miss Colehower, who were determined that the dumb brute should not go too fast up the mountain, while Frame Clark, leading the animal, dispensed sweet chin music about his many hunting trips over the trail.

Arrived at the creek the men immediately began preparations for dinner, while the ladies, apart by themselves, took turns reading, for intellectual profit, "Kid the Avenger, or Seven Days in a Hen Coop." The cooks discovered that the roasting iron had been forgotten; also the coffee pot, but two messengers followed with the former. Dinner was soon announced. It was eaten with great relish. Mr. Porter was chef, and did his work well.

Next in point of interest was what all had come to see, the quarter acre covered with five-finger ferns, described by Mr. Clark as accidentally discovered on one of his trips. He fulfilled his promise of showing up the place, and none were disappointed. There were ferns for everybody, and all pulled and picked all that they could carry. When all had been satisfied, a start home was made about 4 o'clock, and we arrived safely about 6, tired, hot and dusty, but glad we had gone, and gladder to get home. Mrs. Nissen of Blanco carried her ferns, weighing about thirty pounds, out of pure sympathy for the horse.

Those who took this trip were: Mrs. P. Nissen, Mrs. Leo Bixby, Misses Wickersham, Colehower, Louise Reiter, Kate Foley, Ida McGuire, Lorena and Rhoda Rowe, Lina Bixby, Eva Porter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clark, Messrs. Robert Porter, W. J. Irvine, Claude Keef, J. C. Hughes, Will Smith, Elmer Palmtag and Jerry Hayes.

ONE OF THE CROWD.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1900 (6/28 in the *Weekly*):

## AT TASSAJARA

### MOONLIGHT TRAMP OF JOLLY CAMPERS TO "THE CAVES"

Grand and Picturesque Mountain Scenery—Snap Shot at the Crowd on a Hay Stack.

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 21.—Last Monday night a party was organized to take the interesting trip over the hills to "The Caves." The courageous ones were as follows: Mitt Tuttle, Misses Carrie Linscott, Emma Kuhlitz, Mabel Kilburn, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDougall, Percy McKibbin, J. Alexander and W. C. Hill.

After making arrangement with a somewhat unreliable alarm clock to arouse us at moonrise—about 1:30 o'clock a. m.—we took a short rest, the ladies of the party sleeping, but the gentlemen felt it necessary to lie awake and "watch" that clock. A hasty toilet, then a good hot cup of coffee and sandwich for each, and we set out on "Paddy's mare," taking

along a saddle horse for any emergency case that might arise. Some of the lads rode short distances by turns. The moon as gloriously bright, the air cool and bracing, and we were soon all wide awake and full of energy, feeling equal to a tramp of any length. The subject of immediate interest was the beautiful morning; the alchemy of the sky produced wonderful pictures of statuary, stone ruins and other images. The shadows in the deep canyons were suggestive of weird things and we all moved closely in company in obedience to an unexplained impulse.

We traveled the stage grade as far as McPhail's cabin, then turned to the left following a trail which, in the buoyant mood of the party was pronounced much easier than had been expected, although in reality many places were extremely steep. The canyons are very deep and the mountains high and rugged. After climbing the first ridge, a sort of sharp saddle back, we entered the Grindstone Canyon, one of the roughest regions in the mountains of California. Monstrous rough rocks of great size, some of them small mountains in themselves, peer up in all directions. They are bare of tall growth and soil, and give the region a most unfriendly appearance. The only comfort we got here was the refreshing drink from an ice cold stream, beside which we rested a short time, and were greatly refreshed. From this on the climbing grew steeper and steeper until we ascended to the crest of another ridge from which we could see a kind of open country, consisting of small sloping flats cross which was brought into view the mountain home of Andrew Church and family.

The habitation is very romantic; strongly built with rafters of oak and sided with hewn timbers felled from the mountain pines nearby. The roof is made of shakes, also fashioned by the ax of the skilled chopper. The barns, pig sty, hen house, fences and all enclosures are constructed of the same handmade lumber and are very substantial and neat looking. Surrounding the house are a fine orchard, vineyard, kitchen garden, etc., making the spot not only a source of supply of luxuries for the family, but picturesque and beautiful. An ice cold stream runs through the premises and from its delicious water is brought in pipes to different parts of the place.

Our party arrived there about 4:30 a. m., after walking an estimated distance of five or six miles. Of course none of the Church family were up to receive us, as we came unheralded, so we appropriated the shelter of a large hay stack and hoped to catch a moment of sleep while waiting for the day to advance. But the ever present spirit of fun permitted no one to rest. Should he lose consciousness for a moment there was no telling what might happen to him.

When the Church family awoke and looked out at the early daylight, imagine their consternation to see the top a huge haystack alive with people of both sexes. After introductions and explanations the well known hospitality of the place was put to test. Mrs. Church prepared most savory breakfast of biscuits, good coffee, with heavy rich cream, broiled beefsteak and fruit, and for once the jokes and merry-makers were silent; all were too busy

and fully occupied to think of anything but the delicious viands before them.

After breakfast we repaired to our haystack to consult in regard to the best plan for sight-seeing. While thus engaged Miss Linscott, who had brought along her fine camera, proposed to take a picture of the party on the haystack. The young ladies posed on the immediate edge with the boys as background. The unexpected happened. An avalanche of hay started just as the camera was leveled, the girls also started down head first, the gallant boys grabbed to save them, each catching a trilby foot, and in the excitement snap went the button, and the picture only shows so much of those brave boys as appears below their elbows. A most ridiculous negative being produced, but its preservation was begged for, and the printed photo will very likely be labeled "the freak of a camera."

After recovering from this dilemma we started to see the caves, a short distance from the house, and still higher up the mountain. It would require too much space here to attempt to describe this very interesting place. The caves are large holes in the sandstone mountain, reminding one of the cave dweller habitations in Arizona. Within these peculiar holes are very curious formations which a vivid imagination might shape into almost any object. There are also Indian hieroglyphics, but unfortunately our scientific member of the party did not come, and as Charley McDougall had fallen down soon after starting from camp and "exploded" the candle in his lantern, we really had no light to throw on the subject. However, this spot is well worth a visit, and we hope Dr. Jordan of Stanford will sometime find his way in there and tell us the history of it. While undoubtedly these caves are formed by the erosion of the water, they appear at some time to have been habitations of some race of people. Miss Linscott obtained several good views.

Alter 'doing' the caves we returned to the house for a rest preparatory to starting home. Here we found a delicious luncheon awaiting the party and as usual we enjoyed it greatly.

After expressing our gratitude to kind Mr. and Mrs. Church we bid them good bye and started for our camp home. We soon experienced the difference between walking in the cool of the night and the heat of the day. Even the climbs appeared steeper and longer, the jokes less and less frequent, but we finally arrived at the Springs without accident although we were very weary. Next day we all assembled to talk over the trip and enjoy it all over again.

Percey McKibbon claims to have set the pace that took the crowd through, although he was always behind and we at one time thought he would preempt the saddle horse.

Miss Emma Kuhlitz walked the entire trip.

J. Alexander acted as guide and lost the trail a dozen times.

Mitt Tuttle "rushed" the can with a bottle in it.

Miss Mable Kilburn had a balloon ascension.

Miss Linscott regretted that George was not along to "Carrie" her.

Mrs. Charles McDougall was troubled with

"cold feet."

Another party made about the same trip to Church's yesterday. They were Mr. and Mrs. Sonberger, Miss Kennedy, Miss Foley, Miss Reiter, Con Driscoll, Ed Reiter and Mr. Hays.

The late arrivals are Dr. Bixby and wife, Mabel Grimmer, Charles Polk, Lee Bixby, Miles Marters and Ed Harvey all from Watsonville, and Roy Alexander from Salinas with a supply of new dancing music and new steps.

SOJOURNER.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (6/28 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

### OVER ONE HUNDRED VISITORS AT THE SPRINGS

Grand Musical and Literary Concert  
Given Thursday Evening, June 21, 1900

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 22.—The number of souls at present domiciled here is over one hundred. We are enjoying ourselves and are at peace with the world, which seems quite a way off. The municipal laws here do not conflict with any of our arrangements for pleasure, and we travel unmolested throughout the region without fear of trespassing. Sidewalks and highways are the same, and there is no rivalry in equipages seen on the boulevards. Even the costumes of the ladies promenading in the parks are of a style exclusively for Tassajara and do not excite the jealousy of Parisians, as Paris is too far away. It has the World's Fair, to be sure, but we fare very well and would rather be here than there.

The cold iron spring was literally devoured Wednesday night, but is running full again.

Mr. Jeffery slaughtered another beef yesterday and there was another guessing match. The beef weighed, after being dressed, 498 pounds, and Mr. Bixby guessed it 499.

Don Smith of Miller's canyon made a pleasant visit to the Springs Thursday, returning in the evening.

Percy McKibbon, who has been occupying a compartment in the steerage for the past few days, returns home today.

Ed Haney and family of Salinas arrived Thursday by private conveyance and have established their camp on the sand flat.

Mrs. David Kalar and daughter Zella and Jim Evans are among the campers who arrived Thursday.

Willie Hughes of Salinas has come and will be a welcome addition to the Tassajara Brass Band.

Mrs. William Koester of Prunedale, after a pleasant and beneficial visit to the Springs, returns home today.

Jack Winks, the electrician of the Salinas Light and Water Co. is studying natural history. He captures the Tassajara alligators with a noose on the end of a pole. Old residents here call the reptiles lizards, but perhaps to an electric eye they appear to be alligators.

Frank Clark and Billy Irvine left Thursday with a pack horse for Lost valley. We hope they find it.

A very interesting and successful program of music and literary selections was given Thursday evening by the talent of Tassajara City. Not to be outdone by Del. Monte with Shakes-

peare's "As You Like It" to be rendered on the green carpet of Nature's pavilion under the grand old oaks and pines, we chose our popular plaza in front of the hotel; arranged seats for the eighty guests, and charged only half price for gallery tickets which were understood to entitle holders to seats on. The mountain just in the rear. They were not very popular, however.

The evening was mild and pleasant, the scene a brilliant "first night" indeed; the ladies were in full dress, the gentlemen likewise, and the brilliancy of Cleopatra's gems could not compare with the luster of our girls' bright eyes. The occasion was novel, all nature paid attention, and promptly at 8 by the alarm clock the baton of the conductor fell, the string was cut, and the curtain also fell, when the following very good (no joke) program was rendered:

1—Piano solo, Roy Alexander.

2—Violin and piano duet, Percy McKibbon and Roy Alexander.

3—Recitation, "Uncle Daniel" (M. Twain), by Mrs. White.

4—"How the Old Horse Won the Bet" (Holmes), Mrs. White.

5—Vocal duet by Percy McKibbon and Roy Alexander.

6—Song by Miss Kennedy, pianoforte accompaniment by F. Clark.

7—Piano selection, Miss. Lorena Rowe.

8—Cornet solo by Carl Keef, accompanied on piano by Frank Clark.

9—Violin solo by Roy Alexander with piano accompaniment by Percy McKibbon.

10—Cake walk by Mrs. Charles McDougall, music piano and violin.

11—Vocal duet by Percy McKibbon and Roy Alexander.

12—Skirt dance by Miss Lena Bixby, music piano and violin.

13—Cake walk, Roy Alexander.

14—Vocal "try-oh" by Percy McKibbon, Charlie McDougall and Roy Alexander, with Frank Clark at the piano.

15—Vocal solo, Roy Alexander.

16—Recitation, "The Low Backed Car," Mrs. White.

17—Cornet solo, Roy Alexander, accompanied on piano by Percy McKibbon.

18—Vocal duet by Percy McKibbon and Roy Alexander.

19—Recitation, "Mrs. Casey Joins the Woman's Club." By Mrs. White.

20—Audience joined with the troupe and all sang "Good Night, Ladies."

While each and every number was meritorious and very pleasing, it was our further pleasure to mention the graciousness of Mrs. White, who is a fine elocutionist, and who contributed so much to the variety of the concert program.

At the finale we formed theater parties, and, as it has not snowed here since last winter we had no ice cream of course, but all adjourned to the hot sulphur spring and felt that we were quite in the swim.

SOJOURNER.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (6/28 in the *Weekly*):

## DISAPPOINTMENT AT TASSAJARA

OVER THE NON-ARRIVAL OF

## FRIDAY MORNING'S INDEX

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 23, 1900.—Editor *Index*: The guests at this place have become so well acquainted with the *Daily Index* that they were sorely disappointed when the stage arrived on Friday evening and did not bring in any. Of course we wanted to read the "Tassajara Notes" that we had reason to expect in that issue.

Having much curiosity as to the cause of our disappointment, we set about to discover it if possible, and got this clue—that the supposed reporter of the *Index* had spent Wednesday evening in such delightful company that he overstayed his time and barely got his notes written when Jim Barlow was seen guiding his little mules over the crest of the mountains Salinas-ward. The next thing seen was the aforesaid reporter tearing frantically after the departing stage having in one hand the "Tassajara Notes" while with the other he rubbed his sleepy eyes. We think he overtook Mr. Barlow and no we wonder the more why the *Indexes* did not arrive. Perhaps those notes were the cause of a delayed publication.

AN OBSERVER.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (6/28 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

(Reported for the *Index*)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 26.—There was scripture reading and song service in the hotel parlors Sunday evening, which was largely attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonsberger entertained a few friends, including all the school teachers, at the Springs one evening with progressive euchre and refreshments. The guests were: Mrs. A. E. A. White, Miss F. Wickersham, Miss Grace Barney, Miss Josie Colehower, Miss Foley, Miss Lou Reiter, Miss Kennedy, Con Driscoll and Mr. and Mm. Sonsberger.

Mitt Tuttle escorted a party of thirteen up to the falls on Tassajara Creek last Monday.

John Hughes piloted a couple of ladies, Mrs. Sonsberger and Mrs. Bixby, about twenty feet up the mountain side to show them an actual specimen of the rare lace fern. It was with great difficulty the ascent was made, and no fern being visible the ladies lost confidence in Mr. Hughes' further enticements to lead them higher, feeling that he was playing them a trick. The next thing was to return, which seemed impossible, and for a while the situation was serious, the footing being loose earth and rocks and the cliff about perpendicular, the ladders were in a dilemma surely, and the joke turned on Hughes, whose duty it became to rescue them. It required the combined ingenuity of a number to save all three.

Dr. Hanson, the chiroprapist, recently graduated in his profession, administered treatment to Will Smith's Trilby pedal extremities, removing in one instance seven corns from the little toe. There are hopes for Smith's recovery from the operation.

Varmints in variety are becoming a little trouble-some to campers. Jack Winks and Mr. Lynn are camped close against the foot of the mountain, and the "critters" promenaded back and forth a few feet above their tent, rolling down loose earth and rock and trying to steal

their provisions. The boys enlisted the services of Miles Marders, who is a soldier by profession and was supposed to be able to match the tactics of the night marauders. They took lanterns and guns so the enemy might see the belligerent line up which was intended to terrify them into retreat. When last seen the boys were still marching, and the varmints still rolling down rocks.

The Lying Club having exhausted its supply of seasonable lies, James Jeffery, the active chairman, has ordered an adjournment until further notice.

The newest pretty face at Tassajara is the "Jewel" set for Alexander of Watsonville.

Arrivals on Monday were D. C. Vierra of Moss Landing and Mrs. J. G. Caddy. The latter came to visit her son, who is badly crippled with rheumatism, and was pleased to find him greatly improved.

Henry Foreman of Cachagua is here for his health.

The magnificent mesal [yucca] is more abundant and beautiful in this region than for many years past.

Deer tracks are thick on all trails, tree squirrels are unusually numerous, and there are still lots of fish left.

A big stage load is expected in Wednesday.

Departures this morning are: F. S. Clark and wife, Jewel Alexander, Mrs. Nissen, Jimmie Porter and W. C. Hill.

SOJOURNER.

From 'Personal and Social,' *Salinas Daily Index*,  
June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

The Misses Quilty of San Jose, who have been visiting with their uncle, W. H. Quilty in this city, left on the stage yesterday morning for Tassajara Springs, where they will spend their summer vacation. They were accompanied by their governess.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (6/29 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

(Reported for the *Index*)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 27.—Miss Wickersham, teacher of the kindergarten, accompanied by Superintendent Mitt Tuttle, took the children out for an airing yesterday. They started for the Rapids, but they were so rapid they missed the Rapids and continued their walk through the Narrows, and returned halt and half, or more wet than dry. Those who went through the Narrows were Myrtle, Mabel and Rhoda Rowe, Eva Porter, Emma Kuhlitz, Pete Wallace and Mitt Tuttle. The other members of the kindergarten class are Ida Maguire, Lizzie McGrath, Elmer Palmtag, Fred and Harry Rowe.

The dignified member of Mitt Tuttle's Camp is hunting a partner for the steerage, and Jack "Winks" at her.

Miss Carrie Linscott, the champion lizard tamer, continues to give exhibitions in front of the big tent. Miss Linscott is also champion equestrienne, with Mrs. Charles McDougall a close second. They are both "bouncing" riders.

A certain young lady tried to drown her sorrows in the Narrows Tuesday morning, and upon being rescued from her watery "beer" returned and tried the example set by many a poor man. She consoles herself by reading the

Battle of Brandy Wine, and looking for the "Hill" which has vanished.

Mr. Lynn and Jack Winks have become quite religious. They walked six miles to Church's a few days ago. They report fishing poor, trail bad and weather very hot. The trip did not seem to go as hard with Winks as it did with Lynn, as Jack and another party went down the creek the same evening on another fishing trip, while Lynn is "lying" around camp soliciting sympathy for his infirmities received on the trip to Church's. Mr. Lynn is very lonesome these days, as his partner, Jack Winks, has developed a fondness for the company of the dignified member of Mitt Tuttle's camp.

Ira Lynn thinks nothing quite as nice as a hot water bag. Since Mr. Hill does not occupy the hammock people don't care much for the iron water.

Robert Porter of Blanco took his first sweat today, and the hotel clock continues to run.

The children's playground assumes a lonesome aspect as the Rowe family left this morning for their home in Watsonville, taking with them ten children.

Mr. and Mrs. James Oksen spent their second honeymoon chasing cattle in the Grindstone Canyon.

The Tassajara Brass Band gives concerts daily on Grasshopper Flat.

Thomas Caddy of Watsonville, after eating a piece of Mrs. Bixby's cake, is now able to walk without his crutches.

Jerry Driscoll and Mrs. White won the prizes at the whist tournament at the hotel last evening.

The arrivals tonight are the Misses Gertrude, May and Irene Quilty and Miss Ayers of San Jose; Miss Rose Villair of Watsonville.

Miss Kilburn. Mrs. Zoe McDougall, Jack Winks and "Dublin" Marders made a deep water fishing trip to the "Narrows" this afternoon. Fish were scarce, the water cold and the rocks slippery. Jack "Winked" with an assurance of safety, and Miss Kilburn stepped out and slipped. Mrs. McDougall quaked with fear where the water was deep Jack broke his ammonia bottle and Dublin mistook the odor for ants. Dublin lost his chance for going to heaven, as he left his "sole" behind.

SYNDICATE.

From 'The Merry Angler,' *San Jose Daily Mercury*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty have gone to Tassajara Springs for a month's fishing. Mr. Quilty states that he usually catches some of the finest trout in the State at the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1890:

## TASSAJARA NEWS

(Reported for the *Index*)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 29.—Zoe McDougall, Emma Kuhlitz, Carrie Linscott, Emma Oksen and James Oksen made hot trips over Tony's trail to Willow Creek. The return was hotter, in fact it was so hot that Jim's dog "Cap" laid on his back and yelled, kicking his feet in the air to cause a little circulation. Two hours after the start was made "General Miles" Marders became lonesome without his staff

and braving all dangers took the trail alone. He arrived in a parched condition and drank all the water in the creek and declared himself capable of pulling all the ferns in the valley. Oksen as usual had on tap one of his "Bare" stories. "Polly," Jim Jeffery's piebald horse, made no objection to carrying the spoils of war, but there were several adverse comments when one of the young ladies was boosted on top of the load. The General got tender footed on the return, as he is not as yet recovered from the loss of "Sole."

My Uncle Snort, Mr. Lynn, is seeking the services of an architect; he has met his Waterloo in the Bloomer camp and only Jack Winks.

According to "overhead" conversation the General is a very much wanted person—as an ornament.

There was a fine dance on the platform Wednesday night. Everybody and Jim Jeffery was there.

There will be a grand farewell ball tonight on the platform, given by the Gum Drop Club for the departing Watsonville people.

A grand society event took place at the hotel corner of Lizard Avenue and Mule Street Thursday evening. The program was as follows:

Violin solo—Professor Alexander.

Recitation—Mrs. White.

Vocal solo—Professor Alexander.

Recitation—Miss May Quilty.

Vocal duet—Charles McDougall and R. Alexander.

Song and dance—James George.

Cake walk—Gertrude Quilty and Linna Bixby.

Mandolin and guitar duet—May and Gertrude Quilty.

Recitation—James Jeffery.

Mandolin solo—Professor Alexander.

George Tuttle and Lee Bixby of Watsonville and W. J. Irvine and family of Salinas, leave for their homes on tomorrow's stage.

Earl Keef has a few Belgian hairs on this chin.

Charles McDougall don't have to wink, as his left optic is swollen shut by a sty.

James Jeffery leaves for Salinas tomorrow to procure Fourth of July paraphernalia; he will return Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bixby, Mrs. Bolton, Mr. Smith, Mr. Irvine, Misses Grace Barney, Josie Colehower and Zella Kalar went to the falls. Nothing of importance happened, as the crowd, not being used to tramps, was a very quite one.

Miles Marders got up at 9 a. m. and found a "dear" track on Tony's trail. He followed it all over the trail to Willow creek, where he found "her" grazing on the camp ground. No shot was fired, but the "dear" was captured and will be kept as a pet.

Charles McDougall is improving. He can get on the outside of ten flap-jacks or any other old jacks, comfortably.

Mitt Tuttle swallowed a seed-sower this morning and is threatened with Tularcitis.

Mrs. James Wilds of Hollister, and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty and baby of San Jose, arrived on the stage tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. Sonsberger, Miss Kennedy, Con Driscoll, Mr. Smith, Mrs. Bolton, Mr. and

Mrs. John Hughes, Mrs. Lee Bixby and daughter Lina, all of Watsonville, leave tomorrow a. m. early. They will be greatly missed, but no doubt will return next year, as they all vote Tassajara the only place to camp. SYNDICATE.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery, the genial host at Tassajara Springs, arrived in this city last evening to purchase a new supply of provender for his many guests.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (7/5 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1900:

There will be a grand Fourth of July celebration at Tassajara Springs. Quite a number of Jamesburg people will attend the festivities.

PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1900:

The people of this burg have received an invitation to the grand celebration at the Tassajara Springs and many are going. A jolly time is expected.

C. W. Quilty and wife and child of San Jose are late arrivals at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1900:

### THE FOURTH AT TASSAJARA

The campers at Tassajara Springs will have an enjoyable and patriotic celebration of the national birthday tomorrow. Ed Jeffery was in town yesterday and purchased one hundred dollars worth of fireworks for the entertainment of his guests.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (7/5 in the *Weekly*):

### TASSAJARA NOTES

(Reported for the *Index*)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 3.—Mitt Tuttle's camp was in mourning Sunday, as Jim Oksen took Emma Kuhlitz, Carrie Linscott and Mabel Kilburn to Salinas. They are greatly missed.

Miles Marders is very much worried about a pair of eyes—She keeps them on him all the time.

Emma Oksen has a broken heart—her better half has gone off with a handsomer girl.

Robert Porter and family break camp early Tuesday morning.

Our citizens are very busy making preparations for the Fourth. About fifty people from around in the mountains are expected in to help celebrate.

Jim Jeffery came home tonight with lots of fire works for the Fourth.

John Tynan arrived tonight to play for the Fourth of July ball.

Mrs. A. E. A. White, Misses Grace Barney, Josie Colehower and E. Wickersham leave tomorrow for Watsonville.

Will Hughes and Earl Keef went fishing this morning. They brought back quite a string.

Jim Evans has captured one of the young lads at the hotel, and it keeps him busy keeping out of his "mother's" way.

Charley McDougall, Jim Evans and Roy Alexander are busy rehearsing for the minstrels Wednesday night.

Jack Winks startled this quiet village with a ruby stick-pin as large as an egg. He swears it is genuine and not an ornament off a headstall.

OBSERVER.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (7/12 in the *Weekly*):

### THE FOURTH AT TASSAJARA

BIG PROCESSION AND MUSIC IN DAYTIME—FIREWORKS AND MINSTREL SHOW AT NIGHT

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 5.—The Fourth of July at Tassajara was a great success. The hotels and business houses were profusely decorated in the national colors and a salute was fired at 6 o'clock a. m. About one hundred visitors from the surrounding country came in to enjoy the celebration.

The parade started at 12 o'clock noon, headed by a band of ten pieces under the leadership of John Tynan. Charley McDougall was drum major.

Mrs. Zoe McDougall was grand marshal, mounted on "Polly," the pride of Tassajara. She was dressed in white and issued her orders like a veteran.

Miss Marders and Jim Oksen were clowns and Ira Lynn personated "Uncle Sam."

Zella Kalar, as the Goddess of Liberty, was seated on a beautiful float, with Geneva Evans and Genevieve Quilty as maids of honor.

They gave an all day concert, taking only a minute or two occasionally to drink a cup of hot water.

In the evening the pavilion was brilliantly illuminated and the minstrel show, which had been announced in the *Index*, came off. Charley McDougall, Jim Evans and Roy Alexander were the coons, and their get-up was superb.

The singing was excellent, the jokes new, good and original. Six couples participated in the cake walk and they were the hit of the season with the mountaineers. The performance concluded with a dance.

A grand display of fireworks lighted up the Tassajara mountains as they had never been lighted before.

Jim Jeffery maintained his reputation for generosity, and his elegant Fourth of July dinner was something to be remembered.

Hurrah for the Fourth of July and three cheers for Jim Jeffery.

By the way, what's the matter with the *Index*? None came by last evening's mail and the entire community was greatly disappointed.

A VISITOR.

[Nothing the matter with the *Index*—the stage started out before the Salinas Postmaster got up.—Ed. *Index*.]

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (7/12 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

Those of our citizens who attended the Fourth of July celebration at Tassajara report a most enjoyable time, and vote Mine Host Jeffery prince of entertainers. As the Tassajara correspondent has already given an account of the occasion we will only say that the minstrels were exceptionally good, and that Roy Alexander, James Evans, James George and Charlie McDougall as coons were simply great.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery, the Tassajara Springs proprietor, came in yesterday on business. The Springs are enjoying a busy season, one of their best in their history.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (7/12 in the *Weekly*); datelined July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

The travel to and from Tassajara Springs has been such of late that John Barlow's big three-seater is not able to accommodate all, and extra rigs have had to be put on. John Chew took out a load from Tassajara to Salinas last week, and John Harvey of Salinas brought up a load from Salinas yesterday in addition to the stage well filled with people.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (7/12 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 9.—At Tassajara Hot Springs the Fourth of July, while surpassing all previous celebrations, had to be climaxed by a moonlight masquerade ball that out-Jeffried all the previous efforts at fun making of our all-around host, genial Jim Jeffery.

Not a feature was lacking to make the event one long to be remembered both by participants and spectators. Numerous lanterns and lights lent aid to the yellow moon in lighting up a scene of beauty as well as merry-making that continued until the stars faded into the rosy light of dawn.

About twenty couples took part as ghosts, goblins, cooks, cake-walkers, dudes and cranks.

C. W. Quilty as the "Widow McCarthy" was simply immense and danced an Irish jig to perfection. He received the first prize.

Jim George as a colored lady scored a decided success and Willie Jeffery as a Tassajara belle made the hearts of many of the mountain beaux beat a fast tattoo against their manly ribs.

Messrs Ira Lynn and Chas. McDougall, and Misses Edith Ayers and Irene Quilty made a quartet of striking looking ghosts.

Earl Keef and Will Hughes as a hay-seed gentleman and his wife, furnished a fund of amusement.

Among other characters were: Tassajara Wild Man, Miss Mae Quilty; Uncle Sam, J. P. Evans; Lawn Tennis, Mr. M. Marders; Japanese, Miss Gertrude Quilty; Cupid, Mr. John Barlow; Flower Girl, Mrs. E. H. Haney; Darkey Dude, Miss M. Daley; Hobo, Frank Bruce; Little Lord Fauntleroy, Mrs. Chas. McDougall; Devil, Mr. Lindt; Sunflower, Mrs. George Caddy; Huntress, Miss Ella Haney; Martha Washington, Mrs. A. K. White; Topsy, Milton Tuttle, Dancing Girl, Roy Alexander.

A return party of young people, composed of Misses Edith Ayer, Gertrude, May, and Irene Quilty and Messrs Ira Lynn, William Jeffery and Will Hughes made a trip through the Narrows yesterday. This means a tramp of seven miles and passing through water over five feet deep. When the party returned they were not seen for the remainder of the day.

Camp life will be dull after the departure of

Mrs. Chas. McDougall, who returns to Salinas tomorrow.

Mrs. Ed Thompson of Watsonville left Saturday after a month's stay.

Two stages were required to bring in the passengers today. They were: Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Porter, W. S. Johnson and wife, and Mrs. M. Hughes, all of Salinas; John Kay of San Jose; Hans Clausen of Watsonville, and Miss Carrie Pesant of San Miguel.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1900; datelined July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

Quite a number of people went from here to help the Tassajaraites celebrate the fourth. Quite an account was written about the celebration for the Journal, but by "hook" or "crook" (and we think it was "by Crook") it did not reach the office. "Crook" must have been in need of employment. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

## HEADED FOR TASSAJARA

A party of fourteen campers from Watsonville passed through Salinas yesterday en route for Tassajara Hot Springs where they will spend a few weeks in the pursuit of enjoyment. The tourist are traveling by easy stages and camp wherever night overtakes them. Among their number are: M. J. Frese and wife, Mrs. Peter Lauritzen and three children, Mr. and Mrs. Jensen and family, and Miss Buck. They camped on the Buena Vista last night.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

## BACK FROM THE SPRINGS

Among those returning from Tassajara Hot Springs on last evening's stage were the Misses Gertrude, May and Irene Quilty, Miss Edith Ayers, of San Jose; Charley McDougall and Wm. Franks, of Salinas, and T. Wild of Hollister.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

## A PLEASANT SURPRISE

The parlors of the Jeffery House were the scene of a very pleasant surprise last evening given in honor of the Misses Gertrude, May and Irene Quilty and Miss Edith Ayers, who arrived last evening from Tassajara Springs. The function was more of a reunion of the young people who have returned from the famous resort than a society affair, as none but those who associated together during their recreation participated in the evening's enjoyment. Social converse was indulged in until a late hour, when refreshments were served by Willie Jeffery, who acted as host. As the gathering broke, all expressed themselves as having spent a delightful evening, and wished the young ladies a safe return to their home in San Jose, whiter they will go today.

From the 'Personal Mention' column, *San Jose Daily Herald*, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

The Misses Gertrude, May and Irene Quilty have returned from an extended visit at Tassajara Springs. They were accompanied by Miss Edith Ayers.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (8/2 in the *Weekly*):

## AN OUTING

### NOTES OF A TRIP FROM WATSONVILLE TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

(Correspondence of the *Index*.)

I started from Watsonville July 17<sup>th</sup>, at 5:30 p. m. aboard a train for Salinas, where I tarried over night and met old friends and acquaintances, among which were the ever genial Jim McDougall, Bob Porter, B. S. Wilcoxon of mining days and his interesting family. I visited the new High School building an elegant up-to-date affair, but oh, on such a lot! One would think that land was at San Francisco prices and none left for sale at that. It makes one ashamed for the good people of Salinas, and so far as I could find out they were ashamed themselves. The youthful mind can only expand under difficulties in such cramped quarters. The only thing to do now is to get a move on and purchase adjoining property and have grounds to be proud of as you are now of the building. But this is digressing.

Wednesday morning got aboard the stage at the Salinas Hotel—a very good house at moderate prices—and with Jehu Barlow holding the reins, we pointed towards Monterey, passing the mammoth Spreckels sugar factory and across the high bridge, where nearly four decades ago we waded through the treacherous quick sands in crossing the Salinas River. About half way from Salinas to Monterey we turned to the left and began to climb around among the ranches, or what appeared to have been ranches, for it looked more like a barren waste crying for "water water," which cry seems to have been unheard, for a long time. We continued up hill, down bill, around and across hill until we reached the Carmel valley, where an occasional green spot greets the eye, owing to irrigation from the P. I. Co.'s pipes which conduct the waters of the Carmel to their reservoirs above Monterey. On we go and in due time reach Whitlocks's, where we change our tired steeds for fresh ones. "All aboard!" and away we roll again, arriving at Jamesburg a little past noon. A complete description of Jamesburg would fill a book (I don't say how large). The "burg" consists of a house and a barn of decidedly ancient appearance, surrounded by high mountains which rise abruptly on all sides. All the same, a good dinner is provided by the James family, in whose honor the city is named, at 50 cents per eater, and justice is generally done to the spread.

Here we exchange our horses for mules, who know their business, and then we climb, climb, climb for fifteen miles more or less, passing through and in sight of much magnificent scenery. We crowd around points of mountains and the heads of deep gorges which gash the mountains into most fantastic shapes—big mountains, mountains covered with trees and verdure, or with verdure without the trees, making a scene of indescribable grandeur. Now we hug a mountain thickly covered with tanbark oak, tall and stately and so dense that we seem to be rushing into a tunnel, the shade is so intense. Out into the sunlight again, and up, and up we go until at last we are on the summit and 'view creation o'er' with undisguised admiration. On the right is old Ocean,

not a dozen miles away, while around and beneath us are picturesque mountains and a mazy network of gorges into whose abysmal depths it makes one dizzy to look.

We are now five miles from our destination, and begin to descend from our lofty perch. We cross the divide which separates the Arroyo Seco from the Carmel. The "divide" seems to have been thrown in for the purpose of keeping the gorges on either side from getting "mixed up," and to afford the frequenter of the wilderness a safe pass-way from one mountain to the other. The divide is a success. But we have one more summit to cross before entering upon the final descent. Over we go with a rush, and down in earnest. Here passengers must forget that they have nerves. The heart has a tendency to jump into one's throat as the faithful mules, guided by the skillful driver, whiz around sharp curves in the serpentine road, sometimes perilously near the edge of the precipice, where a misstep of six inches would hurl mules, stage and passengers thousands of feet below. But Barlow sees that no false step is taken, and down we go, now this way and now that, until about a mile from the Springs, when the "lightning changes" keep us swaying in all directions, each turn bringing us lower and nearer the end of our journey, until at last the welcome sight of the hotel greets us, and here we are at Tassajara Springs!

What's in a name? It was probably derived from the Indian word, "tasago," which means a strip of dried meat, or "tassajero," meaning a place where meat is dried. I am indebted to that quiet gentleman, W. S. Johnson of Salinas, for this information, and also that this was formerly a place where much meat was dried; deer, bear and small game being very plentiful. We will not worry over the name, however, but concern ourselves with the springs themselves, which are a decided blessing to mankind. Here rheumatism, kidney troubles, stomach troubles, liver troubles, and other troubles vanish as if by the command of the magician's wand. I am not certain that it would not cause family troubles, for a disordered liver is a never ending cause thereof.

Resuming. Here we are at the hotel which surprises the uninitiated, for we find a large two-story commodious house built of sandstone found nearby and put together by mortar made from lime burned in close proximity, so that the walls cost much less than they would in San Francisco. All the rooms are well ventilated and airy (the air from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. needs airing to cool it off).

Three or four rods southeast of the main hotel is the billiard hall with two tables, and a couple of rods westerly is the kitchen and commodious dining room. A little further west is the bath house, containing a plunge for women and one for men, of hot water, with cold shower, and tubs in each department with proper sweat stands, making it very complete. The water of the plunge is renewed every night. Across the creek from the bath-house is the spring of hot medicinal water, which is a terror to disease, and visitors are constantly crowding around for that "drink." It's all the same price whether you drink a pint or a barrel, but the effect it has on a person in a very

short time is wonderful. If you want to boil an egg or scald a chicken, a boiling hot spring a short distance above is ready for that service. This is a paradise for washer-women—no wood or coal required to boil the water, which runs hot through a pipe to the washhouse and thence to the bathhouse. Very little soap is required and often none is used, but the clothes come out clean and sweet.

The hotel is fairly well filled, and there are also several parties of campers here at present. The Peter Jensen party arrived today. The Dr. Pearce and the Jensen parties are here yet. Among the guests are the companionable Brewer Porter and his winsome wife, whose ancestry carries me back three or four decades, when the Democratic war horses, of which her father, Vic McGarvey, was one, used to meet in Watsonville. Here are also the sly joker Michael Hughes and his estimable wife; also S. W. Conklin who is here for business, and attends to it; W. S. Johnson, the most quiet of all, and his kind, matronly wife, all of Salinas, making a fine family gathering with whom it is a pleasure to be. Then there are others, among them the genial Dr. J. T. Enos, always ready for a lark, and quiet Charley Krough, who practices athletics down the creek by trying how fast he can slide down the chute in the rock, and stop before his head goes under the water below.

One thing is particularly noticeable here, viz: the freedom from society airs. All that goes to curtail genuine enjoyment is conspicuously absent, and everybody votes this the place to come for rest; recreation or recuperation.

Jim Jeffery fills the bill as landlord, doing all he can to enhance the pleasure and comfort of his guests, to regale them with a yarn or unmercifully josh to those who are disposed that way.

L. D. Holbrook.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

## AT TASSAJARA

### A BREZZY LETTER FROM THAT FAMOUS HEALTH RESORT

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, August 7, 1900.—Dear *Index*: When one arrives at Tassajara he is at the end of the road: not the jumping off place, as he has already "jumped" from the top of the mountain, and the only way to get out is to return by the same grade, or take one of several trails leading out in different directions. I have investigated only one—Tony's Trail—which has amply satisfied my climbing proclivities. For a trail that leads up into the air continually commend me to Tony's. Jim Jeffery says it is a mile and a half to the summit by that trail and that the schedule time is 40 minutes to climb it. I think it was about five miles, for I took an hour and fifty minutes in climbing it, and did not think I was going very fast either. I freely resign any further interest in that trail. When the summit is reached a grand old mountain covered with trees is seen across Willow Creek, which is at the bottom of the gorge thousands of feet below. Some very fine views of mountain scenery are had from different points on the trail, so that it really is desirable to make the trip.

Life at the Springs is very typical of life generally. People come, stay a little while, and

go; a few days to form new acquaintances to be either remembered or forgotten, and then return to the treadmill of life. My new acquaintances of Salinas people will ever be pleasantly remembered. Incidents interesting to those concerned follow on in rapid succession. While the Dr. Pearce party was here he and his good wife, with his sister Mable at the piano and another sister, Mrs. Robert McGowan, made it very enjoyable, as all are fine singers and they let themselves loose for the occasion. "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep" is one of his favorite songs. How that song carried me back a half a century. When the basso profundo end of the Washingtonian "Rocked" in that same cradle and as his deep tones rumbled, apparently along his diaphragm as a sounding board, the enthusiasm of his audience was boundless, and since that time the basso of each concert troupe has "rocked" on the same old "cradle" with varying success, as their ability to "rumble" along the diaphragm was illustrated. The Doc got on a fair rumble.

On the evening of August 1<sup>st</sup>, by the kindness of Mrs. Robert Rogers, who was the promoter and acted as hostess for the occasion, a very agreeable evening was spent at progressive euchre. Doc Enos was endeavoring to pass himself off as a "Faire layde" and upon the termination of the game his score and that of another lady were tied, which he assisted a "saw off" game between them to determine which was entitled to the "booby" prize. Doc had been called away and another lady was absent, so representatives of the absentees were appointed to represent the Doc, and when the game was finished his title to the prize was perfect. It was intended to have a grand presentation speech, but as the presenter was not feeling particularly well, the speech was not made, but it was intended to be something like the following: "Dr. Enos: By the kindness of Mrs. Rogers, we were permitted to pass an enjoyable evening at progressive euchre, upon which occasion you represented one of the fair sex to the best of your ability. Upon the termination of the game it was found that your score for the "booby" prize was the same as that of another lady. You both being absent, representatives were appointed to play the game, which was to determine the tile to the prize. I represented you, and your title to it was established, the prize handed to me in trust for you, and I now take pleasure in resigning my trust. It is not to be wondered at that you made such as complete failure in representing one of the fair sex. Owing to circumstances over which you had no control, and even representing one of them in a game of euchre, was a dismal failure. In fact, according to the score you were the worst player of the lot, or had the worst luck of the lot. You will be consoled by the fact that it is not always thus. Take your prize home with you. Hang it up in your children's room that they may point with pride to the prize that papa won at Tassajara. Its intrinsic value may be little, but it will remind you of that pleasant evening. You are to forget the bad words which arose to your lips on account of non success, of your disgust when your partner made the misplay which detained you at the same table. Those things

you are to forget and remember only the pleasant evening of August 1, 1900. Of course the Doc reads the Index, and if he sees the above he will realize what a time he would have had answering with thanks.

Saturday about 6 p. m. the strains of a brass band were heard on the grade, and presently half a dozen Oakland young men came blowing their way to the Hotel, and we had music galore while they were here. Last evening a dance was had on the outdoor platform, making an agreeable change in the monotony. They were out for a good time, and made their talent help pay the bills. They left this morning.

Guests at the hotel are D. A. Corvin, and very pleasant gentleman who is purser on one of steamships plying to China, and who is taking a vacation; J. Gletanon of Santa Clara, who came with a very bad foot, but is much improved; J. M. Kanemark of Freedom; Roney Mallen of Watsonville (the last three pull out tomorrow); Mrs. Wahrlich and her brother Charley Krough who are great climbers of hills and boulders; Mr. and Mrs. C. Hansen of Salinas; Mrs. J. Storm; Miss Carrie Grimmer, who enlivens with her music; Mr. and Mrs. P. Jessen, Mrs. James Struve, for whom doctors can do nothing but who seems to be improving here. Mrs. L. Hansen, P. J. Freiermuth and wife, Mrs. Thomas Jameson, Thos. Mitchell, one of the solid men of Pajaro valley—the last eight being from Watsonville; Frank P. McFadden, Mrs. McFadden and Mrs. Harder of San Francisco.

I cannot close without referring to that active young man, James George, who is here, there and everywhere, where there is anything to be done—an invaluable man about such a place; and to the motherly Mrs. McGuire who is in charge of the hotel and sees that the guest are made as comfortable as possible. Jim Jeffery is fortunate in securing such helpers, as well as in the ladylike Miss Orsborn who attends to the dining table.

Thursday next, I bid adieu to Tassajara Hot Springs and hope that much good may arise from my visit.

J. F. and Pat Sheehy and J. P. Hughes have put in an appearance and Pat is doing well.

L. D. Holbrook.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (8/22 in the *Weekly*); datelined Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery of Tassajara Hot Springs paid a visit to Salinas on Saturday. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (8/30 in the *Weekly*):

### A GOOD SHOT

E. A. Murphy, who left for Tassajara Hot Springs on the stage Wednesday morning, proved to the satisfaction of all the passengers

on the stage that his nerves and eyes were in excellent condition when he shouldered his rifle and with deliberate aim shot a deer through the heart while standing nearly a hundred yards off. Mr. Murphy was so exercised over his good luck that he returned on last evening's stage to tell his friends how it happened.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

D. Jeffery is hauling hay from A. Bloomquist's to the Tassajara Hot Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Local Brevities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

The Tassajara Stage will make its last regular run of the season to the Springs today.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

D. Jeffery went to Salinas last Wednesday for a load of provisions for Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1900 (10/4 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1900:

The Tassajara stage made its last trip for the season on Saturday last. That popular health resort is closed after a very successful season.

John Barlow came up from Salinas today, though no longer driving the stage.

James Jeffery has come out from Tassajara on his way to Salinas.

C. W. Quilty and wife returned to San Jose on Friday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

The Tassajara stage made its last trip for the season last Saturday.

The Tassajara Springs are closed for the winter after a most successful season.

James Jeffery of Tassajara spent this week in Salinas. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery of Tassajara Springs has gone to Salinas. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

Mrs. McGuire has returned to Salinas, after spending the summer at Tassajara.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (11/8 in the *Weekly*); datelined Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

D. Jeffery of Tassajara has gone to Salinas. PINAFORE.

From 'Wind and Rain at Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

Dave Jeffery of Tassajara went to Salinas Tuesday to vote. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (11/15 in the *Weekly*); datelined Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery has purchased Mrs. M. J. Logwood's mountain ranch. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

William Jeffery of Salinas and F. Gilchrist of San Jose came up Thursday and spent the afternoon shooting quail. They left yesterday for a few days outing at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1900 (11/22 in the *Weekly*); datelined Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1900:

Wm. Jeffery and F. Gilchrist, of Salinas, spent a few days at Tassajara last week.

The much wished for rain has come. It commenced raining Thursday night, and about 5 inches has fallen since that time with every appearance at present of a continuance of the storm. Mr. Andrew Church reports a much heavier rainfall at his place, The Caves, ten miles distant from here. Up to Saturday morning 12 inches of rain had fallen there, 6½ of which fell in eight hours. This has caused high water there and at Tassajara Springs.

C. M. Chew finished ditching the Tassajara road the first of last week, putting it in good-shape for the for the winter rains. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1900:

Willie Jeffery came up from Salinas yesterday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (12/13 in the *Weekly*); datelined Dec. 10<sup>th</sup>:

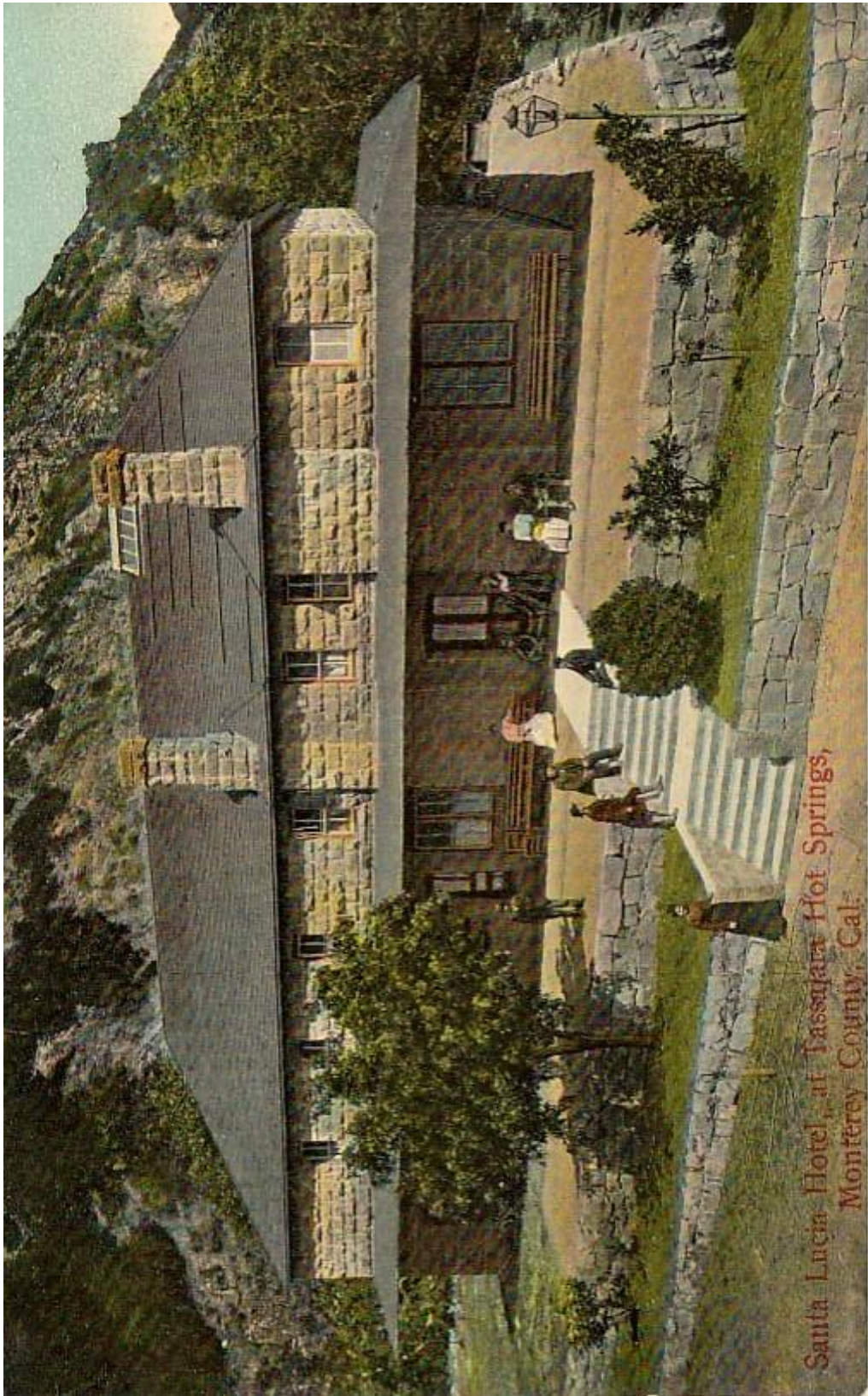
James Jeffery and John Barlow came up from Salinas last Friday with a load of supplies. They went to Tassajara today. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1900; datelined Dec. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1900:

James Jeffery and John Barlow made a business trip to Salinas this week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Local News in Brief,' *Salinas Daily Journal*, Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1900 (also 12/29 in the *Weekly Journal*):

William Jeffery went to San Jose yesterday for a brief visit.



A Tassajara post card.



## 1901 to 1904, THE PROPRIETORSHIP OF WILLIAM JEFFERY; p. 67.

William Jeffery was the son of James and Sarah Jeffery, the proprietors of the Jeffery Hotel in Salinas, and the half brother of the previous manager of Tassajara, James Jeffery. He was born in 1880, and thus he was 21 when took over the management of Tassajara Hot Springs.



William Jeffery

After his lease to Tassajara expired in 1904 William Jeffery returned to Salinas, where he lead a long and active life.

According to the U. S. census of 1910, at that time he resided at the Jeffery Hotel along with his wife, Mary (Mae) Quilty-Jeffery, and their two sons, Charles, 7, and James, 6. It was also in 1910 when William Jeffery started and automobile for hire business. In 1912 he started a car repair and Cadillac agency in Salinas, and in 1913 he purchased a new Cadillac and started taking passengers to Tassajara. In 1914 Mr. Jeffery made an unsuccessful run for Sheriff of Monterey County, and

in the same year he became an insurance agent. In 1919 he became the manager of the Jeffery Hotel. In 1937 Mr. Jeffery was elected to the Salinas City Council, and served for four years. Mr. Jeffery also played an active role in the development of campgrounds in the Monterey Ranger District of Los Padres National Forest.

Mr. Jeffery is also a prominent figure in the history of the Tassajara region, not only for the years in which he managed the hot springs. In May of 1921 Mr. Jeffery purchased property in Miller Canyon, and over the following years he added to his holding in the canyon. This property is now owned by Tanbark Inc.

The following editorial accompanied William Jeffery's obituary in the March 17<sup>th</sup>, 1973 edition of the *Salinas Californian*:

"Bill Jeffery is dead, but his wonderful long life has left a warm page in Salinas's history. He was known by many names, 'Mr. Main Street,' 'Mr. Salinas,' but, most of all, just plain 'Bill' to his thousands of good friends the length and breadth of the Salinas Valley and a large part of California. His contributions to Salinas are almost without end. He was the oldest living past president of the Salinas Chamber of Commerce. He was a former city councilman. He instituted the first of the many Big Hat Barbeques held during the California Rodeo Big Week. He was active in so many things. But, most to all of us, he was active in the hearts of his beloved friends in Salinas and the Valley. He was born on Main Street in his father's Central Hotel, where the Fox Theater now stands. He spent most of his adult life managing the famed Jeffery Hotel, now the site of Monterey Savings. Because of this he was 'Mr. Main Street,' an avid historian, cowboy, rodeo performer, and expert horse-man astride his famous palomino Chiquito. Thusly, he fitted uniquely into Salinas life. More than that he was Salinas and one of the best friends this city ever had in its 100 year history. We all were most fortunate to have shared his beloved community with him."

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

James Jeffery and John Barlow, two prominent ranchers of the Jamesburg country, came in yesterday. They report the weather cold and frosty, but not so cold as out in the Salinas Valley.

James and William Jeffery went to San Jose on business yesterday.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

James Jeffery and John Barlow made a business trip to the county seat the first of the week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (1/10 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

James Jeffery and John Barlow made a business trip to Salinas a few days ago. PINAFORE.

From the 'Personal and social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery is visiting at Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery, the new lessee of the Tassajara Springs, leaves this morning for a three-weeks stay at the Springs, to fix up for the summer rush.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Willie Jeffery came out from Salinas Thursday and went to Tassajara Springs.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

John D. Barlow returned from Salinas and Merrill Hallock from Aptos by today's stage.

PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (1/31 in the *Weekly*); datelined Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery came out from Tassajara yesterday on his way to Salinas. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1901; datelined Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Willie Jeffery came out from Tassajara Springs Sunday after a three-weeks stay there and returned to Salinas. WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Personal' column, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1901:

Mrs. Jeffery-Granger of Salinas, proprietress of the Jeffery House there, is in San Jose to remain a week. Her son, Will Jeffery, well known in San Jose, where he formerly resided, has leased the hostelry at Tassajara Springs, and will conduct it through the coming season.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

C. W. Quilty returned to his home in San Jose on the early train yesterday.

Willie Jeffery left for Tassajara yesterday morning to spend a few days in the mountains.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Last Saturday evening it began raining and has been raining and snowing most of the time

since. There has been three inches of rain since Saturday, while on Chew's ridge there is 18 inches of snow.

Willie Jeffery came up from Salinas Thursday and went to Tassajara Springs.

James Jeffery made a short visit to Tassajara this week, and also a visit to Mr. and Mrs. A. Church at the Caves. WILLOW TREE.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901; datelined Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

D. Jeffery of Tassajara Springs has gone to San Jose. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901; datelined Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

D. Jeffery has come home from San Jose.

PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1901; datelined Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901:

Willie Jeffery, after spending a few weeks at Tassajara Springs, returned home yesterday.

Dave Jeffery returned Sunday from a short visit in Salinas. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1901; *Salinas Weekly Index*, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, announces that this incomparable health resort will be open to parties with their own conveyances on April 1<sup>st</sup>, and that stages will make regular trips from Salinas to the Springs on and after May 1<sup>st</sup>.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, left yesterday on the noon train on a business trip to San Francisco.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Willie Jeffery was up here from Salinas last week on business. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (3/14 in the *Weekly*); datelined March 12<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

James Jeffery and John Barlow went to Salinas last week. Mr. Jeffery has returned, but Mr. Barlow continued his journey to Soledad. PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery left for Tassajara Springs yesterday morning.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (3/21 in the *Weekly*); datelined March 18<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Wm. Jeffery, lessee of Tassajara Springs, came up from Salinas last Thursday and went to Tassajara.

C. M. Chew began work on the Tassajara road today with a force of six men. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901; datelined March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Will Jeffery passed through here Wednesday en route to Tassajara Springs, where he is preparing for the summer rush. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### WILL LEAVE FOR TASSAJARA

The season has opened at Tassajara Springs, and already guests are beginning to assemble at that famous health resort, which is being managed this year by William Jeffery. Tomorrow morning Mr. Jeffery will return to the Springs and will be accompanied by Iver Madsen of Chualar Canyon, who goes to this watering place with the hope of obtaining relief from inflammatory rheumatism of which he has been suffering greatly for the past few weeks.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

WILLIAM JEFFERY, Proprietor.

This famous health resort is now open to the public. The camp grounds have been repaired and enlarged. There is a large dancing platform, and other appurtenances for the benefit of guests. The road over the mountain to the Springs has been put in good shape for travel.

The table will be supplied with the best that the market affords, including fish and game.

#### BOARD AND LODGING

Including baths, \$10 and \$12 per week. Camping privilege, \$2.50 per week.

The place will be kept in first class style, and

no pains will be spared by the proprietor for the comfort and pleasure of guests.

Regular stages will run from Salinas on or before May 1<sup>st</sup>.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, arrived from that resort yesterday.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, made a business trip to San Jose and San Francisco yesterday.

From the 'Local Brevities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

James Oksen and wife of Watsonville will have charge of the bathing department at Tassajara Springs this season.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (4/11 in the *Weekly*):

### TASSAJARA STAGE LINE LEASED

John Barlow yesterday leased the Tassajara stage line from William Jeffery, lessee of the Springs. Mr. Barlow has had considerable experience as a stage driver, and the regular runs will be commenced the latter part of this month.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery left for Tassajara Springs yesterday.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (4/11 in the *Weekly*); datelined April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, and John Barlow, lessee of the stage line, came up from Salinas on Saturday.

J. Oksen and wife of Watsonville have gone to Tassajara. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (4/18 in the *Weekly*); datelined April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

C. M. Chew and his force of men finished work on the Tassajara road on Monday.

William Jeffery of Tassajara Springs came up from Salinas on Saturday. PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery, who has been spending the last week at Tassajara Springs, returned last evening.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery returned to Tassajara Hot Springs yesterday.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Willie Jeffery passed through here Saturday en route to Tassajara Springs.

C. M. Chew has completed the work of repairing his part of the road. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901:

### TASSAJARA STAGE

The Tassajara stage will begin regular season trips on Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>, going out Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and returning Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. For particulars inquire at stage office, Jeffery House, Salinas. J. D. BARLOW, Proprietor.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery went to Salinas Wednesday. WILLOW TREE

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

John Barlow drove in from Tassajara Hot Springs yesterday.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, came in from that resort yesterday to make additional arrangements and preparations for the season. He is now ready for all comers.

J. D. Barlow's tri-weekly stage will make its first regular trip next Monday, leaving the Jeffery House at 6 a. m. for the Springs and return next day.

There is no better place on the Coast than Tassajara for persons in search of rest, recreation or health, and in some respects it is superior to any other place that we know of. Hotel, bath and camping accommodations are excellent, and visitors who like to fish and hunt can enjoy themselves in that direction to their heart's content.

Mr. Jeffery knows how to cater to the comfort and pleasure of guests.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1901; datelined April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

The Tassajara stage made its first trip for the season with the popular Jehu Barlow again holding the ribbons. William Jeffery, proprietor of the Springs, and Mr. Sheppard, of Watsonville, were passengers. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### LEFT FOR TASSAJARA

The Tassajara stage made its first regular trip for this season to that famous resort yesterday morning. J. D. Barlow, the expert reinsman, will run the stage again this year, and all who have made the trip with him on former occasions will feel assured that no accidents will befall them as long as he has charge. A number of guests who had intended going out remained in Salinas until the stage makes its next trip, Wednesday morning, on account of the rain. Among those who made the trip was William Jeffery, proprietor of the Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (5/9 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Dr. Stratton went to Tassajara by Friday's stage. He will remain during the summer as physician for the patrons of the Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Merrill Hallock has gone to Tassajara Hot Springs to spend the summer.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

WILLIAM JEFFERY, Proprietor.

This famous health resort is now open to the public. The camp grounds have been repaired and enlarged. There is a large dancing platform, and other appurtenances for the benefit of guests. The road over the mountain to the Springs has been put in good shape for travel.

The table will be supplied with the best that the market affords, including fish and game.

### BOARD AND LODGING

Including baths, \$10 and \$12 per week. Camping privilege, \$2.50 per week.

### L. B. STRATTON, M. D.,

Of Coloma, Mich., resident physician and surgeon at the Springs.

Stage leaves Jeffery House, Salinas, for the Springs, at 6 a. m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; returning Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Fare \$4.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901; datelined May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Mrs. Granger of the Jeffery House, and her friend, Mr. J. B. Brazelton of Santa Cruz, passed through on today's stage for Tassajara Springs; also G. Towl, D. Jeffery and Mr. Cook. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901:

### LEFT FOR TASSAJARA

Mrs. Jeffery-Granger and Mrs. J. B. Brazelton left on the stage yesterday morning for Tassajara Springs, where they will stay a fortnight. During the absence of Mrs. Granger the Jeffery House will be managed by William Jeffery, while the former will run the Springs during her stay.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1901:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, who has been spending a week at Tassajara Springs, arrived on last evening's stage.

From the 'Personal' column, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901:

C. W. Quilty has returned from a visit of a few days at Tassajara Hotel Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (6/6 in the *Weekly*); datelined June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Mrs. E. Dunham of Tassajara Springs was called to Salinas Saturday by the sad news of the death of her uncle, John Ryan.

Mrs. Granger and Mrs. Brazelton, who have been rusticated at Tassajara Springs, returned to Salinas by today's stage. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### LEAVES FOR TASSAJARA

Frank Clark, assistant cashier of the Salinas

City Bank and his wife leave on the early stage this morning for Tassajara Springs, where they expect to remain about two weeks. There are now about forty guests at this famous resort, and a number of San Francisco residents arrived on last night's train and will leave today for the mountain watering place.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Merrill Hallock of Tassajara went to Salinas last week on business.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Professor W. R. Dudley of Stanford University arrived Sunday and left on the stage yesterday morning for Tassajara Springs, where he expects to remain during the summer vacation.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### LEFT FOR TASSAJARA

The stage was well filled yesterday morning with passengers for Tassajara Springs. Two stages will be required next trip (Wednesday) to accommodate the passengers booked for that famous resort on that date. Those who went out yesterday were Professor W. R. Dudley, W. C. Johnson, C. Jessen, Charles Mc Dougall and Mrs. Wilson and daughter.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The popularity of Tassajara Springs as a health resort is increasing every day under the able management of William Jeffery. There were twenty-one passengers for the Springs yesterday morning and it took three four-horse coaches to transport them. This is the largest party that ever left here for that resort at one time. All were from San Francisco, except Mr. Tuttle and family from Watsonville.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

There has been a great deal of travel to Tassajara Springs during the past week. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Mary E. Quilty to C. W. Quilty—NE 1/4 of Sec. 32, twp 19 s, r 4 e; gift.

This transaction took place on September 4<sup>th</sup>, 1894, in San Jose. The deed was not recorded in Monterey County until June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1901, and thus this notice in the *Salinas Index*.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901 (6/27 in the *Weekly*):

### TASSAJARA ITEMS

(Reported for the *Index*)

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 19.—We are a jolly crowd, about seventy-five in number. This is certainly a free country; at least all do as they please up here.

Our new dance platform was completed about a week ago. Evening dancing is one of our chief amusements. Going to Flag Rock and

bringing down mesquites [yuccas] seems to be "the rage" just now.

Two of the most sociable and agreeable visitors left a few days ago for their home near Watsonville—Mr. Sanborn and daughter. They were here three weeks and are much missed by everyone.

Mr. Ford is the noise maker and guide for the whole crowd. A few mornings ago he accompanied Mr. Storm and Miss McFadden to Flag Rock. Mr. Ford is especially agreeable when there are any young ladies in the party.

This is a good place for tired mothers to come with their families, as it is quite the fashion for the men to take care of the babies and do the washing.

Invalids regain their health very rapidly up here. One young lady has gained seven pounds within the last four days. The hot sulphur makes it quite as easy to lose weight as to gain it, providing one does not stay in the dining room too long.

Several of the visitors will return to their homes on tomorrow's stage after a well spent and very beneficial vacation.

The weather still continues very pleasant, though not quite as warm as it was a few days ago. There is a good deal of shooting about here, and the fishermen have brought some lovely trout for the dining table. A GUEST.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901 (6/27 in the *Weekly*):

### LIFE AT TASSAJARA

Written for the *Salinas Daily Index*, and dedicated to the Jolly Campers

All aboard for Tassajara!

Boys and girls and men and ladies.

Up the hills and down the mountain

Till you think you're nearing Hades.

Oh! we're such a jolly party,

Tho' the "downward road" ends near

Where Tassajara Hot Springs

Swiftly gushes hot and clear.

Thursday morn we climbed the mountain

Over Tony's noted trail,

Down the hill to Willow Canyon

Where we saw some mountain quail.

We were told t'was three miles over,

Joe said, "With a cipher after."

Never mind how "fish are selling,"

We can still indulge in laughter.

Willow Creek we reached at noonday,

Angled down the creek for trout,

Didn't take our lunches with us

So we had to do without.

Down the woody willow canyon

To Arroyo Seco creek;

Onward up the stronger current

Under cliffs windswept and bleak;

Wading waist deep through the Narrows.

Nearly as wet as the minnows,

Home we hurried ere the darkness—

Plunged and dressed and ate our dinners.

Here the old folks take it easy

While they sup their sulphur toddy;

Children run and romp and frolic,

Till the sand man makes them noddy.

Fishing, hunting, bathing, climbing

Dancing at the close of day;

Young folks playing chess and checkers,

Cards and billiards and croquet.

Some are reading, some are writing,  
 Joking, laughing, all day long;  
 Some can play the fife and banjo,  
 Others cheer us with their song.  
 Others play on the piano  
 Tones of music clear and thrilling,  
 Once or twice we bathed a youngster  
 Who would pipe a song most killing.  
 Some folks like to swing in hammocks,  
 Other talk beneath the trees,  
 Some seek places unmolested  
 And in quiet take their ease.  
 Babies wonder how it happens  
 Now so soon the bottle's warm  
 If you'd know ask Schuyler or Tuttle,  
 Or you might ask Mr. Storm;  
 For the men are real obliging  
 To their wives when here located,  
 And they help with the babes and washing  
 Just like men well educated.  
 Few folks think of going homeward  
 Till they've climbed the footsteps wary,  
 Up the dizzy heights to Flag Rock,  
 And looked down on Tassajara.  
 Miss Fadden thought one morning  
 She would bravely meet the "Ford,"  
 But a "Storm" swept up the mountain  
 And on Flag Rock they were stored.  
 Parm'lee thought to call from Flag Rock  
 Tuesday, when the stage rolled out,  
 It was almost three hour later  
 'Ere we heard the victor's shout.  
 Mr. Morgan is improving,  
 Health is fast reclaiming "Caddy,"  
 But he's talking oft of pies now,  
 And I'm fearing for the laddie.  
 Charles McDougall knows a secret.  
 But he mustn't, mustn't tell—  
 I may sometime tell him something  
 If I want it published well.  
 When the stage comes in at evening  
 Swiftly gladdens every heart.  
 Joyed to hear from friends and loved ones.  
 Unforgotten, though apart.  
 Soon the music will be playing  
 Let us go and watch the dancers—  
 Watch them dance the waltz and polka.  
 "Old Dan Tucker" and the "Lancers."  
 LOU SWETNAM PARMELEE, JUNE 19, 1901.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901:

### BOUND FOR TASSAJARA

Mrs. C. W. Quilty and daughters, Misses Pauline, Alice, Stella, Ruth, Irene and Genevieve Quilty, came down from San Jose last evening and were domiciled at the Jeffery House over night. Today they leave for Tassajara, where they will spend several weeks outing.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (6/27 in the *Weekly*):

### AT TASSAJARA

JOLLY CROWD OF GUESTS—MAKING PREPARATIONS FOR THE FOURTH

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 21, 1901—"Holy! Tolty! Goodness me!

What's the matter with the jolly three! They're all right—honor bright,

And vote Tassajara out of sight."

Will Men Kee, the tenderfoot, walks the tight rope every day to reduce his weight

Charles McDougall wanted to go home on tomorrow's stage, but circumstances over which he had no control prevented his departure.

Dick Driscoll was presented with a leather medal by the "Katzenjammer Kids" in appreciation of his efforts in making "Brownie Chano" for their camp.

"Coon" Ford is suffering seriously from St. Vitus dance, but we hope he will soon recover.

The social hop given last Wednesday evening was a grand success. Music was furnished by "Professor Gus Garrissere."

Owing to Mike Hughes early departure there will be no rivalry between he and Zella Kalar for the honor of Goddess of Liberty this year.

John Herget (Young Mitchell) has succeeded in reducing his avoirdupois after his numerous tramps.

Thursday evening a musical entertainment was given in the hotel parlors. Banjo, violin, flue and piano solos were the order of the evening and needless to add were much enjoyed.

Conrad Storms made his debut with Emit Attridge as his main support. Attridge says he made \$20 on the deal, but we cannot vouch for the truth of the matter.

Gus Garrissere's sweater is the hottest thing in camp.

Mit Tuttle still retains his popularity with the ladies.

Thomas Caddy is voted the champion swimmer of Tassajara.

Tom Morgan is rapidly improving, and we would not be surprised at any time to see him throw aside his crutches and join the merry dancers.

Mr. and Mrs. Dick Driscoll entertained a few of their friends with a "strawberry feed." Too bad there wasn't enough to go around.

Miss M. Kalar enjoys swimming in her bloomers.

This week's arrivals are Will Menke, Gus Garrissere, Judson Parsons, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. Redman and family, Watsonville; Mrs. M. Roth, Santa Cruz; the Misses Quilty, San Jose.

John Herget caught 219 trout today, the largest measured 26 inches.

Ambrose Sheehy favored the guest last evening with a few fine recitations.

Dan Leddy is having his voice cultivated to take part in the Fourth of July celebration, which will take place at the narrows on Church's Creek. KATZENJAMMER KIDS.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901 (6/27 in the *Weekly*); datelined June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1901:

The Misses Quilty of San Jose and Miss Cavanaugh of Gilroy were passengers on yesterday's stage to Tassajara. PINAFORE.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Now open for the season. Fine sandstone hotel; marvelous hot mineral springs; large trout streams; perfect climate. Rates, \$10 to \$12 a week; campers, \$2.50 a week. Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Fri-

day mornings. WM. JEFFERY, Prop.

From the 'Personals' column, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Miss Ada Cassamajou of San Francisco, after a short visit with Mrs. Richard Ryan, has gone to Tassajara Springs with Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose.

From the 'Personals' column, *The Evening News*, San Jose, Cal., June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty and the misses are spending the summer at Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (6/27 in the *Weekly*):

### AT TASSAJARA

LIFE ONE CONTINUOUS ROUND OF PLEASURE AT THE SPRINGS

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, June 25.—Life at Tassajara is still one continuous round of pleasure, and each day proves better than the preceding one.

Thomas Caddy is managing the kindergarten department this year.

Emmet Attridge is very liberal in dispensing "witch hazel" to his many friends.

Frank Clark was found at the Sulphur Spring last night making love anew to his wife.

For some strange and inconceivable reason Maude finds more pleasure in letter writing than anything.

A party consisting of the Misses Stella Stafford, Maud Kalar, Irene Quilty, Zella Klar, Messrs. J. Sheehy, Wm. Menke, Emmet Attridge and Gus Garrissere made a trip to the Falls last Saturday. Mine host Jeffery says it is only three miles there, but Joe says he doesn't know what he is talking about. Has "quilts" on the brain, he thinks.

Robert Ford has at least succeeded in making himself famous through the introduction of his wonderful "Watermelon song."

It is strange what a magnet the "Katzenjammer" camp proves to be!

Stella Stafford is considered the hardest drinker in camp.

Gus Garrissere has at last solved the problem why "Hog's Back" is named, for after his tramp back from the Falls and then over the mountain he concluded that he felt very much "on the pork."

Joseph Ambrose Sheehy has the happy failing of believing all he hears. Strange!

Sarah McFadden is trying to find out the cause of Emmet's frequent sighs, but has made no headway as yet.

Zella Kalar is getting to be such a heavy-weight that even the rope in the "plunge" fails to hold her up.

Thos Morgan's flute solo was very much enjoyed at the Saturday night hop.

An impromptu "camp meeting" was held in the Katzenjammer Camp last night, Charles McDougall acting in the capacity of parson, while Thos. Caddy assisted him. Quite a large crowd was in attendance.

Thos Caddy is getting to be quite a heavy plunger, never making it less than a "hundred and fifty."

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (6/27 in the *Weekly*):

### LADY BUGS GALORE

#### EIGHT HUNDRED THOUSAND BROUGHT IN FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

George W. Rowe and H. Hetherington of Watsonville drove in from Tassajara Hot Springs yesterday and staid over night in Salinas on their way home. They brought with them one of the strangest loads of freight ever seen in this city—twenty gallons of live “lady bugs,” contained in a five gallon coal oil can, a box about the same size and the remainder in grain sacks. The box, which was covered with a closely meshed wire netting, was brought into the Index office for the inspection of our bugologist. The content of the box were a writhing, wriggling, seething mass of bugs. They were caught on the banks of a stream in the mountains near the Springs, and will be turned loose in the Pajaro Valley orchards to clear the trees of woolly aphid, a task that they effectually perform. The bugs are placed on one side of an orchard and they never let up until the aphid pest is cleaned from every tree. The destroyers then go on until they find another orchard, as the aphid is their favorite food.

There are about 10,000 lady bugs in a quart; consequently there are about 800,000 in the twenty gallons now in the possession of Messrs. Rowe and Hetherington.

The market price of the bugs is fifty cents a thousand, making the lot worth \$400, although suddenly dumping in so large a quantity is likely to bear the market. Messrs. Rowe and Hetherington say there are plenty more bugs where they got theirs. They can be scraped up from the ground by the handful.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (7/4 in the *Weekly*):

### AT TASSAJARA

#### A GRAND MASQUERADE BALL— SOME OF THE CHARACTERS REPRESENTED

Tassajara June 26.—The pleasures of Tassajara vary from day to day and every stage brings in a merry crowd eager to partake in the festivities.

The latest “swell function” was a masquerade ball given Monday night. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour. The costumes were quite unique. The following were the most noteworthy:

Dick Driscoll, Bloomer Girl.  
Emmet Attridge, Country Maid.  
Miss Zella Kalar, Topsy.  
Miss Irene Quilty, School Girl.  
Robert Ford, Society Belle.  
Miss Addle Casamayou, Japanese Lady.  
Miss Louise Riter, A Ghost.  
Joe Sheey, Sol Scroggins.  
Chas. McDougall, Ballet Dancer.  
Miss Maud Kalar, Evening Star.  
Miss Stella Stafford, A Dude.  
Will Jeffery, Pocahontas.  
Thomas Caddy, Indian Chief.  
Mrs. James Sheey, Night.  
Miss Pauline Quilty, Tassajara Hobo.  
Mrs. Redmond, Country Lass.  
Mr. Redmond, Summer Boy.

Mr. Oksen, Villain.  
Will Menke, Sunflower.  
Mrs. Yoakum, Commercial Man.  
Miss Sarah McFadden, Autumn.  
Mrs. Dick Driscoll, Summer.  
Minnie Jensen, Alice Quilty, Kitty Hughes, Old Ladies.

After the masks were removed the dancers adjourned to the parlor where they were entertained by a cake walk given by Miss Pauline Quilty and Robt. Ford, which was much enjoyed by all.

Camp seems deserted since the departure of Chas. McDougall.

We are looking forward with much pleasure to Mr. Ford's return.

Miss Irene Quilty took a number of unnecessary baths Sunday and we all wonder why.

Gus Garrissere plays the “gallant” to every pretty face in camp.

All of the girls were heart broken for a few days after the departure of the Watsonville lads.

A crowd consisting of Wm Jeffery, Maud Kalar, Stella Safford, Wm. Menke, Zella Kalar and Gus Garrissere made a trip to Flag Rock last evening. They have the distinction of being the only ones to make it by moonlight.

KATZENJAMMER KIDS.

From the 'Local Brevities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*,  
June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

The orchardists of this valley were delighted Tuesday when they heard of the arrival of a big shipment of “lady bugs,” brought in from Tassajara Springs by Humphrey Hetherington and George W. Rowe. There has been a demand for them, and it seemed impossible to fill it. Messrs. Rowe and Hetherington performed a needed and timely service—*Watsonville Pajaronian*.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery came in from Tassajara Hot Springs on yesterday's stage.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1901 (7/4 in the *Weekly*):

### AT TASSAJARA

#### AN ORCHESTRA HAS BEEN ORGAN- IZED FOR THE FOURTH OF JULY

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 2.—We are all eagerly looking forward to the good times on the Fourth, when we fully expect to outdo the Elks in Salinas. We have as yet cast no ballot for the “Goddess of Liberty,” but expect to open up the ballot box tomorrow. There will probably be a fierce rivalry for the honor between some of our young damsels.

Mit Tuttle has opened up “shampooing parlors” here, and is doing a rushing business.

Having so many talented musicians here at the present time Professor Gustave Garrissere decided to take advantage of the opportunity and last Saturday organized a first class orchestra with the following pieces:

Professor Garrissere, first violin; Thomas Morgan, flute; Thomas Caddy, piano; Bert Yoakum, accordion; William Menke, banjo; Mr. Vierra, harmonica; Mr. Oksen, tambour-

ine.

This orchestra has been named the “Hot Air” orchestra. The members are quite diligent in their practicing, usually choosing those hours when the “fair ones” indulge in their beauty sleep. At a late hour last night they serenaded the campers, who, in appreciation of the honor showered them with carrots and old shoes. The boys beat hasty retreat and have not been heard from since.

Hearing so much of the grandeur of the view from “Flag Rock,” Edward Vierra determined to make the ascent early yesterday morning. After climbing about half way he came to the hasty conclusion that he couldn't travel a step farther without partaking of something to eat, so immediately wended his way homeward. The general supposition is “another case of cold feet.”

The Katzenjammer kids were awakened from their peaceful slumbers some nights ago by what they supposed to be “midnight marauders.” Upon hearing uncanny noises around the tent they determined to investigate, and after a few moments consultation one of the Katzenjammers was seen bravely speeding away for help. She had only gone a few yards when a friendly laugh greeted her ears, and she at once realized that they were the victims of a clever joke, the would-be marauders being some of the gang on the eve of serenading them.

Will Menke leaves for town tomorrow to purchase a fresh supply of garlic, it being a favorite perfume here, especially with Irene Quilty.

The latest arrivals in camp are: Mrs. James Struve, Mrs. Margaret Frered, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, H. J. Haver, Mr. Caddy and two daughters of Watsonville; Mrs. Dave Kalar, Salinas; E. Vierra, Moss Landing; L. Harsen and wife, Edgar Lewis, Jamesburg; W. R. Dudley, Stanford University.

KATZENJAMMER KIDS.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1901:

### BACK FROM TASSAJARA

By yesterday's stage from Tassajara Springs there arrived Mrs. Conrad Storms, Mrs. McFadden, W. H. Menke, and Professor Dudley, the Stanford University botanist. The latter has been at the Springs for over six weeks. Hugo Jordan was also a passenger from Jamesburg.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### HIS LAST TRIP

After driving the Tassajara Springs stage for three years John Barlow, the expert reinsman, has resigned his position and will start his last trip for that resort this morning. The young man gives his reason for resigning his position ill health. It is not yet known for a certainty who will succeed him, as there are three applicants for the place. Mr. Barlow has not yet decided what he will do after his resignation has been accepted.

Salinas Daily Index, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (7/11 in the *Weekly*):

## AT TASSAJARA

### HOW THE FOURTH WAS CELEBRATED AT THAT MOUNTAIN RESORT

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 5.—Tassajara has seldom witnessed such a glorious Fourth as was participated in yesterday. The hotel and dance platform were artistically decorated with bunting and ferns.

The first feature of the day's celebration was the hoisting of the Stars and Stripes at 5 a. m. by William Jeffery and Edward Vierra. After the planting of Old Glory on that lofty summit salutes were fired and answered from the hotel.

The parade, (burlesque) took place at 10 a. m. The procession was headed by the Goddess of Liberty (Thomas Caddy) on an elegant float.

Next came the Tassajara "Hot Air" band, consisting of Edith Caddy, violin; Stella Stafford, harmonica; Zella Kalar, tambourine; Cecelia Caddy, drum.

Following the band was a float representing the Tassajara stage.

Next in line was an Indian chief (Miss Caddy), and Pocahontas (Pauline Quilty), followed by a float on which were seated the Misses Tuttle.

Then came the "Horribles," prominent among whom were Messrs. Redmond, Caddy, Harris, Tuttle, Oksen and Hansen.

After the parade the gusts assembled in front of the hotel and participated in the following exhibition races:

- 1-Girls' sack race, Pauline Quilty.
- 2-Old man's race, Mr. Caddy.
- 3-Three-legged race, Gus Garrissere and E. Vierra.
- 4-Wheelbarrow race, Mr. Oksen.
- 5-Potato race, Edith Caddy.
- 6-Children's sack race, Genevieve Quilty.
- 7-High jumping, William Jeffery.
- 8-Egg race, Stella Stafford.
- 9-Wheelbarrow race, Gus Garrissere.
- 10-Young ladies' race, Pauline Quilty.
- 11-Pie race, Thomas Caddy.
- 12-Footrace, Gus Garrissere.
- 13-Cracker and water race, Cristy Redmond.

After the races, which created much merriment, all adjourned to the elaborately decorated dining room, where a bountiful banquet was partaken of. Toasts were given by Mit Tuttle, Mrs. C. W. Quilty, C. Redmond and William Jeffery. After doing justice to the delicious repast all joined in singing America. Then were given three cheers for our host, William Jeffery, after which we repaired to the parlors where the following program was rendered:

- 1-"America," by all.
- 2-Plano solo, Miss Casmayon.
- 3-Song, Ruth and Genevieve Quilty.
- 4-Recitation, Joy Tuttle.
- 5-Solo, Irene Quilty.
- 6-Oration, Gustave Garrissere.
- 7-"The Red, White and Blue," by all.
- 8-Flute solo, Thomas Morgan.
- 9-Vocal solo, Mrs. Thompson.
- 10-Violin solo, Gus Garrissere.
- 11-Vocal solo, Stella Stafford.
- 12-Cake walk, Genevieve Quilty and Gracie

Doyle.

- 13-Duet, Irene Quilty and Mrs. Thompson.
- 14-Selection, flute, piano and violin.
- 15-Plano solo, Miss Maud Kalar.
- 16-"Star Spangled Banner," by all.

The evening was spent in dancing until a late hour, when all wended their way to the sulphur spring and partook of that delicious beverage.

We are all pretty well tired out today, but not too tired to write to the Index and sound the praises of our host, William Jeffery, who entertained us so royally yesterday.

KATZENJAMMER KIDS.

Salinas Daily Index, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (7/11 in the *Weekly*):

## A NEW DRIVER

Antoine Williams made his first trip in from Tassajara Springs with the regular stage last evening. Mr. Williams has accepted the position recently resigned by John Barlow, and the way he handled his four in hand yesterday proved to the satisfaction of all the passengers that he was a thoroughly competent reinsman, and all could rely upon his skill in landing them safely at their destination.

Salinas Daily and Weekly Index, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

## AT TASSAJARA

### EDWARD VIERRA SMASHES ALL PREVIOUS RECORDS TO FLAG ROCK

(Belated Correspondence.)

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 12.—A reward of \$25 will be paid by the "Katzenjammer Kids" for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the party or parties who concealed stolen goods in their camp.

A clever farce was presented at Camp Tuttle last Friday night before an appreciative audience. Mrs. Yoacham chaperoned a jolly crowd, consisting of the Misses Edith and Cecelia Caddy, Maud and Joy Tuttle, Stella Stafford, Irene Quilty, Maud and Zella Kalar, Addie Casmayon and Messrs. Loring Cornell, Edgar McDougall, Gustave Garrissere, Christy Redmond, Edward Vierra, L. Hansen and Wm. Jeffery.

Last week all existing records to Flag Rock were shattered by Edward Vierra, who made the trip in twenty minutes.

After a three months' sojourn here, Thomas Caddy has returned to his home in Watsonville greatly improved in health.

The latest arrivals in camp are Mrs. Gus Sanborn and daughter, Sid Menasco, Frank Butler, Sid Gallagher, Henry Struve, Jack Leddy, Jack Downs, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Cox, Mr. Wren and son, Watsonville; Mrs. L. Sanborn and daughter, Ellen Wallace, Mrs. J. J. Thompson, Clarence Thompson, Edna Mason, Salinas.

Misses Zella Kalar, Stella Stafford, Maud and Joy Tuttle, Edith and Cecelia Caddy, Mrs. King, Messrs. Sid Menasco, Frank Baxter, Mit Tuttle, Loring Cornell, Edgar McDougall, Mr. King and Sid Gallagher made a pleasant trip to the "Narrows." Mr. Gallagher was the hero of the day, entertaining the crowd by various feats of swimming.

Sid Menasco has conjured up in his mind his "ideal woman," and we have seen him at various times searching the hills in hopes of finding her.

Frank Baxter has been caught making "goo-goo" eyes at the young lady with the "bold blue eyes and blue-black hair."

Since the departure of Miss Maud Kalar Katzenjammer Camp seems deserted.

KATZENJAMMER KIDS.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty and daughters who have been summering at Tassajara Springs returned from that watering place last evening, remaining over night at the Jeffery House. They will depart for their home in San Jose this afternoon.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, from July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty and daughters, the Misses Alice, Stella, Ruth and Genevieve Quilty, departed on the afternoon train Sunday for their home in San Jose after spending several weeks at Tassajara Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (7/25 in the *Weekly*); datelined July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

A large party of campers from Watsonville passed through here yesterday on their way to Tassajara. PINAFORE.

From the 'Local Brevities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 21<sup>st</sup> and onward during the guest season of 1901:

Hotel accommodations at Tassajara are luxurious.

Camping accommodations at Tassajara Hot Springs are good. Hunting and fishing excellent.

The stage for Tassajara Hot Springs leaves Salinas at 6 a. m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

Comfortable wagon, careful drivers, picturesque scenery, and splendid roads make the trip to Tassajara Hot Springs safe and delightful.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, from July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery, manager of Tassajara Hot Springs, came in on last evening's stage.

From the 'Society Notes' column, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty and her daughters have returned from a month's stay at Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (8/8 in the *Weekly*):

## AT TASSAJARA

### VISITORS STILL ENJOYING THEMSELVES AT THAT FAMOUS RESORT

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 25.—The Katz camp is a thing of the past, Zella Kalar and Stella Stafford having departed last Thursday after a very pleasant sojourn of six weeks.

Mr. Lopes' clarinet solos were much appreciated by the guests.

A number of young people celebrated their departure last Wednesday night by a social hop, after which they repaired to the dinning

room where a dainty repast was served. The affair was voted one of the most pleasant of the season.

Found—An invaluable “Hair Restorer.” For particulars apply to J. E. McDougall.

We have all been kept guessing why Frank Baxter is so changeable in setting the day for his departure from Tassajara.

Zella Kalar, Stella Stafford, Edgar McDougall and Frank Baxter made assent to the small falls last Monday.

H. H. Mason, Geo. Butler and P. P. Krough came in on pack horses last week from a successful hunting trip over in Lost Valley and Bear Basin. After catching a glimpse of sundry petticoats it was surprising to see how quickly they spruced up for the dance. Pete Krough even going so far as to swipe the only pair of patent leathers in the camp.

After an unsuccessful attempt at organizing a matrimonial bureau, Sid Gallagher took his departure last week for Watsonville.

Henry Struve, representative of Mellen's Baby Food, has been spending a few weeks at this resort.

KATZENJAMMER KIDS.

*Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel*, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (an abridged version of this and the following letter by John Morrow was published in the 8/7 1901 edition of the *Salinas Daily Index*, and in the 8/8 edition of the *Weekly Index*).

## JOHN MORROW'S LETTER

### DESCRIBES HIS TRIP FROM SANTA CRUZ TO TASSAJARA

Ed. *Sentinel*:—At 6:30 A. M. on the 20<sup>th</sup> we left Santa Cruz for this place. We ate lunch and rested for an hour a few miles south of Watsonville. The entire distance traveled this day was one continual hay crop and fruit orchard, with once in awhile a thrifty field of beets. Hay bailers were busy everywhere, and after entering the Salinas Valley I found steam threshers at work on both sides of the road.

On the morning of the 21<sup>st</sup>, at 8 A. M., we bid good-bye to our accommodating hostess, Mrs. Jeffery Granger. We crossed the Salinas River on the big iron bridge, and followed up the Toro creek, about 8 miles over a level, but slightly sandy road. The scattering timber here is mostly sycamore and buckeye and some large oaks. The land is mostly used for dairying purposes. After going up and over a hill for about two miles, we came to the point where the road to Tassajara leaves the main road to Monterey, which is ten miles distant and nearly due south.

We took the Tassajara road, winding around the mountain side, always up grade, until we reach the summit between Toro Valley and the Carmel River. From this road we had a fine view of the Salinas Valley and Toro Creek Valley clear up to Mount Gelasp. In this valley we could see a number of ranches and a neat white schoolhouse nestling among the large, spreading oaks. One of the ranches with a fine orchard is the property of Mr. Liebrandt, formerly of Santa Cruz. On reaching the summit we had a fine view of the famous and almost sacred Carmel Valley. The old padres had a happy way of giving Bible names to all beautiful places, and how appropriate it was that they should give this historically beautiful,

if not hallowed name to this lovely river and valley, for who has not heard of Mount Carmel as mentioned in holy writ?

After descending the mountain on a good grade we came to the Carmel River on the rancho called Los Laurales. Then we follow the river and valley for many miles until we reach Jamesburg. This burg consists of a house and barn, with a post office attachment. All along this road are stock ranches, with plenty of cattle and horses. Some hay is raised here, but not much else. About half a mile beyond Jamesburg we camped for the night under an oak tree and near the creek and a large barn. This is called the Lewis ranch, and we were much surprised that this Mr. Lewis is the father of Charles Lewis of Santa Cruz, and we were still more surprised to see Mr. and Mrs. Crowe of Santa Cruz standing on a little knoll above us, looking down at us and watching us arranging our camp among the trees. Well, we were very glad to meet them in this lonely, romantic, out of the way place. They came down to our camp and we spent a pleasant evening talking about Santa Cruz and other things. We had traveled this day 38 miles over a most beautiful and interesting country, which is well worth the trip to see. The next morning we were up at 5 o'clock feeding the horse and cooking breakfast and getting ready for a start, for we had now a seven-mile mountain to go up and quite a steep grade, too, but this was only the beginning to 15 miles of about as wild and rough a piece of grand old mountain scenery as I have ever had the pleasure to see. Last summer I was in the heart of the Sierras, but now I am in the heart of the Monterey mountains and I find much here that is grand, beautiful and wonderful, as well as in the Sierras.

We left camp at 6:30 and began to climb the seven mile grade to the summit of this mountain, which divides the headwaters of the Carmel River from the headwaters of the Arroyo Seco River, which runs east and empties into the Salinas River near Soledad.

I will leave ourselves climbing this mountain, the summit of which is 4,960 feet above sea level, and after we have gained the summit and rested I may write some more and try to describe still more of the wonders and grandeur of these majestic old mountains.

John Morrow.  
Tassajara, July 25<sup>th</sup>.

*Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1901 (an abridged version of this and the preceding letter from John Morrow was published in the August 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901 edition of the *Salinas Daily Index* and in the Aug. 8<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Weekly Index*).

## JOHN MORROW'S LETTER

### DESCRIBES HIS TRIP TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS, WHERE HIS TENT IS PITCHED

Ed. *Sentinel*:—My last letter ended as we commenced to climb the mountain which was seven miles to the summit, the grade about 16 inches to the rod or what would be called an 11 per cent grade. We were just three hours going up these seven miles. The mountain is quite well timbered with mostly black oak and some underbrush. From, 6:30 to 9:30 A. M. much of the road is shaded by the trees. It is a

hard, but very interesting trip. There was much holding of the brake to keep the surrey from going backwards. While the horse rested sometimes I would walk behind and block the wheel. The road is very narrow, with very few places where another team could be passed, but on the last thirty miles of our trip we never met anyone on the road, either afoot or on horseback, or in any other way. We had the road, the rugged mountain peaks, the deep canyons and rocky gorges and all this grand panorama of majestic scenery all to ourselves, with no one to dispute our rights. All nature was quiet, grand and beautiful.

From the summit we had a view of the road for the distance of about two miles. It follows a dividing ridge between the Carmel and Arroyo Seco Rivers. This ridge has scarcely any timber, but is covered with what I call black brush or chaparral. The altitude, 4,960 feet, being rather high for much timber. I noticed here many of what is commonly called the Spanish Dagger in full bloom. In the summer time they send up a stalk from 8 to 12 or 15 feet high, and the trunk or stalk is from 2 to 5 or 6 inches in diameter, and when in full bloom with their white flowers they may be seen here and there on the steep mountain sides at least a half a mile away. And what is most strange, they do all of this without a drop of rain and apparently without moisture of any kind. This being the extreme head of two rivers running in opposite directions, of course the country is much broken up by gulches and canyons running in every direction, and this makes many sharp ridges and rocky peaks, which add much to the beauty and grandeur of the scene before us.

At the southeast end of this ridge we can look away down into a deep canyon where runs the north fork of the Arroyo Seco, which is quite a large stream. Here on its banks are located the Tassajara Springs and hotel. One would almost believe that he was looking down into a gorge below the level of the sea. And now to get down to the hotel and Springs we have to make a descent of 3,260 feet over a wonderfully picturesque piece of road. It winds in and out and around many sharp rocky points. It is built on an even grade the entire distance, but narrow and quite steep. There is considerable timber, mostly black oak, which furnishes plenty of shade on a hot day.

We put on the brake and down we go to the bottom of the deep canyon always in view. By degrees we get lower and lower, and nearer to our journey's end. My right foot gets tired holding the brake, then I change and use the left. And when I reach the bottom of the grade at Tassajara Springs, the tires on the hind wheels are so hot that I dare not touch them.

It was an interesting ride and rather exciting. A four-horse stage goes over this road and clear through to Salinas every day, hauling passengers to the springs safely and without accident, but anyone who rides over this route, either by stage or their own conveyance, will not soon forget it, for it is an exciting, interesting grand and beautiful ride. About halfway down this grade we halt for an hour or more at a clear, cool spring by the side of the road for dinner. Here we boiled potatoes, fried bacon and eggs, made coffee and ate with

good appetites, and Dolly horse also had a good appetite for hay and rolled barley. After this needed rest we started on with only three miles to go, all down grade. So we were soon at Tassajara Springs, the stone hotel and camp ground and the end of our journey for the present.

I always try to avoid arriving at a new camping place with all hands hungry, because mankind is like animals in this respect. When they are hungry they are liable to be cross or out of humor. We arrived at 2 P. M. and soon selected a camping place, set up our tent under some trees and were at home once more. This place is 53 miles from Salinas by wagon road and 30 miles on an air line. It is nine miles to the coast on an air line, ten miles to Paraiso Springs and eighteen miles to Soledad, all on an air line. It has been estimated that a good wagon road could be made from here to Soledad, following the Arroyo Seco down by Mr. Abbott's place, and the distance would be only thirty miles. Some people here tell me that it is only five or six miles following the creek to Mr. Abbott's place, and he has a road from his place to Soledad. Wouldn't this be a grand fishing trip to fish from here down through the canyon to Mr. Abbott's place? But it must be someone younger than I am to climb, tumble and scramble over all those rocks and driftwood. This is a god creek to fish in. It is very swift and rocky, and is larger and carries more water than the Soquel Creek. But I am tired now and perhaps will write more some other time.

John Morrow.  
Tassajara, July 28<sup>th</sup>.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### ENGAGEMENT ANNOUNCED

The engagement is announced of Miss Mae J. Quilty, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty, and Mr. William Jeffery of Salinas. The wedding will be solemnized at high noon Tuesday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, at the home of the bride on South Third Street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty have returned from a pleasant visit in San Francisco and Gilroy.

Fred Gilchrist is visiting at Tassajara Hot Springs, the guest of William Jeffery of Salinas.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1901 (8/1 in the *Weekly*); datelined July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, returned from Salinas by Friday's stage and was accompanied by F. Gilchrist.

A party consisting of M. Tuttle, Mr. De Hart, Miss Nellie McGrath, Miss Mary O'Brien and others, all of Watsonville, passed through here en route for Tassajara yesterday. PINAFORE.

*Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel*, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (an abridged version was published in the August 10<sup>th</sup>, 1901 edition of the *Salinas Daily Index*):

### JOHN MORROW'S LETTER

HE DESCRIBES STYLE AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS, WHERE THE WATER IS WARM

Ed. *Sentinel*:—I was very much pleased to receive yesterday three packages of the "Sentinel," the first since I left home two weeks

ago. It was like meeting an old friend who could tell me all the news from home.

We have spent two weeks here very pleasantly. This is a go-as-you-please summer resort. Everyone dresses and deports themselves as to suit their fancy. There is no extra and useless dressing by the ladies; the most of them wear calico wrappers and shirt waists. Some wear short skirts, bloomers and leggings like the soldiers. The men mostly wear a colored shirt, a pair of pants and shoes—that's all. And at their moonlight dances, which they often have, gentlemen and ladies dress in the same comfortable style. I have seen well-behaved young gentlemen dancing while wearing a red flannel shirt, and without either coat or vest, and they all treat each other with just as much respect, and, in my opinion, as fully and respectable as though the ladies were dressed in silks and satins, with low necked dresses and the men with claw hammer coats and whisky [whiskers].

Many of the people here are wealthy, and financially able to dress as they please, and that is just exactly what they do. Some come here for an outing, but the majority have some ailment and come for the hot baths and to drink of some of the various kinds of mineral water and for a change of climate. The springs are nearly all hot and one in particular is boiling hot. The springs are numerous and of many different ingredients, among which are sulphur, magnesia, arsenic and many others. They vary in temperature from ice cold to 145 degrees. The baths are sulphur water, the temperature about 106 degrees. Some of the guests here told me that they went into the plunge bath four or five times each day. It is a wonder they are not cooked clear through, bleached, parboiled and wrinkled like a washer-woman's fingers after a hard day's work over a washtub; but anyone can bathe as often and as long as they please. It is all the same price, so the oftener you bathe, the deeper you go in and the hotter you get, the more you get the worth of your money, even if it should kill you in the attempt.

The climate here is warm and dry, the nights and mornings are what the ladies would call lovely. I can sit out of doors all the evening without a coat. The thermometer in the middle of tile day has registered from 80 to 90; yesterday was the hottest. It showed 92 in the shade.

The moonlight here is grander and more beautiful than any place I have ever been. It has a more yellowish, golden color, and when it gilds the tops of these rugged mountain peaks and slowly creeps down their rock-ribbed sides and casts its golden mellow light over all the valley and among the trees, it is indeed grand, and far beyond my power to appreciate or describe.

I do not intend to talk about myself, but I wish to say that all my wife and myself ever want for breakfast is a cup of coffee and some bread and butter or a biscuit. So one morning I had an opportunity to notice, and I did notice, the breakfast of one of those invalids who come here for his health and stop at the hotel, and I am of the opinion that he will return home a sound and healthy man. He ordered mush, then ham and eggs, hot buns, hot biscuit

and coffee. After disposing of all this he ordered the waiter to bring him hot cakes for two, one man to eat 'em. And this, I suppose, is the effect of five hot baths each day for three weeks; temperature of water 108, depth 4 feet 6 inches. It's wonderful, isn't it?

We have had a good mess of trout several times. Some of the young men go either up or down the creek and always bring home 75 or 80 very good sized trout, and they are generous enough to give us all we want. The creek is full of large rocks and boulders, and is a rather rough fishing ground. In fact, the whole country around here is nearly as rocky as alpine county, where I traveled last summer.

I leave here tomorrow for Salinas, San Juan, Hollister, San Jose and other places. When I write the word me, I mean my wife, myself and Dolly horse. Our work is about equally divided on our trips. My wife is boss of the commissary department. I am chief quartermaster, while Dolly horse is superintendent of locomotion and transportation, and we all attend to our duties faithfully and successfully.

John Morrow. Tassajara Springs, Aug 3d.

*The Evening News*, San Jose, Cal., Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### QUIET HOME WEDDING

MISS MAE QUILTY AND WILLIAM JEFFERY MARRIED IN SAN JOSE TODAY

A quiet home wedding was observed this morning at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty on South Third Street, when their charming daughter, Miss Mae Quilty, became the wife of William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Springs Hotel near Salinas.

It had been intended to have had an elaborate wedding and reception, but owing to the dangerous illness of a sister of the mother of the bride, the nuptials were celebrated quietly, only a few friends and relatives of the parties being present.

The ceremony was simple but impressive, and was performed by Rev. Joseph Gleason, pastor of St. Joseph's Church in this city, at 8 o'clock. The happy couple took their departure for San Francisco on the 9:30 train, in which city they will remain a couple of weeks, going from thence to their home at Tassajara Springs. Later in the fall it is their intention to take an extended trip, which will include the Sandwich [Hawaiian] Islands in its itinerary among other points of interest.

The bride was attired in a most becoming traveling gown of navy blue cloth, and was attended by Miss Irene Quilty, her sister, in the capacity of bridesmaid, with Fred Gilchrist of this city officiating as groomsman.

Both bride and groom have a host of warm friends in this city who are united in wishing them a manner of bliss and happy fortune in their new relations with each other.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### WILLIAM JEFFERY WEDS MISS QUILTY

SAN JOSE, August 6.—William Jeffery, proprietor of the Tassajara Springs Hotel, near Salinas, was married here today to Miss Mae Quilty, a prominent girl and daughter of C.



W. Quilty, the capitalist. On account of sickness in the bride's family the wedding was a quite affair at her home. Miss Irene Quilty, a sister, was bridesmaid, and Fred Gilchrist best man. Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery left for San Francisco this afternoon, where the honeymoon will be spent.

*San Jose Mercury*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (also in the Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1901 edition of the *Salinas Weekly Journal*):

## WEDDING BELLS

### MARRIAGE OF WILLIAM JEFFERY AND MISS MAE QUILTY

A quiet home wedding took place yesterday morning at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty on South Third Street, when their charming daughter, Miss Mae Quilty, became the wife of William Jeffery, proprietor of the Tassajara Hot Springs Hotel, the ceremony being performed by Rev. Joseph Gleason, pastor of St. Joseph's Church. Only relatives and immediate friends of the family were present.

The bride was attired in a most becoming traveling gown of navy blue cloth, and was attended by Miss Irene Quilty, her sister, in the capacity of bridesmaid, with Fred Gilchrist of this city officiating as groomsman.

The happy couple left on the 9:20 train for San Francisco, where they will remain a fortnight, after which they will go to their home at Tassajara Springs:

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (8/8 in the *Weekly*):

## MARRIED IN SAN JOSE

### MANAGER OF TASSAJARA SPRINGS TAKES UNTO HIMSELF A BRIDE

Yesterday morning at 8:30 o'clock William Jeffery of this city and Miss May Quilty of San Jose were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty of that city. The wedding was a quiet home affair at which only the relatives and most intimate friends of the contracting parties were present.

After partaking of a sumptuous wedding breakfast the happy couple left on the 9:20 train for San Francisco, where they will remain until Sunday evening, when they will return to Salinas and leave for their future home at Tassajara Springs on the following morning. There were many beautiful and costly wedding gifts made and the happy couple start out in life under very auspicious circumstances.

The bride is a charming young society lady of San Jose, and is well known here, having visited this city frequently. She is highly accomplished and has been a recognized belle in the social circles of the Garden City.

The groom has been reared and educated in Salinas. He is the younger son of Mrs. Jeffery-Granger, and is a young man of sterling character, and exemplary habits. Last year he branched out into business for himself, leasing the Tassajara Hot Springs from the father of the bride. Then and there began the courtship between the young couple, which has resulted so happily. They will have the best wishes of a host of friends in both San Jose and Salinas.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (8/15 in the *Weekly*):

## AT TASSAJARA

### SOCIAL LIFE OF THE VISITORS AT THAT FAMOUS RESORT

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Aug. 12.—While there are not so many people here just at present as there have been earlier in the season, yet the quality of society now represented at this famous resort is of quite a professional character and should be of exceptional intelligence—and possibly is. We have school teachers, lawyers and doctors and—aspirants. There are several young people who are always busy enjoying themselves. The weather is now very fine, with warm pleasant days and cool nights, and all who came here in the list of invalids are fast laying aside that appellation and will soon be strong enough to "walk out" if they so desire upon their departure for their homes.

Some depart and others arrive by every stage. Mail day is the principal excitement and brings everyone to the post office for news from over the mountains. A few quiet moments follow its distribution, after which the latest news is discussed and social conversation enjoyed. The evenings are spent in dancing, card playing and various kinds of games.

As is the case every season, Mitt Tuttle of Watsonville is camped here and his place is headquarters for the jolly folks.

Miss Nellie McGrath of Watsonville has a strong business instinct, and is combining business with pleasure. She has organized a dancing class which is composed principally of "Hills," there being several by that name. I fear she will find their instruction an up-hill business.

Miss Mae O'Brien of Michigan possesses social qualities which are greatly appreciated.

Mrs. Kumble of Watsonville is not at all disagreeable in the common sense of the term, but she always has an opinion of her own on all subjects, consequently disagrees with most everyone. She is an advocate for change of diet, and accepts everything that is called food, whether it "flies," swims, walks or crawls. She is a great favorite in camp and will be missed when she departs.

Charles E. Hill from Mariposa County is the center of our social attractions. He readily lends his accomplishments on all occasions and helps out in the mirth and jollity of events. The young man has learned to dance and sing here, and is very clever. To make up well in the costume of a lady, and as the gentleman predominate here at present, C. E. H. dances very gracefully the part of a lady in our cotillions.

The most awkward episode that has occurred lately is the infatuation of a young man for a young lady who is not Miss Smith at all, and neither of whom understands the situation. None of us know how it will terminate, and are not sure that the entanglement will ever be straightened out, but it has afforded much speculation and everyone is waiting for the result.

Miss Smith is much impressed with the Tassajara scenery, especially some of the Hills.

Mrs. Yocum, whose husband is an invalid, has been at the Springs for the past three months. She plays the piano for us to dance

evenings, and is so accommodating that her friends desire to make her a present as a token of remembrance and of their appreciation of her kindness.

H. O. Donnell from San Francisco hopes he is losing some of his superfluous flesh as he says he has taken up his belt seven holes; but the general opinion is that his belt is of a texture that stretches.

Miss Carrie Sanborn of Watsonville is the dignified member of the camp.

A jolly crowd of hunters from Watsonville are camped at Andrew Church's at The Caves. They are Attorney W. C. Wyckoff, Assistant Cashier of the Watsonville Bank C. A. Palm-tag, Dr. P. K. Watters, O. S. Tuttle and F. O. Tuttle. They are hunting, but we have not heard of them positively finding anything except the dinner table at regular intervals. Dr. Watters is the expert rifleman and deer hunter of the party. He gives hot air advice, but runs from work. Always dismounts and leads his horse over narrow trails, not timid, but he is always looking for 10 cents worth. The dignified Dr. fell in the creek and got all of his clothing wet except his necktie. That saved him from catching cold.

Bony Tuttle, the "Mansfield" fly caster, has a record for catching trout. He is the man seeking peace at all times.

F. G. Tuttle, who pours forth balloon juice, is now training to become a bareback rider to accompany the Watsonville hobo's show. The party came over the mountains a distance of six miles Sunday morning to spend the day at the Springs, but upon arriving they learned that a bride and groom would be in on Monday's stage, so concluded to remain for the notable event of the reception.

We have all been preparing for this occasion for several days, as, if there was no miscue, William Jeffery, manager of the Tassajara Hot Springs, and his bride were to arrive on the Monday evening's stage. A fine banquet had been prepared. The dining room was elaborately decorated with ferns, flowers and clusters of berries, all beautifully arranged. About 5 o'clock p. m. the reception committee consisting of everyone who could walk went out to meet the stage with the bridal party on board.

A buggy elaborately trimmed with flags and bunting (a horseless carriage) was taken along. Dr. Watters and O. S. Tuttle officiating as wheelers. Ed Jeffery, brother to the young groom, led the procession. He was mounted on little Polly, the pet mare, and carried a guidon made of a pole with a big green muffler floating from it, he also carried a double barreled shot gun with which to hold up the stage. Promptly at the hour of 6 the coach and four have in sight [?] and Ed Jeffery did the road agent act to perfection. He demanded that the bride and groom alight, which being done he escorted them down the dark glen to where the aforesaid reception committee were in waiting. At command they took seats in the buggy and most everybody laid a hand on the rope, and the procession moved joyfully on the return trip.

The heavily timbered mountain peaks wild and rugged, the sound of distant falling waters,

the queer costumes of the procession and the quaint effect of the horseless carriage reminded one of some of the native customs of the wedding ceremony in Tyrol or other countries in the mountains of Europe. It was a very pretty scene any way, and the picture was only marred of its sentiment by the crush of the band when it struck up "Brannigan's Band," in march movement. The Instruments were cow bells, large and small tin cans, horns cracked and crooked, etc. Arriving in front of the hotel the wedding party were most cordially welcomed.

At 7 p. m. the banquet started with H. C. Wyckoff as toast master. Many a good toast was drunk to the happy pair, who occupied seats at the center of the table with Mrs. Granger, the groom's mother on the right. At the proper time the wedding cake was cut, the knife being held by Mrs. Granger, and the bride and groom. Following the banquet was a ball on the dancing platform, which opened with a grand march led by the bride and groom. At intervals until midnight the banquet was repeated over and over again.

After dispersing a crowd whose mirth had not been satiated collected a few of the musical instruments and gave the bridal couple a charivari. The last concerted move of the occasion was for all to go to the hot spring and drink hot mineral water to counteract any effects of too much banquet.

A peaceful sleep was truly enjoyed until next morning when everyone was again refreshed and found a rehearsal of the events of the previous day and evening, a subject of pleasant discussion.

Tassajara Hot Springs is a delightful spot for recreation and rest, and the mineral waters are the best in the world. Under the management of Wm. Jeffery, all courtesies are extended to guests, and no one ever goes way without an expressed desire to return.

Departures are Mr. Riordan for San Jose, Mrs. Kelly to Castroville, Ed Jeffery to Salinas, Mitt Tuttle, Miss O'Brien, C. E. Hill, Miss H. G. Templeton and Miss Nellie McGranth, for Watsonville.

Mr. and Mr. Oksen have gone to The Caves for a few days, after which they will continue on to their home in Watsonville. W. C. H.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (8/15 in the *Weekly*); datelined Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery and bride, accompanied by Mr. Jefferey's mother, Mrs. Jeffery Granger of Salinas, and Miss Eva Warth, came up by yesterday's and went on to Tassajara Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. James Oksen, who have been spending the summer at Tassajara, return to their home in Watsonville today. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (8/22 in the *Weekly Index*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Aug. 15.—Supervisor W. J. Irvine is the youngest boy in camp. He is acquiring such an appetite that two waiters are necessary to serve him.

Four distinct shocks of earthquake were felt here about 3 o'clock this morning.

Miss Carrie Sanborn is putting herself in training to break the record to Flag Rock.

Miss Hatton, Miss Sanborn, Mrs. Kumle, W. J. Irvine and Will Hill went over the Hog's Back and up to the falls yesterday. While Mrs. Kumle was demonstrating her ability to cross the creek unassisted, she fell into the stream and got a good drenching.

Miss Hatton is the champion lady rifle shot here.

Will Jeffery and bride have already settled down to housekeeping just like old folks.

This morning's stage takes Mrs. Brazleton and Mrs. Granger for Salinas, and Messrs. Kinnough and Uren for Watsonville. Mr. Uren is summoned home by a message stating that his mother, Mrs. N. A. Uren, had suffered a stroke of paralysis.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901 (8/29 in the *Weekly*); datelined Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901:

Will our Tassajara correspondent please tell us if the "hot air" causes mental hallucination?

Eugene Jeffery and wife of Salinas were passengers on last Friday's stage to Tassajara. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

### KILLED THREE DEER

A report reached here last night from Tassajara that "Uncle Dave" Jeffery made a record for himself at Tassajara Monday night by killing three deer, all within twelve hours.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

C. W. Quilty and wife and Mr. Kessel and family, all of San Jose, were passengers on yesterday's stage to Tassajara.

James Lewis has finished bailing his hay. William Jeffery has purchased a quantity of the hay from Mr. Lewis and will at once begin hauling it to the Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (9/26 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901:

David Jeffery is engaged in hauling to Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Dave Jeffery is hauling hay to Tassajara Hot Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose came in from Tassajara Springs yesterday afternoon and will return to their home today.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1901 (10/3 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Tassajara stage made its last regular trip for the season today, but will go to the Springs a few more times to bring out the guests who are still there.

C. W. Quilty and wife returned to their home in San Jose by Saturday's stage. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (10/10 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

Wm. Jeffery, Proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, came up from Salinas today. PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery, lessee of Tassajara Springs, is down from that resort.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

The Tassajara Springs, after a very successful business season, under the management of the lessee, William Jeffery, has closed for the season, the stage making its last regular trip last Saturday.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1901 (10/24 in the *Weekly*); datelined Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery and wife and James Iverson and James Dwain left Tassajara Springs for Salinas last Thursday. The Springs are now closed for the season, after a very successful summer. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1901 (11/7 in the *Weekly*); datelined Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

C. M. Chew is engaged in ditching the Tassajara road. PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery and wife left for Tassajara Springs yesterday morning to remain until after the holidays.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1901:

William Jeffery and wife have returned from Tassajara Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1901; datelined Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1901:

W. Jeffery and wife have returned to Salinas after a few days spent at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

## 1902

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1902:

William Jeffery and wife arrived home on yesterday's 1:46 passenger, after a short visit with Mrs. Jeffery's parents, C. W. Quilty and wife, in San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (1/16 in the *Weekly*); datelined Jan. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Wm. Jeffery and Mrs. Geo. Somberger have gone to Tassajara. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1902 (1/23 in the *Weekly*); datelined Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Mr. and Mrs. George Somberger and Wm. Jeffery came over from Tassajara Saturday and went to their homes in Watsonville and Salinas, respectively. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1902:

Tassajara Springs seems to be becoming a winter as well as a summer resort, as quite a party of campers went in last week.

William Jeffery and Mr. and Mrs. Sornborger have returned to Salinas after a few days at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

William Jeffery, lessee of Tassajara Springs, has returned from a business trip to Watsonville.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Will Jeffery took his horses to Tassajara this week. WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

William Jeffery and wife arrived home from San Jose yesterday morning.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1902:

Ed Jeffery, Percy McKibbon and Rad Duke arrived home yesterday morning from a two week's stay at Tassajara.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

R. Duke, E. Jeffery, and Percy McKibbon walked out from Tassajara to this burg last week. They reported having 14 inches of rain at the Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 5<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

### PROPOSED AUTOMOBILE LINE

A statement has been given out by C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, proprietor of the Tassajara Hot Springs, that he proposes to bring that popular health resort into closer touch with the outside world through the medium of the automobile. The proposed scheme is to put on a line of horseless carriages from Soledad, up the Arroyo Seco to the Springs. This will necessitate the construction of a new road for the distance of five or six miles, considerable of which will have to be blasted through solid rock.

The distance from Soledad to Tassajara by the proposed route is twenty-eight miles and it is estimated that the automobiles will make the trip in about two hours. As three trips can be made daily the long stage ride will be avoided, should the project be carried out.

*The Evening News*, San Jose, Cal., March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

### MOTOR TO TASSAJARA

A motor will be put in commission during the present season to carry passengers from Soledad to Tassajara Springs. The auto will carry about sixteen people and will make the 28 mile run in much shorter time than is required by the stages now in use. C. W. Quilty, owner of the Springs, has other improvements in prospect.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

### AUTO TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Sometime during this summer, C. W. Quilty of this city, the owner of the famous Tassajara Hot Springs in Monterey County, is going to put an automobile on the road running from Soledad to the Springs. "I will put on an auto that will carry about sixteen or eighteen passengers. The run is about twenty-eight miles and the guests at the hotel are now conveyed by stages from Soledad. The stages will be displaced by the motor carriage and the trip will add much to the pleasure of a stay at the Springs, as the run will be made via the Arroyo Seco affording much scenic attraction."

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1902; datelined March 18<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Wm. Jeffery returned to Salinas after a week's stay at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1902:

### FOR TASSAJARA SPRINGS

William Jeffery and wife will leave tomorrow for Tassajara Hot Springs to put things in shape there for the season's business, which will open earlier than usual this year. Quite a large number of guests are already booked for the famous health resort and are anxious to get in as soon as possible.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Wm. Jeffery has gone to the Springs to put things in order for the season.

Eugene Jeffery walked out from Tassajara Friday and went to Salinas with the mail carrier. PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

William Jeffery left for Tassajara Springs yesterday morning.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (3/29 in the *Weekly Journal*):

Mr. and Mrs. William Jeffery left yesterday for a visit at Tassajara Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

C. M. Chew has a force of men repairing the Tassajara road. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (4/3 in the *Weekly*):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

That famous health resort, Tassajara Hot Springs, is now open to visitors, and the stage will commence its regular trips tomorrow morning. William Jeffery, the proprietor, has been out there the past week putting things in shape for the reception of guests. The weather is delightful and, judging from the number already booked, there will be a big influx of visitors this season. The stage leaves the Jeffery House Mondays and Fridays at 6 a. m. and returns Tuesdays and Saturdays. Fare \$4.

From the 'Local Brevities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Tassajara Hot Springs are now open.

Rates at Tassajara: \$10 and \$12 per week. Camping, \$2.50.

Tassajara stage leaves Salinas Mondays and Fridays, returning Tuesdays and Saturdays, fare \$4.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (4/10 in the *Weekly*); datelined April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Travel has begun to Tassajara Springs.

F. Frese and C. M. Chew are still busy on roadwork. PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Dave Jeffery, of Tassajara, was among the visitors in town yesterday.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

C. M. Chew is still busy repairing the Tassajara road. WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Personal and Social' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (4/17 in the *Weekly Index*):

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, came in from that resort last evening. He reports a goodly number of guests at the Springs already and that the weather is delightful.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

William Jeffery came in from Tassajara Hot Springs last night.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

### FOR TASSAJARA

There are now seven guests at Tassajara Hot Springs and five more will leave for that famous health resort Monday morning. Manager William Jeffery has everything in shape for the accommodation of visitors and the season may now be said to be fairly opened.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (5/1 in the *Weekly*); datelined April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

P. W. Steadman, who has been engaged to drive the Tassajara stage, made his first trip to the Springs today. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1902:

### NEW STAGE DRIVER CHOSEN

P. W. Steadman has accepted the position as stage driver on the road between here and Tassajara Springs. The new driver has made his first trip and has the reputation of being one of the best reinsmen in the county. He leaves this morning with a coach load of guests for the popular resort.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (5/8 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

C. M. Chew and John Chew are blasting rock out of the road on a number of turns. This will be a great improvement to the road.

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of the Tassajara Hot

Springs, made a trip to Salinas Saturday, returning Monday. P. Soburg came out from Tassajara today. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

### SEASON OPENING UP

William Jeffery is down from Tassajara Hot Springs and reports that never before has the season for that particular health resort opened up under such auspicious circumstances. Already the guests are beginning to pour in and Mr. Jeffery receives letters daily begging him to reserve rooms for those who will arrive later, and the genial host is now in a quandary as to how he can accommodate them, should they arrive at the same time.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

### SIGNED UP A NEW LEASE

William Jeffery, who so ably conducted Tassajara Springs last year, arrived home from San Jose yesterday, where he signed up a three year lease on the premises. Mr. Jeffery is very popular as host at the famous health resort and the many frequenters of Tassajara will be pleased to learn of his continuance at the old stand for three years longer.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1902:

Mrs. Annie Jeffery, proprietor of the Jeffery House, arrived home last evening from Tassajara Springs, where she has been spending a two-week's outing.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, spent Sunday in Salinas. PINAFORE.

*San Jose Mercury*, guest season of 1902:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Surpasses all other hot springs for remarkable cures. Fine climate, scenery, hunting and fishing. Sandstone hotel. Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Fine camping grounds.

Rates at Tassajara, \$10 and \$12 per week. Camping, \$2.50.

William Jeffery, Proprietor.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (6/19 in the *Weekly*); datelined June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

A great many campers have passed through here on their way to Tassajara Springs during the past week. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (6/19 in the *Weekly*):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

#### A BATCH OF INTERESTING ITEMS FROM THAT POPULAR RESORT

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 17.—Neil McLean has opened offices on the sixth floor of Flag Rock building. His reputation as a phrenologist and occult scientist is rapidly reaching the front rank in this part of the country. His lecture Thursday evening before a large audience in the Pavilion on top of Hog's Back was

pronounced by H. P. Brown as the most able and entertaining lecture that has ever taken place on this quarter section of land.

Arthur Attridge has been wearing one of John Murphy's collars, and a pair of Gen. Groine's shoes, putting up a swell front trying to win one of the Miss Mc's.

Carl Kuhletz, with that graceful walk of his, is seen ceaselessly parading past the dining room casing his irresistible four by nine smile at the young lady who presides over that domain.

Owing to General Groine's semi-annual dip he is no longer able to "laugh and show his gold tooth." There are now treasures in the depths of the plunge, for which Mr. Caddy is seen daily diving.

John Murphy since joining "The Peep of Day Boys" has developed into a swell masher and is wearing a four inch cut off on the upper portion of his spinal column.

The only foot racer in camp is the girl from Blanco. Ask White about it.

Rumor has it that Mr. James Sheehy will no longer pursue his previous occupation at Watsonville, having made such profits at Tassajara on his asthma cure.

Arthur Joy, the snake charmer, has developed into an opera singer. The air at Tassajara works wonders.

A. O. Anthony is constantly surrounded by a group of admiring listeners. The pumpkin story is his most popular monologue.

E. H. Nohrden, of Sand Flat, owes his popularity with the young ladies to his celluloid collar and hot tie.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1902; datelined June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

C. W. Quilty and family, of San Jose, and Miss Edith Ayers, of Milpitas, are guests at Tassajara Springs.

Wm. Jeffery came up from Salinas today and went to Tassajara. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (7/17 in the *Weekly*):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

#### FOURTH CELEBRATED IN GRAND STYLE—PERSONAL AND OTHER ITEMS

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 8.—Maybe you think that in this romantic spot far hidden from the "madding crowd's ignoble strife" we forget the outside world and all things earthly. But not so for in right good style did we celebrate the glorious Fourth. Early in the morning the sleepers were awakened by the stentorian tones of Justice William Gaffey, of Watsonville, as he saluted the flag of our country, lazily fanned by the balmy breezes of Tassajara. The Judge had donned his Sunday attire (a rare occurrence) and was seated on a bench, his portly form draped in Old Glory's folds. Sleep being rendered impossible everyone was soon astir, even Miss Addle Casamayou and Miss Irene Quilty, who, up to that morning have held the camp record for late sleeping.

At 10 o'clock the guests assembled and each contributed to a very meritorious program.

The dinner reflected great credit on our host,

William Jeffery, who spared neither trouble nor expense to give his guests a banquet worthy of the occasion. Bright toasts were responded to by C. W. Quilty in his own happy manner, and by Mr. Jeffery, who told us of the unusual precociousness of his young son whom he declares has called him "Papa," although William Jr. is but two weeks old. The festivities of the day were fittingly ended with games, music and dancing.

Neal McLane, of Watsonville, is the phrenologist of the place and he is no amateur on bumps, let me tell you. If anyone has a secret in his life let him keep clear of Mr. McLean, or his short comings will shine forth in scarlet letters. Even the babies are not exempt for on examination of five months old Helen Thompson the phrenologist found she has a well developed bump of caution, a great liking for a good home, and a consuming love of good things to eat. Just think how a knowledge of these weak points will enable this child in future years to avoid the snares and pitfalls of the world.

But it is not phrenology alone that holds us spell-bound, as Mrs. C. W. Quilty is an A. 1 Palmist, and reads your lines while you wait. An amusing incident happened the other day while Mr. McLane was examining the head of a poor unfortunate and Mrs. Quilty was reading the hand of the same subject, the two seers meanwhile trying to reconcile their "exact sciences," when Judge Gaffey grabbed the poor creature's foot and proceeded to explain his ideas on "footology." Amid the laughter that followed the phrenologist and the palmist beat a hasty retreat, and it is supposed they now hold secret sessions on lines and bumps, to their heart's content.

We were all sorry to see Mrs. Eugene Jeffery depart on Sunday's stage, as she was a great favorite with everyone.

J. W. Leigh is here from Los Vaqueros and is quickly losing his rheumatism in the healing waters of the plunge.

Miss Norma Ryland and Miss Edith Ayer of San Jose will sojourn for two weeks.

Five young men came in this morning and soon the mountains will echo sweet strains from different musical instruments, as we hear the gents are skillful performers and that their instruments are coming by slow freight.

Mrs. Kate Casamayou and daughter, Miss Alice, of San Francisco, came in Saturday, and will remain a month.

It is confidently expected that after Wednesday, at least, two young ladies will order nothing for breakfast but "Ham."

Parties go fishing every morning and come home with baskets of choicest trout. Mr. McGowan came in yesterday and in his collection was a trout fourteen inches long, thus furnishing a practical demonstration of a fish story.

Mr. Quilty went on quite a long horseback ride this morning, so we do not expect to see him in his accustomed chair for some time to come.

George Tuttle is improving every day and in avoidupois is growing considerably lighter.

In a few days you will hear again from the Tassajara Mescal.

Salinas Daily Index, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Fast becoming famous as a health resort. Every consideration is shown to guests. Large camp grounds. Good road to and from the Springs. Good stage and careful driver.

BOARD AND LODGING, INCLUDING BATHS, \$10 AND \$12 PER WEEK. CAMPING PRIVILEGE \$2.50 PER WEEK.

Water famous for curing rheumatism, kidney and stomach complaints.

Stage leaves Jeffery House, Salinas, for the Springs at 6 a. m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, returning alternate days. Fare \$4.

WILLIAM JEFFERY, Proprietor.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Hon. J. W. Leigh has returned to his home in Reliz after a fortnight at Tassajara Springs.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (7/17 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

LIFE A PLEASANT DREAM AT THE FAMOUS MOUNTAIN RESORT

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 14.—One who has never visited this enchanted spot cannot realize the beauty of these moonlit evenings. We sit on the broad terrace in front of the hotel, drinking in the loveliness of the night, and later drinking health at the wonderful hot spring along the creek.

The Sabbath passed quietly, eating, sleeping and bathing being the only diversion until evening, when a sacred concert was given in the hotel parlor. "Parson Jones," of Darktown here, conducted the services in an able manner. He wore a great coat with pockets of wonderful capacity, and as he proceeded with his sermon and expatiated on his honesty and freedom from the weakness of his race, a low cackle was heard issuing from the depths of one pocket, and out flew a fine fat chicken from the Tassajara roost, as well as many other articles useful to the light-fingered gentry. Needless to say the colored minister beat a hasty retreat.

C. W. Quilty, Miss Norma Ryland and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thompson left Saturday, and we miss them sadly.

Hamilton Leigh drove over from Los Vaqueros Wednesday, and, accompanied by his father, left for home Friday. During his short stay Hamilton made quite an impression on the young lads.

We had a progressive euchre party a few evenings since that gave great enjoyment to all. There were seven tables and after playing over two hours the prizes were awarded. Miss Eva Warth and Mr. C. W. Quilty received the first prizes, cash, and Miss Ryland and Mr. W. P. Doyle the booby prizes. Miss Ryland received a bandana handkerchief and Mr. Doyle a baby's rattle.

Mrs. Bontadelli of Salinas enlivens many an hour with her keen wit and humorous jokes.

James Brown and wife are here from San Francisco.

Wm. Jeffery went to Salinas on Sunday to visit his wife and very young son. Will returned this evening looking very sleepy, and it is to be inferred that William Jr. made night hideous for his father.

W. P. Doyle, principal of the Castroville school, takes life easy. It seems Mr. Doyle and his bicycle started downhill together, neither having a head start, but the bicycle reached the bottom first, and now Mr. Doyle tenderly nurses a badly strained arm.

It is strange how this Tassajara water affects some people—for instance, James Jordan of Castroville. Any morning bright and early he may be found looking for radishes on the peach tree.

Edgar McDougall is so deeply interested in Marie Correlli's "Barabbas" that he has eyes or ear for nothing else. We are looking forward with great joy to his finishing the book.

Mr. Lambom leaves in the morning feeling greatly benefited by the sulphur baths.

Among late arrivals are Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Bontadelli, Miss Rosa Bontadelli, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Alexander, Miss B. Chestnut, Edgar McDougall, Mrs. Codoni, C. J. Whisman and G. P. Codoni, of Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Brown and J. E. McDermott of San Francisco, W. P. Doyle and James Jordan, of Castroville.

TASSAJARA MESCAL.

From 'Pajaronian Fruit Notes,' *Santa Cruz Sentinel*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Steve Scurich and Wm. Pullsevich are going to Tassajara Springs to get a big lot of lady-birds for orchard distribution.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1902:

Mrs. Wm. Jeffery and son, Mrs. Smiley and Miss Eva Worth went to Tassajara yesterday.

PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1902; datelined Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, has returned from a short visit to Salinas.

Quite a number of campers have passed through here going to Tassajara of late.

Eugene Jeffery was a passenger on yesterday's stage to Salinas.

PINAFORE.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1902; also in the *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (9/11 in the *Weekly*):

## QUILTY ESTATE IS TO BE DISTRIBUTED

CONSISTS OF COIN, STOCKS AND REALTY WORTH \$160,000

Property Will Be Divided Between Local Capitalist and His Children

Charles W. Quilty yesterday filed in the office of the County Clerk his final account as executor of the estate of Mary E. Quilty, deceased. The total cash receipts have been \$121,109.30, total disbursement \$91,109, leaving cash on hand \$30,000. There is besides to the distributed real estate in Santa Clara, Monterey, San Luis Obispo and Tulare counties,

stocks in bank and water stocks, \$130,740, or a total valuation of \$160,740. J. R. Patton is attorney of the executor and September 19<sup>th</sup> is set for hearing. Those entitled to the property are C. W. Quilty and his daughters.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (9/18 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

C. W. Quilty and wife, of San Jose, went to Tassajara Springs by Friday's stage. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (9/25 in the *Weekly*):

P. W. Steadman is hauling hay to Tassajara Springs. Wm. Jeffery is handling the ribbons on the mulemobile to the Springs.

Lou G. Hare, County Surveyor, was a passenger on today's stage to Tassajara.

PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

J. O. Valpey left for Tassajara Springs this morning, where he will join County Surveyor Lou G. Hare, who is surveying a site for a road between Soledad and the Springs.

From the 'Society' section, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, Sept. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty are at Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1902:

## FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

TASSAJARA, Oct. 18, 1902.—Editor *Index*:—I am glad to be once more at our old stamping ground, Tassajara Springs, and so are all the others that are here. All have improved, but none so much and so quickly as our friend Joe Steffani. He came all doubled up with rheumatism and on the third day was running a race. He is well and going home just one week after coming here.

The boarders at our hotel are Duncan McKinnon, J. H. McDougall, A. P. Tash, Clare Bullene, John Hatton, Mr. and Mrs. Savage (from Newman), Joe Steffani and Mr. Fussell.

Dave Jeffery and Miss Warth see to it that we want for nothing. We have superb weather, and last, but not least, we have the dear old *Index* and are always glad to get it.

I shall endeavor to get back home by Saturday, the 25<sup>th</sup> inst.

Yours truly, J. H. McDougall.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1902; datelined Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1902:

William Jeffery came up from Salinas last Wednesday with two passengers for Tassajara Springs. Mr. Jeffery returned to Salinas Friday.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

D. Jeffery was out from Tassajara Springs Saturday.

PINAFORE.

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From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Dave Jeffery came out from Tassajara to get his mail the other day. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1902 (12/18 in the *Weekly*); datelined Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

H. Arnold has returned from Tassajara Hot Springs, where he has been employed. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1902; datelined Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Eugene Jeffery and wife went to Tassajara Monday, where they will spend Christmas. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1902; datelined Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1902:

Wm. Jeffery has gone to Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

## 1903

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (1/29 in the *Weekly*); datelined Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery, of Salinas, accompanied by Sergeant Zuck and Private Rakin, ex-soldiers recently from the Philippines, but now of Monterey, passed through here on their way to Tassajara Springs on Saturday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1903; datelined Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery, W. Reckham and C. Zuck went to Tassajara Springs Saturday. Mr. Jeffery expects to return to Salinas in a few days, but Messrs. Reckham and Zuck are to remain at the Springs for a few days. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

The dry year talk of this section of the county is a thing of the past. Since January 24 we have had eight inches of rain, and at present Jamesburg is covered with snow. Here there fell about three inches of snow, while on the ridge between here and Tassajara Springs there is about two feet of snow. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (2/19 in the *Weekly*); datelined Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

D. Jeffery was out from Tassajara last week. He had great difficulty in crossing the mountain on account of the deep snow. The weather has been the coldest here for the past few days than has been known for several years. On Friday night the mercury stood at 20 degrees at this altitude, while Mr. Church reports that at his place, "The Caves," it dropped to zero. All growth of vegetation is at a standstill. PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

William Jeffery left for Tassajara Springs by private conveyance this morning.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1903; datelined Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Dave Jeffery came out from Tassajara last Friday and reports the snow being two feet deep on the mountain, and that it was very hard for a horse to get through it. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery went to Tassajara last week for a few days, and on his return was accompanied by Mr. Zuck and Mr. Reckham of Monterey, who have been there for the past month. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 4<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (3/5 in the *Weekly*); datelined March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1903:

William Jeffery passed through last Saturday on his way from Salinas to Tassajara Springs. P. Soberg and R. Fern passed through here on Saturday on their way from Salinas to Tassajara Springs.

G. I. Hallock, W. E. Hallock and J. J. Lendt have gone to Tassajara Springs, where they have been given a contract to chop wood. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (3/19 in the *Weekly*); datelined March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jeffery and child went to Tassajara Springs last week. Mr. Jeffery will at once begin to get this popular resort in readiness for the summer. It is anticipated that there will be a larger number of guests visiting the Springs this year than ever before. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery and family are at Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

C. M. Chew and J. W. Lewis commenced work on their sections of the road Monday. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

Tassajara Springs will open for the season May 1<sup>st</sup>, the stage beginning to run on that date. Many improvements have been made at the healthful resort and further particulars can be obtained by inquiring at the Jeffery House.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

William Jeffery leaves for Tassajara Springs tomorrow to make preparations for the opening of that famous resort. The stage will begin running May 1<sup>st</sup>.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (4/9 in the *Weekly*); datelined April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, went to Salinas last week and on his return brought with him E. Atridge and T. Kennedy of Watsonville and Miss Eva Warth

and Percy McKibbon of Salinas.

H. McAdams and Mr. Palmtag, of Watsonville, went to Tassajara today.

C. M. Chew and his force of road workers are camped near the Springs, putting the Tassajara road in repair. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## TO TASSAJARA

Owing to the demand of patrons the Tassajara Springs will open a month earlier than was intended, and on next Monday the stage will make its first trip for that resort, making two trips a week, leaving the Jeffery House on Mondays and Fridays.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, owner of Tassajara Springs, has gone to the Springs to make arrangements for putting in a dynamo to furnish electric light; as they have ample water power he will also build an ice plant.

D. Jeffery was out from Tassajara today. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (4/23 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

MANY IMPROVEMENTS WILL BE MADE AT THAT POPULAR SUMMER RESORT

Proprietor William Jeffery arrived home from Tassajara Hot Springs last evening and brought with him a string of 160 trout as a specimen of what there is in the line of angling at his famous watering place. He reports that fish are more abundant than at any time before and predicts great sport for the anglers who go up this year.

For the entertainment of his guests he has installed a bowling alley at the hotel, and at the depot there waits transportation of a large dynamo which will supply the hotel with light, and the power for running this will be taken from the stream.

An ice plant will be one of the new features of the popular resort and any who wish cold drinks can have them without going thirty miles to a town, as has been the case heretofore.

When completed the Springs will be one of the ideal recreation grounds of the State, and already the fame of Tassajara is known in the East.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, came in last evening.

C. W. Quilty, who has been spending a few days at Tassajara Springs, came in last evening and returned to his home in San Jose today.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

C. W. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Springs, and William Jeffery, the lessee, came in from the Springs last evening.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## PRIVATE LIGHTING PLANT

ELABORATE SYSTEM INSTALLED  
AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

C. W. Quilty, the former President and manager of the San Jose Light and Power Company, has completed the installation of a new electric plant at Tassajara Springs in Monterey County. The Springs and hotel are the private property of Quilty, and the improvements are in the way of preparation for the coming season.

The new plant was formerly the property of the Santa Rosa Electric Light Company, and was displaced upon the extension of the long distance wires of the Bay Counties Power Company to that city. It is operated by water and will furnish power for heat, light and refrigeration.

*The Evening News*, San Jose, Cal., April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

## NEW LIGHT PLANT

A private electric lighting plant has been installed at Tassajara Springs in Monterey County by C. W. Quilty, the proprietor of the resort, who resides in this city. The improvement adds greatly to the attractiveness of the resort which is fast becoming one of the most popular in this part of the State. The Springs are located in Monterey County.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery returned to Tassajara yesterday.  
WILLOW TREE.

From 'Soledad Notes,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1903:

Carl Abbott, of the Arroyo Seco, was in town Sunday doing his best to obtain hands to work upon the new roadway from that point up through to Tassajara Springs and beyond. When this road is finished it is destined to be of great value to Soledad as it will open up a large field and adjacent localities to the trade of our place, which at present goes to other places.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

## OUTING AT TASSAJARA

The vacation season is approaching and already a number of our residents are making preparations for their outing season to be spent by the sea shore or in the depths of the forest in some sylvan nook by the purest streams where the sportive trout abound and the air is laden with the balmy breath of fir, pine and cypress.

Among the first to go in search of a retreat "far away from the city's maddening throng" are Dr. H. C. Murphy and O. H. Bullene, who departed today for Tassajara Springs, where they will abide for the next ten days, close to the heart of Nature.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## DRIVER APPOINTED

It is gratifying to learn that Antone Williams has been engaged by Proprietor William Jef-

fery to drive the Tassajara stage this year. All who have been Tony's passengers in years gone by and expect to go to that resort this year will be more than pleased to learn that the trusty driver has been secured.

From 'News of New Plants and Additions' in vol. 9, no. 5 of *Cold Storage*, May 1903:

San Jose—C. W. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Springs, will build an ice factory at this resort.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The season at Tassajara Springs is open under the management of Wm. Jeffery, who was the efficient manager last year. Tassajara Springs is a place for health, restoration and invigorating rest. Stages leave Jeffery House for the Springs every Monday and Friday morning.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (5/7 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Miss Gertrude Quilty, of San Jose, was a passenger on today's stage to Tassajara.

O. Bullene and Dr. Murphy and daughters have returned to Salinas after a week at Tassajara.  
PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

WM. JEFFERY, PROP.

### LEADING HEALTH RESORT OF CALIFORNIA

GRAND MOUNTAIN CLIMATE  
BEAUTIFUL SCENERY....

Good fishing and Excellent hunting. Waters famous for Liver, Kidney and Stomach Troubles.

POSITIVE CURE FOR RHEUMATISM

Rates: \$10 and \$12. Camp Privileges: \$2.50

Stage leaves Jeffery House, Salinas, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays; returning Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The season at Tassajara Springs is open under the management of Wm. Jeffery, who was the efficient manager last year. Tassajara Springs is a place for health, restoration and invigorating rest. Its waters are a certain cure for rheumatism, and for stomach and liver troubles. There are a number of Pajaro Valley people who owe their good health today to the virtues of the waters of Tassajara Springs. Stages leave Salinas for the Springs every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## ENCOURAGING START

Tassajara Springs is growing in favor more and more as the years pass by, and no start was ever more ominous of a busy season than this year's. Every stage is crowded and on the last trip two stages were required to convey the passengers to that famous health resort.

Tomorrow morning the following named parties leave for the healthful pools: J. J. Morey and wife, Daniel Leddy and wife, Joseph Aston and C. N. Peterson of Watsonville, and Miss Dangerfield of Pacific Grove.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

The last week was very cold and disagreeable. The wind blew, and it was more like March than May. There was snow on Chew's Ridge last Saturday and there were icicles hanging to the trees.

Andrew Church is hauling for Tassajara Hot Springs.  
WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1903 (6/4 in the *Weekly*); datelined June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1903:

Andrew Church is hauling for the Tassajara Springs.

Miss Eva Warth, of Tassajara Springs, went to Salinas last week and returned yesterday.

H. Arnold has returned from Tassajara Hot Springs.  
PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

W. F. Handley has returned from Tassajara Springs, where he has been spending several weeks.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

The travel to Tassajara Springs is unusually large this year. A large party of campers passed through here yesterday on their way to the Springs.

Andrew Church has gone to Salinas to haul up the bowling alley for Tassajara Springs.  
PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, has returned from a short visit at Tassajara Springs and returned to his home in the Garden City last night.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (7/2 in the *Weekly*):

## ALLEYS FOR TASSAJARA

James Jensen left this morning with a freight outfit for Tassajara Springs. This trip he takes up another bowling alley for the accommodation of guests who crave the sport. It will take two and a half days to reach the Springs, on account of the load. The present manager, William Jeffery, is leaving no stone unturned towards making the Springs as attractive as possible, and among the improvements installed this year are bowling alleys, an ice plant and electric lighting apparatus.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## BOWLING ALLEY FOR TASSAJARA

James Jensen leaves this morning with his freight outfit to deliver another bowling alley to Tassajara Springs. It will take him two days and a half to reach his destination.

Salinas Daily Index, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## A VACATION JUNE JULY TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Best months—warm and dry—Change from valley fogs and winds. Tassajara will cure your rheumatism. Specific for all kidney, liver and stomach troubles. Invigorating, strengthening. Swimming, hunting, fishing, bowling, etc. All amusements. Home like. Fine table. Excellent service. Just the place to go for a rest.

For further information apply at Hotel Jeffery, Salinas.

Wm. JEFFERY, Tassajara.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1903 (7/2 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Andrew Church and J. Jensen brought up the bowling alley for Tassajara Springs from Salinas last week. As the sections of the alley are twenty feet long, it made a very difficult load to take over the steep grades and sharp curves, but both teams made the trip without accident.

Two stages were required to take the passengers to Tassajara Springs today and as many more are expected on Wednesday.

The Misses Quilty, of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson, of Watsonville, and the Misses Peterson, of Salinas, were among the passengers to Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (7/9 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Mr. and Mrs. Quilty, of San Jose, Miss Ayers, of Milpitas, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Porter and Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Hills, of Salinas, went to Tassajara last week.

Independence Day was observed here by a picnic on the Carmel River at the Stone Corral; at Tassajara Springs there was a parade and banquet in the day time and fireworks in the evening. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

There are about one hundred and fifty people at present at Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## WATSONVILLANS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A large number of Watsonvillans are guests at Tassajara Springs at present, and from reports that come out from that popular resort we should judge that they are all having a royal good time. Following is the list: Mr. and Mrs. John Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Walker, Mrs. M. N. Lettunich, Mrs. Godfrey Bockins, Mrs. R. Williamson, Misses Ida McAdam, Kara Allen, Oda Redman, Myrtle Rowe, Rhoda Rowe, Judge Gaffey, Jas. Williamson, Geo. W. Rowe, Jessie Ryason and Mr. Christianson. This colony will be added to in the latter part of the week by the advent of Mateo Lettunich, Mr. and Mrs. S. Scurich and

Postmaster Radcliff.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (7/16 in the *Weekly*):

## ECHOES FROM TASSAJARA

MESCAL RELATES THE THRILLING  
EXPERIENCES OF J. B. PORTER

Maybe you Salinas people think we are very quite out here in this beautiful mountain fastness, because you have not heard from us for a long time, but it is just the contrary. There has been so much fun and hilarity from morning to until night that no one has had time to collect his scattered thoughts long enough to record our doings.

I will begin with an account of how we passed our Nation's natal day. Early in the morning, in fact at sunrise, fire crackers in bunches were exploded at nearly every door, so that in a short time everyone had turned out ready for the day's celebration.

The literary exercises of the day were held under a wide spreading oak and consisted of patriotic songs, readings and speeches.

County Clerk Kalar read the Declaration of Independence in stentorian tones, and was followed by Frank Clark as orator of the day. Frank's effort was a masterly one and would easily outrival Delmas' best. He was applauded loudly.

The exercises concluded, our genial host, William Jeffery, invited everyone into the dining room, where a really sumptuous repast was spread. Every delicacy of the season was plentifully supplied and it was hard to realize we were enjoying luxuries forty miles from the nearest town.

At the conclusion of the dinner a voting contest took place for candidates for the Goddess of Liberty, who would lead the procession in the afternoon and Mr. J. B. Porter of Salinas was unanimously chosen for the coveted honor. And oh, what a Goddess J. B. did make? A few years ago when Mike Hughes acted in the same capacity we thought it would be impossible to ever have another like him, but you should have seen our Brewer. He was simply perfection in a beautiful décolleté costume of pink silk bodice with gauzy white draperies. His hair was a golden hue and hung down his back in long graceful curves like the strands of an untwisted bailing rope. His complexion was of that rare delicate shade of pink seldom seen off the petals of a half blown cabbage rosebud. The ladies declare that the complexion alone cost Mr. Porter at the rate of twenty-five cents a box at P. P. Krough's dispensary, and that certainly there were not less than five boxes used. But be that as it may, he was perfection in his role and won the plaudits of an admiring audience as he smilingly acknowledged their greetings.

The Goddess of "California," represented by Mrs. C. W. Quilty, rode in a beautifully decorated chariot drawn by six brightly caparisoned steeds. Messrs. Haworth and Williamson as wheelers, and Misses Ayer, Simpson, Lang and Peterson as leaders.

There was wild bronco riding by J. D. Kalar and Will Jeffery, and the horrors really beggared all attempts at description, but the guests united in declaring the parade one that would do credit to a large town. Mrs. Ed. Hills as

Dinah and Mrs. J. H. Thompson as Sambo were simply immense.

The evening was pleasantly passed with an impromptu concert and everyone sought his downy bed well pleased with the Fourth of July as celebrated at Tassajara.

We have two superior judges sojourning with us—Judge Hyland of San Jose and Judge Smith of Santa Cruz. But these gentlemen of the bar are rare good company and we hope their stay will be a prolonged one.

Every room in the hotel is filled and beds are made in the parlor, office and even a tent is brought into use.

County Tax Collector Elmer Alexander, wife and little son Carroll arrived this evening; also Miss Bessie Chestnut, who will prove a welcome addition to the ranks of the young ladies.

There are two young ladies who are constantly sighing for Ham. Can anyone guess who they are?

Mr. Kalar and Mr. Jeffery went fishing Monday and returned with two hundred speckled beauties.

Mrs. Quilty and Miss Edith Ayer are not quite so expert as their catch generally consists of the same number with the ciphers left off. But we hope they may succeed someday.

A very fine bowling alley is in course of construction and when completed will be one of the attractions of this place.

Editor McPherson of the Santa Cruz "Sentinel" has been with us several days and is greatly pleased with his trip. He thinks he was never over a more beautiful mountain road than the one coming here.

Judge William Gaffey of Watsonville has arrived and we afforded him a right hearty welcome. The Judge is a genial addition to any company.

It is time for a plunge now so I will say au revoir until next time. TASSAJARA MESCAL.

From the 'Local Happenings' column, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

There is a big rush of visitors to Tassajara Springs. Those springs are not surpassed by any and Landlord Jeffery knows how to run a resort hotel.

*Santa Cruz Evening Sentinel*, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE

A date in July is an auspicious time to take to the mountain springs of Monterey Co., at the head of which are the hot sulphur springs of Tassajara. An evening railroad ride of forty miles brings the resident of Santa Cruz to Salinas City. At 5:30 the next morning a door tap tells him that something is doing, and by the time he has eaten a hasty breakfast the stage driver sings out: "All aboard!" And they are, three in a seat, baggage in every place where should go the feet. A trot of six miles and the stage is opposite the big Spreckels sugar mill, located near the base of the ascent of the mountains, 1,700 feet high, which separate the valleys of the Salinas and Carmel. A steady pull and a long pull and the summit is reached, when crack goes the whip and off go the four horses, never breaking a combination



of trot and gallop till the valley of Carmel is entered, the coach swinging round points over a serpentine grade so rapidly as to make some of the passengers sick at the stomach. It is high noon and Jamesburg the place, which consists of a hotel, a barn and a postoffice, and nothing else. Dinner over, horses changed, up and up and up go you till and elevation of 5,350 feet is reached, some dozen private gates have been opened on a public road to reach the summit. It is now down and up, and then down for a distance of three and a half miles over a steep and narrow grade, four safe and sure footed mules having been substituted for the second change of horses. The road is as crooked as a ram's horn, is cut in the mountain side, a large part of the distance in the blasted rock. Each mule and the driver know every inch of the road—how near the stage can go to a point of rocks without striking it with a wheel, and just where the off leader must appear to step to the outer edge of the grade atop to make a sharp turn. There is no point at which a team can be passed, and the campers know it, keeping off the road while the stage is making its thrilling run down it. The scenery is grand, the air bracing, and, of course, no one is afraid, but it is a fact that Judge Wm. V. Gaffey, of Watsonville, one of the stage passengers of last Monday, did have his foot out of the coach, as if ready to jump one way if the whole outfit went over the grade in an opposite direction. But, as we said before, the packages and things were where the feet ought to be, and in fifteen minutes the excitement of two days is on, the tri-weekly stage standing in front of Hotel Quilty, kept by William Jeffery, fifty delighted ladies, fifteen children and ten gentlemen bidding hearty welcome to the new guests, to be followed quickly by the opening of letters and the reading of newspapers.

*Santa Cruz Evening Sentinel*, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## EDITORIAL CORRESPONDENCE

In our former letter the writer bid farewell at the Tassajara Hotel to the "Sentinel" readers, under the impression that at such caravansary there were five ladies to one gentlemen and more children than men. The youngsters were made to appear numerous from the fact that they came up the grade half a mile to meet the stage, merrily swarming into both coaches. At the hotel, containing fifty rooms and made of cut stones, obtained at the spot, where more gentlemen than showed up on the arrival of the stage, they being, as one of them said, "a lot of rheumatic stiffs," there to enjoy the benefits of the medicinal quality of the hot water springs. Your correspondent was not suffering from rheumatism, but to be "in the swim" he took to water in the shortest possible time, and which he at first found unbearably hot. The bath over, a supper followed, to be quickly succeeded by a masquerade ball, the cry of the young ladies being, not a "horse, a horse," or "a home in the pathless woods," but "a man, a man," the dance being on an uncovered platform, with the stars above and the mountains all around.

The Springs are in a region without fog or

clouds, seventeen hundred feet above the level of the sea, and where a rippling brook sings the weary to sleep. The daily routine is one or two hot baths, a walk up and down the creek over gravel beds and between immense boulders, with the best of fishing for those who delight to land speckled beauties. There are several hot sulphur springs, ranging from 100 to 147 degrees in temperature.

From Judge Quilty, the owner of the property, who is spending the summer there with his family, although his home is in San Jose, we learn that the Springs cost him \$3,500 dollars eighteen years ago; that they were long before visited by the Indians, and there is a basin cut into the solid rock by some sharp instrument wherein they bathed; that he, the proprietor, spent \$15,000 in constructing the only road that reaches them, and over which the stage passes; that within a year he expects to cut a road down the canyon for a distance of six miles, which will bring him to the Salinas Valley and his Springs within twenty five miles of the railroad, on a perfect grade, and over every rod of which a team can trot. This canyon cut will be of heavy cost, estimated all the way from \$5,000 to \$40,000, the gorge being narrow and the granite rising from ten to three hundred feet, the road having to go through tunnels or on a bridge erected over the stream and resting on girders reaching from wall to wall.

It is hard to tell how all put their time in while not bathing, fishing or taking a steam sweat, but of Judge L. F. Smith it can be said that he is the ladies' man of the Springs, and thrills all hearers with his vivid war reminiscences; that Judge Hyland, of San Jose, takes first place as raconteur of the crowd, while Judge Gaffey of Watsonville suspend swings, hangs hammocks and builds paths over and under the most dangerous mountain points.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## TASSAJARA ITEMS

Editor *Mercury*:—Since there are a number of San Jose people at this beautiful resort, a few items regarding our daily routine will not be uninteresting to our friends so far away.

In the first place, you cannot imagine the grandeur of the mountain scenery as the four horse stage mounts to height after height until an elevation of over five thousand feet is reached. We think that the Mt. Hamilton Road is a pretty grand climb, but it cannot compare with this one of over one thousand feet higher. And it is the very wilderness and grandeur of the scenery that makes an all day's stage ride not only bearable but interesting and exhilarating. After reaching the summit the descent is made to an elevation of about sixteen hundred and fifty feet, when suddenly the traveler sees a picturesque sandstone hotel nestled at the foot of a towering mountain, which some climber more venturesome than the rest has surmounted with a large flag.

The first place to which the visitor is escorted is the famous hot springs. It is almost impossible to tell exactly how many there are, as they seem to be everywhere and a vast quantity of hot water flows on into the creek simply because it is not needed. In fact, an

immense hot spring spurts right up in the cold creek and is used to scald chickens and hogs. Its temperature was tested last evening by J. B. Porter of Salinas and Duncan Mc-Pherson, editor of the Santa Cruz Sentinel, and found to be 144 degrees—slightly warmer than one would care to bathe in. The hot water that is used for bathing and drinking has been analyzed by the Smithsonian Institute at Washington and contains principally sulphur, soda, magnesia, iron and many other curative ingredients.

The plunge baths are occupied all day long, and many a scream is heard as some visitor more thinly skinned than others gets his first introduction to water varying from 102 degrees to 117 degrees of heat.

We celebrated our nation's birthday in right good style and our host, Mr. William Jeffery, spread a banquet at noon that made it seem impossible that we were forty miles away in the mountains. Every delicacy of the season was in evidence and it is useless to say that we did ample justice to the good things prepared. In the afternoon a parade took place, headed by the Goddess of Liberty, J. B. Porter of Salinas, and "California," represented by Mrs. C. W. Quilty. The characters were ably taken and the procession that followed them was composed of "Horribles" of all kinds and descriptions. The evening was passed with patriotic songs and speeches, and a really fine display of fireworks.

J. D. Kalar, County Clerk of Monterey County, has been sojourning with us the past two weeks, and in company with Mr. Jeffery a few days since brought in two hundred trout, the result of one day's fishing. Mrs. Quilty and Edith Ayer are not quite so expert, as their catch generally amounts to the same number with the ciphers left off. However, they are not easily discouraged and we hope success will crown their efforts some day.

Judge M. H. Hyland and wife arrived on Monday's stage, and it is needless to say how heartily we welcomed them. And now whenever we hear an unusual burst of hilarity we know that the Judge is spinning one of his inimitable stories.

San Jose carpenters are busily hammering away to complete within a few days a very fine bowling alley, which will be a great attraction, especially for those who are trying to lose a little *avoirdupuis!*

Mrs. Louis Coopers of San Jose left us yesterday morning and she is missed by all.

Mr. Quilty's chief exercise consists in sitting on a box and wondering when he can bid farewell to the carpenters and the consequent bill of expense.

Superior Judge Lucas F. Smith of Santa Cruz is here for an extended trip. In fact, Judges Smith and Hyland and Justice William Gaffey of Watsonville all arrived on the same stage, so we have to be on our good behavior of else appear before the court sitting in bane.

Tuesday we had a bull's head breakfast that was a great treat. Everything tasted so good sitting under the trees, picnic style.

Miss Lottie Simpson of San Jose holds the record for being the latest riser, but this morning she rose at 7, so now we live in hope that she will reform.

Misses Lena and Clara Lauck of Santa Clara have been here three weeks, and will remain some time longer.

Elmer Alexander, county tax collector, and wife have arrived for a month's outing.

Miss Addie Casamayou of San Francisco is an expert pianist and enlivens many an hour with her choice selections.

I fear, Mr. Editor, I have already trespassed on your valuable space, but you will hear again from the  
TASSAJARA MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## NATURAL VAPOR BATH

### NEW BATH HOUSE OVER BOILING SPRING POPULAR AT TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 16.—Among new arrivals at the Springs are a number from San Jose, and while several have returned home after visits here the circle is kept complete and the days go by very pleasantly.

A new improvement made by Host Jeffery has added no little to the attractions here. It has been known for years a boiling spring, with a temperature of 160 degrees, rose in the bed of the creek, but it was not until a few days ago that Mr. Jeffery found a way to utilize its enjoyable and valuable curative properties.

Over the spring a new bath-house has been built of several rooms, and in them one can have a vapor bath of 120 degrees, the steam rising directly from the spring through a grating in the floor. There are cooling rooms as well, and all conveniences for the bathers.

The new vapor bath has won over even the most prejudiced, who thought the plunge the greatest thing on earth, and the bath-house is very popular.

Weather continues pleasant here and every visitor reports improved health and complete contentment in this retreat.

From the 'Local Brevities' column in the *Salinas Daily Index*, from July 17<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Have you heard of the new natural vapor bath at Tassajara Hot Springs? It is a curative wonder for rheumatism, liver, kidney and stomach troubles.

The boiling spring in the bed of the creek at Tassajara is now utilized. A bath house built over it enables visitors to take a natural vapor bath at 120 degrees.

New natural vapor bath at Tassajara Hot Springs is the latest of curative wonders. No rheumatic troubles after this is tried.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## PICTURESQUE SCENERY OF VALLEY AND MOUNTAINS

### ALL ALONG THE ROUTE FROM SALINAS TO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

#### A HOME OF COMFORT AND REST

At the end of the journey. Good rooms, table well supplied; swimming, hunting, fishing, bowling, and all outdoor recreations. Best of all, natural vapor baths over boiling spring, and plunge baths in hot water bubbling out of

the earth. These springs have no equal for the cure of rheumatism, liver, kidney and stomach troubles. Rates low.

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Should be your choice for a vacation rest and building-up. Stage three times a week from Salinas. Full particulars at New Jeffery House, Salinas.

Wm. JEFFERY, Prop.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1903 (7/23 in the *Weekly*); datelined July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery, mine host of Tassajara Hot Springs, paid a visit to Salinas last week.

Andrew Church came up from Salinas with a load of hay for the Tassajara Springs today.

A fire has been raging on the Carmel for some time past and the air is filled with smoke. The weather has been cool, otherwise it would have been very unpleasant. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

Contrary to a report said to be in circulation, there is plenty of room for guests at Tassajara Hot Springs, and Mr. Jeffery is entirely successful in his efforts to entertain and please his guests. Do not miss a visit to this best of summer and health resorts.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## BACK FROM THE SPRINGS

J. B. Porter arrived home from a protracted stay at Tassajara Springs last evening and reports having had an excellent time. Among the others who came in from that resort were the Misses Quilty, who have been sojourning there for some time. They returned to their home in San Jose on the evening train.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

## TASSAJARA VAPOR BATH

The boiling spring in the bed of creek at Tassajara, the most wonderful spring of the kind on the coast, is now utilized to good purpose. A bath house has been erected over it which enables visitors to take a natural vapor bath, with the thermometer registering at 120 degrees. The thermometer registers 145 degrees when dipped in the spring. To the rear of this bath house is the dressing room, through which flows the cool waters of the creek and where a "cooling off" bath can be taken.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

Eugene Jeffery left yesterday for Tassajara Springs to relieve his brother, William Jeffery, for a few days.

From the 'Purely Personal' columns, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery, the popular lessee and manager of Tassajara Springs, was here Sunday greeting his numerous friends and attending the big picnic. Mr. Jeffery reports that Tassajara Hot Springs has had the most prosperous season in its history and that at present there are seventy guests at the hotel.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

TASSAJARA, Aug. 6—The Springs continue pretty well filled, with exceedingly pleasant weather—no fogs or chilly winds. Enthusiasm over the new vapor bath continues unabated.

Judge Gaffey, official time keeper and surgeon general of the vapor bath is the life of the crowd here. His practical jokes are numerous, but never fail of good humored results.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Harvey are here for a stay of some time. Mr. Harvey is general agent for the Baltimore—Ohio road, and has seen all of the California resorts, but thinks Tassajara should head the list.

A number of musicales have made recent evenings very enjoyable. Miss Adelaide Elsen of San Francisco, one of the brightest of our musical stars, has not only charmed all with here brilliant playing, but won every heart by her kind readiness to respond to many calls. Miss Taliaferro of San Francisco is another whose playing and Spanish songs will be remembered with pleasure. L. A. Devers of Salinas has sung in a pleasing style several times. V. Carlson, of Watsonville entertained with "Old Black Joe" sung in four languages.

After the farewell concert Wednesday evening Judge Gaffey entertained a party at a goose dinner in the dining room, and presided with captivating grace.

Mr. Donohoe, the poet of Tassajara, should not be forgotten in the list of attractions.

The days go by only too swiftly and vacations come to an end when the enjoyment is still at its height. J. E.

From the 'City and County' column, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

**BOILING SPRING.** The boiling spring in the bed of the creek at Tassajara is now utilized. A bath house built over it enables visitors to take a natural vapor bath at 120 degrees.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

WANTED—At once, girl to do chamber work at Tassajara Hot Springs.

An advertisement that ran in *The Evening News*, San Jose, Cal., in August of 1903:

## INDIAN SUMMER AT TASSAJARA

The most delightful months at Tassajara—August and September. No fogs, no winds, picturesque scenery; the Switzerland of America. New vapor baths in bed of creek, over boiling spring, are producing wonderful cure of rheumatism. The magnesia spring will cure your dyspepsia, liver, kidney or bladder troubles. TASSAJARA IS DRAWING THE CROWD because it is sending people home satisfied. For further particulars and illustrated pamphlets address:

EUGENE F. JEFFERY, SALINAS.  
WILLIAM JEFFERY, TASSAJARA.

San Francisco Examiner, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Best hot sulphur water on earth. Remarkable cures of stomach, liver and kidney troubles; positive cure for rheumatism. Finest natural vapor baths in America.

Write to WILLIAM JEFFERY, Tassajara, or E. F. JEFFERY, Salinas, Cal.

Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## TASSAJARA

For outing enjoyment there is no retreat equal to the TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Monterey County. Good Hotel, Fine Table, Service Unequaled. Rheumatic sufferers find water and natural vapor baths very helpful. All kidney and stomach complaints helped. Hunting, fishing and all recreative amusements.

Full particulars on application. Stage seats reserved at New Jeffery House, Salinas. Write WILLIAM JEFFERY, Proprietor, TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Ben Blomquist took a load of hay to Tassajara last week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1903; datelined Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, went to Salinas Saturday and returned Monday.

This summer has been most prolific of fires in the mountains. At present a forest fire is burning on the summit between Bruce's place and Miller Canyon. Frank Bruce and a number his neighbors have been fighting the fire for several days, and it was only by hard work that Mr. Bruce's house and barn were saved. As it is he has lost a great deal of grass. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1903 (9/24 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1903:

The mountain fire which has given the people of this vicinity so much trouble for the past month has again broken out and nine or ten men have been fighting it for several days. The coast fire has also come over the divide and crossed the Carmel River and threatens Andrew Church's place [at The Caves] with destruction.

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, paid a visit to Salinas last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer McKinnon and Mrs. Rybar of Salinas were passengers on yesterday's stage to Tassajara. PINAFORE.

Salinas Daily Index, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

## WHY SUFFER? SEEK RELIEF We Guarantee to Cure Your RHEUMATISM

Our new VAPOR BATHS are producing wonderful cures. Dyspepsia, Liver and Kidney troubles are cured by the mild influence of

these great waters.

## Write to WILLIAM JEFFERY, TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

or to E. F. JEFFERY, Salinas, and find out more about it.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (10/1 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

W. Worth is hauling hay to the Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty have returned to their home in San Jose, after spending a few days at Tassajara.

Salinas Daily Index, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery, the genial proprietor of Tassajara, has returned from the Springs and announces that the most prosperous season in the history of the Springs is drawing to a close.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

W. Worth is hauling hay to Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Monterey County Records (Recorder's Office),' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

Lease—C. W. Quilty to W. Jeffery, Nov. 11, 1900—Continued to March, 1905, Tassajara Hot Springs Hotel and grounds and personal property. Filed Oct. 1, 1903.

From 'Monterey County Records (Recorder's Office),' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Will of Mary E. Quilty, deceased, July 15, 1896—1-3 of estate to Chas. W. Quilty; 2-3 (share and share alike) to children, Gertrude C., Mary I., Irene M., Pauline L., Alice L., Estelle I., Ruth E. and Genevieve Quilty.

Salinas Daily Index, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

## TROUT PLANTED

### FIVE THOUSAND FISHERMAN'S LIES STARTED IN THE ARROYO SECO AT TASSAJARA

C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, has had planted in the Arroyo Seco, near Tassajara Springs, 5000 rainbow trout, which were placed there for the benefit of the guests of the Springs in future days. Much care was taken in planting the young fishes, as the temperature of the water of the stream and that of the tanks in which they were conveyed must be exactly the same and in order to get this evenness time and experience are requisite. A difference of but a few degrees would mean much shock to the trout as to bring about instantaneous death. The fish are from the McCloud hatchery at Sisson, Siskiyou County.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (10/15 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

C. W. Quilty has sent up ten thousand small fish to stock the trout streams near Tassajara. Tassajara stage will only make two trips a

week from now till the close of the season.

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, spent Sunday in Salinas.

Last Thursday there was a shower of rain on the higher mountains and at Tassajara Springs, while only a few drops fell in this vicinity. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (10/29 in the *Weekly*); datelined Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Tassajara Springs has closed, after a very successful season. The stage made its last trip in on Friday, bringing out on Saturday the last of the guests and help. H. Arnold and P. Soberg will remain at the Springs, working on the new bath house, which will be quite an addition to bathing facilities, as there will be two new plunges and four new bath tubs.

Wm. Jeffery and Andrew Church brought up a large band of hogs to fatten on the acorns.

Wm. Jeffery went to Salinas on Sunday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1903 (11/5 in the *Weekly*); datelined Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1903:

C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, visited his property at Tassajara Springs last week.

H. Arnold came out from Tassajara Springs last week.

C. M. Chew and son John are engaged in ditching the Tassajara road in readiness for the winter.

Antone Williams, our stage driver, is taking a vacation in the mountains. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1903:

C. W. Quilty went to Tassajara Friday last. Dave Jeffery went to Salinas Saturday on a visit. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1903; datelined Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

Wm. Jeffery and Percy McKibbon of Salinas came up Tuesday and went to Tassajara Hot Springs. WILLOW TREE.

Salinas Weekly Index, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1903:

William Jeffery and family left today for San Jose to remain over Christmas with his wife's parts, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty.

Salinas Weekly Index, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1903:

William Jeffery and wife returned from San Jose, where they partook of Christmas turkey with Mrs. Jeffery's parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty.

## 1904

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904; datelined Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

H. Arnold came home from Tassajara Hot Springs yesterday. P. Soberg returned from Salinas on Tuesday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904; datelined Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Will Jeffery and A. Church took a band of fat hogs to Salinas last week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

D. Jeffery came up from Salinas last week and went to Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*San Francisco Call*, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

## GOVERNMENT WITHDRAWS VAST TRACT

WASHINGTON, Feb. 16—The General Land Office today ordered the temporary withdrawal of 130,000 acres of land in the San Francisco land district pending an investigation of the feasibility of the establishment of the proposed Monterey Forest Reserve.

On February 15, 1904, the United States General Land Office, at the request of the United States Geological Survey's Division of Geography and Forestry, withdrew approximately 287,336 acres of land in the Santa Lucia Mountains of Monterey County in order to have it surveyed for a proposed forest reserve. The survey, which was conducted during the summer of 1904, was headed by Fred G. Plummer and M. G. Gowsell. Their report, *Forest Conditions in the Monterey Forest Reserve*, was issued by the U. S. Geological Survey in 1905.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Peter Soberg came out from Tassajara last Monday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined March 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

The heaviest wind storm for several years visited us on Thursday morning last; a great deal of timber was blown down, and Mr. Church's barn [at The Caves] was blown over, as were some fences at the Springs. A heavy rain followed the wind, the fall amounting to 3.05 inches.

P. Soberg was out from Tassajara on Saturday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

P. Soberg has returned to Tassajara after a week's visit in Salinas. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

### GETTING READY

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, and his family, left for that resort this morning to make preparations for the opening of the season.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS OPENING

William Jeffery and family will leave today for Tassajara Springs, which are now being put in proper shape to accommodate the summer rush, which will set in a couple of weeks—*Salinas Journal*.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jeffery and children and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Jeffrey and Emil Lund passed through here en route for Tassajara yesterday.

Work is progressing rapidly on the Tassajara road. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904; datelined April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, had the misfortune to sprain his wrist by a fall from his horse last Thursday. He went to Salinas to have the injured member treated by a physician. He was accompanied to town by his uncle, D. Jeffery, and on his return A. Williams, who will drive the stage again this summer, and three other gentlemen came up with him.

A. Williams goes to town tomorrow for a load of provisions for the Springs. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904 (4/21 in the *Weekly Index*; also in the April 20<sup>th</sup> edition of the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*):

## SPRINGS WILL OPEN SOON

Tassajara Springs is being put in readiness for the reception of the early guests and on next Monday the first stage load will be taken out for the season, and will continue to run tri-weekly.

This will be, no doubt, a banner year for Tassajara, and the names already booked indicate that the resort is becoming more and more popular.

With this year Wm. Jeffery's lease of the watering place expires, and it is the manager's intention to spare no effort to merit the patronage of the public. Under his management many improvements have been made and now is the time to go out on a recreation trip.

The salmon are running and the streams teem with trout. The virtues of the waters need no advertising here as the best references Mr. Jeffery could possibly furnish are the statements made by former patrons. Attention is called to the display announcement at the bottom of the third page of this evening's *Index*.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 19<sup>th</sup> to May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The season is now open and the Stage will make regular tri-weekly trips, beginning Monday, April 25<sup>th</sup>.

Fishing at the Springs best in years.

Salmon are running insuring exciting sport. References, any former patron.

Secure Your Sage Reservations at Hotel Jeffery

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

The Tassajara stage is now making regular trips, carrying passengers to and from Salinas.

Two young men passed through here yesterday bound for Tassajara. They were walking from San Francisco to Los Angeles and thought they would see Tassajara as they went. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:

Tassajara stage has begun making regular trips from Salinas to Tassajara, with the popular jehu Tony Williams again in charge.

As the stage will now carry the mail, our genial mail carrier will not be with us again during the summer. Mr. Mullis has made many friends here during the short time he has carried the mail. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, returned from Salinas on Monday, as did also P. Soberg.

H. Arnold has gone to Tassajara Springs.

C. M. Chew's force of workers have repaired the road to Tassajara, and J. W. Lewis's men are rapidly putting their portion of the road in good shape. PINAFORE.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

**WILL HAVE A JOLLY TIME.**—It is booked that right after the municipal election next Monday that H. C. Pfister, county clerk, J. A. Belloit, father of J. A. Belloit Jr., city clerk, Lou Hobbs, George Keffel and C. W. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, will go to that famous resort for a two week's outing. The defeated candidates can take a trip up the salt river. This quintet, however, will go to Tassajara Hot Springs, where mountain air, sunny skies and lazy fishing trips will make new men of them all. They will come back with strong muscles, pink cheeks and bright eyes and brains ready for business.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

## LEFT FOR TASSAJARA

A party consisting of James F. Sheehy, of Watsonville, George Keffel and daughter, of San Jose, C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, Supervisor M. Hughes, Larkin Carr and Paul Masengill, of Salinas, left for Tassajara Springs this morning. There is a large number at the Springs and the season's outlook is good.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 20<sup>th</sup> to July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

## A VACATION SPENT AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Will benefit your more than money spent in any other way. The place to be cured if you are sick. The place to rest if you are worn out, and a good time for all. Particulars

HOTEL JEFFERY,

Salinas,

WM. JEFFERY

TASSAJARA

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904:

C. W. Quilty and G. Keffler and daughter, of San Jose, and M. Hughes and I. Carr of Salinas, and Mrs. Berta and family of Carmel, went to Tassajara Springs by last Wednesday's stage.

P. Soberg went to Salinas last week and will start for Alaska on the first of June. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1904:

W. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Springs, went to Salinas Saturday, returning Monday.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

William Jeffery, lessee of the Tassajara Hot Springs, came in on last evening's stage.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Editor W. J. Hill of the *Index* left on this morning's stage for Tassajara Hot Springs, to spend a few days in recreation.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

### MAIL FOR TASSAJARA

For the information of our readers who have friends at Tassajara Springs we will state that the U. S. mail for that resort leaves Salinas by the early morning stage of Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Mail deposited in the Watsonville postoffice before 5 o'clock the previous evenings to the above days, and which arrives in Salinas about 7:45 p. m., will go out on the stage early the following morning and arrive at Tassajara the same evening.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jeffery and children returned to Tassajara after a week's visit to Salinas and other points.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904 (6/16 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

### TRIP BY STAGE THITHER—GRAND SCENERY ALONG THE ROUTE

Description of Springs and How Visitors Pass the Time at the Famous Health Resort

(Editorial Correspondence)

TASSAJARA HOT MINERAL SPRINGS, June 13.—The writer was one of nine passengers who, at 6: 30 o'clock Monday morning, June 6, rolled out from the Jeffery House in the stage bound for the famous Tassajara Springs, situated in the Coast Range mountains about fifty miles from Salinas. That popular and skillful driver, Antone Williams, held the reins over four spirited horses. There was an extra stage that morning with six passengers piloted by Paul Masengill of the Fashion Stables.

It was a delightful morning. The sun shone brightly and there was a refreshing breeze which cooled the brow and filled the lungs with the pure ozone of life. A sense of peaceful relief came over us as we left the turmoil of the noisy city behind. The air was filled with the fragrance of new-mown hay as well rolled along the smooth road to the river. Then over the Hilltown bridge and out through the Toro park, wild flowers in profusion bordering the way and bedecking the hill-slopes with their variegated hues. The road, which is in Supervisor Field's jurisdiction, had just received a fresh coat of oil which stuck to the tires and clogged the hoofs of the horses, making the

traveling somewhat heavy. In a few days, however, the roadbed would be packed and smooth, putting it in fine condition for the remainder of the season.

Leaving the main road about half way to Monterey we turned to the left and ascended the Carmel grade, in due time reaching the summit, where Sheehy's extensive field of oats undulating in the breeze excited words of admiration from all. To the left as the grade ascended are seen patches of green, of greater or less extent, in the little valleys and on the mountain of the Corral de Tierra region, indicating the cozy homes of prosperous settlers. Looking over into the Carmel Valley, the grain fields, orchards and gardens—some of them extending way up the steep slopes on the opposite side of the river—present fascinating pictures of rural life.

Down the grade we go at a lively pace into Carmel Valley, where the merry clip of the mower is heard in all directions on the Pacific improvement Company's ranch (formerly owned by N. W. Spaulding) cutting alfalfa and barley for winter provender for the herds of stock that now keep sleek and fat on the pastures of nutritious grasses. The crops are excellent throughout the valley, especially on the area covered by irrigation.

Whitlock's—the old Steffani place—at the upper end of the valley, twenty-one miles from Salinas, is reached at 9: 30 o'clock and here a change of horses is made. The stage coming out from the Springs stops here for dinner. From Whitlock's to Jamesburg is up grade all the way—at times quite steep—and it takes nearly three hours to make the fifteen miles. But the mountain scenery is varied and interesting enough to hold the attention of the traveler and prevent any feeling of monotony. There is a heavy crop of grain on the Armstrong portion of the Tularcitos rancho and it is being converted to hay. Bloomquist also has good crop as far as can be seen from the stage.

Jamesburg, at the foot of the Tassajara mountain, is reached at 12: 30 p. m. Here an excellent dinner was served by Mrs. C. M. Chew, ample justice being done to the meal by the passengers, whose appetites had been sharpened by the stage ride of thirty-four miles.

Mr. [actually Mrs.] Chew is the postmaster at Jamesburg. Mrs. Chew is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John James, owners of the place, who have lived there for many years. It is a picturesque spot surrounded by rugged and densely wooded mountains. Mr. James is now eighty-eight and quite active for a man of his years. Failing eyesight bothers the old patriarch more than anything else, as it interferes with his reading, which has always been one of his chief pleasures. He can now read but a few minutes at a time, when he must lay aside his book or paper to let his dimming eyes rest. He realizes that he may be called hence at any time and says he is ready to go whenever the summons shall come. Mrs. James is a few years younger than her husband and is a vivacious and interesting conversationalist.

At Jamesburg the horses are stabled and Driver Williams hitches four fine mules to the stage for the final mountain climb of eight miles and the descent of a like distance on the

other side. The grade up and down the mountain is a fine piece of road making and cost Mr. Quilty, owner of the Springs, an average of \$1,000 a mile for the sixteen miles.

The ascent from Jamesburg is partly up a steep canyon so densely covered with oak, laurel, madrone and other species of trees that for miles their leafy branches form an arched canopy over the road, effectually shutting out the sunshine, except here and there where it penetrates through chance openings in the foliage. And part of the way the grade is cut out of the thickly timbered mountain side so steep and so high that the bottom of the canyon is lost to sight in the sylvan shades below. No pines are encountered until the summit is approached, when they contest the place of honor with the oaks.

At length we reach and cross the Hog's Back, the narrow divide with Miller's Canyon on the right and the abysmal depths of the Bear Trap Canyon on the left. A short distance farther on we reach the summit of the Tassajara Mountain, a mile above the level of the sea. Here the view is one of surpassing grandeur, sublimity and beauty and well worth the long and arduous stage ride to behold. The ocean, in a straight line, is only eight or nine miles away, but to reach it one would have to climb many times that distance over the high mountain peaks which intervene.

It was 5 o'clock and the shadows were beginning to gather at the bottom of the deep canyons which surrounded us on every side. The limitless expanse of the broad Pacific could be seen in the west, while, between our viewpoint and it and in every other direction, unnumbered towering mountain peaks pierced the sky until lost in the misty distance at the farthest verge of vision. Travelers, who have been the world over, pronounce the mountains of this region the steepest and roughest and the scenery in many respects the grandest they ever beheld.

Before starting down the steep grade to the springs, Driver Williams examined every bolt in his coach and put extra leather on the brakes to make sure that all was secure for the perilous descent of eight miles. Then away we go with the mules at a brisk pace, dashing down steep declines, whirling around sharp curves, causing the passengers to hold their breath, brace against each other and grasp the iron railing of the seats to keep from being hurled out into the dizzy depths of the seemingly bottomless canyon below. Meanwhile the driver, with a foot on the break lever and whip ready to sting any faltering mule, quietly tells passengers not to be afraid, assuring them that there is no danger. Midway down the grade a stop had to be made in order to cool the almost red hot tires with water from a nearby spring.

Finally, a turn at the bottom of the grade brings us in view of the hotel and we are greeted with cheers from the crowd of assembled guests who are always glad to see new arrivals and to receive letters and from home and newspapers with news of the outside world. We are now 3630 feet lower than the summit, the Springs being 1650 feet above the level of the sea.

The new comers receive cordial welcome

from Host Jeffery and are shown to their rooms. Then, after attending to their toilets, they are conducted to the dining room, where a good supper awaits them and is partaken of with a relish heightened by the pleasure and excitement of the ride down the grade.

The Springs

The Tassajara Hot Springs are undoubtedly the peer of any mineral springs yet discovered so far as curative properties are concerned. Wonderful cures of rheumatism, stomach trouble, skin diseases and kindred ailments have been effected by drinking and bathing in their waters, which range in temperature from icy cold to 145 degrees. Altogether there are eighteen of these springs. In most cases the waters of mineral springs, especially the hot ones, are limited in quantity, but here the supply of water is practically unlimited. The springs burst forth in large volume from the solid rock and pour into a branch of the Arroyo Seco, a beautiful stream, clear as crystal and affording good trout fishing, both above and below the springs. The hot water even shoots up from the rocky bed of the creek and bubbles to the surface of the cold water. Over one of these places a bath house has been constructed, affording perhaps the most unique, as well as the finest vapor bath in the world. Besides this are single baths and plunges plunge baths into which constantly pours the hot water from the springs so arranged that the temperature can be regulated to suit. The houses, hot water tanks and plunge baths are all constructed of stone and cement. People soon become accustomed to the hot water and drink it in large quantities in preference to the cold water. Mineral constituents of ten and five-sixths grains to the gallon of the hot water analyze in hundredths as follows:

Sulphate of Soda. . . . .	15.04
Sulphate of Magnesia. . . . .	13.17
Sulphate of Lithia. . . . .	3.10
Silica. . . . .	8.50
Carbonic Acid. . . . .	22.4
Potash. . . . .	1.45
Sulphuric Acid. . . . .	2.41
Hydrogen and Sulphur. . . . .	21.00
Alumina. . . . .	3.87
Sesqui Oxide Iron. . . . .	7.08
Iodide. . . . .	.75
Arsenious Acid. . . . .	1.08
Bromine. . . . .	.09
Total. . . . .	100.00

The climate here is of unsurpassed salubrity and is a valuable aid to the water in effecting cures. As heretofore stated the Springs are 1650 feet above the level of the sea, surrounded on all sides by high mountains, which effectually shut out all harsh winds and fogs. At this season of the year the midday temperature reaches from 75 to 85 degrees, but the wide spreading branches of the big oaks and sycamores, which here abound, modify the heat, which is not uncomfortable. At night it cools off so that one needs a pair of blankets for comfort. The mornings and evenings are simply delightful.

The Hotel

The hotel is a two-story stone building, well furnished and capable of accommodating seventy-five guests. William Jeffery is the gen-

eral proprietor and he and his estimable wife spare no pains or expense that will contribute to the comfort and happiness of their guests. The kitchen and dining room are a few yards from the main building. The tables are supplied with an abundance of good things to eat and drink. Several fine cows furnish milk and cream, while a variety of vegetables come from the hotel garden fresh every day. All the employees are attentive and courteous in the highest degree.

The charges are \$10 to \$12 for boarders, and \$2.50 for campers, including baths.

The stage leaves the Jeffery House, Salinas, with passengers and mail for the Springs at 6 a. m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and returns from the Springs on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Fare each way is \$4.

How Guests Pass the Time

Drinking the hot water, bathing and eating three square meals a day consumes considerable of the time, and when not thus engaged, guests who are well enough indulge in playing cards, reading, fishing, rambling about, etc. The arrival of the stage is always an anxiously looked for, as it brings letters from home and a fresh supply of reading matter in the shape of the daily papers and other literature.

An entertainment committee has been organized for the purpose of arranging for lectures, concerts, storytelling, etc., to relieve the monotony of life in this secluded spot. The entertainments are given out on the dancing platform situated between the dining room and bath house.

W. J. Hill led off last evening with an Indian story, depicting life on the frontier forty years ago and he had for an audience every man, woman and child here, except one rheumatic gentleman who was unable to leave his room.

Hon. C. S. Abbott is booked for tomorrow night and some of the others who will probably take part in future events are as follows:

Mr. Morrill, of Reno, will discourse on the exciting scenes he witnessed during vigilante days at Aurora, Nevada, in 1864-65.

Gus Sanborn, of Watsonville, will entertain the audience with a dissertation on Bellfleurs and Newton Pippins and tell what he knows about woolly aphis and the codlin moth.

J. P. Cooper will tell of some of the blood-curdling stories that he, as one of the "Big Four," used to manufacture for the *San Francisco Chronicle* before he became an honest granger and horticulturist in the Pajaro Valley.

Artist Carlos Vierra of Moss Landing will relate his experience on his six-month's trip before the mast, from San Francisco around Cape Horn to New York, for the purpose of studying marine painting.

S. Koffle, of Monterey, will give an account of his stage ride from the summit down to the Springs and how his utmost exertions with comb and brush have not been able to lay his hair, which stood on end at the time.

Dan Leddy, of Watsonville, will give a lesson in black art, showing how in the twinkling of an eye several bottles of beer were changed from one coach to another at Jamesburg.

Artist Piazzoni, who is one of the judges in the beauty contest now being conducted by the *San Francisco Bulletin*, will explain how he

became an expert in that line, relating his adventure in the forest of Fontainebleau when he was studying art in gay Paris.

From the foregoing and the fact that there is other talent in reserve, it will be seen that some rich intellectual treats are in store for the denizens of this neck o' the woods.

All the ladies here have formed themselves into a committee of the whole, with Mrs. W. A. Sanborn as chairman, to furnish vocal music for the various programs.

Guests Here at Present

There are at present fifty guests at the Springs, as follows:

From Watsonville—W. A. Sanborn and wife, Mrs. J. H. Tuttle, Lois Tuttle, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Leddy and son, C. P. Kennedy, Chesley Stow, R. S. Tuttle, John P. Cooper and wife, Frank Berry, J. A. Tuttle and wife, Desta Delholm, Will Trumble, Gus Beleer and son, S. Richardson, H. W. Joy.

San Francisco—A. Hardenburgh, G. P. Piazzoni, Mrs. Wagner and son, Agnes Ward, John A. Hunt.

Los Angeles—B. A. Sanborn, Mrs. E. J. Sanborn, Miss H. A. Sanborn, Sanborn McCellum.

Monterey—S. Koffle, Ed Cook, M. V. Malarin, Grant Towie, Wm. Hunt.

Salinas—W. J. Irvine, M. Gnosci, W. J. Hill, E. F. Jeffery.

Moss Landing—Mrs. C. J. Vierra, Carlos Vierra.

Castroville—Henry McCarthy.

San Jose—Mrs. M. Brosina.

Arroyo Seco—C. S. Abbott.

Reno, Nevada—Enoch Morrill.

Spreckels—B. S. Johnson and wife and their two sons, Frank and Carl.

Good Fishing

Ed Jeffery, B. S. Johnson and R. S. Tuttle went over yesterday to Lost Valley, twelve miles distant. They took riding animals and a burro to pack their supplies. They returned this evening with the burro loaded down to the guards with trout, but few of which were less than eight or nine inches in length.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:

**BARBECUE AT TASSAJARA**

William Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Springs, treated his guests to a grand barbecue there last Sunday. He killed a fine beef the day before and roasted the choicest portions of it over a big bed of coals in a pit near the hotel. The delicious meat steaming hot, together with bread, pie, cake, coffee and other good things was served underneath the wide-spreading branches of the big oak tree that stands between the main building and the dining hall. It was a great treat and highly appreciated by the guests.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:

Editor W. J. Hill returned home last evening, much improved in health from his fortnight's stay at Tassajara Springs.

Wm. Jeffery, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, came in on last evening's stage.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904 (also in the 6/23 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Doings'):

## BIRTHDAY BANQUET

"LITTLE BILLS" NATAL DAY  
CELEBRATED IN GRAND STYLE AT  
TASSAJARA SPRINGS

On Monday evening, June 20, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Jeffery, of Tassajara Springs, gave a banquet at that popular resort in honor of the second birthday anniversary of their first-born son, William, better known as "Little Bill."

At the conclusion of the banquet, speeches—all in a congratulation vein—were made by Frank Berry and G. A. Tuttle, of Watsonville; Mrs. Jeffery-Connelly, the handsome and young looking grandmother, and Mrs. Wagner, of San Francisco; Sanborn McCollum, of Los Angeles; Soll Koffle and Grant Towie, of Monterey; W. J. Irvine and W. J. Hill, of Salinas.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffery being called upon expressed their pleasure at seeing so many friends present and thanked them for the good wishes that had been heaped upon them and "Little Bill." The speeches were interspersed with the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner," "Auld Lang Syne" and other appropriate selections. "Little Bill" seemed to take it all in and expressed his appreciation with the shouts and laughter.

The festivities of the occasion concluded with dancing in the parlors, for which Miss Vesta Delholm, of Watsonville, played the piano.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

## WATSONVILLE—TASSAJARA

COMMUNICATION RECEIVED BY  
SIMPLEX-DUPLICITY  
LONGEST LEASED LIAR

Doings of Watsonvilleans Reported From  
Wireless Observatory at Flag Rock, Tassajara

The crowning event of the social season at Tassajara Springs was the birthday party tendered to "Bill" Jeffery, Jr., and to which all the guests at the Springs were invited. The feature of the party was the dinner arranged by Mrs. Jeffery-Connelly, the grandmother of the recipient. The dining room was specially arranged with great taste, decorations being ferns of all varieties from Woodwardias to the delicate maiden's hair, yucca or mesal blossoms, roses, honeysuckles, etc.

The tables were arranged so as to form a large "W" and more than 75 guests sat at the formation of the initial letter of the young Jeffery. The repast was a novel one and at its end while the colored candles were burning out on the birthday cake several congratulatory and felicitous speeches were made in honor of the birthday of "Bill."

"Bill" himself was the central figure at the table. Seated in a high chair, on a raised dais as in olden times. Bill reclined against a background of Woodwardias, interlaced with rock and sword ferns and bearing yucca blooms. On either side sat the happy father and mother, while to the right was Mrs. Jeffery-Connelly, whom none could believe to the grandmother as she was voted one of the

youngest looking ladies in the room.

The principal congratulatory speaker of the occasion was Hon. W. J. Hill of the *Salinas Index*, who made some touching remarks most appropriate to the occasion. Dan Leddy, George Tuttle, Frank Berry, A. W. Joy, H. W. Judd, W. J. Irvine, Grant Towle, and John P. Cooper followed with brief speeches more happy than serious, while "Little Bill" cooed and laughed at every mention of his name and plainly showed that he realized he was the honored guest and appreciated it.

A jolly barbecue was held at the Springs on Sunday last. It was alleged to be in honor of Gus Sanborn, but it was really to honor his departure on the following morning. This did not prevent the jolly joker from kissing all the ladies good bye, then forgetting that had done so, and kissed them all farewell again. He was the life of the camp and his departure was regretted—especially by the ladies as he was so gallant. The barbecue was served at noon, after the meat had been cooked by William Jeffery with Gus Sanborn as chef, in the open air under the shade of immense oaks and sycamores near the hotel. The meat, with excellent chili sauce, Dutch-oven cooked beans, salad, etc., formed a most novel repast which everyone consumed in double supply, especially Dan Leddy, who took two long runs in the morning and brought back a repeating appetite.

In such a generous climate as this all things are possible at all hours and the favorite diversion in the evening is moonlight dancing on the open air platform, which is filled every evening. Hugh Judd and Frank Berry are rivals at these pleasant affairs.

Watsonvillans are in the majority here and all take to spring life like a lot of athletes in training. In fact there is more real training going on at Tassajara Springs than at Harbin. Besides the exercise of morning runs, followed by visits to the vapor and plunge baths, the most popular recreation is trout fishing in which both men and women indulge. The creeks are full of fish and while the larger ones have been pretty well thinned out, the adventurous fishermen who brave the swim of the narrows bring back specimens as large as two feet in length. Those who are content to fish closer to the hotel catch six-inch averages and claim that small fish are much sweeter than large ones. "Sky" Tuttle, Ben Johnson and Ed Jeffery made a trip to Lost Valley (a two day trip) and brought back all they could carry, from eight inches up in size.

Mrs. Jeffery-Connelly, who is now in charge of the management of the Springs as William Jeffery is absent establishing a large dairy and alfalfa fields, has proved herself a most competent hostess and makes the lot of the guests a pleasant one.

There is a great rivalry in the tented swimming hole, for if Santa Cruz has a tented city, Tassajara has a tented swimming hole.

George Tuttle has everything his own way, however, when he appears to do his hippopotamus act. He has become such an amphibious fellow and has absorbed so many fish that he has really become "fishy."

Dan Leddy has a good thing of it here. There is a modern legend of the Springs, not any old moss covered Indian one, that upon the

top rock of an apparently overhanging mountain, is a pot of dollars and an order entitling the person who is able to make the climb to all the dollars a month's board at the Springs free. Leddy hasn't made the climb yet but he has climbed others and there is another pot that he has played pretty well and aroused a terrible howl from the alfalfa patch. The popular Dan might have got in durance vile on his way here were it not for a lack of peace officers on the Tassajara stage route. He gave an exhibition of his ability as a glorious beer prestidigitator en route, making two well filled bottles mysteriously disappear from a heavily nailed box on the stage and Boss Bill couldn't see the joke.

Beau Brummell Berry arrived here recently from a strenuous trip via San Francisco and might have collapsed on the way but for meeting a good doctor who treated him with an internal application of Italian Crimson. Berry makes a great hit finishing his morning run in front of the grand stand, otherwise the hotel gardens, and is now conducting a ladies class every morning. Some of this pupils have got his trot down fine.

Tom Kennedy has trained his larynx so that he has become a popular vocalist in the ladies parlor, rendering "In the Good Old Summer Time" with bells accompaniment in excellent style.

A. W. Joy, or Melancholy Joy, as he is better known, started a dime museum at the entrance of the dancing platform and gave exhibitions of snake charming and trained bugs. Something happened, however, and Joy has announced his intention of going to Ireland, having adopted St. Patrick as his patron saint.

Hugh Judd has also taken some precautions in the reptile line, or at least some of his solicitous friends in Watsonville have, as he received a beautifully wrapped up package yesterday which proved to be a new patent medicine snake bite that the Ladies Home Journal has not passed on yet. Judd says he doesn't object to the size of the flask so much as to the size of the contents, and that he wants his friends to know that he is an allopathist and not a homeopathist.

Judd came here to fish, and he did, just one morning, and that the first after he arrived. He depleted the steams so that he can catch no more but he had the pleasure of eating his catch along with his usual dinner. In order to head off any Dream Life stories he may carry home it were well to state here and now that the largest fish he caught wouldn't have made salad enough for a blue jay.

"Sky" Tuttle, he of the awful grunt, left the Springs before he intended as Ed Jeffery brought off the hoodoo he carried with him at the rate of \$3 a day for every day that "Sky" cut off his trip. "Sky" was a regular old salt on the last day of his stay.

John P. Cooper, the heavy-weight porpoise of the vapor bath swimming hole, announces that he came here for a rest cure. His appetite at least is not resting as he never missed the first call of the dinner bell and has grown so heavy that he broke down the canvas hammock last night and took a tumble to the ground. His rest cure consists principally of playing solitaire at all hours. It is asserted here

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that John prides himself upon the possession of three lucky attributes—jocundity, rotundity and profundity. He was born with the first, acquired the second, and had the third thrust upon him.

Tom Kennedy is so impressed with the climate in this vicinity that he is thinking of starting an opposition boarding house at Jamesburg, and his motto will be “Boiled eggs—no ham fat.” He will also run a hat exchange in connection with the regular stage station.

Chris Thompson is having a merry time and is probably the happiest man at the Springs. On account of his heavy laughing spells at card parties, etc., he has been engaged to appear at the evening entertainments and reproduce Billy Hynes' celebrated “Laughing Song.”  
ALEXIEFF.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

### GONE TO TASSAJARA

Judge W. V. Gaffey, accompanied by Mr. Curtis of San Francisco, left for Tassajara Hot Springs yesterday morning where he will spend several weeks. . . As Mr. Curtis, who accompanies Mr. Gaffey, is as great a story teller as the judge himself, those sojourning at present at Tassajara have a great treat ahead when those gentlemen arrive there.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

A party of government surveyors were through this section last week taking observations in the interest of the government timber reserve.

Wm. Jeffery and Ed Jeffery have gone to Salinas.

Mrs. Ed Jeffery returned to the Springs Friday from a visit to the old home on the Arroyo Seco.

Dr. Murphy and daughters, of Salinas, and J. T. Connelly of San Francisco, went to Tassajara by Friday's stage.  
PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904 (7/7 in the Weekly):

### LEFT FOR TASSAJARA

A party consisting of J. B. Porter and wife, Dr. J. A. Chappell, Mrs. Eugene Jeffery, Mrs. F. K. McComber, of Alameda, Miss Minne Rush, J. A. Sutton and family of San Miguel, W. G. Conrad, P. Wallace, Wm. Hughes and Paul Masongill left for Tassajara this morning.

Another party consisting of County Surveyor L. G. Hare, P. P. Krough, Paul Parker and Wm. Davies left on surveying trip by way of Soledad and will cross the ridge, bringing up at Tassajara Springs.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Mrs. Ed Jeffery returned to Tassajara last Monday after a week's visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ai H. Abbott, of Arroyo Seco.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904; datelined July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Frank Bruce is hauling hay to Tassajara Hot Springs.  
WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904; datelined July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

W. C. Hill of the Salinas Postoffice was a passenger on Monday's stage to Tassajara.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

### REPORTED GUN ACCIDENT

Dr. S. B. Gordon was summoned by phone at 3 o'clock this afternoon to hasten to Tassajara Springs as some business man from San Jose had been shot in the groin by rifle. The telephone message was from the Laureles and it is understood that it was his own rifle that injured the San Jose man, whose name could not be ascertained.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 21<sup>st</sup> to Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904:

### SEASON 1904

The biggest ever at Tassajara. The place to go to rid yourself of that Rheumatism. The finest Conditioning Springs in America. For references ask any patron.

HOTEL JEFFERY, Salinas.

WM. JEFFERY, Tassajara

*San Francisco Chronicle*, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904:

### SAN JOSE MERCHANT SHOT AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

SALINAS, July 20.—A telephone message was received from Tassajara Springs this afternoon asking that a surgeon be sent out there, as one of the guests had been shot. The message stated that the injured man was Joseph Gada, a merchant of San Jose, and that he had been wounded in the right groin by a rifle ball, running inward and downward. He was very low when the message was sent. It is not known whether the shooting was accidental or not.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1904:

### NO REPORTS FROM GADA

WOUNDED MAN RECEIVED MEDICAL TREATMENT FROM DR. GARTH PARKER

It Is Rumored That He Was Careless While Climbing Over a Boulder With His Rifle

Joseph Gada, who was injured while hunting near Tassajara Springs yesterday, may be resting easier or may be dead, for no reports upon which credence can be placed were brought down from the mountains today and Dr. Garth Parker, who was called to Tassajara Springs on the emergency call, has not yet returned.

It was reported here today that Gada had attempted to climb over large boulder, drawing his rifle after him, when the accident occurred, but nothing authentic has yet arrived. The *San Jose Herald* says:

“Joseph Gada is a bachelor of somewhat retiring disposition, and has been a resident of San Jose for three or four years. For the past year and a half he has boarded at the Swiss Hotel, and lodged at his mother and sister's residence, 143 Autumn Street. His sister's name is Mrs. P. Taminelli. He had been in ill

health for some time, and left on the 11 o'clock train on Tuesday, July 12, for Salinas. Mr. Gada is the proprietor of the People's Carriage and Wagon Works of San Jose.”

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:

### JOE GADA'S GUN ACCIDENT

THE SUFFERER TAKEN TO SAN JOSE TODAY—LITTLE HOPE FOR HIS RECOVERY

Joe Gada, who accidentally shot himself at Tassajara Springs Wednesday morning, was brought to Salinas by private conveyance, arriving last evening. He was immediately taken to the Salinas Valley Sanitarium, where he remained over night. Today he was taken to San Jose on the 11:25 train by his sister, Mrs. P. Taminelli, and cousin, G. Biagini, who came down from that city last evening. In the opinion of the attending physicians, Dr. Garth Parker and Dr. S. B. Gordon, there is but little or no chance for the unfortunate man's recovery.

The particulars of the accident which is feared will prove fatal are as follows: Mr. Gada, who was a guest at Tassajara Springs, left the hotel about 5 o'clock Wednesday morning and went over into the Horse Pasture country back of the Flag Rock to hunt for deer, intending to return to the hotel about 9 a. m. About the latter hour several of the guests, who had taken a stroll down the creek, heard some shots but paid no attention to it, as there was always someone shooting at either game or at marks in the vicinity. A short time afterwards two of the party—James Walker and E. M. Thompson—saw Gada walking slowly up the creek towards the Springs. Upon going to meet him he told them that he had accidentally shot himself with his 38-callber rifle. He said he had shot two bucks and started to return to the Springs by way of Tassajara Creek. In walking over the boulders in the creek bottom he placed his gun before him, butt downward, as a support, when it was discharged; the bullet entering his right groin and remaining imbedded somewhere in his body. He fired off the remaining shots in his Winchester, which were the shots heard as above stated, but which brought him no assistance, and he started to walk back to the hotel.

When found by Walker and Thompson he was painfully and slowly making his way. By their assistance he at length reached the hotel in an exhausted condition, having traveled between three and four miles after he was shot. The wounded man was immediately taken to one of the coolest rooms on the ground floor of the hotel.

Fortunately for Mr. Gada, Miss Mayme Rupe, of Salinas, who had studied for a trained nurse, was a guest at the hotel. She took charge of him, washed out the wound and did everything to make him as comfortable as possible.

Tom Garside, a guest at the Springs, volunteered to go on mule-back to the Laureles ranch, a distance of over thirty miles, to telephone to Salinas for a doctor. He reached Jamesburg at 2:30 p. m. and thence on to the Laureles at breakneck pace. In answer to the telephonic summons Dr. Garth Parker arrived



at the Springs from Salinas a little before 3 o'clock a. m. the next (Thursday) morning. He made an examination of Gada's wound, but was unable to locate the bullet and advised that he be taken to Salinas where facilities for treatment were at hand. The sufferer was accordingly brought hither as stated at the beginning of this report.

The physicians at the sanitarium did not locate the bullet, as the condition of the patient was such that he could not stand the surgical operation that would have been necessary for that purpose. Blood poisoning had already set in. The unfortunate man suffered great agony, which could only be relieved by administering opiates.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:*

### BROUGHT TO SALINAS

SALINAS, July 22.—Joseph Gada, who, while hunting Wednesday near Tassajara Hot Springs, accidentally shot himself, was brought to the Sanitarium, arriving here about 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The wounded man stood the trip well, and as soon as he had rested up a little the Dr. Parker, Dr. Gordon, Dr. Edwards and Dr. Murphy made an examination of the wound. They found that the bullet entered the groin, and its course was back and downward, shattering the pubic bone. They were unable to locate the bullet. They give it as their opinion that there is little or no hope of his recovery. The unfortunate man gives the story of the accident as follows:

He had bought down two deer in a canyon over two miles from the Springs. He was in the act of going down a steep declivity to get to his game, and was using the gun as a cane to steady himself by holding the muzzle and resting the butt on a rock below, he slipped and the gun was discharged, with the result as above stated.

Gada, who is about 30 years old, is one of the best known young business men in San Jose, and has a host of friends who will be shocked and grieved to learn of his accident.

*San Jose Daily Mercury, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:*

### JOSEPH GADA'S WOUND PURELY ACCIDENTAL

Joseph Gada, the proprietor of the People's Wagon and Carriage Works at 73 and 75 San Pedro Street, was accidentally shot near Tassajara Springs Wednesday afternoon while he was out hunting. He received a wound in the right groin and his condition is serious. While he was still alive at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon it is not expected that he will live for another day.

Gada, who is about 30 years of age, is one of the best known young business men in the city, and has a host who will be shocked and grieved to learn of his accident.

Last Tuesday he left for Tassajara Springs to join a party of friends on a deer hunt near there, carrying a full equipment for hunting with him. He had a forty-four Winchester rifle of old style pattern, single shot. The reports of the accident are meager, as wire communication with the Springs has been interrupted all

day, but it seems from what could be learned that he was climbing over a rocky cairn in the hills dragging his rifle after him. He was supposed to have been stalking a deer at the time, and his rifle caught on a rock. As he turned to see what was the matter it discharged and the bullet entered the right groin and penetrated the abdominal cavity. The wounded man's cries for help brought a number of people to him, and he was removed to the hotel at the Springs, where he had been stopping, and a physician was sent for to Salinas.

The wounded man is unmarried and lived with his mother, an aged widow, and a sister, Mrs. P. Taminelli, at 148 Autumn Street. The latter is spending the summer at Capitola with her family, and there was no one at the residence on Autumn Street except the aged mother and a small child, the niece of Gada. Mrs. Gada had not heard of the accident to her son until yesterday morning, and she was prostrated with grief at the report.

The wounded man for nearly a year past has boarded at the Swiss Hotel on Market Street, but has slept at the home of his mother. He was a most devoted son, and it was only at the earnest solicitation of his mother that he went away on a short vacation.

*San Francisco Chronicle, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:*

### FATALLY WOUNDED WITH HIS OWN GUN

SAN JOSE CARRIAGE MANUFACTURER  
ACCIDENTALLY SHOT WHILE OUT  
HUNTING

SALINAS, July 21—Joseph Gada, proprietor of the People's Carriage and Wagon Works in San Jose, who was shot at Tassajara Springs yesterday, has been brought here to a sanatorium. He says that he had shot a deer and was looking for it, dragging the gun behind him, when it slipped down a declivity. The gun exploded and the ball penetrated his right groin. It cannot be located by the surgeons, who state that the sufferer will not recover from the wound. Gada has resided in San Jose four years.

From 'Personalities,' *Salinas Daily Index, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:*

County Surveyor Lou G. Hare has returned from surveying the proposed Tassajara road.

*Salinas Daily Index, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904:*

### INJURIES PROVE FATAL

Joseph Gada, who accidentally shot himself at Tassajara Springs last week, died in San Jose Saturday night.

*The Evening News, San Jose, Cal., July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904:*

### JOSEPH GADA IS DEAD AFTER DAYS OF SUFFERING HE SUCCUMBS TO ACCIDENTAL WOUND

Joseph Gada, who was accidentally shot near Tassajara Springs last Wednesday, has succumbed to his injuries and died at the St. Luke Sanitarium today. Mr. Gada was brought to this city on Friday afternoon and all that medical skill could do was accomplished in the ef-

fort to save his life. It proved that the wound was too severe to yield to treatment and the patient was worn out with the long journey from the Springs to this city. He did not rally after his arrival here and grew slowly weaker until the end came.

Mr. Gada was the proprietor of the People's Wagon and Carriage Works on San Pedro Street. He was a bachelor and made his home with his sister and widow mother on Autumn Street. He had a large circle of friends and was greatly respected by all who knew him.

#### On Hunting Trip

For some time past Mr. Gada had been suffering from a severe cold and he could not shake it off. He consulted a physician and decided as the result of the advice thus obtained to go to Tassajara Springs for a month's outing. Last Tuesday he left for the Springs with a complete hunter's equipment and it was his intention to join a party of friends who were in pursuit of deer in the hills near the resort.

On Wednesday while hunting in the hills he spied a deer and while attempting to approach for a shot his rifle caught on some brush and was discharged. The bullet which was of large caliber entered the right groin and penetrated the abdominal cavity inflicting what proved to be a fatal wound.

Owing to the distance from a settlement the news of Mr. Gada's accident did not reach relatives here until the following day. C. A. Biagini on once left for the Springs to render what he could and decided to bring the wounded man back to this city. The party arrived on Friday afternoon and went at once to St. Luke's Hospital.

Mr. Gada was a native of Switzerland and was 30 years of age. He had resided here for several years. The arrangements for the funeral have not been completed. The body was removed this morning to the undertaking parlors of Spitzer & Hocking.

*Salinas Daily Index, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904 (7/28 in the Weekly):*

### LETTER FROM TASSAJARA

HOT WATER AND HOT AIR ABUNDANT  
AT THE FAMOUS RESORT

A Salinas Lady Finds a New Mineral Spring  
on the Steep Mountain Side

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 23.—The weather is very fine and all the invalids are improving rapidly. Life here is one continuous picnic and all regret when their vacation time is up and they must trek out over the kopjes and back to their daily vocations, but with the invariable self-promise that it is only an interruption and they are surely going to return next season, they bid "au revoir" to old friends and new and soon disappear in the mountain fastnesses.

There are new arrivals daily, both by private conveyance and stage. The big hotel is full all the time apparently, but by some mysterious management there is always room for one more.

Many of the professions in real life (it is ideal here) are at present represented—doctors, nurses, lawyers, dressmakers, butchers, clerks, merchants, capitalists, farmers and many aspirants, all dwell together in harmony. Mail

day is the principal incident and brings everyone to the post office for news from the busy world outside.

The pleasant evenings are spent out of doors in various ways—dancing, cards and other games being the most popular form of amusement. On alternate evenings Rowling's full (of hot sulphur water) orchestra, gives a delightful concert under the great oaks near the hotel, which is fully enjoyed.

Friday night there was a grand ball complimentary to a party of guests who go out on this morning's stage. Music by Rowling's orchestra.

The pleasant companionship of the Reiter camp composed of Mr. and Mrs. Reiter, Miss Lu Reiter and Mr. and Mrs. Dick Driscoll and family is greatly missed by all.

Mrs. Gussie Krumle, of Watsonville, who was recommended as an experienced chaperone, led a party up the Tassajara Creek yesterday, but was constantly getting into trouble; losing the trail and taking her party through the hottest part of the canyon, was misery enough, but to be enticed through heavy sand flats and thick brush where no mortal ever before had trod, would have aroused our indignation, had not we been compelled to sympathize with the poor lady, for every time we looked at her she was either falling down or getting up from a tumble. Miss Carrie Sanborn, one of the party, has guaranteed to have that route oiled for next season.

Mrs. Roy Alexander, being about ready to depart for her home, inquired if there were any important features she had not explored. Her husband, Attorney Alexander, said he thought there was one spring, an Iron spring, she had not yet drank from, but it was located high up on the mountain side in front of the hotel. It being rather a hard climb, Mrs. A. was reluctant about undertaking it, so several of the group offered to accompany her so that she might return feeling that she had left no sight-seeing undone. By way of preparation the lady borrowed a cup from the hotel kitchen and the party began the ascent. It was a long, steep climb, and the sun's vertical rays blistering hot, but when an ambitious mountain climber sets out for a goal nothing short of an avalanche will stop her, and as none could be sighted at the moment, after frequent breathing spells and renewed efforts the box covering of the iron spring came in sight. Oh how good that cool water would taste to her dry throat! Seating herself in the shade of an oak, the lady waited a moment in pleasant anticipation before lifting the cover. At the sight of an iron bed spring, the disgusted expression on her face warned her escort to flee from the wrath to come. The watching crowd, congregated at the hotel, were greatly amused, as most of them had had the same experience. If the Attorney's Union in Salinas is not too loyal and Mrs. A. can get legal advice, she threatens to sue Roy for a divorce.

J. B. B. Porter, the veteran Tassajara reporter, leaves this morning for his home in Salinas. He will be greatly missed, especially by the members of the knife and fork brigade when the dinner bell sounds, in which order he is chief Porter.

Gorge A. Rowling, the popular leader of the

Tassajara orchestra, shows evidence of much interest in literature and thinks of becoming a writer (Reiter.)

The following notice was today posted on the local bulletin boards: "Lost, or perhaps stolen, a pair of dancing shoes; nearly new; size 9½; soles ¼ thick, studded with steel pegs. Party please return same; no questions asked—and receive reward. Signed W. C. Hill."

Prof. Leonardo de Opera-House Bagby of Monterey has opened up a branch office at the Springs for phenological readings. He discovered a couple of strange bumps on Judge Gaffey, which he said were rare specimens of hot-air bumps. The Judge insists that they were only mosquito bites.

Judge Gaffey and John Royce of Watsonville daily indulge in spontaneous dialogue in the most torrid portions of the vapor baths, which resounds up and down the neighboring canyons like a thunder storm. It is whispered about that the patrons find their "hot-air" fully as efficacious, for all ills as that which bubbles up through the mineral springs.

It is rumored about that Henry Gross, better known about the Springs as "King Hen," the deer-slayer, is figuring on piping the surplus hot spring water to Salinas for use in his laundry.

Floyd McCollum, the genial knockabout comedian, entertains an appreciative crowd of guests every evening with original verse songs and jigs. He has an "Ode to a Mule-deer" that has made a great hit.

Attorney J. A. Bardin is here; he admires nature and loves the Hills.

Earthquake weather has prevailed here for the past few days, and the remarkable phenomenon of the "Hills" passing to the valley was today observed.

A party of twenty campers from Watsonville is expected in every day.

*San Francisco Call*, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

### GADA'S WOUNDS PROVE FATAL

SAN JOSE, July 23.—Joseph Gada, who accidentally shot himself while deer hunting at Tassajara Springs a few days ago, died this afternoon at St. Luke's Hospital. Gada was the proprietor of the People's Wagon and Carriage Works, on San Pedro Street, and a well known business man of this city. He was a native of Italy and about 40 years of age.

*The Evening News*, San Jose, Cal., July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

### JOSEPH GADA BURIED

The funeral of Joseph Gada, who died on Saturday from a wound accidentally inflicted while hunting deer near Tassajara Springs, was held on Sunday afternoon from Columbia hall. The services were largely attended. Members of Court Christoforo Colombo, A. O. F., and the Swiss Relief Society were present in force. The internment was at Oak Hill cemetery.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

The sad accident by which Jos. Gada of San Jose lost his life, and which occurred in the mountains near Tassajara, has been fully described in the *Index*, and we will only say that although Mr. Gada was a stranger, his unfortunate death has cast a gloom over the neighborhood.

A. Church and Wm. Jeffery were visitors to Salinas last week. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

### BACK FROM THE SPRINGS

George A. Rowling, John Hughes and Roy Alexander have returned from Tassajara Springs, where, for the past three weeks, they have been dispensing music to the delight of the guests.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:

Wm. Jeffery and family have gone to Salinas. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg, Aug. 2,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:

Mr. and Mrs. W. Jeffery and children went to Salinas Sunday. WILLOW TREE.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1904:

W. C. Hill [of the *Salinas Index*] is expected to arrive home from Tassajara Springs in this evening's stage.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Two stages were necessary to take all the passengers to Tassajara Springs today.

Ed. Jeffery returned to the Springs from Salinas by today's stage. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1904:

Dave Jeffery, Will Jeffery, Andrew Church and Walter Chew made a trip through the mountains to Slate's Hot Springs and back last week. They report a pleasant trip but no game. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1904; datelined Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Miss Mable Arnold was up from Laureles on Saturday for a short visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arnold, Mr. Arnold coming out from the Springs on that date. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

### OPENING UP TASSAJARA

HOW COUNTY SURVEYOR HARE WOULD MAKE THE TRIP EASY

Starting at Piney P. O. He Would Zigzag Across Creeks and Canyons, Making the Time Five Hours

County Surveyor Hare has filed his report and map of the proposed new road from the railroad to Tassajara Springs. The survey begins at Piney Postoffice, eighteen and one-

half miles from Soledad on the railroad, and goes up the old road on the north side of the Arroyo Seco half a mile to where the road crosses the river and back to avoid the bluff. The survey follows around the face of the bluff and joins the road a quarter of a mile farther on, following it to Ai Abbott's house, four miles from starting point; thence it follows the north bank three quarters of a mile, then crosses to the south bank, ascending gradually, until it reaches 300 feet above the river bed, to get above the perpendicular walls; thence follows the contour of mountain, gradually descending to the mouth of Santa Lucia Creek, crossing it and going up the south side of Arroyo Seco to the mouth of Tassajara Creek. Crossing this it goes along the south side of Tassajara Creek to the mouth of Willow Creek, nine and a quarter miles from the place of beginning, one and seven-tenths miles from Tassajara Springs in a direct line, and two and three-quarters by the creek bed.

From this point are three routes, namely: Along the creek bed; along the face of the mountain on the north side of the canyon, and along the face on the south side.

The last named is recommended as the most feasible. Its total length from Piney would be twelve miles: length of new road from Abbott's, eight miles; Tassajara to Soledad by this route, thirty and six-tenths miles. Maximum grade, nine per cent, with no reverse grades of importance.

Bridges required: first crossing Arroyo Seco, 220 feet; second crossing of same, 220 feet; Santa Lucia Creek, 100 feet; Tassajara Creek, 75 feet.

Surveyor Hare estimates the cost for the twelve miles as follows:

Piney P. O. to Ai Abbott's on present road. . .	\$ 700.00.
Abbott's to Tassajara Springs, grading and culverts. . . . .	11,000.00
Bridge, first-crossing Arroyo Seco. . . . .	3,000.00
Second crossing Arroyo Seco. . . . .	1,800.00
Santa Lucia Creek. . . . .	1,500.00
Tassajara Creek. . . . .	500.00
Total. . . . .	\$19,000.00

His report concludes: "By using the present traveled road as it is from Piney to Abbott's and cutting out all of the bridges except the Santa Lucia Creek bridge, a good road can be built for \$13,000.00, but would be impassable during high water.

"The proposed new road is the natural outlet from the Springs to the railroad and would shorten the trip making it about five hours from the railroad, instead of twelve hours as at present. This would admit of a round trip each day.

"The present traveled road to the Springs climbs up, over and down two mountain ranges, one of which is the highest range in Monterey County, its summit being over 3000 feet above Tassajara Springs.

"The opening of the proposed new road would make the Springs accessible to a large class of invalids all over the coast who cannot stand the present trip. It would also give access to a country which is very attractive to campers and sportsmen by reason of its splendid hunting, fishing and scenery."

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, came up last week to Tassajara Springs, of which they are the owners.

The recent storm is driving the guests out from Tassajara and that popular resort will soon close for the season. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Tassajara stage made its last trip for the season on Friday last.

Wm. Jeffery and Andrew Church came up from Salinas on Friday.

H. Arnold was out from Tassajara Springs on Saturday. PINAFORE.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

**CHANGE AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

Wm. Jeffery, who has so successfully managed the Tassajara Springs for several years past, has retired from the management of the same, his lease having expired. The *Salinas Journal* states that C. W. Quilty, the owner of the property, will run the popular resort next season on his own account.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1904; datelined Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, passed through here last Monday on a business trip to Tassajara Springs and returned Saturday to Salinas with the mail carrier. PINAFORE.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose came up Monday and went to Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

H. Arnold is out from Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1904 (12/1 in the *Weekly*); datelined Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Miss Mable Arnold was out from Tassajara Springs for a short visit to her mother, Mrs. H. Arnold, on Sunday of last week, and Mr. Arnold was out on Saturday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1904; datelined Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1904:

Mr. Arnold and daughter, Mabel, came out from Tassajara Springs to spend Christmas with their family. PINAFORE.

**From E. A. Sterling's 'Fire Notes from the Coast Ranges of Monterey County, California,' 1904:**

The general attitude of the people [to fires] is one of sublime indifference. The usual fire causes, of unextinguished campfires and carelessness in throwing away unextinguished matches and cigarettes, prevail. Fires, once started, are not fought unless they threaten a rancher's property. Intentional firing, so that stock can get through and fresh shoots be obtained, is also common, especially in the foothills. Most of the fires occur in late summer and fall...

Between Jamesburg and Tassajara Springs extensive fires occurred ten and twelve years ago [thus in 1892 and 1894]. The burned area is still plainly marked by the dead, whitened tops of the chaparral and occasional clumps of dead trees or saplings.

The largest fire of recent years started last year, 1903, in July, and burned for three months. It started from an unextinguished campfire in Township 18 south, range 4 east [thus in the vicinity of Chews Ridge], and burned a strip of about a township wide through to the coast, becoming wider towards its western end.



The hotel as viewed from above, and thus showing the L shape of this structure. As the clubhouse (the building on the right) has two stories, this picture was taken in or after 1912. Image courtesy of the Monterey County Historical Society.



A folding Tassajara postcard depicting the hotel and the bowling alley (to the left).



Charles and Helen Quilty.

## 1905 to 1914, THE TENURE OF CHARLES AND HELEN QUILTY; p. 95.

In 1905 Helen Ford-Quilty began her long tenure as manager Tassajara, which would span for a total of 31 years. It was also during this period that Charles Quilty sold Tassajara to Helen, which she owned from 1909 to 1945 (36 years).

Helen Ford was born in San Francisco in 1872, but she was orphaned at an early age and was raised by her grandparents, Henry and Mary Schafer, in Gilroy. In 1898 she was listed in a San Jose directory as being a teacher at the Grant School, who resided at 503 N. 4<sup>th</sup> St. It has been said that Helen and Charles met at Tassajara, and in July of 1898 she and Mr. Quilty and his family were among those listed as being then present at Tassajara (see 'A Trip to Tassajara,' July 12, 1898). Helen Ford and Charles Quilty were married in Gilroy in the spring of 1899 (see *Society Gossip*, 4/15/1899).

During this period Charles Quilty was engaged in the planning and the overseeing of the construction projects, which included a new bathhouse on the opposite bank of Tassajara Creek, a new kitchen, and the upper floor of the club house (now the guest dining room). It appears that the construction of second bath house was problematic, for it took nearly six years to complete the building. In October 1903 it was reported that "H. Arnold and P. Soberg will remain at the Springs, working on the new bath house, which will be quite an addition to bathing facilities, as there will be two new plunges and four new bath tubs" ('Jamesburg Gleanings,' 10/28/1903), and in late August of 1909 it was reported that: "This was an eventful year at Tassajara. We opened the new bath house with a most impressive ceremony" ('Life is a Dream at Tassajara,' 8/31/1909).

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1905; datelined Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

H. Arnold returned to Tassajara Springs on Saturday. Mrs. Arnold accompanied him and Miss Mable Arnold has come out for a week's visit. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Mrs. H. Arnold has returned from a visit to Tassajara Springs. C. S. Cahoon came out from Tassajara Springs last week. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1905; datelined March 21<sup>st</sup>, 1905:

C. M. Chew and his gang of road workers are busy on the Tassajara Road. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Miss Mable Arnold came out from Tassajara yesterday on a visit to her mother. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Miss Mabel Arnold was out from Tassajara Springs on Friday last. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1905; datelined March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. M. Chew has a force of men repairing the Tassajara road. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of the Tassajara Springs, was here from San Jose on business and returned home last night.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1905:

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Oksen, of Watsonville, went to Tassajara Springs last Friday and will soon have that resort in readiness for the summer. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Miss Mabel Arnold came out from Tassajara Springs on Monday. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

### STAGE STARTS MONDAY

The Tassajara stage will make its first trip to Tassajara Springs Monday morning. Antone Williams, the popular driver, will handle the reins this year.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Anton Williams brought up a load of goods

for the Springs on Friday last.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark, of Watsonville, passed through here on their way to Tassajara today.

The Nixon brothers, of Ford & Sandborn's store, are guests at Tassajara Springs.

H. B. Leigh of Reliz Canyon and C. Joy of Arroyo Seco went to Tassajara on Friday.

F. Call and son, of Santa Cruz, passed through here on their way to Tassajara Hot Springs. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

### OFF FOR TASSAJARA

Driver Antone Williams and a stage-load of passengers left this morning for Tassajara Springs. This is the first load of the season.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1905; datelined April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

The Tassajara Stage made its first trip yesterday with Tony Williams as captain. Everybody is glad when they hear Mr. Williams is going to hold the ribbons, because they know they are safe with him, and don't need their lives insured. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

### ENCOUNTERED A SNOW STORM

Anton Williams, the Tassajara stage driver, on his trip to the Springs Monday, encountered falling snow and much wind. Some of the passengers had never before experienced a snow

storm and enjoyed it greatly.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1905:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose last evening and are guests at the Hotel Bardin.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1905 (4/27 in the *Weekly*):

## NOTES FROM TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, April 24.—Although it is so early in the season we have quite a family at this sylvan retreat, and while you people in the valley are drawing your overcoats around your shaking forms, the gentlemen here are going coatless and the ladies are arrayed in summer dresses. What do you think of that for climate.

Charles Joy, of Arroyo Seco came in ten days ago on crutches but after two or three hot baths was able to discard their use, and is now almost entirely over his sciatic agony.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty arrived on Friday's stage and will manage the Springs for the season, which insures courteous treatment and a good time for all.

Messrs. W. E. and J. G. Nixon, of Salinas, are out every day trout fishing and always return with the number allowed by law for each catch. The boys declare fifty is only a drop in the bucket to what they could catch but of course they don't.

Jesse B. Iverson, of Salinas, made his initial trip today and also came home with fifty speckled beauties.

F. L. Call and son Clyde from Santa Cruz are enjoying a two week's outing.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Clark, of Watsonville, have a camp established in a beautiful nook and are taking it easy, as only those at Tassajara know how to do.

Edwin Clough, of Watsonville, expects to remain a week longer.

This evening's stage brought the following passengers: Mrs. Girard, Carmel; Miss Freda Moss and Miss Marie Ericson, San Jose, and Mr. George Feeney, Salinas.

TASSAJARA MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

## TASSAJARA STAGE LINE

Notice is hereby given that I have this day purchased the "Tassajara Stage Line," stages, horses, harness and accessories, together with the business and good will of the route between Salinas and the Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Cal., and that I collect for freight, passenger, express and mail service and pay all bills, claims and charges.

Dated, Tassajara Hot Springs, April 26, 1905.  
HELEN G. QUILTY.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1905 (5/4 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty, J. Iverson and E. Clough came out from Tassajara by last Saturday's stage and went to Salinas.  
PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1905 (5/11 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, May 3.—Since you last heard from us we are experiencing decidedly contrary weather for this place noted only for sunshine and flowers. It started to rain May Day and has showered at intervals ever since, but we hope for a change tomorrow.

George Feeney holds the bowling record for the season with a score of 206. Decidedly good for an amateur at the game.

Frank Clark and "Babe" Rossi are keeping us supplied with trout these days.

Talking of trout, it is queer how the young people can go fishing for several hours and then return basket empty, bemoaning the many bites they had, but losing the fish each time. It is especially queer when it can be proved by examination that their lines have never been in the water. Yet this is what happened Miss Maggie McGrury and Charles Coffey of Salinas this afternoon.

James Bardin is sojourning with us for a couple of weeks, and is hoping to lessen his avoirdupois considerably, but from the regularity and punctuality with which he seeks the dining room we are afraid his efforts will be in vain.

Charles Williams of Monterey caught a trout this morning that measured exactly twelve inches. He presented the beauty to Mr. Bardin, who declared it to be the most delicious morsel he had ever tasted, and Jimmie is an authority on such subjects.

We missed the Nixon brothers very much as they added greatly to the life of the place; also Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Clark of Watsonville, all of whom left Sunday.

The recent arrivals are: Mr. and Mr. L. M. Rouse, San Francisco; Miss Maggie McGrury, Salinas; James Bardin, Salinas; Mr. M. Silva, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. John Glenn, San Francisco; Charles Williams, Monterey, and W. Conrad, Salinas.  
TASSAJARA MESCAL.

From 'Brief City News,' *San Francisco Call*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

SALINAS, May 4.—About half a foot of snow is reported as having fallen yesterday on the highest points of the Santa Lucia range of mountains between Jamesburg and Tassajara Springs

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1905 (5/11 in the *Weekly*); datelined May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

The rainfall of Sunday morning was something unheard of for this time of the year. Two inches fell here between midnight and midday and four inches are reported from Tassajara Springs. Streams raised and the roads are badly washed. The various roadmasters will have to resume operations.

J. Oksen and H. Arnold came out from Tassajara Springs yesterday.  
PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 12, 1905 (5/18 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA, May 10.—James Bardin left us yesterday and we are simply lost without him, as he was the life of the place. Just ask James

about the nigger babies at Tassajara and see what he will tell you.

A party of four made the steep ascent to Flag Rock yesterday, but to Frank Clark and Miss Freda Moss belong the honor of flying the first flag of the season on that high peak.

The place rang the other afternoon with a regular fusillade of shots, and, on investigation they were found to proceed from an approaching number of horsemen, all splendidly mounted, and having several pack donkeys also. When lined up in front of the hotel to have their picture taken, they presented a very picturesque appearance. The party had been camping along the coast for several weeks, and paid us a visit before starting for their respective homes. The gentlemen were Messrs. Jas. A. Wall and son of San Francisco, Henry Peckham of Watsonville, Messrs. Greeninger and Maloney of San Jose, and S. Avala of King City.

Charles Coffey found a young oak tree the other day and with infinite labor carried it over two miles in order to plant it here to perpetuate his name, but alas for his hopes—we have named it the Postum Cereal Oak, but if anyone is in a hurry it can be called the Coffey Oak.

Mrs. Miller Rouse, of San Francisco, had a narrow escape from serious injury, if not death, yesterday afternoon. The horse she was riding got beyond control when right at the hotel, and Mrs. Rouse was thrown upon the terrace into a clump of ivy, which saved her from the stone wall. She is suffering from the severe nervous shock but is otherwise uninjured.

Fish are a little more plentiful since Mr. Bardin's departure. He ate everyone in sight, even to their heads and tails.

TASSAJARA MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

## FRANK CLARK SETS THE PACE

The new bowling alley at Tassajara Springs is a feature which adds greatly to the pleasure of the resort. The men's record so far is 177, held by Frank Clark, cashier of the Salinas City Bank, and to Mrs. Wagner of San Francisco belongs the honor of holding the highest ladies' score—124.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1905 (6/1 in the *Weekly*):

## TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, May 24.—The wonderful vapor bath is being put up today as the creek is just about low enough now to uncover the boiling spring, and we are eagerly awaiting the finishing touches, for if ever there was a rejuvenator of life and youth it is right here boiling up out of the Arroyo Seco Creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Jeffery and children have been here the past ten days and we are all sorry they are going home tomorrow.

Wm. Menke, of Salinas, can boast of the finest crop of whiskers ever raised at Tassajara in two weeks; and that is saying a good deal in this land innocent of razors. Mr. Menke leaves Saturday and we trust the Salinas barbers will take the hint and charge Will double for shearing his crop. I believe the young man

will have to go home hatless as late this afternoon a young lady was seen to throw his headgear into the creek, and at last accounts it was half way to Soledad.

Everyone was sorry to see the departure of Mr. Conrad, Mr. Coffey and Miss McGrury, as their ready smiles and pleasant greetings were appreciated by all.

A merry crowd of campers arrived Sunday from Pacific Grove for a three week's outing.

Banker John Morey from Watsonville takes life easy and has the record for the latest riser.

Will Chalmers, also of the apple region, is not noted for over exertion, his chief exercise being the walk from the hotel to the dining room.

We miss Frank Clark and "Gill" greatly. Mr. Clark kept us supplied with delicious trout and also was more than generous in responding to invitations to preside at the piano.

The late arrivals have been Messrs. John Morey, Will Chalmers, D. P. Leddy, Thos. Kennedy, and James Ryason, of Watsonville; Wm. Jeffery and wife, P. Rowan and J. Jeffery, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. John Ellicksen, Morgan Hill; J. Jensen, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Hagman, Santa Cruz; Mr. and Mrs. S. Saint, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dangerfield, Miss Dangerfield, Miss Bailey, and Len Oliver, of Pacific Grove. TASSAJARA MESCAL.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1905 (6/1 in the *Weekly*); datelined May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, returned from a visit to San Jose last Friday.

Frank Bruce is again hauling freight to the Springs.

Jas. Oksen, of Tassajara Springs, spent Sunday in Salinas. PINAFORE.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS** (Monterey County), June 2.—Arrivals to date at this resort include: from San Francisco—Mr. and Mrs. Dangers, M. Silva, Mr. and Mrs. John Glenn, James A. Watt and son, William Menke, J. Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Miller Rouse, J. Radovich; San Jose—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Lou Greeninger, L. Maloney, Miss Marie Ericksen.; Salinas—W. E. Nixon, J. G. Nixon, Jesse Iverson, George Feeney, Charles Coffee, Frank Clark, Oswald Rossi, W. Conrad, Mr. and Mrs. Will Jeffery, Henry McLean, Henry Foreman, James Bardin, James Jeffery, P. Rowan, Miss M. McGrury; Pacific Grove—Mr. and Mrs. S. Saint, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Dangerfield, Miss Dangerfield, Miss Bailey, Len Oliver; Watsonville—J. J. Morey, Will Chalmers, B. Leddy, Thomas Kennedy, James Ryason, Henry Peckham, Edwin Clough, E. L. Clark and wife, P. C. Jensen, wife and daughter, H. C. White, E.C. West.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty came in last evening from the Tassajara Springs.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

It took two stages on Monday and Wednesday to accommodate the passengers going to Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Travel is setting in towards the Springs in good shape, two stages have been required to take the passengers the last three trips and numerous parties have gone by private conveyance. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1905 (6/23 in the *Weekly*); datelined June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty has returned to Tassajara after a visit to San Jose.

H. Arnold is out from Tassajara Springs. Tassajara Springs hotel is well filled with guests at the present time. PINAFORE.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Weekly Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1905:

E. M. Thompson and wife and Mrs. C. W. Quilty came in from Tassajara last evening and left on the 7 o'clock train for their home in San Jose.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1905:

M. J. Smeltzer, editor of the [*Salinas*] *Journal*, returned last evening from a two week's stay at Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Thompson and Mrs. C. W. Quilty came in last evening from Tassajara on their way to San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1905 (6/29 in the *Weekly*); datelined June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

The Misses Quilty, of San Jose, went to Tassajara Springs on Monday's stage. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1905:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty is at the Hotel Bardin, accompanied by the Misses Estelle, Ruth and Genevieve Quilty. They leave this morning for Tassajara.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

It took two stages to accommodate all of the passengers going to Tassajara on Wednesday.

F. Bruce took a load of hay to Tassajara yesterday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1905 (7/13 in the *Weekly*); datelined July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Large numbers of visitors have been going to Tassajara Springs since the beginning of the month. PINAFORE.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**, July 14.—Recent arrivals at this resort are: From San Francisco—Dr. W. R. Clunes, Jr., Miss Ellicksen, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Madden, Miss Pauline Rispatel, Miss A. Casamayow, Robert G. Ford,

J. F. Herrman; Honolulu—L. C. Dee; Monterey—Mrs. David Jacks, Miss Margaret Jacks, Mrs. William Lassiter, Jack Delgard, Grant Towle, M. Glaya, C. S. Dickinson, George Messe, Frank Helm, Sam Gaddis, Frank Ordway, Frank Ordway, Jr., M. Brick, Thomas Brown, Mrs. C. Helm, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Metz; San Jose—A. A. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Thompson, Charles Foerster, John H. Yoell and wife, Misses Pauline, Irene, Alice, Estelle and Ruth Quilty, Miss Estelle Brown, Mr. and Mrs. E. Estrade, Miss Genevieve Quilty, Arthur and Henry Washburn; Salinas—M. Wallace and wife, Miss Mamie Zabala, Miss Virginia Zabala, G. Pedren, F. W. Jensen, W. J. Smeltzer, J. B. Iverson, M. Hughes, P. A. Cox, Miss I. McGuire, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bardin, Charles Bardin, Jr., Miss Elizabeth Bardin, Miss Margaret Bardin, Miss Bertha Bardin, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hicks, Miss L. Lang, Andrew Church, C. J. Arne and wife, J. B. Porter and wife, E. P. Alexander and wife, R. C. Alexander, Miss B. Chestnut, Judge J. K. Alexander and wife, Miss A. M. Alexander.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1905; datelined July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

F. Bruce went to Salinas for a load of fruit for Tassajara.

John Chew goes to Tassajara today to repair the road. WILLOW TREE.

An advertisement that ran in the *Salinas Daily Index*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, *Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel* and the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian* during the guest season of 1905:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Located in the Arroyo Seco Canyon on the U. S. Santa Lucia Forest Reserve, nine miles from the Coast. Altitude 1700 feet.

Most Famous Pleasure and Health Resort in Central California

There is a fine Sandstone Hotel, eighteen Hot Mineral Springs, Warm Sulphur Plunges, Hot Baths, Radio Thermal Vapor Baths that are wonderful. Alpine Scenery. Waterfalls. Fine trout streams. Camping grounds. Dancing platform. Bowling alley and billiards.

Climate Unequaled. Continuous sunshine. No fogs. No winds.

Rates—\$10 and \$12 per week. Campers \$2.50 per week. Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Address

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Monterey County, California,  
or C. W. QUILTY, San Jose, Cal.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty returned by last evening's stage from Tassajara and left by the first train for San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty went to San Jose last Thursday. PINAFORE.

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From the 'Personalities' column,  
*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Antone Dourond, of San Jose, came in from Tassajara Springs last night.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Two stages were required to take the passengers to the Springs Monday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty brought up from San Jose last week a force of stone masons to work on the new bath house at Tassajara Springs.

There are a large number of guests at Tassajara Springs at present. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1905; datelined Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

F. Bruce has gone to Salinas for a load for Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1905:

F. Bruce is hauling hay to Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1905 (9/7 in the *Weekly*); datelined Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty came up on today's stage and went to Tassajara Springs.

The Misses Quilty returned to their home in San Jose by Saturday's stage. PINAFORE.

From the 'Local News' column, *Santa Cruz Sentinel*, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

The season at the Tassajara Hot Springs, the largest and finest sulphur springs in the State, and to which many residents of Santa Cruz Co. go for relief from rheumatism, is drawing to a close. These springs are located in the coast range of mountains and reached by stage from both Salinas City and the town of Monterey, and are conducted in a first-class manner by the Quilty's, to whom they belong.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1905:

Tassajara Springs will close for the winter next Saturday, after a very successful season. The stage will make no more trips after that date and the mail will be brought by the regular mail carrier and will arrive later than when carried by the stage, and will leave earlier in the morning.

Mrs. Quilty had the misfortune to lose one of her best stage horses last Thursday. The animal took sick while at the Springs and died in a short time.

C. W. Quilty returns to San Jose today.

H. Arnold is out from Tassajara Springs to visit his family. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1905:

The Tassajara stage will make its last trip to the Springs Friday. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1905  
(10/14 in the *Weekly*):

### CLOSED FOR THE SEASON

Tony Williams went out with the Tassajara stage yesterday for the final trip of the season. Mrs. Quilty will return on today's stage on her way home to San Jose. The season just ended has been the most successful in the history of this greatest of California's many fine health resorts.

From the 'Personalities' column,  
*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty came down from Tassajara yesterday and went home to San Jose today.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1905 (10/26 in the *Weekly*):

### MONTEREY LAND WITHDRAWN

#### THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND ACRES THAT ARE NOT SUBJECT TO ENTRY

Withheld Pending Declaration of Forest Reserve—List of These Townships—What They Include

Some months ago the United States Land Office withdrew from entry a large tract of land in this county pending the question of making of it a forest reserve. The purposes of a forest reserve are largely the conservation of the water supply to the streams and the preservation of the climatic conditions. The land withdrawn as given by U. S. Land Commissioner Daugherty for Monterey County is, in round figures, 340,000 acres and lies in the following named townships:

Township 17 South, Range 7 East.  
Township 18 South, Range 1, 2, 3 and 4 East.  
Township 19 South, Range 2, 3 and 4 East.  
Township 20 South, Range 2, 3, 4 and 5 East.  
Township 21 South, Range 3, 4, 6 and 6 East.  
Township 22 South, Range 4, 5 and 6 East.  
Township 23 South, Range 5 and 6 East.

There has been considerable inquiry about lands in this section and the list is published for the benefit of those interested. Commissioner Daugherty states that settlers who have got patents to their lands or have acquired rights in connection with their occupancy of the lands will have all their rights respected, but until the matter of declaring these lands a forest reserve is disposed of no new rights to land in these townships can be acquired.

County Surveyor Lon G. Hare, referring to the map, found the following districts included in this withdrawal:

The coast from Palo Colorado Creek to Los Burros, except a few sections east of the Sur Rancho, Jamesburg, Cachagua, the head of the Carmel, Tassajara Springs, the head of the Arroyo Seco, Lost Valley, the head of Reliz and Vaquero canyons, the upper Milpitas and the upper reaches of the San Antonio and Nacimiento rivers.

*Los Angeles Herald*, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1905:

SALINAS, Oct. 20.—United States Land Commissioner Daugherty for Monterey County announced yesterday that 340,000 acres of

land had been withdrawn from public entry pending the declaration of a forest reserve.

From the 'Local Brevities,' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. W. Quilty will install Martin Smith keeper of Tassajara Springs during the closed season. He left this morning for this purpose.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1905 (11/2 in the *Weekly*); datelined Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1905:

The stone masons came out from Tassajara yesterday and Mr. and Mrs. Oksen and Mr. Call come today, so the Springs will be deserted except for the caretaker, Martin Smith, who will stay the winter. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. M. Chew and son Walter have been busy ditching the Tassajara road for the past few days. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1905; datelined Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1905:

C. M. Chew and son Walter went to Tassajara Saturday, to put the road in repair for the winter rains.

D. Jeffery and J. R. Duke of Salinas went to Tassajara Sunday. WILLOW TREE.

## 1906

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906 (1/11 in the *Weekly*); datelined Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Jas. Oksen, of Watsonville, came up on Saturday and went to Tassajara Springs.

Martin Smith was out from Tassajara Hot Springs on Saturday for the first time this winter. PINAFORE.

*San Francisco Call*, Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1906 (also in the 1/19 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'New Way to Tassajara'):

### NEW STAGE LINE TO BE ESTABLISHED

WILL BE OPERATED BETWEEN  
MONTEREY, JAMESBURG AND  
TASSAJARA SPRINGS

MONTEREY, Jan. 17.—A mail and stage line will be established between Monterey and Jamesburg and Tassajara Springs on July 1. The distance is fifty two miles.

The new line will run from Monterey through the Carmel Valley, Laureles, Whitlock's Resort to Jamesburg and Tassajara. Salinas was formerly the railroad point for that section. Citizens of the country traversed and Monterey citizens, through the efforts E. A. Preble of this city, succeeded in getting the Government to make the change of mail route. The stage will make three trips a week. In winter the line will only run to Jamesburg, but in summer it will go through to the Springs. Bids for carrying the mail on the route are now being called for. The opening of the route will turn all trade of the section transversed to this city.



From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1906:

Martin Smith was out from Tassajara Hot Springs on Saturday.

Mr. Church came out from the "Caves" and reports 16 inches of rain for the storm there and very high water. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### AUTO MAY CARRY MAIL

The *Monterey Cypress* says: Charles Howland, who has the contract for carrying the United States mail to Jamesburg, intends to put on an automobile service if the roads are in good condition when he begins to carry the mails in April. He will go over the road in a few days and see if the grades are such to allow the use of automobiles.

In conversation with a *Cypress* reporter yesterday he stated that his plan is to put on a ten seat automobile of the wagonette pattern, having wooden wheels instead of those that are in general use on the automobiles at the present time. The run to Jamesburg can be made in an automobile in about two hours, while it takes a stage about a day to make the journey. At Jamesburg connection will be made with the stages from Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### TASSAJARA WILL OPEN

It is understood that C. W. Quilty will open Tassajara Springs about the first of May.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

C. M. Chew and a force of men have begun work on the Tassajara road. PINAFORE.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty wants a driver for Tassajara Springs stage. See advertisement.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

WANTED—Stage driver for Tassajara Hot Springs. Only very capable drivers and those who do not drink need apply. Address, stating experience and giving references. Mrs. C. W. Quilty, San Jose, Cal.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

C. M. Chew leaves this morning with his force of men for the Tassajara side of the mountain to repair the road. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906 (4/12 in the *Weekly*):

### THE TASSAJARA STAGE LINE

HEADQUARTERS WILL BE AT SALINAS INSTEAD OF MONTEREY

The Stage Will Begin Its Regular Trips on Tuesday, May 1

In order to correct the impression that has gone out to the effect that the Tassajara stage line will run from Monterey to Tassajara Springs, instead of from Salinas to the Springs as heretofore, the Salinas City Board of Trade

wish it made public that Salinas is, and will be, the headquarters for the stage route, and that guests will go from here as in the past.

The mail contract has been let from Monterey to Jamesburg, but this has nothing to do with the passenger route. The Board of Trade communicated with Mrs. Quilty, proprietor of the Springs, and urged that the old route be retained, giving many good reasons why there should be no change. A few days later they received a very cordial reply stating that she had decided to have the head-quarters at Salinas and that all travel would be over the scenic route that has become very popular among patrons of the Springs. She was also anxious that the matter be given as much publicity as possible in order to correct the impression that has gone out that patrons will be obliged to go via Monterey, which will entail extra expense.

James Oksen, of Watsonville, came over last night and took his departure this morning for Tassajara, to get things in readiness for the opening, which will be the first of May. The stage will begin its regular run from here Tuesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

The people of the Carmel and Jamesburg country, who signed the petition to have the mail carried from Monterey instead of from Salinas, will probably soon find out their mistake (if they have not already), as it will take one or two days longer to send a letter to Salinas and get an answer, which is frequently a matter of great importance in transacting business with the county seat.

What ought to have boon done is this: A mail route should have been established from Monterey to the Laureles ranch, connecting there with the route from Salinas to Jamesburg. This would have accommodated the settlers in the lower Carmel Valley just as well, and been infinitely better for the people of Cachagua, Jamesburg and Tassajara.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Jim Oksen has gone to Tassajara Springs to get things in readiness for the coming season, which will begin the latter part of this month or the first part of May.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### FORGOT HIS KEYS

Jas. Oksen left this morning for Tassajara Hot Springs to prepare the hotel for summer guests. This is Jim's second start on this trip. On the first occasion he got as far as Salinas when he discovered that he had forgotten all his keys to the big hotel. He had to come back for them and start over again.

**THE GREAT EARTHQUAKE OF 1906 OCCURRED AT 5:12 A. M. ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup>.**

From 'Tassajara' by Irma ("Tassy") Oksen Reaves, 1985:

"On April 6, 1906, Papa left early that morning to prepare the hotel for the summer guests. Papa had two starts on that trip. He got as far as Salinas when he discovered he had forgotten his keys to Tassajara Hotel and surround-

ing buildings. . .

"In the early morning of April 18, 1906, the terrible San Francisco earthquake struck. Papa thought the world was coming to an end there in Tassajara. Huge boulders and rocks tumbled down the steep mountain sides surrounding the Tassajara Basin. It was an experience difficult to describe. Immediately, Papa headed for Watsonville with Topsy, his horse. There was still snow in the mountains which slowed his progress. Each day he drove as far as Topsy could travel. En route he heard that Watsonville was "under water." This made my father all the more anxious to reach his little family. It was a very happy reunion as he found his wife and baby safe."

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1906:

We had a share of the earthquake Wednesday morning. It was the heaviest ever known here. It did no damage, only breaking dishes and spilling milk out of pans, and breaking limbs off of trees. We hear that at Tassajara it was very light. Shocks have occurred every day since. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1906 (4/26 in the *Weekly Journal*):

### LEFT FOR TASSAJARA

Jesse B. Iverson and Elwood Nixon left last night for a camping and fishing trip at Tassajara Springs. The season will not open there for two weeks yet, but as is the custom, these two sportsmen leave each year about this time for a camping trip and get the cream of the fishing.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, is in town today arranging for the opening of Tassajara Springs. He will go to Tassajara tomorrow.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the season on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. The stage will run regularly from Salinas, as formerly. Tassajara Springs will be conducted by Mrs. C. W. Quilty.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

POPULAR RESORT ESCAPED EARTHQUAKE AND IS ALL RIGHT FOR COMING SEASON

A letter received here this morning from C. W. Quilty conveys the pleasing news that the noted Tassajara Springs suffered no damage whatever from the recent earthquake—on the contrary improved them, in respect to a greater flow and a higher temperature of the waters.

The Springs will open for the coming season on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, and will be in better trim than ever to entertain visitors, for many improvements have been made, and the road has been placed in good repair.

There will be no change in the rates, and the resort will still be conducted on the high plane of excellence that has gained for it the same patrons, year after year.

Tassajara Springs has long been the favorite resort of the residents of this city, owing not only to its proximity, but to the ties contracted by a first-class management, and cordial, square treatment, and we remind our readers that when they commence to make their arrangements for their summer vacation this year, to not overlook the claims and many advantages of Tassajara Springs.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

J. Oksen came out from Tassajara this week on a visit to his family at Watsonville.

We are still having light earthquake shocks, as reminders of what it has done or will do, we don't know which, but we hope for the best.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1906 (also 5/2 in the *Weekly Index*), May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1906; datelined April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

It is so long since any news has been sent from this burg that you probably think the earthquake shook us out of existence—that is, if anyone thought of us at all, but not so. The crust is too thick in the mountains and no damage was done.

Horace Cahoon made a trip to Reliz Canyon last week, and brought over the Tassajara stage horses, which have been on pasture there.

Jas. Oksen, of Tassajara Springs, paid a visit to Watsonville and San Jose last week.

G. I. Hallock has gone to Salinas for a load for the Springs. Mr. Hallock will drive the stage this year and the first trip will be made Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.

PINAFORE.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1906:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose is in town today arranging for opening Tassajara Springs. He will go to Tassajara tomorrow.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1906:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

As will be seen by the ad in another column, Tassajara Springs will reopen for the coming season next week. Everything is in readiness to accommodate a large number of patrons, and nothing will be left undone by its popular hostess, Mrs. Quilty, that will conduce to the comfort and enjoyment of those who visit this noted resort. At this time of the year Tassajara Springs is one of the prettiest places imaginable and the various springs are a panacea for many ills.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup> and onward during the guest season of 1906 (identical or nearly identical ads ran in the *Salinas Weekly Journal* and the *Santa Cruz Sentinel* during the guest season of 1906):

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Located in Arroyo Seco Canyon on the U. S. Santa Lucia Forest Reserve, nine miles from the coast. Altitude 1700 feet.

Most Famous Pleasure and Health

### Resort in Central California

Fine sandstone hotel, eighteen Hot Mineral Springs, Warm Sulphur Plunges, Hot Baths, and a wonderful Radio Thermal Vapor Bath. Alpine Scenery. Waterfalls. Fine Trout Streams. Camping Grounds. Dancing, Bowling and Billiards. Climate Unequaled.

RATES—\$10 and \$12 per week. Campers, \$2.50 per week.

Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Address:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS,

Monterey County, California,

or C. W. Quilty, San Jose, Cal.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### UNHURT BY EARTHQUAKE

Tassajara Springs, the unexcelled health and pleasure resort, was absolutely unhurt by the earthquake, and will open for guests on Monday next, when the first stage will leave Salinas for the Springs. Regular trips will be made from this point, as during past seasons. It will be good news to those who enjoyed the hospitality of the management last year, to know that Mrs. C. W. Quilty will personally conduct the Springs again this year.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### STAGE BEGINS RUNNING MONDAY

The Tassajara stage will make its first regular trip for the season of 1906 Monday, and it is understood that there will be several arrivals from the north tomorrow, who will leave Monday for that resort. The recent heavy earthquake was scarcely felt there and the buildings and springs were undamaged. The stage will leave Salinas on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays and it is expected that the Springs will have one of the most prosperous years in the history of that famous resort.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

WANTED—A good waitress to go to Tassajara Hot Springs. Apply at once at 156 South Third Street.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### STAGE BEGINS RUNNING

This morning the first official run of the Tassajara stage was made and five passengers were taken to the Springs. These were Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty and maid, R. Tholcke and T. Fencher.

From now on the stage will make three trips a week and it is believed that the Springs will have the best patronage this year that the resort has ever enjoyed.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

C. W. Quilty and wife and maid came down from San Jose yesterday and remained over night at the Bardin House. They took their departure on the stage this morning for Tassajara Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

The first stage went through to Tassajara Springs today and there was an extra rig also.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose, proprietors of Tassajara Springs, went through on today's stage.

The workers on the Tassajara road completed their job Saturday last.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

WANTED—Competent waitress for Tassajara Hot Springs. Address Mrs. C. W. Quilty, at Springs.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Martin Smith came in from Tassajara Hot Springs on last night's stage.

*San Francisco Examiner*, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**—Arroyo Seco Canyon, nine miles from coast. Altitude 1,700 feet. Best health and pleasure resort in Central California. Fine sandstone hotel; 18 hot mineral springs; warm sulphur plunges; hot radio-thermal vapor baths; alpine scenery; waterfalls; trout streams; camping grounds; dancing, billiards and other diversions for guests. Climate unequalled; no fogs or winds. Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Address C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

C. W. Quilty came in last night from Tassajara and left for San Jose on the evening train.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1906:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

In Arroyo Seco Canyon, on the U. S. Santa Lucia Forest Reserve. Best health and pleasure resort in California; 18 hot mineral springs, hot sulphur plunges, wonderful vapor baths, alpine scenery, trout fishing, camp grounds, amusements of all kinds. Rates \$10 to \$12. Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Address C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1906:

We still have an earthquake every few days. Last Thursday at twenty minutes to eight o'clock we had two quite hard quakes.

Miss Hazel Lewis went to Tassajara yesterday, where she has accepted a position for the summer.

WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The Favorite Resort Entertaining Many Guests

Tassajara Springs, unquestionably the most inviting health and pleasure resort in this State, is having a fine patronage for the opening of the season.

The massive sandstone hotel was absolutely undamaged by the earthquake, and since the

"main event" only one slight quake has been felt at the Springs.

There are now twenty-two guests enjoying the hospitality of the management, and the season is but two weeks old.

The vapor bath is going as usual, only greatly improved as to room, a tent sixteen feet square being used as the cooling room. This wonderful radio-thermal vapor bath, the only one of its kind in the State, has remarkable curative properties. It is a boiling hot spring bubbling up from the bed of the creek through the ice-cold waters of the mountain stream. Its use has demonstrated its value in cases of rheumatism, gout, stomach, liver and kidney troubles. It is patronized by the guests quite freely as the hot plunges, and its rejuvenating effects are simply marvelous.

You will not be doing yourself justice if you deny yourself a couple of weeks' vacation at Tassajara. Remember that the stage leaves Salinas on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, and the rates at the Springs are \$10 and \$12 per week, and for campers \$2.50 per week.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1906; datelined May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Mrs. Jas. Oksen and child, of Watsonville, went to Tassajara on yesterday's stage.

PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1906; datelined May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Mrs. J. Oksen and little daughter went to Tassajara yesterday to join her husband, and will spend the summer at the Springs.

There are now about 25 guests at Tassajara.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1906 (6/7 in the *Weekly*); datelined June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1906:

The heavy rain of last Sunday washed out a wall in the Tassajara Road and the stage could get no farther than the "Cascades." C. M. Chew at once got his road-working force in action and had the break repaired by Wednesday evening so that the stage could make its regular trip.

Six inches of rain is reported from Tassajara Springs for the late storm.

PINAFORE.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

## HAPPY DAYS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

THE SEASON AT THAT POPULAR RESORT OPENED AUSPICIOUSLY AND EACH STAGE BRINGS OUTING PARTIES

After the storm comes sunshine. Very truly can this be said of Tassajara weather at present. Just a week ago the elements raged and thundered, but now the storm king has given place to glorious sunshine and the bright, balmy air is filled with peace, happiness, and health.

Our family at present is small and consists mostly of guests from Watsonville, but we expect additions to our numbers on every stage for the future.

Outside of bathing and tramping, the chief diversion is card playing, and I will like you to mention a game in which we are not proficient. The newest "Bridge Whist," the famous Eng-

lish game. Mrs. Quilty, as instructor, has had marked success as many well contested games prove. But Billy Chalmers is the best player and I am sure he could give King Edward himself a few points and then win the rubber. But others who also play well are Mr. and Mrs. Roy Eaton and the latter's sister, Miss Tynan.

Peter Rudebeck is charmed with the Springs and thinks that in a very short time he will be equal to the most difficult mountain climbing.

Miss Juliet Sexton of San Francisco is here spending the summer with her cousin, Mrs. Quilty.

One of our favorite walks is to see the waterfall, and the view fully repays the tramp. Through a canyon over two hundred feet high the water leaps in a sheer drop to the creek below, making a beautiful and picturesque sight that is not found outside Yosemite Valley.

Miss Tynan's piano playing is a source of great enjoyment to us all, as is also that famous Watsonville candy, a box of which reaches her by every stage. Echo answers, who?

Mr. James Ryason is the happiest man here today. The creek was so high for several days that the vapor bath was out of commission, but tomorrow it will be ready again much to the delight of those seeking to lose a few pounds avoirdupois.

A fine Columbia phonograph that Mr. Eaton brought furnishes choice moonlight concerts and an appreciative audience lingers until the last note dies away in an echo from the hills.

Mr. Chalmers has expressed an intention to go fishing about three miles up the creek, (can you see him?) so I hope, Mr. Editor, to send you some fine speckled beauties, but I would not advise you to whet your appetite too much, especially since I believe you are acquainted with the gentleman named. However, hope springs eternal in the human breast.

Mr. Duncan McKinnon and Mr. Geo. Palm-tag of Salinas left for home yesterday after a two week's visit.

MESCAL.

June 25, 1906:

### PROCLAMATIONS, 1906

BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

## A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, it is provided by section twenty-four of the act of Congress, approved March third, eighteen hundred and ninety-one, entitled, "An act to repeal timber-culture laws, and for other purposes," "That the President of the United States may, from time to time, set apart and reserve, in any State or Territory having public land bearing forests, in any part of the public lands wholly or in part covered with timber or undergrowth, whether of commercial value or not, as public reservations, and the President shall, by public proclamation, declare the establishment of such reservations and the limits thereof."

And whereas, the public lands, in the State of California, which are hereinafter indicated, are in part covered with timber, and it appears that the public good would be promoted by setting apart said lands as a public reservation.

Now, therefore, I, Theodore Roosevelt, Pres-

ident of the United States of America, by virtue of the power in me vested by section twenty-four of the aforesaid act of Congress, do proclaim that there are hereby reserved from entry or settlement and set apart as a Public Reservation, for the use and benefit of the people, all the tracts of land, in the State of California, shown as the Monterey Forest Reserve on the diagram forming a part hereof.

Excepting from the force and effect of this proclamation all lands which may have been, prior to the date hereof, embraced in any legal entry or covered by any lawful filing duly of record in the proper United States Land Office, or upon which any valid settlement has been made pursuant to law, and the statutory period within which to make entry or filing of record has not expired: Provided, that this exception shall not continue to apply to any particular tract of land unless the entryman, settler, or claimant continues to comply with the law under which the entry, filing, or settlement was made.

Warning is hereby expressly given to all persons not to make settlement upon the lands reserved by this proclamation.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed.

Done at the City of Washington this 25<sup>th</sup> day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirtieth.

THEODORE ROOSEVELT

By the President:

ROBERT BACON

Acting Secretary of State.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 27<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### ANOTHER CELEBRATION

MONTEREY, IN WHOOP-UP-TIVE MOOD, WILL WHOOPER-UP—WHEN?

The *Monterey Cypress* of today says: "The opening of the stage and mail route to Tassajara Springs from this city will be celebrated in grand style on Tuesday evening, July 2d. There is to be a procession, to which Col. Maus is to be invited to furnish a cavalry escort; a float bearing members of the Merchant's Association; a stage drawn by six mules, and bearing sign "U. S. Mail from Monterey to Tassajara," and carrying members of the committee and prominent citizens. On the seat beside the driver will sit a man representing the shotgun messengers of old, while mounted men will act as outriders. The streets will be illuminated; the whole town will take on a gala appearance, and the following named will be invited to "orate:" Judge T. G. Lambert, the oldest resident of Monterey, F. Gundersdorfer, President of the Merchant's Association, Mayor Will Jacks, and J. C. Anthony, the owner of the stage line.

From 'Officers of Merchant's Association,' *Monterey New Era*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

George D. Clark, H. Mel Porter Shaw, W. Kay, and C. Noggle were appointed a committee to arrange for an adequate expression of gratification at the opening of the mail stage

service between Monterey and Tassajara Hot Springs. The first stage starts from Monterey on Monday morning next and it is proposed to have a public demonstration when it returns on Tuesday evening. As our readers will remember, the contract for carrying the mail was awarded to J. C. Anthony, who will, in this, as in everything else he undertakes, give first class service.

*Monterey New Era*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

While we are jubilating over the new mail stage route between Monterey and Tassajara, which is one of the best things for Monterey and the people of the Carmel Valley that could have been devised, let us not forget that we are indebted for it to the untiring efforts of E. A. Preble and the able assistance given that gentleman by Postmaster W. W. James.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

## NEW FOREST RESERVE MADE

CONTAINING ABOUT 287,000 ACRES IN MONTEREY COUNTY

Fifty-Nine Per Cent of Area Protects Streams Tributary to Salinas Valley

A dispatch from Washington states that President Roosevelt has proclaimed two new forest reserves in California—one of 315,000 acres in San Luis Obispo County, and the other of 287,000 acres in Monterey County. The latter extends northward along the coast, from a little above the southern boundary of the county for a distance of about forty miles, with a varying width of from 10 to 25 miles, and covering a portion of the coast range. The average elevation is 3000 feet. The normal rainfall of about thirty inches occurs principally from November to April. About 59 per cent of the total area of the reserve offers protection to the streams tributary to the Salinas Valley, which will be used for irrigation; 17 per cent covers the head waters of the Carmel River, which supplies the city of Monterey and is also used for irrigation; 16 per cent is tributary to Sur and Little Sur rivers, on which water will probably be used for development of power. The remaining 8 percent drains to the Pacific Ocean. The arable lands of the Salinas Valley can more than use the waters which can be conserved in this reserve, as the average rainfall of the valley is less than ten inches. The estimated stand of timber is 334,210,000 feet, b. m., more than one-half of which consists of redwood.

The most extensive fires which have periodically ravaged these watersheds have been confined largely to the chaparral cover, which extends over 57 percent of the reserve, and is of great importance in the regulation of the seasonal runoff. Under the forest reserve regulations this destruction will be controlled.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

The mail stage came up from Monterey yesterday instead of Salinas, as the mail carrier did, but the mail has not found the way around yet. We did not even get the Salinas papers.

We hear there is to be quite a celebration in Monterey tonight when the mail carrier arrives in Monterey, but we, the people of this burg, have nothing to rejoice over, as we do not appreciate the change. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1906:

The change of mail route took place today and the mail came from Monterey. We are glad to note that Monterey is so pleased that it celebrated the event tonight. We never knew that we were of so much importance before. We are not celebrating so that you can notice it, as we do not get our Salinas papers until they are two or three days old now.

The Misses Quilty, of San Jose, are at Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

*Monterey New Era*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

## FROM MONTEREY TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The opening of the new mail stage line between Monterey and Tassajara Hot Springs was celebrated with great rejoicing Tuesday evening when the stage returned after its first trip.

A parade, a bonfire, anvil firing, fireworks and oratorical pyrotechnics were salient features of the event.

The parade formed at the plaza and marched down Alvarado Street in the following order:

Grand Marshal J.P. Sargent and cavalcade of horsemen, Monterey Fire Department band on float drawn by six horses, the Monterey and Tassajara stage coach drawn by six-mule team, Tom Allen seated besides the driver, impersonated a shotgun messenger, float drawn by six horses bearing members of the Merchant's Association, George Clark impersonated a highwayman and held up the stage, but was cleverly roped by Vaquero Charley Panchito.

The procession marched to the custom house and thence back to the plaza, where H. A. Greene, C. W. Peterson and H. S. Snodgrass made brief but enthusiastic speeches in which the benefits to be derived from the new stage line were discussed and everybody urged to pull together for a "Greater Monterey."

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Mrs. Quilty, of Tassajara Springs, went to San Jose on Saturday, returning Monday. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Happenings,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

There are about fifty people at Tassajara. Two stages were required to take the passengers in yesterday. WILLOW TREE.

*Santa Cruz Weekly Sentinel*, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

The stages, running both from Monterey and Salinas City to Tassajara Springs, now go loaded daily, the many hot sulphur springs being patronized at all hours. The number of people who suffer from rheumatism is great, and medicine doing them no good they turn to nature's sweet restorer.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

## A PROSPEROUS SEASON

Tassajara Hot Springs is enjoying one of the most prosperous summer seasons in the history of that famous health and pleasure resort.—*Salinas Journal*.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

There are about 75 guests at Tassajara. F. Bruce took a load of hay to Tassajara yesterday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1906 (7/26 in the *Weekly*); datelined July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, proprietor of Tassajara Springs, came up by Monday's stage. PINAFORE.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

## DOING BIGGER BUSINESS

Tassajara Springs is almost, if not quite, the banner resort of the State in the matter of business compared with former years. Nearly every other resort shows a falling off, while Tassajara is doing a bigger business than ever.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose was in town yesterday on his way to Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Yesterday's stage to Tassajara Springs was crowded. This season has proved by far the most prosperous in the history of these famous springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1906 (8/9 in the *Weekly*); datelined Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

There have been a great many people going to Tassajara Springs by stage of late, both by the Salinas and Monterey routes.

C. W. Quilty came out from Tassajara last week and went to San Jose. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Frank Bruce is hauling hay from Mr. Blomquist's place to the Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1906:

F. Bruce was hauling hay last week to Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

*Santa Cruz Evening Sentinel*, Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1906:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

One of the most popular places in this part of the State just now is Tassajara Hot Springs in Monterey Co. They are located in the Arroyo Seco Canyon at an altitude of 1,700 feet, and have eighteen hot mineral springs. The scenery is alpine in aspect, dry and exhilarating. C. W. Quilty is the ideal host.

*Santa Cruz Evening Sentinel*, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Tassajara Hot Springs are both a health and pleasure resort. Near home and yet climate so different from ours—a complete change.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1906; datelined Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

F. Bruce went to Salinas Friday for a load of fruit for Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Tony Dourond, an old-time mountaineer, and his friend, Mr. Watson, went to Tassajara last Friday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

An automobile party of seven, accompanied by a camp wagon, arrived here last night and will go to Miller Canyon today. This is the first auto to attempt the grade above here. H. Dana, of Mountain View, owner of the machine, is in charge.

From 'Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Oct. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1906:

Mr. and Mrs. Jas. Oksen left Tassajara Hot Springs for Watsonville today. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1906:

Mr. and Mrs. J. Oksen left yesterday for their home in Watsonville, after spending the summer at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Fierce Forest Fires-Raging at Palo Colorado, Garrapata and Mill Creeks, and Spreading Toward Tassajara,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Since last Sunday a large forest fire has been raging along the Palo Colorado, Garrapata and Mill [now Bixby] creeks and is spreading toward Tassajara. It is beyond the control of the ranchers, and only a rainstorm will now be able to extinguish it. The fire started last Sunday on the Palo Colorado, near the ranch of Harry Vandall. It is supposed to have started from the embers of some camper's fire. Vandall's ranch was burned over, the house, barn, outhouses, many stands of bees and feed for the stock being destroyed. Vandall is a man eighty years of age and the loss will fall heavily on him. . .

From 'The Fire Down the Coast,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

The fire is now burning towards "The Pines," and in the direction of Tassajara. Every effort is being made to get cattle out of that region. All the feed is being burned and there will be much suffering among the stock on the ranges the coming winter. . .

Should the fire get into the Santa Lucia forest reservation near Tassajara there would be no hope of extinguishing it, and the loss would be terrific. . .

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1906 (10/16 in the *Weekly*); datelined Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

The Tassajara Hot Springs hotel closes next week and the stage will only make two more

trips, the last one out on Tuesday next. Tony Dourond will be caretaker at the Springs during the winter. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

It is announced that Tassajara Springs will close for the season next Monday, October 15, and that Tuesday's stage will bring out the last of the guests, Mr. and Mrs. Quilty and the employees. This season has been the one of the most successful in the history of the famous health resort.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 10, 1906; datelined Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

The Tassajara stage will make its last trip for the season Monday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, went to Tassajara Springs by Friday's stage. Mr. and Mrs. Quilty and help will come out by today's stage, which is the last of the season. PINAFORE.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty returned today to their home at San Jose, having closed the season at Tassajara Springs yesterday.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1906:

John and Walter Chew go to Tassajara today to ditch the road, to be ready for the winter rains. They were accompanied by James Lewis. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Forest Fire is Still Unchecked,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Oct. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1906:

SALINAS, October 21.—Stage Driver Mosep, who runs the stage down the coast between Monterey and Idlewild, reported upon his arrival last night that the forest fire in the district raged with unabated vigor. Over 150,000 acres have been burned along the Garrapata and Mill [Bixby] creeks, spreading in the direction of Tassajara town [resort], near Idlewild [not so], which is in danger of being totally destroyed. . .

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Oct. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

C. M. Chew and sons are ditching the Tassajara Road in readiness for winter.

G. I. Hallock is hauling lumber for the Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

### SUPERVISOR OF FORESTRY

THE GOVERNMENT WILL LOCATE HIS OFFICE IN SALINAS

Agent of Bureau Visits Forest Reserve, Gets Figures, and Reports to Washington

An agent of the Bureau of Forestry, Department of the Interior, has been spending several weeks in this part of the State investigating the proposition of protecting the forests in the

forest reserves. It is the purpose the Bureau of Forestry to place forest rangers on these reserves to prevent the spread of fires and the stripping of the land of timber and in every way to prevent their destruction. The plans adopted provide for the establishment of a supervisor of forestry at Salinas. This officer will have supervision of the forest rangers on the reservation recently set aside in the Santa Lucia Range; those that will be stationed in the vicinity of the Pinnacles and also those that will be placed to guard the forests in San Luis Obispo County.

All these places will be connected by telephone with the supervisor's office in Salinas. There will be several stations on each reservation and rangers to ride over the country and report conditions.

This agent obtained figures on the cost of erecting telephone lines wherever new lines will be regarded, from H. D. Evans, manager of the Sunset Telephone Company here. He also obtained figures on other matters of cost from different business houses. These estimates will be forwarded to the Bureau at Washington.

It is the purpose of the authorities to have the whole system established and in operation by March 1<sup>st</sup>, 1907. An effort was made to have the office of Supervisor of Forestry located at Monterey, but the agent in charge of this preliminary work favored Salinas.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1906; datelined Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1906:

G. I. Hallock has finished hauling lumber for Tassajara Springs and went to Salinas today for the final trip. PINAFORE.

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*Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

### SUPERVISOR OF FORESTRY

ARRIVES AND ESTABLISHES OFFICE IN McDougall Building

Salinas To Be Headquarters For Entire System of Santa Lucia Reservation

N. O. Torstenson, United States Supervisor of Forestry for the reservation recently set aside in the Santa Lucia Range, has arrived and established permanent headquarters in Salinas with office in the McDougall building.

The reservation over which Mr. Torstenson will have charge embraces 337,000 acres, and he will have supervision over forest rangers in various portions of this large scope of country to prevent the spread of fires and guard against the illegal stripping of the land of timber. There will be a number of these stations which will be connected by telephone with the supervisor's office in Salinas.

A force of men is now engaged in cutting trails at various points in the mountains to enable the rangers to ride over the country and report conditions.

It is Supervisor Torstenson's intention to have the whole system in good working order as soon as the rainy season is over.

Mr. Torstenson comes here from San Bernardino, where he has been engaged in govern-

ment forestry work for the past seven years.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Jan. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

It is rain, rain, then snow and then some more rain; it both snows and rains every day, and while the snow has not more than covered the ground and does not stay long, on the higher altitudes is it accumulating and is now about five feet deep on the summit. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1907; datelined Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1907:

The snowfall on the highest mountains is probably the heaviest ever known, it is impossible to get to the summit, but from the rain which has fallen here, over thirteen inches, there must be at least nine feet of snow on a level where none has melted, and much deeper in drifts. There is three and a half feet of snow at Frank Bruce's place half way up the mountain, and he has been compelled to bring his hogs down to lower lands. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

The warm weather has been melting the snow quite rapidly, except on the summit, where it is still very deep. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1907; datelined Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

T. Call of Tularcitos went to Tassajara Springs Sunday, and reports that there is one and a half feet of snow on Chew's ridge yet, and found Tony Dourond well and hearty, and glad to see him. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1907:

C. M. Chew has a force of men repairing the Tassajara road. WILLOW TREE.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

### OPENING OF TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, who is the guest of her sister, Mrs. John Thompson, at Vega, informs us that Tassajara Springs, which has been for years a popular resort for Pajarosites, will open up for business on May 6<sup>th</sup>, and that she and her husband will continue to give their personal attention to the management of the place. It is reported that the springs at the resort were never in better shape and that the water is warmer than ever before. Mrs. Quilty also wishes us to correct the statement that has been published that the passenger stage for Tassajara would hereafter leave from Monterey instead of Salinas; it will continue to leave from Salinas as in years past.

*San Jose Daily Mercury*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

### HELP WANTED—FEMALE

Woman for plain washing at Tassajara Hot Springs. For particulars write at once. Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Cal.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Call have gone to Tassa-

jara Springs to get that popular health and pleasure resort in readiness for the summer opening, which will be the first of May.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

### FIRST TRIP TO TASSAJARA

A. M. Williams, who for several seasons was driver of the Tassajara stage, will leave this morning with a double team to convey a passenger who arrived at the Hotel Bardin yesterday from Honolulu to the Springs. The Springs will not be formally opened nor the stage make trips until sometime next month and Mr. Williams will therefore have the honor of making the first trip of 1907. He will return on Thursday.

From 'Daily News in Brief, from Thursday's Daily Journal,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

G. I. Hallock, driver of the Tassajara stage, was in town yesterday and leaves this morning for the Springs with a load of provisions in advance of the opening for the summer season, which will be on Monday, May 6.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1907:

### OPENING OF POPULAR RESORT

The season's opening of the popular Tassajara Springs, in Monterey County, will take place next Monday. Mrs. C. W. Quilty, who has so capably managed the resort for the past two seasons, will again be in charge. The stage will leave Salinas three times each week and G. Hallock will again handle the ribbons. Work on the new bath house will be rushed as soon as the lumber, which is in Monterey, can be hauled to the Springs. The stage road is in excellent shape and at no time during the past winter was it closed for travel [not so]. For rates and further particulars read the ad in another column of this issue.

The advertisement mentioned above; it continued to run in the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian* during the guest season of 1907:

### TASSAJARA

**HOT SPRINGS**, Monterey County. Best health and pleasure resort in California. Eighteen hot mineral springs, hot sulphur plunges, wonderful vapor baths, trout fishing. \$12 to \$14. Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1907:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

This ever popular resort will be ready to receive guests on Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. Tassajara Springs are justly famous for the wonderful curative properties of the waters, the grand scenery of the surrounding country, and for the hospitality of its management. In this latter connection we are pleased to say that Mrs. C. W. Quilty will again personally conduct the Springs this season. Last year a large number of Monterey and Pacific Grove people found health and rest at this mecca of the weary, and from present indications the number will be more than doubled this year.

Information can be obtained at Hellam's

cigar store or address C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Springs.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1907:

### STAGE LINE TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, the proprietress of Tassajara Hot Springs, was in Monterey yesterday making arrangements with J. C. Anthony of the Monterey Stage Company to run his line of stages through to the Springs this year.

Last season the Monterey Stage Company only ran its stages to Jamesburg, and those wishing to go to Tassajara had to change there to the stage from Salinas.

This season stages from Monterey will leave on Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays. Mr. Anthony has a new stage coming and this will make his equipment the best on the route to the Springs.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1907:

WANTED, MAN AND WIFE to run change station near Laureles Ranch, for the Tassajara Hot Springs. Man to take care of four horses and wife to serve dinner to guests returning from Springs. For particulars address at once, Mrs. C. W. Quilty, San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

### FIRST STAGE TO TASSAJARA

The first stage for Tassajara Springs left this morning, and the popular little resort will soon be in full swing for the summer season. Mr. and Mrs. Quilty, the proprietors, arrived in Salinas from San Jose last evening, and left for the Springs this morning.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

The Tassajara stage made its first trip Monday. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1907:

Mrs. F. Bruce and children have gone to Corral de Tierra. Mr. Bruce is hauling for Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1907; datelined May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

An automobile party of four young men went through to Tassajara Springs Monday. Walter Clyde Cull is visiting his parents at Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1907:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty of Tassajara Springs goes to Salinas today. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

WANTED—Kitchen helper for dishwashing and chores. Wages \$20.00. Address at once: Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

There are about 20 guests at Tassajara.  
WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined June. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, went through on Monday's stage.  
PINAFORE.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

Editor M. J. Smeltzer of the *Journal* took his departure on this morning's stage for a fortnight's sojourn at Tassajara Springs. Frank Conner will occupy the editorial tripod during Mr. Smeltzer's absence.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1907:

C. W. Quilty of Tassajara Springs returned last evening from a trip to San Jose and registered at the Hotel Bardin.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

## DAINGERFIELD LOST

BUTCHER OF PACIFIC GROVE SPENDS NIGHT IN TASSAJARA CANYON

NOT BEEN FOUND SATURDAY

Searching Parties Were Scouring the Hills—Had Gone on a Fishing Trip—Mrs. Daingerfield Leaves For the Springs this Morning

Lee Daingerfield, a butcher at Pacific Grove, became lost on Friday while out fishing in the mountains surrounding Tassajara Hot Springs. Up to Saturday forenoon the man had not been found.

Daingerfield, in company with George Saulterback of Monterey and another person, left the hotel to go fishing in the mountains. During the day they became separated. At the time nothing was thought of it, but when the party decided to return home and Daingerfield could not be found, they became frightened for his safety.

The other two searched for him, and then started back to the hotel.

They arrived at the hotel about 6 o'clock. When it came 8 o'clock and Daingerfield did not show up the people at Tassajara became alarmed and several small parties went out a ways looking for him. It was so dark they could not go far.

Saturday morning Daingerfield had not come into the hotel, and when the last party to leave Tassajara left on Saturday morning a number of searching parties were going out to search the canyon where the party had separated the day before.

Daingerfield, Saulterback and the other man in leaving camp had gone over Tony's Trail to Willow Creek to fish. It is believed that after separating Daingerfield might have gone up the creek as far as the Arroyo Seco and then turned into Lost Valley. The country is very rough there, and one could easily become lost.

The friends of Lee Daingerfield in Pacific Grove and Monterey believe that he will come out all right. They think he may have gone

farther up the creek fishing than he intended, and was unable to get back to the hotel before dark. In that case they believe he would have camped in the woods.

It is also reported that a few day ago Daingerfield hurt one of his legs, and that this may have been hurt again and made traveling very slow.

Daingerfield has spent his vacation at Tassajara for the past five years, and it is believed that he was enough acquainted in that section to be able to get back to the hotel.

They felt confident that he has been found by this time, if he did not himself walk into the hotel.

The stage from Tassajara is due this evening, and it will bring further details of the case.

Mrs. Daingerfield left early this morning by team for Tassajara. She will meet the stage near Whitlock's and if Mr. Daingerfield is not on it she will go in to Tassajara.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

## LOST AT TASSAJARA

Lee L. Daingerfield of Pacific Grove was lost on Friday last in the mountains, near Tassajara, while out fishing, and up to Saturday noon had not been found. He went out with Geo. Saulterback of Monterey, and became separated from him. When Daingerfield did not return men started out at 8 o'clock Friday night to hunt for him. When the stage left on Saturday morning nothing had been heard from him. Daingerfield has spent five vacations at Tassajara and his friends believe he has turned up all right, and are expecting news of his safety when the stage gets in this evening.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

## DAINGERFIELD WAS LOST, SURE

U. S. FOREST GUARD FOUND HIM AND TOOK HIM IN

Too Much Good Luck Made Him Lose His Bearings—His Wife Meets Him on Road

Lee L. Daingerfield, who was lost in the wilds in the region of Tassajara Springs last Friday night, has found his way out to civilization, but he had an experience which he was not anxious to repeat. He was having such good luck fishing that he passed the point at which he had agreed to meet his companions and kept on fishing. Finally realizing that he was off the trail and far from the appointed rendezvous, he undertook to retrace his steps and find his companions. Then he lost his bearings completely, but he kept going. He realized at last that he was going away from the hotel, instead of toward it, and he kept wandering until he came to the cabin of one of United States Forest guards named S. Gilkey. Gilkey told Daingerfield "where he was at." It was a point ten miles from the Tassajara hotel. He invited the lost angler to stay the night in the cabin with him. Daingerfield accepted the guard's generous hospitality.

Saturday morning Gilkey gave Daingerfield the right directions to get out to the stage road in the expectation that he would get there

before the stage passed, but he was late in making the road and the stage had passed when he got there. He forded the creek two or three times, with the water up to his neck, and drifted back to the forest guard's cabin again to dry his clothes and take a fresh start. At last he got back. The *Monterey Cypress* of today says: "Lee Daingerfield reached home at seven o'clock last evening, well pleased to be by his own fireside after and experience such as he would not care to live over.

"Mr. Daingerfield was met by Mrs. Daingerfield on the road two miles this side of Jamesburg. She became alarmed when word came, two days after the time he was to have returned to the Grove, that grave apprehensions as to his safety was felt at Tassajara Springs, and left the Grove at 3:30 yesterday morning behind a pair of strong mules driven by T. B. Gordon."

An advertisement that ran in the *San Francisco Chronicle*, the *San Francisco Examiner* and the *San Francisco News Letter* during the summer of 1907:

## TASSAJARA

**HOT SPRINGS**, Monterey County. Best health and pleasure resort in California. Eighteen hot mineral springs, hot sulphur plunges, wonderful vapor baths, trout fishing, \$12 to \$14. Stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Peck Information Bureau, 789 Market Street, San Francisco, or C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1907:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty is receiving a visit from her daughters, Misses Ruth and Genevieve. They accompanied her to Tassajara Springs this morning.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1907:

Ernest Waterman has gone to Tassajara Springs to accept a position with the management there.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

**WANTED**—Woman for plain washing at Tassajara Hot Springs. For particulars write at once. Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Local News in Brief, from Sunday's Daily Journal,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

Tony Williams drove the Tassajara stage the last round trip while the regular driver, G. I. Hallock, was here with his little daughter May, who is recovering from the bite of some poisonous insect.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose Sunday and left by Monday morning's stage for Tassajara Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

C. W. Quilty went to Tassajara Springs last

Tuesday.

PINAFORE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

Tassajara Springs is almost, if not quite, the banner resort of the state in the matter of business compared with former years. Nearly every other resort shows a falling off, while Tassajara is doing bigger business than ever.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1907; datelined July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

C. W. Quilty returned to San Jose from Tassajara Saturday last. PINAFORE.

Monterey County Deed Book 100: 17, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

## Charles Quilty to Helen Quilty, an undivided one third interest in the Tassajara Hot Springs property:

This indenture, made the sixth day of August one thousand nine hundred and seven between Charles W. Quilty of the County of Santa Clara, State of California, the party of the first part, and Helen G. Quilty, his wife, of the same county and state, the party of the second part. Witnesseth: That the party of the first part, for and in consideration of the love and affection, which he has for the party of the second part, does by these presents give unto the party of the second part and to her heirs all that certain lot or parcel of land situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, and bounded and described as follows, to wit: Being an undivided one third of the N. E. quarter of sec. 32, T. 19 S. R. 4 E. M. D. M., together with the same undivided interest in the water rights appurtenant thereto. Together with the tenements and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof. To Have and to Hold the said premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the party of the second part, and to her heirs and assigns forever in said proportion of the undivided one third thereof. In Witness Whereof, the party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written, C. W. Quilty (Seal) Charles W. Quilty (Seal). Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the presence of John H. Yoell, State of California, County of Santa Clara ss. On this 6<sup>th</sup> day of August in the year one thousand nine hundred and seven, before me, John H. Yoell, a Notary Public in and for said Santa Clara County, residing therein, duly commissioned and sworn, personally appeared Charles W. Quilty, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal, at my office in the said County of Santa Clara. On the day and year in this certificate first above written, John H. Yoell, Notary Public in and for said Santa Clara County, State of California. (Notary Seal)

Recorded at the request of Mrs. C. W. Quilty, December 2, 1907, at 21 min. past 7 a. m.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

Frank Bruce is hauling for Tassajara Hot Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

### C. M. CHEW HURT

It is believed that C. M. Chew, of Jamesburg, was seriously hurt on the road from Tassajara Springs yesterday. He followed the stage out yesterday morning, after leaving some passengers the night before, and was last seen at the Frank Bruce ranch. Later a phone message from the Laureles, summoned his son Walter from this city to his father's side, stating that Mr. Chew was quite badly hurt.

A letter received from Walter Chew states that his father had two ribs broken and received other bruises from going over the grade at Bruce's. One of his four-horse team stumbled and fell and the whole outfit went down. His injuries are not dangerous.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

C. M. Chew, who was hurt in a runaway accident last week, has so far recovered that he is able to sit up a portion of each day.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1907:

The four Misses Quilty came down from Tassajara Springs last evening, and left for their home in San Jose.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

C. W. Quilty, who was spending a short time with his wife at Tassajara Springs, came in last evening and left by the first train out for San Jose.

Passengers coming out from Tassajara Hot Springs by yesterday's stage experienced very cold weather, with heavy fogs, on the higher ridges of the Santa Lucia Range.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

The Monterey stage made the trip through to Tassajara last Friday. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1907:

## TELEPHONE IN THE FOREST

### GOVERNMENT WILL BUILD TO RANGERS' HOUSE ON ARROYO SECO

Supervisor Torstenson of the Monterey National Forest has been authorized and instructed to call for sealed proposals to furnish the materials for the erection of a government telephone line from Soledad into the national forest to a point on the Arroyo Seco twenty-seven miles from Soledad, where a forest ranger's house is soon to be constructed. Mr. Torstenson has obtained the rights of way needed over private property and he an-

icipates no trouble in getting the right along the county road from the Board of Supervisors.

It is probable that this line will be extended to H. B. Leigh's place, four miles farther.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

The guests are rapidly coming out from Tassajara Springs and that popular resort will close for the winter on the 17<sup>th</sup> inst.

C. W. Quilty came up from San Jose on Wednesday and went to Tassajara to assist in closing up for the winter. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

## CLOSED FOR THE SEASON

The Tassajara Springs resort has closed for the season, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty coming out by yesterday's stage. They, with their daughter, Miss Genevieve, who had been visiting her sister, Mrs. William Jeffery, in this city, took their departure on the noon train today for their home in San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Oct. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

Tassajara stage made its last trip for the season on Thursday, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Hallock will do some hauling for Mr. Quilty to the Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

G. I. Hallock and Charles S. Cahoon go to Tassajara today. Mr. Cahoon will stay as caretaker at the Springs until the arrival of the regular caretaker, who will remain during the winter. Miss Bee McDevitt has been in charge since the departure of Mr. and Mrs. Quilty. Miss McDevitt will come out with Mr. Hallock and go to San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

## INTO WINTER QUARTERS

Ernest Waterman and A. M. Williams have left for Monterey, where they will take the stage to Tassajara for the winter.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1907:

The expert reinsman Tony Williams, who drove the Tassajara stage for several seasons, and Ernest Waterman came up yesterday and went to Tassajara Springs, where Mr. Waterman will take care of that popular resort during the winter months. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

G. I. Hallock has gone to Tassajara with a load of potatoes.

John Chew is ditching the Tassajara Road in readiness for the winter rains.

Ernest Waterman and Antoine Williams of Salinas went to Tassajara last Thursday. Mr. Waterman will be in charge of the Springs during the winter. PINAFORE.



From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

C. W. Quilty paid a visit to Tassajara Hot Springs last Thursday and is up again with team and driver to haul his lumber from here to the Springs. John Gilson of Monterey will haul the lumber. Mr. Quilty says that positively no guests will be received at Tassajara during the winter. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1907:

C. W. Quilty came up Monterey, bringing with him Mr. Gilson of New Monterey, who will haul the lumber that has been piled at Jamesburg to Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1907:

### TELEPHONE INTO MONTEREY FOREST

#### THE GOVERNMENT'S LINE TO BE IN OPERATION NEXT MONTH

Supervisor Torstenson Returns From Arroyo Seco, Where He Has a Construction Crew at Work.

United States Forest Supervisor Torstenson returned last evening from a three days' trip to the Arroyo Seco, where he has been inspecting the new telephone line now in course of construction from Soledad into the Monterey National Forest.

The line will be twenty-seven miles in length, from Soledad to a point sixteen miles above the headwaters of the Arroyo Seco. Mr. Torstenson has a force of eight men erecting poles, and the work is proceeding rapidly. Five miles of posts have already been set and the rest will be up by the middle of next week. The work of stringing wires will occupy a week or more. The Supervisor expects to have the line in operation by Dec. 10.

The line is the exclusive property of the United States Forestry Service, but various settlers along the route will be allowed the privileges of telephone communication, for the mutual advantage of business transactions and alarms in case of forest fires.

The new line fills a long-felt want in putting the guards in the forest in communication with the main line. Much time and trouble can be saved in the ordering of supplies and men, and the giving and receiving of instructions from headquarters, and in prompt notifications in case of forest fires.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1907:

J. Gilson, who is hauling lumber to the Springs for Mr. Quilty, had the misfortune to break the tongue out of his wagon while going down the grade, but, by lashing on a stick, succeeded in getting his load to the Springs without accident.

Tony Williams has returned to Salinas after a month at Tassajara. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1907; datelined Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1907:

John Gilson has finished hauling Mr. Quilty's lumber to the Springs and will leave

for Monterey tomorrow. PINAFORE.

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*Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1908:

### FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A note from Ernest Waterman, who is caretaker at Tassajara Springs this winter, says that the nights are cold out there, but that the days are warm and pleasant, and the water of the springs as hot as in the middle of summer. Ernest says he isn't lonely, and he had a merry Christmas all by himself.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1908:

### DOWN FROM TASSAJARA

Sam Beevers and Joe Carroll have returned from a four day's hunting and fishing expedition out in the Tassajara Hot Springs country. Ernest Waterman is holding down the lid on the Springs during the winter.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

WANTED-First-class Chinese cook for Tassajara Hot Springs. Address Mrs. C. W. Quilty, San Jose, Cal.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

### TASSAJARA

Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose, owner of Tassajara Springs, is in town, making preliminary arrangements for the opening of the hotel there about the 4<sup>th</sup> of May.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

George I. Hallock, the veteran stage driver, is in town from Jamesburg making arrangements for the conveyance of passengers to the Tassajara Springs, which open on Monday, May 4.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1908; datelined April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

G. I. Hallock made a trip to Salinas last week and will go to Tassajara Springs tomorrow. PINAFORE.

Monterey County Deed Book 103: 230; May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1908:

## Helen Quilty to Charles Quilty, and undivided one third interest in the Tassajara Hot Springs property:

This indenture, made the second day of May in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and eight Between Helen G. Quilty of the County of Santa Clara, State of California, the party of the first part, and Charles W. Quilty, her husband, of the same county and state, the party of the second part, Witnesseth: That the said party of the first part, for and in consideration of the love and affection which the said party of the first part has and bears unto the said party of the second part, as also

for the better maintenance, support, protection and livelihood of the said party of the second part, does by these presents give, grant alien and confirm, unto the said party of the second part, and to his heirs and assigns forever, all that certain lot, piece or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Monterey, State of California, and bounded and described as follows, to wit:

Being an undivided one third of the NE ¼ of section 32 T. 19 S., R. 4 E. M. D. M., together with the same, undivided interest in the water rights appurtenant thereto.

Together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, and appurtenances there unto belonging, or in anywise appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof. To have and to hold, all and singular the said premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns forever in the said proportion of the undivided one third thereof. In Witness Whereof, the said party of the first part has hereunto set her hand and seal the day and year first above written. Helen G. Quilty (Seal) ---- (Seal). Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of-----)

State of California, County of Santa Clara) SS. On this second day of May A. D. 1908, before me, D. M. Burnett, a Notary Public in and for the County of Santa Clara, state of California, personally appeared Helen G. Quilty, (wife of Charles W. Quilty) known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that she executed the same. Witness my hand and Official Seal, at my office in the said county of Santa Clara, the day and year last above written. D. M. Burnett, Notary Public in and for Santa Clara County, State of California. (Notarial Seal).

Filed for Record at the request of C. W. Quilty May 5<sup>th</sup>, A. D. 1908, at 2 min. past 9 o'clock A. M.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

This famous health resort is now open for the season, and stages will leave Salinas at 6 a. m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and return on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

Mrs. C. W. Quilty went out to the Springs on Monday morning's stage, and will give her personal supervision to the establishment during the season.

Carpenters are now at work finishing the new bath house and kitchen, and other improvements will be made for the comfort and accommodation of guests.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1908; datelined May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

The Tassajara stage made its first trip for the season Monday, with Mrs. Quilty and helpers on board. Five passengers went in today. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1908; datelined May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

The Tassajara stage made its first trip last

Monday. The people of this burg are glad to have communication with Salinas again.

There are quite a number of guests at Tassajara and several campers.

Frank Bruce is hauling freight for Tassajara Springs.

J. Sunkler took a load of hay to Tassajara Saturday. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

WANTED—First-class waiter or waitress; references as to character and ability will be required. Address Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 14<sup>th</sup> to Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

MONTEREY COUNTY, CAL.

Best health and pleasure resort in California. Mineral, Springs, Hot Sulphur Plunges, Wonderful Vapor Baths, Excellent Trout Fishing.

\$12 TO \$14 A WEEK.

Stage Leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings; 60 pounds baggage allowed.

C. W. QUILTY,  
Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey  
County, Cal.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1908; datelined May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

Frank Bruce is hauling lumber from Salinas to Tassajara Springs. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1908; datelined May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

John Chew went to Salinas for a load of lumber for Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1908; datelined June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

J. Chew went to Salinas last week for a load of lumber for the new bath house at Tassajara. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1908; datelined June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

Mr. Hallock has resumed his duties as driver of the Tassajara stage after a week's illness.

Large numbers of guests have gone to Tassajara Springs during the past week. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1908:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Mrs. C. W. Quilty came in from Tassajara Springs on Saturday evening's stage, and returned to that resort on this morning's stage. She reports forty guests at the Springs now, and the weather delightful. The new bath house and kitchen are about completed. The bath house will be supplied with porcelain tubs and tiling and other modern improvements. Mr. Quilty is supervising the work.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1908 (also in the 6/23/1908 *Salinas Daily Index*, as 'Mr. Sill Enthused'):

## VERY MUCH ENTHUSED

GEORGE W. SILL THINKS THERE IS NO PLACE LIKE TASSAJARA

George W. Sill and son, George A., returned Saturday night from a two week's outing at Tassajara Springs. Mr. Sill Sr. is greatly enthused with the Springs as a place to enjoy a vacation. Speaking of the trip this morning he said: "I have been to nearly every hot spring in California, but none can compare with Tassajara. It was my first trip there and I only wish I could go back tomorrow. Mrs. Quilty, the proprietress of the hotel, is certainly an excellent hostess. She is always planning some form of entertainment for her guests and seeking to make them feel at home. The scenery around the Springs is simply grand and the journey over the mountains in the stage is one that a person will not soon forget. Tassajara for me every time." George W. Sill has the season's record as a fisherman. He got the limit every time he went out and made the quickest time in filling his basket. There are a number of Watsonvilleans at the resort now. All are in good health and enjoying life.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1908:

## ERNEST WATERMAN'S JOKE

RIGS UP A FAKE TELEPHONE AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Ernest Waterman, the well known practical joker, perpetuated a good one on the guests at Tassajara Springs a few days ago.

Visitors at the Springs find themselves cut off from all communication with the outside world, there being neither telegraphic nor telephonic communication from anywhere. A government telephone extends from Soledad to the Forest Ranger's station on the mountain four miles from Tassajara, and there has been some talk of extending the line to the Springs, but that has not yet been done.

One day last week, Mrs. Quilty, the hostess, treated her forty of fifty guests to a barbecue up the canyon about a quarter of a mile from the hotel. Ernest Waterman, who has been at the Springs since last fall, was missed from the barbecue and his absence created some comment, as he was always at the front in kind of doings where there was chance for fun and frolic. It afterwards transpired that he had remained at the hotel to prepare a surprise for the guests upon their return from the barbecue. He rigged up a box in imitation of a telephone with a piece of rubber hose for a mouthpiece, and hung it on the wall in the office. Then he arranged an alarm clock as a substitute for a call bell, and awaited the return of the crowd from the barbecue. In due time they came back and were congregated in front of the hotel. Waterman managed to let it be known that the government surveyors had during the afternoon completed the telephone line from the Forest Ranger's station to the hotel, and that the first message might be expected any minute. The words had hardly left his mouth when splutter went the alarm clock, and the joker shouted, "There is the call now!" All rushed into the office to hear the first message. But no message came, and when they beheld the innocent looking box with its hose attachment hanging on the wall, it gradually dawned upon them that they were victims of another of Waterman's practical jokes, and the disgusted crowd went off and took a drink—at the big

hot mineral spring up the creek.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1908:

## AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

PLEASURES AND PASTIMES AT THE FAMOUS HEALTH RESORT

Ponce de Leon Didn't Search in the Right Place for the Fountain of Youth

As a guest at this popular resort I cannot refrain from sending my Salinas friends a few of my impressions, and a sketch of life as we lead it here in the heart of these grand old mountains. Surely Nature was in a beneficent mood when she placed these healing waters amid surroundings of such majesty and beauty. For here not only can the sick in body find rest and health, but the tired soul itself is up lifted while gazing on the heaven that seems so near, and that seems guarded by rugged sun-kissed peaks that in turn are crowned with the snowy blossoms of the stately mesal [yucca].

The stage ride is a long one, and tiresome to many, but to me it was a source of unending wonder and joy at the beauty and grandeur of the scenery that every turn in the road unfolded to view. Like a vast panorama stretched range after range of towering mountains and lesser peaks, from Loma Prieta to far-famed Santa Lucia [Junipero Serra], while below to the east lay the fertile Salinas Valley, and westward from our height of over five thousand feet could be seen the peaceful Pacific. You may talk of the wildness and grandeur of the Alps, but one does not have to leave Monterey County to equal their majestic splendor.

Arrived at the Springs we were met and welcomed by the hostess, Mrs. C. W. Quilty, while back of her crowded the guests, the ladies looking so clean and charming in their white gowns that we were positively ashamed to walk up the steps, all travel-stained and dusty. But for next stage we were among the clean bunch, staring at the new-comers who felt just as we had did two days before.

The day's routine is breakfast, a walk, a bath (either tub, plunge or steam), lunch, siesta, another bath, dinner, and the evening spent in dancing or playing cards. Between times the ambitious spirits (and they are few) play billiards, pool, bowling, or go fishing. But oh, how lazy one gets! Everything seems an effort, except to get feet under the dining table every time the bell rings. There is no slowness of feet then, but usually a great shortness of breath and patting of waistcoats as the rank and file puff up to the scales to see the addition to their weight.

Jim Storm was our weather-vane. If a leaf stirred in a tree it was "cold" and Jim could be seen seeking a place of shelter, or incidentally a little table where some chips were always piled, ready for a game.

Jim Iverson, "Uncle Jimmie" as we familiarly call him, has been here over four weeks. There seems to be a strong attraction, and whether it is the benefit from the baths that holds him, or a crib game with Mrs. Quilty that lasts three hours every forenoon, is the question. However, he is certainly richer from the game, and the lady says it is only possible to

beat him by forcible use of a club. He has also been dubbed the "Poker King," as the following lines will show:

"The strong man came far up the lane, till the wind it stirred a leaf,

Then the coop he flow, lest a Storm should brew, and left us to our grief.

Back to his roost at the table, with the great old Poker King,

He hiked the line in record time, to go five blind with Jim."

But I really don't think I ought to tell everything on Uncle Jimmie. You may get the information by asking him how it happened there was an extra occupant in his room one night. I tell you this is a veritable Fountain of Youth out here. Ponce de Leon did not search in the right place, or he would have camped at Tassajara.

And now I must say a word about your townsman, E. L. McKellips. And when I do, thoughts fail me. He has gone, but left a warm spot in our hearts, as he was a most agreeable guest—always seeing that the ladies had trout for breakfast, but somehow he could only catch the tender little ones. He was never known to get any over four inches long, and then stood in mortal dread of being pinched by a forest guard. However, he escaped the meshes of the law and we hope to see him back again with the same roguish expression in those ever young orbs.

Dr. Austin and Ed Brassel were here long enough to play havoc with a few cardiac affections, although, counting by days, their stay was short. But sometimes "time is counted in heart throbs," and these young men are artists in that line. Ask one or both about the white slippers that disappeared from a fair Cinderella's room, and came back one at a time, buried in finest French confectionery. But who can blame the boys—for, given a setting of poetry, moonlight, and the witchery of soft brown eyes, who among us would not succumb? Not one.

"Bob" Ford is a dandy good fellow. His merry scream of "Well, I thought I'd die!" brought a chorus of replies at any hour of the day or night. Bob is a general favorite and surely his disposition will carry him over the thorny places of life. His dancing is divine and he never forgot anyone—even the ladies whose avoirdupois reached the two hundred mark—consequently he was well beloved by all. And, too, Bob is a good judge of fine hosiery, although that is not in his line of business. He may be a little sensitive on this subject, so I will not tell more at this time.

A delightful party of five from San Francisco were here for four weeks and took an active part in all merrymaking. It was their first visit, but they declare it will not be their last. The party consisted of Mrs. J. Rodenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Curtaz and Mr. and Mrs. Tom Goodwin. It was with great reluctance we shouted a last good-bye to them Saturday morning.

Mr. Bill Handley took first prize as being the most active man in camp. He was always on the go afoot or horseback—either up the creek fishing, and that always meant a fine mess of trout, or else going to the pasture for a cow Mrs. Quilty wanted brought down. Mounted

on his fiery steed with regulation sombrero and with bandana knotted carelessly around his neck, he looked every inch the reckless vaquero of olden days. But what he made up in looks he lacked in skill, for Bonnie is still grazing on her wild oat hill. Mr. Handley has an excellent picture of his attempt to subdue the mettlesome bovine and he may show it coaxed sufficiently.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Bardin and their charming daughters, the Misses Bertha and Maggie, and their son Walter, are enjoying their vacation. Somehow all the little bugs in the hills have a penchant for roosting on Charlie's bald head. Mrs. Quilty suggested placing a spider on it, but better still, some of the ladies are making him a very fine toupee, so watch for Charlie's initial appearance next Friday in Salinas.

Mr. Frank Miller of Watsonville caught the record trout of the season a few days since—a speckled beauty weighing five pounds. He took his prize to the apple city.

I am afraid I have already trespassed on your valuable space, so will reserve more news until next time. MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1908:*

### TASSAJARA TOURISTS

Dr. W. P. Austin and C. G. Helsner returned this morning from Tassajara. They spent two days going in from Soledad, two days at the Springs and a day and a half covering the fifty-five miles to Salinas. Dr. Austin caught the record fish for the season, a 29 ½ inch steelhead, just below The Narrows. A very enjoyable trip is reported. Mr. Helsner returns to his Alameda home in the morning.

*Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel and the Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, guest season of 1908:*

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

#### THE GREATEST HEALTH RESORT IN THE STATE

By its cures of Stomach, Liver, Kidney and Rheumatic complaints

Unsurpassed climate and excellent table make it the ideal spot for a vacation. Excellent trout fishing. Bowling, Billiards and Dancing. Rates \$12 and \$14 per week. Stage leaves Salinas every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning. Baggage 50 pounds each.

For information address Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

*San Francisco Chronicle, guest season of 1908:*

### TASSAJARA

HOT SPRINGS, Monterey County. Best health and pleasure resort in California. Eighteen hot mineral springs, hot sulphur plunges, wonderful vapor baths, excellent trout fishing. \$12 to \$14. Stage leaves Salinas Mon., Wed. and Fri. mornings; 50 lbs. baggage allowed. Peck-Judah Bureau, 789 Market Street, or C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County.

*Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1908:*

### TASSAJARA PILGRIMS

#### MORE THAN A DOZEN START OUT FOR THE SPRINGS THIS MORNING

There will be a good reinforcement to the Tassajara group when the stages and private conveyances that left Salinas reach the Springs tonight and tomorrow. A party of Watsonvillians is made up of R. F. Driscoll, Charles Ford, C. Sibole, M. Holohan, Wm. Martin, J. J. Gallagher and W. S. Brown. They went in the stage. W. T. Masengill took a four-in-hand load up today as far as Jamesburg and will go on tomorrow. In his party were Mrs. Josie Rigil and Mrs. F. Thompson of Napa, F. McGregor and Mr. Barry, representing the Zellerbach Company, with his wife. Others made the reinforcement twelve or fourteen.

*Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1908:*

### CHAMPION MOUNTAIN CLIMBER

Arrivals from Tassajara Springs say that the numerous visitors there are enjoying themselves splendidly. The health-promoting mineral waters and the salubrious mountain air have a wonderful effect upon everybody. The time is pleasantly passed in excursions up and down the wooded canyons and tramps up the rugged mountain sides in the daytime, and social games and pastimes in the evenings. The Misses Hazel and Kate Wallace of Salinas are among the most popular young ladies in camp, Miss Kate being distinguished as the champion mountain climber at the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1908:*

WANTED—Competent woman for chambermaid at Tassajara Hot Springs; wages \$25. Address, with references, Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1908; datelined Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

J. Sunkler took a load of hay to Tassajara the first of the week. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1908:*

### DOWN FROM TASSAJARA

Carr S. Abbott returned last evening from Tassajara Springs, where he has been very successfully renewing his youth, taking the waters. He says James B. Iverson is giving lessons in the intellectual game of cribbage and has an interesting class. James H. McDougall is entertaining all comers with stories of the early days and everybody is enjoying the elevated atmosphere and drinking the health-giving waters.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1908:

Ernest Waterman, the celebrated cater and bon vivant of Tassajara Springs, has come down from the heights to get a touch of high life on a lower level.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1908; datelined Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1908:

J. Chew goes to Tassajara today with a load

of hay. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1908; datelined Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

Tassajara stage will finish the season's run on October 17.

E. Waterman has returned from San Jose and will spend the winter at Tassajara Springs, as caretaker. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

### A "BIG STICK"

Chairman F. H. Lang of the Republican County Committee is the proud possessor of an imitation "Big Stick" that he has received from Tassajara. It looks like the "real thing," but it is only a section of a stalk of a century [yucca] plant, nicely trimmed up. It is on exhibition in Lang & Zabala's "curiosity shop."

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1908; datelined Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

Tassajara Springs closed for the season on Saturday, October 17. Mr. and Mrs. Quilty have gone to their home in San Jose. PINAFORE.

From the 'Gilroy' column, *San Jose Daily Mercury*, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, on her vacation from Tassajara Springs, stopped over in Gilroy to visit her mother, Mrs. Mary Schafer, and sister, Mrs. Catherine Ryan, before proceeding to her home in San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1908:

### TAKEN TO TASSAJARA

THE EAGLES SEND ONE OF THEIR NUMBER UP TO THE SPRINGS

This morning Salinas Aerie 187, F. O. E., sent Fred Stahimann, one of its members, to Tassajara Springs to get the benefit of the waters. Stahimann was an engineer at the sugar factory. He was taken ill several months ago with serious stomach trouble. The Eagles took him to a hospital in San Francisco, where he was treated for three months, when the physicians advised his going to Tassajara. He came up from San Francisco last night and was received by Captain Fulle, who engaged Wiley Masengill to take him up to Tassajara in the easiest-riding wagon in the Fashion stables. Stahimann is still weak and a mattress was provided to make the trip as easy as possible.

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From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Wiley Masengill made a trip from Salinas to Tassajara Springs last week, taking in two men from San Francisco, one of whom was very ill. Finding the Springs not suitable in winter time, they returned with Mr. Masengill. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Ernest Waterman is out from Tassajara Hot Springs. He reports heavy rains and very high

water at the Springs. He says that he did not have any rain gauge to measure the rain, but that the iron wheelbarrow was full every morning. PINAFORE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Rain, rain, rain, and then some more. The downpour has been almost continuous for the past week, 9.20 inches having fallen in that time. Streams have been very high and would have been much higher had not snow fallen on the higher mountains ... There is three feet of snow at the Forest Guard's camp [near Bruce Flats]. It is impossible to get farther up the mountain, but it is estimated that there is at least seven or eight feet on the summit. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### FOREST RANGER IS SHUT OUT OF HOME

HIGH WATER IN ARROYO SECO KEEPS ALVERSON FROM SANTA LUCIA STATION

Big Slide Takes Out the Road on the Last Grade Into Tassajara Springs.

Forest Ranger J. E. Alverson, who returned some days ago from a trip to Jamesburg, where he took up 10,000 young trees to be planted on the national forest, says he met Ernest Waterman, caretaker at Tassajara Springs. Waterman reported that the road down the second grade into the Springs slid out about two weeks ago after a heavy rain, making it necessary to follow the trail around it. The road is not passable even on horseback, and Waterman said it would require at least two weeks' work to make it passable.

Mr. Alverson is temporarily in charge of the forest supervisor's office here while Forest Supervisor Torstenson is over in San Benito helping build a ranger's station near Hernandez. Mr. Alverson's Santa Lucia station is up on the Arroyo Seco, which he is now unable to reach because the Arroyo Seco is not now fordable. The water there was higher than it has been known before for many years. They had a cable stretched on which they would pull themselves across in times of high water, but the flood took out one of the trees to which the cable was attached, and they are shut out of their home.

Mr. Alverson and family are now domiciled at the Jeffery House.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Irwin and Frank Hallock and Walter Chew went to Tassajara Springs last week and were stormbound for several days. They enjoyed the unusual experience of crossing the mountain on snowshoes. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### WATERMAN'S RAIN GAUGE

HE REPORT METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS UP AT TASSAJARA

Ernest Waterman, monarch of all he surveys up at Tassajara, sends the *Index* a letter, which seems to have been a long time getting through, but is nevertheless interesting, particularly respecting the accuracy of his rain gauge. Ernest says:

Editor *Index*: I thought I would write you a few lines to let you know that I am still amongst the living, although the whole place down here looks like Galveston after the big flood.

It has been raining here almost every day since the New Year, but for two days there has been a heavy snow.

The creek is just full of water and it is roaring like Niagara Falls,

As I don't know much about measurement on rain gauges, I could not tell you how much rain we have here, but I know that our big iron wheelbarrow is full every morning.

With test regards and kind wishes, yours truly, Ernest Waterman.

Monterey County Deed Book 107: 136, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### Charles Quilty to Helen Quilty, the Tassajara Hot Springs and the Horse Pasture properties, \$8,000:

This indenture, made on the eleventh day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nine, Between Charles W. Quilty of San Jose, Santa Clara County, California, the party of the first part, and Helen G. Quilty of the same place, wife of said Charles W. Quilty, the party of the second part.

Witnesseth: That the said party of the first part, for, and in consideration of the sum of Eight Thousand Dollars Gold Coin of the United States of America, to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, and the assumption of the present mortgage on said Springs by grantee, does by these presents, grant, bargain, sell, convey and confirm unto the said party of the second part, and to her heirs and assigns forever, all these certain lots, pieces, or parcels of land situate, lying and being in the County of Monterey, State of California, and bounded and particularly described as follows, to wit:

The Tassajara Hot Springs property and being the North East quarter of Section Thirty-two, Township nineteen south of range four East Mount Diablo base and Meridian (NE ¼ Sec. 32, T19 S R 4 E, M. D. M.) Also the SE¼ of NW¼ and N½ of SW¼ and SE¼ of SW¼ of Sec. 28, T19S R 4 E, M. D. M., together with the water rights appurtenant to said property and the buildings and personal property thereon. Together with all and singular, the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in anywise ap-

pertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof.

To Have and to Hold, all and singular, the said premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, and to her heirs and assigns forever as a separate property.

In Witness Whereof, the said party of the first part has hereunto set his hand and seal the day and year first above written. Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of

Witness, C. W.

H. E. Wilcox Charles W. Quilty

State of California, County of Santa Clara, ss. On this eleventh day of March A. D. 1909 before me, H. E. Wilcox, a Notary Public in and for the County of Santa Clara, State of California, personally appeared Charles W. Quilty, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged that he executed the same. Witness my hand and official seal, at my office in the said County of Santa Clara, the day and year last above written, H. E. Wilcox, Notary Public in and for Santa Clara County, State of California (Notarial Seal).

Recorded at the request of Mrs. Helen G. Quilty on the 25<sup>th</sup> day of March 1909, at 4 min. past 2 o'clock P. M., in Vol. 107 of Deeds, page 136, Monterey County Records.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty was here yesterday from San Jose looking after arrangements for the reopening of Tassajara Springs during the summer season. She returned to San Jose last evening.

From 'Real Estate Transactions', *Salinas Daily Index*, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Charles W. Quilty to Helen G. Quilty—Tassajara Hot Springs property, the NE ¼ of Sec. 32-19-4; also SE ¼ of NW ¼, N ½ of SW ¼ and SE ¼ of SW ¼, Sec. 28-19-4; \$8000.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

FAMOUS RESORT WILL OPEN FOR SEASON ON MONDAY, MAY 3

On next Monday, May 3d, the season will open at the famous Tassajara Hot Springs, and from the number of inquiries pouring in, it will be a busy one.

The Springs need but little introduction to Salinas people, as their healing properties are well known to so many.

Mrs. C. W. Quilty will again be manager, and this fact alone will insure courteous treatment to everyone,

Mr. G. I. Hallock, the popular stage driver, will be on the box as usual, and has had the stages overhauled, painted and put in general good order for the trip over the grandest scenic road in the country.

*Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

On next Monday, May third, the season will open at the famous Tassajara Hot Springs. Already many people are getting ready to take treatment at these wonderful mineral baths, and this year promises to be a busy one. Mrs. C. W. Quilty will again be manager, and this fact alone will insure courteous treatment for all.

G. I. Hallock, the popular stage driver, will be on the box as usual, ready to point out to travelers the many interesting points along the road which is one of unsurpassed scenic grandeur.

So if you are sick in body or weary in mind, take a couple of weeks' vacation at Tassajara and note the wonderful change. It has never failed yet.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1909:

Where are you going to spend your vacation? At Tassajara of course. There is no place else for a sure cure of bodily ailments.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1909:

Catch your rheumatism now while it is so painful and drop it in the hot sulphur bath at Tassajara and it will never bother you again.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1909:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty was an arrival here yesterday from San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Don't forget that the trout at Tassajara are waiting for you to coax them to your hook. You can catch them in the cold water and cook them in a hot spring two feet distant.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Write today for information regarding the marvelous waters of the Tassajara Hot Springs.

From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, was an arrival from San Jose last evening.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Tassajara stage made its first trip for the season on Monday, May 3. Mrs. Quilty and her helpers went in on the first stage. There were four passengers on today's stage, including C. W. Quilty and Miss Edith Ayers of San Jose.

John Chew brought up a load from Salinas and took it to Tassajara Springs last week.

PINAFORE.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## POPULAR RESORT OPENS

The Tassajara Springs resort opened last Monday. The stage left Salinas yesterday morning at 6 o'clock on its second trip from this city to the Springs with a goodly number

of passengers. Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose, the proprietress, is at the Springs which have had a most auspicious opening.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## NEWSY LETTER FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

POPULAR RESORT HAS OPENED FOR THE SEASON AND PARTY OF WATSONVILLEANS ALREADY THERE

TASSAJARA, May 5<sup>th</sup>. If you were here in the mountains now your every breath would be one of thanksgiving, for the very joy of living is in the balmy air and bright sunshine of these beautiful days. Very often May is rainy and quite cold, but this year is certainly a great exception. Everyone is around in thin summer clothes and a wrap is not even necessary when sitting out to enjoy the grandeur of the moonlit nights.

The first stage of the season arrived Monday, but the seven occupants were not the first, as three hotel guests and six campers were at the steps to greet us, and a right royal welcome it was, too.

A fine dinner was ready, having been prepared by Chef Ernest Waterman, who must have made a trip to the bay in a flying machine, as the first course was a delicious baked salmon, while the piece de resistance what Ernest called Tassajara "mutton." It was certainly good, and any other name mightn't do as well.

The creeks are booming with water, so good fishing is assured. In fact we had a mess yesterday even though the water is still a little high for sport to be at its best.

Camp life is being thoroughly enjoyed by Mr. John Cassidy, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Clark, Mr. A. F. Bezell and Mr. and Mrs. Marion Rowe and little daughter, all of Watsonville.

Jack Burns, the prize fighter, is here with his trainer, Eugene Jeffery, getting in trim for a coming engagement on the 22d.

We are greatly amused every day in watching the game of scientific fist-cuffs which takes place on the dance platform, along with all sorts of gymnastic exercises.

During the winter, Packy, the dog, killed a young fawn, which Ernest mounted and displays with pride, although he adds that a "Taximeter" could possibly have made a better job. MESCAL.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

John Chew is hauling freight for Tassajara. The Tassajara stage made its first trip Monday. Mrs. Quilty and her attendance were passengers. WILLOW TREE.

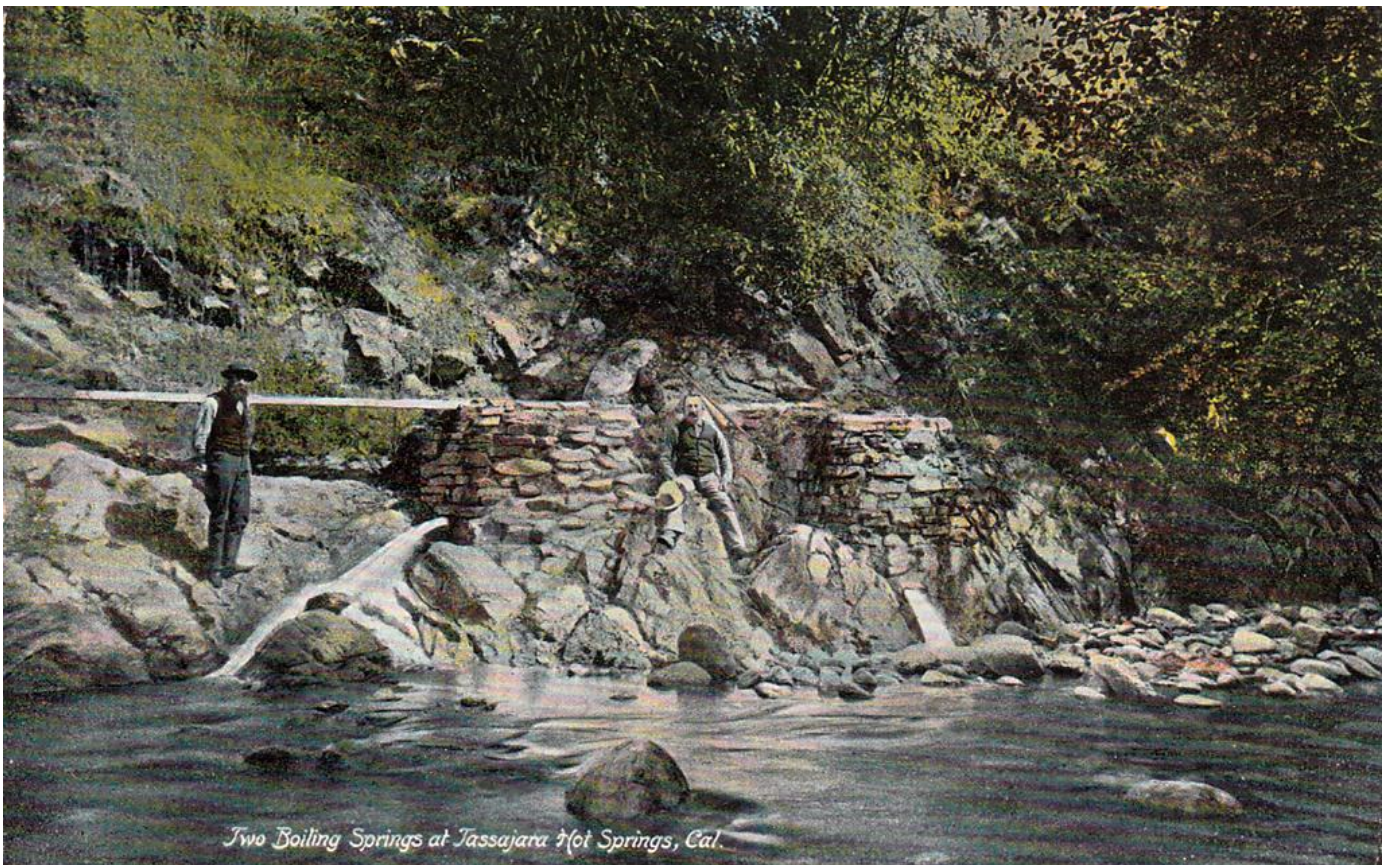
From the 'Personalities' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

C. W. Quilty came in last night from Tassajara Springs. He took the evening train for San Jose.



Bath House Avenue  
Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey Co., Cal

A Tassajara post card.



*Two Boiling Springs at Tassajara Hot Springs, Cal*

A Tassajara post card. The man sitting in the center is almost certainly Charles Quilty, and the man to the left is perhaps Henry Arnold.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1909:

## DOLCE FAR NIENTE AT TASSAJARA

LOST HEALTH REGAINED AND LIFE'S NOBLES'T IMPULSES RENEWED

"Mescal's" Breezy Paragraphs About Salinasites Who Are Enjoying Themselves to the Limit

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 1.—I have traveled in many lands and o'er many seas, yet all gratitude to the kind friend who turned my mind toward this wonderful spot. Wonderful, not alone for the healing hot mineral waters that burst from its mountain sides, but for the wildness and grandeur of the scenery that enclose it, making a veritable nest in which to regain lost health and to renew life's noblest impulses. The Arroyo Seco Creek as it rushes by is a beautiful and restful sight, and to a lover of nature like myself, a never-ending source of pleasure. As I write this letter I am seated on the bank of the stream, but within hand reach of a hot magnesia spring, to which guests are constantly coming for their hourly libations.

Now I propose to chronicle an account of the doings of some of our townspeople. You really can't imagine how staid business men become boys again and gambol and frolic around like the proverbial lambs.

Mr. and Mrs. Jim Bardin and Jim Jr. went home Saturday after a two weeks visit. If ever there was a grand baby it is little Jim. He was everyone's pet and yet is unspoiled. Even when Papa Jim's tongue slips a cog and gives vent to unbiblical expressions, little Jim simply looks wise but says never a word. This will probably come later. Big Jim and Mr. Quilty were evenly matched playing pool and had many closely contested games. Often when Mr. Bardin missed a particularly easy shot, he would offer a quarter for the privilege of "talking" to that ball. We miss the family very much indeed.

Mrs. Hardin's sister and her husband, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Sorrensen of Santa Rita, are here now.

Jesse B. Iverson's stay of two weeks was all too short and the air (Ayer) was heavy with sadness the day he departed. He learned to be an expert at playing bridge whist and I am sure he could give even King Edward, the champion, a few points and then beat him out. Jesse is also a mighty fine fisherman and kept the table supplied with trout. But this gentleman's chief stunt was neither bridge nor fishing, but—whisper it softly—trimming ladies' bonnets. We who have known him for years as a strict, serious business man, handing out our enormous bills with a stony eye, would never suspect his other and softer side to his character, but the old saying of "Still water," etc., still holds good. The bonnet in question was neither merry widow, coal scuttle, nor of the inverted soup tureen style, but a mixture of all three, and the fair lady to whom Mr. Iverson presented it declared it more like a "buggy" top than anything else, and declares the day is coming when J. B. will get a package that will make him think his time has come.

And now I come to the sad part of my story, for I really dislike to relate the failings of my fellow guests, but it has always been hard for me to look calmly on and see people sail under false colors, and that is exactly what J. N. A. Anderson has done. To my knowledge twice during his short stay here he sent trout to his friends and in each instance he wrote he was the lucky fisherman. It is said that when a willful fib is oft repeated the teller begins to think it true, and thus it was in Mr. Anderson's case, for he really swelled up and got quite chesty over his ability with the rod, but the real truth of the matter is J. N. A. is the bummiest fisherman that ever threw a line in the water, and while here the fish he had were obtained with silver bait. Without doubt he is an expert plumber, as is attested by the quickness (so rare nowadays) and neatness of the work done in the new bath house. But, if a forest guard had been here when the poor man went fishing, poor Mr. A. would spend the rest of his years doing time for catching the baby trout from two to four inches long. One day his feet failed to make a "union" with a rock in crossing the creek, and there were more abrasions on his anatomy than on his "elbows," only with the result that he was unable to make a "coupling" with a dining room chair that evening for dinner, and had to be given a hand-out. However, he may improve with age and learn to use his coaxing ways with the finny tribe also.

If I tell any more about the fishing abilities of the Salinasites, I will be presented with a good-sized hammer, so I will pass by Mr. Nels Christensen and his catches of twelve minus a dozen, and only ask you to inquire of him about the trip to Willow Creek. I think his answer will be both truthful and forcible. But Nels is a dandy Pedro player, never bidding less than ten on the Jack and Low.

Two young men arrived Thursday who make life very pleasant by their charming manners and musical talents. Henry Whisman is an artist at the piano, while Roy Hitchcock pleases all with his powerful yet sweet voice.

The belles of old Tassajara are the Misses Emma and Mamie Menke, who are loved by old and young.

I hear that McGregor & Joy make most excellent candy, but I'm from Missouri, and anxious to pass an opinion.

No doubt Jesse Iverson has forgotten his promise to send out some horseshoes for a game. Will someone please remind him.

Mrs. Quilty remarked the other day that she wished the Salinas City election were over, for then the successful candidates would come out to gain strength for their strenuous duties, while the unsuccessful would come to wash off their defeat.

MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1909:

## TASSAJARA STAGE LINE—NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Notice is hereby given that I have leased the Tassajara stage line—passenger, freight and express business—to G. I. Hallock for the period of one year from date. Said G. I. Hallock will assume and control management of

same. HELEN G. QUILTY, May 3, 1909.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## COOPER'S MOTTO, "EXCELSIOR!"

Abelardo Cooper is contemplating a trip to Tassajara Springs tomorrow morning in his Stoddard-Dayton touring car. Should he succeed there remains Fremont's Peak to be climbed. When he succeeds in these two stunts he will a close second to the boy that "stood on the burning deck."

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## A HAZARDOUS TRIP

TOURING CAR WITH PARTY OF PENCIL PUSHERS TO GO TO TASSAJARA

The world of motordom has its eyes fixed upon another thrilling feat, one as yet unaccomplished but which is to be undertaken tomorrow by Abalardo Cooper, at the wheel of his 45-horse power Stoddard-Dayton touring car. This is the trip to Tassajara Hot Springs and return, says the Salinas Journal.

A distance of about 120 miles is to be covered on the inland voyage and the most difficult and hazardous road leads to the Springs, winding along dangerous precipices and over the steepest grades ever traveled by an automobile.

Mr. Cooper is well prepared for the trip. He has received a special order of nine tires to be used on the way and various tools and implements will taken along to be used in case of mishaps.

The start will be made from Salinas a 3 o'clock tomorrow morning and Mr. Cooper will be accompanied by W. T. Masengill, R. R. Goodrich, Allen J. Close and B. J. O'Donnell, the later three being a bunch of about the liveliest newspaper reporters to be found anywhere outside of—well, what's the use of telling!

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## BY AUTO TO TASSAJARA

STODDARD-DAYTON CAR STARTS OUT WITH A LOAD

Abelardo Cooper, J. T. Masengill, W. T. Masengill, R. R. Goodrich and Allen J. Close started for Tassajara Springs at 3 o'clock this morning in Cooper's forty-five-horse-powered Stoddard-Dayton touring car. They expected to go up and come down and get home at 3 o'clock this afternoon. It is a trip that no auto has hitherto negotiated, and Mr. Cooper hopes to be the first to make it. At 3 o'clock nothing had been heard from them. They expected to get to Tassajara at 9 a. m.

LATER:

They made the trip and got back at 3:30.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Mr. and Mrs. John Remackel leave this morning for Tassajara Springs where they will assume charge of the hotel dining room.

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## GRADE IS CONQUERED

### STODDARD-DAYTON CAR MAKES ROUND TRIP TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Tassajara grade, one of the most treacherous sections of the long, hard journey to Tassajara Springs, Monterey County, has been conquered by the automobile. Abelardo Cooper, who left Salinas at 3 o'clock Saturday morning in a 45-horse-power Stoddard-Dayton automobile, succeeded in covering the 120 miles of dangerous road to Tassajara Springs and return in seven hours and twenty minutes running time. The entire trip was made without a puncture and no breakdowns.

Cooper and his companions, J. T. Masengill, Allen J. Close and R. R. Goodrich were accorded an enthusiastic welcome upon their successful arrival at Tassajara Springs.

In climbing the Tassajara grade three stops were made to cool the engine, but otherwise the climb was made without difficulty.

In making the trip to Tassajara Springs and return without accident, Cooper succeeded in establishing a record for himself and his car which may stand for some time to come. A previous attempt upon the part of a number of college students to reach the Springs by automobile resulted in failure and several hours of work for a four-horse team.

San Francisco Chronicle, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## MAKES CONQUEST OF TASSAJARA

### SALINAS MAN IN STODDARD-DAYTON IN STRENUOUS ASCENT OF THE MOUNTAIN

Abelardo Cooper recently proved himself to be one of the most intrepid and accomplished drivers in Monterey County when he successfully made a trip to Tassajara Springs and return in his Stoddard-Dayton car, a feat which has never before been achieved by any automobile, local or otherwise. His running time for the round trip of 120 miles over the most dangerous and well-nigh impassible mountain country was seven hours and fifteen minutes.

Cooper, accompanied by a party of friends, left Salinas at 3 o'clock one morning. The party reached the Rancho del Monte, eighteen miles from Salinas, in the darkness of early morning, in just fifty minutes, after an easy climb over the Laureles grade; Whitlocks [Camp Steffani] on the Carmel, a distance of twenty-two miles, was reached in an hour and two minutes, and the Tularcitos ranch house, thirty miles, in an hour and twenty-seven minutes. The Bloomquist ranch, thirty-five miles, showed an hour and fifty minutes out of Salinas, while Jamesburg was reached in just two hours.

The autoists took a fifteen minute respite at Jamesburg of water, and three miles beyond that spot stopped for five minutes more to discard their hood, in order to keep the engine from heating. The trip into Tassajara was made in fifty minutes, making the entire running time for the trip three hours and fifty minutes.

After an hour's delay at the resort, the party adjusted their machine for the arduous return journey, and at 11:35 left for the long climb up the grade, never before accomplished by an automobile. Cooper reached the summit of the grade with little difficulty, and soon the big car was swerving briskly around the steep curves on the down slope, and the victory of the Tassajara grade was accomplished.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

F. Call has returned to the Springs.

John Chew was in Salinas for another load for the Tassajara Springs. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## OFF FOR TASSAJARA

Many Salinas people are availing themselves of the opportunity of visiting the popular Tassajara Springs and although the hotel accommodations are already taxed, many are camping on the grounds. Those who will leave this morning for the Springs by private conveyance are Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Masengill, Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Hicks and Miss Ramona Masengill. The party expects to be away about three weeks and the trip to the resort will be made in two days.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1909:

## THE TASSAJARANS ARE FLOURISHING

### AN EXPLORING PARTY PUT TO FLIGHT BY AN OFFENDED "VARMIT"

Passability of the Road to the Springs Defended; Professor Iverson's School Survives Peril

Charles Metcalf returned last evening from a two weeks sojourn at Tassajara, bringing, besides increased avoidupois, a budget of interesting news from that health-giving and nerve-resting resort.

In the first place he says the road in to Tassajara is not the rough, narrow, rocky and precipitous highway that many may have been led to suppose by reading ill-considered accounts of the trip to the Springs recently made by a Stoddard-Dayton touring car. The stages to and from the Springs make good time, and a few days ago two ladies drove in from Pacific Grove with a horse and buggy that had no brake on it. A road that is so easily negotiated so far into the mountains deserves a good word rather than "a knock" to "boost" an automobile.

There are many people at Tassajara at present. The capacity of the hotel is tested and many are accommodated in tents, but all are well cared for and enjoying themselves to the limit.

Among the guests at Tassajara is P. P. Krough. He is an accommodating guide to parties bent on exploration, and his volunteer services are much appreciated. A few evenings ago he was leading a party of young ladies and others through a shady glen when he happened to step on something. Just what the animal was which resented his intrusion was suddenly made known by the sense of smell. A fine

specimen of *Mephitis Americana* had "landed" on Mr. Krough and the member of the party next to him. Exploration was called off for that evening and their outer garments were given decent burial and interim. The party fled precipitately and scrambled up hill to the hotel.

A new game of draw poker, in which the value of hands was indicated by the size of the opening bet and the limit was a nickel, flourished and was assiduously patronized by Mayor-elect Abbott, Jim Anderson, John Iverson and others until a deck of many kings, knaves, queens and aces produced impossible hands all around, and disclosed a Senegambian in the fuel supply, and then Pedro was resorted to.

Professor James B. Iverson's summer school of cribbage is flourishing again. Mrs. Quilty came near breaking it up with a display of phenomenal skill, but the Professor got a new deck, and then a square deal put him on velvet again.

John Iverson of Chualar returned from the Springs last evening.

The stages are loaded going and coming and those who want to come down have to book their passage a week in advance.

Fishing is the best ever.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

There are a large number of guests at Tassajara Springs at present. PINAFORE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

## TO TASSAJARA BY AUTO

### JIM BESSE MAKES THE TRIP IN LESS THAN SEVEN HOURS

Yesterday Jim Besse, driver of L. E. Fenton's E. M. F. Studebaker touring car, accompanied by H. Besthorff, another skillful chauffeur, made the trip to Tassajara Springs and back in that car without any trouble whatever. L. E. Fenton and Robert Fenton were passengers. They report the road not at all difficult to negotiate and were much pleased with their trip. They made the run up in three hours and a half and came down in three hours and twenty-three minutes. Going to Tassajara by automobile will soon be no uncommon trip.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1909:

WANTED—First-class waiter or waitress for Tassajara Hot Springs. Must be sober and furnish references as to ability and character. Write to Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Two stages were necessary to bring the passengers from Salinas to Tassajara Springs yesterday.

The Misses Quilty of San Jose went to Tassajara by Monday's stage. PINAFORE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

John Chew returned from town with a load for the Springs. WILLOW TREE.



Salinas Daily Index, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### HEAVY TASSAJARA TRAVEL

An extra stage was required to accommodate the heavy travel to Tassajara Springs this morning. G. I. Hallock, the regular driver, took out the usual number of passengers and Masengill's stables sent out one of their stages in charge of John Tomassini, which was crowded. Tomassini will bring in the members of the Masengill family, consisting of Captain and Mrs. J. T. Masengill, Mrs. W. K. Hicks and Miss Ramona Masengill, on his return trip tomorrow. They have been sojourning at the Springs for the past two weeks.

San Francisco Examiner, guest season of 1909:

### TASSAJARA

Hot Springs, Monterey County. Greatest health resort in California; known to the Indians. Hot sulphur and steam baths; trout fishing. \$12 and \$14. Stage leaves Salinas every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning. PECK-JUDAH BUREAU, 789 Market St., or address to the Springs.

San Francisco Chronicle, guest season of 1909:

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Santa Cruz Sentinel, guest season of 1909:

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From 'Dutton Gives Site for Hall at Jolon,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Jolon was connected on the 1<sup>st</sup> with Tassajara Springs by a new and first-class trail. It is twenty-six miles by wagon up the San Antonio to The Indians, and from there the new trail, constructed by the forest rangers, runs thirteen miles to where it crosses the Arroyo Seco. This crossing is five miles from Tassajara Springs and twenty-seven miles from Soledad by the trail the government built into the reserve last year. It is planned to carry the trail all the way over to the coast somewhere near Slate Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1909; datelined July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Four stages went to Tassajara Springs today—two extras besides the regulars from Salinas and Monterey. Twenty-three passengers went in. PINAFORE.

Salinas Daily Index, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### LOADED TASSAJARA STAGES

The Tassajara stages this morning took up to the Springs a large number of people from Salinas and other nearby towns. Among the passengers were Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hanson of Santa Cruz, Miss Myrtle Rowe of Watsonville, Charles J. Sibole of Watsonville and J. P. Gaffner of San Francisco.

Salinas Daily Index, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1909:

### SITTING ON THE LID

Mrs. C. W. Quilty came down from Tassajara Springs last evening in search of help much needed there to attend to the requirements of her guests. She couldn't find help in Salinas and went on to San Jose to continue her search. She left Dr. H. C. Murphy "sitting on the lid" and manager of the whole proposition.

Salinas Daily Index, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### AUTOING AGAIN TO TASSAJARA

Abelardo Cooper will try to see how quickly he can drive his Stoddard-Dayton car up to Tassajara and back tomorrow, leaving his garage at 3 a. m. He expects to lower Jim Besse's record with an E. M. F. Studebaker car, and will have Besse and Karl Edwards as assistants.

Santa Cruz Evening News, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE

#### CAMPING PARTY HEARD FROM

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 25.—To the Editor of the *News*—Sir: Left Santa Cruz Thursday morning for a camping trip with E. J. Langley and family; drove to Salinas River, 44 miles, taking feed, etc., at Salinas; next day near Jamesburg, 31 miles, and Saturday 20 miles to the Springs. The roads are good, considering the rough country to go through, and the scenery is grand. Lots of oak timber and plenty of nearly barren hills.

The first man I met here was my old friend "Billy" Hanson. My wagon is 15 steps from the hot water fount, where people come to drink. The Arroyo Seco runs through camp over the boulders.

Everything is enjoyable except for the miserable house fleas.

"Queen" and "Judy" are enjoying the climate, also the Salinas barley hay.

The hotel is full, and more are coming.

Yours for a hot bath, W. E. Furrey.

Salinas Daily Index, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### ABELARDO COOPER LOWERS A RECORD

#### HE DRIVES AN AUTO TO TASSAJARA AND BACK IN 5:26.

The E. M. F. Studebaker Record of Jim Besse Lowered 1:27 and Breaks Only One Spring in the Attempt

Abelardo Cooper had no difficulty in negotiating the road between Salinas and Tassajara Springs yesterday in his Stoddard-Dayton touring car. He went up and back in five hours and twenty-six minutes and got back a little

after 10 o'clock in the morning. This lowers the record made by Jim Besse in Fenton's E. M. F. Studebaker by 1:27.

The trip is quite as good an advertisement for the road as it is for the car. The road is better than it used to be and the car is better than cars used to be. One of these days going to Tassajara by auto will be as common as going to Monterey by auto.

Mr. Cooper had as assistants and coadjutors on this trip Karl Edwards, mechanic; Jim Besse, extra chauffeur, and R. R. Goodrich, press agent. He started early in the morning and stayed up at the Springs an hour or more, but his running time was 5 hours and 16 minutes.

The only trouble experienced was in the breaking of one of the springs, but that did not cause them great delay.

There is no official report as to how often or how seriously the speed limit was exceeded, but as no collisions are reported and no lives lost, probably no report is to be expected.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1909; datelined July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty was in town this week.

WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Gleanings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1909 (8/3 in the *Weekly*); datelined July 29<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

A. Cooper made two trips to these parts in his auto last week, one trip going through to the Springs and returning to Salinas, and again coming to Jamesburg to take out Dr. Murphy and family. Mr. Cooper should have more regard for the comfort of the hard-working citizens of Jamesburg than to wake them from their peaceful slumbers at 4:30 on Sunday morning with his devil wagon.

The Monterey stage went to Tassajara on Wednesday, the Salinas stage being crowded.

Mrs. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Springs, paid a visit to San Jose last week. PINAFORE.

Salinas Daily Index, Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### LOSES LIMBERGER

After an absence of nine months Ernest Waterman is in town from Tassajara. He arrived Saturday evening. Waterman is just as jolly as ever. As soon as he found time he sought his old friends and began to tell them the latest yarns from the rural districts.

Yesterday he attended the baseball game in company with "Daddy" Jim Smith. Waterman bet Smith a limburger cheese on the result of the game and lost. Smith says he will make Waterman pay the bet.

From 'County News; Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Travel to and from Tassajara Springs continues brisk.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1909; datelined Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

John Chew is hauling hay to the Springs.

WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

**RETURNED TO TASSAJARA**  
POPULAR ASSISTANT MANAGER  
GOES BACK TO THE SPRINGS

Ernest Waterman, the popular assistant manager of Tassajara Springs, returned to that mountain resort on this morning's stage, after a six days' visit with his friends in Salinas. Mr. Waterman came in last Saturday for a little rest and recreation. He visited all his old acquaintances in this city and vicinity, even going out to the county hospital, where a number whom old age and infirmities have overtaken now reside. He has extended the glad hand to all.

For two winters past he has lived at Tassajara and he will remain there this winter again.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Ernest Waterman, who has been enjoying a week with Salinas friends, returned yesterday to Tassajara Hot Springs where he holds the position of assistant manager. Mr. Waterman has announced his intention of remaining at the Springs for at least another season. Mr. Waterman holds a wide circle of friends who were pleased to greet him upon his Salinas visit.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

**MINERAL WATERS MUST  
BE GENUINE ARTICLE**

The news that the pure food commission has inaugurated a crusade against the substitution of mineral waters over the bars of public resorts has awakened considerable interest among the patrons, proprietors and employees of places in Salinas that serve customers with the festive high-ball. Several arrests for substitution of mineral waters were made yesterday in San Francisco, and it is reported that agents have been sent to country towns to enforce the rulings of the commission. The commission holds that "you want what you want when you want it." If you ask for Tassajara water and get Bartlett in your high-ball—bing! Five hundred dollars fine, six months in jail, or both, for the substitutor. If you ask for ginger ale and get Tassajara—bing! Same thing. If you ask for Cook's and get Vichy—bing! Same thing again. It doesn't make any difference whether you take it plain or in a high-ball, the barkeeper must watch his labels or take a chance of going to prison.

The outcome of the crusade will be watched with great interest. Salinas bartenders contend that it will not affect this city, as there is no substitution here. In other places, however, bartenders have been known to work off cheaper grades of water on their customers.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1909:

**A LINE FROM TASSAJARA**

To the Editor of the *News*—Sir: Mr. and Mrs. Langley and myself arrived here on our second camping trip last Thursday. The road is rough and dusty.

The weather has been hot, and the water hotter. Just go into it and sweat. Well, I guess

yes. If you want the bad feelings cooked out of you try this.

I heard a man say that he did not believe that Mrs. Quilty had an equal as a hostess in all the country.

And if you come by stage don't be afraid to ride with Mr. Hallock, and he will put you through on time.

I tried to ride Judy down the road from pasture, and soon found that I was going faster than she was, so we stopped. I got off and walked and saved musing her ears, and maybe getting a bump besides.

The newsy *News* comes when the stage comes. Yours for sunshine, W. E. Furrey.  
Tassajara Springs, August 30.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1909 (9/2 in the *Weekly*):

**LIFE IS A DREAM  
AT TASSAJARA**

GLORIOUS SCENIC TRIP OVER TWO  
RANGES OF MOUNTAINS IS DESCRIBED

The Beauty of Chivalry of California  
Assemble at the Springs

Take my advice—close up your desk, fling care to the winds, pack up your grip and jump on the stage bound for Tassajara. The sunlight and moonlight of the dear old spot will tone you up for enduring the long, dreary winter months ahead. The summer time has been glorious, but Nature is now to find an outlet for her genius in painting autumnal tints around those rugged Santa Luca Mountains. This is the season which has allured many an artist to wander away from the fogs of Frisco to give expression on canvas to the unrivaled splendor of her handiwork.

What a glorious scenic trip that is over those two mountain ranges into this little pocket known as Tassajara Springs! The long ride and absence of worldly scenes and employments is a most excellent preparative for the new life you are to lead during your stay at Mrs. Quilty's mountain abode. You have much to look forward to in meeting your hostess—"fair Helen of Tassajara," as she has been aptly styled. Like her namesake of Troy, she is unrivaled in her age—"for your gayer hours she has a voice of gladness and a smile and eloquence of beauty, and she glides into your darker feelings with a mild and healing sympathy that steals away your sadness ere you are aware." If you doubt my words, ask your mayor, Frank Abbott, or any other Salinas or Watsonville citizen fortunate enough to have strayed into her realm.

My contemporaries were as congenial a crowd as I ever hope to meet on a summer outing. Salinas, Watsonville, Santa Cruz, Monterey and San Francisco were well represented—the burbanks, pippins and sand crabs filling every inch of hotel space.

A few jolly souls, to relieve the congestion, tried sleeping in the bowling alley for a night. 'Tis a dangerously unwise practice, however, as Sid Gallagher of Watsonville or Jack Gaffney of San Francisco would attest. Your slumber may be disturbed by the wild yelps let out by an unfortunate canine in his mad race down the alley, the rattling tin can attached to his tall being a fitting accompaniment. Or,

when enfolded in the arms of Morpheus dreaming of the "dear" uncaptured, a midnight procession of thirty ghosts may in silence patrol around thee—a bowling alley boudoir being unsacred and very alluring. It took Sid Gallagher to put these ghosts to fight and in so doing realized "a dream of fair women." It was not so quiet as ghostly exits are wont to be, for Bob Ford of Salinas was a trailer in the parade and those who know that jolly good fellow know that hope of rest is left behind where he travels. Yet none of us would have him otherwise. A general favorite, for his sunny, unselfish disposition, he always was and will be.

This was an eventful year at Tassajara. We opened the new bath house with a most impressive ceremony. The christening was performed by Miss Edith Ayer of San Jose, by popular vote. With right steady aim she flung the champagne bottle, and Carl Wahrlich was not the only one who tried to divert the sparkling contents from its course into the creek. A creditable off hand speech concerning the history of the Springs was made by Mr. Abbott Sr., the pioneer of Tassajara. ELLISE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*,  
Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

C. W. Quilty, of San Jose, is at Tassajara. Mrs. C. W. Quilty, who has been in town for a few days, returned to the Springs on Tuesday's stage. WILLOW TREE.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

**HENRY PIERCE TOOK A TUMBLE**

Henry K. Pierce of the local firm of Stikeman & Pierce, had an exciting experience while going into Tassajara Springs on the stage the other day. Had it not been for safety of the road at that point more serious results might have happened. The Hollister butcher who serves the camp had broken down at the top of the big 5,140 foot hill, and had left his buggy alongside the road. When the stage horses saw the strange object they shied and jumped into the bank, upsetting the stage, in which Mr. Pierce and another passenger were seated. It was comparatively level ground, and there was little damage done, but Mr. Pierce says he doesn't want to repeat the experience.

*Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel*, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

**INDIAN SUMMER  
AT TASSAJARA**

It is Indian Summer at Tassajara. If you have never been here in the heart of these eternal hills you cannot understand what the expression "Indian Summer" means. The weather is perfect—neither too hot nor too cold, and hardly a breeze moves the red and gold of the autumn foliage. The hills are seen through a purple haze and life drifts by in a delicious laziness and freedom of care that is hard to find elsewhere.

Nestled at the base of "Flag Rock" is the cozy sandstone hotel Santa Lucia—named for the highest peak in the range. Close by are the wonderful and health-giving hot mineral waters that we can trace back to the old days

when the Indians brought their sick on rudely constructed litters to be cured by the water that rarely fail to benefit. The springs vary from 147 degrees of heat to very cold—the latter being iron water—the best tonic for toning up the blood.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Harrington, Mrs. J. P. Twist, and Miss Carrie Stelametz formed a merry party whom we hated to see depart.

W. H. Ruffcorn of your city was greatly benefited by his sojourn, and became a crack pool player. He and Mrs. Quilty, the owner, had many hard fought games. Each had a different version as to who was the best player, and I dare not venture an opinion, as I am a friend of each.

The hotel will remain open until October 15<sup>th</sup>, as many guests prefer this time of year to any other.

Deer are more plentiful than usual, and four have been brought in last week.

Mrs. Quilty and Frank Call left at four o'clock last Wednesday and were back at seven with a beautiful four-pronged buck slung across the saddle. Neither will say exactly which one has the credit, as each had a 30-30 rifle, but, of course, the gentleman is gallant and the lady is very proud.

At present Santa Cruz has the following representation: Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Langley, Messrs. W. E. Furrey, H. K. Pierce and A. J. Caldera. MESCAL.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1909:

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, came in last evening and left on the morning train for San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### FOREST FIRES RAGING IN VENTANA DISTRICT

The *Monterey Herald* says: A. R. Gregory and family have just returned from the Big Sur country down the coast, where they spent their summer vacation. Mr. Gregory reports that forest fires have devastated a large section of country on the Ventana River. The fire is now rapidly spreading toward Tassajara Springs. It was checked near the Big Sur River, but spread toward the Springs with great rapidity.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### PREPARING TO CLOSE

The management of Tassajara Springs is preparing to close a very successful summer season about the middle of the present month. The number of visitors has been in excess of previous years and many are remaining at the resort for the closing day.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### NEW ROAD TO TASSAJARA

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, the owner of the famous Tassajara Springs, is going to build a road into that popular resort by way of Soledad. It will connect with the county road at the Abbott place and will be a much easier grade than the present route.

From 'Jamesburg Happenings,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1909 (10/14 in the *Weekly*); datelined Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

C. W. Quilty was a passenger on last Wednesday's stage to the Springs.

Tassajara Springs will close on the 16<sup>th</sup> inst., after a very successful season. The stage will make its last trip in on Friday.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### SPRINGS CLOSE SATURDAY

The Tassajara Springs, under the management of Mrs. C. W. Quilty, will close next Saturday, after a very successful season. The stage, driven by G. I. Hallock, will make its final tri-weekly trip from the Springs to Salinas next Saturday. Hundreds of people from nearby cities and from distant parts of the state visited the famous resort this year, crowding the hotel and camping grounds. During the long winter months Ernest Waterman, a well known Salinas man, will be in charge.

From 'Social Life in the Mountains,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose and Dr. Edwards and son Karl and H. McKinnon, of Salinas, and Mrs. Call, of Laureles, came out on the last stage from Tassajara Springs.

From 'Interesting News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1909; datelined Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

Tassajara Springs closed for the season last Saturday, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty returning to San Jose.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose went into the Springs, taking two stone masons, to make more improvements.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### GUARDIAN OF TASSAJARA

Ernest Waterman, who is the guardian of Tassajara Springs during the winter months, was in town today looking after business matters. He will be "monarch of all he surveys" at Tassajara until the resort is opened next spring.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1909:

### SIMPLY HAD TO START SOMETHING

Attired in the picturesque costume of a cowboy of the plains, and sitting astride a frisky young bronco, Ernest Waterman, after spending a quiet night, began to start something yesterday afternoon by riding, true cowboy fashion, into Charles Haarbaugh's saloon, where he very nearly upset a ladder upon which James Smith, a cigar maker, was standing while cleaning the globe of a large gasoline lamp.

Waterman's appearance created a panic among the patrons of the place, who sought refuge in the adjoining rooms, momentarily expecting Waterman to commence shooting up the place.

Smith, however, came down and stood his ground. In a few moments he collared the cowboy and threw him out, along with the bronco. A dilapidated tan sombrero worn by Waterman was lost in the mix-up and Smith, who confiscated it, refuses to return it. Trouble is looked for between the two unless Waterman is persuaded to leave town by tomorrow.

Waterman came in from Tassajara Springs Monday night to order supplies for a gang of carpenters and stonemasons who are constructing a new bath-house there. He appeared on the streets today with an ordinary old black hat adorning his dome of thought and was ordered out of town by the officers. He promised to get out early tomorrow morning, but he swears vengeance against Smith. He says it is not the cost of a new sombrero that worries him, but he values the old one on account of old associations and the many holes he has made in it while practicing with his revolvers.

This is Waterman's first visit to Salinas for several months, and he says he simply had to start something before leaving.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1909; datelined Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1909:

C. W. Quilty went back to San Jose last week. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1910; datelined Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1909:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose made a trip to Tassajara Springs and reports work at the Springs going forward and the road still passable with a team. WILLOW TREE.

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From 'Two Inches of Snow Fell at Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

The last day of 1909 wept itself out in a steady downpour and 1910 was ushered in robed in white. About two inches of snow fell at this level, considerably more higher up. The rainfall amounted to 3.07 inches. It is very cold, hard freezing at night and the snow melts slowly.

From 'Budget of News From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined Jan. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

One of the Italian workmen came out from the Springs on Friday and reported only four inches of snow on the summit, but James Lewis and Maurice Brown, who made a walking trip from Monterey to the Springs, say that it was snowing hard on Sunday and nearly a foot of new snow had fallen.

From 'Notes From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1910; datelined Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

James Lewis and Maurice Brown, two young men from Pacific Grove, walked by easy stages from Monterey to the Tassajara Springs and back last week. The young men carried their blankets and all necessary supplies with them. They professed to have splendid time on their trip.

From 'Notes From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined Jan. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1910:

Mr. Quilty has sent another man over to the Springs to keep on the improvements being made there.

From 'Freezing Weather in Jamesburg Hills,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

G. I. Hallock made a trip to Tassajara, taking in some lime for the workmen. He had great difficulty in getting through the snow.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

Mr. Irvin Hallock hauled a load of supplies over to the Tassajara Springs last week.

From 'Notes From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

Mr. C. W. Quilty is at the Tassajara Springs.

From 'Notes From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

There is talk of an auto taking the place of the usual stage to Tassajara Hot Springs the coming season.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty passed through Salinas this morning en route to Tassajara Springs. They were in an automobile driven by John Thompson of Watsonville.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

## **AUTOMOBILE ACCIDENT ON WAY TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

**MACHINE RUNS OFF THE GRADE, THE DRIVER, JOHN THOMPSON, AND MR. AND MRS. QUILTY ARE BADLY INJURED**

By the overturning of an automobile on the Ardillas grade last Saturday, the three occupants, John Thompson of Watsonville and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose, were thrown out and injured, Thompson probably fatally. Mrs. Quilty was badly bruised and Mr. Quilty sustained a bad fracture of the right knee. All three are at present in the Jim Bardin Hospital in this city, where they were reported doing nicely this morning.

Mrs. Quilty's injuries are not serious. Mr. Quilty's leg was set yesterday. He will be confined to the hospital for a long time and may be permanently crippled. Thompson's ribs were fractured and one of the ends penetrated his lung, causing a bad wound, the outcome of which cannot be told.

The accident occurred about noon and was the culmination of a series of minor mishaps that beset the party soon after they started out from Watsonville for Tassajara Springs, which are owned by the Quilty's. Before arriving in Salinas a tire blew up and upon reaching here there was a repetition of the mishap. The damage was repaired and the party continued their journey.

Nothing unusual occurred until a point about

thirty miles south of Salinas, known as the Ardillas grade and Gordon hill, was reached. They got safely over all the dangerous places and came to a level place on the grade, with the machine going smoothly and at a moderate speed.

Mr. Thompson, who was at the wheel, did not notice a slight ditch or rut, made across the roadway by water draining off the mountain during the rainy season. When the front wheels of the machine suddenly struck the ditch he lost control of the wheel and the machine ran off the grade and plunged downward about twenty-five feet. It did not go to the bottom of the canyon, being stopped by a dense growth of brush and a fence. It turned completely over and alighted right side up.

Quilty and Thompson were caught beneath it, but Mrs. Quilty fell clear. Though badly bruised and stunned, she succeeded in dragging herself to the top of the grade and going for help.

A number of people residing in the vicinity came to the rescue and the two men who were pinned beneath the machine were released. Word was then sent to Salinas and Dr. Gordon hurried to the scene in an automobile. It was nearly 10 o'clock at night before the injured arrived at the hospital in this city.

Though badly hurt, Thompson yesterday gave a clear statement of the accident to his brother, Peter Thomson, who came from Watsonville. He assumes responsibility for the accident and seems more concerned over the condition of Mr. and Mrs. Quilty than his own.

It has been found necessary to deny him visitors, owing to his tendency to become excited when speaking of the accident. There is said to be but slight hope for him.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

## **THREE INJURED BY OVERTURNING CAR**

**ACCIDENT TO JOHN THOMPSON AND C. W. AND MRS. QUILTY IN AN AUTO RIDE IN THE HILLS**

Through the overturning of his automobile about a mile this side of the Bloomquist ranch on the road to Tassajara Springs Saturday afternoon, John Thompson, the well-known property owner of Pajaro Valley, was badly injured, C. W. Quilty received a fracture of the left knee, and Mrs. Quilty, terribly bruised, had a hair-breath escape with her life. All three are now lying in the Jim Bardin Hospital at Salinas.

Mrs. Quilty will soon be out again, and when recovered from her bruises and the effects of nervous shock will be as well as ever; Mr. Quilty will suffer from his injury for a long time and will be fortunate if he manages to escape being crippled permanently by a stiff knee as the result of the fracture of the left patella.

John Thompson is the only one whose condition is considered serious, and although he keeps up bravely, laughing and joking with the many friends who have hastened to see him, it will be late tomorrow or perhaps next day before his probable chances for early recovery can be determined.

The story of the accident is as follows: The party, comprising John Thompson driving his Buick car, and Mr. and Mrs. Quilty on their way to Tassajara Springs of which they are the proprietors, left Salinas Saturday morning.

They had reached a point about a mile this side of the Bloomquist place where Mr. Thompson saw that a small ditch had been cut across the road to drain the water from the inside. Not wishing to strike the ditch squarely he pulled the machine slightly to one side. The outer wheel struck a collection of slickens washed down from the hillside and the unstable pile slipped outward. Whether because Mr. Thompson did not have a firm grasp of the steering wheel or on account of the lack of a substantial hold for the tire is not known as the accident which followed was over so quickly that no one could realize the exact nature of the cause.

The machine, driven at Mr. Thompson's usually careful speed, toppled and turned over twice, throwing all of the occupants out. The two gentlemen were thrown a few feet away from the auto, but Mrs. Quilty was under the tonneau [back seat compartment] when it stopped. She was bruised and dazed by the accident, but managed to crawl from her dangerous position, and finding her husband and brother-in-law more seriously hurt, she heroically started for assistance.

About three quarters of a mile from the scene she met Mr. Frank Bruce of Tularcitos, with whom arrangements had been made to meet the Quilty's. He had driven out in a buggy and was returning on horseback when Mrs. Quilty met him and started him after help.

Dr. S. B. Gordon was communicated with and in a machine driven by Allen Hebborn started for the scene. They brought in the party, arriving at the Jim Barden hospital at 10 o'clock, and notwithstanding the long hours of pain they had been compelled to endure, and the necessarily tiresome ride, they were self-helpful. Mr. Thompson, the worst injured of the trio, managing to walk up the steps of the hospital with the aid of one of the nurses.

The car was badly damaged but not wrecked, as the point at which the accident occurred was not by any means a precipitous spot. In fact it was only through the treacherous nature of the slickens to which the weight of the wheel was entrusted in order to avoid the possibility of a broken spring in crossing the temporary rut that the accident was made possible.

There is a hope, and it is shared by their hundreds of friends that all in the party will ultimately be none the worst for their experience.

From 'Jamesburg Pleased with the Rain Storms,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1910 (3/17 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

An automobile stage line from Salinas, to connect with the Tassajara stage at the summit, will be put in operation this summer.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined March 18<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

A garage in Watsonville sent a man up for John Thompson's machine, which unfortunately was wrecked on the Tassajara road last

Saturday.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

### THOMPSON GOES HOME

John Thompson, the Pajaro Valley farmer who was seriously injured in an automobile accident on the road to Tassajara Springs, has recovered sufficiently to leave the Jim Bardin Hospital and return to his home.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1910:

The work of repairing the road to the Tassajara Springs has commenced.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

It is understood that the auto deal is off and we will have the old reliable stage to the Tassajara Springs again this year.

From 'Road Improvements in the Jamesburg District,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1910 (4/14 in the *Weekly Index*); datelined April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

The Tassajara road crew is making some needed improvements on the road.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

WANTED—At summer resort, man and wife for plain washing, care of a small bath-house, and each must be capable of giving massage treatments; references as to ability and character required. For particulars address Mrs. C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Cal.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1910; datelined April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

Frank Bruce is in Salinas to get a load of supplies for the Tassajara Springs.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1910:

The crew of men cleaning out the Springs road have moved on to the summit, where they will camp.

*Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel*, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

### THE TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

SUMMER SEASON WILL OPEN  
MONDAY, MAY 2d.

The Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the summer season next, Monday, May 2d, and Mrs. C. W. Quilty, the popular hostess of the past five years will again be in charge. This fact insures a good time and courteous treatment to each guest. This resort does not need much introduction to Santa Cruz residents as a great number pass their vacations both for health and pleasure at this famous place.

The stage will leave Salinas and that reliable driver, G. I. Hallock, will as usual handle the reins.

Trout fishing is excellent, so get out your rod and tackle and go prepared to catch fish in the cold water, and leave all your ailments in the healing hot water.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

Frank Bruce is hauling supplies for the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

### TASSAJARA STAGE AGAIN MAKES TRIPS

Tassajara Hot Springs opened for the season last Monday morning, and the stage, driven by G. I. Hallock of Jamesburg made its second trip from this city to the Springs this morning. From now on, until the close of the season, the stage will make regular tri-weekly trips, leaving Salinas Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and returning Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. Mr. Hallock reports that with the exception of a short section near the Laguna Seco the roads are in good condition and that the journey to the Springs is attended with no difficulties. He took out a load of passengers on each of the trips this week.

From 'Budget of News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

The weather has been cold and foggy for the past week and the Tassajara road working crew report the trees decked with icicles one morning.

The Tassajara stage made its first trip for the season on Monday, bringing in Mrs. Quilty, proprietor of the Springs, and her helpers.

The Tassajara road crew has returned from the Springs, having put that part of the road in good shape. They are now engaged in changing the grade at a point near the postoffice. This will be a great improvement, as it was very steep.

### U. S. CENSUS OF 1910

Enumerated within the Monterey National Forest on May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

Waterman, Ernest, head of household, white male, 45 years old, single, father Ger. German, mother Ger. German, immigrated to U. S. in 1895, naturalized, can speak English, occupation: caretaker at mineral springs.

Cassardo [?], Louis, herdsman, white male, 27 years old, single, father Fr. Italian, mother It. Italian, immigrated to U. S. in 1892, alien, can speak English, occupation: laborer at mineral springs.

Gerassio [?] Gaconnio [?], herdsman, white male, 21 years old, single, father It. Italian, mother It. Italian, immigrated to U. S. in 1907, alien, can speak English, occupation: laborer at mineral springs.

*Santa Cruz Morning Sentinel*, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

### LETTER FROM TASSAJARA AS USUAL, HAS LOCATED FOR THE SEASON AT THE TASSAJARA SPRINGS RESORT

TASSAJARA, May 9, 1910. Ed. *Sentinel*:—"Old Tass," as the many friends of the Tassajara Hot Springs lovingly called the place, is again open for the season with Mrs. C. W. Quilty in charge of the management, and the same competent stage driver, G. I. Hallock, on the driver's seat.

I don't know what the weather has been in the valley, but for the week I have been rustivating here it has been ideal and we are out at all hours in summer clothes. Just having opened, there are not many guests, but everything points to a large number to come in the near future. Really by coming before the crowd one has more time to spend at the baths and many prefer to take the treatments during the quiet times.

There is something in the air that makes eating the greatest possible enjoyment. And it would hard to find a better table than is set here even though so far from town. Mrs. Quilty wishes the guests to eat all they want and if perchance someone with an extraordinary appetite feels the need of an 11 P. M. "handout" he knows he has only to hint his emptiness to Mrs. Q. and she will fly to his rescue with all the pantry holds.

A new two story club house in Swiss chalet architecture is being built and will be an ornamental addition.

The old bath house is being remodeled into fourteen tubs so that everyone will have an equal chance and no long wait to get a bath.

The famous Tony's Trail is now as smooth as a boulevard and makes a pleasant tramp over to Willow Creek—that is for those who are energetic enough to get further than the hotel, bath house and dining room. Fact is, I am now too lazy to write any more now, but will send you a budget soon again. MESCAL.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1910; datelined May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

Frank Porter has taken the U. S. census in this neighborhood and has gone on to finish his district.

The Springs bid fair to have a successful run. They have an unusually large number of guests for so early in the season.

The Tassajara road crew will finish work this week. They have made a piece of road below Mr. Chews which will be a great improvement.

*Salinas Morning Democrat*, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

### TASSAJARA GUESTS SAW ECLIPSE AND COMET

While the fickle elements obscured the heavens with a dense fog in Salinas Monday night, so that all in this city lost the opportunity to view the famous Halley's comet at its best, the Salinans and other guests at Tassajara Springs were more fortunate. Mr. Hallock, driver of the Tassajara stage, who arrived last evening, states that the sky was perfectly clear at the resort, and all of the guests congregated in front of the hotel, and enjoyed an excellent view of the great celestial tramp. During the eclipse of the moon, says Mr. Hallock, the guests were almost awe-struck with the splendor of the comet, which transformed the entire heavens into a blaze of light. Among the eager watchers at the resort was the Hon. Carr S. Abbott of this city, who found himself gazing on the comet for the second time, having seen and remembered it in his boyhood days, 75 years ago.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1910:

## TELEPHONE TO TASSAJARA

A new telephone line has been connected from Tassajara Springs to Soledad. It connects with the government forest station and passes through the Arroyo Seco section.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1910:

On Monday Will Jeffery came in from the Springs on horseback, took his auto at Jamesburg, went to Salinas, spent a few hours, returned to Jamesburg, taking his horse back to the Springs, making the trip and back after his business easily in one day. We all want autos now, but none of us like meeting them on the grade.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

C. W. Quilty came in on the stage Thursday evening from Tassajara Springs and left on the 8:15 train for his home in San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1910 (6/30 in the *Weekly*):

## WHAT IS DOINGS AT THE SPRINGS

"MESCAL," THE POET OF TASSAJARA, BREAKS OFF A FEW CHUNKS OF POETRY

"Mescal," the poet laureate of Tassajara Springs, the origin of whose name is obvious to the most casual observer, has broken into verse, and has incubated the following poem-lets on life at the Springs.

The weather here has been fine,  
 Guests have spent a pleasant time,  
 The nights have had a moon so bright,  
 Young folks have been out of sight.  
 In the papers, as you read,  
 Guests are served with best of feed.  
 Beds there are so soft and nice,  
 Ladies notice—there are no mice.  
 Water hot in every room,  
 Hammocks many for folks to spoon.  
 Splendid walks, well, I should guess,  
 Just about twenty more or less.  
 Coon's here, too, and also trout,  
 Baths for persons with the trout.  
 Persons weary and run down,  
 Come to the Springs and shake the town.  
 The moon, though late, still comes round,  
 But gosh! The hammocks are broke down.  
 Though fifty-two miles on a vacation,  
 A phone connects us with civilization.

These "limericks" are thrown in for good measure:

Beau of the Dance.

Mr. Emery, who strayed here by chance,  
 With a look puts the girls in a trance.  
 On a dance floor each night,  
 He's as airy as light.  
 He's considered the beau of the dance.

A Broken Heart.

From Watsonville Clara did stray,  
 To the Springs for a short time to stay,  
 Where she met Otto, dear,  
 Who has caused her a tear,  
 Since the morn he did go-away.

Left.

From Watsonville also came Stella,  
 Who was really in search of a fella.  
 The artist she spied,  
 "He's mine," Ada cried,  
 And Stella was forced to the cella.

The Bowlers.

Miss Newman, a dame from the beach,  
 At bowling she sure was a peach.  
 In the alley one day,  
 She attempted to play,  
 To the gutter her ball was a leach.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

## WATERMAN RETURNS FROM THE MOUNTAINS

Ernest Waterman, who recently severed his connection with Tassajara Springs, has returned to Salinas to make his home and is receiving the glad hand from his many old friends. He spent two weeks in camp on the Cachagua after leaving Tassajara. He reports that there are a great many more guests at the Springs this year than formerly and that they are being agreeably entertained by Mrs. Quilty and her assistants. Waterman passed nearly three years at the Springs. His return to Salinas is prompted by a desire to get into closer touch with old time friends, many of whom reside here.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1910; datelined July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

Judging by the number of people on the stage each trip, there must be a crowd at the Springs.

From 'Warm Weather at Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1910; datelined July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1910:

Large numbers of campers have gone to Tassajara Springs during the week and the stages are loaded with passengers for the same popular resort. Last Monday two stages were necessary to accommodate the traffic.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, guest season of 1910:

## TASSAJARA STAGE LINE

L. P. CHAVOYA, PROP.,

Leaves Monterey Monday, Wednesday and Friday, at 7 a. m., from Postoffice and Chavoya's stables, 52 California street. Phone Main 67.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1910:

## TASSAJARA

**HOT SPRINGS**, Monterey County. Best health and pleasure resort in California. Eighteen hot mineral springs; hot sulphur plunges; wonderful vapor baths; excellent trout fishing. \$12 to \$14. Stage leaves Salinas Mon. Wed. and Fri. mornings; 50 lbs. baggage allowed. Peck-Judah Bureau, 789 Market St., or C. W. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County. Readers when communicating with this resort please mention the *Chronicle*.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

The Tassajara stage has been carrying a full

load of passengers both ways nearly every trip lately.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1910; datelined Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose, Mrs. Thompson of Watsonville and Mrs. Ryan of Gilroy were passengers on Wednesday's stage to Tassajara.

Local news items in the *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, arrived from the Springs on the stage Thursday evening. He left this morning for his home at San Jose.

Mrs. C. T. Ryan, postmistress at Gilroy, came in from Tassajara Springs on the stage Thursday evening and registered at the Hotel Abbott. She left for home this morning.

From 'Budget of News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Index*, Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1910; datelined Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

C. W. Quilty returned to his home in San Jose by Thursday's stage. Mrs. Ryan, postmistress at Gilroy, also went home on Thursday.

Frank Bruce made a trip to Salinas last week, bringing up a load for the Springs.

Will Jeffery of Salinas went to Tassajara by Friday's stage.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1910:

## TASSAJARA

The season will close at Tassajara Springs on Saturday next. It has been a very successful season.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1910:

Miss Ethel Call is spending the holidays with her parents at the Tassajara Springs.

## 1911

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Mr. Call was out to the postoffice from Tassajara Springs last Friday. He reports parts of the road to the Springs badly washed out.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## TRAVELERS TURNED BACK BY SNOW

Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose and Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Thompson of Watsonville, who left here Saturday morning for Tassajara Springs, returned to Salinas Sunday evening, having gone only as far as Jamesburg. There is a heavy fall of snow further up in the mountains, and as the ladies had forgotten their snow shoes, they were afraid to venture on. After visiting over night with Mr. and Mrs. Will Jeffery they left for Watsonville this morning.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1911:

Clyde Call was out from the Springs last week for the mail and reported all well that way.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## STORM CREATES HAVOC WITH MOUNTAIN ROADS

G. I. Hallock arrived in Salinas last evening from Jamesburg, having made the trip on horseback owing to the impassable condition of the roads. He states that the storm was furious in the mountains, accompanied with a heavy fall of snow and rain, which caused inestimable damage. The roads, he says, are practically entirely washed out, and will have to be reconstructed before Jamesburg and Tassajara Springs can be reached with vehicles. Mr. Hallock made the trip in order to obtain medicines for Mrs. Hallock, who is very ill.

From 'Jamesburg Got Share of Storm,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 15<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined March 11<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

The terrific storm of the past two weeks seems to have last ceased. The rain has been incessant, beginning with a snow storm which piled up several feet of snow on the summits. The warm rain followed and caused the unprecedented high water. The rainfall was 15.40 inches for the storm and 30.38 inches for the season. All the streams were higher than ever before seen by the oldest inhabitant, and the washouts were fearful... Roads are gone everywhere; they are even impassable for a man on horseback... The force of the swift mountain streams are such that huge rocks are rolled along with a noise like thunder...

Walter Chew and Henry Arnold have gone to Tassajara Springs to learn how the people there fared during the storm, fears being entertained that serious damage may have been done there.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined March 17<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Walter Chew and Henry Arnold Jr. went into the Tassajara Springs Saturday. They found everyone there well and the road in better condition than expected. They report between three and four feet of snow on the mountains.

From 'Sunday Jaunt to Carmel Valley,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

"The repairs that are now being made on the roads are of a temporary nature," remarked Mr. Madeira, "and it will be some time before anything in the way of permanent improvement can be done. In fact much of the Tassajara Road will have to be rebuilt and its going to be a mighty big job. From what we saw on this trip the first reports of the damage done by the flood were not exaggerated, nor was the picture overdrawn. The Supervisors have a big problem to solve in devising ways to means to rebuild the roads."

From 'Repairing the Storm Damages,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1911; datelined March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1911:

F. S. Call was out from the Tassajara Springs last Saturday.

Work on the roads is being pushed forward as rapidly as possible, but the damage is so great that it will take some time to put them in shape.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1911:

## POPULAR RESORT IS IN GOOD SHAPE

TASSAJARA SPRINGS STOOD THE STORM WELL AND WILL OPEN ABOUT THE FIRST OF MAY

Mrs. C. W. Quilty is in town attending to the business of Tassajara Hot Springs. This popular resort will open as usual about May 1, and every indication is for a prosperous season.

Contrary to reports, there was no damage whatever at the Springs during the recent storm, and Mrs. Quilty says the Tassajara Road, between Jamesburg and the Springs, is but slightly damaged, the worst being between Jamesburg and Salinas. A large force of men, under Hanson Bros., is now at work, so that in another month all traces of the flood will be removed, and travel will have resumed normal conditions.

Mr. Call, who has been in charge of the Springs during the winter, writes that prospects are fine for unexcelled fishing.

Announcement will be made of the exact date on which the stage will begin regular trips to Tassajara under the usual able management of G. I. Hallock.

From 'Just a Few Items from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 13<sup>th</sup> 1911; datelined April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, came from San Jose last week, bringing with him some Italian laborers to work at rock work at the Springs. H. Arnold accompanied them to the Springs to take in their goods and pack animals.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, was a visitor here this morning from San Jose.

From 'Repairing Roads in the Jamesburg Section,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Hansen brothers passed through here on Monday with their large grader. They are working on the Tassajara Road. John Chew and his crew are also engaged on the same road.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

These marvelous hot mineral springs are situated in Monterey County, near the headwaters of the Carmel River. The climate is warm and equable with never a trace of fog, as towering mountains oceanward shut out fogs and winds.

The mineral waters vary from almost ice cold to hot sulphur of over 150 degrees, and these waters are constantly effecting the most wonderful cures in cases of rheumatism, kidney, liver and stomach troubles.

The Springs are never more beautiful than in May, the opening month for guests, for Nature is there in most glorious attire, and care and worry are all laid aside while drinking in and bathing in these health-giving waters.

Mrs. C. W. Quilty will again manage the resort, and this fact insures courteous treatment, excellent table and a good time in general to each guest.

Trout fishing is exceptionally fine this year, but sportsmen should hurry to the grounds as early as possible before the season is late and the streams depleted.

As usual the stage will leave Salinas every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning and will be driven by that veteran of many seasons, G. I. Hallock. See advertisement in another column.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

These wonderful hot mineral springs, situated in Monterey Co., are noted for their marvelous cures of Rheumatism, Kidney, Liver and Nervous diseases.

The water varies in temperature from cold to 150 degrees of heat. Wonderful natural steam baths. Rates \$12 and \$14.

Trout fishing and all amusements.

Stage leaves Salinas every Mon., Wed. and Fri. mornings. Write for particulars to the Springs manager.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1911 (also in the 4/28 *Salinas Morning Democrat*, as 'The Tassajara Springs Resort,' and the 4/28 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Beautiful Tassajara Springs Open Now,' with Watsonville substituted for Salinas in the first sentence:

## TASSAJARA WILL OPEN MAY 1

This popular health and pleasure resort hardly needs any introduction to Salinas people, but the announcement is made that after May 1<sup>st</sup>, the Springs will be open for guests, and prospects are good for a crowd even so early in the season. For the tired business man and weary housekeeper May is really the most ideal month, as one can have the benefits of the baths to a fuller extent than later on, and the beauties of nature are so bright and so varied as to make worry and care practical impossibilities.

Then, too, is fishing keener sport and not so much work, as the creek is full of trout, it being possible to throw a line from the dining room window, catch a shining beauty, then throw it through the kitchen window to "Sunny Jim," the cook, who will soon serve it hot and brown and garnished with curling parsley, a toothsome dainty to whet the breakfast appetite.

Talking about appetites leads us to remark how perfectly voracious guests become between the combination of mineral waters and good food. We were there three weeks, and we never will forget the A1 meats that were served, not once but right along. Even the guests on crutches were not far behind in the race to the dining room when the gong sounded.

The Tassajara mineral springs are certainly a marvelous flow of hot water, and their curative properties are becoming more widely known

every year. It is now an established fact that the medicinal virtues of very hot springs is due to the activity of radium in the waters. Springs whose source is near the surface of the ground are not very hot and do not contain active radium energy, so are of no value in curing diseases. The real hot springs come from a great depth, and it is also a fact well known to scientists who have made this a study, that in springs where this radio activity is greatest, the water loses its strength if allowed to stand, or is taken away from the spring. This is why rheumatism, gout, skin diseases and many other ailments can only be cured by drinking and bathing in the waters fresh from the spring.

The Tassajara waters are as hot as the world-famous springs at Carlsbad, and hotter than the Arkansas springs, the highest of which register 140 degrees.

Mrs. C. W. Quilty will again manage the Springs, and G. I. Hallock will once more drive the stage and point out the wonders of the scenic road. X.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

### GETTING STAGE READY

G. I. Hallock, for several years past driver of the stage that makes trips between this city and Tassajara Springs during the summer, is in town from Jamesburg making arrangements for the coming season. The stage will commence making regular tri-weekly trips next Wednesday.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1911:

Mrs. Quilty of San Jose was in town today. She reports the outlook for another successful season at Tassajara Springs is good.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1911:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, proprietress of Tassajara Springs, arrived here yesterday from San Jose to complete arrangements for the reopening of the famous resort for the summer season. The stage made the first trip to the Springs this morning and until further notice will make tri-weekly trips.

From 'Budget of News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1911:

The first stage for Tassajara Springs went through today. G. I. Hallock continues as driver. The stage station will be kept by Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hallock, at Mrs. A. Hallock's house.

From 'Budget of News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

The Tassajara stage made its first trip on May 3. Mr. and Mrs. Savage of Newman and Mrs. Quilty of San Jose were passengers.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Forest Supervisor Tyler has been up looking at the reserve here. The rangers are to put in a telephone line from their station to connect with Mrs. Quilty's at Tassajara Springs.

Jno. Chew's road crew finished their work

on the road over towards the Springs and are now doing some further repairing on this end.

Frank Call, who has been at the Springs all winter, was a visitor to Salinas last week.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1911:

### WHERE LIFE IS WORTH LIVING

SUMMER VISITORS ARE ALREADY ENJOYING A BLISSFUL EXISTENCE AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

SALINAS FOLKS ARE IN THE SWIM

The Invalids Are Improving and the Strenuous Are Becoming More Strenuous

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, May 20.—I will never again come here during the rush season, as one can have so much more comfort and ease when there are not so many people. This is my first early visit and we are like one big family, and a happy one at that. Mrs. Quilty promises to punish anyone that makes the least noise before 8 a. m., and it doesn't take a scolding to keep us in our warm nests until that hour.

Uncle Jim Iverson is not very well, but still manages to get in two or three two-hour sessions of cribbage each day with Mrs. Quilty. They are both expert players, but positively quarrel like a pair of children over which is entitled to "his nobs" or a "run." At present Mrs. Quilty has Uncle Jim on the run to save his nickels, but as a usual, there is not much advantage on either side.

Dick Winham and Tom Ryan are either fearfully active or else frightfully lazy. A few days ago they and the Nixon brothers left on a trip to Lost Valley, a little jaunt of eighteen miles over Tony's Trail. Tom and W. E. Nixon became separated from Dick and his Nixon and had to remain without supper or bedding all night. As ice was everywhere in the morning you can imagine the jolly time they had, even though trying to keep a fire going both rear and aft. They were glad to get back and if I remember right, Tom had six and three-fourths fish and Dick had ninety-four, or maybe for the sake of the law it was forty-nine. The Nixon boys each had the limit.

Frank Clark and little son, Robert, are enjoying themselves greatly. Robert is without question the best behaved small boy I have ever seen, and it is certainly refreshing now days to meet with such a well brought up child.

Elvin Hallock rode over from Slate's Springs yesterday.

N. A. Holiday arrived Wednesday evening and has already sent a nice mess of trout to Salinas.

J. Jacobsen was an arrival on this evening's stage, as were Jack Phillips of Watsonville and Mr. and Mrs. S. Huxley of Oakland.

Gomer Savage of Newman is gaining strength rapidly now and has increased in weight eight pounds.

Fred Widemann of King City is also improving in the few days he has been here.

Carl Brun has been in bed several days. The waters are giving his sciatica a hard dose, but we know he will be around in a few days now.

E. B. Williams of the Abbott Hotel thinks the water of the famous iron spring the best of

the place. Last night he was picking bait worms off the alfalfa by lantern light and tomorrow night he is scheduled to go snipe hunting. He has the sack all ready.

Will send more news before I leave, but if Mrs. Quilty will give me a job I want to stay in this beautiful place all summer. MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1911:

### JOY OF LIVING AT TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, May 30.—After many arguments Tassajara has decided to remain a dry town. The new edict, however, allows for one Tassajara cocktail before each meal.

Albert Hansen now eats six meals each day.

N. A. Holiday, who came here for rest cure, only walks 21 2-5 miles per day.

Huxley & O'Neill's orchestra furnishes appreciative programs each afternoon and evening.

Uncle Jim Iverson doesn't approve of the manner in which bets are decided. According to horse racing it should be different.

Brownie Seighold arrived today from Abbott's on horseback via Tony's Trail.

Kid Hughes has a beauty sleep every afternoon from 2 to 5.

Fred Winham and Tom Ryan, with all their military training, could have left us peacefully and at most without disgracing their flag.

J. I. C.

From 'Light Rain Falls About Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1911; datelined June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1911:

William Robson and Frank Bruce brought up two loads of telephone poles and wire to be used on the government telephone line.

A. Silva is hauling freight to Tassajara.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

### TOMATOES AND MILK BAD FOR STOMACH

Dr. Garth Parker returned from Tassajara Springs this afternoon, where he had been called to attend Mrs. C. W. Quilty, the proprietress. He found the lady suffering from acute stomach trouble, the result of eating heartily of tomatoes and afterwards partaking copiously of milk.

From 'Light Hay Crop in Jamesburg Section,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Mrs. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Springs, is quite ill. Dr. Parker went in by automobile to attend to her. This is the second trip Dr. Parker has made to the Springs in three days, having gone in on Friday last to attend John Hughes, who was afterwards taken to Salinas by his brother, James Hughes, and William Jeffery. William Jeffery also took Dr. Parker to the Springs on his last trip.

From 'News Jotting from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

The government telephone line is nearly completed and will soon be in operation.

Mr. Hallock had the misfortune to lose one of his stage horses last week. The animal be-



came sick and Dr. Harvey came up from Salinas, but he was too late to stave off the inevitable.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1911:

W. F. Handley and Dr. W. P. Austin will leave tomorrow for the Carmel on a deer hunting expedition. From the Carmel they will drive over the mountain to Jamesburg and Tassajara. They will be gone two weeks.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1911; datelined June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

The Tassajara stage is loaded with passengers for the Springs nearly every trip recently. The Monterey stage went into the Springs with a stage load of guests on Monday.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

INTERESTING LETTER FROM WELL KNOWN WOMAN OF PACIFIC GROVE

ENJOYS THE STAGE RIDE

Road Winds Up Mountain Side, Down Steep Grades and Through Leafy Tunnels—Springs Excellent—Celebrated the Fourth

TASSAJARA, July 7, 1911. Editor *Cypress*: Perhaps a few words from this place would be of interest to your readers. I wish I had the pen to make a word picture that could show all who read these lines the beauty of this place. The towering peaks on all sides, the deep cool canyons, the clear cold creek that rushes among the rocks and boulders, the stately sycamores, graceful maples and alders that provide such comfortable and welcome shade during the hot hours of midday; the wonderful light and shadow of early morning and beautiful moonlight nights.

The trip is a hard one, long and dusty, but the ever changing scenery makes one forget such discomforts. We left the Grove in a drenching fog which laid the dust of the Carmel Valley, reaching the Laureles before the sun rays were felt. There we learned that the Salinas stage was ahead of us, with an extra stage, also an auto to Jamesburg, twenty one persons in all, and that meant our stage must take the extra passengers and go into the Springs. When we reached Cachagua Creek we found the extra stage had met with an accident, the driver not knowing the changed road on account of washouts. There the passengers were transferred to our stage, also the four horses, while our driver borrowed a light two seated rig from a farmer and used the horses from Monterey to carry those who had been left. This caused some delay and it was 8:15 p. m. when we reached Tassajara. I never shall forget that ride down the steep grade into the valley. The warm, balmy air, so clear and exhilarating, the constant change of scenery under arching trees, around sharp curves, and plunging downward all the time. To me it was perfect joy, grand beyond my powers of expression.

As the sun sank further in the west the deep shadows filled the canyons, while the peaks of the mountains were bathed in a luminous rosy glow which gradually faded until we were in

semi-darkness the last mile or two. Then vaulting over a bridge, another turn brought us in view of the welcome light of the hotel, where a shout greeted us from the assembled guests, and I was glad to greet Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rosendale and little Phyllis, also Wilford Holman of Pacific Grove.

A good dinner, a warm sulphur bath and a night's rest removed all dust and fatigue, and I was ready for the festivities of the Glorious Fourth, for the genial hostess, Mrs. Quilty, had planned a celebration. The order of the eats had been changed and at 2 o'clock we were invited to a banquet that would have been a credit anywhere. Cold meats, salads, pickles, olive cakes, fruit, nuts, candies, claret punch and coffee. The tables were arranged in one long one, running the length of the dining room, decorated with flowers, while the walls were of the room were beautiful with flags and ferns. Rev. Charles Gardner of Stanford University was toastmaster and proved most entertaining, and at the close all joined in singing "America."

In the evening a masked ball was the feature, and it was a most picturesque crowd that assembled on the dancing platform, and much merriment was the result. At 9:30 all unmasked and were served with refreshments, all agreeing it had been a most pleasant day, and thanking Mrs. Quilty for her thoughtfulness and interest.

So few people realize the beauty of Tassajara, and magnify the discomfort and danger of the trip. It is a wonderfully interesting road, and perfectly safe. The stages are good, the drivers careful, and the grades, while steep and narrow in places, are not rougher than other mountain roads.

The scenery rivals the famous Lake County, where the springs are truly wonderful. The hotel is a plain but comfortable two story stone building. Everything is neat and clean. The table is good and the climate a joy—warm, to be sure, but dry, and one can sit out on the terrace until bed time without a wrap. If one wishes there are trails to climb, and tramps up and down the creek, but most of the guests prefer to take baths and read or play cards. One can surely find complete rest, or lead a strenuous life, as they choose.

Several automobiles have made the trip in, but it is hazardous. Many go as far as Jamesburg and stage over the mountain, which is an eight mile grade on either side. The mountain on the Jamesburg side is covered with beautiful trees, which form leafy tunnels with glimpses of range on range of mountains in the distance, and nestling valleys. On this side one sees hundreds of the mescal or Spanish Bayonet in bloom. The wonderful creamy flowers are borne on stalks ten feet high and more.

There are between fifty and sixty guests here now, among them Miss Laura Crews, Henry Miller's leading lady, and her mother, Mrs. John Hughes, and Miss Carrie Sanborn of Watsonville, and Dr. Trimmer and wife of Pacific Grove.

Wishing all my friends could enjoy the rest and beauty, also the benefit of the Tassajara Springs, I will bring this poor description to an end.

Etta E. Olmstead.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

The Tassajara and mail stages are both coming loaded with guests for the Springs every trip.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1911:

## TASSAJARA

HOT SPRINGS, Monterey County. Best health and pleasure resort in California. Eighteen hot mineral springs; hot sulphur plunges; wonderful vapor baths; excellent trout fishing. \$12 to \$14. Stage leaves Salinas Mon., Wed. and Fri. mornings; 50 lbs. baggage allowed. Peck-Judah Bureau, 789 Market St., or C. W. QUILTY, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County.

Readers when communicating with this resort will please mention the "*Chronicle*."

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 20<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## NESBITT DOING WELL

A report from Tassajara Springs, received here yesterday, is to the effect that Sheriff Nesbitt, who went to the resort last week to rest up and seek relief from injuries received in an automobile wreck, is doing well. The sheriff says he intends to remain a month.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1911:

C. W. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, came down from San Jose last evening. He went out to the Springs on the stage this morning.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## HUNTING TRIP IN THE COAST REGION

TWO SALINAS MEN ENJOY A DELIGHTFUL OUTING IN THE SANTA LUCIA MOUNTAINS

NATURE IN HER PLEASING MOODS

Description of Picturesque Scenery of a Remote Section of the County

In discussing their recent trip through the Santa Lucia Mountains, Dr. W. P. Austin and W. F. Handley expressed themselves as having spent a most enjoyable time. Starting via Jamesburg and Tassajara, from there over the Tony Trail, which is in good condition this season, they struck the government trail on Willow Creek and dropped down into Indian Valley, where a permanent camp was made from which to hunt and enjoy the fine fishing on Lost Valley Creek. Deer were scarce, but there were lion tracks everywhere, in conjunction with the full moon, was mainly responsible for the absence of bucks. From here the hunters climbed the Pino Pelado Ridge and crossing Marble Mountain traversed the length of the beautiful Anderson Canyon with its stately redwoods and banks of feathery ferns, whose cool shadows were as welcome as the toothsome strawberries and raspberries that grow everywhere in profusion. Soon the coast trail was reached and after passing a charming little stream which brawls impudently across

it, they reached Slate's Springs and were cordially received by Host Hallock and his wife.

Fresh meat is a premium here, so Mr. Hallock promptly saddled up and soon returned with a fine forked horn buck, which, made a welcome addition to the excellent fare for which this resort is noted.

Next morning an early start was made in order to hunt the ridges above Big Creek under the guidance of the ranch vaquero, but these proving bare of deer just then, a descent into the creek bed furnished some great sport with the speckled fellows. The ride back along the bluffs at the ocean's brink is something to be long and pleasantly remembered.

A hot sulphur bath with a good venison supper to follow, and next morning leave is regretfully taken of our friends and their winsome little ones, and the leisurely two day jaunt back to Tassajara is commenced.

Plenty of time on this part of the trail is essential as the natural beauties of this section are so many and varied that to hurry is to lose much that is desirable. Once again at Tassajara the plunge and vapor baths quickly eliminates the weariness and stiffness resulting from the hot and rocky route, and a few days under the cheerful ministrations of Mrs. Quilty and the society of the jolly crowd of fellow guests makes a fitting finale to one of the most attractive outings in the vicinity of this valley.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## MASQUE PARTY AT TASSAJARA RESORT

GUESTS APPEAR IN FANCY DRESS AND MANY SURPRISES RESULT

Fifty or more guests sojourning at Tassajara Springs participated in a masquerade party given there Tuesday evening, and it proved one of the most enjoyable of the social events that have taken place there this season. Prizes were awarded for the best sustained characters, the Judges being Frank Hellam of Monterey, J. T. Whalen of Watsonville and Sheriff Nesbitt of this city. Mrs. Quilty, proprietress of the Springs, was hostess. The prize winners were as follows:

First—Mrs. Sid Gallagher of Watsonville, ballet girl.

Second—Forrest Nesbitt of Salinas, bride.

Third—Miss Forden of Salinas, Indian.

Forth—Miss McCarthy, girl newspaper vendor.

Mrs. Quilty assisted many of the masqueraders in perfecting their disguises, and with admirable success. An instance: She rigged Forrest Nesbitt up as a bride and his own father did not know him until the time for unmasking.

The season at the Springs has been one of the most delightful in recent years. There are still many local people there as well as many from distant places. The stage this morning took out another large crowd of pleasure seekers.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## BIG GAME DUE TO HAVE HARD TIME

City Clerk J. J. Kelley and Councilman J. W.

Tholcke are among the latest prominent Salinas People to join the ranks of the hunters and campers near Jamesburg and Tassajara, and in consequence there is going to be a very notable decrease in the number of mountain lions, bears and other large predatory wild animals that inhabit the remote sections. The gentlemen left on the outgoing stage this morning for the latter place, well equipped with shot guns, rifles, bowie knives, ammunition and other instruments of slaughter, and will be absent two weeks. After a short stay at the Springs they will invade the mountain fastness in quest of big game. They sent in pack animals in advance, and the animals will be called into requisition to convey their heavy equipment over the mountain trails to where the big game is abundant. As both gentlemen are expert shots and are absolutely devoid of fear the big game is due to have an extremely warm time from now until the gentlemen's return. Mr. Kelly has promised, in the event that he does not return with numerous bear pelts, to at least bring home a new stock of bear and other thrilling yarns, which Mr. Tholcke will, of course, be relied upon to corroborate.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## WHAT THEY ARE DOING AT THE SPRINGS

OUR TASSAJARA CORRESPONDENT, MESCAL, SHEDS SOME LIGHT ON THIS INTERESTING SUBJECT

PAGES FROM A MISPLACED DAIRY

Why the Salinas Friends of Tholcke and Kelly Are Still Waiting for Venison

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Aug. 24.—I read in your interesting paper the other evening how two leading citizens, Councilman J. W. Tholcke and City Clerk John J. Kelly, had left Salinas fully equipped with guns and quantities of ammunition that would exterminate all game, both large and small, in the Tassajara country.

True enough, these mighty hunters are here, but up to date they have stalked no deer. Why, do you ask? Let me outline their day's program as an answer.

They rise moderately early, take a dip in the hot sulphur plunge, a hearty breakfast of such quantity that they are incapacitated for the next two hours, which are spent resting under "gossip oak," a walk to the magnesia spring, which they endeavor to drain dry, another rest, a big lunch, two hours' nap, a rubber of pedro, a steam bath, a rest, a fine dinner, and then these heavenly twins depart for No. 6, which I pause to explain is a large, airy room known as the bridal chamber. But they require separate beds, where each tries to out-snore the other while snoozing of the day when dreams come true and they bring into action all their numerous gatling guns and pistols and return laden with the beasts of the forest and birds of the air.

In my rambles around the ranch today I picked up a diary with the name J. W. Tholcke and I will send you a few of the notes I observed:

Aug. 18.—En route to Tassajara Springs. Left Salinas at 6 a. m. Glad to find the Salinas

bridge high and dry and hardly any danger of a flood before we get back, but of course the supervisors repair roads in this section very soon. Arrived at Jamesburg at 12:45. Oh, you welcome dinner bell! Reached the famous Tassajara at 6:30, where Mrs. Quilty literally received us with open arms, as she saw visions of her meat bill decrease when we begin to bring in a deer a day. Tired, but had a pleasant trip with the trusty old driver, G. I. Hallock.

Aug. 19.—Kelly has discovered the first rattlesnake weed. He claims that if you tickle the rattler under the chin with the weed and at the same time drink a quart of cheap whisky the snake will be rendered perfectly harmless, or at least you won't care. I write this down for future use.

Aug. 20.—We really must try and make good on our promises of game to our friends in town. We will start at 3 a. m.

Aug. 21.—Couldn't make Kelly get up and I was afraid to go alone, since the hog ran wild the other day. I do hope Mrs. Quilty will have it caught, or otherwise our hunting will be spoiled. I am sure it has frightened all the game for miles around.

This was the last entry in the book, so I guess even the effort of writing has become too much.

But John Garside and Harry Bambauer, the latter of Merced are real hunters. They were gone from the hotel only three hours and brought home two beautiful spiked bucks. More delicious meat I have never eaten, and the chef knows how to cook it to perfection.

Dr. Murphy is at Slate's, but we expect him back in a couple of days. The genial M. D. is always a most welcome guest.

Mrs. Charles Cahoon is here and her gracious deeds and ready wit make her a prime favorite with all.

Just now we are short of young ladies and there are twelve fine young men, all in one party, from Hollister. Salinas belles, take notice.

I will keep you posted about the doings of Salinasites, but the trouble is they don't do much. MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

## DR. MURPHY RETURNS FROM SLATE'S SPRINGS

T. E. Phillips and J. T. Rice went to Tassajara Hot Springs Sunday in Dr. H. C. Murphy's motor car and brought back with them the doctor, who had been absent from Salinas a couple of weeks. Dr. Murphy left here in company with C. Z. Hebert, S. Bullene and another gentleman and went to Slate's Springs, on the coast below Monterey. From there the doctor rode over the rough mountain trails on horseback to Tassajara and sent for his auto. The trip to and from Tassajara was made without unpleasant incident.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Call came in on the stage last evening from Tassajara Springs for a few day's visit with friends.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

C. W. Quilty came down from San Jose last evening and left this morning for Tassajara Springs.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1911; datelined Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

C. W. Quilty was a passenger on Wednesday's stage to Tassajara.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

#### ADDITIONAL PERSONALS

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Call are in Salinas today en route to Tassajara Springs, where they expect to spend the winter. They have just enjoyed a week's vacation at their old home in Santa Cruz.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

### TURKEYS RELEASED IN MILLER CANYON

#### INTERESTING RESULTS FOLLOW LIBERATION OF TWENTY FIVE BIRDS

A consignment of twenty five wild turkeys received here Monday from the state game commission was taken out to Miller Canyon on Tuesday by Deputy State Game Warden Frank Shook, and the birds were released from captivity. Shook was accompanied by William Casey and the trip was made in William Jeffery's auto. The gentlemen selected a wooded section near a spring for the liberation, and interesting results followed.

One of the birds immediately flew up about fifty feet and struck out about a quarter of a mile before landing. The others went to the spring and drank copiously and then flew around among the trees, showing every possible evidence of satisfaction at being free. It is the opinion of the gentlemen that their wild instincts will be a protection from predatory wild cats and mountain lions.

Before leaving the scene the gentlemen left an abundance of feed scattered about to serve them until the birds become more accustomed to the country and are able to hunt their own food.

It is Shook's intention to return to Miller Canyon within a short time to find out how the birds are getting along.

From 'Wild Turkeys for Jamesburg District,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Even wild turkeys ride in automobiles these days. Some of the wild variety of these noble birds have been brought up here by auto conveyance and liberated in the national forest, near the summit at Chew's ridge.

Peter Marquehousse of Monterey took a load of hay to Tassajara Springs last week.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

#### "WILD" TURKEYS GO TO TASSAJARA

The "wild" turkeys that have been turned out in the Monterey National Forest to increase and multiply are having a splendid outing. They are so tame that when stage driver Hallock feeds them, they get under his feet and

have to be "shooed" away. They get up on his stage and ride, and about half of them have gone up to the Tassajara Springs to graze on Mrs. Quilty's alfalfa pasture. They are having just as good a time at the Springs as other folks, but alas! By and bye the stage will cease running; the cracked barley will not be thrown out, nor the corn and other good "scofins," and the coyotes and wildcats will sneak around and then there will be a lot of feathers scattered about to tell a tale of tragedy. The varmints will appreciate the situation and a lot of the turkeys will go the way of all flesh.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

The Tassajara Springs closed last Saturday for the season. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Call are to stay at the Springs as caretakers over the winter.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS CLOSED FOR SEASON

Mrs. Quilty, the genial hostess of Tassajara Springs, was in town today on her way home to San Jose. The Springs closed for the season last Saturday. A larger number of guests have been entertained this summer than ever before and they were all satisfied with the hospitality of the popular resort. In fact Tassajara is noted as much for its sociability as it is for the curative powers of its medicinal waters, and both are unsurpassed.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1911:

G. I. Hallock, formerly driver of the Tassajara stage, was in town from Jamesburg this morning on business.

From the "Spooks" Failed to Infest Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1911:

Frank Call was here from Tassajara Springs last week.

Mr. Swetnam of Carmel Valley passed through here en route to Tassajara Springs on Monday.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

C. W. Quilty came up on Friday's stage and went on to the Tassajara Springs Saturday.

Frank Call was out from Tassajara Springs and spent Monday night with Mr. and Mrs. Badasci. WILLOW TREE.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

C. W. Quilty came out from Tassajara Hot Springs and went to Monterey on Saturday's stage, leaving Mr. Hallock in charge in the absence of Mr. and Mrs. Call. WILLOW TREE.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1911:

WANTED—Care taker for Tassajara Hot Springs; would prefer man and wife; position to last until May 1 or longer. For particulars address, giving references, Mrs. C. W. Quilty, San Jose, Cal.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1911:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, proprietress of Tassajara Springs, was an arrival here yesterday from San Jose.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Frank Call and his son, Clyde, went into the Springs last week for their things. We are all glad to hear that Mrs. Call, who is in the Jim Bardin hospital, is improving.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Call left this morning for Santa Cruz for a stay of a couple of weeks. Mrs. Call is convalescing from a recent illness contracted at Tassajara Springs, and had been confined in the Jim Bardin Hospital for several weeks.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

### WILD TURKEYS ARE NO LONGER WILD AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Rad Duke, who had been in charge of Tassajara Springs for a couple of weeks, returned to Salinas last evening from the mountains. He reports that the wild turkeys released two months ago by the state game and fish commission, are still making their home in the vicinity and have so far evinced no wild instincts, as expected.

He counted thirteen birds on the day he left. There were originally twenty. Of these two are known to have died from sickness. The other missing ones are supposed to have fallen prey to wild animals.

Duke says the birds are very tame and it is difficult to keep out of their way.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

### WILD TURKEYS AT TASSAJARA

#### THEY ARE WILD IN NAME ONLY, WINTER AT THESE FAMOUS SPRINGS

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Dec. 9.— Having business in this part of the country, and also needing a week's rest, I concluded I could spend the time in no better place than this charmed spot, where nature has been so prodigal of her choicest gifts—even though she chose to hide them in a nook far remote from the haunts of men.

I arrived Sunday and was greeted by the sole occupant of the place, Rad Duke of Salinas, who nearly devoured me with excess of joy on seeing a specimen of the genus man once more. But Rad was the picture of comfort, seated in a rocker on the sunny terrace, chewing as usual, his favorite brand of plug cut and reading a French novel I should be ashamed to name.

Being tired after my long trip, I hinted that a little spiritus frumenti would not be amiss, but Rad sorrowfully pointed toward the springs and remarked that they flowed as hot in winter as in summer. I took the beaten path without

further comment.

Mr. and Mrs. Quilty, the owners of the Springs, arrived at 8 o'clock Monday evening, long after we had given them up, as at this time of year day light disappears shortly after 5 o'clock. They came down the mountain in the dark with a strange team and in a buggy without a brake. Now that is going some on any mountain road, let alone this one that gets so many knocks—generally by those who have never been over it. But the travelers admitted it is not the pleasantest trip at night with the only light being the fitful shadows cast by the moon along the inky canyons, throwing ghost-like figures along whiter cliffs. In the steep parts Mrs. Quilty got out and held on to a rope at the back of the buggy, declaring she can act as a better brake than any yet made by a blacksmith. However, the folks seemed none the worse for their hard trip and did ample justice to the meal Rad prepared. His biscuits are the last word in culinary science.

Talking of the road, I must certainly take off my hat to our supervisor, Dr. J. H. Roberts, for the very efficient work he has done between Whitlock's and Jamesburg. This too, when we know how he has been handicapped through lack of funds. Last summer the road was in wretched condition owing to the big flood, but now it is an excellent road, with numerous fine bridges.

Tuesday Frank Hallock drove in, bringing Mr. and Mrs. Pete Balzaretto of Salinas, who will take care of the Springs for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Balzaretto were married in Salinas last Sunday, so this is really their honeymoon trip; but right here let me say I don't know a more romantic place in which to spend a honeymoon. The weather is ideal and though Wednesday was rainy we were out with light wraps, as the air is dry and light, without a trace of fog. It is a sight to see the steam rising from the hot springs every morning before the sun shines.

About two months ago twenty five wild turkeys were liberated in Miller Canyon, near the Springs, but soon fifteen separated and finally descended like the locusts of old on this property, literally eating up everything in sight, from alfalfa to messages on the telephone. The ten in Miller Canyon are seen no more and it is supposed that they either starved or been a prey to the smaller wild animals that infest the mountains. Of the fifteen that came here thirteen are thriving nicely. Rad Duke said one got sick and died since he had come, but since Thanksgiving had also come, I sincerely looked wise and kept my thoughts on the matter to myself.

Mrs. Quilty says the birds must scatter in the early spring, as she needs the alfalfa for the cows. She will shoo them over the hills, sending a few to Dr. Murphy at Slates Springs. It is a joke to call these birds wild, for they are far tamer than the barnyard fowl. These know Mr. Quilty like a top as he feeds them, and yesterday he was walking around with a "wild" turkey on each shoulder and one under each arm, he talking to them and they answering all the while. Maybe the man and birds understood one another, but to me it was a most amusing sight. There is no good dog here at present who would put to rout the

foxes, skunks and coons that nightly sit on every rock and fence gazing longingly at the turkeys roosting on the topmost branches of a giant oak. So if any reader who is interested in preserving game in our country and who knows of a good dog, will kindly let the game warden, Mr. Shook, know, I am sure he will send the dog up here to watch the birds.

Animals become very much one family here in winter when there are but few of a kind around, as was evidenced the other evening when I saw Rosebud, the horse, laying down with seven half grown hogs, six cats and ten small chickens using the animals as a roost. Beat that if you can.

If I come again during the winter I will send you another letter. ALOHA.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Mr. and Mrs. Balzaretto were out from the Springs on Sunday. They report everything as it should be over at the Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Has a Severe Cold Spell,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1911; datelined Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1911:

Mr. and Mrs. P. Balzaretto were out from the Tassajara Springs last Sunday. They report some snow on the summit.

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Local news item in the *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, who underwent a capital operation at San Jose some time ago, is now on the road to complete recovery.

From 'Week's Doings at Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Feb. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mr. and Mrs. Balzaretto were out from Tassajara Springs Friday of last week.

From 'Happenings About Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mr. and Mrs. Balzaretto were out from Tassajara Springs last Sunday.

Local news item in the *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

The C. W. Quilty's have taken a cottage at New Monterey for a month.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose, proprietress of Tassajara Springs, was an arrival here this morning from Monterey.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1912:

### WILD TURKEYS REARING YOUNG

GAME WARDEN SHOOK RECEIVES  
SOME ENCOURAGING REPORTS FROM  
THE FOREST RANGER

BIRDS ARE DOING WELL IN HILLS

Those of the Tassajara Country Have Not Yet  
Developed Their Natural Instincts

The state game and fish commission's ex-

periment with wild turkeys in the Miller Canyon country, near Jamesburg, gives promise of being attended with successful results, according to reports received recently by Deputy State Game Warden Frank Shook. Shook returned Friday night from a trip down the coast below Monterey. While away he met a forest ranger who gave him information of the turkeys.

There were 25 birds released in Miller Canyon last September. Of these the forest ranger encountered 13 at Tassajara Springs, four of which were sitting. The forest ranger encountered six more of the birds in Miller Canyon. The birds at Tassajara have not yet developed the wild instincts as it was though they would, but there is a possibility they will later when the chicks are hatched. The birds in Miller Canyon were hard to approach and the ranger was unable to ascertain if they had nests.

Shook is now able to account for all the birds released except three. One was killed by a wild animal of some kind shortly after being liberated, two others contracted disease and died near Tassajara. These, with the thirteen still at the Springs and the six in Miller Canyon, make twenty two, leaving three still to be accounted for.

At the same time that the turkeys were released in Miller Canyon twenty five others were released on the Arroyo Seco. No reports have been received concerning the latter and it is feared they have fallen a prey to coyotes and wild cats.

From the 'Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 8<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. Quilty, the genial hostess of Tassajara Springs, was in town today. The lady has had a hard siege of sickness, but is well on the way to recovery. Her many friends here are pleased to see her looking so well.

Local news item in the *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, having recovered from a serious illness, was in town yesterday.

From 'Welcome Rains at Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

P. Balzaretto was out from Tassajara Springs Wednesday. He reports three or four feet of snow in places near the summit.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

### JAMESBURG'S RAINFALL

The rainfall for the recent storm at Jamesburg was 4.74 inches, making 16.81 for the season. Snow fell as low as Jamesburg and it is quite deep at the summit between that place and Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

### SNOW BLOCKED TRIP

To plough through snow for miles and finally to abandon the trip when about half a mile from the goal was the experience of Jack Covell of this city, Mrs. C. W. Quilty, proprietor of the Tassajara Springs, and a party yesterday when Covell tried to drive his Ap-

person Jackrabbit car into Tassajara from Salinas. He was trying to demonstrate that the trip could be made with a machine better than with the old stage, as Mrs. Quilty is desirous of abandoning the wagon stage for an automobile line, and all that interfered yesterday was the snow. Covell did not anticipate any snow, hence had taken no chains along, but he made it any how until about a half mile from the hotel, when he was forced to stop. Jack says he can make it later when there is no snow and it looks like it after yesterday's trip.

*Salinas Daily Index, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1912:*

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS BY AUTO

REGULAR SERVICE TO BE ESTABLISHED FROM SALINAS TO POPULAR RESORT

With a view toward demonstrating the practicability of running an automobile passenger stage to the Tassajara Hot Springs, John Covell, the well known auto dealer of Watsonville, arrived in Salinas last Saturday morning in a five passenger Apperson machine.

The party, composed of Mrs. C. W. Quilty, owner of the Springs, Ingoff Cornett, Walter Murray, Shirley Gilbert and Mr. Covell, left Salinas at 11 a. m., made the trip to Jamesburg in two hours, and then started the climb to the summit, going up the mountain without any trouble what ever. Within a quarter of a mile of the summit the road was covered with snow a foot deep. As Mr. Covell did not expect to encounter such conditions at this time of the year he had not brought chains for the machine, so the remainder of the trip had to be abandoned, when almost in sight of the party's destination.

The party returned from Jamesburg in two hours with Mr. Covell very enthusiastic over the auto service. It was his first trip over the road, which, to use his own expression, is a "tapioca" for automobiles. Mrs. Quilty, who is an extremely nervous autoist, while agreeing that a machine is the only real way to travel and make time, remarked that she enjoyed the scenery better while on the stage behind good horses and a competent driver.

Mr. Covell may conclude to put on an independent auto service, to which Mrs. Quilty will offer no objection, merely allowing guests to take their choice of auto or stage.

*Salinas Daily Index, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1912:*

WANTED—Driver for Tassajara Hot Springs stage. Must be sober and furnish best reference for capability. Address Mrs. C. W. Quilty, San Jose, Cal.

*Salinas Morning Democrat, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1912:*

## MAY RUN AUTO TO TASSAJARA

John Covell, an automobile dealer of Watsonville, accompanied by Mrs. C. W. Quilty, proprietress of Tassajara Springs, Walter Murray, Ingoff Cornett and Shirley Gilbert, composed an automobile party that endeavored to reach the Springs Saturday afternoon. Mr. Covell made the trip with the object of looking

into the practicability of establishing a line from this city to the Springs.

The party left town at 10 a. m. and reached Jamesburg at 1 p. m. They started to the summit of the mountain which lies between the Springs and Jamesburg, but owing to the recent storms they found snow near the top too deep for the automobile and had to turn back. Up to the time they reached the snow, however, they had no difficulty in climbing the steep grades. Mr. Covell is very enthusiastic in his belief that the proposed auto line can be established with success. Just what the outcome of the proposition will be is not yet known.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, proprietress of Tassajara Hot Springs, returned to San Jose today after visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Jeffery.

From 'This Kind of Weather Suits Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. Quilty of San Jose, proprietor of the Tassajara Hot Springs, and party came here last Friday in an automobile, going to the snow line. As they had no snow shoes they returned to Salinas.

The Tassajara stage will begin its regular trips on April 29.

From 'Bright Prospects for Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1912; datelined April 31<sup>st</sup>, 1912:

G. I. Hallock and John Chew returned from their camp near Tassajara Hot Springs at an early hour this morning, sadder and wetter men. They were engaged in repairing the road near that point. Sunday night's rain was much heavier there than here. After vainly trying to sleep in their water cooled beds they arose and decided to hit the pike at 2 a. m. Their horses, not liking the storm any better than themselves had taken French leave and they had to walk, arriving home at 7 a. m., very wet and very muddy.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1912:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS OPEN NEXT MONDAY

Popular Resort, With Many Desirable Improvements, Will Be Thrown Open to Health Seekers

Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the season next Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, and needless to say the people of Watsonville will patronize this popular place as much as ever. It seems to be the ideal health resort for those living in the valley, combining as it does superior mineral waters, dry air, and not a trace of fog.

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, the popular owner, will again personally supervise the management.

A fine new club house is a new improvement and shows that Tassajara has no intention of going "dry."

Fishermen report the sport as unusually good this year and the fish of larger size, but heaven help the poor speckled beauties when such sports as Henry Peckham and the two Sills, Sr. and Jr., start after them. And it is not only their ability to catch trout that makes us think

of these gentlemen as in a class by themselves, but their ability to eat trout is something enormous, and would make John D. Rockefeller turn green with envy.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the season on Monday, with Mrs. C. W. Quilty, the popular hostess, in personal command. It is an ideal resort and its equipments have been increased by the addition of a new club house.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose was an arrival here yesterday en route to Tassajara Springs. The well known resort opened for the summer season today.

From 'Electric Storm in the Mountains,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

The first stage to Tassajara Springs went through today with John Tomasinni as driver and Mrs. Quilty and her staff of assistants and Miss Cousins of San Francisco as passengers.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Anthony Kain was an arrival here last evening from San Jose after an absence of several months. He left this morning for Tassajara Springs, where he will be employed for the summer.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS POSTOFFICE

A "summer postoffice" has been established at Tassajara Hot Springs, with Mrs. Helen G. Quilty as postmistress. This famous resort is growing more popular each year.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

An unusual number of people for this early in the season have passed through Jamesburg on their way to Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, proprietress of Tassajara Springs, came in on the stage last evening from that resort.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

C. W. Quilty was a visitor in Salinas on Sunday from San Jose. He left on the stage this morning for Tassajara Springs.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

A. J. Uncapher left this morning for Tassajara Springs, where he will be engaged for several days doing carpenter work for Mrs. Quilty, the proprietress.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty was a visitor in Salinas

last evening from Tassajara Springs.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*,  
June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Balzaretti, a newly married couple who had charge of Tassajara Hot Springs during the recent closed season, have returned to Salinas and are visiting friends. They leave shortly for Gilroy.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, June  
29<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

The stages to Tassajara Springs are loaded each trip. Some of the old familiar faces are seen each year; many others are new ones. The Springs has a large crowd for so early in the season.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

## MODERN MIRACLE AT TASSAJARA

WONDERFUL EFFECTS OF THE WATERS  
OF THESE FAMOUS HOT SPRINGS

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, June 25.—Four weeks ago today an old man away up in the eighties came in here and had to be helped out of the stage. Three days later, after copious baths at the springs that Ponce de Leon searched for in vain along the Florida coast, he crawled on the side of a mountain out of sight of man and beast, leveled a bench three feet by seven, spread down some grain sacks and then his blanket, upon which he lay and took a sun bath. Of course he could not stay more than twenty minutes without burning, but now he lays there three hours every day with no covering except the blazing sun. During this time he drinks one quart of water from the wonderful sulphur spring and now he is only fifty in everything except years. Furthermore he has discovered a new virtue in these waters, one hitherto unknown, and that is when the water he has drunk begins to boil and the steam percolates through his pores it not only removes the physical disabilities, but it carries away all the envy, selfishness, and all manner of wickedness in his makeup and makes him love his neighbor as himself. It must be remembered, however, that immediately after the sun bath a dip in the plunge bath is necessary lest some of the meanness stick to his hide.

Tassajara is booming, as every available room is taken, and Mrs. Quilty is at her wits' end every stage to know where to put up the newcomers.

Several automobiles have been here, H. Crummy of the noted firm of Ransome-Crummy having come in twice in his 50 horsepower locomobile, and Geo. Sill and son also are here on their second trip.

July 4 will see the biggest celebration of the county right here in the mountains.

I will write you more later on, but right now it is time for the steam bath. C. S. A.

From 'Hunters Invade Hills After Deer,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Dr. Garth Parker was called to Tassajara Hot Springs the other day to attend Harold Palm-tag, a young man from Watsonville, who is

dangerously ill. Will Jeffery took the physician in his auto, making a record trip, despite the darkness.

*Salinas Daily Index*, guest season of 1912:

## TASSAJARA

Hot Springs, Monterey County. Greatest resort in state for rheumatism, kidney, blood and skin disorders; tub, plunge and vapor baths of natural hot sulphur water; trout fishing; all amusements; \$12 to \$14; stage leaves Salinas every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings; 50 pounds baggage allowed. Peck-Judah Bureau, 687 Market Street, or Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs, via Salinas.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

## GOSSIP FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

LIFE IS ONE SWEET SONG AND DANCE  
AT THIS POPULAR HEALTH RESORT

DULL CARE DROWNED FOR GOOD

Interesting Personal Notes That Furnish  
Food For Reflection For Stay At Homes

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 23.—The fall of the Bastille was celebrated in a most vigorous manner here. Several days previous Mrs. Quilty announced one big barbecue to be held about a quarter of a mile up the creek, with no stay at homes allowed, and, believe me, everyone was on hand with whetted appetite, which was more than sated with broiled tenderloin steaks, ribs of beef, crab and potato salad, Spanish beans, chili salsa, homemade bread and coffee. Horace Austin of Salinas and Ed Fritz of Watsonville were the meat cooks and certainly they proved themselves adepts at the business. Mr. Austin also made the coffee, which all declared the finest ever.

About the close of the meal a strange character was seen coming up the line, announcing in stentorian tones through the graphophone horn that the wonderful wild man, Oofy Goofty from Borneo, with his keeper, Fatima, had just arrived and would be displayed in a side show tent for the small sum of a dime.

Every one's money was quickly deposited in the plate, and then what a sight greeted our eyes! Oofy Goofty was on all fours on the floor of the tent, secured by a heavy chain so that he could do no harm to the spectators. His attire was most grotesque, as on his native heath Oofy disdains anything but nature's garb, and his keeper had hard work to make him conform, even in a slight degree, to the forms of civilized society. But this little consisted of a much abbreviated, bright green athletic suit, with hair cinch belt. His face was black, cheeks bright red, eyes white, and hair blue, his body being also tattooed and strung all over with telephone insulators. He was a sight to make a strong man shudder, especially when his keeper, Fatima, who was clad only in daintiest, sheerest underwear pinched from the smallest lady in camp, would have to whirl around several times in order to keep Oofy from biting the visitors. It was certainly a great show and now they hint that that paragon of all virtues, John Souza, was the Fatima of the few garments, while Red Cornett was the

savage Oofy.

W. F. Casey was the official speiler and gave some choice announcements, as only he can, while Grant Towle of Monterey raked in the dimes and did it so well he even caught Pat Rowan passing a dime with two holes in it. Mr. Rowan was promptly submerged in the creek. Even Jesse Iverson, who was quite sick before coming here, was jumping around as lively as a cricket, and in fact has continued to do so since. There seems to be something in the air or waters of this place that has a rejuvenating effect, for the old and sick, as well as the young and strong, are ready at all times to perform some new stunt or other.

W. J. Larkin is going to fit up a chain to pull when goes home as he has gotten used to it up here. Ask him about it.

You would not know Cleon Tynan. From the model of propriety and fashion plate of Salinas, he quite gracefully shed his boiled shirt and starched collars, and I really think I saw a little spot of grease on his negligee the other day. I know you will not believe this, but it is so nevertheless.

Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Black and their charming daughters, the Misses Amelia and Ethel Black, spent two week, and every one enjoyed their company. Mr. Black and Mrs. Quilty had several sessions at cribbage, each one claiming the honors. Mr. Black, Jr., is here now.

Miss Tillie Cornett is a prime favorite with everyone and we hate to see the little lady leave us tomorrow.

Mrs. Joseph Adcock and sister, Miss H. Glover, left for home on Saturday's stage, after a two weeks' visit.

County School Superintendent A. T. Hennessey spent a week and was, as usual, a favorite with the fair sex. But once, in a moment of forgetfulness, he accepted invitations to two private parties for the same evening. He attended one and did not appear at the other, but he sure got what was coming to him from the fair neglected one. My, but the poor young man was mightily embarrassed! I honestly think he went home for fear leap year would get him if he remained longer.

Some young ladies occupy a large tent near the hotel and last night their slumbers were disturbed by prowlers that turned out to be an aggregation of ten bats. To find a hero to exterminate the intruders was the next question, but no one was valorous enough until someone suggested the proper one to be "Casey at the bat." So Casey came, saw, and conquered the enemy, and now the young ladies hope for an undisturbed night.

Tassajara Hot Springs is now a post office, with Mrs. Helen G. Quilty as postmistress. Mrs. Quilty declares it was done to add to her work, but smilingly concludes that if her guests receive their mail more promptly, the extra work does not count.

Miss Belle Williams and Miss Gertrude Tynan take long walks, two steam baths, two blanket sweats, and one hot plunge every day in an effort to reduce their present weights of 102 and 96 pounds, respectively. But if they would lighten their meals they would sand a better chance.

It is getting a very common occurrence to hear automobiles honking down the mountain

at any hour day or night. Will Jeffery and Mrs. Jeffery arrived at midnight, and Ms. Jeffery declared the ride the finest she had ever taken. We all know that Will can drive and then some, but personally I will come down in the daylight.

The Misses Quilty leave this week and we will miss them very much. They give pleasure to everyone and Miss Irene's glorious voice is a rare treat, as is Mrs. Larkins' piano music. Mr. Jesse Iverson is among the finest whist players and is not easily defeated.

I will write you more later on when the Salinas folks begin acting up too gaily.

MESCAL.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Now that Big Week is a thing of the past, people are turning their attention to the Tassajara Springs. The stages are carrying full loads of passengers each trip.

From 'Jamesburg Has a Rodeo of its Own,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. Quilty had the misfortune to lose one of her stage horses last week. The animal was sick and died in a short time.

Will Jeffery brought Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Iverson this far in his automobile on Friday. From here they went to Tassajara Springs by stage.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

C. W. Quilty of Tassajara Springs was a visitor in Salinas yesterday.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1912:

## SEPTEMBER DAYS AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

### FEEDING THE FISH A POPULAR AMUSEMENT AT THIS POPULAR RESORT

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Sept. 1.—We are resting here now, waiting for the September bunch to come in, for September is the most beautiful month of the year, with the Indian summer days and the ever changing autumn foliage, making a picture that even a painter would find hard to color.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse I. Iverson leave us in the morning, and we are all very sorry to, see them go. Jim, as we familiarly call him, is much better than when he came in, and we hope he may continue real well after he reaches Salinas.

Mrs. Quilty went to town last Saturday and returned Monday. The camp was very lonely without her. Mrs. Quilty has been here three weeks, but leaves for San Jose in the morning.

The center of attraction these days is the arrival of two new families in our midst—three kittens and nine little half wild turkeys. These are certainly interesting little ones, and the guests take great pleasure in visiting them every day and watching their progress.

But funnier than all is feeding the fish. That goes on twice a day. You know what we generally mean by that expression, but in this case

it is a literal fact. Up creek the water is very low this year, but there are some large holes containing hundreds of fish, varying in size from one to three inches long. The guests take cracker crumbs to feed these little fellows until now they come at the sight of any one and keep jumping in and out of the water waiting to be fed. One guest who has been coming many years says he has seen strange things happen here, but this thing of taming the fish and feeding them by hand gets his goat.

Guy Pedroni has been here several weeks. He is pretty lazy most of the time, but gets a move on when the meal bell rings.

William Casey is improving right along. His friends must be legion for he is continually being called to the telephone.

Maxwell Browne and party motored in over last week end, and left after a few days passed very pleasantly. Mr. Browne's favorite water was from the iron spring.

Mr. and Mrs. John Berges and family were sadly missed. Not many families now days are as devoted and happy as the Berges family.

But for next month we will need a few nice young ladies, as several very eligible bachelors are scheduled to pass several weeks here. So, come on, girls.

MESCAL.

From 'Heat Wave Passes Over Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

C. W. Quilty of San Jose and Curt Arne of Carmel were passengers on Monday's stage to Tassajara Springs.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

C. W. Quilty came in last evening on the stage from Tassajara Springs en route to San Jose.

From 'Budget of News from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

A. M. Williams drove the stage from Salinas to Tassajara Springs last Wednesday in place of the regular driver, John Tomassini, who was detained in Salinas on business.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

### PECULIAR MISHAP TO A TASSAJARA GUEST

Charles B. McDougall of Monterey, son of Mr. and Mrs. James H. McDougall of this city, was brought in from Tassajara Springs Tuesday afternoon in William Jeffery's automobile suffering from a broken thumb and an injured knee, the result of a fall received when he accidentally stumbled over a sleeping dog. McDougall had failed to observe the canine as he emerged from a doorway. His injuries were attended to at the Jim Bardin Hospital.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

### TASSAJARA HAD A SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Tassajara Hot Springs closed recently after one of the most successful seasons in the history of that famous resort, and Mrs. C. W. Quilty, the proprietress, and her corps of assistants have returned to Salinas. After settling up her business affairs here it is probable Mrs. Quilty

will go to San Jose to pass the winter. The Springs will be reopened May 1, 1913. One of the conveniences that was much appreciated by guests this year was a postoffice. Mail was sent out from and received directly from the Springs, instead of Jamesburg, as formerly.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Sam Bacon went over to the Springs last week and drove out the milk cows for pasture over the winter.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Schafer, and Miss Emma Dixon arrived in town yesterday after coming from the Springs in the doctor's car in four hours. The doctor, who has driven over grades all over the state, declares the Tassajara grade to be the best, without exception, that he has ever driven over.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

Mr. and Mrs. Simmons of San Francisco will spend the winter at Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Joyous Times at Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1912; datelined Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1912:

J. Simmons was out from Tassajara Springs last Thursday.

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From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty, who had been here from San Jose visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Jeffery, left yesterday for Monterey en route to Tassajara Springs. Mrs. Quilty is making arrangements for the reopening of the Springs during the coming summer season.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1913:

### MILLIONS OF PIGEONS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Millions of wild pigeons are now in the vicinity of Tassajara Springs, thus affording some of the best sport to be had, according to a statement by Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, proprietor of the resort.

"It was necessary to pass through two feet of snow on the trail coming from the Springs," said Mrs. Quilty, "which assures an abundance of water for the later season. An excellent fishing season is promised."

Reports from Tassajara indicate that the grayling trout planted there last year are flourishing, and that with protection for some time, some of the best fishing in the state will be afforded in that neighborhood.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

### SPRINGS TO REOPEN FOR SUMMER SEASON

Preparations are being made for the reopening of Tassajara Springs for the coming summer season. The stage will make the first

trip out on Monday, May 5, and from thence until the close, will make round trips three times a week. John P. Tomassini will handle the ribbons again this year. He left this morning for the Jamesburg country to round up his horses, which have been on pasture for some time.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

Mr. and Mrs. Will Jeffery, County Clerk, and Mrs. T. P. Joy and Mrs. R. L. Alexander returned last night from San Francisco in a new seven-passenger Cadillac, purchased by Mr. Jeffery. They had been absent several days.

Mrs. C. W. Quilty of San Jose, who had been here several days on business connected with the reopening of Tassajara Springs, returned home today.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1913:

### TO TASSAJARA BY AUTOMOBILE

JEFFERY TO INAUGURATE NEW  
FEATURE DURING THE  
COMING SEASON

With a "Big Six" Cadillac, Will Jeffery contemplates inaugurating an automobile service between Salinas and Tassajara Springs during the coming season, on occasions when it is possible to secure sufficient passengers. The machine is a new 1912 model 7-passenger car with all the latest improvements and attachments for convenience and comfort. Mr. Jeffery brought it down from San Francisco a few days ago after having returned in his old machine, which he had run 50,000 miles, at a good price. He will have this new machine in the renting service, and, in addition, will make trips to and from the Springs at such intervals as the amount of patronage justifies.

The automobile trip will have many advantages over the stage coach in the matter of time saving. The "Big six" came over the San Juan grade to Salinas on "the high," which is an assurance that it will be able to negotiate any of the difficult Tassajara grades without trouble. A little more than four hours will be required for the Tassajara trip by auto.

Jeffery has been demonstrating the new ear to the automobile fraternity today and it excites the wonderment and admiration of all.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

### CONFLAGRATION AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The dining room and part of the kitchen of the Tassajara Spring hotel were destroyed by fire a few mornings ago. The blaze is supposed to have originated from a defective flue. Repairs are being made and everything will be in readiness for the reopening of the Springs next week. The stage will make its first inward trip next Monday.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1913:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS OPENING

### FAMOUS HEALTH RESORT READY TO WELCOME GUESTS NEXT MONDAY

Tassajara Hot Springs, the famous health resort, will open for the season next Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. These springs are widely known for their superior curative properties so as to hardly need any introduction to the people of Salinas—so many of whom visit them every year.

And not alone for the abundance of health-giving waters is Tassajara noted, but for its superior climate, without a trace of fog, and for the management that furnishes an excellent table and a general air of cheer and comfort that makes each and every guest feel right at home.

We are glad to know that the popular owner, Mrs. Helen Quilty, will take charge again this season.

In addition to the regular stage, which will be driven by John Tomassini, an auto service for those who desire, will be conducted by Will Jeffery. Will's ability as a capable driver is too well known to need comment.

For opening week reservations have been made for five auto loads of Watsonville sports bent on landing the elusive trout. Fishing is said to be excellent right at this time.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1913:

### TASSAJARA WILL OPEN ON MONDAY

Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the summer season on next Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. This popular resort, the vacation spot for so many from Salinas, has been thoroughly renovated under the personal supervision of the owner, Mrs. Helen Quilty, who will assume the management as usual this summer.

The stage will make its regular tri-weekly trips, with John Tomassini on the driver's seat, while, in addition, Will Jeffery will carry passengers by automobile, and it is confidently expected the auto service will be the more popular means of travel.

Although the year is dry there have already been a number of reservations for rooms in the month of May, more than usual for so early in the season.

Tassajara is very popular not only for the well known curative values of its hot mineral waters, its sanitary bathing facilities, excellent table, and general neatness, but also for the management that cares for the humblest guest and makes everyone feel right at home. It is easy to know why guests return year after year.

A party of Watsonville sports, bent on trout fishing, is scheduled to go to the Springs in five automobiles on May 11<sup>th</sup>, so some Salinas friends may expect a treat soon after.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

### TASSAJARA STAGE TAKES FULL LOAD

Tassajara Springs re-opened for the summer season today under the management of Mrs. Helen G. Quilty. The first stage for the resort left Salinas 11 at 6 a. m. with a full load of passengers and luggage. It was driven by John P. Tomassini. From now on the stage will

make tri-weekly trips to and from the Springs. Will Jeffery will also institute an auto service to and from Tassajara, running his fine new Cadillac for the accommodation of parties.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1913  
(5/10 in the *Weekly Journal*):

### THE TASSAJARA STAGE WAS LOADED

The Tassajara stage went out yesterday morning loaded, under the skillful pilotage of John P. Tomassini. The stage goes up loaded and comes back empty at this season of the year. This popular resort opened yesterday under the capable management of the proprietress, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, proprietress of Tassajara Springs, was a visitor in town yesterday.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1913  
(5/24 in the *Weekly*):

### TO TASSAJARA BY AUTOMOBILE

Will Jeffery has mitigated the weariness of getting to Tassajara very greatly by holding himself in readiness to take parties up there or bring them down with ease and celerity. Yesterday morning he left at 6:40 with a party consisting of Wm. Lovering and wife, Geo. W. Smith and sister of Watsonville, and Phil Goulden and W. H. H. Lawrence of Salinas. He got to the Springs, got lunch and a bath and got back at 3:30 without accident or incident worth mentioning—except the bath.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1913:

### RAPID TIME TO THE SPRINGS BY AUTO

Will Jeffery, who recently inaugurated a private auto service between this city and Tassajara Springs, made his first trip in yesterday with Mr. and Mrs. Lovering and George W. Smith of Watsonville, Phillip Goulden of San Luis Obispo and W. H. H. Lawrence of this city. Leaving here at 6:40 the party arrived at the Springs at 10:20. After having lunch Jeffery started on the return trip and arrived home at 3:30, without an unpleasant incident of any kind. Going by stage it requires the better part of a day to make the trip one way.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse B. Iverson and Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Joy were taken out to Tassajara Springs yesterday by Will Jeffery in the latter's big Cadillac machine. Mr. and Mrs. Joy returned with Jeffery this morning. The outward trip was made in the remarkable time of four and a half hours, and the returning trip in four hours and ten minutes.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

WANTED—Chambermaid for hotel at summer resort; also two men for general work outside; would prefer a man and wife. Write at once, stating references and qualification, to Mrs. Helen Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.



Monterey American, guest season of 1913:

### STAGE FOR TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Leaves at 6 a. m. sharp, Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, from Chavoya's Store. Make reservations for either stage or automobile.

L. P. CHAVOYA, Proprietor.

San Francisco Chronicle, guest season of 1913:

### TASSAJARA

HOT SPRINGS, Monterey Co. Greatest resort in State for rheumatism, kidney, blood and skin diseases. No tubercular patients. Tub, plunge and steam baths of natural hot mineral waters, varying from cold to 157 degrees. Trout fishing. All amusements. \$14 to \$16. Stage leaves Salinas every Mon., Wed. and Fri. mornings; 50 lbs. baggage allowed. Auto service also. Address Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs, via Salinas.

Salinas Weekly Journal, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

### THE FOURTH OF JULY AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Tassajara surpassed all former efforts in her celebration of the national holiday this year. The parade, headed by Grand Marshal Jesse B. Iverson, was most unique, some very striking novelties being introduced. Rosebud, the favorite horse, richly caparisoned, drew the decorated chariot in which rode Dan Leddy of Watsonville, duly elected Goddess of Liberty. Dan was petite and charming, the pettiness due to his being encased in stays that at times almost stayed his breath, but between gasps he bowed anti smiled acknowledgment to the prolonged cheers that greeted him along the line of march.

At 2 o'clock seventy-five guests sat down to a banquet that certainly reflected great credit on the hostess. Everything was on the table to tickle the palate of the greatest epicure and wine and wit flowed as freely as the hot springs themselves.

Ed Walden of San Francisco was toast master and a better one could not have been selected, for a finer and more patriotic speech was never delivered from the rostrum of eyen the nation's capitol. Some of the toasts included "The Day we Celebrate," "The Wets," "The Drys," "Salinas," "Monterey," "Fresno," "Sacramento," "Los Angeles," and "San Francisco," representatives of these cities responding in very interesting talks for their home towns.

The afternoon was taken up with races of different kinds and the stunts were most amusing, particularly a pie eating contest in which the contestants had to eat half a chocolate cream pie with hands tied behind their backs. A 1915 gent won the prize. A grand masquerade ball wound up the day's sport and at midnight a tired but happy crowd voted this Fourth of July one not soon to be forgotten.

Please study the following program and see if you can beat it:

Grand Fourth of July

### Celebration Tassajara Springs

Parade starts promptly at 10 a. m., Jesse Iverson Grand Marshal, E. H. Madden, Chief Spieler.

#### Line of March.

First division, headed by Quilty Band, in full uniform, will form in front of Tassajara Hotel.

Second division, headed by the Corral Band, will form on west side of Rear Terrace.

Line of march will be westerly on Towel Avenue to Soap-Sud point, counter-marching to Camino del Tassajara, disbanding at rag-time pavilion where the exercises of the day will be held.

#### Afternoon Program.

1. Fat men's race—50 yard sprint.
2. Fat women's race—25 yards sprint.
3. Potato race for all ages and sizes.
4. Sack race free for all.
5. 50-yard run for single or married ladies.
6. Three-legged race.
7. Cracker and Water Contest—All.
8. 50-yard dash—None
9. Grand pie-eaters' contest—Professional ruled out.

Value prizes will be awarded on above contests.

Grand Masquerade Ball evening—Helen G. Quilty, floor manager. Grand march at 7:15 sharp.

Fines will be strictly and promptly collected for non-appearance in costumes at above hour. The proceeds will be applied as prizes for the best sustained characters.

Committee of Arrangements—Dan Leddy, Chairman, Alice Casamayou, Grant Towle, Birdie Iverson, Ben Graves.

Notice—Light refreshments will be served to contestants and spectators during the athletic contests.

#### By Order of the Committee.

The weather is warm and beautiful and Tassajara looks at its best this season, crowded almost to its full capacity. The guests are of the kind that always have a good time.

The first day of the season saw John Carr bring in a fine buck, and two have been killed since, so there is nothing to complain of in the hunting line. There will be no more good fishing this year, as the creeks are too low.

Will Jeffery's auto service is decidedly popular and has brought many guests who would not care to take the long stage ride, we even get the daily papers, as Dr. Nichols and Fred Tholcke arrived by auto on Sunday and had all the dailies with which to supply the camp.

Our well known neighbor, George W. Sill, was a guest for several weeks and in fact has just taken a run home to Watsonville to see how the pippins are getting along before returning for another sojourn. While George was here he was bothered with a blister on his finger that Dan Leddy was mean enough to remark was caused from dealing from the bottom.

Jas. H. McDougall was here during a cold spell and did not get along as well as we all would have liked. But it was easy to tell the days when Mr. Mac was better, as then he would sit under "Gossip Oak" and spin most

interesting yarns of other days, and he even played violin for our entertainment.

We missed Bob Ford when he went, even if many times we wanted to kill him for being noisy. But Bob's heart is in the right place, and he is always there when a sick person needs a little kindness.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin and Miss Bertha Bardin are a pleasant addition to our numbers.

Jesse Iverson improves every day. Mrs. Quilty says he getting altogether too fat and saucy.

District Attorney Frank Sargent and Harvey Chappel are spending a few days with us. They have no deer in their camp as yet and, as they are ashamed to look a hog in the face, they have come here for a change of diet.

A lady was extolling the virtues of the vapor bath to these gentlemen but they thought the steam too hot, so as a great inducement she told them it is warranted to remove five pounds of flesh for each bath, but they coolly informed her they are perfectly satisfied with their size. So now it is up to them.

A merry party of six is here from Fresno.

Floyd McCollum spent two weeks with his little daughter Wilma, who was a great favorite. While here Floyd learned a new song—Sweet Alice etc.

Chris Thorup and son arrived today. We will keep our eye on Chris and see that he walks in the straight and narrow while here.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1913; datelined July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

Will Jeffery's automobile continues to be the more popular mode of travel to the Springs. The ease and speed appeal to all but the very timid.

From 'Supervisors in Regular Session,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty's application for a liquor license for the Tassajara Springs club house was granted.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

### VISITORS TO TASSAJARA

Will Jeffery took out to Tassajara Springs in his automobile a party consisting of City Clerk J. J. Kelley, R. D. Grant and wife, Mrs. Thomas Hughes and D. G. Richardson.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1913 (also in the Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1913 edition of the *Monterey American*):

### NEW TASSAJARA ROAD

Work of making a preliminary survey of a new road from Tassajara Springs down the Arroyo Seco to Piney, near Soledad, was commenced yesterday by a party of surveyors under William Davies, assistant to County Surveyor Hare. The new route will be shorter than the present one and will afford a better railroad connection.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1913; datelined Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

Mrs. C. W. Quilty has a surveyor at work

laying out a long contemplated road down the creek from Tassajara Springs. If the road is completed it will shorten the trip to the Springs very much.

*Monterey American*, Aug. 15, 1913 (much of the upper left portion of the microfilm ranges from not to barely legible.

Part of this article was published in the Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1913 edition of the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Newly Weds Get Lost at Tassajara Springs'.

## NEWLY-WEDS LOST IN THE MOUNTAINS

OUT ALL NIGHT AND  
IT WAS MIGHTY COLD

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Aug. [?].—Every-one here is greatly interested in knowing the progress of the surveyors [who?] are running a road survey down the Arroyo Seco Creek. [This morning?] Bill Davies, who is in charge of the work, was literally [stranded?] from whence he could neither [get up?] the steep bluff or down. He [stood or stayed?] there until a rope [?] takes [? ?] one to hold Bill [could be sent?] down from the [? ? ? ?] of which he [was?] extricated from his perilous position. The surveyors say this is some rough country.

Monday morning Will Jeffery arrived with ten people in his automobile. They were literally hanging on with their teeth and believe me, it was a heavyweight crowd for the most part, consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Willes, Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Grant, Tom Hughes, John Kelly, Dan Richardson and E. Klein of the Bardin Hotel. However, they were all happy and hungry and are doing nicely ever since and declare that the auto is the only way to get here.

The weather was beastly hot all week, but now there is a decided [change?], and one woman has taken to [wearing?] her husband's flannel shirt [in the?] morning to keep comfortable. [They say?] 1913 is a freak year.

It would seem impossible to get through a season without the worry of some guest getting lost, and this year is no exception. Monday morning Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beck of Watsonville, spending their honeymoon here, started out to go over Tony's Trail and spend a quite day on Willow Creek and return up this creek. Due no doubt to their interest in each other they missed the forks of the creeks and wandered on for miles, and until it was too late to try and retrace their steps. There was nothing to do but camp in the open and as bad luck would have it the night turned very cold and the young couple were thinly clad. In the meantime excitement ran high here over the lost couple, but nothing could be done until morning. At daylight John Abbott, a government ranger, left on horseback to take the trail and by noon had the two tired, worn out lovers safe in camp. Mrs. Beck was all in and being carried by the husband when Mr. Abbott met them. After food, a bath, and sleep, the young couple were quite restored. Mrs. Quilty says after this it will be the order to tie a cow bell on every guest who leaves sight of the hotel.

Cincho, solo, whist and "Mutt" are the favorite card games up here, and it is no insult if some cone calls out and says, "Here, you mutt, come on."

We have enjoyed the sporting friends who have just left. Willie Ritchie, the lightweight champion of the world, is a perfect little gentleman, and the funny man of the crowd; J. J. Stack, kept us all laughing.

Two foxes, caught in traps, and now safely caged, are becoming great pets.

Danny Richardson and E. Klein expect to start for Flag Rock tomorrow morning to hoist a fine new flag. Notice I say start, I will write of their finish later.

Miss Genevieve Quilty returned to San Jose yesterday after a stay of several weeks. She was accompanied by her friend, Miss Ruth Keller of San Francisco.

A number of transient guests ride over on horses from the coast, as the government has made some fine trails through the national forest.

Sunday we are to have a fine dinner of cold turkey. Don't tell Deputy Shook. John Kelly has already begun to whet his appetite by taking long walks and slightly reducing the usual amount of food which he consumes so ravenously.

The Salinas bunch requires much watching and as it is now time to go on the night shift. I'll send another report later.

"MESCAL" in the *Salinas Democrat*.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

## SOCIAL NOTES FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, August 30.—For several days I have tried to get a chance to send you a little news but each time it so happened that Jesse Iverson was singing just like a lark (nit) and beating up the piano at the same time, so collected thought was out of the question. Jesse returned to Salinas yesterday—hence this letter.

We are recovering from a protracted hot spell—the thermometer never reaching over 100 degrees yet the heat seeming intense. Yesterday the atmosphere was cooled and cleared by a heavy shower and the weather since is delightful. September is usually the pleasantest month of the year.

In my last letter I told how Dan Richardson and Emil Klein started to Flag Rock to hoist a beautiful new flag. They reached the height after two hours of hard climbing, while we all watched intently, stretching every bit of rubber out of our necks looking up the 1,200 feet, when lo! The flag floated to the breeze, but not proudly, for it had been hoisted upside down! What do you think of that for a patriotic native son like Danny to do? There might have been excuse for the young man from the Fatherland. When they arrived back at the hotel, tired, disheveled, and with peek-a-boos all over their clothes, and expecting to be treated like heroes, they were scorned and told there would be no eats for them until they returned and vindicated the honor of the flag. Finally they were allowed to wait and go back next morning, which they did and now Old Glory proudly waves a watch over the hotel snuggled at the base of the mountain far beneath. Dan was so worn out from the second trip that Mrs. Quilty offered him what she said was a sure cure—a little nerve (?) tonic.

The victim took the dose and after an hour or two was seen no more, but was heard sadly singing "Every Little Movement," etc.

Jesse Iverson, Jim Struve, Bob Grant, Al Hennessy, Tom Joy and many others have taken this specially prepared dose and can tell you about results better than I can write of them.

Your genial City Clerk, J. J. Kelly, was a most pleasant guest. Mr. Kelly must have come prepared to withstand all sorts of mishaps to his clothes as he had many extra buttons sowed on. In fact one day he sauntered out with two large white ones; gleaming like eyes, on the seat of his trousers. I haven't yet discovered why. Then, too, he regularly found strange animals, mice, etc., in his bed, so that it became necessary to sew up his nighties. But such is life in the far away mountains.

Chris Machado and Richie Harkins have just come in from hunting and are displaying a fine four prong buck.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Thompson from Watsonville have been here a week and al-ready a marked improvement is noticed in Mr. Thompson's condition.

Mr. Bob McKeavor of Monterey came in a few weeks ago hardly able to walk from rheumatism, but goes out tomorrow perfectly well.

I believe it is the Portland chief of police that has put the ban on x-ray skirts. If so nearly every woman guest would be arrested if he were here. For there is certainly some display around bathing time when tissue kimonas are in vogue—and not much else. "September Morn" would blush by comparison.

Mrs. Nis Nissen took a dive this morning that was not on her program. She held the rope in the plunge and jumped from the floor into the hot water. The rope broke and Mrs. Nissen went to the bottom with a dull thud. But after visiting McGinty a minute she came up none the worse for the experience.

Bob Grant takes two heavy baths and sweats every day—hot sulphur water in the morning and a steam in the afternoon—the only steam he takes since being here. Through it all Bob is wasting to a ton weight. Mrs. Grant is also faithful to the baths.

Mrs. Tom. Hughes and Mrs. Will Davies left Saturday and both ladies were greatly missed. Mrs. Davies was always ready to give other guests pleasure with her splendid piano playing.

Mr. J. Jacobsen and Roy Douglas of Salinas arrived by this afternoon's stage.

It is time to dance now so I will hurry up to see what everyone is going to wear. MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1913:

## PRAISE FOR HOSTESS OF TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Grant have returned from a sojourn of several weeks at Tassajara Hot Springs. Bob says he had a great time, and he looks it. The waters are all right, and as for Mrs. Quilty, the genial hostess, she returned Salinans say that her guests are all agreed that she is the right woman in the right place. She gives her personal attention to the management of the Springs, and is one of the busiest, happiest women in the world.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

WANTED—Caretaker and wife for winter, \$25 per month and board and lodging. Write for particulars, stating references, to Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Cal.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

### TASSAJARA CLOSES SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Tassajara Springs, after a successful summer season, closed for the fall and winter last Saturday, and the stage made its last regular trip. Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, proprietress, came in with the stage and left for Watsonville.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1913:

### TAXPAYER TALKS ABOUT ROAD ISSUE

HE IS OPPOSED TO THE COUNTY BUILDING ROADS TO PRIVATE PROPERTY

Editor *Index*:—I think the *Index* should fight the proposition of Dr. J. L. D. Roberts for a road down the coast by way of Slate's Springs to San Luis Obispo.

This road would be built no farther than the Springs and benefit no one but Dr. Murphy. Why should the county build a road to private property?

We also hear there is talk of Mrs. Quilty trying to get the county to build a road up the Arroyo Seco to Tassajara Hot Springs.

Both these propositions should be turned down as they are too heavy on the taxpayers and are of no public benefit.

RESIDENT FIFTH DISTRICT.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1913 (also in the Oct. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1913 edition of the *Monterey American*, as 'Mrs. Quilty Replies to a Kicker.'

### PROPOSED ROAD TO TASSAJARA

MRS. QUILTY REPLIES TO RESIDENT OF THE FIFTH SUPERVISORAL DISTRICT

Editor *Index*:—I beg space in your valuable columns to answer a communication in Monday's issue, signed "Resident of Fifth District," and relative to a proposed bond issue in the fifth supervisorial district for the improving of old roads and building of new ones. The article in question used my name, but the writer hid his under a nom de plue. It is to enlighten this person and others who might possibly need it that I take this notice of his scribe.

I feel sorry for Dr. Roberts in his efforts to improve the roads in his district, for his honest endeavors seem to be misrepresented. I know nothing about this proposed bond issue except what the papers have stated, but I have always felt that the supervisors accomplished a herculean task in repairing our roads after the flood of three winters ago, without bonding the county for the purpose.

We live in a day of progress and the Silurians should either get into line or else keep on hibernating.

Now in reference to this road up the Arroyo Seco Creek to Tassajara Hot Springs, that is causing the "Resident" such uneasiness. There are good and sufficient reasons, it seems to me, why the county should build it. Would this road not open up to countless thousands one of the great resources of this county—as well as one of its greatest attractions? Nature has placed in your county wonderful curative hot springs, the value of which to suffering humanity cannot be estimated. But on account of the present long, rough ride the Springs can be kept open only for about five months every year, with the result that but a few hundred can go there. While with the shorter road the number would be increased many times, thus bringing Monterey County into great prominence as a health resort, even to becoming a rival of Arkansas, known the world over for its hot springs.

Monterey County has the further advantage of having Tassajara Hot Springs and Slate's Springs situated among natural scenery of unrivaled grandeur.

Coming back to facts and figures, the hard, mountainous part of the Tassajara Road was built by Mr. Quilty twenty years ago, at a cost of \$18,000, not one cent of which as contributed by Monterey County, and since then, year by year, thousands of dollars have been spent by us in this county in labor and materials, until today, in the heart of the Santa Lucia Mountains, there lies a resort that you ought to be proud of and help make known, instead of getting out your hammer (which I imagine is well worn), to knock an easy way of reaching it.

Two years ago, when our supervisor, Dr. John Roberts, did not know which way to turn to repair flood conditions, on account of lack of funds, I spent \$200 on the Tassajara Road, and no bill was ever presented to the county for the work. Would you do the same, Mr. Resident? Show me.

I pay over \$500 taxes and I hope the time will never come when I will not be ready to help with my little mite toward the betterment of our resources, by building A1 roads to them, both down the coast and up the Arroyo Seco, thus opening our resorts to the world travelers who will be within our gates in 1915 [for the world fair in San Francisco].

One word more, Mr. Resident. I have never petitioned our board of supervisors to build this road, but you have suggested the thought to me and I may act on your idea.

MRS. HELEN G. QUILTY.

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From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1914; datelined Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

The caretaker of the Springs was out to the postoffice on Monday. He reports the road to the Springs below Grace's cabin [in The Pines] almost completely gone; bridges washed out; the road impassable, even on horseback. The high water did a great deal of damage at the Springs. The camping ground is a wreck; the garden washed away; the basement of the kitchen vanished downstream, as did the bridge

to the barn, and there are other damages to hot water pipes and so on.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Monterey Daily Cypress*, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1914; datelined Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1914:

At Tassajara Springs the creek washed away portions of the basement of the kitchen and club house. It also carried away the suspension bridge and badly damaged the camp grounds. The bridges between this place and Tassajara were carried away, and a gigantic landslide filled the road with immense sandstones. The road is impassable even on horseback. Mr. Hall, keeper of the Springs, made the journey on foot. No record of the rainfall was kept at Tassajara, but it must have greater than at this place, where 3.70 inches fell in ten hours. Total for January, 14.75; total for season, 30.34.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1914:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty of San Jose, proprietress of Tassajara Springs, was at the Hotel Monterey Sunday. She left yesterday morning via Chavoya's stage to see what damage the winter's storms have done to the place and also to make arrangements for the opening of the season. She expects to return in about two weeks.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1914; datelined April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1914:

Mrs. Helen Quilty came up on Boronda's stage on Monday, she spent the night with Mrs. Chew, and went to the Springs on Tuesday, she expects work men in on today's stage.

It is rumored that Mrs. Quilty's stage will stop at Mr. Kelly's for dinner instead of Mr. Chew's as formerly. The stage is expected to start about May 1<sup>st</sup> as usual.

We now have two stages running from Monterey, Chaboya is carrying the mail at present. Boronda expects to carry it after July 1<sup>st</sup>.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 14<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

### THE MANY CHARMS OF TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

PEACEFUL, RESTFUL DAYS IN THIS IDEAL MOUNTAIN HEALTH RESORT

In my geographical journeyings over your county I happened to drop into this "hollow of God's hand," called Tassajara Hot Springs, a few days ago. I had intended to rest my horse an hour or two and be on my way again, but the charm of the place holds me enthralled and here I have been content, but Saturday will end my rest. I only wish that all who read this letter might enjoy with me these restful, peaceful days so absolutely remote and removed from the turmoil and strife of the outer world.

The hot springs, the loadstone which have drawn thousands of every condition and from every clime, are surely not the least of nature's wonders, and vary in temperature from cold to 157 degrees Fahrenheit. I know of nothing more luxurious than one of these hot sulphur plunge baths, refreshing alike to mind and body.

The owner, Mrs. Helen Quilty, has been here a couple of weeks superintending the work of

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

### TASSAJARA RE-OPENS MONDAY

Tassajara Hot Springs, under the management of Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, will re-open for the season next Monday. The stage will thereafter make regular tri-weekly trips to and from the famous resort.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS WILL OPEN ON MAY 11

Tassajara Hot Springs, our famous health resort, will open on May 11. These Springs are too well known to need much introduction to Salinas Valley residents, as so many have been cured of their infirmities by bathing in the wonderful mineral waters.

Mrs. Helen Quilty, the owner, will assume personal charge, as usual, and this insures the guests good care and courteous treatment.

Special rates for fishermen will be made until June 15, and for guests by the month and for families during the entire season.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1914; datelined May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

The Tassajara stage is expected through today with Mrs. Quilty and servants to open the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

### HENRY CLAUSEN HURT AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Word was received here yesterday from Tassajara Hot Springs that Henry Clausen is suffering from a severe sprained ankle. Mr. Clausen went fishing last Monday and when returning to the Springs he slipped on the rocks and wrenched his ankle.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS BOOMING AGAIN

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 9.—The season has opened here most auspiciously. There are seventy here already and more a-coming. Last evening fourteen shook the dust of travel from their garments as they shook the glad hand of Mrs. Quilty, the hostess of this health resort, as she bade them, welcome. Among this crowd was Tom Field and Stanley Clifford of Monterey, both in need of the restful silences and the invigorating waters that characterize this retreat; and there were others.

Quite a number of Salinans are up here, not the least of whom are "Heine" Clausen and Pete Conroy. Henry sprained an ankle some days ago, but missteps like that are easily mended here, with hot water a-plenty and a good masseur, and nothing stronger.

But Pete Conroy was worse off. He got bit by a "pajaro jualo," which is a biter for keeps. Conroy's life was saved only by heroic treatment, on account of there being no regular "antidote" nearer than Monterey. He is out of danger now, and those funeral ceremonies that were in preparation by his cronies at Salinas may be laid away in lavender.

Now as to fishing. The fishing is all right.

several men who are putting the place in order for the coming season, and also repairing damage by the January flood. Some of the workmen are Italians and if you want to see a funny sight watch the owner and these men try to understand one another. A great gesticulating of arms and stamping of feet generally precedes a rush for the "book" which turns out to be a translation of Italian into English. Then after a long struggle light breaks over the foreigner's face and he exclaims: "Me comprehendere." Then there is peace for a time.

The Arroyo Seco Creek is beautiful, and just now is teeming with fine salmon that have run up from the bay. Of course we only look at and admire them, as it is against the law to take them. Mrs. Quilty asked me not to write about the salmon, as there are a number of good sports in Salinas such as Frank Sargent, Tom Joy and Will Jeffery and others who would at once get busy making spears and hurrying to the fray, with Frank Shook bringing up the rear to catch them (not the salmon), and Mrs. Quilty is afraid the chickens might even be mistaken in the mad rush.

It seems to me a great pity that this enormous quantity of water is allowed to run to waste instead of storing it in the almost natural reservoirs I noticed on my ride up the creek, to be used in a vast irrigating system for the great Salinas Valley.

They tell me the road to Jamesburg is very rough and that the supervisor, Roberts, does not intend to do but little toward making it what it should be to a great resort of this kind, but the owner of the place seems to have great faith in Dr. Roberts, as he promised her to have it in fine shape by May 11, when the Springs open, so we shall see and hope.

Someday I trust good luck will again send me to the most delightful spot I have ever visited, and where I have received the most whole souled, generous hospitality.

JAMES CLEM.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS TO OPEN EARLY NEXT MONTH

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty of San Jose, owner of the Tassajara Hot Springs, returned yesterday from that resort. She will motor over to the county seat today and take the train there for her home in the Garden City.

The Springs are reported to be in good condition and large crowds of tourists are expected during the coming summer. The resort is attractive because of its homelike surroundings, bowling alleys, billiard halls and other sorts of amusement are at the service of the guests. The fishing is especially good. The Springs will open May 11.

From the 'Personals' column in the *Salinas Daily Index*, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Springs, is in town visiting her daughter, Mrs. Will Jeffery.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1914; datelined April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1914:

Wm. Bruce is in Salinas for a load of goods for Mrs. Quilty.

Most of 'em bring back the limit. Fishing was never better and there are good ones in the streams as ever have been caught. That sounds rather trite, but it's true all the same.

On Monday seven school ma'ams—yes; seven; count 'em—hiked it all the way up Willow Creek from A. I. Abbott's and over the ridge to Tassajara and they weren't a bit fagged out. They had a guide, of course. They will hike it back again.

Deer are plentiful. They are a common sight. Two fine bucks pasture with Mrs. Quilty's cows. The other day J. W. Tholcke went out with a parlor rifle to get then accustomed to being hunted harmlessly, so that when the season is open they will not be timid when they see a man with a gun.

Before Pete Conroy got bit by that terrible bug he led a party of eight or ten up Flag Rock and broke out Old Glory to the breeze, and there let'er float the glad season through! One or two ladies made the trip. It necessitates quite a climb, as everybody knows.

The summer school of cribbage, which was for many years conducted here by Jas. B. Iverson, has not been opened since Mr. Iverson's last visit. He is missed, and remembered.

The vapor baths are in full swing. They were reconstructed under the skilful engineering superintendence of Phil Goulden, who made his annual visit here two weeks ago. Now every feature of Tassajara is as good as ever and everybody is happy. AJAX.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, guest season of 1914:

## TASSAJARA

**Hot Springs**, the great health and pleasure resort of our own county, is now open. Wonderful cures of rheumatism, kidney, blood and skin diseases. Tub, plunge and steam baths of natural hot mineral waters. Trout fishing. Deer hunting. All amusements. Rates, including baths, \$14 to \$16. Special rates for families or by the month. Fifty pounds of baggage allowed. Stage leaves Salinas every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings. Address Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs for further information, or call at the *Cypress* office.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

### THE TASSAJARA IS HUMMING HAPPILY

TASSAJARA, July 15.—Fourth of July was one scream from daybreak until the last strains of music at midnight bade the dancers that "Home Sweet Home" was the grand finale of a great celebration.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon the guest were ushered into the dining room which had been transformed into a bower of beauty. Every inch of wall space was hidden with huge brake ferns through which streamers of red, white and blue were gracefully entwined. The center of attraction was the table with seating capacity for sixty, and never have I seen a more beautiful sight. The decorations consisted of stands of sweet peas of the national colors, while a beautiful center piece was a skillful arrangement of small silk flags, maidenhair ferns

and flowers. Over the table at intervals were suspended hanging baskets filled with different hued dahlias. The effect was gorgeous and the credit of it all belongs to Messrs. Chas. L. Pioda, Bob Ford, Paul Pioda and Sergeant Scheu.

Then the eats! My; but what a feed we had—all sorts of salads, chickens, tongue, ham, fruits, cakes, candy, nuts and last, but not least, a punch that had an enormous amount of kick in it.

Chas. L. Pioda occupied the seat at the head of the table as toast-master. Mrs. Quilty made a wise selection, as Mr. Pioda proved very capable, not only making a fine address himself but inducing others to follow suit, so that wit and laughter flowed with the punch. At the close of the banquet, which occupied two hours, everyone stood and joined in singing "America."

At 6 o'clock the races took place—potato, egg, sack, and three-legged, and much amusement was afforded. Little Bill and Jim Jeffery entered in nearly every contest and won first money many times.

Last week we had a mock divorce trial that caused great fun. Mr. Pioda was the all-just and all-wise judge, and after hearing the testimony of many witnesses and arguments of the able council—Professor D. C. Ahlers of Santa Cruz and Sergeant Otto Scheu, U. S. A., the verdict was that the parties be condemned to live together in perfect connubial bliss for the rest of their lives.

Today there was a great barbecue. Tables were set under famous old Gossip Oak, and steaks broiled to perfection by Dan Leddy of Watsonville and Pete Wallace of Salinas. Bob Ford made the salad and helped in every capacity at once, so you know how "quiet" things were. Fifty-four were seated and were about half through eating when an automobile arrived with five guests. A few minutes' later two wagon loads of campers added to the crowd, and three government men came in on horseback, but there was plenty to eat for all.

There are three deer in camp tonight, one being killed by Mr. Wm. Hatton of Monterey, one by Bill Rhymer of Spreckels and one by Jim Oksen of Watsonville. Deer are very plentiful this year everywhere.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin arrive Friday.

Mutt is one of the principal card games, and at any time a game is easy to get.

The weather is very delightful this year, being neither hot nor cold. Will send another budget soon. MESCAL.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

Mr. and Mrs. Will Jeffery have gone to San Jose to be at the bedside of Mrs. Jeffery's father, C. W. Quilty, who is reported to be critically and hopelessly ill.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1914:

Mr. and Mrs. Will Jeffery have returned from San Jose, to which place they had been called by the serious illness of Mrs. Jeffery's father, C. W. Quilty.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1914:

## TASSAJARA

### HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY CO.

Greatest resort in State for rheumatism, kidney, blood and skin diseases. No tubercular patients. Tub, plunge and steam baths of natural hot mineral waters, varying from cold to 157 degrees. Trout fishing. All amusements: \$14 to \$16. Stage leaves Salinas every Mon., Wed. and Fri. mornings; 50 lbs. baggage allowed. See Peck-Judah or address Manager, TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, via Salinas.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

## TASSAJARA FOR THE CANDIDATES

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Aug. 26.—Now that the excitement of the primaries is over it might be well to call the attention of the candidates to the fact that this is just the place they require in which to rest after the strenuous efforts of the past few months. For the successful ones no better preparation for the arduous and responsible duties they are about to assume, while for the unsuccessful no better place than our famous vapor bath to sweat out that sore feeling and wash off "de feet" in the hot waters of the sulphur plunge. Besides, think of the brotherly love that will again be engendered. I heard Mrs. Quilty say she was going to give them special rates.

Attorney C. F. Lacey and George E. Lacey have returned to Salinas after spending two weeks of perfect rest. I think George did take one walk as far as the camp ground, once, but C. F. was not guilty of even leaving his beat, which consisted of a semi-circle from the hotel to the dining room, to Gossip Oak, the bath house, the club (ginger ale, please) and back to the dining room before the gong had ceased. Sunday evening he came from dinner with a particularly pleased and benign expression, and, with an affectionate patting of his expanded waist-band, remarked: "Randomly speaking, that was larruping good truck." We were not quite certain of what the learned gentleman meant, but, stripped of its legal verbiage, think he referred to some very delicious huckleberry pie.

The morning after the mail comes in we all sit in the sun and read the latest war news and exchange ideas on the cause and effect. Some of these ideas are really educational if you don't happen to be overburdened along that line.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Dayton, and Dr. and Mrs. Chappell motored in on Sunday. After having lunch and a hot plunge the party returned to Salinas. Then people will knock this road, which is in really fine condition.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Gebhard and Wm. Gebhard arrived Sunday by auto from Santa Cruz. They will remain several weeks.

It has been a peculiar fact that Ford machines are the only ones that have had to be towed up this hill. Mrs. Quilty always disliked to see these cars come in, as Rosebud, the family steed, and sometimes a team of steeds, had to be disgraced by pulling these autos up the hill. But at last a Ford has out-Forded the

others and reached the summit on its own power. But we all gave the credit to Geo. Lacey, who went over the car carefully and then gave minute instructions to the driver, Mr. Hendrick of New Monterey, how to negotiate the grade, which he did in perfect safety, only to meet with a serious accident within the city limits of Monterey. Mr. Hendrick ran over a large dog, result, the machine was overturned and the driver very seriously injured. All of which goes to show that danger sometimes lurks in apparently the safest places.

Miss Harriet Hatton and Miss Helen Allen of Monterey left this morning after a visit of three weeks.

A secret society exists here, and year by year the initiation becomes more strenuous. Just ask either of the Lacey brothers about the hair lifting and other lifting experiences they went through while being inducted into the ancient rites. The goat of common usage is as harmless as a horned toad in comparison with the awful monster that stalks athwart our path when becoming a member of this famous Stuck-up Society, but I will tell no more. Ask the gentlemen.

As September weather is always the most beautiful of the year, a number of guest are expected next month. MESCAL.

Local news items in the *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

Will Jeffery and Mrs. Jeffery are at San Jose on account of the critical illness of Mrs. Jeffery's father, C. W. Quilty.

C. A. Melander and Geo. B. Lacey went to Tassajara yesterday on a test of the road for automobile service. They went in a car loaded with 1000 pounds of supplies.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1914 (9/26/14 in the *Weekly Journal*; also in the 9/22/14 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Chas W. Quilty Dead'):

## CHAS. W. QUILTY DEAD AT SAN JOSE

Yesterday news was received that C. W. Quilty was very near death. Ira Bailey took Will Jeffery's car and went to Tassajara, hoping to get Mrs. Quilty to Salinas to take the 7:30 train north, but they did not reach Salinas until 8:30. Mrs. Quilty will take an early train this morning.

Notice came that Mr. Quilty passed away at 7:20 last evening. He was ill for many months and his death was anticipated for weeks. He was about 53 years of age.

Last evening Mrs. Howard F. Cozzens, who was married a week ago today, went to San Jose. Mr. and Mrs. Cozzens returned from their short wedding tour on Saturday.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1914:

## C. W. QUILTY DIES AT SAN JOSE HOME

The death of C. W. Quilty, husband of Mrs. Helen G. Quilty of Tassajara Springs, and father of Mrs. Will Jeffery and Mrs. Howard Cozzens of this city, occurred last night at his home in San Jose after a long illness. The deceased is well known here and well liked.

In the early days Mr. Quilty was a leading member of the Santa Clara County bar, but some years ago gave up the practice of the law to devote his time exclusively in his private business interests. Members of his family were at his bedside when the end came.

*The Evening News, San Jose, Cal., Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1914:*

## ANOTHER OLD RESIDENT HAS PASSED AWAY

CHARLES W. QUILTY IS TAKEN BY DEATH

Identified with Important Local Projects

The death of Charles W. Quilty, the well known attorney and promoter, who has been a resident of San Jose since boyhood, and interested during his life here in many important projects, occurred at his home last evening. He had been ill for several weeks and his death was not unexpected by his family.

Mr. Quilty met with an automobile accident about three years ago near Tassajara Springs. He was quite severely injured at that time. His illness, which finally resulted in his death, followed. It was not until about three months ago that his condition became serious. Since then he has been confined to his bed.

CAME HERE WHEN A BOY

Mr. Quilty was a native of South Carolina, and the son of Mr. and Mrs. D. Quilty, of this city. He came to San Jose when a boy. He attended Santa Clara College and graduated from that institution with distinction, some 35 years ago. He studied law and was admitted to the bar. He practiced law in the local courts for a few years. He became interested in several large undertakings and gave up the active practice of law, although he retained law offices in the Safe Deposit Block up to the time of his death.

About 25 years ago, having important holdings in the old gas company, he became president and manager of that institution. When electric lights came into use his company included that service.

IN MANY ENTERPRISES

Another company was formed headed by the late Harry Edwards, who had previously been superintendent of the gas company. The two corporations were finally combined, and the later were merged into what is now known as the Pacific Gas and Electric Company.

A number of years ago Mr. Quilty became interested in a water project in the eastern foothills. It developed to such an extent that a few years ago it was purchased by the Bay Cities Water Company. He was one of the promoters of the Tuolumne Electric Company. Twenty five years ago he purchased a tract of land, of late years known as Tassajara Springs. This property developed until it became one of the principal summer resorts of the inland part of the coast. He owned this property at the time of his death.

LEAVES LARGE FAMILY

Mr. Quilty was 56 years old. He is survived by his widow, Helen G. Quilty, and daughters, Mrs. Clem X. Portal [Gertrude], Mrs. William Jeffery [Mary], Mrs. J. A. Kerwin [Irene], Mrs. Fred Suter [Pauline], Mrs. Howard Cozzens [Alice], Mrs. L. J. Taylor [Ruth], Miss Estelle

L. and Genevieve L. Quilty; father, D. Quilty; a brother, Clarence Quilty, and a sister, Mrs. Aggie Inselmann.

The funeral, which will be private, will take place at St. Joseph's Church tomorrow at 9 a. m. The interment will be in Calvary Cemetery.

*San Jose Mercury-Herald, Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1914:*

## MANY FRIENDS MOURN LOSS OF THE LATE CHARLES W. QUILTY

The funeral of the late Charles W. Quilty, who died at his home in this city Monday evening after a brief illness, will be held today and will be private. The word of his death comes as a shock to the community, in which he grew up and to whose advancement along material lines he devoted a greater part of his life.

Mr. Quilty was a native of South Carolina and was 56 years old. He came with his parents to this city at an early age and received the greater part of his education in the local schools. He was a graduate of Santa Clara College with high honors, winning the Ryland gold medal for debating, and practiced law in this city for several years.

In 1878 Mr. Quilty took as his wife Mary E. Hagan, the daughter of James A. Hagan, one of California's pioneers and builder of many of the first gas plants in the state. Mr. Quilty was associated with his father-in-law in this work and for many years was president of the San Jose Light and Power Company. He was also for several years president of the Salinas Water Company and the Tulare Water Company. For two terms he was president of the Pacific Coast Gas Association. Throughout his life he was interested in electrical and water development projects and was always in the front rank among those with the interests of his community and state at heart.

Mr. Quilty had been in poor health for several months and though his illness was known to his many friends, news of his death comes as a great shock.

He was married for the second time in 1899 to Helen G. Ford of Gilroy, who survives him. Besides his widow, he leaves eight daughters, Mrs. Clem X. Portal, Mrs. J. A. Kerwin, Mrs. Leo Taylor, Miss Estelle I. Quilty and Miss Genevieve L. Quilty of San Jose, Mrs. William Jeffery and Mrs. Howard Cozzens of Salinas and Mrs. Fred Suter of Gilroy, his father, Daniel Quilty, and a sister, Mrs. Agnes Isslemann of San Francisco.

*The Evening News, San Jose, Cal., Sept. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1914:*

## FUNERAL OF THE LATE C. W. QUILTY PRIVATE

Requiem mass for the repost of the soul of the late Charles W. Quilty was held at St. Joseph's Church this morning at 9 o'clock. The funeral was private.

*San Jose Mercury-Herald, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1914:*

## BODY OF C. W. QUILTY IS TENDERLY LAID TO REST

Simple but impressive services marked the

funeral of the late Charles Quilty yesterday morning at St. Joseph's Church.

From the chapel of T. McNalley Sons, the cortege proceeded to St. Joseph's, where a low mass of requiem was celebrated by the Rev. William Culligan, S. J., assisted by the Rev. Father Collins, S. J., in the sanctuary. Father Culligan pronounced the eulogy, paying a high tribute to the successful life that had drawn to its close and to his family, who had cheered and comforted the last hours of the decedent.

Besides his widow, eight daughters, as follows, mourn the passing of the well-known attorney and promoter:

Mrs. Clem X. Portal, Mrs. J. A. Kerwin, Mrs. Leo Taylor, Miss Estelle I. Quilty and Miss Genevieve L. Quilty of San Jose, Mrs. William Jeffery and Mrs. Howard Cozzens of Salinas and Mrs. Fred Suter of Gilroy. He also leaves his father, Daniel Quilty, and a sister, Mrs. Agnes Isslemann of San Francisco.

The pallbearers were Judge Tuttle, P. J. Dunne, T. Tormey, B. Taylor, B. Kell and S. E. Portal.

Mr. Quilty was a native of South Carolina and came to San Jose when a boy, with his parents. He attended Santa Clara College, graduating from there some 35 years ago with distinction. He was interested in many important projects in this and other sections of the state during his lifetime.

About three years ago the decedent met with an automobile accident near Tassajara Springs and was quite severely injured at that time. The illness that finally resulted in his death followed the accident, but it was until about three months ago that his condition became serious and he was confined to his bed in a local sanitarium. For several weeks he was very ill and his death was not unexpected by his family and intimate friends.

*Salinas Daily Index, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1914:*

## TASSAJARA CLOSES SUCCESSFUL SEASON

Tassajara Springs, one of Monterey County's favorite summer resorts, closed last Saturday after a successful season. Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, the proprietress, and the last of the guests returned to Salinas Saturday night. Mrs. Quilty will remain here a few days attending business matters.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1914:*

## TASSAJARA HAS CLOSED

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty came down from Tassajara Springs Saturday evening, stated the *Salinas Journal*. The way out was delayed by business matters that required attention en route, and some solicitude was felt lest an accident might have occurred. Mrs. Quilty will be in town a few days. This popular resort is closed for the season.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1914; datelined Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

Mr. Majors was out from the Springs Monday for the mail. Mrs. Quilty is still at the Springs.

1914; p. 137.

From 'Notes from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*,  
Dec. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1914; datelined Dec. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

Some of Hansen's road crew have been in to  
the Springs and ditched the road.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1914:

### TWO FEET OF SNOW AT TASSAJARA

Stage drivers plying between Monterey and  
points in the southern portions of Monterey  
County report that the recent storm left a con-  
siderable amount of snow on the hills in the  
neighborhood of Tassajara and Jamesburg.  
The Hansen brothers are said to have come out  
of Tassajara in almost two feet of snow and the  
roads are considered impassable in many  
places.

Ben Bloomquist, who carries gasoline and  
other automobile supplies, one day last week  
refused to sell any gasoline to an automobile  
party that desired to go to Tassajara, because  
he reasoned that if the machine ever got to  
Tassajara it would not be able to return for  
some time.

## Charles Quilty's Financial Demise

I did not come across any information regarding the cause for Mr. Quilty's indebtedness during his later years, but prior to his death in September of 1914, he began defaulting on loans. The following information is derived from articles that were published in the *Evening News*, San Jose, Cal., from April of 1914 to Oct. of 1916:

On April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1914, it was reported that "Suits for sums totaling \$4,532.60 have been filed in the superior court by A. L. Gigson, John Down and C. H. James against C. W. Quilty. Each plaintiff claims that the defendant owes him money on a promissory note."

In the legal notices section of the May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1915 edition, a Trustees Sale notice stated that due to Mr. Quilty's default on promissory notes, the Quilty residence at 156 South Third Street would be sold to the highest bidder at a public auction on the 14<sup>th</sup> of June, 1915.

According to a report in the June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1915 edition, a suit had been

filed to declare void the transfers of property made by Mr. Quilty to his daughters, and in another report, published on September 15<sup>th</sup>, 1915, it was stated that Superior Court judge decided in favor of the Quilty daughters in this case.

On Oct. 17<sup>th</sup> of 1916 it was reported that "An action brought for the purpose of paying the debts of the estate of C. W. Quilty was filed yesterday by attorney J. C. Black in behalf of Mrs. Gertrude [Quilty] Portal, executrix, and one of the daughters of the deceased merchant. The defendants are Mrs. Portal and the other heirs. The plaintiff asks that deeds made by Mr. Quilty during his life-time to his daughters be set aside. It was found when the estate was brought into probate court that there were insufficient funds to meet the cost of probate and other debts, so the action was filed yesterday afternoon at the direction of Judge P. F. Goshey of the probate court."



The residence of the Quilty family that was auctioned off to the highest bidder at a public sale in June of 1915. This postcard image is courtesy of the San Jose Public Library.

## 1915 to 1927, HELEN QUILTY'S SOLO TENURE; p. 138.

The most noteworthy developments in the early years of this era were the replacing of the horse and mule-drawn stage with an automobile stage in 1916, and the steady increase of guests who were arriving by their own conveyance via automobiles.

Based on the literature of the latter part of this era, it appears that Tassajara then reached its greatest zenith in popularity and profitability.

It was also during the latter part of this era that a great expansion in the accommodations and other improvements were constructed, most notably the buildings that are now known as the redwood cabins.

In 1919 the bowling alley was converted into a ten bedroom annex to the hotel (the site of this building is now occupied by the garden and lumber shops).

In 1921 the swimming pool was constructed, and the dining room was enlarged to allow the seating of 140 guests.

In 1922 a "bachelor's sleeping porch" was added to the club house

(now the guest dining room), and "five cozy family bungalows" were built "under the tall oaks." New dressing rooms and showers were also built at the swimming pool, and a new refrigeration plant was installed.

In 1923 ten new cottages were built, and a bachelor's bungalow was constructed in the "hotel plaza."

In 1924 an electric power plant was installed that illuminated not only all of the building, but also the grounds. Ornamental fences and a garage were also erected in 1924, and the domestic livestock corral was moved across the creek near the start of the trail to The Narrows.

Improvement dating to 1925 included two more four-room cabins, and the dressing and masseur's rooms over the plunges were "greatly enlarged."

In 1926 nine new cabins were constructed, as well as a "complete and up to date steam laundry plant." This structure is now known as the upper barn.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

P. Hansen's crew of men are engaged in improving the Tassajara road and putting it in readiness for the large motor truck which is to be put on in the spring.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb 24<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined. Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1915:

P. Hansen came up yesterday and took out his men who have been working on the Tassajara road for the past two months.

It scarcely seems a fair deal that county money should be spent in improving a road which will not be used for at least a month and a half more, and which at any time benefits only one individual, while one which is traveled by many people and over which the mail is brought does not receive much needed repairs. Can our supervisor tell us why this is?

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Considerable surprise and indignation is being expressed by the people of Jamesburg and vicinity that men are kept to work by the county on the road from Jamesburg to Tassajara Springs, sixteen miles of road without a person living on it except Mr. and Mrs. Majors who take care of the Springs property over the winter, while the regular mail route is impassable, and the road between here and Salinas is in such shape that only very careful driving makes it possible to get to town on urgent business and no load to speak of can be hauled back. Why not do the work where it will be useful to the greatest number and let the Springs road wait till near the time for the hotel to open?

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1915:

### THE OTHER SIDE OF THE QUESTION

#### CORRESPONDENT COMES TO THE DEFENSE OF THE TASSAJARA ROAD

Editor *Index*: I noticed an article in your paper from the Jamesburg correspondent on work being done on the Tassajara road, which is not used at present, while the much traveled one is not receiving needed repairs, and asking our supervisor, Dr. Roberts, for an explanation.

I am a property owner and voter in James-

burg district, and as a lover of fair play I take exception to the article which is misleading and untruthful. Even Dr. Roberts ought to get a square deal once in a while.

Not a dollar has been expended on the Tassajara road, except for the yearly ditching which for several seasons past has been done by the owner and cost the county nothing. But this year it was a positive necessity to brush the road, and it is this bit of work that is making my neighbor throw such a fit. Probably he wanted the job and failed to get it.

He also states that the Tassajara road at any time benefits only "one individual." What a small mind he has to make such a statement, when everyone knows that the Springs benefit hundreds of health seekers year after year and make prominent not only the county but our Jamesburg district.

It would not surprise me one bit if the writer of the article were not indebted to that "one individual" for his living, or a good part of it. You know, sad as it is, a few people still exist who like to fling a stone—even at a woman. And, besides, this "one individual" pays more taxes than is usually put on the Tassajara Road. I have faith that our supervisor, Dr. Roberts, will fix our roads when the storms are over, even though our district voted against granting the funds with which to accomplish permanent results. JAMESBURG VOTER.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

### NEWS JOTTINGS FROM JAMESBURG

#### THAT TASSAJARA ROAD CONTINUES TO BE A BONE OF CONTENTION

JAMESBURG, March 8.—The weather clerk has been giving us some fine days since the storm.

W. R. Brown was a visitor to Monterey last week.

G. I. Hallock and son, Dick, made a trip to Salinas on Friday, returning Sunday. They report the road as being in bad condition.

Walter Chew is in Salinas on business.

We are surprised that a simple statement of fact should have got "Jamesburg Voter's" goat, as it seems to have. We did but voice the general sentiment of the people of this section, and "Jamesburg Voter" can hardly deny that the work is being done on a road which will not be used for some time to come and that leads to but one place. Since J. V. objects

to the term "one individual," while the road which is used dally, when it can be used, by many people remains unrepaired. To be sure it is reported that the brushing of the Tassajara Road is being done by contract, but even if this is so, "somebody pays" and that "somebody" is the taxpayers.

Certainly we are willing to give Dr. Roberts a "square deal," but we should like a square deal in return.

J. V. says "the item is misleading and untrue." Please tell us in what particular? J. V.'s statement that "not a dollar has been expended on the Tassajara road except for the yearly ditching which for several seasons past has been done by the owner and cost the county nothing" can hardly be called a shining example of veracity. As a matter of fact Tassajara Road has received a fair share of the county's money ever since it was accepted as a county road, quite a number of years ago.

No, J. V., we did not want the job. It is not in our line of business, so don't worry about that.

More than this, the county supervisors made a survey in 1913 for a road from the Tassajara Springs to the Arroyo Seco country, which took not days but weeks for two surveyors and three assistants, and surveyors don't come cheap. All this was paid for by the county.

Far be it from me to desire that this road be not repaired and improved, but the present need of the many is surely more imperative than the future need of the one. Repair by all means, if needed, and if there is funds to spare without taking from more needed work, improve the road to the Springs, but every fair minded person will agree with me that the farmers of this section should have roads to Salinas and Monterey put in shape so that they can bring a load of provisions from town, and so that the mail carrier should not be compelled to go several miles out of his way each day on his route to and from Jamesburg.

Does J. V. want every bit of the taxes on the Springs property used on the road between Jamesburg and the Tassajara? Surely that would be evidence of "a small mind" when there are so many other works of public utility in the county to be paid for out of the taxation of property.

There are others of us who pay taxes but we don't ask to have a county road to our door.

We do not wish to "fling a stone" and do not blame the owner of the Springs for getting all she can—we all do that; but we do think that a



county official, elected by the people, should serve the people impartially.

As to "the writer being indebted to the proprietor of the Springs for a good part of his living," that is a joke—with a capital J. The Springs really benefits Jamesburg but very little, and they could worry along without Tassajara very nicely.

One more question: did the Jamesburg Voter ever cast a vote in this precinct?

From *Springs of California* by Gerald E. Waring. U. S. G. S. Water Supply Paper 338, United States Government Printing Office, 1915; the copy at the Library of Congress, which was digitalized by Internet Archive, is stamped "D. of Mar. 8 1915:"

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

A large amount of hot water issues at Tassajara Hot Springs, which are in the canyon of the Arroyo Seco, in the southern part of Monterey County. About 17 thermal springs may be counted here, in the bed of the creek and along its southern bank. They range in temperature from about 100° to 140° and from mere seeps to flows of 7 or 8 gallons a minute.

The thermal waters issue from a gneiss that is exposed along the creek for a distance of 200 yards or more. Above and below this exposure the rock is granitic and in some places contains small garnets. The crystalline rocks are overlain by a series of shale, sandstone, and limestone whose structure in the area north of Arroyo Seco is well shown by the beds of massive, buff-colored sandstone that dip about 45° NE. A western limb of this structure was not seen, though it may exist in the mountains farther coastward. The observed dips suggest that Arroyo Seco here crosses a zone of intense pressure in the crystalline rocks.

The springs received their name from an Indian or Mexican word that means "the place where meat is cured by drying," and dates from the early days of the cattle industry. The springs have thus been known and used for many years, and they were early visited by campers, when the only access was by means of a difficult trail. Several years ago a well graded wagon road was built southward from Jamesburg across the mountains and down into the canyon, and the springs are now easily reached by stage. In 1904 a stone hotel was built, and other improvements have been added yearly, so that in 1909 there were ample accommodations for 75 people, though a larger number has been taken care of by the use of tents. Water from two of the largest springs has been piped to tub and plunge baths, and a vapor bath has been constructed over the hottest spring, which issues from the creek bed.

Analyses of two of the thermal waters were made. These waters are noticeably sulphureted, and the analyses show them to be only moderately mineralized. The water of the Arsenic Spring has a distinctly yellow color, which in a few other springs has been ascribed to alkaline sulphides in solution.

At the north edge of the creek, a few yards above the hot springs, there are two cool springs in which iron is deposited. An analysis of the easternmost of these springs is tabulated

with the hot springs.

The identity of an early analysis purporting to be of water from these springs is questionable, as it does not accord with the later analysis.

The two hot springs were apparently from the same general source, showing only slight differences in composition. Primary salinity and primary alkalinity are the chief stable properties, but the waters are characterized by high tertiary alkalinity of which silica is the chief component. The carbonate radicle reported is presumably calculated from the alkalinity determination and doubtless includes sulphides and possibly silicates. The apparent absence of arsenic in the Arsenic Spring is noteworthy.

The iron spring is of markedly different character from the hot springs, being less than half as concentrated and having secondary alkalinity as the dominant property. Tertiary alkalinity is not reported but is probably relatively low. The spring is probably of essentially surface origin and is not directly related to the thermal waters.

The following notes concerning algal growths in the creek below the hot springs are here given, as the growths are related to the sulphureted character of the water. Although they are common to thermal sulphur springs, the relatively large volume of water at Tassajara Hot Springs, its comparatively slow cooling, and the presence of both swift currents and of quiet pools in the run-off stream, afford an unusually good opportunity to observe the variation in character of the growths.

At the main springs, where the temperature of the water was 110° to 140°, the material was mainly fibrous and white, green, and reddish-brown in color.

About 75 yards below, at a temperature of 96°, there was a dark-green layer on the bottoms of pools, with a small amount of white material on the surface of the green. Where the current was swiftest, a purple-brown, furry growth, one-eighth to one-quarter inch thick, covered the rocks.

At 125 yards, where the temperature was 91°, a green, leathery growth covered portions of the bottom, with white, feathery streamers attached to it where the current was rapid.

At 200 yards, in a temperature of 83°, a thick leathery growth coated the entire stream channel, being green and white on its upper surface, pale purplish-red inside, and black on the under surface. A number of pale purple, feathery, and white threadlike streamers extended from it.

At 275 yards, where the temperature was 81°, the lower limit of white growths was reached. Below this point there was no notable growth in the channel.

The material showed a tendency toward brighter colors in the hotter water and more somber ones in the cooler places. White material (probably due to the deposition of sulphur) was more common in the hottest water and in the portions of the algal growth nearest the bottom of the channel. Smooth, leathery growths line the pools, while fibrous growths were formed in the swiftest currents. The discharge of the stream was approximately 100

gallons a minute. The water first rose at a point about 50 yards above the main springs. Above this point the stream channel was dry.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined March 19<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Andrew Hansen drove over to the Springs last Monday to take Mrs. Quilty over. She will stay at the Springs for the present.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1915; datelined March 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1915:

Mrs. H. G. Quilty has gone to Tassajara Springs to prepare for the coming season. Peter Hansen drove her in on Monday but returned the next day.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Walter Chew and Dick Hallock have gone on a hike to The Caves, Pine Valley and Tassajara Springs, taking photographs of the scenery, which is very fine.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1915:

## EARLY SPRING AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

TASSAJARA, March 21.—The drive in here was beautiful. Spring is much further advanced than usual. Even on the 5000 foot altitude, where the snow is still two feet deep in shady places, the tree foliage is well advanced, while down here the fruit trees are out of blossom; the roses blooming, and the first crop of alfalfa almost ready to harvest. Can you beat it?

The weather is idyllic—warm and clear with balmy-nights and fogless mornings, while the creeks make music all the time.

Salmon are running and boiled with caper sauce make a dish worthy of an epicure.

But right now our principal food is beans and pork bosom—not conducive to good disposition unless seasoned with the spicy news of the *Journal*. So send it along. Mrs. Q.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Peter Hansen's road crew are working on the Tassajara road.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Mr. Hansen and with men, horses, hay, provisions and tools are camped on the Tassajara Road repairing the lane.

From 'News Jottings From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1915; datelined April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1915:

P. Hansen's road working crew came out from Tassajara Springs on Sunday.

*Santa Rosa Press Democrat*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

## MASSAGE PARLOR CLOSED

The massage parlors conducted by E. E. Plotnekoff have suspended operation, but will reopen October 1. The proprietor will practice at Tassajara Hot Springs, in Monterey County, in the interim.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

## TASSAJARA WILL OPEN ON MONDAY

The 1915 season at Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County's famous health and rest resort, will open next Monday, under the management of the proprietress, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty. A stage will make tri-weekly trips from Salinas and return for the accommodation of patrons. Special parties will be taken to and from the Springs by Ira Bailey, automobilist. Mrs. Quilty, under whose able management the resort has gained in popularity for several seasons past, will make a specialty of entertaining week-end parties.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

The Tassajara stage is to start May 3<sup>rd</sup>; the road is being put in order and hay hauled to the Springs for the stage horses.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1915:

## TASSAJARA WILL OPEN ON MONDAY

Tassajara Hot Springs, the favorite health and rest resort in California, will be opened for the 1915 season on Monday next under the same popular management as in late years. The stage will be run as usual from Salinas, three round trips from Salinas each week, and Ira Bailey, the automobilist, will take special parties in. Mr. Helen G. Quilty, proprietress and manager, will make a specialty of entertaining week-end parties. There is fine fishing in that part of the mountains.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

## JOY OF LIFE AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

THE MINERAL WATER IS AS HOT AS EVER, AND THE TROUT LARGER THAN USUAL

SALINAS CONTINGENT IS HAPPY

But Those Who Want to Reduce Their Weight Have a Hard Job of It

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, May 25.—The weather is such an absolutely threadbare subject that I am not going to waste my time commenting on it, and any way my vocabulary, which is rather extensive, really does not contain invectives enough to do the subject justice. Suffice it to say that up here the mineral water is just as hot as ever, trout much larger than usual and the whole country a feast for the eyed, covered as is with green feed and gorgeous wild flowers.

Thos. Hughes and Harry Bridgewater were the first Salinas guests of the season. Mr. Bridgewater's rheumatism is improving right along and we hope to see him go home entirely cured. Lately he often forgets his cane. Mr. Hughes has developed great speed as a hiker and every day finds him, equipped with rod and basket, off on a long jaunt up or down the creek, and, believe me, he brings home the shining beauties, I don't know what he would do if he met a forest guard or Frank Shook, but

I guess he would out-Logan himself explaining matters.

Dr. Harvey Chappell and Archie Dayton spent several days with us last week, and kept themselves and everyone else lively. You know how quiet and almost sanctimonious these gentlemen are in town. Well, look out for that kind when out in the truly rural, for then their real nature breaks forth in a series of resounding war whoops, bronco busting, cow punching, cat training and other stunts that would make big week tame in comparison. They even tried their hand at horse shoeing and after four hours of hard labor and able assistance from Mr. Hughes and the hired man they succeeded in getting on two shoes on the front foot of the coal black charger Mr. Dayton rode. They had too much respect for the beast's hind feet to bother shoeing them.

There will soon be a new cure for nervousness on the market with Dr. Chappell as sole agent. The Dr. will use this wonderful discovery in quieting his patients while he extracts their molars. The new remedy is called jiggers and he will be glad to explain its merits to all who ask.

Sergeant Otto Scheu of Monterey, who spent four months here last summer, arrived on Friday's stage and will remain the season through. The sergeant certainly is a booster for this place.

There are several people here who want to reduce, but they declare the eats are too good to resist.

The road crew arrived Friday evening after going over the road with the big eight-horse scrapper. So now the road is smooth once more, if old Jupiter Pluvius will keep hands off.

I will send you more news soon but now it's time to go to press. MESCAL.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Salinas Weekly Journal*, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

The Hansen brothers have been over the Tassajara road with their grader. The men are still at work brushing the road.

There are an unusual number of guests at the Springs considering the weather.

From 'News Jottings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Wm. Bruce went to Salinas last week for a load for Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

## CHEVROLET CARS RUN TO TASSAJARA

Accompanied by Manager F. J. Casey of the Associated Oil Company's marketing depot, and W. H. Buswell, agent for the Reo and Chevrolet automobiles, Dr. J. P. Nichols, one day last week, drove the first automobile into the Tassajara Springs this year.

The car was the new 1916 Chevrolet Baby Grand, now here on demonstration by W. H. Buswell, whose advertisement appears elsewhere in this issue.

The little car, which has attracted much attention since its arrival last week, was driven over the trying course without mishap, in three and one-half hours, each way, actual running

time.

From 'News Jottings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Quite a number of people pass through here on the way to Tassajara Springs of late. This well known resort has a goodly number of guests.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1915:

## WEEK-END PARTY AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A jolly crowd of horseback riders from Mission and Soledad invaded Tassajara Springs by way of Arroyo Seco, and Tony's Trail last Friday evening to spend the week-end. They returned Tuesday by Jamesburg and a fifteen mile mountain trail to Gonzales. The party included Misses Diana Frances from Raymond, Madeira County; Carolyne Francioni, Hattie Ober; Messrs. L. V. Ober, Charles Kelly, Harry Ober and Attilo Tavernetti.

Each member voted it one of the most successful, enjoyable and venturesome outings ever undertaken on horseback.

From 'News Jottings From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Harvey Chappell of Salinas had his leg broken by a fall from his horse near Tassajara Springs. He was taken to the Springs and a telephone message brought Dr. Murphy in Ira Bailey's auto. Chappell was taken to Salinas.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

## CHAPPELL GETS A BROKEN LEG THROWN FROM HORSE NEAR TASSAJARA, HE NOW IS IN THE HOSPITAL

Harvey Chappell is now in the Jim Bardin Hospital with his right leg broken just above the ankle as the result of a bad fall from his saddle horse near Tassajara Hot Springs last Sunday. He was riding toward the Springs when the saddle horse became frightened and started to buck. Chappell was thrown into a creek bed at the bridge just this side of the Springs, striking the rocks with great force. Aid was summoned and he was taken to Tassajara Springs where the leg was set by Dr. H. C. Murphy.

He was later taken to the Jim Bardin Hospital where he now is recovering as well as could be expected. Both bones in the right leg were broken just above the ankle.

From 'News Jottings From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Ira Bailey made a trip into Tassajara from Salinas, carrying passengers in his auto.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Ira Bailey has returned to Salinas after taking a party of local people to Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, guest season of 1915:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Greatest resort in State for rheumatism, kid-

ney, blood and skin diseases. No tubercular patients. Tub, plunge and steam baths of natural hot mineral waters, varying from cold to 157 degrees. Trout fishing. All amusements; \$14 to \$16. Stage leaves Salinas every Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings; 50 pounds baggage allowed. Address Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Weekly Journal*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1915:

### THE FROZEN TRUTH FROM TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA, July 24.—(Suppressed by the censor and smuggled out by freight train). It matters little what goes on in the outer world to those who come in here to get out of the ultland. A drink or two of these invigorating waters instills into the minds of all comers an enthusiastic indifference to everything that goes on outside. If those lotus eaters had anything on the Tassajarans I have not yet come across it.

Lest some may have been misled by an unauthorized wireless communication from this tranquil spot it should be said that it is 80,000 up in the blue, nor yet 8000. To get here one has to go up some 5000 feet and then come down some 3000, landing him in the bottom of two clefts in the mountain, made when the world was made, one cleft meeting the other, almost at a right angle, down which comes a fine stream tumbling musically to soothe the senses and make for contentment and peace. And down on this about 2000-foot level we are all on the level—all living under a matriarchate, a real benevolent despotism, where reigns "She Who Must be Obeyed." Among the rules not difficult to be obeyed is that concerning the dolling up in glad rags. It is to the "crick" for those who would splurge in any new-fangled gowns or gladsome bonnets or for swells who affect the "billed shirt" and gorgeous necktie. The fashions here are garments best suited to freedom of movement, and there are no invidious distinctions.

There are terraces, shaded and with comfortable seats and hammocks, the spaces always sufficiently sprinkled to produce that degree of evaporation to temper the heat pleasantly when the mercury gets up to 98. These terraces and passages all used to be "chicken alleys," but a few months ago C. L. Pioda, Geo. J. Lacey and Andrew Beck were up here and they painted signs and systematized the runways. First is "Bachelor Retreat," next "Widows' Lookout," "Maiden Lane," "Kimonon Alley," and "Chicken Alley," near the dancing pavilion. Down toward the barn is "Pig Boulevard" and beyond, is "Hen Alley." When asked why the chickens should be so far from the hens, the answer was that "Hens is poultry, and chickens is young things." Now, no one can get lost in this precinct. If he is not in one alley he is another. But all this makes for harmony. When "The Old Party" landed here all of us were glad the end of the road was reached, and glad to get out of the dust, but there was "nothin' doin'" until the next morning. Then Judge Bardin, who acquired the Tassajara habit in his sentimental days, went about picking up the tangled threads of memory around "Chicken Alley" and other shaded and

romantic sports, and drifted down to the cribbage and checker reserve—his countenance radiant with recollections of the days that are gone—there to find Claudius Fortunatus Lacey taking on the champion checker man, or The Old Party at cribbage.

And, then, there was Hon. Carr S. Abbott, telling some gripping story of experience in the wild and woolly west—his writing a coroner's verdict that a certain man came to his death by a fall, which broke his neck, or his own close call from dangling at the end of a rope for a theft committed up on the Middle Fork of the American by a man who sneaked out under ground after confessing.

Pete Conroy was in evidence as a hunter with a fine buck, and the next day with a limit of trout. Another successful angler was Joe Lehman. Pete Wallace was there also but his activities were chiefly social, helping "young people" over the rocky ways and mingling in the giddy whirl.

City Treasurer Vanderhurst was here gaining health but compelled by official duties to go out today, determined to return.

Phil Goulden, the S. P. roadmaster, was here getting into vigorous health. He went out today.

Deputy County Clerk Anna Ryan and Miss Mary McFadden finished a pleasant visit here yesterday and were missed in the "alleys" and at the iron spring.

Miss Rene Bromley came in Tuesday and was at once very popular with everybody in camp.

John Graves came in last night and joined Mrs. Graves here.

Last night a party of young people from the Soledad section came charging into the Springs on horseback, in movie picture movement to the sound of revolvers. Soon the young ladies rode around below the office and one of them shouted: "Ma!" They were then hospitably put away. Yesterday one of the young men got a dipperful of water down inside his collar and outside his neck, and the lady who did it got put into the "crick."

Speaking about certain "wireless" misformation that was published in the *Journal* the other day, it is evidence that such means of conveying the intelligence is very untrustworthy, because the statements get whirled and twisted out of all semblance of truth and are apt to put modest and unobtrusive persons "in bad," making them appear boisterous, boastful and unskillful. Such happened to be the effect of the "wireless" statement that was conveyed over the trembling atmospheric waves that hot day, Thursday. The quiet "Old Party" did not boast and he did not lose.

However, everybody here noticed a great improvement in the *Journal* under the inspiration of a philosopher and poet. There was reading matter in it, interesting stuff ground up fine, in easy sentences, and while enjoying it all had sympathy for Heine's dog. T. O. P.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

### TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Auto for Tassajara Springs will leave Thursday morning. Parties wishing seats make reservations at Abbott Hotel. IRA BAILEY.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1915:

Ira Bailey returned this morning from Tassajara Hot Springs with a party of guests, among whom were Miss Rene Bromley and Peter Conroy of Salinas.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1915:

## TASSAJARA

### HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY CO.

Greatest resort in State for rheumatism, kidney, blood and skin diseases. No tubercular patients. Tub, plunge and steam baths of natural hot mineral waters, varying from cold to 157 degrees. Trout fishing. All amusements; \$14 to \$16. Stage leaves Salinas every Mon., Wed. and Fri. morning; 50 lbs. baggage allowed. See Peck-Judah or address Manager, TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, via Salinas.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

### ABOARD FOR TASSAJARA

Auto for Tassajara leaves Friday morning. Parties wishing seats leave address at Hotel Abbott. IRA BAILEY.

From 'News Jottings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1915; datelined Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1915:

Wm. Bruce started to Tassajara Springs with a load of hay last Wednesday, but became seriously ill on the way and had to abandon his load and come home. Wm. Conroy took him to Salinas in his auto for medical aid and by Monday he was able to return, though still quite weak.

Walter Emery, W. J. Martin and Mrs. O. Steinbeck and daughter, all of Salinas, went to Tassajara in Ira Bailey's auto on Wednesday last.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

## DOINGS OF DAY AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Sept. 9.—The first of September was ushered in by an electrical storm that cleared away the intense heat of the previous week and now the air is warm and balmy with the purple haze of perfect Indian summer days.

J. P. Mitchell sits under Gossip Oak, the picture of lazy contentment. He is improving right along and soon hopes to lose all aches in the healing waters of the hot plunge.

Mrs. J. E. Steinbeck and charming little daughter Mary, Mr. W. J. Martin and Mr. W. H. Emery arrived by auto last week. Our old college chum, Pete Conroe, came also, but returned to Salinas next morning with Ira Bailey.

We regretted the departure of J. H. Menke, J. J. Kelly and Billy Vanderhurst, but duty called and they responded. John Kelly had an acute attack of the disease for which this place is noted—lazyitis. After selecting the most comfortable rocker John would sit dreaming of the deer he had so faithfully promised the City Fathers. Every once in a while he would wake long enough to offer untold wealth to anyone who would go and get the desired prize, but

everyone seemed to be suffering with the same complaint—hence no deer for the past three weeks.

Geo. Gould, our efficient county assessor, spent a week, accompanied by Messrs. Carmel Martin, M. W. McMenammin and Philip Gonzales of Monterey spent a week with us. Mr. Gould is certainly an expert at the game of hearts and was nightly caught on "Chicken Alley." Mrs. Quilty had to call him to order regularly to keep better hours, although one good feature was the extreme smoothness of the famous walk, and yet even that was offset by the worn condition of the hammock.

Mr. Gonzales is a finished musician and when not on the alley was playing moonlight sonatas on his guitar. The other members of the quartet—Mr. Martin and Mr. McMenammin—were very quiet, domesticated fowl and gave no trouble whatever.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin and Mrs. Sara Martin left Thursday much to the regret of everyone. Mr. Bardin proved himself a capable physician while here but very nearly lost one patient. Ask him.

Harvey Abbott accompanied Geo. Lacey in the latter's machine and spent a pleasant week. Did you ever hear Geo. Lacey laugh? If not, go around to his garage at once and get him started, for it is as good as a tonic.

Pat Hughes of Corral de Tierra is enjoying life to the fullest measure, and, would you believe it—Pat, too, has been caught in Chicken Alley with no less a personage than—but I dare not tell, or I'd never live to send any more news.

J. Jacobsen leaves in the morning. Mr. Jacobsen spends most of his time reading books.

Esau Williams also leaves in the morning, and is almost entirely over a severe case of grippe.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

AUTO to Tassajara Hot Springs. Will leave Tuesday morning. Ira Bailey.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 1915.

Sealed bids will be received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, at his office, until 11:30 o'clock A. M., October 11<sup>th</sup>, 1915, for improvement of Carmel Valley Road, between Laureles Ranch House and Tassajara Springs, in Tularcitos Road District, in Monterey County.

Specifications for this work are on file in the office of the said Board, to which bidders are hereby referred.

T. P. Joy,  
Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey.

From 'News Jottings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Tassajara stage made its last trip for the season on Saturday. A few guests still remain at the Springs. An auto truck will go in for them later on.

From 'News Jottings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

An auto truck made a trip to Tassajara Springs on Wednesday and returning to Salinas Thursday, took out the last of the guests and the proprietor, Mrs. H. G. Quilty.

From 'News Jottings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1915; datelined Oct. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Mrs. H. G. Quilty came up from Salinas Monday and went to Tassajara Springs, where she will stay for some time, looking after her interests.

Haggard and Parkhurst who obtained the contract for improving the road from Los Laureles rancho to Tassajara Springs, passed through with a crew of twelve men yesterday. They will begin on the road near the Springs.

From 'News Jottings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined Oct. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Lumber is being hauled for the bridge on Tassajara Road.

From 'News Jottings From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1915; datelined Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1915:

William Bruce has been appointed road-master for the road from Bloomquist's place to Tassajara Springs.

William Bruce is hauling hay from the Chupinos to Tassajara.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

### INSPECTING NEW TASSAJARA ROAD

County Surveyor Howard L. Cozzens and Supervisor J. L. D. Roberts left this morning on a tour of inspection of the Tassajara road, which is being repaired. This road, one of the most dangerous and rugged in this part of the state, will be widened in many of the narrow places with the idea of decreasing the danger to motorists.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

### WORK ON COUNTY HIGHWAYS IS ON THE UP GRADE

SURVEYOR COZZENS FINISHES A TOUR OF INSPECTION AND REPORTS PROGRESS

Sharp Curves Are Straightened on the Tassajara-Jamesburg Road

Further progress on county road work is reported by County Surveyor, Howard L. Cozzens. Mr. Cozzens has returned from a recent inspection of the work being done on the piece of road from Tassajara Hot Springs to the Laureles ranch house. The upper half of the road, from Tassajara to Jamesburg is nearly completed.

The improvement on this road consists of widening and straightening out the road in certain dangerous curves. At no place in the road will the roadbed be less than twelve feet in width. This will be a boon to travelers, and especially motorists who wish to make the trip into this scenic spot next summer.

From 'News Jottings From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

County Surveyor Cozzens, Will Jeffery and J. Haggard went to Tassajara Springs on Thursday last for the purpose of inspecting the improvements recently made to the road.

William Hatton of Monterey made another trip to Tassajara hauling freight.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

### GOOD PROGRESS IS MADE IN ROAD AND BRIDGE BUILDING

CONTRACTORS ARE RUSHING THE WORK TO GET AHEAD OF THE RAINS

Progress is reported on the road and bridge projects in the county now being done by Kunze & Wolfe, at Chualar and near Tassajara. The floor and paving with bitumen of the bridge at Chualar will be completed this week.

On the repairing, widening and construction of concrete culverts along the road from the Laureles ranch house to Tassajara Springs, the work will probably be done within a month. This will be a big boon for autoists and all travelers next year who make the trip to the popular resort. At no place will the roadway be less than twelve feet in width, many dangerous turns being eliminated. At one stretch granite paving has been laid for a distance of several hundred feet, a particularly steep and dangerous grade.

This morning County Surveyor H. L. Cozzens and Deputy County Surveyor Will Davies left for the Tassajara country to view the progress and work on this road. . .

From 'News Jottings From Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1915; datelined Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1915:

Otto Scheu, caretaker at Tassajara Springs, paid Jamesburg a visit one day last week.

William Bruce and Sam Bacon have gone to Tassajara Springs, ditching the road.

From 'Monterey County, California,' by M. B. Levick. 1915. A Pan American International Exposition booklet issued by Sunset Magazine's Home Seekers Bureau for the Monterey County Board of Supervisors:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

The Tassajara Hot Springs are situated at the headwaters of the Carmel River. There are more than 20 springs, some in rocky hillsides and others bubbling up with a temperature of 160 degrees in the Arroyo Seco. A great heat indicates the source is far underground, and it is said that the springs contain radium in solution. Containing sulphur, sodium, magnesia, iron, phosphates and other minerals, these springs have been declared by a government expert the equal of those in Arkansas and some of Europe. Their medicinal value was discovered by the Indians; there is still to be seen a rude tub carved by them out of rock. Tassajara, famous among California resorts, is splendidly situated in wild coast hills. The climate is mild, equable, and without fog. There are four large trout streams nearby, deer are found in the hills, and the mountains have been stocked with wild turkeys. The resort is

is connected by stage with Salinas.

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From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1916; datelined Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1916:

William Bruce made a trip to Tassajara Hot Springs last week. He reports two inches of snow at the Springs and a foot on the summit when he came out on Saturday, New Years Day.

From 'Jamesburg News Notes,' *Monterey American*, Jan. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Wm. Bruce is over at the Tassajara Springs seeing about some needed repairs for Mrs. Quilty.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1916; datelined Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

By the way, the *Monterey Cypress* must have let its imagination run away with it when it reported last week, "Four feet of snow in Jamesburg." There was deep snow on the summit between here and Tassajara Springs, possibly four feet, but in Jamesburg it barely whitened the ground and only remained for a short time.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1916; datelined Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1916:

The most severe wind ever known in this vicinity hit this place Thursday about noon and continued for several hours. The largest of trees were snapped off like reeds. The air was filled with flying branches and other debris. Barns and other outbuildings and fences were blown down everywhere. Scarcely a ranch escaped without some damage...

Some fears were felt for the safety of William Bruce, who went to Tassajara Springs a few days before and was due to return Thursday. He returned the next day, having been storm bound at the Springs. He reports about six inches of snow on the summit and 21 trees in the road between Tassajara and here.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1916; datelined Feb. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

O. Scheu was out from Tassajara Springs a few days ago. He made the trip out and back on foot in one day.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 16<sup>th</sup>, 1916; datelined March 13<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Wm. Bruce will start tomorrow with his road crew putting the Tassajara road in condition.

Otto Scheu was out from Tassajara Springs on Wednesday last.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

### MRS. QUILTY GOES TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Mrs. Quilty, the hostess at Tassajara Springs, arrived here from San Jose this afternoon and will leave for the Springs tomorrow morning. It is her first journey to the Springs this season, and she wants to look around the grounds preparatory to completing plans for the comfort and convenience of the guests who will

flock to that popular resort this summer.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1916; datelined March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Mrs. H. G. Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Springs, came up from Salinas on Saturday in Ira Bailey's auto and was met by William Bruce, who took her to the Springs by wagon, the road not being as yet open for automobiles.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Otto Scheu came out from Tassajara Springs on Monday.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 12<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Wm. Bruce made a trip to Tassajara Springs on Saturday, bringing out Mrs. Quilty, mine hostess of the Springs, who has been there for the past two weeks putting that well known health resort in order for the coming season. Mrs. Quilty was met at Jamesburg by Ira Bailey's auto and taken to Salinas.

From the 'Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty was a visitor here today from San Jose. She will leave the first week in May to open the popular Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1916:

Wm. Bruce and his road crew made a trip over the mountain with the grader and now have the road to within a short distance of Tassajara Springs in fine condition. They start tomorrow to finish that part near the Springs which was so badly washed out by the winter rains.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 2<sup>nd</sup> and onward during the guest season of 1916:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS STAGE

Springs open May 8<sup>th</sup> with auto stage service. Heavy type Cadillac car with roomy stage body. Everything for the safety and comfort of passengers in order to enjoy the five-hour scenic trip. Stage leaves Abbott House, Salinas, 7 a. m. on Monday, Wednesday and Friday, return trips made intervening days. Will call for or deliver passengers any place in city limits. Reservations should be made in advance. Fare \$5.00. Phones Main 44 or Main 605. IRA C. BAILEY.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, May 3<sup>rd</sup> to Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

## TASSAJARA

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*Salinas Daily Index*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS OPENS MAY 8

### FINE AUTO SERVICE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE OLD STAGE COACH!

Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the season on Monday, May 8, and in place of the four-horse stage that has taken guests to this popular resort for over twenty years an auto stage will be used in the future.

This change is made possible by the excellent condition of the mountain road which heretofore has been a little narrow and rough, but the county can now be proud of the money spent on such improvement, thus making easy access to one of our natural wonders.

Ira Bailey, known from one end of the county to the other as an exceptionally expert and careful driver, will own and operate the auto-bus and will, when necessary, make an extra week-end trip to accommodate fishermen and others whose time is limited. From all indications fishing will be particularly good this year, as it was last season.

Leaving Salinas at 7 a. m. guests will arrive at the Springs for lunch, while with the horse-drawn stage they were lucky to reach there at 7 p. m. Such is the advance of progress in all things, but still there will be many that will miss the familiar old stage from our streets.

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty will, as usual, give personal supervision to the management, and as everyone who has ever been a guest can attest, this fact insures comfort, good "eats" and a good time.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

WANTED—Waiters for Tassajara Springs: must be capable, neat and give character reference. Address Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Salinas, or call at Abbott Hotel, Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

## NOTES FROM THE MONTEREY FOREST

The crew which has been working on the Pine Ridge Trail for several months past is now disbanded. This trail, built by the Forest Service in cooperation with Monterey County and several other contributors, is now in good shape all the way from China Camp on the Tassajara Road to Pfeiffer's ranch resort on the Big Sur River, through the heart of the coast division of the Monterey National Forest. The same crew has also repaired the Forest Service telephone line from the Abbott ranch on Arroyo Seco to the Arbolado Ranger Station near Big Sur post office, and has put into good shape the side trail leading from the Pine Ridge Trail to Church Creek Divide into Pine Valley, a branch of the Carmel River. This valley is one of the most beautiful camping places in the mountains, and is now easily accessible to either horseback riders or hikers.

The county gang which has been at work on the Tassajara Road found the job a bad one this year on account of the damages done by the severe storms in January, but the work will be completed and the Tassajara Springs hotel

will be formally opened according to schedule on May 8. The hotel has not exactly been closed at all since a caretaker has stayed there and dispensed hospitality to the occasional wayfarer or wanderer who strays through the mountains during the winter season.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Ira Bailey and George Lacey left yesterday for Tassajara to bring a load of supplies for the Tassajara Hot Springs for the opening on Monday, May 8. Lacey expects to do some fishing. It should be good sport this time of year.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Ira Bailey made the first trip to Tassajara Hot Springs with his auto stage last Friday. He took in some of the helpers and a load of freight. Tomorrow (Monday) he will begin his regular trips. Mrs. Quilty will go in on that trip and the popular health resort will be open for the season.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

LOST—Sunday, May 7, from auto between Watsonville and Salinas, via Pajaro, a lady's gold bracelet watch; liberal reward. Address Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

### CHALMERS 6-30 TOURING CAR BREAKS THE RECORD

MARVELOUS TIME IS MADE FROM SALINAS TO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS  
2 HOURS, 57 MINUTES

At No Time on Trip Was Stop Made on Account of Mechanical Troubles

Breaking the record from Salinas to Tassajara Hot Springs, both coming and going, a new 1916 Chalmers 6-30 five passenger touring car, driven by J. Hirsch, and carrying four passengers, covered the distance, both ways, in 5 hours and 57 minutes. The start was made from the Hotel Abbott at 9 o'clock, the machine returned home at 4:13 in front of the Bon Ton restaurant, after allowing time for luncheon at the Springs. The four making the trip were J. Hirsch, driving; C. S. Kerr of San Jose; Fred Marbach of the Bon Ton and Frank Casey, local agent for the Associated Oil Company. The two latter went along as passengers to testify as to the authenticity of the records made and the manner of making the trip.

The idea was not that of making a record; merely to demonstrate to the local autoists and the public what the new light six Chalmers can do. Other tests, such as driving up Mount Hamilton and Mount Diablo with no fan and the car sealed on high, have been made successful.

The actual time between Salinas and the Springs was 2 hours and 57 minutes returning, no attempt being made to break the State law on any part of the road.

Leaving Salinas the run was made on high gear until 28 mile had been covered when a shift was made into second to cross a bad washout on the Tularcitos road. Then into

high until a big hill was reached and into second. Twenty four miles was covered the first hour and 40 miles the second hour, bringing the car near Miller Canyon. Near this point the machine caught up with Ira Bailey's stage, which leaves here at about 7 o'clock. Thence the machine followed the stage into the Springs.

There a photograph of the car with Mrs. Helen G. Quilty at the wheel was taken. A little over an hour was taken for luncheon, during which time it was necessary to call Casey hack for the start home just as he was on his way to the famous iron spring.

At the Springs the first water was put in the radiator, about one gallon being added, although not absolutely necessary. Not once was the low gear used on the trip in.

Coming out the low speed was used for a short part of the way on the famous grade where ascent from 1,700 feet to 5,500 feet above sea level in eight miles is made. When almost at the summit a photograph was taken of the road looking back toward the Springs. Another picture was taken when the machine returned in front of the Bon Ton.

At no time on the trip was any stop made due to mechanical trouble, while but eight gallons of gasoline were used for the entire 99 1/2 miles of mountain road, the steepest in the State. Despite the big pull leaving the Springs, but 2 per cent of the distance coming out was covered on the low, the rest being on the high and second speeds.

A fine big four pointer buck was seen near the Blomquist place by the party, while beautiful scenery along the route greatly enhanced the pleasure of the trip.

Both Casey and Marbach are enthusiastic about the wonderful power displayed by the car, its easy riding qualities and flexibility. Only they add that they were a little tired by the constant winding around the curves.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

WANTED—Waiters and waitresses for Tassajara Hot Springs; must be capable and give character reference. Address Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

### MAMMOTH EGGS FOR COMMERCE CHAMBER

A box of eggs, accompanied by a letter from Helen G. Quilty, was brought to W. F. Handley, secretary of the local Chamber of Commerce, yesterday afternoon by Ira Bailey. The letter states that the eggs are the product of a flock of small white leghorns, natives to that mountainous country, one being a mammoth egg. As Handley will go fishing in the Tassajara Hot Springs region on Sunday, Mrs. Quilty will learn about the eggs next day.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Ira Bailey's auto stage passes through here each day on its way to and from Tassajara Hot Springs, carrying full loads of passengers.

With all due respect for the Chalmers people and their good car, tried and true, we beg to correct a statement that a record was broken in

their recent trip from Salinas to Tassajara Springs and return. In 1909 Arbolado Cooper, in a Stoddard-Dayton car, made the trip in 5 hours and 26 minutes. Much improvement has been made in the road since then and it is supposed that automobiles have improved also.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

### TASSAJARA TROUT

Will Jeffery presented the *Index* editor with a mess of fine trout that he caught near the Tassajara Hot Springs yesterday.

*Salinas Daily Index*, from May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1916 and onward during the guest season of that year (an identical ad ran in the *Monterey Daily Cypress* during the summer of 1916):

### TASSAJARA

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*Salinas Daily Index*, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

### SNOW ON SUMMIT

It is reported that there was five inches of snow on the summit of the Santa Lucias, on the Tassajara Road, last evening.

*King City Rustler*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1916 and onward during the guest season of that year:

### NEW AUTO STAGE LINE TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs is now open and an auto stage runs on regular schedule between Salinas and Springs. Leaving Hotel Abbott, Salinas, at 7 a. m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, arriving at Tassajara between 11:30 and 12 a. m., returning intervening days. Passengers are allowed 50 pounds baggage free; for further particulars write:

IRA C. BAILEY,  
Hotel Abbott, Salinas.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, from June 14<sup>th</sup> onward during the 1916 guest season:

### JAMESBURG STAGE

Carries passengers to  
TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS  
FARE \$4.00

Leaves Mon. Wed. & Fridays, 6:05 a. m.

Offices: Hotel Monterey and  
Hellam's Cigar Store.

For Reservation Address:

N. BORONDA, Monterey Bx. 72  
Res. Tel. 275 741 Abrego St.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Ira Bailey made two trips to Tassajara Hot Springs on Monday with his auto stage to accommodate the rush of travel.



Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Cal.

A Tassajara post card, enlarged

Monterey Daily Cypress, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

## TRAILS OF MONTEREY COUNTY BEING REPAIRED

FOREST RANGERS PREPARE FOR THE FIRE SEASON TO PREVENT TIMBER LOSSES

TO CLEAR OBSTRUCTIONS

Tassajara Paths Now Nearly Impassable From Fallen Trees

Rangers Carl L. Abbott and Perry J. Hill have started to repair the trails within the Monterey National Forest in the Arroyo Seco and its tributaries in anticipation of the coming fire season. Their first camp will be at Santa Lucia Station near the mouth of Santa Lucia Creek, where they will be joined by George Bixby and Ed Burns, who will complete the crew.

In cooperation with Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, proprietor of the Tassajara Springs Hotel, they will repair "Tony's Trail," which runs from Tassajara Springs over the divide into Willow Creek.

After work is completed in the Arroyo Seco country, the trails in the tributaries of the San Antonio and Nacimiento rivers will be cleaned out.

All the trails are now passable, but on account of the heavy rains and high winds of which occurred in January, they are obstructed in some places by slides and fallen timber which will be cleaned out in order that the trails may be easily passable before the danger of fire becomes acute.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1916:

Bailey's auto is taxed to its full capacity carrying passengers to Tassajara Springs.

San Francisco Examiner, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

## JAMESBURG STAGE

Carries passengers to Tassajara Hot Springs, via beautiful Carmel Valley, Monterey County.

For reservations, address N. Boronda, Monterey, Calif., or phone 275, or offices of Monterey Hotel, phone 101.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

## TELEPHONE ON FOREST SERVICE

MONTEREY NATIONAL FOREST, June 29.—Frederick H. Hafley, telephone expert of the Forest Service, is paying the Monterey National Forest a visit, during which he will take charge of the work of improving the forest service telephone lines and connections.

Assisted by Rangers Abbott and Hill, he will make extensive improvements on the government line which runs from Soledad up Arroyo Seco and thence to Tassajara Springs and Pfeiffer's ranch resort near the mouth of the Big Sur River.

The forest service has evolved certain definite standards for telephone work, and old lines are made to conform to these standards as rapidly as possible. Especial attention is paid

to overhauling and repairing the instruments themselves, since Hafley believes that in these instruments and in their connections is to be found the cause of many troubles.

The telephone plays an important role in the administration and development of the national forests. Not only is it indispensable in the business of handling forest fires, but also it gives the settlers and forest residents means of communication with each other and with the outside world.

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1916:

## AUTO STAGE FOR TASSAJARA

TO TASSAJARA—Kennedy & Oksen have made arrangements whereby passengers for Tassajara will be taken from this city via auto to Salinas and connect there with the auto stage for the Springs at 7 a. m., thus doing away with stopping over night at Salinas. Auto will leave Watsonville on call, at 6 o'clock a. m. on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Make your reservations for the entire trip with KENNEDY & OKSEN, at Martin's Cigar Store.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Jas. George brought a truck load of supplies from Salinas to Tassajara Hot Springs last week.

From 'Business Done by Supervisors,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

A liquor license was granted to Helen G. Quilty of Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

## JOLLY TIMES AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

WEATHER IS WARM, BUT THE WATERS ARE FINE AND EVERYBODY IS HAPPY

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 22.—Now that the Rodeo is but a pleasant memory, you may have time to listen to a few echoes from this family in the hills.

The weather is very hot these days. Some folks think too hot for comfort, but nearly everyone agrees that we need hot weather while taking the hot waters and baths.

The Fourth of July was fittingly celebrated and every one had an enjoyable time. A splendid banquet was served in the dining room which had been beautifully decorated for the occasion. In no large city could a finer meal be served, and words fail me to describe the punch that had such a delicate and delicious taste but the kick in it was worse than the hind feet of a mule. The speech of the day was made by W. J. Martin and for a patriotic, masterly, and well delivered oration, I have never heard better. Miss Ora Cupp responded with a gracious effort when called upon, as did several others present. The day's festivities wound up with a parade of horrible, and dancing in the evening.

Miss Mary Scully has returned to Salinas

and has been greatly missed, as Miss Scully was always pleasant and ready to enter into the sports.

You should see the fine swimming pool recently planned and dammed by Hon. Claude Lacey, foreman of the crew, above the vapor bath, where there can be no trace of impurity. There is now a lake about fifty feet long, and varying in depth from three to five feet deep. It gives great pleasure to the guests and believe me Newport or Del Monte would go some to beat the bathing suits. Every stage brings suits of rainbow hues and of such a decided lack of material that Ira Bailey charges nothing to haul them. I know you will find it hard to believe me when I tell you Mr. Lacey has really worked on this proposition and made heroic efforts in removing rocks and boulders from the bottom of the creek.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Machado and Jim Harkins and family enjoyed camp life for a month.

Frank Abbott goes fishing quite frequently and usually brings back his limit—five little wee things—just enough for the kittens.

Jim Anderson was not quite himself the other day so Mrs. Quilty gave castor oil, and now Jim is running which the patient soon finds out is castor oil, and now Jim is running around like a fox in a chicken yard.

Ira Bailey's auto service is giving fine satisfaction and every guest that arrives is greatly pleased with the trip. MESCAL.

Monterey American, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

## LADY SNARES A LARGE RATTLER

One of the largest rattlers captured at the Tassajara Springs this season was caught by Miss Bessie Silliman of Watsonville. While out fishing Miss Silliman was startled by the rattle of the reptile, but she was equal to the occasion and, making a lasso of her fishing line, captured the snake and brought it into camp. She was hailed the heroine of the day.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Ira Bailey's auto stage has been carrying full loads to and from Tassajara.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Monterey American*, Sept. 15, 1916:

JAMESBURG, September 14.—Jamesburg is all a flutter over a graphite ledge which Mr. Ingraham of Monterey and Billy Bruce of this place have discovered. It is on Hotel Point on the Tassajara Road. They say that it is very rich and that graphite means money these days. Most of us are going around in a semi-trance with our eyes searching the rocks in our path during the day. We might strike a find, too. Who knows? Our evenings we spend counting up how much money Billy will have if he has so much graphite to the ton and it is worth so much a pound; how many trucks will be needed to carry the graphite, also the money. Some of us have grown rusty in handling over \$10, even of imaginary money, and it is all very exciting. However, we are all rejoicing in Billy's good fortune and hope it comes up to his wildest expectations.



From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

Ira Bailey had the misfortune to break the low gear on his auto stage last Thursday while coming up the steep grade from Tassajara Springs. Mr. Bailey walked back to the Springs and telephoned to Salinas for assistance, but the storm prevented the expected help from arriving. Ira is nothing if not a man of resources, and he turned his car around and, using the reverse, backed to the summit. From there he could come in on second. Owing to the storm it was an unpleasant experience for the driver and passengers, but the later were loud in their praise of Mr. Bailey as an efficient and re-sourceful driver. He can be relied to rise superior to circumstances and bring his stage to safety.

Wm. Bruce is in Salinas on business connected with his graphite mine.

Monterey County Miscellaneous Book O: 404, recorded on Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1916:

**NOTICE OF LOCATION OF PLACER CLAIM**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, to all whom it may concern: That we, the undersigned, all citizens of the United States of America, and each over the age of twenty one years, have this day located the following described placer mining claim and ground, vis:

Commencing at Hotel Point at this notice, and running thence in a north westerly direction 1500 linear feet; thence in an Easterly direction, 600 linear feet; thence running in a south easterly direction 1500 feet; thence running in a south westerly direction 600 linear feet to the place of the beginning. This claim contains graphite and is situated in the Jamesburg Mining District, County of Monterey Twp. 19 S. R. 4 E. M. D. M., State of California.

This claim shall be known as the Hotel Point Placer Mining Claim, and we all intend to work the same in accordance with the local customs and rules of miners in said mining district, and the laws of the United States and State of California.

Dated Jamesburg this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1916.

Locator:  
William Bruce.

Filed for record at the request of Ernest Michaelis Sept. 29 1916 at 57 min. past 1 o'clock P.M.

Monterey County Miscellaneous Book O: 404, recorded on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

**NOTICE OF LOCATION OF PLACER CLAIM**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, to all whom it may concern: That we, the undersigned, all citizens of the United States of America, and each over the age of twenty one years, have this day located the following described placer mining claim and ground, vis:

Commencing at this Notice at a group of three small oaks and a monument of rocks with one oak blazed on the north side, running thence 1500 linear feet in a northwesterly

direction; thence running in a westerly direction 600 linear feet; thence running in a southerly direction 1500 feet; thence running in a easterly direction 600 linear feet to the place of the beginning. This claim contains graphite and is situated in the Jamesburg Mining District, County of Monterey Twp. 19 S. R. 4 E. M. D. M., State of California.

This claim shall be known as the Tassajara Placer Mining Claim, and we all intend to work the same in accordance with the local customs and rules of miners in said mining district, and the laws of the United States and State of California.

Dated Jamesburg this 8<sup>th</sup> day of September, 1916.

Locator:  
Helen G. Quilty.

Filed for record at the request of Ernest Michaelis Sept. 29 1916 at 58 min. past 1 o'clock P.M.

Monterey County Miscellaneous Book O: 405, recorded on Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

**NOTICE OF LOCATION OF PLACER CLAIM**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, to all whom it may concern: That we, the undersigned, all citizens of the United States of America, and each over the age of twenty one years, have this day located the following described placer mining claim and ground, vis:

Commencing at monument of rocks this Notice and running thence northwesterly 1500 linear feet; thence running westerly 600 linear feet; thence running in a southerly direction 1500 feet; thence running in a easterly direction 600 linear feet to the place of the beginning. This claim contains graphite, and is situated in the Jamesburg Mining District, County of Monterey Twp. 19 S. R. 4 E. M. D. M., State of California.

This claim shall be known as the Tasso Placer Mining Claim, and we all intend to work the same in accordance with the local customs and rules of miners in said mining district, and the laws of the United States and State of California.

Dated Jamesburg this 8<sup>th</sup> day September, 1916.

Locator:  
Helen G. Quilty.

Filed for record at the request of Ernest Michaelis Sept. 29 1916 at 59 min. past 1 o'clock P. M.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1916:

WANTED—Man and wife as winter caretakers of Tassajara Hot Springs in exchange for board and lodging. Any specified work will be paid for if accomplished. Call on Mrs. Helen G. Quilty at Abbott Hotel on Monday, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1916:

WANTED—Man and wife as winter caretakers of Tassajara Hot Springs in exchange for board and lodging. Any specified work will be paid for if accomplished. Address Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, 396 So. First street, San Jose.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

I. Bailey has gone into Tassajara Springs with his auto from Salinas, taking in Mrs. J. Tholcke. Mr. Tholcke preceded Mrs. Tholcke by a week. They will remain at the Springs this winter.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

William Bruce and Dick Hallock have returned from Tassajara Springs where they have been putting the road in shape for the winter. They have cleared the streams of obstructions and strengthened the bridges to guard against washouts by the storms of winter. When coming out from the Springs Mr. Bruce's dogs found a mountain lion at such close quarters that it had no time to climb a tree. The dogs pluckily attacked the lion and Mr. Bruce just as pluckily went to his dog's assistance. He threw a rock with such good aim that it hit the lion in the head; the animal broke loose and ran but the dogs soon stopped it, and a few more well aimed rocks closed the lion's earthly career. Mr. Bruce is to be congratulated on his bravery and his good luck in ridding the country of a predatory animal and in securing the reward of \$20 which the state gives for these marauders.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1916:

Mrs. H. Quilty, Mrs. J. Thompson, Peter Hansen, William Quinn and Ira Bailey came out from Tassajara Springs on Tuesday last and went to Watsonville.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

William Bruce has returned from a trip to Monterey and has gone to Tassajara Springs ditching the road.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

William Bruce is at Tassajara Hot Springs. James Coffee was out from Tassajara on Sunday.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1916, *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1916:

William Bruce being some days overdue from Tassajara Springs, anxiety was felt for his safety and on Christmas morning a search party started out to look for him. He was met about four miles from the Springs coming out, having been merely delayed by the storm.

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From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Jan. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

About two feet of snow is reported at the summit by Wm. Bruce who recently made a trip to Tassajara Springs.

From 'News Jottings from Jamesburg,' datelined Feb. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

William Bruce has gone to Tassajara Springs to look after his mining interest.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' datelined March 24<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

William Bruce and his road crew have gone to Tassajara Springs, working the road.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' datelined March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1917:

William Bruce is in from the road camp near Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1917:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS BEING PUT IN SHAPE

Mrs. Helen Quilty left for Tassajara Hot Springs today. She will see that the Springs are set in order for the accommodation of the many guests that go to the popular resort every summer to spend their vacation.

When the season opens Mrs. Quilty will have everything ship-shape, ready and waiting. Better springs than those at Tassajara are hard to find.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' datelined April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Mrs. Quilty is at Tassajara Springs putting that popular resort in shape for the coming season which will open May 7<sup>th</sup>. Ira Bailey brought Mrs. Quilty up and she was accompanied by Miss Bromley. William Bruce went in from here.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' datelined April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Ira Bailey went in to Tassajara Springs from Salinas today to bring out Mrs. Quilty, who has been there for the past two weeks.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' datelined April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Mrs. C. A. Ecklund came up on Wednesday's stage to join her husband, C. A. Ecklund, of the U. S. geological survey now stationed at Tassajara Springs.

William Bruce, roadmaster, G. I. Hallock and E. Kincannon are working over the Tassajara road with a grader.

Monterey County Miscellaneous Book O: 445, recorded on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

## NOTICE OF LOCATION OF QUARTZ, OR OTHER ROCK IN PLACE, CLAIM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, citizens of the United States, have discovered a vein or lode of Quartz, or other rock in place, bearing gold, silver copper and other minerals and in accordance with the laws of the United States and the laws of the State of California, state:

FIRST—That the name of said lode or claim is the Homestake Lode.

SECOND—That the names of the locators are Helen G. Quilty, Agnes Tholcke, Julius Tholcke and William Bruce.

THIRD—That the number of linear feet claimed in length along the course of the vein, each way from the point of discovery, is 750 feet in a northerly direction and 750 feet in a southerly direction and the width of the vein or lode is three hundred feet on either side

thereof, measured from the center line of the vein at the surface.

FOURTH—That the said claim was located on the 18<sup>th</sup> day of April, 1917.

FIFTH—That a description of said claim, made by reference to some natural object or permanent monument as will identify the claim located, is as follows, to wit:

The discovery notice is posted on a stake on croppings of the lode and the ends of the claim are plainly marked by End Centers and Corners. Situated about ¾ of a mile N.E. of Tassajara Hot Springs and near the road leading to the Springs.

Attest Helen G. Quilty  
Agnes Tholcke  
Julius Tholcke  
William Bruce

Filed for record at the request of James Taylor APR 30 1917 at 15 min. past 9 o'clock a.m.

Monterey County Miscellaneous Book O: 446, recorded on April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

## NOTICE OF LOCATION OF QUARTZ, OR OTHER ROCK IN PLACE, CLAIM

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the undersigned, citizens of the United States, have discovered a vein or lode of Quartz, or other rock in place, bearing gold, silver copper and other minerals and in accordance with the laws of the United States and the laws of the State of California, state:

FIRST—That the name of said lode or claim is Summit No. 1.

SECOND—That the names of the locators are William Bruce, Helen G. Quilty and Julius Tholcke.

THIRD—That the number of linear feet claimed in length along the course of the vein, each way from the point of discovery, is 750 feet in a Northerly direction and 750 feet in a Southerly direction—and the width of the vein or lode is three hundred feet on either side thereof, measured from the center line of the vein at the surface.

FOURTH—That the said claim was located on the second day of April, 1917.

FIFTH—That a description of said claim, made by reference to some natural object or permanent monument as will identify the claim located, is as follows, to wit:

From a White Oak tree on which the notice is posted, it is between four or five hundred feet in an easterly direction to a gate on the Tassajara Springs road, called the "Chews Gate" on "Chews Ridge"—The Boundaries of this claim on both the South and North ends are plainly marked by end Centers and Corners.

Attest William Bruce  
Helen G. Quilty  
Julius Tholcke

Filed for record at the request of James Taylor APR 30 1917 at 15 min. past 9 o'clock a.m.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1917:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS READY

THIS POPULAR RESORT WILL BE OPENED MONDAY, MAY 7<sup>TH</sup>

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty is in town today getting ready for the opening of Tassajara Hot Springs next Monday, May 7.

Tomorrow Ira Bailey will leave town with the first load of good eats, for which this resort is justly noted. Mrs. Quilty declares that with the high cost of living guests will be invited to drink at least four cups of hot sulphur water before each meal. The reason is apparent.

The stage schedule will be changed this season. It will leave Salinas at noon instead of early morning, as formerly, thus connecting with the trains from the north and south.

Fishing is reported excellent and many weekend parties from San Francisco have already made reservations for hotel room.

From the 'Jolon' column, *King City Rustler*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Mrs. McCalley leaves this week for Tassajara Springs. She has spent several months here with her sister, Mrs. Gerlach, on the ranch.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 12<sup>th</sup>, 1917 to Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

## TASSAJARA AUTO STAGE

Leaves Hotel Abbott, noon, Mondays Wednesdays and Fridays. Trip made in five hours. Returning on following days. Fare \$5. Phone Ira Bailey, Main 44, Abbott Hotel, or Mrs. H. G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' datelined May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Mr. and Mrs. Tholcke, who spent the winter at Tassajara Springs, go to Salinas on today's stage.

*King City Rustler*, May 18<sup>th</sup> 1917, and onward during the guest season of that year:

## TASSAJARA STAGE

The regular auto stage route has been inaugurated between Salinas and the Tassajara Springs. The trip is made in 5 hours in a large comfortable covered auto bus. The bus leaves the Abbott House, Salinas, at noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, returning from the Springs on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays. For information or reservations write Ira N. Bailey at Hotel Abbott or Phone Main 44, or write Mrs. Helen Quilty, Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

## THE SUDDEN DEATH OF MRS. KATE McCAULEY

Mrs. Kate McCauley dropped dead of apoplexy at Tassajara Hot Springs last evening. The deceased, who was housekeeper at the Springs, has a sister, Mrs. Gerlach, at Jolon, and a son in San Francisco.

Justice Wallace held an inquiry at the Springs today, the verdict being death by natural causes. The remains were brought to Salinas by W. H. Collins. Funeral arrangements will be made on the arrival of the sister from Jolon.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1917:

**REMAINS SHIPPED TO CITY**

The remains of Mrs. Kate McCauley, who died at Tassajara Springs Friday night, were shipped to San Francisco this morning on the 8:25 a. m. train. The funeral and interment will be in the metropolis.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' datelined May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1917:

Mrs. McCauley, employed as a house keeper at Tassajara Springs, dropped dead from apoplexy last Friday evening. The Acting Coroner, D. Wallace and Undertaker W. H. Collins went in answer to a telephone message and took charge of the remains, which were taken to Salinas the following day.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1917:

MCCAULEY—In Tassajara Springs, May 18, 1917. Kate E., beloved mother of Charles Macauley, loving sister of Mrs. Ida Shay, Mrs. William Horsberg of Lagunitas, George M. W. Macauley and Mrs. A. F. Garlach of Jolon and the late Mrs. Amanda Corey, and grandmother of Lorraine and Joseph Macauley, a native of California.

Friends and acquaintances are respectfully invited to attend the funeral Tuesday at 2 o'clock, from the chapel of Julius S. Godeau, 41 Van Ness Ave.

From the 'Jolon' column, *King City Rustler*, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Mrs. Ed Gerlach was called to Salinas last Saturday. Her sister, Mrs. McCauley, who went to Tassajara Springs a week ago to take the position of housekeeper, died very suddenly at that place Friday night.

From 'News from Jamesburg,' datelined June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Ira Bailey made an extra trip with the Tassajara stage on Saturday to take a load of freight to the Springs.

Peter Hansen of Watsonville is here on business.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1917:

**TASSAJARA**

**HOT SPRINGS, Monterey Co.**

Greatest resort in State for rheumatism, kidney, blood and skin diseases. No tuberculars. Tub, plunge and steam baths of natural hot mineral water, from cold to 157 degrees. Trout fishing. All amusements, \$16 per week. Take 8 A. M. train 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Depot. Auto stage leaves Salinas Mon., Wed. and Fri., 12 N.; 50 lbs. baggage allowed. See Peck-Judah, or address Mgr., Tassajara Hot Springs.

Readers when communicating with this resort will please mention *The Chronicle*.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

**TASSAJARJA HOT SPRINGS FOR ENJOYMENT**

LIFE AT THIS MOUNTAIN RESORT IS ONE LONG, SWEET DREAM

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, June 12.—A quiet, beautiful Sunday, so I shall endeavor to send a few lines relative to our lives in the mountains, but it is hard to either read or write here as there are so many distractions.

The vapor bath was ready a few days ago and is as popular as ever. Mrs. Gus Anderson of Salinas was being initiated into her first bath, and had just gone out of the steam room and plunged into the cold pool, when, with a piercing shriek, the lady scrambled out of the creek and forgetful of the fact that she was only in her birthday clothes, dashed halt way to the hotel before being stopped in her mad career. On investigating the cause of the trouble, it was found to be a little four inch trout disporting in the pool. Needless to say Mrs. Anderson has not had much peace.

Mrs. Tom Hughes and son, Cheri, are comfortably fixed in a pleasant camp. Last evening they had a fine bon fire around which a number of guests sat and spun yarns until a late hour. This morning Mrs. Hughes went fishing. After toiling laboriously up the hill called The Hog's Back and descending as tediously down the other side to the creek, she patiently went from riffle to riffle casting salmon eggs almost into the mouths of the fish that did not bite. After three hours, Mrs. Hughes discovered she had been fishing with a hook without a point or barb. Tired and discouraged, she toiled back, declaring she was so all in she wouldn't even had cared had Frank Shook had caught her.

Mrs. Kate Quilty and Miss Teresa Zabala are enjoying the beautiful weather and lazy days to the utmost.

Mrs. Aggie Inselman of San Francisco, sister of the late Mr. Quilty, is here for a month's visit after a lapse of over twenty years. Mrs. Inselman notes many improvements.

Miss Mildred, Lantz, Miss Rene Bromley and Miss Edith McGowan, teachers at King City, have gone after a pleasant visit. The young ladies were chaperoned by Mrs. Will Hamilton who found her duties rather strenuous, especially during the moonlight nights.

Elwin Juhler (Tubby) and Joe Goodrick of Spreckels are two just fine chaps but last week when there were some swell young ladles here, the boys had neither look nor words for us older folks—but now that the charmers have departed the boys eat out of our hands, and Mrs. Quilty has to even shoo them out of her office for taking up too much valuable time, but I notice she doesn't scold when they get up at 9 a. m. and, the dining room being closed, they sneak into the kitchen to get a hand-out from Sam, the good-natured Chinese cook.

Pat Hayes presides over the club and still mixes concoctions that would make you love your own tombstone, even though they will, if persisted in, put you under it—or the table.

We miss Joe Escolle of Gonzales, who was with us a month and was a most pleasant guest, but generally the ringleader in pranks. He was called the called the night clerk—possibly because he was usually prowling around the last thing at night.

Dear old Mr. Carr Abbott arrived a few days ago and is quite a bit more active than he has been. We are all eagerly awaiting the publi-

cation of Mr. Abbott's book, which will relate the thrilling episodes in this grand old pioneer's life.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lopes and little son arrived yesterday, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Nistetter of Watsonville. MESCAL.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

**BIG EXODUS TO THE TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

The largest number of passengers any day yet this year left for Tassajara Hot Springs at noon today. There were fifteen people making the journey. Ira Bailey, the driver of the auto stage, could not take them all in his car, so got another, which was driven by William Jeffery.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' datelined June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Ira Bailey had to put on an extra stage to accommodate the run of passengers to Tassajara Hot Springs on Monday. William Jeffery drove the extra car. He was accompanied by Mrs. Jeffery.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Joe Lopes and wife have returned after a two weeks' vacation, most of which was spent at Tassajara. Lopes says Mrs. Quilty is taking care of a sizeable crowd, some of which are enjoying tent life. When he and his wife left there were at least seventy-five people at the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1917:

**ANOTHER EXODUS TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

Tassajara Hot Springs received another group of vacationists today, there being in for the noon trip fourteen souls. One machine could not haul them all, so a second was pressed into service by Ira Bailey. It was driven by Dean Lacey.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

WANTED—Neat woman for chambermaid at Tassajara Hot Springs. Must furnish character references. Write or telephone Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

**HAPPY TIMES AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

THE GUESTS AT THIS POPULAR RESORT THOROUGHLY ENJOY LIFE

TASSAJARRA HOT SPRINGS, July 12.—Another Fourth of July has passed into history, and up here our principal celebration was in the way of eats. At 2 o'clock a banquet was served, the sixty-five guests being seated at one long table, which was most beautifully decorated for the occasion with choice cut flowers, the gift of Mrs. Tom Hughes of

Salinas. The whole dining room was a bower of ferns, enter twined with streamers of the national colors, the artistic effect being under the capable hands of Mrs. Jessie Hughes, Mrs. Wilbur Larkin, Mrs. Jim Harkins and Mrs. Frank Martin of Salinas, and Mr. John Thompson of Watsonville, ably assisted by the young folks in camp. The banquet was one long to be remembered; chicken, crab, shrimp and potato salads, ham, turkey and tongue, not to mention the copious draughts of kicking punch with which it was washed down, and for which this place has become famous. Charles B. Rosendale of Salinas delivered an appropriate address, which a literary master-piece, holding every one spell bound with his oratory as he explained the unhappy conditions that exit, or in graceful, rounded phrases paid proper tribute to the noble youths of our loved country who are preparing for the great and yet unknown conflict that awaits us. We could only thank Mr. Rosendale for his masterly of the effort. In the evening dance wound up the day's festivities, after which ice cream and cake were served.

Mrs. Jessie Hughes and interesting family leave tomorrow and we will surely miss them. Mrs. Hughes took such a long hike the other day she has been walking backward downstairs over since. We will also miss Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin, Mr. and Mrs. Bardin reported they have no kick coming and that is the usual verdict at these springs.

Whereas we always watch to greet the new guests on every stage, so do we sincerely regret the departure of the old ones. Many life-long friendships are made at this old "hole in the hills."

Charles Rosendale saw all the calves loose in the club the other day, but he made no effort to call the family dog, Monte, to drive them out. Some were thin veal and others old kine, but just ask G. B. R. about it when he goes back to town. Also ask him why the spring on his door had to be oiled and the ladles all offered him kimonos for his 3 a. m. prowling.

The first aeroplane to visit Tassajara arrived Sunday and a number of the guests had a ride. No doubt there will be many in the future.

We are getting nearer town all the time as now the record is two hours and fifteen minutes, made by C. Trout who left here on his motorcycle at a quarter to five and reached Salinas at 7 o'clock. Going some—don't you think?

Sunday there was a fine barbecue. Tables were spread under old Gossip Oak and oh my how we did eat of the tenderloin and T-bone steaks and juicy lamb chops done to a turn by Adolph Winckler, our capable and genial county auditor. "Dolph" is certainly some chef. Then with Spanish beans, potato salad and salsa and other trimmings we could only sit and ponder on nothing in particular for a few hours, when we were conscious enough to sit up eat again. This is surely no health resort as far as eats go, for the common cry is that we get too much.

In some tropic isles, the salutation is "How is your liver?" But here it is, "Are you a Mutt?" Meaning can you play the card game called Mutt? This game goes on from early

morning until late night, at several tables and always a waiting list at each.

C. F. Lacey arrived in the last stage and he and Fat Sam, the cook, are at their old work of deepening and damming (principally the latter) the swimming pond above the steam bath. And a fine job they are doing, too. It is a real pleasure these hot days to know you can take a swim in cold water that is absolutely pure and free from germs of all kinds.

Good night. I would write more for I could tell lots if I were not so sleepy. MESCAL.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

W. F. Handley left for Tassajara today with Ira Bailey on the stage, taking his gun along in case a deer should be sighted. His leg where he was bitten by some poisonous insect is not entirely well. Handley will try to drive out the poison with the hot springs water.

Monterey County Deed Book 151: 240, Helen G. Quilty to the United States of America, a telephone right of way through the Horse Pasture property, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1917:

#### RIGHT-OF-WAY DEED, TELEGRAPH AND TELEPHONE LINES

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, that I, Helen G. Quilty, of the County of Monterey, State of California, in consideration of One dollar (\$1.00) to me in hand paid, and other good and valuable considerations, the receipt of which is hereby duly acknowledged, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the United States of America and easement and right of way in gross over the following tract or parcel of land, situate, lying and being in the County of Monterey, State of California, and bounded and particularly described as follows:

Southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, north half of the southwest quarter, and the southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of Section twenty eight (28) Township 19 South, Range 4 East, M. D. B. and M.

The said right of way hereby granted is for the construction, maintenance, and full, free and quiet use and enjoyment of one line of poles bearing telephone and telegraph wires and traversing the above-described premises according to the following general course and direction, to wit: in a northwesterly and southeasterly direction, and to be used for the purpose of communication by telephone and telegraph and none other.

This grant shall be in effect so long as said easement shall be actually used for the purposes above specified and all rights hereunder shall revert to the owner of the land as soon as the said use thereof shall be abandoned and discontinued.

The grantee shall at all reasonable times have the right to enter for the purpose of construction, repairing, patrolling and removing such telephone and telegraph line, doing as little damage as possible.

IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 21<sup>st</sup> day of August, nineteen hundred and seventeen.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered in the Presence

of Helen G. Quilty (Seal).

#### FORM OF ACKNOWLEDGMENT FOR INDIVIDUALS

State of California, County of Monterey, SS: Personally appeared before me, a Notary Public in and for the County of Monterey, State of California, Helen G. Quilty, who is known to me to be the same person who executed the foregoing instrument, and who acknowledged that she signed, sealed and delivered the same as a free and voluntary act for the uses and purposes therein set forth.

Done at Tassajara Hot Springs in the County of Monterey, California this Twenty first day of August, 1917. John J. Kelley. Notary Public.

Recorded at the request of H. C. Merrill, Aug. 29, 1917 at 42 minutes past 1 P. M.

From 'Real Estate Transactions,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Deed—Mrs. Helen Quilty to U. S. A. Aug. 21, \$1. Right of way over SE of NW, N ½ of SW, SE of SW, sec. 28-19-4.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1917:

Dr. H. C. Murphy left today for Tassajara Hot Springs. From Tassajara he will journey by horseback to his Slate's Springs on the coast.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1917:

Mr. Christal left today for Tassajara, where he will join Dr. Murphy on his trip to Slate's Hot Springs on the coast below Monterey.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' datelined Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Postoffice Inspector Madden visited Jamesburg and Tassajara Hot Springs postoffices last week.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' datelined Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

A fire started in the Tassajara canyon last Sunday which would soon have reached large proportions and done much damage if it had not been almost immediately discovered. As it was Fire Warden Walter Chew, assisted by William and Frank Bruce and J. Williamson, soon had it under control and afterwards extinguished it. It is supposed to have been started by carelessness in cutting a bee tree.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Dr. H. C. Murphy has returned from a vacation spent at Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

William Bruce and George Ingram are out on a mining trip; they are "somewhere" in the mountains south of here.

P. Hansen of Watsonville passed through on his way to Tassajara Saturday night.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

WANTED—Man and wife as caretakers for Tassajara Hot Springs during winter. Address Mrs. Helen G. Quilty at Springs.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' datelined Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1917, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

The Tassajara stage will make its last trip for the season on Wednesday, after a very successful season.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

Sargent and Mrs. Scheu have gone to Tassajara Hot Springs to spend the winter. Mrs. Quilty and P. Hansen were out to meet them and take them in from here, where they came on the mail stage from Monterey.

Ira Bailey and James Coffey came out from Tassajara on Wednesday last. Mr. Bailey has enlisted in the aviation corps. His many friends will miss him when he no longer drives the auto stage to the Springs, but wish him good luck and a safe return.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1917:

William Bruce is working on the road toward Tassajara Springs, ditching it in anticipation of the winter storms.

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*Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

### WINTER TRIP TO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Mrs. Helen Quilty and a party of friends have just returned from a few days spent at the Springs. This is the first year it was ever possible to go over the road in January by automobile.

Mrs. Quilty reports much higher water in the creeks than she had expected [as] the season is very far advanced—fig trees having budded and wild currant bushes being in full bloom, as well as roses and other garden flowers.

From wild reports of cattle dying from starvation the party expected to see the hills dotted with dead stock, but this is not so, a very few old ones having succumbed. These reports do our county no good and should not be spread when untrue.

On the way out from the Springs, little Stanley Thompson shot a large lynx which was running a couple of hundred yards away. The shot was a remarkable one and the young chap is justly proud of his kill, which, is being mounted to grace the club at Tassajara.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Mrs. H. G. Quilty, proprietress of Tassajara Hot Springs, accompanied by her sister, Mrs. J. Thompson, and son, Stanley, and P. Hansen of Watsonville, motored in to the Springs on Friday, returning Sunday. They report everything lovely at Tassajara and the caretakers, Mr. and Mrs. Sergeant Scheu, in good health and spirits.

Monterey County Deed Book 154: 284, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

### G. P. Hansen to Helen Quilty, The Pines property

Grace McPhail filed a preemptive claim to this property in February of 1893, and purchased a patent to it in May of 1895. Grace McPhail (later Grace Dodge) was a daughter of John and Barbara McPhail, who were the managers of Tassajara from July of 1885 to September of 1887. In 1903 Grace McPhail stopped paying her taxes on the property, and thus in 1904 the property was deeded to the State of California. In January of 1916 Grace sold this property to G. P. Hansen, but in order to redeem the property from the state, Hansen had to pay the delinquent taxes (Monterey County Deed Book 142: 24 & 257).

This indenture, made the 15<sup>th</sup> day of January, one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, Between G. P. Hansen, a single man, of Monterey County, California, the party of the first part, and Helen G. Quilty, a widow, of the same county and state, the party of the second part, Witnesseth: That the said party of the first part, in consideration of the sum of ten dollars, lawful money of the United States of America, to him in hand paid by the said party of the second part, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, does by these presents, grant, bargain, and sell unto the said party of the second part, and to her heirs and assigns forever, all those certain lots, places or parcels of land situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, and bonded and described as follows, to-wit:

The East Half of the North East quarter, the North West Quarter of the North East Quarter and the North East Quarter of the North West Quarter of section twenty-nine—In Township nineteen South of Range four East of Mount Diablo Meridian, containing one hundred sixty acres of land; being the same premises conveyed to said G. P. Hansen, party of the first part herein, by Grace A. Dodge and W. H. Dodge, her husband, by deed dated January 5<sup>th</sup>, A.D. 1916, recorded in Volume 142 of Deeds, at page 24, in the office of the county recorder of the County of Monterey, State of California.

Together with the tenements, hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or appertaining, and the reversion and reversions, remainder and remainders, rents, issues and profits thereof. To have and to hold said premises, together with the appurtenances, unto the said party of the second part, and to her heirs and assigns forever.

In witness whereof, the said party of the first part, has hereunto set his hand the day and year first above written. Signed and Delivered in the Presence of G. P. Hansen. State of California, County of Monterey, ss. On this 15<sup>th</sup> day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen, before me, Frank S. Clark, a Notary Public in and for the said Monterey County, personally appeared G. P. Hansen, a single man, known to me to be the same person described in and who executed, and whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that he executed the same. In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official

Seal at my office in the said County, the day and year in this Certificate first above written. Frank S. Clark...Notary Public in and for Monterey County, California. (Notarial Seal)

Filed for record at the Request of Helen G. Quilty, April 27<sup>th</sup> A. D. 1918 at 6 min. past 10 o'clock A. M.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

### SCHEU ACCIDENTALLY SHOOT'S SELF IN FOOT

O. Scheu, who has been acting as care taker of the Tassajara Hot Springs, accidentally shot himself in the foot yesterday with an automatic which he was handling. The bullet from the gun lodged in Scheu's foot. George Lacey in response to a telephone call went to the Springs, got Scheu and took him to the Presidio, Monterey.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Otto Scheu, caretaker at Tassajara Springs, accidentally shot himself in the foot on Tuesday of last week. While in pursuit of a fox which had been raiding the chicken pen, his gun, an automatic, caught on a bush and was discharged with results disastrous to Scheu's pedal extremity. Mrs. Scheu telephoned to Mrs. Quilty, proprietor of the Springs at San Jose, and she immediately sent G. Lacey in with an automobile to bring the injured man out. Mr. Scheu went to Monterey for treatment. It is feared that two of his toes will have to be amputated. Mrs. Scheu is in Monterey with him.

Peter Hansen and Chas. Coffee made a round trip from Watsonville to Tassajara today. Mr. Coffee will take Mr. Scheu's place as caretaker at the Springs.

The rain, the blessed rain, the saving rain, came softly and gently it came, to the amount of .82 at Jamesburg and 1.10 in the Cachagua section. It was a needed life saver and while more is earnestly desired, this is of untold benefit.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1918:

The thrice welcome rain has come abundantly at last. The rainfall was 4.82 during the week, making 7.91 for the season. This is the smallest rainfall ever recorded here for the season to date, and more than half has fallen in the past few days.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 7<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Wm. Bruce paid a visit to Tassajara Springs a few days ago and found the caretaker, Jim Coffey, well and in good spirits, though rather lonely. He told Mr. Bruce that there had been more than a foot of snow at the Springs and many trees with the boughs broken off verified his statement. There was three feet of snow on the summit.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1918; datelined April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1918:

Mrs. Quilty of San Jose, proprietor of Tassajara Springs, accompanied by some of her

help, went to the Springs today in P. Hansen's car.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

George Lacy made a trip to Tassajara Hot Springs on Saturday. The stage will soon be making its regular trips to Tassajara.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1918; datelined April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Kenneth Vanderhurst, who will drive the Tassajara auto stage this summer, is making trips in to the Springs, hauling freight. The stage will begin making its regular trips May 6.

A large truck is hauling asphaltum to be used on the Tassajara road, and taking out wood from W. Lambert's place on return trips.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1918:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRING SEASON

Tassajara Hot Springs is in readiness for the season which will open next Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, and the outlook is very promising for a heavy patronage for this favorite resort. Mrs. Quilty, owner and manager, has had a working force employed for over a month in putting everything in good shape, and while she says the "cats" are going to be something of a problem, still she will guarantee the good table Tassajara is noted for and yet conform strictly to the [WW I] food regulations.

Much improvement has been made on the road and the steep pitch, the famous "Tony's Boulevard" is being covered with asphalt which will make the grade easy to negotiate. For Information see ad on another page.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1918:

## FAMOUS TASSAJARA SPRINGS TO OPEN SOON

Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the season on Monday, May 6<sup>th</sup>. The curative properties of these springs are well known to Watsonville people, since many of them have been cured or greatly benefited by using the waters.

Mrs. Helen Quilty, the owner, will assume management as usual, so we know the guests will receive the same courteous treatment and good care that has made this resort famous.

A crew of workers have been at the Springs for over a month and everything is in apple pie order.

Much roadwork has been done and at present asphalt is being laid on the patch known as "Tony's Boulevard," which in the future will be no trouble for machines to climb. For information see ad on page five.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

The Tassajara stage began its regular trips today, taking in the proprietress, Mrs. Quilty, and her squad of helpers.

From 'Supervisors are in Session,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

The time for hearing of liquor license applications of the Pacific Improvement Company and Mrs. Helen G. Quilty was set at June 4<sup>th</sup>.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, guest season of 1918 (a nearly identical ad ran in the *Monterey Cypress and American* during the summer of 1918):

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS MONTEREY CO. VIA SALINAS THE RESORT DIFFERENT WHY?

Best hot mineral waters for curing Rheumatism, Liver and Kidney and Blood diseases. Best climate—no fog. Best table board and good beds. Best all around comforts and care. Amusements. Fishing. Hunting.

Rates: \$16 to \$18 per week. Auto stage leaves Salinas every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at noon.

For further information write to Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

John Barlow, many years ago a stage driver to Tassajara Springs when mules were the motor power, went to the Springs a few days ago. He says it is some different now. Mr. Barlow is recently from Nevada.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1918; datelined May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

An extra stage, Geo. Lacy driving, went to Tassajara Springs on Friday, the number of passengers being too great for one stage. K. Vanderhurst, the stage driver, made a special trip to the Springs on Sunday.

From 'Supervisors in Regular Session,' *Salinas Daily Index*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Liquor licenses were granted to the Pacific Improvement Company and Mrs. H. G. Quilty.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Mr. Boronda, our mail carrier, had to put on an extra stage on Friday to accommodate all his passengers.

The Tassajara stage has also had an extra on several occasions of late.

Kenneth Vanderhurst, driver of the Tassajara stage, took a short vacation last week, during which time another driver took his place.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS IS IN IT ZENITH

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 17.—The Springs continue to be crowded with visitors and the genial hostess, Mrs. Quilty, is in her element. Every auto stage brings in its full complement of guests and all are made to "feel at home." "Good Fellowship" is the password and there is not a hammer within ten miles of the hotel, except those in the carpenter's kit, and they are muted when in use.

The Fourth of July celebration was pronounced by the old timers to be the best ever. The chicken dinner was "Just what the doctor ordered," and the exercises, which followed the feast, were brimming over with patriotism. Mayor G. A. Daugherty of Salinas was toastmaster and the principal address was made by Assemblyman W. J. Martin. The gentleman's remarks were thoughtful, patriotic and timely and evoked rounds of applause. It was a straight talk from a man who felt what he expressed and his sentiments touched a responsive chord in the hearts of his hearers.

Harrison Fisher, the famous artist, is here and is delighted with some of the subjects he has discovered. He is engaged in painting an Indian maiden on a rock in the vicinity of the hotel, a companion piece to "Old Tass," familiar to the visitors at Tassajara. Mrs. James Harkins sat as a model for Mr. Fisher and she looked the part.

The people at the Springs are doing their part in all war activities. A bean guessing contest netted \$30 for the Belgian baby fund and \$40 was gathered from a raffle of a copy of Harrison Fisher's celebrated painting, "The Red Cross Girl," which was endorsed with the artist's signature.

Last Sunday a barbecue was given in honor of a number of guests who are leaving to participate in the festivities of the California Rodeo and Salinas Big Week.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1918:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY CO.

Greatest resort in State for rheumatism, kidney, blood and skin diseases. No tuberculars. Tub, plunge and steam baths of natural hot mineral waters, from cold to 157 degrees. Trout fishing. All amusements; \$16 and \$18 per week. Take 8 A. M. train 3<sup>rd</sup> St. depot. Auto stage leaves Salinas Mon., Wed. and Fri., 12 P. M.; 50 lbs. baggage allowed. See Peck-Judah, or address manager, TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Cal.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1918:

Harrison Fisher, the well known artist, passed through here on his way to and from Tassajara Springs, and needless to say every one rubbered to get a glimpse of him.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Hot weather and many campers are some of the afflictions that August brings us. These, like mosquitoes and flies, must be borne with what patience we can force ourselves to have. A fire started Sunday between The Caves and Tassajara Springs, no doubt by some careless hunters. A number of men are fighting to bring the flames under control, but this will be a difficult matter in the thick brush and heavy timber. Forest Supervisor Hunt hastened to the scene from King City and Fire Patrol Walter Chew has gone over from here. Some parties suspected of letting the fire out are being held by Forest Ranger Bixby, who, being near the fire, was the first fire warden to arrive.

Mr. Boronda, mail carrier, made two extra trips carrying passengers last week.

Mr. Vanderhurst also made an extra trip to Tassajara with the stage carrying freight.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

## FOREST FIRE MENACES THE TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs, in the Santa Lucia Range, about sixty miles southwest of Salinas, is threatened with destruction today by a vast forest fire that has been sweeping rapidly through the mountains in the vicinity for several days, according to frantic telephonic appeals for aid that reached Salinas this forenoon.

The appeals came from Mrs. Helen Quilty, owner of the Springs, Forest Supervisor Hunt of King City, who has been on the scene since the fire started, and Fire Patrol Walter Chew. All stated that unless a big force of fire fighters can be brought to the scene in time to check the progress of the flames, the Springs are doomed.

The fire is said to have been started last Sunday at a point in the mountains between The Caves and Jamesburg, supposedly by careless hunters. A number of men under Hunt have been endeavoring unsuccessfully since Sunday to get it under control. A telephone message this morning said the flames had swept through Miller Canyon, over the China Camp ridge and were fast eating their way down the mountain side toward the Springs.

At the present season the Springs are crowded with guests and there are scores of campers at different points in the mountains adjacent. If the seriousness of the situation is not exaggerated, many lives are imperiled. One rumor current this afternoon was to effect that Mrs. Quilty had appealed for autos to convey the guests to a place of safety. The rumor could not be confirmed.

In response to the appeal for aid Sheriff Nesbitt immediately began to summons a force of fire fighters and to requisition automobiles to take them to the mountains.

Sheriff Nesbitt also relayed a message to the commandant of the Monterey Presidio asking the commandant to send 100 soldiers to help fight the fire. The commandant replied he would have the necessary men equipped with tools and apparatus, ready in an hour.

It is therefore certain a large force will be on hand before night. This is said to be the second fire that has menaced the Springs since the hunting season opened last week. The first got a start near Piney, but was fortunately extinguished before it had gained much headway.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, as republished in the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

## BIG FOREST FIRE IN TASSAJARA SECTION

A fire started by careless campers last Saturday is sweeping the section between Jamesburg and Tassajara Springs. Mrs. Helen Quilty, of Tassajara, and Forest Supervisor Hunt, of King City, called for help, and Sheriff Nesbitt soon had a force of men on the way.

He called on the Monterey Presidio and they furnished some seventy men who left within two hours after the call was made. At last accounts the fire was still raging near the Springs, but unless the wind shifts the resort is in no material danger.

Yesterday Clarence Nuttall, Deputy Sheriff Will Oyer and George Lacey went into the Springs, disproving the story that the road was blocked by the fire.

In addition to the soldiers, the campers and residents of the section under Fire Patrol Walter Chew, are assisting in fighting the flames.

The fire was beyond control on Sunday and backfiring was started to check it, but the wind caused the flames to shift in such a manner as to get beyond the back fire.

Two Watsonville men who have been deer hunting in the section are reported to have been held by the forest ranger until their actions relative to a camp fire can be explained. It is thought that these men are responsible for the blaze.

On account of the steepness of the hills and thickness of the brush it is impossible to fight the fire until it gets to the top of the ridges.—*Salinas Journal*.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

## FIRE IN MOUNTAINS NOW UNDER CONTROL

The big mountain fire which has been raging in the Santa Lucia Range since Sunday last, and which yesterday was said to be menacing the hotel and other buildings at Tassajara Hot Springs, was reported to be under control this morning.

A force of fire fighters, consisting of men in the forestry service, 100 soldiers from the Monterey Presidio and scores of volunteers from Salinas, Monterey and the surrounding mountainous country, worked long and hard yesterday afternoon and last night and succeeded in heading off the flames that were creeping down the mountain side toward the Springs.

George E. Lacey, in an automobile, yesterday took to the scene Deputy Sheriff William Oyer, Chas. A. Voss and Traffic Officer Clarence Nuttall. The party returned last night. They report the fire has burned the brush, trees and grass on a vast extent of mountainous country.

No lives were lost, but the damage from the destruction of feed will be considerable. All campers in the various mountain retreats succeeded in getting to places of safety, as none of the roads were made impassable.

Sheriff W. J. Nesbitt, who went yesterday with the soldiers from Monterey, remained on the scene throughout the night. A telephone message from the sheriff this morning was to the effect that the fire is under control, but that a supply of gasoline and oil was badly needed for the numerous automobiles in which the soldiers were taken to the mountains. From this it was inferred that the fire fighting force is to be reduced by the return of the soldiers to Monterey.

Soon after the sheriff's message was received, one of Cahoon & George's large auto

trucks was loaded with gasoline and oil and was sent to the relief of the automobiles.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

The fire which has raged in the mountains to the south of here is at last extinguished and the weary fire fighters have come home. They certainly had a strenuous time. The forestry men and the neighbors responded to the call. A fire, like war, brings out what's in people. Some are ready to do their best while others want protection without being inconvenienced themselves. A slacker at such times is just as bad as a slacker in the war call.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1918:

A sad accident occurred at Tassajara Hot Springs. Mrs. Pye of Pacific Grove fell as she was coming from her room to the bath house, with the result that her hip was fractured. Mrs. Pye was lame as a result of broken hip received years ago, which was the cause of her fall. Most fortunately the injury she received this time was to the heretofore strong hip. Everything possible was done for by Mrs. Quilty and the guests at the Springs, and K. Vanderhurst made a special trip in with the stage to take her to the hospital in Pacific Grove. Her daughter, Miss Gladys Pye, teacher of the Tassajara School in the Cachagua country, went with her.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

The unseasonable heavy rain of last week did considerable damage here as elsewhere to unthreshed grain, hay, corn, tomatoes and fruit. Four and twenty-five hundredths of an inch was measured at the postoffice and even more in some places.

The Tassajara stage was storm-bound at the Springs from Wednesday until Sunday. Lambert's road crew went in and opened the road.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1918:

WANTED—Man and wife (no children) to take care of Tassajara Hot Springs for winter. For particulars write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Salinas, or telephone 605-J-4, Watsonville.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1918:

Tassajara stage made its last trip for the season on October 1.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

WANTED—Man and wife to care for Tassajara Hot Springs during winter. Telephone Mrs. Helen Quilty, 605-J-4.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Mrs. Quilty of Tassajara was a visitor in Salinas yesterday.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Mr. and Mrs. George Riley have gone to Tassajara Springs to remain during the winter.

## 1918 to 1919; p. 154.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

It is reported that George Riley, who recently went to Tassajara as caretaker, is ill with influenza.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Mrs. H. G. Quilty and K. Vanderhurst came out from Tassajara Springs Saturday on their way to Salinas.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, who was here yesterday, left this morning by auto for Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Mrs. Quilty is at Tassajara Springs for a short stay. Kenneth Vanderhurst took her in the Tassajara stage.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Mrs. Quilty is looking after her business interests at Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1918; datelined Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1918:

Mrs. Quilty has gone out from Tassajara Hot Springs to San Jose.

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From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1919; datelined Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

Forest Ranger H. H. Hunt has been bringing up supplies for the forestry men who will begin work on the trail from Arroyo Seco to Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

### NEW GRAZING PRICES IN MONTEREY FOREST

The new schedule of prices for grazing on the Monterey National Forest goes into effect April 1. The prices per head for the grazing year will be: horses, \$1.50; cattle, \$1.20.

Ranger Hunt states that work has been started on a new trail to be known as the Tassajara. It will connect the Willow Creek Trail from the coast with the wagon road at Tassajara Hot Springs. It is about three miles long and there is considerably heavy work to be done.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1919; datelined Feb. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

Mr. and Mrs. Riley who have been the caretakers at Tassajara Springs during the winter have gone out to the lower levels and bright lights of civilization. They walked from the Springs to Jamesburg to take the stage, a distance of sixteen miles, at least a third of the distance through a foot of new fallen snow.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

Mrs. Helen Quilty has returned from a trip to Tassajara Springs. She found much snow on the summit. She plans to open her well known resort within five or six weeks.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

Mrs. Helen Quilty was in this city today. She has just returned from a trip to Tassajara Springs and found much snow on the summit. She plans to open this well known resort within five or six weeks.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1919:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS OPENS NEXT MONDAY

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, proprietress of that favorite resort, Tassajara Hot Springs, announces that the Springs will open for this season, on next Monday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.

Preparations are being made to entertain a large number of patrons this year. Already reservations are being made from all parts of the state; a number of reservations have been spoken for by residents of Watsonville and the Pajaro Valley.

The government has just completed a new horse trail down the creek, which will open up a new section of that region to trout fishers.

Tassajara Springs waxes more popular each year. Anyone who once goes there always desires to go back, for it possesses many features that strongly appeal to all lovers of outdoor life. Mrs. Quilty leaves nothing undone that will contribute to the comfort and entertainment of her guests, and to the popularity of the resort.

If you want to go to a place that will, in a few weeks, send you home rejuvenated and entirely rested up, try Tassajara Hot Springs this year.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS OPEN

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*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS NOW OPEN AND MANY GUESTS ARRIVING

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1919.—The season opened here ten days ago, and already guests are coming in on every stage. The weather has been unusually warm and pleasant for May, so that we play cards out of doors nearly every evening, and enjoy the wonderful moonlight at the same time.

The bowling alley is a thing of the past. Mrs. Quilty said the guests are too lazy for such strenuous exercise, so she is having the building converted into ten bedrooms, which will be made up exceptionally comfortable and well ventilated. Mr. Ralph Olmsted, of Pacific Grove, has the work in charge, but the guests give a lift once in a while when called on.

Fishing is better by far than was anticipated, some very fine fish being brought in every day.

The government has just completed a horse-trail down the creek toward Soledad and connecting with the county road, only eight miles away, so now no one will have to swim to go through the Big Narrows. Mr. Haack, your postmaster, and Ed Nohrden, who has always come in by that route, on shank's mare, have looked like some weary Willies, believe me, but henceforth we will know them as the dapper gents they are in their own home town of Watsonville.

Mr. Pete Hansen, of Watsonville, so seriously ill all winter, is here, and everyone notices his improvement. He takes a treatment every day, and declares he will soon be as strong as ever. Sometimes Pete tries to do a little work, but the call-down he gets from Mrs. Quilty keeps him good for about an hour.

The latest pet is a baby tree squirrel, and it is a source of never-ending delight to the guests to see Mrs. Quilty feed him milk with a medicine dropper. The little fellow knows her perfectly, and it is hard to imagine a wild animal so almost human, as he sits up drinking his milk, and holding the dropper with his little front paws. Tomorrow he is to be given the fanciful name the guests will suggest.

I will send you more items later, but just now the dinner bell rang and I feel the call.

MESCAL.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

### FOR WEEK-END VISITORS

Reports from Tassajara state that Mrs. Quilty, the manager, has made arrangements for the stage to make the trip in and out of the resort so that week-end vacationists may spend their time there. The stage will leave Salinas on Friday and return Monday morning in time for the refreshed business men to be on the job that day.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

### MOUNTAIN FIRE NEAR TASSAJARA

A fierce forest fire was reported here this morning to be raging in the mountains near Tassajara Hot Springs and it is feared unless the flames are soon brought under control the Springs will be menaced, as they were by fires last year. J. B. Gamboa and Charles Knox left here this morning for the Springs to assist the fire fighters.



Monterey Cypress and American,  
June 23<sup>rd</sup> to Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

## TASSAJARA

### Hot Springs

Nature's Cure for  
RHEUMATISM; STOMACH,  
KIDNEY and  
LIVER DISEASES

UNEXCELLED CLIMATE

EXCELLENT TABLE

Auto stage leaves Salinas every Monday,  
Wednesday and Friday at noon. Stage head-  
quarters at Lacey's Garage, Salinas.

Information and Booklet at  
Cypress-American Office

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

### GEO. W. SILL ENJOYED VISIT TO TASSAJARA

George W. Sill returned last evening from a short sojourn at Tassajara Springs. George is bubbling over with enthusiasm for Tassajara. He says it is the real Tassajara this year, that the weather is simply perfect and everything combines to make life enjoyable. There are big crowds there every day, and a record of one hundred and fifty people was reached one day while he was there. There are from twenty five to twenty-seven Watsonville people there all the time.

Mrs. Helen Quilty is the same genial hostess that she has always been and is doing everything possible for the pleasure of her guests. She has added an annex of ten rooms, single and suite, and constructed a dam in Tassajara Creek where the guests can take a plunge in the pure running water. She has also purchased a herd of fine milk cows and there is plenty of good rich cream for all purposes.

Mr. Sill says that the roads in are good and many campers motor in there. Nine machine loads were camping near the Springs while he was there. There is also a good horse trail from Abbott's in to the Springs, giving an easy approach from Soledad.

The fishing is fine and right at the door. Mr. Sill says that anyone can get the limit any day within a few hours. There is plenty of water in the stream, much more than most streams carry at this time of the year.

While there he hobnobbed with Luke Scurich, who is there for the benefit of his health. He is getting along fine and has the use of his arm and leg and can talk some. This will be good news to his many friends here and the people in general, who are interested in his recovery.

Monterey Cypress and American, from June 27<sup>th</sup> onward  
during the guest season of 1919:

## JAMESBURG STAGE

Connects with Tassajara Stage at Jamesburg. Leaves Hotel Monterey 7:30 a. m., Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Arrives in Jamesburg about half hour before luncheon. For particulars write or telephone to N. Boronda, telephone 275, P. O. Box 72, Monterey.

1919; p. 155.

San Francisco Chronicle, guest season of 1919:

## TASSAJARA

### HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY CO.

Greatest resort in State for rheumatism, kidney, blood and skin diseases. No tubercular patients. Tub, plunge and steam baths of natural hot mineral waters, from cold to 157 degrees. Trout fishing. All amusements. Take 8 A. M. train Third St. depot. Auto stage leaves Salinas Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 12 P. M.; 50 lbs. baggage allowed. See Peck-Judah, or address manager, TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Cal.

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1919:

### THE LATEST NEWS FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

For the first time since this place opened in May, there is not a very large crowd; so now there are plenty of rooms and it is not necessary to write weeks in advance for reservations.

But no matter how many here, it has been the marvel of everyone how Mrs. Quilty can set such a fine table when it is such a long haul to get commodities to this place. Extra stages ran all summer, getting here as late as two o'clock in the morning and laden with lumber and "eats."

So we are made comfortable no matter what happens, but sometimes the guests are called down properly—especially the deer hunters who get up at 4 a. m. and tramp around and talk as if it were the noon hour at a hobo camp on the Pajaro River. "Believe me" after they get a lecture the second time they wear padded shoes and talk in whispers.

J. Stanley Thompson of Watsonville has the honor of bringing in the first deer of the season—a fine three pointer. Considering Stanley is but fifteen years old, and everyone lauding his prowess, he took his honors very modestly and maybe we liked him the better for it. Six deer have been brought in thus far, but you would have to hear to believe the wonderful tales (but not tails) that are brought back by the numerous would-be hunters.

We are all grieved to hear that Mr. Peter Hansen is again ill at his home in Watsonville. He was so well and happy and such a good kind friend to everyone that it cast a gloom over all to hear of his illness, when we expected him back in a few days. We sincerely hope for his speedy recovery.

Miss Mamie Whalen keeps up her cheerful disposition in spite of her infirmities, and everyone from the highest down to old "Mong," the Chinese laundryman, loves "Miss Mamie." She is a champion whist and pedro player and is kept busy all the time—even when she should be resting.

Yesterday six officers of our Fleet were sent in here by the reception committee of Monterey County—and they surely enjoyed their visit. Hot baths, dancing, and killing a deer on their way, made the trip most entertaining. They left at 5 a. m. as they had to report aboard the Mississippi at 11 a. m.

Mrs. James Waters has been here several weeks and finds the treatment beneficial.

Mrs. Jim Struve was with us only ten days, but felt much benefit from the baths.

Mrs. S. Cusack and son, Lawrence Cusack, left a week ago after a pleasant visit.

Mrs. M. Resetar and children are here for a month's stay. Mr. Resetar came in and remained a few days, but returned to Watsonville where business called.

Mr. and Mrs. Chris Wahl, formerly of Watsonville, but now residing in Stockton, are here and very happy to be back.

Among the latest arrivals from Watsonville are J. H. Thompson, Geo. W. Love, Iver Beck, Mrs. E. Cornell and W. J. Fritz. MESCAL.

Salinas Daily Index, Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

WANTED—Man and wife to live at Tassajara Hot Springs during winter, from Oct. 1 to May, 1920. Good living guaranteed and wages according to work done. Write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey Co.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' Salinas Daily Index,  
Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1919; datelined Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

Ira Bailey passed through here on the way to spend two weeks at Tassajara.

Roadmaster William Lambert has just completed ditching the Tassajara road between Jamesburg and Tassajara, putting the portion of the road in good condition for winter travel.

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1919:

### TODD CLAIMS THAT LARSON WINS LEATHER MEDAL FOR \$600 FINE

Howard L. Todd, cosmopolitan business man, of Honolulu, and later Santa Cruz, was in Watsonville this afternoon in company with John Larson, who is "spending money on deers."

Mr. Todd states that he believes Larson is entitled to the "vitrified leather medal" by reason of the recent case in court, when Larson was fined \$600 by Judge Rohrbach for shooting two deer.

Larson states that he is caretaker for the property of Mrs. Helen Quilty at Tassajara Hot Springs, and that he had been compelled to kill deer which were destroying his crops.

Mr. Todd states Larson cut out a piece of the deer's liver and ate it, the only part of the deer he used. Had he not done this he would have been exempt, by letting the wardens take charge of the venison.

For this reason Mr. Todd holds that Larson paid the highest price for a piece of liver on record—\$600 for a small morsel.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' Salinas Daily Index,  
Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1919; datelined Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

Ira Bailey of Salinas spent Thanksgiving at Tassajara.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' Salinas Daily Index,  
Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1919; datelined Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1919:

Pete Hansen came out from Tassajara Hot Springs on Saturday. He reports the snow to be eighteen inches deep on the summit.

## 1920

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1920; datelined Feb. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1920:

Mrs. H. G. Quilty, Pete Hansen and H. A. Peckham motored in to the Tassajara Hot Springs on Wednesday, returning yesterday morning.

From 'News Siftings of Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1920; datelined March 26<sup>th</sup>, 1920:

Pete Hansen on Wednesday tried to go into Tassajara Springs by auto but only made it half way up this side of the mountain when the snow became too deep to go farther. He left his car and walked into the Springs, returning on Thursday.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1920; also in the March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1920 edition of the *Salinas Daily Index*, as 'Essex Smashes Way Through Deep Snow.'

### ESSEX ENTERS SNOW BOUND TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Smashing its way through the deep snow on the Tassajara Hot Springs mountain grades an Essex stock touring car proved itself a winner and succeeded in entering snow-bound Tassajara Springs.

Leaving Watsonville Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup>, the day after the big snow storm of the season, the Essex reached Jamesburg, at the foot of the mountain, and at this point the crew was advised not to make the dangerous attempt, but undaunted the Essex, driven by Wendell M. Hinds, accompanied by Biss Moline and Jack Prader, all of the Leddy-Hinds Company, local dealers, started up the mountain.

The first snow reached about a mile above Jamesburg and there the battle started. Fighting its way through the deep snowdrifts on the mountain grade, which in many places was three feet deep, the Essex worked its way to the summit under its own power. At the summit, which is an elevation 5024 feet, the snow was still falling. Leaving the summit the Essex continued its fight against snow and slides into the Springs. In many places below the snow line it was necessary to stop the car and roll great boulders off the road and clear it of slides. Again, in other places, the road caving away and the Essex was in great danger of crashing over the grade into the canyons hundreds of feet below.

The car itself deserves great credit for accomplishing this seemingly impossible feat for the demands upon power and endurance surely must have been terrible.

From 'Jamesburg Jottings,' *Monterey Daily Cypress*, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1920:

Snow fell at Jamesburg and covered the ground on Friday of last week. At present there is three feet of snow at the summit on the Tassajara Road. The road will be open for travel this week, the road crew are now busy under the capable direction of Wm. Lambert. The road as far as Jamesburg however, is in good condition.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1920:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS OPENED FOR SEASON

Mrs. Quilty, the genial hostess of Tassajara Hot Springs, announced that this popular resort was opened today. She is already at Tassajara and is prepared to receive guests. The stage will run daily to meet the requirements of the increased business. The hotel has been renovated and as usual, particular attention will be paid to the comfort of guests.

The medicinal qualities of the Tassajara Hot Springs are too well known to need any extended notice in this article. As for the social life of the Springs it appeals yearly to hundreds of people from all parts of the Pacific Coast.

*Salinas Daily Index*, guest season of 1920:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Via Salinas

Why? The resort of unexcelled hot mineral waters and baths. Excellent food, and clean, downy beds.

For information, Booklets at Index Office, or write Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, guest season of 1920:

### TASSAJARA STAGES

Leave daily at 12 p. m. for TASSAJARA SPRINGS from local stage station. Round trip \$10. For information phone Lacey's Garage or local stage station.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1920:

WANTED—Waitress for Tassajara Hot Springs. Write or telephone at once to Mrs. Helen Quilty at the Springs.

From 'Jamesburg Notes,' *Monterey Daily Cypress*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1920:

The road to Tassajara Hot Springs is in good condition, but the travel to the Springs is lighter than in former years.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1920:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY COUNTY

In the picturesque wilds of the Santa Lucia range. Unexcelled natural hot mineral waters, performing wonderful cures of Rheumatism, Kidney, Blood and Skin Diseases. No tuberculars. The resort of good eats. Fine trout fishing and deer hunting. Amusements. Take 8 a. m. train, Third St. depot. Auto stage meets train daily except Sunday at Salinas. Fifty lbs. baggage. See Peck-Judah or address Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs, Cal.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, guest season of 1920:

### JAMESBURG STAGE

LEAVES

DAILY AT 9 A. M.

STAGE STARTS FROM MONTEREY POST OFFICE

Connects with Tassajara Stage STAGE OFFICE AT MONTEREY HOTEL

Fare—One way. . . . . \$2.75  
Round Trip. . . . . \$5.00

N. BORONDA  
Phone 275

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 1920:

The following Watsonville people registered at Tassajara Springs last week: George W. Sill, Miss Mamie Whalen, Mrs. H. B. Kitchen, Master Burton Kitchen, Dr. F. Koepke, Reimers Koepke, Mr. and Mrs. P. M. Resetar, Lawrence W. Hansen, Mrs. J. Oksen, Miss Irma Oksen, Masters James and Lloyd Oksen, Mrs. S. W. Cusack, Peter Hansen, Oscar Haroldsen, Jack Novich, Louis Ivancovich, M. Stolich and M. P. Stolich.

George W. Sill returned last evening from a sojourn at Tassajara Springs. He reports a delightful time. He says the roads are good and machines are coming in from all over the state. There is good trout fishing in the deep pools, but that all indications point to the need of rain. Deer are plentiful but bucks are rather scarce. The hills, he says are full of quail, more than he ever noticed before. He says that his theory for the abundance of quail and does and fawns is that this country has been practically cleared of mountain lions and bobcats.

*Monterey Daily Cypress*, guest season of 1920:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS VIA SALINAS AND MONTEREY

The resort of wonderful mineral waters—100 per cent sunshine—good eats, and comfortable beds.

Booklets at *Cypress* office.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, guest season of 1920:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Nature's Cure for RHEUMATISM; STOMACH, KIDNEY AND LIVER DISEASES UNEXCELLED CLIMATE EXCELLENT TABLE

Auto stage leaves Salinas every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at noon. Stage headquarters at Lacey's Garage, Salinas.

Information and Booklet at *Pajaronian* Office

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1920:

### TRIP SHOWS FINE SCENERY OF COAST

Tourist Describes Great Jaunt Through Hills to Tassajara

Lovers of wild, rugged scenery will find much to their liking in a trip made last week by R. H. Northcutt, William Carew and E. R. Speigel of the Don Lee used car department. Leaving San Francisco at noon, they drove over perfect highway to Salinas and then over the Del Monte boulevard to the turn-off on to

the Tassajara Hot Springs road. This road led them forty miles into the very heart of the mountains, opening up vistas of unusual mountain beauty.

Northcutt returned enthusiastic over the wild, rugged nature of the country, and considers it one of the most picturesque regions within six hours of San Francisco.

The roadbed is fairly well kept up, and while the road is very narrow in places, very little travel was encountered. The steepest grade was on the return trip six miles up from the Springs. This road is unusually narrow and there is a telephone at the six-mile point in order that cars move only one way at a time. The fastest previous trip from the Springs to the six-mile telephone point was made in thirty-five minutes. Northcutt took the Cadillac over the same road in twenty-five. An altitude of 5000 feet is reached on this road, and in short time motorists find themselves in the heart of immense peaks, which rear their heads far above the beautiful valleys.

*Santa Cruz Evening News, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1920:*

### SANTA CRUZANS BOOST TASSAJARA SPRINGS

F. O. Rittenhouse, Charley Klein and Ed Daubenbic have returned from an outing spent at Tassajara Hot Springs, and like other Santa Cruzans pronounce the resort a delightful place and especially appreciated the courtesies extended them by the popular hostess, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty. The local trio put in some strenuous days and found the topography of the country unsurpassed for roughing it. In a hike up to the famous Flag Rock, the Santa Cruzans made the climb in less than an hour, establishing a new record. This trip is a hard one and is only attempted by those used to the hardships of mountain climbing.

### 1921

*Santa Cruz Evening News, Jan. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1921:*

### HERE'S INFORMATION FOR SANTA CRUZANS

Tassajara Hot Springs in winter is apparently more like a resort in the Alps than anything else, and some Santa Cruzans will perhaps be surprised to learn of present conditions there.

In a letter received Thursday by G. W. Sill of Watsonville, Mrs. Helen Quilty, proprietor of Tassajara Hot Springs, states that there is about two feet of snow on the range there, and that the river is swarming with salmon, which will undoubtedly make the fishing this year the best for some time.

What was called the old camp ground is now planted with barley, and she states that the deer are so thick that they are keeping it looking like a lawn.

Several improvements are being made at this popular resort, among them the installing of a swimming tank, which will be one of the best to be found at California resorts.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

Peter Hansen and Henry Hoffman started this morning on a trip to Tassajara Springs. They expect to make their way almost to the summit by auto and travel the rest of the way by team and wagon. There is still considerable snow in that region.

From the 'Purely Personal' column on page 3, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

Robert Plaskett, one of our local carpenters, left for Tassajara Springs this morning, where considerable work in his line awaits him. Mrs. Quilty is making great improvements for the coming season at the Springs.

From the 'Purely Personal' column on page 4, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

Grant Stewart, local cement contractor, accompanied by a large working force, left today for Tassajara Springs, where they are to commence the construction of a modern concrete swimming tank for that well-known resort.

*Salinas Daily Index, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1921 (also in the 3/31/1921 edition of the Watsonville Evening Pajaronian):*

### NEW SWIMMING TANK AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Interesting news of summer plans for the resort at Tassajara Hot Springs was given out here this morning by the proprietor, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, who this morning started a crew of twenty men from here aboard a big new automobile truck, with the orders to begin work rehabilitating the resort for the season's trade.

Mrs. Quilty states that among other improvements she is making this year will be a swimming tank, 25 by 60 feet, and an addition to the dining room which will admit seating for 140 persons.

The Springs will be open this year, as in the past, the first Monday in the month of May.

*Salinas Daily Index, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1921:*

### WHITE TRUCK MAKES FINE GRADE RECORD

Harvey L. Burchell, local White Truck dealer, and C. C. Smith, of the White Company, are today receiving congratulations from their many friends over the demonstration of a model 20-45, two-ton White Truck, to Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs.

In placing her order with Mr. Burchell, Mrs. Quilty required that the truck must successfully pull its capacity, or two tons, up what is known as "Tony's Boulevard" from the Springs as far as the watering trough, a distance of three miles up maximum grades of 23 per cent. The start was made last Wednesday with the truck loaded with three tons and pulling a heavily loaded wagon trailer. The trailer was pulled over the Laureles as far as Jamesburg where it was dropped. The truck with its load then continued on its way to Tassajara Springs where the three tons of supplies was unloaded. It was then reloaded with two tons of cement and started back up the grade, mak-

ing the entire distance with ease. Mrs. Quilty expressed herself as being thoroughly pleased with the truck's performance.

*Salinas Daily Index, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1921:*

### MAKES GOOD MILEAGE

A round trip into Tassajara Hot Springs, on six and one-fourth gallons of gasoline, and one-half pint of oil, is a record of which the local agents for the Oldsmobile feel more than proud. The trip was made this week, five passengers going in, and two coming out.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1921:

Mrs. Helen Quilty stopped over in this city yesterday on her return to her home in San Jose. She had been visiting at Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1921:*

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS REOPEN NEXT MONDAY

Tassajara Springs, that favorite resort of the people of this county—in fact the preeminent favorite of everyone who has ever visited there—reopens for the coming summer season on next Monday, May 2.

Mrs. Quilty, the popular proprietor of the Springs—whose charming personality has contributed so much to its popularity, is constantly adding to its attractions.

This season, at a large outlay, she has constructed one of the finest outdoor concrete swimming tanks in this section of the state. Those who have seen it say it's great, and adds materially to the attractiveness of the resort.

The entire place has been entirely renovated under Mrs. Quilty's watchful eye, and nothing has been left undone that will conduce to the comfort and enjoyment of her guests.

The matter of suitable bathing suits for the swimming tank—that is, the selection of something that would be very appropriate and attractive having been left to the *Pajaronian* editor, we have advised Mrs. Quilty to write to Paris for some of the Seymour designs said to be the greatest ever. They are very chic, and calculated to make the swimming tank the most popular place at the Springs.

Ira Bailey, that careful auto driver, as usual, will continue to drive the auto stage to the Springs. The stage will leave Salinas, after lunch hour, every day, except Sunday.

Just now the Springs are in their loveliest garb. The flowers are profuse; the hills and dales covered with green; the fishing superb, and the government has constructed a number of new trails whereby inviting points can be easily reached in the adjacent government reserve.

All that is necessary to make the place an earthly paradise is to get someone up there who knows how to compound buttermilk that will not infringe on the Volstead Act's provisions and regulations.

Oh, yes: we nearly forgot! The "Iron Spring" was recently enlarged and gone over. It is warranted to cure the most obstinate cases of obesity. George Radcliff, who was at the

Springs last year, says the "Iron Spring" did him more good than any of the other waters, and there are all sorts of mineral waters at the resort. George lost twenty (20) pounds of his nerve at the "Iron Spring."

So get ready to take in Tassajara Springs this season. It is great! And get in there whilst everything is so fresh and blooming. You'll enjoy every moment you spend there.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 31<sup>st</sup>, 1921:

**FISHING IS GOOD AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

Fine weather and good fishing is the report brought in today by numbers of local people who had been vacationing at Tassajara. While cold, with fog and rain, prevailed in the valley last Sunday, the sun shone brightly in the mountains and the temperature at Jamesburg was 102.

Nineteen people passed through Jamesburg en route to the Springs last Saturday. Trout are abundant in the various creeks and anglers are having good sport.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1921 (this item did not have a caption):

**IRA C. BAILEY, Proprietor  
(Daily Except Sunday)**

**SALINAS TO TASSAJARA**

Salinas (Lv.)	.....	12:30 p. m.	Fare
Junction	.....		
Rancho del Monte	...		
Camp Steffani	.....	1:40 p. m.	1.75
Cachagua	.....		2.00
Jamesburg	.....	2:45 p. m.	2.00
Bruce Ranch	.....		3.75
Summit	.....	4:05 p. m.	4.25
China Camp	.....		4.50
Tassajara (Ar.)	.....	5:35 p. m.	6.00

**TASSAJARA TO SALINAS**

Tassajara (Lv.)	....	7:00 a. m.	Fare
China Camp	.....		1.50
Summit	.....	8:00 a. m.	1.75
Bruce Ranch	.....		2.25
Jamesburg	.....	8:50 a. m.	3.25
Cachagua	.....		4:00
Camp Steffani	.....	9:55 a. m.	4.25
Rancho del Monte	...		4:50
Junction	.....		5:50
Salinas (Ar.)	.....	11:00 a. m.	6:00

Packages and freight should be left at local stage station not later than 11 o'clock a. m. For further information, apply at local station.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS OPEN**

Tassajara Springs, one of the state's favorite summer resorts, located in the Santa Lucia range about 60 miles from Salinas, reopened for the season last Sunday, under the management of Mrs. Helen G. Quilty. Stages will make daily trips to and from the Springs.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, guest season of 1921:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS  
MONTEREY COUNTY**

The resort for the finest hot mineral waters and baths for Rheumatism, Kidney, Liver and Skin Diseases. Good eats and good beds. New concrete swimming tank. Bring your bathing suit. Fishing and hunting. Stage leaves Salinas daily, except Sunday. Ira C. Bailey, Prop. Booklets at *Pajaronian* Office, or Write Mgr., Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS VERY POPULAR THIS YEAR**

PEOPLE FROM MANY CITIES OF COAST VALLEYS THERE AT PRESENT

By "MESCAL"

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 15.—Tassajara Springs is again demonstrating that the American people, whether in search of health or recreation, know a good thing and avail themselves of it. This popular resort is rapidly filling up with folks of all ages from all over the state, among those at present sojourning there are family parties from San Francisco, San Jose, Watsonville, Gilroy, Salinas, Santa Clara, Paso Robles, Sacramento, Stockton and Bakersfield.

The newly opened cement swimming pool is proving to be a most attractive feature and is daily patronized by the young and old of both sexes.

In addition to the many recent improvements, machinery for a refrigerating and ice making plant is on the ground and once installed no comfort or luxury will be lacking that is available in the city. Fishing is good and some fine baskets are brought in daily by both bait and fly fishermen.

Owing to the late rains the floral beauties on the mountain roads and in the near vicinity of the Springs are especially attractive, and "Wild Flowers Parties" are an almost daily feature with the hikers.

The roads have just been put in first class condition and this most delightful scenic ride is made in a little under 5 hours daily in the commodious stages of Ira Bailey, one of the most expert drivers in the state.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

**TASSAJARA ROAD IMPASSABLE AT JAMESBURG**

SLUSHY CONDITION CAUSES STAGE DRIVER TO CANCEL INWARD TRIP

As a result of a freak of the unusual May weather, the road between Jamesburg and the summit has been made practically impassable. Ira C. Bailey, driver of the Tassajara stage, reports encountering much difficulty in ascending this long stretch of grade yesterday, and after reaching Salinas this morning on the return trip stated he would not attempt to go in today.

While the weather at the sheltered Springs has been delightful, it has been decidedly otherwise in the mountains, alternately snow and rain, falling this morning when he came down the grade, is melting the snow, causing the road to become slushy.

The condition is thought to be only temporary, however, and if weather conditions are

improved tomorrow he will undertake the inward trip.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

**TASSAJARA MOST ALLURING NOW TO VISITORS**

COUNTRY NEVER MORE BEAUTIFUL—MANY IMPROVEMENTS AT SPRINGS

The country surrounding Tassajara Springs never looked more beautiful than at present, according to reports brought in by visitors returning from that popular resort. Unusual storm conditions, which brought a heavy fall of snow in middle May, blockaded the summit grade for a day last week, but pleasant weather succeeding, soon restored conditions to normal, so that stages and other motor vehicles are now making regular daily trips. The road was closed one day only, after which it was negotiable the entire distance without trouble or inconvenience.

Returning visitors say the entire country is clothed in an intricate network of wild flowers, with the slender shafts of the mescal [yucca] protruding above rolling billow of wild white lilac blossoms. The forest of trees never looked more beautiful in their new mantles of green foliage, which is in attractive contrast to the dull red trunks and branches of the tall madrones.

Mrs. Helen Quilty, proprietress of the Springs, has not been idle during the spring opening preparations, and as a result has many improvements to show visitors. Among these is a new concrete swimming pool, 30 x 60 feet, filled with pure running mountain water. It is filled daily. Preparations are also being made to pipe into this pool natural hot water from one of the hot springs. This will temper the water sufficiently to make the pool one in which the bather can remain at leisure without feeling chill. The pool varies in depth from 4 to 8 feet.

The capacity of the dining room has also been doubled, and many other conveniences have been added for guests and others are in contemplation.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

WANTED—Waitress for Tassajara Hot Springs. Must furnish highest character references. Write or phone Mrs. Helen G. Quilty.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

**MANAGER MILLER RETURNS MUCH IMPROVED IN HEALTH**

Manager A. E. Miller, of the T. & D. Theater, arrived in town this morning after a four weeks' stay at Tassajara Springs, where he went for a rest and to improve his health. Mr. Miller looks very much improved and the effects of his sojourn at the Springs are very noticeable. He said he never enjoyed himself more, or received better treatment, in his life. There were 87 guest there yesterday and 27 more are to come for the 4<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. Miller says: "If you want to regain your health and have a good time be sure to go to Tassajara Springs." Mrs. Quilty in now putting in a fine refrigerator at the Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

### TASSAJARA PLANS TYPICAL CELEBRATION

Word has been received from Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, manager of the Tassajara Hot Springs, saying that the new refrigerator plant is completed and in operation, and the new swimming pool is the joy of life at the Springs. There are about a hundred people there now and they expect a big crowd for the Fourth. They have a seven-piece orchestra which furnishes lots of good music. They expect to have a regular old-fashioned Fourth of July, with games, races and lots of fireworks.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1921 (also in the 7/6/1921 *Monterey Daily Cypress*, as 'Tassajara is Crowded Full,' and in the 7/8/1921 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Springs Had a Glorious Time on July 4<sup>th</sup>):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS OBSERVES ANNIVERSARY OF INDEPENDENCE IN A MOST FITTING MANNER

EVERYONE SOJOURNING AT FAMOUS PLEASURE RESORT TOOK A HAND IN MAKING FESTIVITIES OF THE DAY OF A NATURE TO LONG BE REMEMBERED

By "MESCAL"

TASSAJARA, July 5.—Monterey County's lending mountain resort celebrated our national holiday in a style that eclipsed every previous anniversary dating back to Bill Jeffery's famous "Goose Feed" in '05.

Never before has such a Fourth of July crowd assembled beneath the shadow of Flag Rock, and the resourcefulness of Hostess Quilty was taxed to the limit to accommodate her 200 guests.

Festivities commenced with a ball on Sunday eve for which Wayne Coffee's jazz orchestra had been specially imported. Later in the night Frank Lauitzen pulled off a mystery stunt that still has all hands guessing, while Jim Anderson, Scotch Cahoon and Dave Wallace qualified as the champion snoring trio of the coast.

Shortly before noon on the Fourth a grand parade was staged led by Uncle Sam, escorted by mounted cowboys and girls and the local constabulary, the gem of the spectacle being Judge Wallace, modestly attired as Cupid in Adam Thompson's bathing suit and carrying a thirsty look and bow and arrow. Following were several automobile loads of bathing beauties, clowns, ballet dancers etc. On the heels of the parade came a water carnival in the big swimming tank with exhibitions of fancy diving, men's women's and children's swimming races and exhibition stunts. Rifle shooting for cash prizes was next and some of the ladies made very creditable scores, succumbing however to Frank McFadden,

With Old Glory proudly floating in the van all marched into the spacious dining hall and enjoyed a repast and exchange of repartee (particularly after the lemonade pitcher had made a few rounds) that can be found nowhere in California save at the foot of the Tassajara Mountains.

A small riot was narrowly averted when

Dave Wallace was detected absentmindedly pocketing the collection that has been made for the cooks and waiters.

During the meal, Bob Orr of Hollister, announced that he was about to transfer his permanent residence to the Springs and go into the chicken business.

Patriotic exercises, songs, recitations and games followed the banquet and many a limb forgot its rheumatic twinges and capered gaily in the Fat Man's race while the chronic dyspeptics led easily in the pie eating contests. Dancing that lasted far into a night brilliant with bewitching starlight concluded a day of unalloyed enjoyment for everyone concerned and which will be a source of pleasant reminiscence to all who were privileged to participate.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

### NOTED ARTIST HERE

Harrison P. Fisher, the noted artist, was a guest at the Hotel Jeffery today, en route for his annual vacation at Tassajara Hot Springs.

From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

United States Marshal J. B. Holohan, of San Francisco, is sojourning a few days at Tassajara.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

WANTED—Woman to make beds. Phone Mrs. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

### THE CALL OF TASSAJARA—LAND OF SIMPLE MOUNTAIN GRANDEUR

Of all the mountain resorts on the coast line of California, none is more popular than Tassajara Springs, the beauty spot, high up in the Coast Range, where Mrs. Helen Quilty reigns supreme, catering to the wants of the vacationists in a way to make them "want to come again."

Every year sees an unending stream of people going into Tassajara. From afar come many artists and other persons appreciative of the natural beauty of the place, while our own people from the floor of the valley use the place as a week-end siesta-land.

In view of the unusual popularity of the place, the following poem, from the pen of "Mescal," the *Index* correspondent, will be of interest to many admirers of the beauty and comforts of the resort:

#### REMINISCENCE

By "MESCAL"

Tassajara, land of sunshine, where the sparkling, healing rills,

Gush from out of their rocky fastness, to assuage dame nature's ills.

Where the mountain jay's hash chatter ushers in the breaking day, and amid the rustling tree-tops, lithesome squirrels leap in play.

Where the graceful water willow makes obeisance to the stream, and beneath the dancing riffles hungry troutlets dart and gleam.

Where the truant mountain breezes bear a fragrance sharp and sweet, from the sage and manzanita, and the gnarled and grey mesquite.

Where the rugged granite boulders strive forever with the foam, of the rushing, restless brooklets, scurrying to their ocean home.

Where cliffs in savage grandeur guard the smiling vales below, flecked with verdure in the springtime, pale with winter's wreath of snow.

Where the mescal flings to heaven, shafts of purest, dazzling white, and the madrone's glistening leaflets wink and dimple in the light.

Where the shade and sunshine mingle by the mountain streamlet's brink, and at eve the forest dwellers venture shyly forth to drink.

Where the stars blaze out in brilliance as the firmament grows dim, and the moon in silver splendor stoops to kiss the canyon's rim.

Backward-winged thoughts possess me, as in retrospect I see, those happy crowds that gathered 'neath the ancient "Gossip Tree."

With the pleasant summer playtime slipping lazily away, till it all too soon had vanished like a wisp of driven spray.

But I know, when next the poppies gild the slopes above the sea, I shall hear again the calling—Tassajara calling me.

From 'It's the Movies for Me in the Near Future' by The Mysterious Cowboy Cartoonist, *Salinas Daily Index*, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1921:

I'm going up to Tassajara tomorrow to give the joint the once over. I hear Harrison Fisher is up there. I don't think much of that guy. Who couldn't draw with models he has? I'll bet he couldn't get the gang here in Salinas down on paper so you could recognize them. Well, maybe I can't either, but the thing that gets me more sore is the glory that guy gets. No, I'm not jealous at all, but he gets my goat. Anyway, I'll bet he can't ride a "hos."

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

### DEER ABUNDANT IN SANTA LUCIA RANGE

Deer hunters in the Santa Lucia Range are meeting with fine success according to Game Warden Emery Post, who returned yesterday after a survey of the game haunts in the Jamesburg, Tassajara, Bear Basin and The Caves sections. The officer reports having observed many fine animals on his tour and says many fine specimens have been downed and brought into camp.

Investigating a report that does were being wantonly slaughtered near The Caves and the carcasses left to decay or furnish food for wild animals, the game warden says he found insufficient evidence to justify arrests.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

### LARGE GATHERING OF SALINANS AT TASSAJARA

Tassajara Springs seems to be the mecca of Salinas holiday makers this year, the popular mountain resort having among other guests to the number of 80, Mr. and Mrs. Cleon Tynan

and children, Sheriff and Mrs. W. J. Nesbitt, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nielson, Ross Nissen, W. J. Wallace, O. H. Bullene, Mrs. Mignola and family, Joe Lehmann, Jimmie Jeffery, Minor Bolton, Pete Bondesen, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Porter, Miss Seana Jensen and Mrs. Oyer, besides numerous Watsonville folks and representatives from a dozen other counties of the state.

The well-known artist, Harrison Fisher, has returned for a further stay, in order to study the unparalleled mountain scenery and benefit by the waters.

The huge cement swimming tank is the daily scene of a veritable water carnival, and has added another feature to the already charming vacation spot.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1921 (also in the 8/26/1921 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Auto Thieves Miss Road to Los Angeles, Land at Tassajara'):

#### FOUR IN STOLEN CAR LAND AT TASSAJARA

MISS ROAD TO LOS ANGELES  
AND RUN INTO SHERIFF  
ON VACATION

The next time William F. Kinsky, Elmer Dogert, Berger F. Dogert and Earl Harring, San Francisco youths, decide to indulge in an escapade in a stolen auto, they will probably familiarize themselves before starting out with the route over which they expect to travel. Failure to do so on their first adventure resulted in their capture yesterday by Monterey Co. officers after they had been on the road less than a day.

According to the officers the quartet took Fred A. Tillman's 4-passenger Cadillac from a parking place in front of the Pacific Union Club, San Francisco, on Tuesday. Assuming aliases appropriate to the occasion they then started out for Los Angeles. Lack of familiarity with country roads led to their undoing. Leaving Salinas in the stolen car Tuesday night they got on the wrong track and landed at Tassajara Springs yesterday morning.

Sheriff W. J. Nesbitt, who had been vacationing there, and who was on the eve of departure, headed the reception committee. His suspicions aroused, the sheriff delayed his homeward journey until the quartet departed. Then he phoned to Monterey and Salinas. Local officers at once went out to guard the roads and the young adventurers ran into Traffic Officer Stetler of Monterey, who arrested them.

To Deputy Sheriff W. A. Oyer they confessed after Oyer confronted them with a refutation of their story to the effect they were employees of a motor bodies company and that the stolen car belonged to the company. Real ownership of the car was traced by Oyer by its register number.

Going into the Springs the quartet picked up a valuable dog belonging to William Lambert, a Jamesburg rancher, but Lambert made them give it up as they were passing his ranch on the return trip.

Deputy Sheriff Oyer says the quartet was equipped with an assortment of keys to fit almost any make of automobile.

A San Francisco officer arrived today and took charge of the prisoners.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

#### HUNTING IS FINE IN TASSAJARA MOUNTAINS

DEER, COATS AND LIONS FURNISH  
SPORT IN VARIETY FOR OUTING  
GUESTS

By Mescal

Deer hunters making their headquarters at Tassajara Springs this year have had exceptionally good fortune, bucks being unusually plentiful, and the real sportsmen (not the kid glove variety) having been well rewarded. Many fine deer have been shot to date, the latest being a forked horn, secured by Supervisor Frank McFadden of Blanco, who is spending his vacation at the Springs in company with Harry Elasho.

Frank won the rifle shooting contest at the Fourth of July celebration, while on a previous visit here. He was evidently warming up for the season. In addition, he plays a mean hand at "draw" and makes the champion horseshoe pitchers sit up right along.

Returning guests tell a strange story of a missing coat with a singed inside pocket, alleged to belong to Frank, containing documents of such priceless value that the whole camp was in an uproar and the owner experienced an agony worse than death until it was safely recovered. In the hunt for the lost garment even the ladies' rooms were ruthlessly invaded, and Frank found a quantity of things that were not coats. It is darkly hinted that the coat in question was in the class attributed to Joseph's.

Ben Johnson, an old Salinas boy, rusticated with us during the past week. George Lacey and son Garth are here. George brought his hearty laugh with him and works it over time, now that he is safely out of reach of the unions. The squirrels and small game all left the first day of his stay, but are now slowly returning, as they realize he is not dangerous. George enjoys a little "stud," but has met his match in Sam, the Chinese cook, who is the only player who can show down five jacks and get away with it.

There is a fine opening just now for the more strenuous and adventurous spirits who covet a lion's skin for a parlor ornament and incidentally can use the \$20 or \$30 bounty from the State. Lion cubs have been frequently seen lately by the stage drivers, between the summit and China Camp, and a little lower down. In fact, one lion was forced by the approach of the stage to abandon a freshly killed deer that he was devouring by the roadside. Harry Moller shot twice at one a few evenings since from the stage.

Here's hoping for an outing containing gain with glory. Let's go!

From the 'Social and Personal' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

Peter Hansen of Tassajara is in town today.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1921:

#### AUTUMN—IN ALL HER BEAUTY

By "Mescal"

Since time began spring poets from Baffin's Bay to Tierra del Fuego have raved, unchecked, of nature's vernal charms. A very few have ventured to chant the praises of her autumnal beauties which from late September until the close of the year transform our mountain ranges into a riot of color effect changing almost daily with kaleidoscopic swiftness, and presenting a panorama of loveliness to fill the eye and stir the pulse of every admirer of California's matchless out-of-doors.

Monterey County rightfully holds a prominent place in nature's great garden scheme and the real observer who will follow her mountain roads and trails in quest of the beautiful will reap a rich reward in the sweeping stretches of chamisal [chamise] now merging from summer greens into the warm browns and chocolate of early fall, maples dotting the hillsides like scattered topazes exhibiting every variation of shading from faintest yellow to deepest gold; buckeyes donning their winter dress of modest Quaker gray; madrones whose polished bark now shows a delightful scroll and filigree effect in a multitude of fascinating greens and browns; the goldenrod, latest of our wildflowers to blossom, is just coming into its own and rears its graceful fronds here and there among the bracken as if defying the early frosts.

Last and most beautiful at this season is the poison oak, lavishly distributed on every hand and surpassing in decorative effect every other native shrub in its infinite variety of coloring ranging from palest pink to vivid splashes of flaming crimson; from softest lavenders to richest terra cotta and where the sunlight sifts through its uplifted tendrils clinging to some friendly tree challenging the fire of the opal and the subdued tints of stained glass filtering through the oriel windows of some ancient cathedral nave.

Your share in this wealth of natural beauty awaits you, all that is necessary is to crank up the family flivver and head for the Jamesburg hills, thence over the summit by way of the stage road to Tassajara, or better still, if you would avoid the distraction of the steering wheel and possible punctures, climb aboard one of the comfortable stages and enjoy to the full this feast provided free by mother earth and our matchless Golden State.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1921 (also, in part, in the 10/19/1921 *Santa Cruz Evening News*, as 'Springs Resort Enjoys Successful Season'):

#### RECORD MARK IS REACHED BY TASSAJARA

2000 GUESTS ENTERTAINED AT  
SPRINGS DURING SEASON THAT  
CLOSES TODAY

By "Mescal"

Tassajara Springs closed officially today after a most successful season. Some 2000 guests, some from points as far distant as Portland and New York, sought recreation and

health at the popular resort this year, and, in view of the constantly increasing patronage, the proprietress, Mrs. Helen Quilty, is planning to greatly increase the accommodations.

Lumber is already on the ground for the construction of a new 16 room bungalow, which will be equipped with all modern conveniences, with screened sleeping porches for each room. Mrs. Quilty purposes remaining at the Springs the greater part of the winter superintending the various improvements, such as the building of new dressing rooms for the new swimming pool, removal of the stables to a point further down the creek, making some adjustments in the ice and refrigerator plant, and furnishing up generally in anticipation of a still heavier run in 1922.

In the interest of the fishermen there were planted in Tassajara Creek last Friday some 20,000 trout fry from the state hatchery at Sisson. These were of the rainbow and Loch Leven varieties, the latter being a most desirable addition to our game fish, as they soon attain a considerable size, reaching up to two and three pounds in weight, and put up a great fight that makes the angler think he has accidentally hooked a stick of dynamite. The fry were planted from near the hotel to a point above the falls. They were in good condition and the planting operations were successful.

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From 'Happenings Jamesburg,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1922:

JAMESBURG, Jan. 3.—Twelve inches of rain is reported from the U. S. gauge at Jamesburg. Considerable snow fell on Chew's Ridge, making it difficult to gain access to Tassajara.

The residents of this small section are heartily tired of the roads that they have to travel. To say that they are bad is stating it all too mildly. The place where the Tassajara truck, with Mr. Hansen driving, went over the bank on the Chupines Creek, still continues to be a menace to the traveling public. That was a month and a half ago, and nothing has been done to safeguard it. We think that the people of this section are at least entitled to passable roads.

Ira Bailey, of Salinas, passed through on his way to Tassajara on Tuesday.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1922:

### CYCLISTS BRAVE SNOW AND ICE TO SPRINGS

PERILOUS ROUND TRIP IS MADE BY PETERSON AND PLAICE IN TEN HOURS

Plowing their way through six inches of snow on the summit and encountering snow and ice up and down mountain grades all along the route, Speed Peterson and Ralph Plaice, employed at H. L. Scott's tire station, made the first trip of the season yesterday to Tassajara Springs. They rode a motorcycle and made good time, considering the conditions under which the trip was undertaken.

The scene at the Springs was inspiring, snow and ice on all sides. It was possible, say the riders, to stand between two springs, dipping

one hand into hot water as it gushed up steaming from the rocks, and with the other grasp icicles surrounding a spring of cold water.

Work on many improvements is underway and Mrs. Quilty, the proprietress, is preparing to accommodate a large rush of visitors during the coming season.

Peterson and Plaice made the round trip in ten hours, and came all way back on one handlebar only.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, February 7<sup>th</sup>, 1922.

Sealed bids will be received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, at his office, until two o'clock p. m., Monday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1922, for construction of change on Tassajara Road in Road District No. 5, in Monterey County.

Specifications for this work are on file in the office of the said board, to which bidders are hereby referred.

T. P. Joy,

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey

From 'Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

Construction of proposed change in Tassajara Road. County surveyor directed to prepare plans, etc., and estimates of cost, etc. Plans, etc., adopted and bids called for March 6<sup>th</sup>, 1922, at 2 p. m.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1922:

### TASSAJARA TO ADD NEW ACCOMMODATIONS

The many Santa Cruzans who enjoy trips to Tassajara Springs for rest and recreation will be interested to know that Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, proprietress of that delightful mountain resort, is to add ten new bungalows in time for the summer season.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

## TASSAJARA

### HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY COUNTY

Opens May 8. In the picturesque wilds of the Santa Lucia Range. Unexcelled natural hot mineral waters, wonderful cures of Rheumatism, Kidney, Blood and Skin Diseases. No tubercular patients. New concrete swimming tank. Five new 4 room cottages. Trout fishing and deer hunting. The resort of good eats. Take 8 a. m. train at Third Street depot. Auto stage meets train daily, except Sunday, at Salinas. Fifty pounds baggage. See Peck-Judah, or address manager, Tassajara Hot Springs.

From the 'In Salinas Society,' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 17<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

Mrs. Helen Quilty, of San Francisco, owner and manager of Tassajara Springs, made her first trip for the season to the Springs this morning.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1922 (a nearly identical article, 'Tassajara Springs Opens on May 8<sup>th</sup>,' was published in the 5/5/22 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*):

### TASSAJARA WILL BE OPENED ON MAY 8

LARGER CROWDS THAN EVER BEFORE EXPECTED AT FAMOUS SUMMER RESORT

By "MESCAL"

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, May 5.—Tassajara Hot Springs, famous throughout the State for the wonderful curative properties of their mineral waters, natural vapor baths, etc., will open for the season on Monday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. This charming vacation spot, located in the heart of the coast range, enjoys a constantly increasing patronage, and in order to care adequately for the expected 1922 influx, improvements have been under way all winter. Five cozy family bungalows have been erected under the tall oaks, each equipped with sleeping porches. To the new club house there has been added a "bachelors sleeping porch," capable of accommodating 20 guests.

The large open air concrete swimming pool, 30x60 feet, constantly fed with pure mountain water tempered [by water] from the hot springs, has been supplied with a number of new dressing rooms and showers, the capacity of the refrigerating plant increased and the dance floor resurfaced.

The wonderful scenic mountain road winding for 20 miles through the rocky gorges and over the pine clad summits of the ridges of Monterey Co. is now in excellent condition.

Heavy snows of last winter have assured an abundance of water in the many creeks easily accessible from the Springs, either on foot or by saddle horses, and prospects for anglers are A-1. Thousands of Dolly Varden, Loch-Leven and Rainbow trout were planted last season.

Health or recreation seekers who visit the Springs at this season enjoy the gorgeous panorama of our mountain country in all her spring finery, rugged slopes softened and beautified by myriads of wild flowers of every hue, tender greens of awakening foliage, and vegetation framed in all hands [?] in a wealth of billowy white resembling a belated snow fall, the spring glory of the mountain lilac [*Ceanothus*] in blossom.

In the midst of these natural attractions, material creature comforts are not slighted. The hostess, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, sets an excellent table and diffuses an air of congeniality that usually transforms the casual guest into a permanent friend and patron. Comfortable auto-stages leave Salinas daily.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### SNOW FALL HEAVY ON TASSAJARA ROAD

Reports this morning indicated a snowfall of six inches or more on the Tassajara Springs road, and considerable snow was reported on Mt. Hamilton near San Jose. The snow on the Tassajara road will not likely affect the opening of that resort, however, as the sun of today will probably melt most of it in a short time.

Some snow was reported from the lower hills in close proximity to this place, both on

the Gabilans and in the Santa Lucia range.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### SIX INCHES OF SNOW ON TASSAJARA ROAD

A fall of six inches of snow on the Tassajara Road was reported in Salinas on Tuesday morning. There was also snow on the Gabilan and Santa Lucia Mountains, an unusual sight for this period of the year, although some of the old timers will tell you of later dates in past seasons when snow fell here.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### GOING TO TASSAJARA

Ernest Frisbie of the St. George shaving parlors has accepted a proposition to conduct the tonsorial parlors at the resort hotel located at Tassajara Springs. Mr. Frisbie expects to be away from Santa Cruz for at least three months.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### TASSAJARA GETS FIRST- BUNCH OF RESORTERS

DOUBLE STAGE LOAD GOES INTO  
BEAUTY SPOT OF HILLS FROM SALINAS

By "MESCAL"

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, May 24.—The season is opening with a rush at Tassajara Hot Springs, as was evidenced by yesterday's double stage load of health and recreation seekers, some headed for the wonderful hot baths, others to try conclusions with the trout which are unusually plentiful this season.

Among those already registered are: From Salinas: Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Logan, P. Secondo, F. E. McCollum and W. F. Handley.

From San Francisco: R. L. Harrington, J. Cotter, Dr. and Mrs. A. Schafer, A. Sutkarnp, Dr. and Mrs. A. Adams, Mrs. E. T. Ryan, Miss Helen Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. English, Mrs. A. E. Hantz, Geo. Milach.

From Watsonville: A. F. Bezell, James Oksen and J. Oksen Jr.

From San Jose: S. M. Cory and wife, C. H. Hall, Wilbur J. Edwards and Mrs. H. W. Edwards.

Miscellaneous registrants are as follows: Langdon Ashley, Santa Cruz; E. C. Jordan, Santa Barbara, Miss Josephine Lasselle, Portland, Ore., Mrs. M. S. Fentin, Washington, D. C., Mrs. Geo. Mann, Ione, G. J. Savage, Newman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank, China, Del Monte, Tom Landrum, San Juan, O. Guterrez, Monterey, Fred McCray, David Gibb, R. Coats, Pacific Grove.

An unusual feathered guest arrived at the Springs a few days ago, when a homing, or carrier pigeon, almost exhausted and bearing on one foot a small tag with the number 2931, Nome, reached this place. It stayed around until resuscitated and once more resumed its flight. Much speculation was indulged in as to how the bird came to be so far from home, but all were agreed that in accord with the reputation of the species for a very high order of intelligence, for it had picked the right spot for a few days' rest and recuperation.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### MANY GUESTS NOW AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, May 24, 1922.—The season at Tassajara Springs is now well under way, guests are arriving daily and the outlook for a most successful summer appears assured. Registrations to date are:

From Watsonville—A. F. Bezell, James Oksen and J. Oksen, Jr.

Salinas—W. F. Handley, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Logan, F. E. McCollum, P. Secondo.

San Francisco—R. L. Harrington, J. C. Cotter, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Shafer, A. Sutkarnp, Dr. and Mrs. Adams, Mrs. C. T. Ryan and Miss Helen Ryan, T. W. English and wife, Mrs. E. A. Hantz, Geo. Milach.

San Jose—S. M. Cory and wife, C. H. Hall, Mrs. H. W. Edwards, Wilbur J. Edwards.

Santa Cruz—Langdon Ansley; Santa Barbara—C. E. Jordan; Portland, Ore.—Miss Josephine Lasselle; Washington, D. C.—Mrs. M. S. Fenton; Ione—Mrs. George Mann; Newman—G. J. Savage; Del Monte—Mr. and Mrs. Frank China; San Juan—Thomas Landrum; Monterey—O. Guterrez; Pacific Grove—Fred McCray, David Gibb, R. Coats.

Fishing is unusually good this year, the big swimming pool improved and inviting, and the plunge and vapor baths unexcelled.

From the 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts' section, *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 28<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—R. L. Harrington, J. Cotter, Dr. A. F. Shafer and wife, A. Sutkarnp, Dr. A. Adams and wife, Mrs. E. T. Ryan, Miss Helen Ryan, T. W. English and wife, Miss E. A. Hantz, George Milach.

From other places—W. F. Handley, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Logan, P. E. McCollum, P. Secondo, Salinas; A. F. Bezell, James Oksen, James Oksen, Jr., Watsonville; S. M. Cory and wife, C. H. Hall, San Jose; Landon Ansley, Santa Cruz; C. E. Jordan, Santa Barbara; Miss Josephine Lasselle, Portland, Ore.; Mrs. M. S. Fenton, Washington, D. C.; Mrs. George Mann, Ione; G. J. Savage, Newman; Frank China and wife, Del Monte; Thomas Landrum, San Juan; O. Guterrez, Monterey; Fred McCray, David Gibb, R. Coats, Pacific Grove; W. J. Edwards and Mrs. H. W. Edwards, San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### WEEK END VISITORS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

By "MESCAL"

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, June 12.—Tassajara Springs is again in the full enjoyment of its deserved popularity. The management, ever alert in the interests of its patrons, has gone to unusual lengths this season to make the resort even more attractive than heretofore. The natty new bungalows are already making a hit with the guests and the immense open air swimming pool is daily thronged with amphibiously inclined of both sexes. A large portion of the grade from Chew's Ridge to the Springs has been resurfaced, adding materially to the

comfort of the trip.

Fishermen are bringing in some fine catches daily and this condition promises to improve as the season advances.

The latest arrivals are:

From Salinas; Mrs. J. J. Hebbroon, Mrs. E. Sagehorn, Fred Hess, Bert Hebbroon, C. G. Hughes, T. Craig, W. F. Handley, W. Jeffery, A. Church, L. D. Grant, C. A. Tynan, R. G. Ford, J. K. Vanderhurst, Al Duda.

From San Francisco: F. W. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Raymond, Fred Matzen, Hedley McDonald, Mrs. H. S. Coburn, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Lewis, G. W. Petersen, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Evans, Dr. and Mrs. O. Haberdier, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Kerns, Geo. Haslett, J. S. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Larsen, A. Carlston, H. H. Schumacher, Mr. and Mrs. M. G. West, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Bacher and son, J. S. Adams, D. J. O'Keefe, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Goetting, Mrs. Margaret Madden, J. G. Hooper, Jr., T. N. Hoover.

From Sun Jose: F. F. Smith, Bud Jones, J. P. Dorrance, E. A. Hall, S. D. Farrington, W. J. Edwards, R. T. Burrows, W. J. Hamlin, Clyde Sutton, Vern Hanakaby.

From Watsonville: Grant Stewart, John Stewart, Sam Stewart, J. Morgan, G. Morgan, D. Bodie, Herbert Rappe, Sam Sprague, Geo. Friermuth, Geo. W. Sill.

From Alameda: Miss Anne Mignola, Chas. K. Spence.

From Oakland: G. C. Cole and wife, A. L. Smith, Miss G. Schreck, A. Hultberg, Roy Myer, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Whitthorne and daughter.

From Monterey Peninsula: Fred McCray, W. A. Smith, O. L. Watson, C. A. Metz, J. L. Steward, Mrs. Birks, Mrs. M. Dolley.

From Ocean Park: T. B. Cumlow and son.

From Los Angeles: James J. Shea, Peter Tryst.

From Blanco: Miss Lucille McFadden.

From Gilroy: L. W. Wheeler and wife.

From Carmel: Mrs. J. K. Turner, F. Spudini.

From Burlingame; Mrs. L. M. Gilliam.

From Arizona: William Smith.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### WATSONVILLE MAN IS BACK FROM TASSAJARA

WATSONVILLE, June 16.—Geo W. Sill, local realtor, returned last night from what he describes as his most pleasant vacation in recent years, spent at Tassajara Springs, in the mountains of Monterey Co. Mr. Sill declares that he would have remained longer, but for the pressure of office business:

Sill declares that there were never so many, or so fine fish in the mountain stream. Every day, he says, guests from Mrs. Quilty's hotel brought in from 1 to 12 limit catches which ran from eight to ten inches in length. Just before leaving the Springs he says he saw some rainbow trout measuring between 11 and 12 inches. He also told of seeing two beautiful deer in a grain field on the road out from the Springs.

Mr. Sill is most enthusiastic over the Springs as place to spend a vacation. At the present time guests number between 75 and 80, with a few more registrations every day.

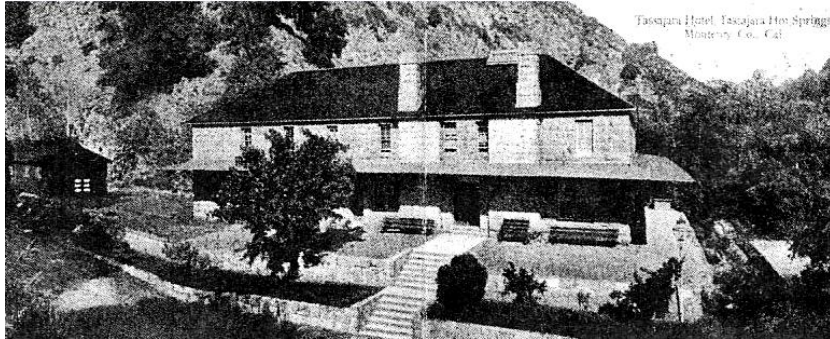


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San Francisco Chronicle, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

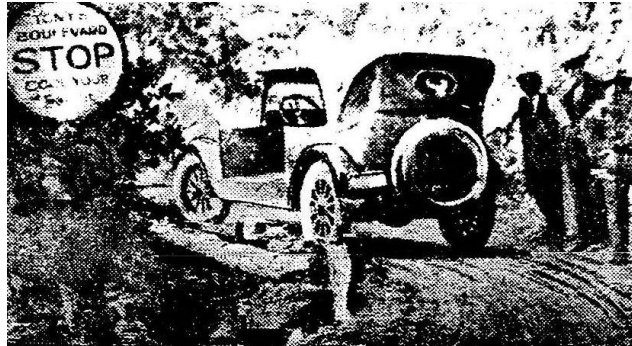
# TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

## MONTEREY COUNTY



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San Francisco Chronicle, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1922 (this photo accompanied the following Chronicle article: 'Record Set on Perilous Trip'):



This shows a Stephens Salient Six at the beginning of "Tony's Boulevard" on the Tassajara Grade. The boulevard is far from that. It is one of steepest and narrowest roads in this part of the State. The Stephens climbed it without trouble.

San Francisco Chronicle, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs, increasingly popular health and recreation resort in a hollow of the Santa Lucia Mountains, Monterey County, reports and unusually large number of visitors since the opening of the resort, as usual each year, the first Monday of May for a season lasting until October 15.

Fishing, hunting, swimming and sightseeing are among the recreational features, while the natural hot springs, registering as high as 160

degrees, are declared to contain unusual healing qualities for a long list of ailments.

The Forest Service has just completed a beautiful new trail along the creek, which opens up another part of the country this year and gives access to a lake well stocked with black bass.

The Springs are under the personal supervision of the owner, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, who resides at the Springs. The owner prides herself in the excellence of the table.

Tassajara is reached from San Francisco by the Southern Pacific coast line. Trains leave

here at 8 a. m. and arrive at Salinas at 11 a. m. After allowing time for lunch in Salinas an auto stage leaves that place for the Springs, arriving about 5 p. m.

From the 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts' section, San Francisco Chronicle, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—R. L. Harrington, J. C. Cotter, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Shafer, A. Sutkamp, Dr. and Mrs. Adams, Mrs. C. T. Ryan and Miss Helen Ryan, T. W. English and wife,

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1922:

## WEEK END VISITORS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

TASSAJARA, July 3.—There are many new faces at Tassajara Springs at this time, most of them having come to participate in the festivities incident to the glorious Fourth of July. The following is a list of those who registered prior to the week end:

From San Francisco—O. Haroldson, S. L. Hursh and family, George Rader and family, Mrs. Lora Eagen, Mrs. George Siebert, Theresa Sterling, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Goetze and child, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Curtis, James; L. Attridge, N. C. Toft, Christ Nissum, Capt. J. Swanson, Miss Rossiter, E. P. Hunt, Alex Kirkwood, Mrs. R. L. Prouty, Amelia Rommel, Mary Blaney.

From Watsonville: E. Sellinger, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Alaga, Nicholas and Floyd Alaga, I. S. Chaplin, M. F. Bettencourt, Tony Matulich, Jeri Ostozza, Mr. and Mrs. W. I. Waters, Mr. and Mrs. Dan Leddy, Pearl Larsen, Mrs. J. C. Larsen, Mateo Lettunich, N. V. Lettunich, Mr. and Mrs. George Lyman and daughter, Barbara.

From Salinas: Lloyd Kelly, Wayne Coffee, Karl E. Edwards, Phyllis Rosendale, C. B. Rosendale, Mr. and Mrs. Brewer Porter, C. M. Tynan, R. M. Ramsford, Anna McFadden, M. Reynaud, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Lacey, Doris Lacey, Ben Cahill, Mrs. F. Plini, Helen Bordges, Mrs. Harriett Ross, Alice McFadden, Edward McFadden, Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Ober, Chris Muller.

From Washington, D. C.: Mrs. M. Fenton.  
From Alameda: E. L. Patterson, Anne Mignola.  
From Palo Alto: Mrs. F. D. Swor.  
From Monterey: Mrs. F. Whiting.  
From Gonzales: Mrs. D. Sneible and daughter, Mary.  
From San Rafael: Mrs. H. J. Hamilton.  
From San Mateo: Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Gilliam and children.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

## TASSAJARA BREAKS HER OLD RECORDS

POPULAR MOUNTAIN RESORT PUTS UP BEST CELEBRATION WITHIN THE COAST COUNTIES

Hundreds of Salinas Valley Folk Join With Visitors From Larger Towns in Staging Fiesta That Will Long Be Remembered by Those Participating

By "MESCAL"

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 5.—Tassajara smashed all previous records in her celebration of the Glorious Fourth for 1922; in fact, activities commenced shortly after the sun peeped over Flag Rock on the morning of the 3<sup>rd</sup>, when a posse of policewomen rounded up every male creature on the place, haled them into an extemporized court where charges ranging from bunny hugging to bootlegging were preferred and the victims fined in a manner perfectly satisfactory to the audience. A splendid jazz orchestra enlivened the aquatic carnival in the big swimming pool and kept the

Mrs. E. A. Hartz, Geo. Milach.

Salinas—W. F. Handley, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Logan, F. E. McCollum, P. Secondo. From Watsonville—A. F. Beazell, James Oksen and J. Oksen, Jr. San Jose—S. M. Coy and wife, C. H. Hall, Mrs. H. W. Edwards, Wilbur J. Edwards. Santa Cruz—Langdon Ansley. Santa Barbara—C. E. Jordan. Portland, Ore.—Miss Josephine Lasselle. Washington, D. C.—Mrs. M. S. Fenton. Ione—Mrs. George Mann. Newman—G. J. Savage. Del Monte—Mr. and Mrs. Frank China. San Juan—Thomas Landrum. Monterey—O. Guitierrez. Pacific Grove—Fred McCray, David Gibb, R. Coats.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

WANTED—Waitress for Tassajara Hot Springs. Write of phone Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

## LEAVES FOR TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Fred Weybret, the Publisher of *The Index*, left today for a few days outing at Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1922 (a nearly identical article was also published in the 7/3/1922 *Monterey Daily Cypress* and *Monterey American*):

## TASSAJARA TO CELEBRATE THE FOURTH OF JULY

BIG PROGRAM OF SPORTS AND EVENTS OF VARIOUS KINDS TO DRAW LARGE CROWDS OF PEOPLE FROM THIS CITY

By "MESCAL"

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 1.—This place is preparing for a monster celebration on July Fourth, the National Day of Independence. Large crowds from various parts of the state, particularly from the Salinas Valley, are expected to add to the merry throngs already here in observation of the national fiesta.

An excellent program of sports has been arranged for the day, and there will be dancing in the evening.

The following program has been arranged for the day. It will be followed out to the letter:

10:00 A. M. Big costume parade, in which everyone will join.

11:30 A. M. Swimming events

12:00 Noon. Rifle shoot.

1:30 P. M. Big Fourth of July Dinner and speaking program.

3:00 P. M. All kinds of racing events.

Evening: Dancing and stunts of various kinds. A four piece orchestra has been engaged for the evening entertainment.

Good Speakers Present

There will be many speakers present—not too many—just enough to make the eagle scream and to proclaim anew the principles of democracy upon which America was founded.

There will be music and merriment throughout the day and well into the night.

Tassajara's celebration this year will be on a par with all those which have been offered in the past.

dancers busy until far into the glorious moonlit night.

Barbecue Is Staged

A big barbecue beneath the maples at noon, under the management of Dan Leddy, was largely enjoyed by the crowd, numbering about 230.

Hizzoner Arrives

The arrival of Judge Wallace during the afternoon was an event Hizzoner [his honor] was vociferously received by the Yellow Lodge of the Ku Klux Klan, tenderly installed in a specially decorated push cart, and conducted to the hotel entrance, where he was presented with the keys of Tassajara, a mammoth corkscrew, by Mrs. Quilty. The judge, with his usual ready wit, immediately demanded something that needed unlocking.

John Anderson and Mrs. C. W. Ayer acted as mounted marshals of the most colorful and elaborate parade that Tassajara has ever staged. The Max Sennett bathing girls were a dream, with Cappy Burges as a simpering blond with a perfect 63. Uncle Sam and his Goddess of Liberty received a rousing ovation. Judge David Wallace as a flapper girl was a scream. The stretcher bearers, carrying "dead soldiers" drew bitter tears from Claude Lacey, Adam Thompson and Brewer Porter; the effect of the entire pageant was enhanced by the exhilarating music of the jazz orchestra and the antics of the clowns, dominos and character couples.

The Aquatic Sports

Following the parade the crowd adjourned to the outdoor swimming pool, where a series of aquatic sports were conducted with the following winners:

Men's race—Oscar Daley.

Boys' race—Garth Lacey.

Girls' race—Doris and Lois Anderson.

Mixed Men's and Girls' relay—W. Appell and Doris Anderson. O. Daley and Anne Mignola.

Men's fancy diving—W. Appell and Hong Kong.

Boys underwater race—Garth Lacey.

Men's underwater race—R. Peterson.

Men's relay race—O. Daley and Garth Lacey.

The swimming events closed with some screamingly funny eccentric diving and a mad shower for a shower of half dollars thrown broadcast into the big tank.

And other Contests

Next came the can-rolling contest for men, won by Nick Adage, Mrs. Ross winning the ladies' prize.

The fat man's race was easily captured by Billy Goertz. Mrs. Hamilton took the money in the ladies' free-for-all, the consolation prize falling to Mrs. Prouty.

The small hoys' race was won by Allan Lopes.

The thin man's race fell to Dr. R. L. Harsch, who, with the assistance of his wife, was responsible for the arranging, carrying out and financing of the entire program, this talented couple, proving themselves, as in former years, the mainsprings and vital essence of the celebration.

The little girls' race was won by Miss Josephine Clark; consolation prize won by Mrs.

Virginia Rose Clark. A spirited ladles' running match was won by Mrs. L. Hutton. In the men's free-for-all Al Williams was victor. Boys' backwards race fell to little Nick Alaga. The children's backwards race was won by Josephine Clark. Men's free-for-all was won by Al Wallace.

#### Dinner and More Sports

After more music by the orchestra the grand march lined up for the dining room, which had been very tastefully decorated with ferns and mountain foliage, and everyone feasted on a banquet of such excellence and abundance as only Tassajara, that queen of resorts, ever attempts. The after-dinner speakers, introduced by C. B. Rosendale, the toastmaster, were: Billy Goertz, whose funny monologue tickled everybody's risibilities, a strong dose of the genuine old Wahoo, from Dave Wallace, and the speech of the day by Claude Lacey, which proved to be a masterpiece of eloquence, patriotism and good common sense, and a welcome departure in Fourth of July oratory, heartily appreciated by all who heard him.

Dancing until the small hours brought to a close what was unanimously concluded to have been one of the most successful and enjoyable functions ever held in the rocky fastnesses of the grand old Santa Lucias.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

Fred Weybret, Publisher of the *Index*, has returned from a very pleasant vacation at Tassajara Springs.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1922 (also in the 7/7/1922 *Monterey Daily Cypress and American*):

### FOURTH ENJOYED AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 5.—Tassajara celebrated the Fourth with true American spirit and patriotism.

The day's events began with a parade at 10:00 a. m., headed J. N. Anderson as grand marshal, accompanied by Mrs. C. W. Ayer. Next came the Goddess of Liberty in a Buick roadster, decorated for the occasion. Then followed a machine load of Mack Sennett bathing "girls." The impersonations were cleverly done, Ernest Berges in particular making a huge hit. Other features were Maggie (Mrs. Proudly) and Jiggs (Dan Leddy), gypsy maids, Pocahontas, and many others with a variety of costumes.

The day was devoted to races and swimming contests, and a wonderful feed of fried chicken, salads, cake and punch. At the repast C. B. Rosendale as toastmaster, and appropriate responses were made by Leo Atteridge of Watsonville and C. F. Lacey of Salinas.

Fully 200 people spent the Fourth here and the occasion was enjoyed to the utmost.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1922 (nearly identical articles were published on 7/10/1922 in the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian* and the *Monterey Daily Cypress and American*):

### LATER ARRIVALS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, July 7.—The following

registrants at this resort were here for the annual Independence Day celebration:

From Salinas: Elsinie Nissen, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, Oscar Daley, W. F. Handley, Mr. and Mrs. George Lacey, Garth Lacey, Nels Derne, E. Mignola, Jean Bordges, Edward Breschini, Leona Hunter; Vida Hunter; Grace Steiner, Mrs. Theresa Donohue, Bernice Donohue, Dorothy Donohue, Eddie M. Carlsen, F. B. Luritzen and wife and son, Mrs. J. Haskins and son, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Martin, Adam Thompson, Louis Grant, J. N. Anderson, Lloyd Anderson, Doris Anderson, Frank McFadden, Judge Wallace, Alice Wallace, Harry Elasho, Kenneth Vanderhurst, Wm. Leach, Harold Leach, John Church, Cheryl Hughes.

From San Francisco: Roble Affel, Mr. and Mrs. J. Affel, Mrs. E. J. Lake, Charlotte H. Warner, R. Tieman, Mrs. E. Gilkey, W. Ray Boor, Joseph D. Waite, Furnia Davis, Mrs. Joseph A. Clark, Virginia Clark, Josephine Clark.

From San Jose: Mrs. C. Herold, Lathrop Herold, Phil Herold, T. C. Lundin, Joe Howard and wife.

From Watsonville: Mr. and Mrs. James Ene-mark, L. H. Lopes and family, Jacob Foster and family.

From Oakland: C. Ongle and family, Mr. and Mrs. C. Stengel, Miss L. Sharp.

From Santa Cruz: Mr. and Mrs. Howard Trafton; from Palo Alto: J. Swor; from Hollister: C. W. Pierce; from King City: Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Breen and child; from San Lucas: Marie DuCasey; from New York: Katherine Kellogg; from Jamesburg: Miss Adda Bloomquist; from Corral de Terra: Louise M. Hatton; from Spreckles: Rose Rhyner; from Watsonville: John Bob, J. F. Aston; from Selma: E. Stirling, Charles Akers.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### RECORD SET ON PERILOUS TRIP

STEVENS SALIENT SIX MAKES FAST TIME ON TASSAJARA GRADE

Tassajara Springs grade, in Monterey County, one of the most dangerous and enigmatic mountain climbs in Northern California, was conquered in unusual fashion a few weeks ago by a Stephens Salient Six car driven by L. L. King, service superintendent for the W. J. Benson Company, San Jose branch.

According to the account of the demonstration, which is vouched for by W. J. Watkins, editor of the *Salinas Index*, who acted as official observer of the test trip, the Stephens car established an economy record for the ascent of the baffling grade which no other car has ever before equaled; it is a record which those who rode as passengers in the car believe will stand for some time.

According to Watkins the round trip, a distance of 102 miles, Salinas being the starting point, was made on less than five gallons of gas, the final checking up showing that an average of 20.5 miles were made to the gallon. Less than one pint of lubricating oil was used and upon the arrival of the car in Salinas after the completion of the drive less than one quart of water was needed to refill the

radiator. An interesting feature of the car's performance was the fact that five adult men were carried, the total weight of car and passengers being 4330 pounds, considerably in excess of two tons.

Tassajara Springs grade, in recent years, has practically been abandoned as an automobile demonstrating road on account of its perilous features. A few records have been established over it in the past, but it is said that most automobile dealers prefer something less spectacular and less dangerous.

Its steepest portion is known as "Tony's Boulevard," one bit of which includes a seven-mile climb of grades running between 20 and 30 per cent. At many points the road is extremely dangerous.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

C. A. Wiseman, Watsonville's International harvesting machinery representative, returned from Tassajara Springs last evening, whence he was called by Mrs. Quilty to make some repairs on the big gas engine that runs the ice plant. Mrs. Wiseman made the trip with him.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

WANTED—Waitress for Tassajara Hot Springs. Write of phone Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1922:

### TASSAJARA

#### HOT SPRINGS, Monterey County

In the picturesque wilds of the Santa Lucia range. Unexcelled natural hot mineral waters, wonderful cures of Rheumatism, Kidney, Blood and Skin Diseases. No tuberculars. New concrete swimming tank. Five new 4 room cottages. Trout fishing and deer hunting. The resort of good eats. Take 8 a. m. train at Third Street depot. Auto stage meets train daily, except Sunday, at Salinas. Fifty pounds baggage. See Peck-Judah, or address Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs, Cal.

*Monterey Daily Cypress and Monterey American*, guest season of 1922:

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#### HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY COUNTY

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*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### WEEK END VISITORS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

By "MESCAL"

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Aug. 28.—Tassajara Hot Springs is enjoying a record patronage this season, owing in part to the many improvements recently made, as well as to its scenic

beauties and wonderful curative properties of its many natural hot springs. Deer are quite plentiful and many hunting parties are making this their headquarters. Weather conditions are now at their best with warm days and delightfully cool evenings. The following is an incomplete list of recent arrivals:

From Salinas: J. P. Hansen and wife, George E. Wallace, C. E. Colburn, P. Cominos, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Nielsen, Hellan Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin, Jack Martin, W. F. Handley, Walter Wallace, Grace Paynter, Ross Nissen, K. E. Edwards, Dr. and Mrs. Garth Parker, A. M. Silacci, W. Stebbins, Anton Gottfriedson, F. J. Bernard, B. J. Dubois, C. R. Wilson, W. H. Emery, Jr., A. H. Christensen, J. P. Hughes, T. W. Imlay and R. Thomsen.

From Watsonville: Mrs. A. Kucher, George W. Sill, M. Bozich, M. Prodanovich, Jas. A. Hall, Chas. Peterson, J. W. Vail, J. S. Thompson, Martin Funovich, Mrs. S. Cusack and family, M. J. Broderick, R. J. Stuart, A. Miladis, G. A. Forencich, P. J. Freiermuth, C. A. Palmtag, L. S. Alexander, F. E. Alexander, Jas. Costello, Mrs. J. G. Costello, Ben Coscchi, Peter Jensen, William Jensen, and Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Tuttle.

From San Francisco: W. J. Danford, Mr. and Mrs. T. Herbert, Hazel M. Herbert, Annette Windele, J. G. Gospodretich, Al Lingren and wife, E. Haines and wife, J. W. Ryan, Marie Fitzsimmons, Lucy Campbell, A. Bunting, J. Berges, Mr. and Mrs. C. Daly, Mrs. T. Larkin, Miss M. James, Miss M. Schalla, Jas. Furnie, J. K. Scott and wife, F. H. Scheere, Thos. Deering, J. P. Murphy, S. H. Abrams, E. Abel, Mrs. C. M. Smith, Miss Prescott, Mrs. J. L. Dillman, M. Hudson, H. M. Kirkpatrick, E. Whalen, F. Buckress, F. C. Park, L. Nickolas, G. L. Kickhoffer, wife and daughter, Clara Millon, Pat Mullen, Mr. and Mrs. A. Staldon, G. Soule, T. H. Thomson, F. O. Andres, W. D. Cashel and wife, M. J. Kerrigan, D. J. O'Brien, S. P. Keane, E. Ryan, B. F. Mackler, G. Gassissere and wife, B. K. Carter and wife, H. H. Hauser and wife, Fay Wiley, H. Gray and O. Haire.

From Oakland: E. M. Shaffer, E. W. Page, W. S. White, Mae Eggerts, H. Eggerts, Mrs. T. J. Dunn and Mrs. J. Lynn; from San Jose: Chester Herold, Agnes Bourdon and J. A. Murphy and wife; from Santa Cruz: Mrs. E. J. Abelsen, F. G. Morris and family, Miss Nichols, H. H. Lusk, Mabel M. Jarvis, C. Hudson, Mrs. S. E. Otto, Mrs. G. S. Fisher, Hazel Blewett, Cordelia Blewett, J. H. Dyer and F. A. Dille; from Carmel: Katherine Cooke, Alice McGowan, Grace McGowan Cooke, O. Gould and W. L. Turner and wife; from Hollister: F. B. French, J. P. McCloskey and wife, and Joe Boindet; from San Juan: Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Landrum and son, and J. N. McKee; from Monterey: A. Kopte, Alice Todd, Mildred Reichs, Grant Towle, A. H. Breling and Mrs. Viola Burns; from San Luis Obispo: P. Goulden and Maria Kartner; from New York: M. T. Nazle and J. H. Robinson; from Stockton: S. B. Davis and Bert L. Wilson; from Crockett: P. H. Lane, H. R. Hosmer, Capt. R. Dable; from Gilroy: Mrs. M. Lynn, Mrs. C. W. Schemel and J. Schemel; from Los Angeles: Earl Pfeffer and Earl Cantley; from Niles: J. S. Bettencourt and M.

S. Sicada; from Saratoga: R. A. Thompson and W. J. Thompson; from Castroville: B. Martin; from Paris, France: Mrs. C. L. Petriero; from Pebble Beach: Mrs. Elmer Heer; from Ocean Park: T. B. Cumber; from Tularcitos: Mrs. Leo Christal; from Richmond: J.S. McDougall; from Palo Alto: P. G. Marx; from San Mateo: A. Corrigan; from Soledad: F. J. Shagle; from Spreckels: W. Paulsen, wife and son; from King City: A. D. Mitzales; from Taft: C. H. Ward; from Modesto: J. Parker, Mrs. M. A. Lynn; from Jamesburg: W. Foster, wife and son; from Fresno: W. Kredon; from Burbank: W. A. Conley and wife; from Sargent: Agnes C. Sargent.

From the 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts' section, *San Francisco Chronicle*, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1922:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—W. J. Danford, J. Berges, Thomas Deering, M. J. Kerrigan, D. J. O'Brien, G. Gassissere and wife, O. Haire, F. Herbert and wife, Miss Hazel M. Herbert, Annie Windale, John G. Gospodretich, J. W. Ryan, A. Liongreen and wife, E. Haines and wife, A. Bunting, Marie Fitzsimmons, Lucy Campbell, C. Daly and wife, Mrs. T. Larkin, Miss M. Jones, Miss M. Schalla, James Furnie, J. K. Scott and wife, Fred M. Schers, P. J. Murphy, S. H. Abrams, Emil Abel, Mrs. C. M. Smith, Miss Prescott, Mrs. J. L. Dillman, M. Horton, H. M. Kirkpatrick, E. Whalen, Frank Buckrees, Anna Buckrees, F. C. Park, Leslie Nicholas, G. L. Kickhoffer and wife, Clare Mullen, A. Staldon and wife, G. Soule, H. Thomason, F. O. Andres, W. D. Cashel and wife, S. P. Keane, E. Ryan, B. F. Machlet, B. K. Carter and wife, H. Gray, H. H. Hauser and wife, Pat Wiley.

From Oakland—E. M. Shaffer, E. W. Page, W. S. White, Mae Eggerts, H. Eggerts, Mrs. T. J. Dunn, Mrs. J. Lynn.

From other places—J.S. McDougall, Richmond; M. T. Nazle and J. H. Robinson, New York; Katherine Cooke, Alice McGowan, Grace McGowan Cooke, O. Gould and W. L. Turner and wife, Carmel; Agnes C. Sargent, Sargent; Mrs. C. L. Petriero, Paris; Mrs. Leo Christal, Tularcitos; P. H. Lane, H. R. Hosmer, Capt. R. Dable, Crockett; S. B. Davis and Bert L. Wilson, Stockton; A. Corrigan, San Mateo; Chester Herold, Agnes Bourdon and J. A. Murphy and wife, San Jose; E. Lawson, Seattle; Mrs. M. A. Lynn, Modesto; R. A. Thompson, W. J. Thompson, Saratoga.

From the 'Jamesburg' column, *Monterey Peninsula Daily Herald*, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

N. Boronda has been making many extra trips to Jamesburg, carrying passengers to and from Tassajara Hot Springs.

The Tassajara Springs still has many guests in spite of the wintery weather.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

### TASSAJARA WILL CLOSE ON SATURDAY

By "MESCAL"

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Oct. 9—Tassajara Hot Springs will terminate the 1922 season on Saturday, Oct. 14, after the most successful

run ever experienced by this highly popular resort. Upwards of 1200 health and pleasure seekers with a goodly sprinkling of sportsmen and sportswomen from almost every state in the union paid a visit to this unique nook in the heart of the romantic Santa Lucia Range the past season. Many of these were old patrons who make an annual visit to the Springs as a matter of course, for recuperation and to enjoy anew the natural beauties abounding in the immediate vicinity. A large percentage, however, was composed of strangers making their initial visit, and who, upon leaving, almost invariably expressed an intention of returning for a more protracted stay next year.

Immediately following the closing of the hotel and baths a force of men will start work repairing the bridges, blasting and widening the road and reducing the grade at several points, besides making a number of improvements rendered necessary by the ever increasing volume of visitors and the desire of the management to keep the establishment on the most up-to-date and comfort giving level possible.

With such a record as that of the season just closing it seems reasonable to predict that 1923 will see an even greater number of holiday makers flocking in search of rest, sport and relief from bodily ills to this American "Baden Baden" within the boundaries of California.

From the 'Jamesburg' column, *Monterey Peninsula Daily Herald*, Oct. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

The season at the Springs closes this weekend.

Pete Hansen is very busy these days helping Mrs. Quilty dismantle the Springs for winter.

From the 'Jamesburg' column, *Monterey Peninsula Daily Herald*, Oct. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1922:

Mrs. H. G. Quilty is spending a few days in town.

From the 'Personal' column, *Santa Cruz Evening News*, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

Peter Pozzi, a local contracting stone mason, left for Tassajara Springs yesterday where he is to do some masonry work.

From the 'Personal' column, *Santa Cruz Evening News*, Nov. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1922:

Peter Pozzi is at Tassajara Hot Springs, doing masonry work on new buildings.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1922:

### REPORTS HEAVY RAINS AT THE SPRINGS

Pete Pozzi, a local stone contracting mason, has returned from Tassajara Springs, where for several weeks past has been engaged in installing some stone and cement work for the popular resort, which is at present closed for the winter. He reports that the rainfall during the last storm was the heaviest experienced in many years amounted to 6 inches, which is a remarkable rainfall for that part of the country. At that he says the road leading to the Springs stood the heavy rainfall remarkably well.

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Salinas Daily Index, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WILL OPEN NEXT MONDAY

The many patrons and annual visitors to Tassajara Hot Springs will welcome the opening announcement of this popular and widely known health and vacation resort within the confines of the coast counties.

Many attractive and desirable improvements have been added to the appointments and environment of the Springs during the past winter with a view to the greater enjoyment of 1923 guests. This is particularly noticeable in the widening and smoothing of the mountain road, the complete renewal of bridges, straightening approaches to the same and the addition of substantial guard rails.

Early visitors will find at Tassajara Hot Springs a charm and wealth of natural beauty almost begging description; tucked away within a fold of the romantic Santa Lucia's, securely sheltered from unwelcome fogs and high winds. They are reached by one of the most picturesque rides within the boundaries of the state; embracing in turn the charming valley of the Carmel with its silver stream and serrated bridges; thence winding amid the stately oaks and towering pines of the Monterey National Forest, splashing occasionally through brawling mountain creeks until at last Tassajara itself is reached, ensconced among the soaring peaks and craggy fastness of the Coast Range, with its spring mantling of flowers and foliage at the apex of their beauty.

The many attractions of these Springs have each their peculiar appeal to the newly arrived guest, the piping hot natural medicinal plunge, tub and vapor baths for the ailing, the monster open air swimming pool, the mountain trails and dancing floor for the more active, the numerous streams for the fishermen.

Now—A word about the commissary—it has no counterpart in the whole history of summer resorts; appetites sharpened by mountain air and exercise here meet their Waterloo in a generous abundance of toothsome viands prepared and served in a manner that appeals to the most captious taste.

Salinas Daily Index, King City Rustler and Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, guest season of 1923:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

The hot mineral springs at Tassajara have yielded wonderful results in hundreds of cases of rheumatism, kidney, liver and skin diseases. Excellent table, good beds. Huge outdoor swimming pool (bring along your bathing suit). Orchestra and dance floor. Auto stages leave Salinas daily except Sundays at 12:30 p. m., returning in ample time to connect with south bound trains at 1:30 p. m. and north bound trains at 3:50 p. m.

For further information apply at this office or write to Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs. For stage information phone 644.

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

## THE TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS ARE TO REOPEN ON MAY 7

Tassajara Hot Springs will, according to established custom, be formally opened to the public on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Several agreeable surprises await the 1923 patrons of this wonderful vacation spot.

Improvements of many kinds have been under way during the past winter with a view to the greater comfort and enjoyment of guests at this eminently home-like yet unique summer playground and health resort. A force of men has been engaged in widening and smoothing the grade, removing shoulders at the more abrupt turns, straightening and improving the road at various points, entirely replacing the old bridges and building substantial guard rails on either side.

Changes of a desirable and attractive nature have been made in the immediate surroundings of the hotel and club house.

The early visitor will be enchanted by the floral wealth unfolded on every hand, for nowhere in our state is nature more lavish with her dainty blossoms than the Coast Range, which at this season is a riot of kaleidoscopic loveliness.

The ride from Salinas in the roomy, comfortable Cadillacs, affords a scenic feast unsurpassed by the Alps, Tyrol or other vaunted European mountains.

Then, upon arrival, a dip in the hot mineral waters followed by a brisk invigorating shower—and the eats; Mrs. Quilty, the proprietress, wise woman that she is, caters strongly to this universal human weakness, and her cuisine is a thing to marvel at, and to enjoy.

Fish are abundant. There is a fine head of water in the numerous streams, ideal conditions for the angler.

Sick or well, you can spend a few weeks pleasantly and profitably at Tassajara.

From the 'Purely Personal' column, Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

Mrs. Helen Quilty, who has been visiting relatives in this vicinity, left for Tassajara Springs today, preparatory to the opening of the summer season at that popular resort.

Salinas Daily Index, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

WANTED—At Tassajara Hot Springs, a man for general chore work, \$50 per month; also a man for caring for 5 cows and general barn yard work. For particulars address Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs.

Salinas Daily Index, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

## LIST OF GUESTS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs, which opened on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> inst., appears to be on the eve of another most successful season, already some fifty guests have registered and many more are booked for immediate arrival. As usual the clientele of these marvelous springs comes

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Santa Cruz Evening News, Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

## LOCATED AT FELTON

Ernest Frisbie, late of the St. George Barber Shop, is now conducting the shaving and hair-cutting parlor at the Grand Central Hotel at Felton and intends to remain there until the opening of Tassajara Springs, where he will go for the summer to manage the barber shop at that resort. Mr. Frisbie had a successful season at the resort last year.

From the 'People You Know' column, Salinas Daily Index, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, arrived here from San Jose this morning to arrange for the re-opening of the popular summer mountain resort for the coming season.

Santa Cruz Evening News, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

## ACCEPTS POSITION AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Ernest Frisbie, formerly of the St. George Barber Shop, has accepted a position to run the shop in connection with the hotel at Tassajara Springs, and will report for duty as soon as the season opens. Mr. Frisbie was in charge of the barber shop there last year and was highly successful in its management.

From the 'People You Know' column, Salinas Daily Index, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

Bob Ford left for Tassajara Springs for the summer today.

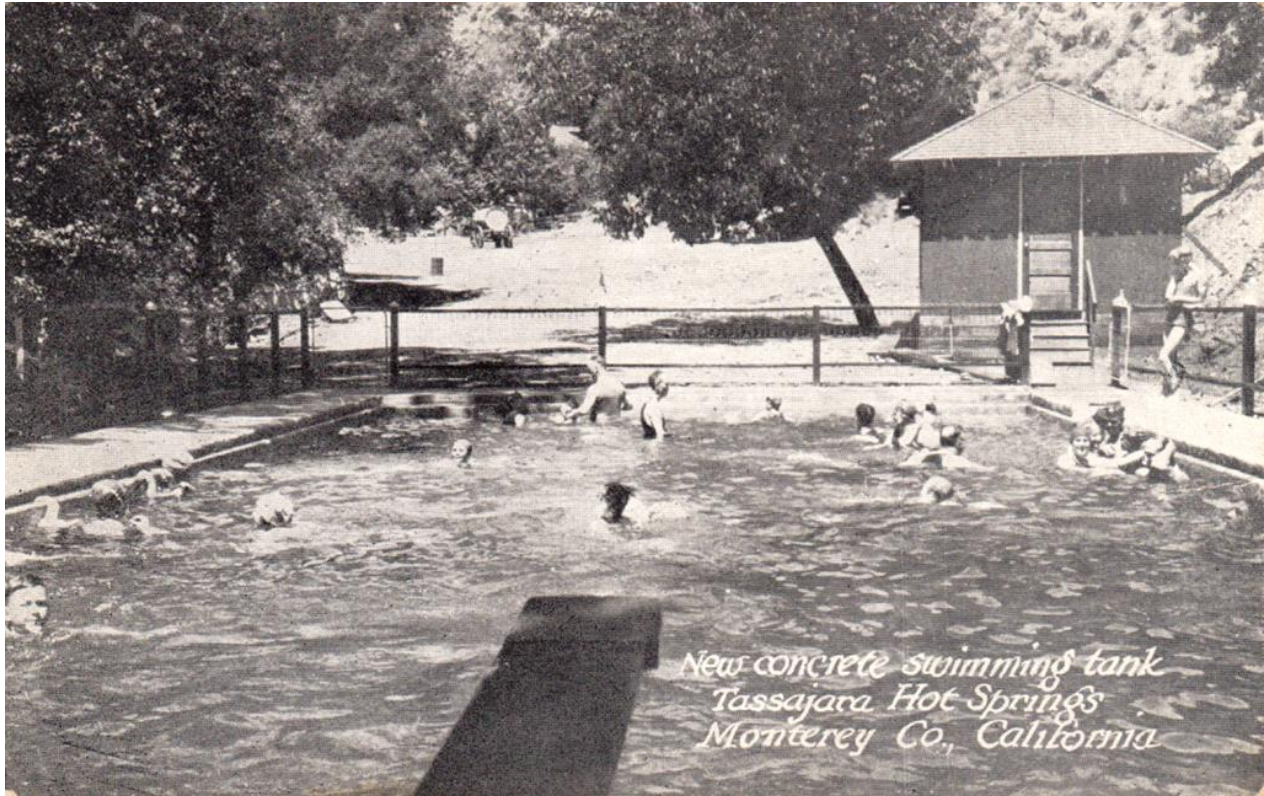
San Francisco Chronicle, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1923:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, MONTEREY COUNTY OPENS MAY 7

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From the 'Purely Personal' column, Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

"Kunnel Bill" Handley, high chief of Monterey County sportsmen, grand gazoopis of the California Rodeo, main squeeze of half a dozen different and fraternal organizations, and principal peddler of super-heated atmosphere for Tassajara Springs, the beautiful mountain resort up in the Carmel Valley, was a visitor here yesterday afternoon announcing the opening of the resort on Monday, May 7.



A Tassajara post card.



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from every corner of the state, many in search of health, and not a few to enjoy the trout fishing which is now particularly fine.

Registered from Watsonville are: C. Sandberg, J. E. Forester, F. Nicolds.

Santa Cruz—C. J. Klein, E. W. Daubenhiss, E. Frisble.

Gilroy—Thos. Feeny and wife.

Monterey—M. G. Todd, Mrs. G. Todd and three sons, J. Nodilo, R. McCreary and wife, Sol McCreary, P. Hazdovar, David McCreary, Julie McCreary.

San Mateo—J. Chanteloup, Ned Chanteloup.

Salinas—Mrs. C. Perry, F. H. Moore, Alice McFadden, W. F. Handley, Elsie Mignola, E. L. Sweet.

Hollister—Bernice Arbeliche, G. H. Branden and wife.

Paso Robles—J. H. Wallace and wife.

Los Angeles—H. Phillips, C. B. Greaves and wife.

San Jose—Mrs. H. W. Edwards, H. F. Carlson, Bernard Nyler, Bruce McDonald, Jr.

San Francisco—M. E. Bates, W. M. Farley, C. A. Cullum, Olive McDonald, J. G. Brady and wife, P. J. Kelley, A. Sutkamp.

*King City Rustler, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1923:*

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS OPEN FOR SEASON

Within the borders of our county, and since the advent of the auto-stage, distant from us but a few hours of comfortable travel through some of the most impressive and picturesque scenery in California, lie Tassajara Springs, famous for the wonderful curative properties of their natural mineral waters in which thousands have sought and found restoration to health and vigor.

Endowed with a delightful climate, this nook in the Santa Lucia Mountains, under the able direction of the proprietress, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, has been transformed into an ideal summer playground for the young and old of both sexes.

An immense open air swimming pool, constantly recharged with the waters of the Tassajara Creek, agreeably tempered from the hot sulphur springs, is always available to guests. There are mountain trails aplenty for the hiker, and horses for the less energetic. The dancing floor makes for enjoyable social evenings. Streams well stocked with several varieties of trout insure good sport for the anglers.

The table, that very important feature in making your vacation that enjoyable time you have pictured it, leaves nothing to be desired—everything the market affords is served daily in abundance—the Tassajara cuisine has a state-wide reputation. No formalities, just an atmosphere of pleasant comradeship that once experienced, will ever after linger a satisfying souvenir of your trip to Tassajara.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1923 (also in the 6/4/1923 Salinas Daily Index, as 'Many Improvements Noted at Tassajara'):*

## IMPROVEMENTS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Expansion and improvement is evidently the watchword of the management at Tassajara Hot Springs. Ten cozy new cottages are almost completed and will be ready for occupancy by June 5<sup>th</sup>, while in the Hotel Plaza an attractive "Bachelors' Bungalow" is being erected for the housing of parties of four or six desiring to spend as much of their playtime as possible together.

Fishing is at its best now. Few resorts can vie with Tassajara in the comfort and convenience with which this sport may be pursued; no long exhausting hikes over rough and steep trails are necessary as a well stocked stream flows by your door and limit catches are taken within sight of the Hotel. Under these ideal conditions it is a small wonder that many fisherwomen are successfully competing with the sterner sex and bringing in creditable baskets daily.

Guests are arriving in numbers that warrant the prediction of another highly successful season. Among recent registrations are:

San Francisco—Mrs. E. H. Briggs, Miss C. Bloke, J. Cotter, Edwin Merry, Billy Merry, J. J. Baumgartener, Mr. and Mrs. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tonkin.

Salinas—L. Wing, Jr., George McDougall, Harry Elasho, Max Wagner, Fred McCargar, W. F. Handley, F. A. McCollum, C. G. Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hughes, Anne McFadden, B. R. Hebborn.

Monterey—Ed Meagher, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Hellam, Jr., O. Guiterrez.

Santa Cruz—H. Goslinger, Winfred Harn, Mr. and Mrs. George P. Bowen, E. F. Abelar.

San Jose—Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Dorrance and Jack Dorrance, W. J. Edward, S. D. Farrington, Joe Howard.

Pacific Grove—J. C. Reade, Dr. L. E. Clay, Mrs. R. S. Murray, Ruth E. Murray, Dorothy Scranton, Elva G. Murray.

Watsonville—Mr. and Mrs. George R. McGrath, Chris Bosich, Aden J. Bryan, S. A. Leddy, Russel Thompson.

Winifred and Emma Robley, Corral de Tierra; J. R. Graham, Hollister; C. Lanini, Soledad; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Parker, Del Monte; Mrs. T. C. Taylor and Mrs. Henry Ellwig, Oakland; C. K. Van Ripper, Mrs. Helen Van Ripper and Miss Eliot Boke, Carmel, A. D. Storm, Aromas; C. A. Chamberlain, King City; Mrs. Karl Ellwig, Virginia City, Montana; Mrs. J. C. Vail and Iris Vail, Morristown, N. J.; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Gordon and Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bornig, San Mateo.

*Salinas Daily Index, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1923 (also in the 6/16/1923 Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs Has Many Guests'):*

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS IS POPULAR RESORT

Tassajara Hot Springs has taken a decided lead amongst the coast resorts this season; its many merits and natural charm making for

greater popularity each season. Holiday makers are flocking in in unprecedented numbers, over 130 being now domiciled in the hotel and newly completed annexes.

Fishermen are meeting with gratifying success, limit baskets being the rule and some unusually heavy fish occasionally taken; this is attributable to the constant restocking of the various streams by the management.

The road is in excellent condition and the delightful stage ride is enlivened by frequent glimpses of deer, singly and in groups, giving great promise for the huntsmen a little later.

Horseback and hiking parties find keen enjoyment in exploring the picturesque trails that radiate from the Springs.

The new jazz orchestra fills the dancing floor each evening rounding out the those perfect days for which Tassajara hold the palm.

Recent registrations are from:

San Francisco—Dr. A. F. Schafer and wife, Miss Ema Nixon, J. R. Fisher, Mrs. Schmitz, John Seegelken, Miss Helen Cowell, Mrs. N. S. Tiberson, Mrs. L. M. Layng, Miss C. M. Curtis, Aug Waldmier, Mrs. R. Lachmund, Fritz Lachmund, O. A. Haberdine and wife, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Gibspn, Mr. and Mrs. Lachmann and daughter, V. S. Walsh and wife, G. Haslett, W. J. Baumeister and wife, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Bacher and son John, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Holtz, Mrs. A. V. Cottell, Alex Kirkwood, E. F. O'Connor, G. M. Doyle, Jack Doyle, E. Wildhagen, L. Campigila and wife, R. Campigila, Lois Campigila, G. M. Nave and wife, Mrs. Hansen, Mrs. G. N. Petersen, A. Cuneo, Gladys E. Baxter, Dr. Geo. Rader wife and family, A. J. Donzel, Miss Fanny Johanson, Elsa Everding, and S. C. Hobson.

Oakland—W. R. Whitthorn and wife, Eva Whitthorne, Louis, F. E. Romie and wife and child, Frank Cliff, Frank Morrissey and W. W. Vaughn.

Salinas—Dr. R. Reeves and wife, Mrs. R. L. Hughes, Peter Cominos, F. Pinni, K. T. Romie and wife, Wayne Coffey, Alice McFadden, O. Thompson, W. F. Handley, J. G. Pedroni, wife and family, G. A. Rowling, Roy Lisk, Mrs. and Miss Josephine Decarli and Rodney Lisk.

Watsonville—Geo. W. Sill, Henry Peckham, J. Williamson, G. W. Connell, M. Forninsk, M. Novak, N. Duchich, A. Bets, Mrs. L. P. Chuta and daughter.

Monterey—O. Sullivan and L. Stuart.

San Jose—Mrs. A. L. Park, Henry A. Pfister, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. O'Brien, Betty O'Brien, E. T. McGehee, J. A. Seyfert, F. J. Waterhouse and wife.

W. D. Nielsen, Del Monte; Mrs. J. S. P. Satlock, Stantord; Mrs. W. J. Weathers, Virginia; D. O. Mills, Gonzales, W. L. Haynes, Marina; C. Chick, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bowen, San Mateo; Miss A. M. Sherhorne, London, Eng.; Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Rathbone, Burlingame; Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Scott, Hillsborough; W. M. Abbott and wife, Fresno; R. R. Thompson, Carmel; J. Edgerton, Carmel; Mr. and Mr. F. L. Oliver, Pacific Grove; Mrs. R. E. Dexter, Pacific Grove; Mrs. E. C. Rittenhouse, Santa Cruz; Mrs. C. A. Gebhardt, Santa Cruz.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1923 (this was published as an attachment to the *Pajaronian's* publication of the preceding article):

Geo. W. Sill, who has been spending the past week at Tassajara Springs, returned last night, full of "pep" and energy.

He reports a wonderful time at this resort, which is so popular with the Watsonville people, many of whom are enjoying their summer vacation there.

There are 125 guests at the Springs at the present time, including European royalty.

A child, in an hour and a half's time, can go out and bring in the limit of trout, which range in size from 9 to 12 inches.

The roads are in first-class condition, while the trails have been greatly improved by government engineers; one new trail, with bridges, having been recently completed in the Arroyo Seco, with bridges across the streams.

According to Mr. Sill, nine new cottages have been erected, in addition to the ten new four-room cottages that were built last year.

What is known as sand flat, he said, looks like a tented city and has been improved for the accommodation of what they are pleased to call the "rough necks," who prefer a tent to a cottage.

Mr. Sill says the water at the Springs is just as hot as ever, while the "eats" are just as fine and palatable as they have ever been.

Gasoline lights are strung along all the avenues and to the swimming tank, which at all times of the day is alive with bathers.

On his return home, he had the pleasure of viewing four does leisurely going along ahead of the stage at a distance of not over twenty feet—a sight that one seldom enjoys in the wilds.

At the Jeffery Hotel, at Salinas, he had the privilege of looking at four pictures taken in Pine Valley in the neighborhood of the Tassajara Springs, wherein are shown sixty-five deer feeding with a band of cattle. He says the country is literally alive with these beautiful animals, that are many times in evidence as the guests are engaged in whipping the streams for trout.

From the 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts' section, *San Francisco Chronicle*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

San Francisco—Dr. A. F. Schafer and wife, Miss Ema Nixon, J. R. Fisher, Mrs. Schmitz, John Seegelken, Miss Helen Cowell, Mrs. N. S. Tiberson, Mrs. L. M. Layng, Miss C. M. Curtis, Aug Waldmier, Mrs. R. Lachmund, Fritz Lachmund, O. A. Haberdine and wife, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Gibspp, Mr. and Mrs. Lachmann and daughter, V. S. Walsh and wife, G. Haslett, W. J. Baumeister and wife, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Bacher and son John, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Holtz, Mrs. A. V. Cottell, Alex Kirkwood, E. F. O'Connor, G. M. Doyle, Jack Doyle, E. Wildhagen, L. Campigila and wife, R. Campigila, Lois Campigila, G. M. Nave and wife, Mrs. Hansen, Mrs. G. N. Petersen, A. Cuneo, Gladys E. Baxter, Dr. Geo. Rader wife and family, A. J. Donzel, Miss Fanny Johannson, Elsa Everding, and S. C. Hobson.

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Monterey—O. Sullivan and L. Stuart.

San Jose—Mrs. A. L. Park, Henry A. Pfister, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. O'Brien, Betty O'Brien, E. T. McGehee, J. A. Seyfert, F. J. Waterhouse and wife.

W. D. Nielsen, Del Monte; Mrs. J. S. P. Satlock, Stantord; Mrs. W. J. Weathers, Virginia; D. O. Mills, Gonzales, W. L. Haynes, Marina; C. Chick, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Ed Bowen, San Mateo; Miss A. M. Sherhorne, London, Eng.; Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Rathbone, Burlingame; Mr. and Mrs. L. T. Scott, Hillsborough; W. M. Abbott and wife, Fresno; R. R. Thompson, Carmel; J. Edgerton, Carmel; Mr. and Mr. F. L. Oliver, Pacific Grove; Mrs. R. E. Dexter, Pacific Grove; Mrs. E. C. Rittenhouse, Santa Cruz; Mrs. C. A. Gebhardt, Santa Cruz.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

### TASSAJARA STAGES RESUME OPERATIONS

Tassajara Springs stages resumed operations today after being held up yesterday by freak weather in the Santa Lucia Mountain range. Heavy rains made the roads slippery, and the stages, after reaching Salinas under difficult driving conditions, feared to undertake the return trip.

Telephone messages from Jamesburg this morning stated that the rains subsided yesterday afternoon.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

### TASSAJARA

Forty-five miles south of Salinas, in a hollow of the Santa Lucia Mountains, the traveler finds Tassajara Hot Springs, a resort in the heart of the Monterey forests. The hotel, built of native sandstone, quarried on the spot, is supplemented by cottages and tent houses.

Tassajara has the special attraction of a natural vapor bath, the product of a boiling spring which forces its way up through the cold waters of the creek. A special bath house has been built for users of this vapor bath, and in addition there are mineral baths and two plunges.

The Tassajara waters contain in solution sulphur, iron, soda, magnesia and other minerals, resembling the famous hot springs of Arkansas. Their curative properties have been declared to be very high.

Towering mountains and forests cut off cold ocean winds and fogs, and outdoor life is always a pleasure.

Tassajara is surrounded by trout streams, stocked with steelhead, Loch Leven and rainbow trout. Deer may be hunted in season.

Tassajara is reached by automobile stage from Salinas, traveling through country of great beauty.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

### SALINAS SHIVERS AS TASSAJARA SUN SHINES

BY A VACTIONIST

While Salinas residents are shivering in the fog and the cool winds, visitors at Tassajara Springs are enjoying a succession of those balmy days and delightful evenings which make a vacation in that favored spot a thing to linger long in one's memory.

No clammy days or scorching breezes there, just one unbroken succession of cheering sunshine, which stimulates and invigorates its fortunate recipients and sends him or her home with renewed energies to again take up the "white man's burden" and the pursuit of the all mighty dollar.

At this writing there are about 140 guests at the Springs and the big open-air swimming pool is working overtime daily.

Fishing continues good, as trout are rising freely to the fly at this time of the year.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1923 (the guest list was also published in 7/10/23 *Salinas Daily Index*, as 'Over 170 Guests at Tassajara Springs'):

### BIG ATTENDANCE AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS ON JULY FOURTH

Upwards of 170 guests celebrated the Fourth of July at Tassajara Hot Springs, and participated in the patriotic exercises, parade, sports, water-carnival, dancing, etc., that went to make up a most enjoyable time.

From San Francisco—Sophie Winther, Furnia Davis, Alice B. Chase, C. Coughlan, Evelyn Kane, John Henry, Mrs. P. L. Giordano, Mr. and Mrs. W. Cahoon, Mr. and Mrs. J. McLean, G. W. Petersen, Byrol Carrick, B. G. Hansen, J. S. Adams, D. G. O'Keef, B. S. Johnson, N. C. Paft, Miss Martha Brady, J. W. Goetze, Miss C. M. Curtis, Mrs. L. M. Layng, Miss V. Sciaroni, Mrs. C. Sciaroni, Miss K. Sciaroni, Mrs. M. J. Weyant, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Atteridge, C. W. Wood, Bertha G. Havel, Mr. and Mrs. N. Schwartz, A. Scollira, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Roosi, Kate J. Cassidy, E. C. Gavlin, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Holohan and daughter, Mrs. A. McAllister.

Watsonville—P. J. Friermuth, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Friermuth and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. Enemark and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. M. Zurich, Lee Rogers, G. Zilich, R. Hill, J. Glag, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Mrs. S. P. Knego and daughter, Miss Helyn Thompson, Mrs. M. Hrepich, Anna Hrepich, Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Broderick, Mr. and Mrs. F. McFarlane, Mrs. G. W. Cornell, P. Zinanora, J. Stanovich, Mrs. E. E. Kelly, Inez Corda, E. J. Faul, S. K. Chapin, C. Abrahams, H. P. Kane, P. T. Stolich, Mrs. Hier, A. Armenta, M. Josovich.

Salinas—Al Wallace, W. F. Handley, Bernard Breschini, C. Miller, Frank McFadden, C. B. Rosendale, B. Rosich, Alice McFadden, Mrs. L. Nissen and son, C. O. Prouse, L. J. Piazzoni, Mrs. G. Oken, Bobly Oken, Mrs. S. F. White, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Porter and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Dutra, Mrs. M. J. Harkins and son, Mr. and Mrs. Hall and Inez Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Carl F. Menke.



Oakland—Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Kossler, Milton Mayer, E. McBeth, F. E. Romie, M. M. Klichan, K. G. Gofodnitch, Sarah Flynn, J. Hasfrich, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wray.

Santa Cruz—Arthur Chubb, J. P. Parker, J. A. Briggs, T. A. Parker, Cora Holloway, Mrs. Avison; Berkeley—W. A. Morris, L. R. Wilson, F. Walton; Gilroy—Matt Doran; San Lucas—Olive Harris, McKittrick, Mrs. W. Casey and Mamie Casey; San Jose—Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wycoff, Stella M. Herndon; Gonzales—Mrs. L. T. Herndon and John Herndon; Spreckels—Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Dios, Harold and Jennette Dios; Mayfield—Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Driscoll; Honolulu—M. S. Hamman; Los Angeles—Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Clark; Hollister—Ray Hamilton, E. A. Weller, Ann Daubenbiss; Carmel Highlands—O. L. Birkmaier and Ethel Birkmaier; Menlo Park—B. Sanhoe; San Rafael—J. G. Boyd; Ione—W. H. Aston; King City—C. Rogers, George Dudley.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

### BADLY HURT AT TASSAJARA

Falling from a foot-bridge at Tassajara Hot Springs this morning, little Reavis Winkler, 6 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Winkler, sustained a fractured skull. The little fellow was unconscious when found sometime afterward, but he regained his senses after being carried to the hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. Winkler and the boy had been guests at the Springs about ten days. Having their machine handy, the lad was brought to the Jim Bardin Hospital in this city without delay. He is under the care of Dr. Garth Parker. It is said his condition is not serious.

The bridge is one leading over the creek to the plunges. The distance of the fall is about five feet. The boy fell partially in water and struck his head on the rocks in the creek bed.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1923:

## TASSAJARA

### HOT SPRINGS, Monterey County

In the picturesque wilds of the Santa Lucia Range. Natural hot mineral water. Wonderful cures of Rheumatism, Kidney, Blood and Skin diseases. No tuberculars. New swimming tank and cottages. Fishing and hunting. The resort of good eats. Take 8 a. m. train at Third Street depot. Auto stage meets trains daily, except Sunday, at Salinas. Fifty pounds baggage. For reservations write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, owner, Tassajara Hot Springs, Cal. For folders see Peck-Judah and *Chronicle*.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1923:

### D. J. DALY HOME FROM TASSAJARA

D. J. Daly, of Daly Bros., this city, has returned from Tassajara Springs, where he has enjoyed a two weeks' outing. He returns from that popular resort very much enthused over the conditions that prevail there. Mr. Daly has gotten beyond the sentimental stage of life, but whether it was due to the rejuvenating qualities of the waters, or whether it can be attributed to his natural exuberance of spirit, matters not; he

came home full of enthusiasm.

He declares that the scenery is wild and beautiful, the fishing excellent and the deer plentiful, as he saw many of these beautiful monarchs of the forest during his absence.

The accommodations, he said, compare favorably with a metropolitan hotel, while Mrs. Quilty, the competent manager, uses great tact in seeing that everyone has had a good time, and is the spirit that leads in the way, offering entertainment to the 125 guests (from all over the world) that are at present assembled at that popular resort.

A representative number of Watsonville people are sojourning there and contribute not a little to the pleasure of the beautiful moonlight nights by presenting individual stunts for the delectation of the guests.

At a recent entertainment, "Speed" Miller, who officiated as manager, and Tommy Teddy, the French ballet dancer, popularized themselves by the jazz they put into the program.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1923 (also in the 8/20/1923 *Salinas Daily Index*, as 'Tassajara Springs More Popular This Year Than in Past'):

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS IS STILL MORE POPULAR

TASSAJARA, August 18.—The great and increasing popularity of Tassajara Hot Springs, located in our neighboring county of Monterey, is manifested in the steady volume of guests who have visited this wonderful health and pleasure resort this season. On several occasions the resources of the management have been taxed almost to the limit despite the fact that many new cottages and bungalows were erected in anticipation of this condition.

From every corner of California and from a dozen sister states, extending as far east as New York, sufferers have hied themselves there to benefit by the curative waters and baths, while hundreds of pleasure seekers have flocked in to enjoy the incomparable scenery and out-door life and sports.

Tassajara Hot Springs is one of the country's most valuable natural assets from an advertising stand point, in addition to being one of the loveliest most charmingly restful spots imaginable in which to spend a few weeks during the heated term, as the climate is most agree-able there just when it is usually more or less uncomfortable elsewhere.

Deer are fairly numerous, several fine bucks being frequently seen in the vicinity of the Hotel grounds.

Recent registrations:

Salinas—R. H. Bullene, Arnold Thomsen, Walter Wallace, W. J. Wallace, Carl Nielson, Ross Nissen, L. Nissen, W. F. Handley, T. P. Joy, A. G. Lafka and son, F. Cislini, N. Anderson, Ira Bailey, Iver Cornett, Josephine Decarli, Laura Bromley, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin, Alice McFadden, Adam Thompson, John E. Berges, R. Edwards, H. Henricks, Willis Towne.

Monterey—E. E. Littlejohn, Mrs. Walz, M. S. Perry, F. M. Drew, Willie Drew, J. M. Dalgarn, H. B. Schulte and wife, Marie Bernard, Mr. and Mrs. Lanzon and child.

San Francisco—Mrs. C. Hastings Darling, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Durfila, Clara S. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. F. K. Bishop, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Lewis, J. Dall, D. Ivelich, W. Weller, M. G. Bacour, C. Schraib, F. J. Harrison, E. Abel, J. C. Murray, P. Faschel, H. Lasalie, M. W. Tramont, C. S. Hoffman, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Purtell, H. M. Ripley, A. E. Sweetser, Mr. and Mrs. B. O'Mahoney, M. J. Manheim, Joe. Van, A. Steinberger, Miss G. Lathrop, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Bacon, George Flynn, R. Rizzo, Mae F. O'Keefe, Francis Arnold, A. Berges, T. Larkin, P. Mullen, B. N. Spence.

Oakland—Eva L. Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Linge, Senator Herdly, Mrs. G. Rinderneck, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Accardi, Elizabeth Rust, J. B. Meriaux;

San Jose—Mrs. O. Herold and sons, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Lander, S. Kolak, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Waterhouse, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Murphy, Clem Portal, De Witt Portal, Agnes Badour.

Santa Cruz—O. A. Moon, Mrs. H. Brostron, Mrs. F. N. Cusack.

Soledad—Mr. and Mrs. W. K. Head, Jr., Claude Miller, J. F. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. W. Johnson.

Antioch—B. Juett, Louise Juett and family.

Watsonville—L. S. Alexander, G. W. Sill, Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Wattera and family, L. B. Lettunich, J. Perks, M. Butler, Mrs. E. W. Hick land, Mr. and Mrs. A. Disowns, G. Pechora, J. Balch, P. Assist, G. Provodonich, C. Sambralio, J. Bakoch and son, E. B. Rilovich, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Peterson and son, Anna and Eleanor Stolich, A. A. Storey.

W. S. Prescott—San Juan; Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Littlefield and Marion Littlefields—Stockton; J. Veith—Hollister; T. Mattart—Gonzales; O. O. Mattern—Bakersfield; J. Dier—Fresno; W. Lambert Jr.—Jamesburg; Florence Polkin—Brooklyn N. Y.; James Coffey—Hollister; Catherine Nason—Los Angeles; Gladie Young—Sacramento; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Forsyth and daughter Ruth—Gilroy; Irene Soyer—Castroville; J. B. Davis and Elicia Davis—San Miguel; Tony Mines—Modesto; N. E. Dean—Courtland; C. M. Ryan—Pacific Grove; Mrs. P. W. Gregg and Carlotta Gregg—Pasadena; G. Johnson—Chualar.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

### RETURNS FROM SPRINGS

Mrs. Charles Gebhart has just returned from Tassajara Springs. She was there in June for treatments, not being in the best of health, and now has spent three weeks of August there.

The resort is such a home-like place that everybody is a part of one big family. When Mrs. Gebhart came away she was tendered a wonderful moonlight party. There were speeches, music and refreshments, over one hundred and forty joining in the affair.

Mrs. Gebhart is much improved in health, and is most enthusiastic over the benefits and pleasures of this mountain resort, with its beauties of nature and its fine management.

Many Santa Cruzans have come and gone during her two stays there, and others are expected. Miss Mabel Varozza is going up on Saturday, and F. A. Dille has reservation for Monday.

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, Sept. 6th, 1923:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS STILL HOLDS THE PALM FOR POPULARITY

The steady influx of guests to Tassajara Hot Springs shows no sign of abatement. At the present moment upwards of 130 persons are enjoying the hospitality of this wonderful resort, which will remain open until about October 15<sup>th</sup>.

The huge out-door cement swimming pool is daily crowded with a bevy of bathing beauties and members of the homlier sex. Professor Coffey (white) gives thrilling exhibitions each afternoon embracing fancy diving and every intricate style known to swimming fans. He is developing quietly a stroke of his own invention, a combination of the Kanaka under-slung reach and the Esquimaux crawl with which he expects to surprise the swimming world next season.

Deer are plentiful in the immediate neighborhood of the Springs.

On Monday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, the stage schedule will be changed and on and after that date stages will leave Salinas at 12:30, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, returning on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays in time to make connections with north and south bound trains from Salinas.

A trip to Tassajara at this season is a veritable revelation to the lover of California's natural beauties, the mountain scenery is a never ending source of delight and surprise as day by day the fingers of early fall wreak magical changes in harmonious coloring upon the foliage and shrubbery, lighting up every deep gorge and towering peak into a riot of loveliness.

Recent registrations are:

San Francisco—Lucy M. Campbell, Marie J. Fitzsimmons, G. Humphrey, Frances C. Arnoll, T. Lollier, P. Mullens, B. W. Spence, Anne Howard, P. P. Paschal, Andre Dessou-slavly, L. Shepp, F. F. Farina and mother, Dr. and Mrs. Geo. Rader, Mrs. N. Rader, Miss C. Rader, Miss I. Herlihy, O. Haire, Geo. J. Gallagher, Dan Ryan, Mr. arid Mrs. J. McGregor, Mrs. N. M. Ryley, A. Filly, W. Fitzgerald, Kathleen Fitz, T. G. Fitz, Mrs. Mary H. Fitz, Mr. and Mrs. W. Mogler and son, G. Welsh.

Oakland—Elizabeth E. Rust, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lund and son, C. B. Myers, J. Florence Moore, Mrs. C. Chambers.

San Jose—L. P. Coopers, Mrs. C. H. Farley, Christine Normann, Mrs. Hickman.

Los Angeles—Dr. Hayes Carling and mother, E. F. Jeffery and Misses Patricia and Madeline Jeffery, F. G. Armstrong and wife, E. S. Johnson, Myrtle Johnson, E. Happers-berger and wife.

Hollister—W. Hudner, Miss Hudner, W. McNamee, Rosemary McNamee, C. Paletti.

Salinas—Leona Hunter, Carl Neilsen, Ross Nissen, W. J. Towne, Judge David Wallace, Mrs. U. Evans, L. McKinney, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rossi, A. E. Costanza, E. C. Post, E. F. Wilder, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Melander, E. L. Kenville, W. F. Handley, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Irvine.

Watsonville—A. A. Storey, Mrs. J. Whalen, Mamie Whalen, N. Gluhan, Mrs. R. L.

Beiclsburt, Mrs. A. M. Skow, Mrs. Cady, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Waters, P. Secondo, J. E. Tavernetti, E. Skow, Mateo Lettunich, Mrs. E. Thihano, W. R. Lettunich.

Carmel—Mrs. P. K. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Doulton, Nora Birdseye.

San Juan—Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Landrum, Morse Landrum.

Monterey—W. H. McConnell, L. Drew, E. G. McMenamin, A. H. Parnell, A. W. Parnell.

Alameda—Florence M. Hill, L. Nora Hamlin.

Miss E. A. Leasens, New York; R. B. Foster, King City; J. D. Cochran, Gonzales; R. A. Olmstead, Pacific Grove; Mrs. J. E. Passallaigue, Charleston, S. C.

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, Sept. 11th, 1923:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS IS MOST BEAUTIFUL IN THE FALL

The grandest time in the mountains is in the fall, and Tassajara Springs is the place to enjoy yourself. Fall schedule of the stage is: Going in on Monday, Wednesday and Friday; Coming out on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Monterey Peninsula Daily Herald, Sept. 21st, 1923:

The climate and natural surroundings at Tassajara Springs are the most wonderful during the autumn. Why not spend a week or two at Tassajara? You will never know what enjoyment awaits you until you have tried it. The full stage schedule is now in effect as follows: Leaving Monterey every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Leaving Tassajara every Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.

Salinas Daily Index, Sept. 22nd, 1923:

## HARRISON FISHER IS GUEST AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Harrison Fisher, the famous American artist, whose work if familiar to all the magazine-reading public, is a guest at Tassajara Hot Springs. Mr. Fisher has added a few touches to the "Indian Maiden," painted by him on the rocks of "Sandstone Canyon" on one of his previous visits.

Salinas Daily Index, Sept. 25th, 1923:

## FALL STAGE SCHEDULE

Under the fall schedule stages will leave Salinas for Tassajara Springs Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, returning to Salinas Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays.

The fall of the year is the most wonderful time in the mountains. The Springs will remain open until the middle of October.

Salinas Daily Index, Sept. 26th, 1923:

## MANY FALL GUESTS ARE REGISTERED AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

By "MARCUS"

With the advent of the fall season, Tassajara Hot Springs takes on an added charm: days are somewhat cooler, lending an added zest to the activities of the lovers of the mountain trail and stream. The varied beauties of the foliage at this particular season are indescribable,

whole mountains magically changing almost overnight from the greens of midsummer to warm russets relived with soft grays and golden browns, the flaming scarlet, rose and mauves of the lesser shrubs sprinkled like living jewels between. Recent showers have packed the roads and put them in splendid condition to make the trip to this unique resort an occasion long to be remembered by the lover or health seeker.

The Springs will remain open until October 15<sup>th</sup>, after which date a force of workmen will at once commence many contemplated improvements scheduled for the 1924 season.

Recent registrations are:

New York—Harrison Fisher.

San Francisco—Judge T. Lemmon and wife, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Shafer, J. P. McCormack and wife, J. E. Powers, May L. Peters, A. F. Thedy, W. Docky, C. S. Miller, J. B. H. Varney, A. F. Varney and wife, H. Bruntsch, J. A. Kausche, J. H. Garry, A. W. Thompson, Mrs. C. T. Ryan, Miss E. Nixon, Mrs. E. F. Kellner, R. Kellner, J. B. Vanderhurst and wife, D. W. Montgomery and wife, Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Whitney, H. Kinread, Mr. and Mrs. W. Good-nell, Mr. and Mrs. F. Giernig, Mr. and Mrs. George R. Furnall, C. C. Carillen, L. M. Zimmerman.

Salinas—E. L. Sweet, E. E. Post, F. H. Post, H. F. Cozzens, wife and son, J. A. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Anderson, Mrs. Rose Nissen, Mrs. M. Silaci, Mrs. L. Jacob, D. Molinari, Mrs. M. Burke, Mrs. N. Lufgen, W. F. Handley, Alice E. Bingham, S. W. Wright.

Monterey—M. W. McMenamin, A. W. Parnell, A. C. Heidrick, Mrs. F. Massle, H. J. Mason, L. Goldstine, H. Steinagen and wife, W. L. Lee and wife, Mrs. M. Birks, Annette W. Lee, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Allen.

Santa Cruz—F. A. Gille, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Blohm, A. N. Nellor and wife, W. J. Stone and wife.

San Jose—M. S. Hickman, Mr. and Mrs. P. Kemitz, J. P. Coopers, Mrs. E. M. H. White, Miss Dorothy Simms, A. C. Holmes.

Sausalito—B. W. Leigh, wife and son, W. E. Dawson; Alameda—Clark Spence, H. W. Brunt and wife, Harrison F. Fisher; Los Angeles—Chas. Cheek; Sacramento—D. D. Pollock; Burlingame—Phillip Bach and wife, Mae E. Murphy, Jane Murphy; Del Monte—T. Lee and wife, Miss M. Lee; Modesto—Mr. and Mrs. John Lewis, Miss Lectora Nunes; Carmel—Mrs. Phil K. Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Doulton; Gonzales—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Reinheld; Coalinga—J. A. Meyers; Chualar—Matt Fiese; Pacines—Mrs. May Rowhson; Soledad—Miss Ivy Gilkey.

Salinas Daily Index, Oct. 17th, 1923:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS 1923 SEASON ENDS

By "MARCUS"

Tassajara Hot Springs closed for the 1923 season today after a most successful run of the usual five months duration.

Upwards of fifteen hundred guests registered during this period and enjoyed the hospitality of this unique resort whilst benefitting by its marvelous curative waters.

Tassajara Hot Springs holds a place pe-

cularly its own as one of the foremost assets of Monterey County; only a modest proportion of the guests this season were strictly local, to be exact just 256, the great majority coming from every corner of the state and Montana, New Jersey, Kentucky, Virginia, Nevada, Massachusetts and New York; the foreign countries represented were Great Britain and the Sandwich [Hawaiian] Islands.

This means that every one of these strangers visited and spent some time, at least twice, in our county seat and had an opportunity to see the possibilities and enjoy the beauties of the Salinas Valley.

Too much credit cannot be accorded the management of the Springs for the unflagging efforts that have brought about such desirable results.

A force of men experienced in the handling of rock and road building equipped with a modern compressed air drilling outfit will start work immediately on the grounds adjacent to the hotel and on the mountain road, which means that travel into Tassajara will be almost revolutionized before the commencement of the 1924 season.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Nov. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1923 (also in the 12/7/1923 *King City Rustler*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs Scene of Much Activity):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS IS BEING IMPROVED

By "MARCUS"

Taking advantage of the unprecedented fine fall weather, the management of Tassajara Hot Springs has, since the closing of the season, been busily engaged in making numerous changes and improvements looking toward the constantly increasing volume of patronage which this popular resort has enjoyed for many years in the past.

Ornamental fences of a substantial nature are being erected in many localities hitherto more or less unguarded, garages are under construction, work has commenced on the installation of an electric lighting plant which in addition to thoroughly lighting the hotel and new bungalows, will illuminate the entire grounds, dancing floor, open air swimming pool, camping site, plunges, etc., and furnish power for running electric fans in the large dining room.

Habitues of the Springs will welcome the news that in the future the domestic animals are to be located across the creek at some distance from the buildings.

A force of men are at work on the mountain road blasting off points and sharp turns, widening and reinforcing narrow spots, and leveling the roadbed where necessary.

Few California summer resorts are as lavishly favored by nature as Tassajara Hot Springs, or owned by as progressive and far-sighted proprietress as Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, whose slogan is "Every season make them better and better."

*Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1923:

### FOUR INCHES OF SNOW REPORTED AT TASSAJARA

Tassajara Springs, located in the Santa Lucia

Range, southwest of Salinas, is practically snowbound, according to W. D. Evans, who has just returned from that resort after an absence of several days. Evans says the mountains and roads are covered with snow and that there is four inches at the summit. Extremely cold weather conditions prevail.

Evans' trip was made for the purpose of wiring the buildings and the gardens and woods surrounding the Springs. All will be brilliantly illuminated nightly at the opening of the coming spring and summer season, converting the place into a veritable Garden of Eden. All roads are being widened, Evans states, for the convenience of auto traffic, and other improvements are in contemplation.

The electrician, however, does not advise anyone to attempt to make the trip during the prevailing frigid weather, on account of dangers that lurk on the roadways. While coming out Evans was compelled to stop and the water pump on his car froze. He was unable to start the engine again until after he built a fire under car. Other difficulties were encountered. Ascending and descending the mountain grades his non-skid chains picked up the snow, which froze and caused the car to become almost unmanageable. Evans thought that several times the car would slide back off the grade.

The prevalence of snow has made feed scarce in the mountains, says Evans, with the result that deer are faring badly. Mrs. C. W. Quilty, proprietress of the Springs, is feeding twenty of the animals, which sought refuge at the Springs, on alfalfa hay.

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*Salinas Daily Index*, Jan. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

### STAGE LINE PERMIT GRANTED TO LOCAL MEN

The State Railroad Commission has granted the application of J. K. Vanderhurst and E. K. Duda of this city for permission to operate an auto stage line between Salinas and Tassajara Springs during the summer season. The line will carry passengers, freight and express.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

WANTED—Responsible man and wife to work at Tassajara Hot Springs. For particulars see GEO. W. SILL, Watsonville.

From the 'People You Know' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Mrs. John Thompson, and Pete Hansen of Tassajara were in town today. They report heavy rains in that vicinity and two feet of snow on the summit.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

### MOTORISTS ENCOUNTER SNOW

Special Dispatch to The *Chronicle*.

SALINAS, April 6.—Motorists returning from Tassajara Springs yesterday reported two feet of snow at the highest point in the road over the Santa Lucia Mountains.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1924:

### TASSAJARA WILL PRESENT MANY ATTRACTIONS

Tassajara Hot Springs, located in the heart of the majestic Santa Lucia Mountains, will re-open for the 1924 season on Monday, May 5. By that time the work of remaking the scenic mountain road will be completed—outstanding points blow off, sharp curves straightened and roadbed leveled.

No more delightful spot can be conceived for an outing of a few weeks or even days. Freshness is everywhere—upon the myriad of wild blossoms, the endless variety of mountain shrubbery and plant life, the sparkling streams, the tender green of stately pines, noble oaks, madrones, maples and the host of other trees that clothe the surrounding slopes.

The wonderful climate rests and recuperates, the natural mineral baths and swimming pool refresh and stimulate, until you return from Tassajara with energy renewed and a fresh grip on your physical wellbeing for another year's tussle with business.

#### New Trail Open

A new trail has been built over the falls on the left fork, making several miles of attractive country accessible. Local game birds and animals have thriven exceptionally during the mild winter, mountain quail and deer being more in evidence than for several seasons past.

The daily two-way stage service from Salinas will be revolutionized this season. Kenneth Vanderhurst, proprietor of the new line, has put into commission two new Packard twin sixes fully equipped with shock absorbers. Vanderhurst is one of the most expert drivers on the coast, and, with his fine outfit, the maximum of safety and comfort is assured during the entire delightful drive through some of the most romantic scenery California has to offer.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS WILL OPEN FOR THIS SEASON ON MAY 5<sup>th</sup>

Tassajara Hot Springs, queen of Monterey County's health and pleasure resorts, opens for the 1924 season on Monday, May 5. Throughout the past winter, much work has been done to improve the road into this lovely mountain retreat, abrupt curves straightened, the more outstanding points removed or modified, and the roadbed generally leveled up.

No more delightful spot can be conceived for an outing of a few weeks or even days. Freshness is everywhere. Upon the myriad of wild mountain shrubbery and plant life, the sparkling streams, the tender green of stately pines, noble oaks, madrones, maples and the host of other trees that clothe the surrounding slopes. The wonderful climate rests and recuperates, the natural mineral baths and swimming pool refresh and stimulate, until you return from Tassajara with energy renewed and a fresh grip on your physical wellbeing for another year's tussle with business.

The policy of the management to constantly improve and bring the Springs strictly up to

date is evidenced in a new electric light plant, serving the entire grounds and buildings, and the erection of adequate shelter for privately owned cars.

Mountain trails have been cleared and new ones opened, giving easy access to several miles of country hitherto somewhat inaccessible.

The mild season was particularly favorable to the wild game, and both deer and mountain quail are reported unusually numerous and to be encountered daily in the neighborhood of the hotel.

The excellence of the cuisine will be maintained as heretofore.

Auto stage service between Salinas and Tassajara Hot Springs will be conducted by Kenneth Vanderhurst, new proprietor of the line and one of the most expert drivers in the State. Two roomy, comfortable twin six Packard cars will make the daily run in and out, and this new equipment will contribute materially to the enjoyment of one of the most grandly picturesque rides in California.

*Salinas Daily Index, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1924 (also in the 4/28/1924  
Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, as 'Tassajara Hot  
Springs Will Re-Open May 5')*

### **TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS OPEN MONDAY, MAY 5<sup>th</sup>, 1924**

The hot mineral springs at Tassajara have yielded wonderful results in hundreds of cases of rheumatism, kidney, liver and skin diseases. Excellent table. Good beds. Huge outdoor swimming pool (bring along your bathing suit). Electrically lighted throughout. Orchestra and dance floor. Auto stages leave Salinas Daily except Sundays at 12:30 p. m., returning in ample time to connect with south bound trains at 11:28 p. m. and north bound trains at 3:45 p. m.

For further information apply at this office or write to Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs. For stage information phone Hotel Jeffery, Salinas.

*Salinas Daily Index, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1924 (also in the 5/12/1924  
Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, as 'Tassajara Now Lit Up  
By An Electric Plant')*

### **TASSAJARA NOW IS LIGHTED BY ELECTRICITY**

Residents of the Santa Lucia Mountain section, southwest of here, as well as those traveling through the mountains, thought they were witnessing a rare phenomenon last night when Tassajara Springs was illuminated for the first time by electricity. When the "juice" was switched on more than 1000 incandescent lamps sent up a blaze of light that from a distance looked like a huge ball of fire, surrounded by an arc, and many mistook it for that wonderful natural display, the aurora borealis, or northern lights, witnessed here only occasionally, but more common in northern latitudes. The effect is said to have been very pretty.

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, proprietress of the Springs, has recently had the lighting system installed at an expense of more than \$5000. The plant consists of a generator set operated by a 35 horsepower gasoline engine, as well as

a storage battery system. On its initial trial it was found to work perfectly. A wiring system conveys the juice to the buildings as well as the surroundings, all of which are made brilliant at night by hundreds of powerful lamps.

At present there are a large number of guests at the Springs and all are having a splendid good time. The roads are in first-class condition and it is expected the summer rush will soon commence.

The water in the hot springs this year is said to be the hottest in the history of the resort, a phenomena that no one can explain.

Owing to hoof and mouth restrictions, trout fishing at the Springs is taboo, but guests find plenty of other ways of amusing themselves and passing the time agreeably.

*Salinas Daily Index, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1924:*

### **PROTECTIVE RULES ARE OBSERVED AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

The various ordinances of the Board of Supervisors and the requests of the County Live Stock Inspector are being religiously lived up to at Tassajara Hot Springs. Notices prohibiting fishing meet the eye at every approach to the creeks and a personal appeal is made by Mrs. Quilty, the proprietress, to each would be angler to wait with what patience he or she can command until the present ban has been lifted.

The dairymen farmers of the state are not alone in their losses through the epidemic, those far sighted and conscientious business men and women who are cooperating with them and the authorities in the effort to save Monterey County from the scourge are sustaining daily a very considerable pecuniary loss and not the least of these is the management of Tassajara Hot Springs.

One is constantly impressed upon arrival with the changes wrought by present conditions. In former seasons the hotel fairly bristled with fish poles of every conceivable make and condition and a comparison of catches was a part of the daily program; many a startling fish story with no greater foundation than a lively imagination resulted from these conferences. For the present, this is all changed and the more active among the visitors work off their surplus energies in hiking up the grade or on the nearby trails, solacing themselves with the hope of a return to normal conditions within a reasonable time.

Registrations to date are as follows:

Salinas—W. S. Frolli, I. C. Bailey, F. W. Hess, H. L. Linder, H. Moller, C. H. Hart, W. Coffee, W. D. Evans, Geo. Lacey, A. J. McNab, Mrs. Annie Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Vanderhurst, Estelle Brown, Vina Richards, W. F. Handley.

San Francisco—Chas. Carillon, Mr. and Mrs. Strech, A. Yobin, W. F. Dockrey, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Schafer, Mary G. Fleming, J. J. Baumgartner, M. Clements, R. M. Ripley, W. W. Hanscom, G. O. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. M. Desin, J. P. W. Greenhill, Florence Smith, C. F. Hagman, C. M. Madden.

Oakland—L. S. Kerefoot, Jas. Kerefoot, J. J. Van Loeber Sels, J. Jean Van Loeber Sels, M.

Meyer; Monterey—J. J. Westfall, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hellam and baby; Watsonville—Geo. Freiermuth, Jas. J. Enemark, Geo. W. Kingsbury, S. G. Dahl, H. Belser; San Jose—Mrs. H. W. Edwards, Mrs. W. J. Edwards, Henry W. Edwards; Carmel—Miss Edith Cartledge, A. B. Boyd; Pacific Grove—C. K. Johnston. Florence Sawyer; Hollister—J. Coffee, F. B. French, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Schultz; Cupertino—Mrs. C. D. Bambauer; King City—C. A. Chamberlain; Del Monte—N. Head; Santa Cruz—H. Cosliner; London, Eng.—Helen Tremper; Detroit, Mich.—Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Stackpole; Palo Alto—Dracilla Gibson.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1924:*

### **SEASON AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS NOW ON IN FULL SWING**

The 1924 season at Tassajara Hot Springs is on and gives promise of equaling, if not surpassing, any of its predecessors. In addition to the usual heavy local patronage, the bay cities have, during the past few years, discovered its many appealing qualities and the influx from these northern districts is expected to be heavy.

The usual activities prevail, with the exception of fishing, which is taboo until the foot and mouth epidemic is under better control.

The streams in the vicinity of the Springs were heavily stocked last season, and trout of several varieties are plentiful and of good size, giving promise of excellent sport as soon as the ban is removed.

Space on the dancing floor has been doubled, a new and complete electric lighting system installed, and the huge out-door swimming pool, with its tempered water, is available at all times.

The mountain trails are now at their loveliest and richly reward the hiking or horseback parties who follow them into the Santa Lucia fastness.

The same high standard of excellence is maintained in the cuisine, and expert male and female masseurs are always in attendance at the wonderful natural hot mineral baths.

The new "twin-six" motor stages carry you through the unequalled mountain scenery, with the maximum of comfort and security.

Registrations to date are as follows:

San Francisco—Chas. Carillon, Mr. and Mrs. Strech, A. Yobin, W. F. Dockrey, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Schafer, Mary G. Fleming, J. J. Baumgartner, M. Clements, R. M. Ripley, W. W. Hanscom, G. O. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. M. Desin, J. P. W. Greenhill, Florence Smith, C. F. Hagman, C. M. Madden.

Salinas—W. S. Frolli, I. C. Bailey, F. W. Hess, H. L. Linder, H. Moller, C. H. Hart, W. Coffee, W. D. Evans, Geo. Lacey, A. J. McNab, Mrs. Annie Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Vanderhurst, Estelle Brown, Vina Richards, W. F. Handley.

Watsonville—Geo. Freiermuth, Jas. J. Enemark, Geo. W. Kingsbury, S. G. Dahl, H. Belser; Oakland—L. S. Kerefoot, Jas. Kerefoot, J. J. Van Loeber Sels, J. Jean Van Loeber Sels, M. Meyer; Monterey—J. J. Westfall, Mr.

and Mrs. F. W. Hellam and baby; Carmel—Miss Edith Cartledge, A. B. Boyd; Pacific Grove—C. K. Johnston, Florence Sawyer; San Jose—Mrs. H. W. Edwards, Mrs. W. J. Edwards, Henry W. Edwards; Hollister—J. Coffee, F. B. French, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Schultz; Cupertino—Mrs. C. D. Bambauer; King City—C. A. Chamberlain; Del Monte—N. Head; Santa Cruz—H. Cosliner; London, Eng.—Helen Tremper; Detroit, Mich.—Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Stackpole.

From 'Spreckles Notes,' *Salinas Daily Index*, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

Miss Elizabeth Ulrickson will leave shortly for Tassajara Hot Springs, where she has accepted a position in the hotel office for the summer season.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Chas. Carillon, Mr. and Mrs. Strech, A. Yobin, W. F. Dockrey, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Schafer, Mary G. Fleming, J. J. Baumgartner, M. Clements, R. M. Ripley, W. W. Hanscom, G. O. Wheeler, Mr. and Mrs. M. Desin, J. P. W. Greenhill, Florence Smith, C. F. Hagman.

From Oakland—L. S. Kerefoot, Jas. Kerefoot, J. J. Van Loeber Sels, J. Jean Van Loeber Sels, M. Meyer.

From San Jose—Mrs. H. W. Edwards, Mrs. W. J. Edwards, Henry W. Edwards.

From Hollister—J. Coffee, F. B. French, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Schultz.

From Watsonville—Geo. Freiermuth, Jas. J. Enemark, Geo. W. Kingsbury, S. G. Dahl, H. Belser.

From Salinas—W. S. Frolli, I. C. Bailey, F. W. Hess, H. L. Linder, H. Moller, C. H. Hart, W. Coffee, W. D. Evans, Geo. Lacey, A. J. McNab, Mrs. Annie Sorenson, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Vanderhurst, Estelle Brown, Vina Richards, W. F. Handley.

From other places—J. J. Westfall, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hellam and baby, Monterey; Miss Edith Cartledge, A. B. Boyd, Carmel; C. K. Johnston, Florence Sawyer, Pacific Grove; C. D. Bambauer, Cupertino; C. A. Chamberlain, King City; N. Head, Del Monte; H. Cosliner, Santa Cruz, Helen Tremper, London, Eng.; Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Stackpole, Detroit, Mich.; Dracilla Gibson, Palo Alto.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1924 (also in the 6/5/1924 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs is Rapidly Filling Up With Visitors');

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS IS POPULAR RESORT

By "MARCUS"

About eighty guests are at present enjoying the hospitality of Tassajara Hot Springs and this number will be shortly greatly augmented upon the commencement of the usual vacation season. An unusually large percentage are registered from San Francisco and the bay cities, these visitors reveling in the genial warmth and absence of fog which makes the climate of the Springs so delightful.

The out-door swimming pool is a star feature

and each afternoon it is the rendezvous of a jolly crowd of bathing beauties and diving experts.

The dancing floor, increased to twice its original capacity, comes in for a full share of attention during the cooler hours of the evening.

The installation of cold showers in the natural vapor bath is a welcome addition.

Many privately owned cars are dropping in as these wonderful springs become more widely known.

The new twin-six Packard stages receive much favorable comment on their increased comfort and smooth riding qualities which add materially to the enjoyment of the trip.

Just now the attractiveness of a ride through the Santa Lucia's is enhanced by the profuse blooming of the mountain lilac [probably *Ceanothus integerrimus*, Deer Brush] which clothes the hillsides with billows of snowy white of an unbelievable delicacy and fragrance; the laurels have an added beauty of new foliage and the oaks tipped with dainty leaflets of old rose and browns are a continual feast for the observant traveler.

Then, at last, Tassajara itself appears below, its galaxy of electric lights twinkling among the tree tops like a variable fairyland tucked away amid the crags and peaks.

Registrations of recent date are:

San Francisco—J. P. W. Greenhill, V. W. Greenhill, Florence Smith, G. F. Hagman, C. M. Madden, J. O. Winks, Fred Petersen, Mrs. Madden, G. M. Casar, Dr. E. Shelley and family, W. F. Baumeister and family, J. A. Rutherford, Mr. and Mrs. Van Wyck, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Cutler, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Lewis, Molly Crawford, Katherine Burd, J. Cotter, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gasilem, Mr. and Mrs. F. Palmer, C. R. Holton, Sam F. Cohn, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Gibson, Mrs. Clara Bowen, Edith Bowen, Mr. and Mrs. T. Bowen, Mrs. L. May.

Oakland—C. S. Myrick, J. T. Cavagnari, C. H. Cavagnari, Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Homer Kessling, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Pabst, Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Lanfer.

Berkeley—W. F. Jordan, E. E. Chamberlain, E. G. Whitman and son.

Salinas—Ira C. Bailey, Mrs. J. K. Vanderhurst, L. Bordges, A. G. Howell, Cleon A. Tynan, H. A. Henricks, T. J. Leland, W. F. Handley.

Monterey—J. J. Westfall, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hellam and child, Mr. and Mrs. J. N. Cox, Jack Dalgren, M. W. McMenamin, H. V. McMenamin, Gail L. Chandler, C. Alvin Metz. Watsonville—John H. Thompson, J. Stanley Thompson, C. Bozich, F. P. Marinovich.

Spreckels—Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Pioda, Uarcisse P. Igleheart and daughters, Alma Juhler, Elizabeth Ulricksen.

Carmel—Rev. and Mrs. G. M. Dorwart and son, H. D. Comings.

Pacific Grove—Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Hurton, Mr. and Mrs. D. Walsh, Mrs. F. L. Oliver.

From other points—J. E. Lynn, Redwood City; T. A. Carroll, Spokane; J. Chanteloup, Eloi Chanteloup, San Mateo; J. H. North, New York; Hazel Degarmin, Tres Pinos; Chas. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Miller, Hollister; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fantezia, Modesto; Mrs. Fessen-

den, San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Segur, Los Altos.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1924:

### TASSAJARA

In the heart of the Monterey mountains, forty-five miles south of Salinas, is Tassajara Hot Springs, famed for its natural vapor and mineral baths. The latter are said to be of high curative value. The baths are in an especially built house, adjacent to plunge cooled by mountain spring water.

The hotel is constructed of native sandstone quarried on the spot. Cottages and tents take care of those who want more privacy.

Tassajara is located in a wonderful valley which is protected from cold ocean winds by towering mountains and deep forests.

Trout fishing is one of the leading attractions. Auto stages reach Tassajara from Salinas, traversing country of great scenic beauty.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1924 (also in the 6/23/1924 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs Enjoying a Lively Season at Present');

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS DRAWS MANY

The vacation season is on in earnest at Tassajara Hot Springs; two of the new Packard stages being required almost daily to make the double trip in order to accommodate the patrons who are now literally flocking into this popular resort.

The usual goodly number of local guests are here, as well as a host of folks from San Francisco and the bay cities. Cities as far away as New York and Chicago are also represented.

As a result of the efforts of the management to assist the authorities in every manner possible while the foot and mouth disease was a real menace to our cattlemen, it was decided that for the first time in many years there should be no official celebration on July Fourth at Tassajara; the lifting of the quarantine comes too late for this decision to be changed, but, judging by the inquiries and reservation that have been received for that date it looks as if the crowd will be as large as usual and jolly good time enjoyed by everyone as heretofore.

Weather conditions are delightful, genial sunny days without excessive heat, and balmy evenings such as are rarely found outside this much-favored spot.

Improvements on the mountain road have been actively pushed during the past few weeks and it is now in splendid shape for the remainder of the season.

The more recent registrations are:

San Francisco—E. C. Williams, John Neves, F. G. Sweeney, Byron Dyke, J. O. Winks, C. A. Patterson, Dr. E. Skelly and family, Dan Welch, Mr. and Mrs. John Mullen, Miss T. Sterling, L. Montpeller, J. R. Finia, Mrs. L. Goetting and daughter, L. C. Abbott, A. Kettleson, A. Grossman, Beatrice Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Klein, Mr. and Mrs. M. Rukin, Wm. Flynn, Mrs. Alice Brown, W. C. Glover, Mrs. J. J. Kavanaugh and son, Ralph Campiglia, Mr. and Mrs. H. Byron, Mrs. C. C. Giberson.

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Watsonville—Sam C. Sprague, Geo. A. Sill, Stasia Sill, E. M. Peterson, wife and son, Mr. and Mrs. George Freiermuth and child, James E. Enemark, Mr. and Mrs. T. Soto, Adelia Taffender, M. Cranich, P. S. Knego and daughter, C. Locatelli, Irma Sick, Dr. F. H. Koopke, G. S. Cholovich, C. Sandberg, J. Oncevich, Mr. and Mrs. Bachan, Catherine Bachan, Lester Driscoll, and Geo. W. Sill.

Salinas—Mr. and Mrs. William Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, W. J. Wallace, E. E. Post, C. A. Jeffery, Lewis D. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Bullene, Maybell S. Eager, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rossi, Margie Rossi, Mrs. H. Happ, Lena Arcotti, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rasmussen, Dorothy M. Rasmussen, Frank E. Silva, H. Johnson, Anna McFadden, S. Francis White, Chris Moller, Mrs. A. Church, A. P. Cominos, C. A. Jeffery, Anne D. Pedersen, Martha N. Pedersen, Mary C. Bushard, R. C. Cramer, Adeline Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Meyers and child, Mrs. J. Bordges, Mrs. C. Conner, Mrs. V. B. Imlay, J. A. Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Emery, Jr., Mrs. Cora Brady, Merle Tomassini, W. F. Handley.

Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. Grant Towle, B. H. Schulte and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Brown and child, O. Nicholson, Lorine Duarte, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hellam and baby.

Pacific Grove—A. Carpenter, Mary K. Matheu, O. N. Jameson and wife; Castroville—Cato Phillips, George Lyons; San Jose—Henry A. Pfister, C. M. O'Brien, C. M. O'Brien, Jr.; Gilroy Hot Springs—W. C.

Downey, E. A. McDonald; Berkeley—Ralph P. Anderson, Evelyn Stroud, Robert Edgar; Carmel—J. K. Turner, Mrs. R. K. Turner, Mrs. O. Turner, Bryant Guernsey; Oakland—Wm. Yungblut, Mr. and Mrs. Roy A. Price; Redwood City—Mr. and Mrs. J. Shephard, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rogers, G. M. Libbey; Santa Cruz—Mrs. Belle Lindsay, Miss June Lindsay; Hollister—Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dotta, S. D. Pedrazai; Richmond—W. E. Carey; Moss Landing—Wm. Sandholdt; San Luis Obispo—Mr. and Mrs. G. Beck; Del Monte—Thomas H. Lee; Soledad—E. Lanini, John Marci; New York—J. H. North; Spreckels—Rose Rhyner, Agnes Johanson; Chicago—Mrs. H. L. Huffaker; King City—C. Rogers, P. Massoi; Fresno—Mrs. A. Mattel, Mrs. John Fairweather; Gonzales—Raymond Rianda; Burlingame—Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kingsbury.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, June 29th, 1924:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—E. C. Williams, John Neves, F. G. Sweeney, Byron Dyke, J. O. Winks, C. A. Patterson, Dr. E. Skelly and family, Dan Welch, Mr. and Mrs. John Mullen, Miss T. Sterling, L. Montpeller, J. R. Finia, Mrs. L. Goetting and daughter, L. C. Abbott, A. Kettleson, A. Grossman, Beatrice Leach, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Klein, Mr. and Mrs. M. Rukin, Wm. Flynn, Mrs. Alice Brown, W. C. Glover, Mrs. J. J. Kavanaugh and son, Ralph

Campiglia, Mr. and Mrs. H. Byron, Mrs. C. C. Giberson.

Salinas—Mr. and Mrs. William Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, W. J. Wallace, E. E. Post, C. A. Jeffery, Lewis D. Grant, Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Bullene, Maybell S. Eager, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rossi, Margie Rossi, Mrs. H. Happ, Lena Arcotti, Mr. and Mrs. H. Rasmussen, Dorothy M. Rasmussen, Frank E. Silva, H. Johnson, Anna McFadden, S. Francis White, Chris Moller, Mrs. A. Church, A. P. Cominos, C. A. Jeffery, Anne D. Pedersen, Martha N. Pedersen, Mary C. Bushard, R. C. Cramer, Adeline Hutchins, Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Meyers and child, Mrs. J. Bordges, Mrs. C. Conner, Mrs. V. B. Imlay, J. A. Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Emery, Jr., J. A. Jeffery, Mrs. Cora Brady, Merle Tomassini, W. F. Handley.

Watsonville—Sam C. Sprague, Geo. A. Sill, Stasia Sill, E. M. Peterson, wife and son, Mr. and Mrs. George Freiermuth and child, James E. Enemark, Mr. and Mrs. T. Soto, Adelia Taffender, M. Cranich, P. S. Knego and daughter, C. Locatelli, Irma Sick, Dr. F. H. Koopke, G. S. Cholovich, C. Sandberg, J. Oncevich, Mr. and Mrs. Bachan, Catherine Bachan, Lester Driscoll.

Redwood City—Mr. and Mrs. J. Shephard, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Rogers, G. M. Libbey.

Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. Grant Towle, B. H. Schulte and family, Mr. and Mrs. M. Brown and child, O. Nicholson, Lorine Duarte, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Hellam and baby.

Oakland—Wm. Yungblut, Mr. and Mrs. Roy



# Tassajara Hot Springs

Monterey County California



Open from May first until  
October 15th of each year

## Location

Tassajara Hot Springs is located in Monterey County, 47 miles south of the city of Salinas, at an elevation of 1500 feet above the sea level, in a beautiful hollow of the Santa Lucia Mountains, which are covered with a rich growth of maple, sycamore, oak, pine, and madrone trees.



Tassajara Hot Springs Sandstone Hotel

The hotel which is of sandstone construction contains 40 guest rooms beside parlors and writing room. An Annex and 20 cottages of from one to four rooms each, furnish ample accommodations for 200 guests. Electric lights in every room and throughout the grounds.

Tassajara Hot Springs is noted for the excellence of its table—all meats being grown and killed on the property, and an abundance of fresh milk and vegetables served. No housekeeping or camping privileges allowed.

## Climate

While only eight miles on an air line from the ocean, towering mountains and forests cut off cold winds and shut out the slightest trace of fog, thus making outdoor life a constant delight to the guests. The evenings are so balmy as to seldom make a wrap necessary.

## Wearing Apparel

Guests here usually dress for comfort. Light summer weight fabrics are suggested for both young and old. A sweater or wrap are sometimes necessary in the evenings. If you are a hiker bring your heavy footwear and the khakis.

## Stage Ride

Not the least attractive feature is the wonderful ride from Salinas over well kept mountain roads, in comfortable, roomy Auto-Stages, through a country replete with scenic beauty and charm.

Stage meets train leaving San Francisco at 8 a. m. Also from Los Angeles. Fare, each way \$5.00, 50 lbs. baggage free to guests. Trunks, from 75c to \$2.00 each.

For summer round trip rates apply to your local Railroad Agent. No stage on Sunday.

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## Tassajara Hot Springs Waters

The Waters which are used for drinking and bathing, contain in solution sulphur, iron, soda magnesia and other minerals. In this respect the waters resemble those of the famous Hot Springs of Arkansas.

The cause of the marvelous medicinal effects is a debated question among chemists and reputable physicians, but it is an accepted theory that their curative properties lie in their great natural heat. Tassajara waters are almost 160 F.

In many forms of chronic diseases especially, their effects are little short of marvelous. The copious perspiration which the hot bath produces, is a channel in itself which carries off waste matter injurious to health. This is particularly true of kidney troubles, as the system is completely flushed every day, and drinking the water seems to have a marked effect on gall stones, kidney stones and gravel by dissolving and expelling them from the system.

The waters cure or greatly relieve Rheumatism, Gout, Dropsy, Malaria, Paralysis, Liver and Stomach Disorders. Aside from the medicinal qualities possessed by these waters they are cosmetic in their action upon the skin, making it soft, clear and velvety, and not susceptible to tan or sunburn.

### ANALYSIS OF SULPHUR SPRINGS

The remarkable analysis follows:  
10 5-6 Grains Mineral Constituent to the gallon, analyzed in hundredths, as follows:

Sulphate of Soda.....	15.04
Sulphate of Magnesia.....	13.17
Sulphate of Lythia.....	3.10
Silica.....	8.50
Carbonic Acid.....	22.45
Potash.....	1.45
Sulphuric Acid.....	2.41
Hydrogen and Sulphur.....	21.00
Alumina.....	3.87
Sesqui Oxide Iron.....	7.08
Iodide.....	.71
Arsenious Acid.....	1.08
Bromide.....	.09
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>100.00</b>



Tassajara Bath House—Natural Vapor Bath

## The Baths

Two commodious sanitary bath houses consisting of fourteen private bath rooms equipped with porcelain or sunken tile tubs and cold showers furnish unlimited accommodations.

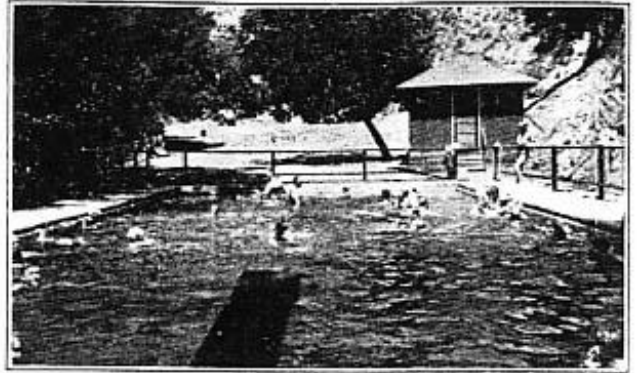
Two large plunges (concrete) one for men, the other for women are filled daily with the waters of the hot mineral springs; mountain creek water supplies the showers for both.

There is also a natural steam bath whose medicinal and curative properties are very wonderful.

Experienced Masseur and Masseuse always in attendance at the baths.

## Swimming Pool

With its sixty feet of length, and depth varying from three to eight feet, all California does not boast a finer Swimming Pool than that at Tassajara. Fed unceasingly by the clear mountain waters of Tassajara Creek, blended to an agreeable temperature with those from the Hot Springs. There is ample dressing room accommodation, with shower bath, for both sexes. Bathing suits can be rented at the office.



Swimming Pool—Tassajara Hot Springs

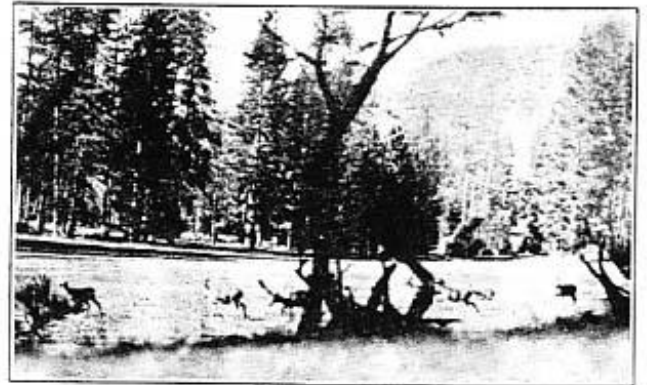
## Hunting and Fishing

Tassajara is literally surrounded by a network of well-stocked and picturesque trout streams, a poor fisherman indeed is he who cannot take a limit of Steelhead, Loch Leven or Rainbows in a few hours. The creeks are stocked annually from the state hatcheries.

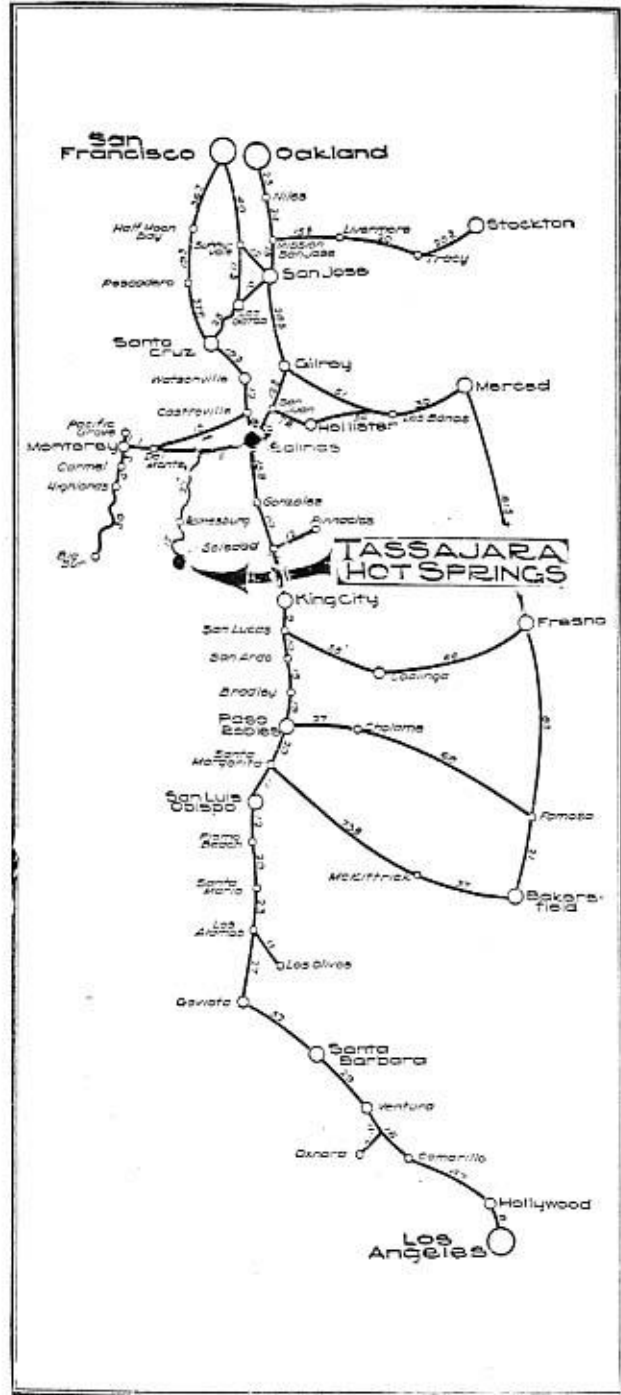
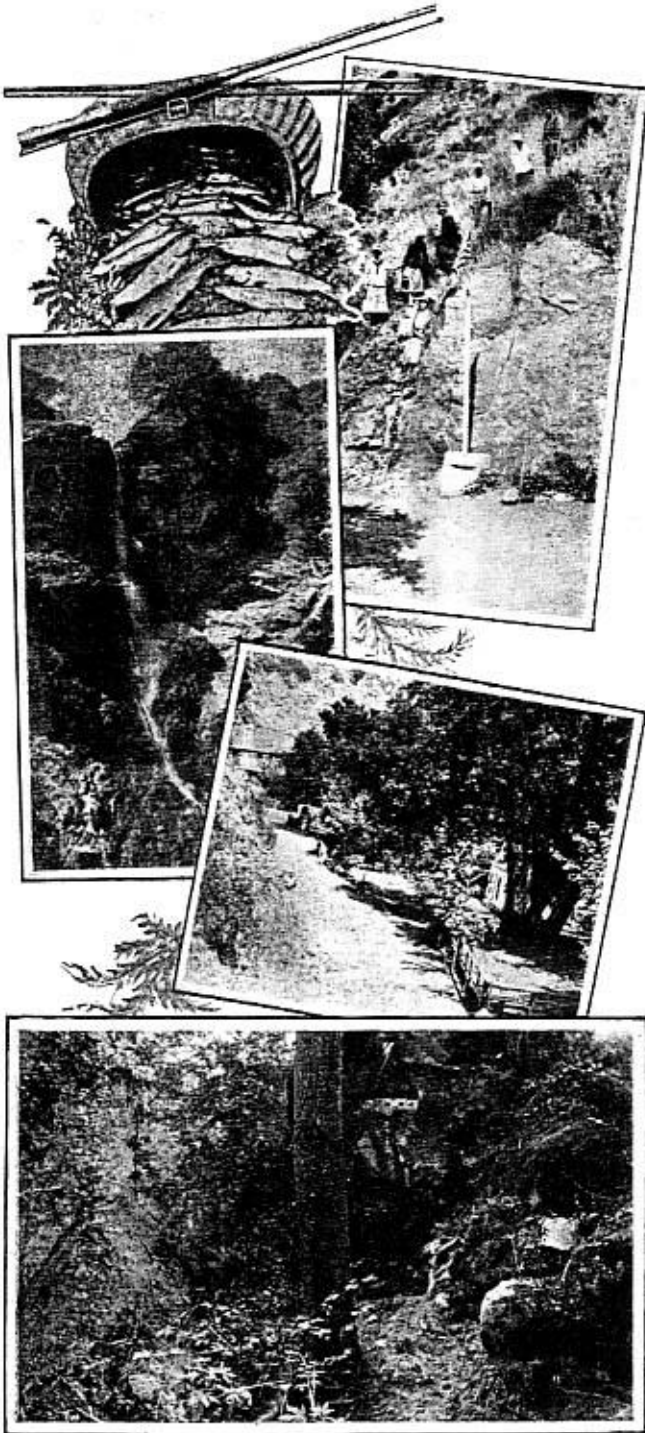
## Rates

Per day, \$4.00. Per week, \$23.00 and \$25.00. Two persons in room \$1.00 per week less, each person. Twin beds, \$1.00 per week extra. Children ten years and over, charged full rate, under ten years, according to age and service required. Cots in rooms \$1.00 per week extra. Monthly rates on application. Rates include baths to guests remaining one week or longer.

For further information address, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey Co., Calif.



The photo of deer reproduced was taken about five miles from the Springs and is an earnest of what the hunter may expect during the season.



The head of the Indian girl, above, is a painting on the rocks by the celebrated artist Harrison Fisher. It was suggested by an old Indian legend, that, during one of the annual pilgrimages of the coast tribes to Tassajara, which they made unflinchingly for the benefits of the curative waters, a young Indian girl named Chanta Seechee fled from her father's teepee with a warrior from a hostile tribe. Her fiancé followed the couple and as they reached the rocks in the picture, overtook and killed them both.

A. Price; Berkeley—Ralph P. Anderson, Evelyn Stroud, Robert Edgar; Burlingame—Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Kingsbury; Carmel—J. K. Turner, Mrs. R. K. Turner, Mrs. O. Turner, Bryant Guernsey; San Jose—Henry A. Pfister, C. M. O'Brien, C. M. O'Brien, Jr.; Pacific Grove—A. Carpenter, Mary K. Matheu, O. N. Jameson and wife; Castroville—Cato Phillips, George Lyons; Gilroy Hot Springs—W. C. Downey, E. A. McDonald; Gilroy—W. C. Strond; Richmond—W. E. Carey; Santa Cruz—Mrs. Belle Lindsay, Miss June Lindsay; Hollister—Mr. and Mrs. Ed Dotta, S. D. Pedrazai; Moss Landing—Wm. Sandholdt; San Luis Obispo—Mr. and Mrs. G. Beck; Soledad—E. Lanini, John Marci; Del Monte—Thomas H. Lee; Spreckels—Rose Rhyner, Agnes Johanson; New York—J. H. North; Fresno—Mrs. A. Mattel, Mrs. John Fairweather; Chicago—Mrs. H. L. Huffaker; Gonzales—Raymond Rianda; King City—C. Rogers, P. Massoi.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1924:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WILL HAVE BIG CROWD JULY FOURTH

Twenty-five persons left Salinas yesterday noon for Tassajara Hot Springs. The two new Packard stages were unable to accommodate all the passengers and a third car from Rossi's Garage was pressed into service.

The influx of guests breaks all previous records, and is a striking indication of the steadily growing favor in which Monterey County's premier health and recreation resort is held by the public generally.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1924 (an almost identical article, 'Tassajara Hot Springs Had a Grand Fourth of July Celebration,' was published in the 7/9/1924 edition of the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*):

### FOURTH CELEBRATED AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

GLORIA SWANSON, HAROLD LLOYD, CHARLES RAY, CLAIRE WINDSOR AND OTHER FILM STARS AT RESORT

By "MARCUS"

Accommodations at Tassajara Hot Springs were taxed to the limit during our national celebration.

Despite the fact that the management had announced the waiving of the customary Fourth of July features this year, scores of old patrons and dozens of new ones, flocked in some 200 strong, in anticipation of "something doing." They were not disappointed, because with true American initiative, they took matters into their own hands and, with Doctor Jos. Brady of San Francisco as master of ceremonies, a most entertaining program of patriotic exercises and outdoor sports was put on, covering the entire day and extending well into the night.

A horse-shoe pitching tournament opened the day, followed by races of every imaginable character. There were running races for the boys and girls; three-legged races, obstacle races, fat men's and women's races, egg and spoon races, etc., and a pie-eating contest, which brought out some wonderful performers, even for Tassajara, where the ap-

petites hold the world's record.

After lunch, the crowd adjourned to the big outdoor swimming pool for the diving contests and various swimming events for both sexes and all ages.

The evening opened with the singing of the "Star Spangled Banner" and an address in verse on "Our National Independence," by Frank S. Clark, mayor of Salinas. Judge L. H. Ward, of San Francisco, made a stirring patriotic oration, in keeping with the spirit of the day.

Some clever dances and songs by the little tots and younger ladies followed; succeeded by a burlesque wedding, which brought down the house and almost put the groom out of business.

Red Cornett staged a specialty, as "Fatima," in a highly tropical costume, barely visible to the naked eye. In and interpretative dance, "Memories of Samoa," he electrified the crowd and several married ladies left hurriedly with their better halves firmly in tow.

Prize waltzing closed the regular program, but dancing and general excitement edged well over into the fifth.

E. W. Muldoon, of Salinas, was lionized for his intrepid dash to the "iron spring." For his excellent management of the affair, a hearty vote of thanks was tendered Dr. Brady, with a rider to the effect that he was entitled to a kiss from every lady present. He was rescued with difficulty by his disgruntled associates, who, in suggesting this feature, had not figured on the act going over so big.

Recent registrations are:

San Francisco—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beaver, J. E. Green, R. C. Whitaker, J. F. Donahue, Mrs. Louise B. Deal, Miss E. P. Graff, Miss N. A. Morse, Miss A. A. Carey, Mary Glacomazzi, E. N. Britton, J. O. Winks, G. A. Rodney, Judge L. A. Ward and wife, Eleanor Ward, Betty Ward, H. Raven, Aug. Waldenmeier, Sally McKenzie, Mrs. S. K. McKenzie, Mrs. E. Lachman, Dot Lachman, Mrs. Carlson and son, N. C. Taft, Mr. and Mrs. B. Van Dyke, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Steiner, Mrs. Anna Johnson, J. G. Brady, J. E. Connolly, Martha Brady, Helen Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Burman, A. E. O'Leary, J. Heineborg, Mrs. E. H. Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. J. Oppel, Mr. and Mrs. W. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. F. McCutcheon, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Scott, Antonio Cuneo, J. H. Dyer, B. Breschini, V. L. de Figueiredo and wife, Frank Corda, Mr. and Mrs. J. Laib and family, E. Vickers, F. McGook, J. O. Seiblich and family, F. A. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Baldwin, Prunella Cashin, R. E. White, J. L. Raney, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Babcock, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Ranzoni and son, Charlotte Warner, Lew Ohilyer, Mrs. L. Ohilyer, Marion Ohilyer, Helen Ohilyer, Lew Ohilyer, Jr., G. S. McDowell, Furnia Davis.

Salinas—Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Porter, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Thiele, Mr. and Mrs. K. T. Romie, E. F. Rossi, Les Kellogg, J. B. Porter and wife, Mrs. J. K. Vanderhurst, Mr. and Mrs. James Bardin, Jim J. Bardin, F. S. Clark, Robt. Clark, Edith Clark, Garth V. Lacey, Ira C. Bailey, Fred Hess, Mrs. J. N. Anderson, Lois Anderson, J. N. Anderson, Irvine Armstrong, J. A. Jeffery, W. F. Handley, Harry Moller, O. A. Holm, I. J. Cornett, E. W. Muldoon, J. E.

Berges, S. E. Bomer, Geraldine Fulle, Mary J. Harkins, James Harkins, E. C. Berges, John Lauritzin, Billy Nissen, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Hurt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Grover Tholcke and family, C. O. Prause, H. A. Raine, Rose Heinz, Antonio Lial, Mr. and Mrs. E. Gomez, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Weed, Mr. and Mrs. Rey Austen, Irvin Hall, Inez Hall, Gladys Maxell, Henry Agostini, H. Heinrichs, Gertrude Brune.

Watsonville—Geo. W. Sill, W. C. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Waters, Mr. and Mrs. Sid Menasco and son, Ashley Walker, Mrs. S. Krego, S. Drinich, P. Jemo, C. S. Sambrallo, J. H. Chapin and daughter, M. Novak, C. Arbanas, Mrs. L. M. Liles and daughter, Mrs. J. F. Kane, Mr. and Mrs. M. Resetar, Tony Resetar, Mary Resetar, P. J. Stolich, Peter Stolich, P. N. Scurich and son, A. L. Dragovich, Jeanette Kane.

Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. S. Ireland, Francis Hellam, W. Hellam, Jr., Miss V. Ireland, Frank Hellam, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barton, Joe Goodrich, Irene Thorp.

Oakland—Julia Lemon, Ruth Hayward, Jule D. Doniah, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Burke, Mr. and Mrs. H. May.

Hollywood—Claire Windsor, Gloria Swanson, Harrold Lloyd, Chas. Ray, Mrs. A. McAllister.

Los Angeles—Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Day; Santa Maria—Gertrude Bell; Gilroy—Fay Thomas; Pescadero—F. Prussman; Pacific Grove—J. Wagnell, C. Wagnell; King City—F. Cozzini; Soledad—E. A. Abbott, G. H. Abbott; Glendale—B. Holmberg; Alameda—Ruth Buckley; Redwood City—C. M. Libby; Hartford, Conn.—M. Ganihe, Mrs. M. B. Battey; Berkeley—Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Dutra; Bessemer, Mich.—Marie A. Doniah; Felton—L. D. Courtenaish and wife; Gonzales—Mrs. D. C. Sneible, Mary A. Sneible; San Luis Obispo—P. Golden; Ben Lomond—Mr. and Mrs. P. C. Steiner; San Jose—Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Tyler; New York—Jas. A. Henry; San Lucas—Mamie D. Casey.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

### SALINAS ORCHESTRA TO PLAY AT TASSAJARA

The Rainbow Dance Orchestra, made up of Salinas boys, left today for Tassajara Springs, where they will be engaged to play for the dances. The orchestra expects to remain for about three weeks.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Judge L. A. Ward and wife, Eleanor Ward, Betty Ward, Dr. J. G. Brady, Martha Brady, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Beaver, J. E. Green, R. C. Whitaker, J. F. Donahue, Mrs. Louise B. Deal, Miss E. P. Graff, Miss N. A. Morse, Miss A. A. Carey, Mary Glacomazzi, E. N. Britton, J. O. Winks, G. A. Rodney, H. Raven, Aug. Waldenmeier, Sally McKenzie, Mrs. S. K. McKenzie, Mrs. E. Lachman, Dot Lachman, Mrs. Carlson and son, N. C. Taft, Mr. and Mrs. B. Van Dyke, Mrs. A. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Steiner, J. E. Connolly, Helen Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. S. R.

Burnan, A. E. O'Leary, J. Heineborg, Mrs. E. H. Briggs, Mr. and Mrs. J. Opper, Mr. and Mrs. W. Buchanan, Mr. and Mrs. F. McCutcheon, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Scott, Antonio Cuneo, J. H. Dyer, B. Breschini, V. L. de Figueiredo and wife, Frank Corda, Mr. and Mrs. J. Laib and family, E. Vickers, F. McGook, F. T. Adams, J. O. Seiberlich and family, Prunella Cashin, R. E. White, J. L. Raney, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Babcock, Charlotte Warner, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Ranzoni and son, Lew Ohilyer, Mrs. L. Ohilyer, Marion Ohilyer, Helen Ohilyer, Lew Ohilyer, Jr., G. S. McDowell, Furnia Davis.

From Oakland—Charles Sly and wife, Joseph Lacey and wife, Miss Helen Lacey, Robert Lacey, J. E. Gale and wife, Mrs. L. Clifton, L. Mason, Joseph P. Lacey, Jr., Miss Anna Lacey, H. W. McCann and wife, L. Clifton.

From Gilroy—William Radke and family, Gerald Hecker, M. Casey, Henry Hecker and wife, Rich Albertini, Miss Evelyn Casey.

*Salinas Daily Index*, guest season of 1924 (also in the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, under the caption 'Tassajara Hot Springs Now Open to Public').

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS NOW OPEN FOR THE SEASON

The hot mineral springs at Tassajara have yielded wonderful results in hundreds of cases of rheumatism, kidney, liver and skin diseases. Excellent table. Good beds. Huge outdoor swimming pool (bring along your bathing suit). Electrically lighted throughout. Orchestra and dance floor. Auto stages leave Salinas Daily except Sundays at 12:30 p. m., returning in ample time to connect with south bound trains at 11:38 p. m. and north bound trains at 3:45 p. m.

For further information apply at this office or write to Manager, Tassajara Hot Springs. For stage information phone Hotel Jeffery.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1924:

## TASSAJARA

### HOT SPRINGS, Monterey County

The most wonderful and popular place in Monterey County. Why? For natural hot mineral springs that cure Rheumatism, Kidney, Blood and Liver disorders. Excellent table. For general cleanliness. For splendid fishing and hunting. For amusements. Swimming tank, dancing, etc. Take 8 a. m. train at Third Street depot. Packard auto stage meets train daily at Salinas except Sunday. For reservations write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, resident owner. Folders at Peck-Judah and *Chronicle*.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, guest season of 1924:

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*Salinas Daily Index*, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1924 (also in the 7/23/1924 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs Still Crowded With Many Health Seekers'):

## MANY VISITORS AT TASSAJARA

The steady stream of holiday makers and health seekers headed for Tassajara Hot Springs continues without sign of abatement.

Among them are the usual sprinkling of celebrities, including Doctor Saxton Pope, of San Francisco, who has established headquarters here for several weeks, while he scours the adjacent hills and gulches, accompanied by his trained hounds, in search of mountain lions, several of which have been reported lately in the vicinity of the Ventana Mountains. Dr. Saxton's weapons are bow and arrows only, all of his own manufacture and which in his expert hands have already accounted for several bear, lions, deer and smaller game.

Miss Laura Hope-Crews, for many years the leading lady with Henry Miller, is taking a well earned rest here, accompanied by her mother.

The new orchestra, the "Rainbow Four," fills the dancing platform nightly with its alluring, snappy numbers.

Pleasant social affairs are of frequent occurrence, bringing out unsuspected talent freely, contributed by the possessors, for the enjoyment of the 200 folks at present here. The balmy, sunny days, tempered by mountain breezes to just the right degree, tend to keep the out-door swimming pool filled with shape-ly mermaids and their escorts.

Recent registrations at the Springs are:

San Francisco—Miss Laura Hope-Crews, Mrs. L. Crews, Dr. Saxton Pope, T. Keane, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Monaco, Emil Berges, Mrs. Cora Anderson, J. H. Davis, M. Kustovich, W. W. Hanscom, Mrs. Cora MaGarvey, Miss Cassidy, W. C. Wilkins, Mr. and Mrs. Chester F. Martin, Mrs. C. S. Oyer, Mr. and Mrs. Gail L. Chandler, J. S. Ackenes, Mr. and Mrs. Landsberger, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Lewis, Doris Kruez, Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Kruez, Florence Cruetz, Walter Kreuz, Mrs., Jennie M. Sellick, Essie B. Connell, J. L. Connell, James McDonnell, C. A. Ballinger, N. G. Gallagher, M. J. Gallagher, Mr. and Mrs. F. Kracht, Mrs. K. Colloran and daughter, Mrs. H. M. Dean and Mrs. Ed. R. Narr.

Salinas—John John Berges, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Tholcke and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Hurt and family, F. B. Lauritzen, Frank A. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Rosendale, Ray H. Bullene, Mr. and Mrs. M. F. Martin, Carl Neilsen, T. L. Craig, Paul Tavernetti, R. Causley, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin, Mr. M. L. Silk, K. P. Ahrenkel, V. Haines, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Pedroni and family, A. E. Meyer, Roy Havers, Mrs. E. Sagehorn, E. H. Cisini, D. Dotta, H. Martella and W. F. Handley.

Oakland—Theresa B. Healy, Josephine H. McCarthy, Wayne Burke, Mr. and Mrs. A. Gilkbarg, Mrs. Alice Fulton, Eva A. Fulton and T. C. Lisson.

Long Beach—John Kennedy, J. Coffey, Mrs. Thurza Windsor, Jack R. Windsor.

Watsonville—Dr. and Mrs. H. O. Watters and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Marsh and son, D. J. Daly, Thos. Caddey, Mr. and Mrs. W. M.

Zanazn, F. Franich, M. Franich Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Steglich, Mildred Webb, P. Vojvoda, Mrs. O. Whiteman and son.

San Jose—C. A. Barker, C. B. Quilty and Mrs. Emily Pinie; San Anselmo—Mrs. B. M. Ocomo; Richmond—Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Moroney; Santa Monica—Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Junge; Los Angeles—George X, Cruselle; Gonzales—D. O. Mills; Livermore—John Oliver and Antone Nunez; Santa Ana—Elsie Carter; Hollister—Mrs. C. Murphy, Anne Murphy, Phyllis Shaw, W. Hudner; Burlingame—W. J. Fox; Ben Lomond—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Steiner; Chualar—T. Mattart, T. S. Mattart; Berkeley—Muriel Arnold; Gilroy—H. Hecker and S. Hecker; Stockton—G. F. Schuler; King City—John Freitas and Jos. Texrea; Modesto—John Louis.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

## SALINAS ORCHESTRA SCORES HIT AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The Rainbow Dance Orchestra, which is made up of four Salinas boys who left here about a month ago for Tassajara Springs, where they are filling an engagement to play for all dances held at that resort during the present season.

According to many of those who have been visiting at Tassajara recently, the music furnished by the orchestra is very much appreciated by the guests.

The boys, who are returning on August 11 because of other engagements, are planning to play for the dances at the summer resort with the opening of the season next year.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1924 (also in the 8/27/1924 *Salinas Daily Index*, as 'Many Visiting at Tassajara'):

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS HAS NUMEROUS GUESTS ENJOYING ITS BEAUTIES

Notwithstanding the imminence of elections and the general re-opening of schools, the stream of guests into Tassajara Hot Springs continues unabated, these later arrivals reveling in the appreciably cooler nights and mornings, and the genial mid-day sunshine.

The various creeks and springs are keeping pace with these indications of approaching fall and their steady rise affords an even more plentiful supply of water than heretofore. Wild game appears to realize the special protection thrown over all forest life this year, and deer, squirrel and the beautiful mountain quail are plentiful in the immediate vicinity of the hotel. The new kitchen garden has proved a big success and its succulent products appear daily on the menu. Dahlias of unusual size and gorgeous coloring are just now lending an added charm to the grounds.

Judging from reservations already at hand it appears safe to predict that this popular resort will be heavily patronized right up to the annual closing time, which is about the middle of October.

Recent registrations from this and adjoining counties are:

Salinas—Walter Wallace, Roy Alexander, J. A. Anderson and family, C. W. Jeffery, A. A.

Tavernetti, J. F. Hiserman, Adam Thompson, J. F. Prader, H. Hansen, Hanna C. Nissen, Laurine Nissen, Louise Martella, Mrs. Carl Nielsen, Ross Nissen, Jr., A. M. Silacci, I. Akrenkiel, Ed Nielsen, J. Brazil, G. Rianda, W. F. Handley.

Watsonville—D. F. Leddy, Mrs. Buckhort, H. C. Peckham, Mrs. M. Dethlefsen, Mrs. C. Dethlefsen, A. Webb, G. Cowles, W. J. McGrath, Bill McGrath, Mrs. E. Struve, Jeanne L. Struve, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Delaney, Mrs. E. J. Baker and son, L. P. Freiermuth, A. Rasmusseen, C. Rasmussen, Miss M. Joseph, J. Dubretta, G. Draskovich, Vulma Harris, Mrs. M. Emerson, Pearl Loisen, Mr. and Mrs. Bendell, Ed Martin, J. C. Phillips, M. Jossovich, I. Besk, B. N. Kusalich, E. Anselmino, J. Stanovich.

Hollister—J. Coffee, Chris McNamee, Chas. McNamee, Mr. and Mrs. J. Slavin, A. N. Evans, Mary Hudner, Rosemary McNamee.

Gonzales—Mrs. L. T. Herdon and son, Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Carner, B. N. Carner, Jr., F. P. Carner, J. B. Herndon, J. Ricca, J. D. Cochran.

Monterey—J. H. Graves, Mrs. L. B. Grove, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lee, Annetta Lee, Warner Lee, A. J. Mason, A. Koepke, E. McMenamin, Mr. and Mrs. Giannini.

King City—R. B. Foster, E. L. Dedini, G. S. Dedini, Oleta Dedini; Gilroy—H. Hecker, W. Scagliotti, L. Cupich; Ben Lomond—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Steiner; San Carlos—R. E. Johnston and family; Corral de Tierra—F. S. Call; Pacific Grove—G. O. W. Thompson, C. M. Ryan; Santa Cruz—Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Wilder, A. Gosliner; Spreckels—P. K. Joy; Bakersfield—F. A. Roberts; Laguna Beach—Mrs. W. G. Frost; Fresno—J. Dier, W. O. Sud, Mrs. A. Mattel; Mayfield—R. F. Driscoll; Piedmont—Mr. and Mrs. Bell and son; Huron—Mrs. Mouren; Morgan Hill—C. J. Doran; Cupertino—Maud Dowling; Stockton—M. Louise Schuler, Carrie C. Sschuler; Los Angeles—Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Wilkins, R. T. Maguire; Saint Louis—J. S. May; San Mateo—C. R. Dunn.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—J. J. Baumgartner, J. B. Holohan and wife, Miss J. T. Holohan, Mae Francis O'Keefe, Dr. Saxton Pope, D. McCand and party, E. Lachman, wife and daughter, J. J. Fenton and wife, John F. Ahern and wife, S. C. Berges, J. Frayne and wife, F. E. Hare, F. Cannon, T. L. Landon and wife, A. T. Thedy, A. Greenburg, M. Kraus and wife, Doris J. Cussler, M. Wessel, C. S. Wills and wife, H. Joiner, E. A. Hicks, A. Huffman, C. Mather, R. C. Briggs, C. Gordon and wife, F. A. Langthorne and wife, Grace D. Gerken, Nonie McDonald, J. L. Atteridge, C. Branagan, E. R. Nas, H. E. Hass, J. J. Enemark, Gail Clifford, Marie Fistsimmons, Mrs. C. S. Blaiz, Mrs. C. Greenbough and daughter, Mrs. T. Ames, Mrs. E. Happersbrung, Mrs. A. Brodie, Billy Brodie, Harry N. Hall and wife, W. S. Hocking, H. B. Hocking, Carrie M. Ford, W. H. Schuten and wife, Mrs. L. Gill, H. D. Newell and wife, Mrs. M. Handy, A. Elliot, M. Gurry, R. Ahein, Mrs. M. Greenburg, Mrs. W. Connolly, P. J.

Willy, W. A. Anderson and wife, Mrs. C. Hutchins, R. Oser and wife, L. M. Lausten, I. Scully, J. J. Bolzer, J. M. Mannon Jr., H. F. Taylor, Mrs. K. Wachhort and son, Mrs. A. M. Christine, C. A. Patterson and wife, E. M. Robitscher and wife, G. L. Gerard and wife, F. Mullin, J. Ford, J. Loeben, J. Van, R. Rizzo, O. Haire, A. Bowbay, R. H. Deben, A. J. Schevers, G. E. Gallagher, J. Schmidt, C. H. Lind, wife and son,

Oakland—A. W. Barney, Leona Hand, Blanche Lainer, Mrs. A. Chambers, Miss M. F. Chambers, Miss C. Chambers, Mrs. A. W. Hennig.

Berkeley—Homer Mayhew and A. L. Rome. Alameda—Mr. and Mrs. J. Dettlow, Margaret Budoiz, C. Spence, Margaret Spence, J. E. Heady, A. H. Reinbold.

San Jose—Irene B. Quilty, Nellie A. Brady, Mrs. T. Lynn, Mrs. S. Herndon, J. Fagundes, Mrs. C. Herold, L. Herold, L. P. Cooper, Lila Watson, Mrs. C. Kelly, Phil Herold.

Sacramento—Mr. and Mrs. H. Slavin, G. N. Hammond, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wallys, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wright.

Hollister—J. Coffee, Chris McNamee, Chas. McNamee, Mr. and Mrs. J. Slavin, A. N. Evans, Mary Hudner, Rosemary McNamee.

Salinas—Walter Wallace, Roy Alexander, J. A. Anderson and family, C. W. Jeffery, A. A. Tavernetti, J. F. Hiserman, Adam Thompson, J. F. Prader, H. Hansen, Hanna C. Nissen, Laurine Nissen, louse Martella, Mrs. Carl Nielsen, Ross Nissen, Jr., A. M. Silacci, I. Akrenkiel, Ed. Nielsen, J. Brazil, G. Rianda, W. F. Handley.

Watsonville—D. F. Leddy, Mrs. Buckhort, H. C. Peckham, Mrs. M. Dethlefsen, Mrs. C. Dethlefsen, A. Webb, G. Cowles, W. J. McGrath, Bill McGrath, Mrs. E. Struve, Jeanne L. Struve, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Delaney, Mrs. E. J. Baker and son, L. P. Freiermuth, A. Rasmusseen, C. Rasmussen, Miss M. Joseph, J. Dubretta, G. Draskovich, Vulma Harris, Mrs. M. Emerson, Pearl Loisen, Mr. and Mrs. Bendell, Ed Martin, J. C. Phillips, M. Jossovich, I. Besk, B. N. Kusalich, E. Anselmino, J. Stanovich.

Gonzales—Mrs. L. T. Herdon and son, Mr. and Mrs. B. N. Carner, B. N. Carner, Jr., F. P. Carner, J. B. Herndon, J. Ricca, J. D. Cochran.

Monterey—J. H. Graves, Mrs. L. B. Grove, Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Lee, Annetta Lee, Warner Lee, A. J. Mason, A. Koepke, E. McMenamin. Gilroy—H. Hecker, W. Scagliotti, L. Cupich.

Ben Lomond—Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Steiner.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1924 (also in the 8/28/1924 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs "A Big Asset" to Monterey County):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS IS GREAT ASSET TO COUNTY, SAYS HOLOHAN

Mr. James B. Holohan, the former United States Marshall of the northern district of California, told the secretary of the Salinas Chamber of Commerce yesterday "I don't believe you folks in Monterey County appreciate what you have in the Tassajara Springs as a business asset and as a health and recreational

resort for your own people. I actually know a number of Salinas people who have never been into the Tassajara Hot Springs to enjoy its wonderful hospitality, its health-giving mineral baths and the beautiful scenery of the trip in. Especially do we people in San Francisco appreciate the change in climate that we are able to get by going into Tassajara, always being so uniformly warm and dry. We have been going in every year for a great many years and the meeting of old friends who do likewise is one of the additional pleasures of the trip. The good fellowship, convenient cottages with electric lights, the new plunge and the excellent treatments given by the specialists in charge of the mineral baths, together with the reasonableness of the charges, all go to make it a most desirable place to visit.

"Not enough can be said in praise for the operators of the Tassajara stage line for their big fine comfortable Packard stages and the manner in which they are operated. Every possible thing is done for the comfort of the guests, and you can feel perfectly safe. Mr. McCargar, in recommending to the most nervous person or one afraid of mountain driving, to take the trip into Tassajara Hot Springs on the stage."

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS ENJOYED BY DOCTORS

Many members of the medical fraternity are well aware of the unusual benefits to be derived from an occasional visit to Tassajara Hot Springs and the judicious use of its wonderful mineral waters; at the present moment no less than three San Francisco physicians are domiciled at the Springs with their families and are enjoying life to the full.

A day or two ago Mr. Baumgartner, the noted California artist who has resided both in San Francisco and San Diego, yet is paying his second visit to the Springs this season, gave an exhibition of the numerous sketches made by him during his stay here; many of these are real gems and portray the scenic grandeur of the Santa Lucias in a masterly and finished style; they elicited much admiration from those fortunate enough to be present. Harrison Fisher, another artist of national reputation who has fallen under the spell of this resort, is expected shortly.

Glorious days and delightful evenings are the order just now and sick and well alike respond with an added snap and zest that is contagious. A slight anxiety was at one time occasioned by the forest fire burning some twenty miles distant but that has been completely dispelled since the actual conditions were learned and the fire found to be working steadily away from this vicinity.

Recent registrations are:

Salinas—F. S. Cargar, wife and son, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Christensen, W. E. Tash, Lester Thompson, R. G. Ford, Mrs. P. Sargenti, J. Violini, W. A. Bourke, W. F. Handley.

San Francisco—Dr. J. Bacher wife and son; Dr. A. F. Schafer and wife, Dr. Jas. Brady and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fair, Marie Louise Fair, W. Case, G. Murray, M. J. Tally, A. J.

# TASSAJARA

TASSAJARA, land of sunshine, where the sparkling, healing rills  
Burst from out your rocky fastness, antidote for human ills

Where the mountain jay's harsh chatter ushers in the dawning day  
While among the swaying tree-tops, blithesome squirrels leap in play

Where the graceful water willow makes obeisance to the stream,  
As beneath the dancing riffles, darting troutlets flash and gleam

Where the truant mountain breezes bear a fragrance sharp and sweet,  
From the sage and manzanita, and the gnarled and grey mesquit

Where the rugged granite boulders strive forever with the foam  
Of the rushing, restless brooklets, hurrying to their ocean home

Where the cliffs in savage grandeur guard the smiling vales below,  
Decked with verdure in the springtide, pale with winter's wreaths of snow

Where the mescal flings to heaven, shafts of purest, dazzling white,  
And the madrone's glistening leaflets, wink and dimple in the light

Where the shade and sunlight mingle by the mountain streamlet's brink,  
And at eve the forest dwellers shyly venture forth to drink

Where the stars blaze out in brilliance as the firmament grows dim,  
While the moon in silver splendor, stoops to kiss the canyon's rim.

Backward winging thoughts possess me, as in retrospect I see  
Happy crowds that used to gather underneath the "Gossip Tree"  
With the pleasant summer playtime slipping lazily away,  
Till it all too soon had vanished like a wisp of driven spray,  
And I know, when next the poppies gild the slopes above the sea  
That again I'll hear the calling, Tassajara calling me.

—W. F. H.



William "Kunnel Bill" Handley (1867-1926) was known as Tassajara's "greatest promoter" and as the "principal peddler of the super-heated atmosphere for Tassajara Springs." By my count, Mr. Handley is listed as a registrant at Tassajara 62 times in this text, and the earliest item is dated July 1, 1903. An earlier version of this poem is also in this text: it is part of 'The Call of Tassajara—Land of Simple Mountain Grandeur,' which was published on July 18<sup>th</sup> of 1921. In this item the title of the poem is 'Reminiscence,' and its author is Mescal. For more information regarding Mr. Handley's love of Tassajara, see in this text 'How Well Do You Know Your Valley,' *Salinas Index-Journal*, August 8, 1929.

Eislin, Edith C. Pickerell, A. J. Chevers, C. Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wright, Eli I. Jones, Lillian a. Jones, F. D. Anderson, E. Brown, W. T. Kenney, B. L. Benson, Mrs. S. A. Canfield, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crowell, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Levy, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Durbrow, Miss Emma Nixon, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCormick.

Monterey—W. Chew, Wm. Gregory, G. J. Hern, H. T. Brees, R. T. Mack, Mr. and Mrs. H. Steinhagen.

Watsonville—Mrs. Agnes Staud, Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Brien, Genevieve Laporte, Evelyn L. Cox, Lottie L. Lorenzen, J. N. Enemark, J. Spirich.

Los Angeles—J. M. VanCott, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Vermere, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Stynard, O. R. Ruddy, F. S. Waterman, A. Daugherty.

Hollister—Hattie Post, W. Hudner, Lanker-

shim-Buster Johnson; Stockton—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Johnson; Berkeley—Catherine Lafka; San Jose—W. W. Stevens, J. B. Copart; Somerton—Mr. and Mrs. F. Blohm; Newman—H. Storer; New York—Genevieve Butler; Burlingame—Carl Lern; Palo Alto—Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Marshall, D. S. Marshall; Sacramento—A. J. Beakey; Modesto—Mr. and Mrs. Souza, J. A. Souza; Santa Cruz—J. B. Brewer, W. P. Belok, A. Chubb.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Dr. J. Bacher wife and son; Dr. A. F. Schafer and wife, Dr. Jas. Brady and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fair, Marie Louise Fair, W. Case, G. Murray, M. J. Tally, A. J. Eislin, Edith C. Pickerell, A. J. Chevers,

C. Whitehead, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Wright, Eli I. Jones, Lillian a. Jones, F. D. Anderson, E. Brown, W. T. Kenney, B. L. Benson, Mrs. S. A. Canfield, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Jacobson, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Fraser, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Crowell, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Levy, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Durbrow, Miss Emma Nixon, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. McCormick.

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From Watsonville—Mrs. Agnes Staud, Mr. and Mrs. M. O'Brien, Genevieve Laporte, Evelyn L. Cox, Lottie L. Lorenzen, J. N. Enemark, J. Spirich.

Los Angeles—J. M. VanCott, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Vermere, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Stynard, O. R. Ruddy, F. S. Waterman, A. Daugherty.

From other places—Hattie Post, William Hudner, Hollister; J. B. Brewer, W. P. Belok, A. Chubb, Santa Cruz; Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Marshall, D. S. Marshall, Palo Alto; Buster Johnson, Lankershim, W. R. Johnson and wife, Stockton; Catherine Lafka, Berkeley; W. W. Stevens, J. B. Copart, San Jose; F. Blohm and wife, Somerton; H. Stormer, Newman; Genevieve Butler, New York; Carl Leve, Burlingame; A. J. Beakey, Sacramento; Mr. and Mrs. Souza, J. A. Souza, Modesto.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1924:

## TASSAJARA STILL OPEN TO VISITORS

By "MARCUS"

Notwithstanding the fact that at this time the majority of California mountain resorts are closing, or have already closed their doors for the season, guests to the number of 62 are still rusticated at Tassajara Hot Springs, and appear to find an added enjoyment in the fresh crispness that heralds the approach of fall. A slight rising of the waters of the various creeks is noticeable, presaging according to the old-timers a heavy winter.

Preparations are already afoot for much road improvement in anticipation of greatly increased travel in 1925.

As soon as practicable all streams within a reasonable radius of the Springs will be heavily stocked with several varieties of trout fry.

The unusually long dry spell has had a marked effect upon the wild life in and near Tassajara, rendering many of the shyest of the forest dwellers comparatively tame and willing to endure human proximity if it results in a square meal; a common evening amusement just now is to deposit scraps of food near the bungalows and watch the foxes emerge fearlessly from the surrounding brush and dine unconcernedly in the presence of the crowd; the adult animals evade any attempt at too great familiarity, but the young foxes can be handled almost at will. The same conditions hold good in a lesser degree with the grey squirrels and chipmunks.

Recent registrations are:

San Francisco—Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Sheehan, J. H. Johnson and family, M. R. Busk, Mrs. A. Busk, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Neal and son, Roy Gallagher, Mrs. J. Webb, J. H. North, Emma Brown, Evelyn Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCulgan.

Oakland—Rose and Hazel Pantoskey, Mrs. C. Worthington, T. Griffler.

Salinas—Mrs. J. E. and Mary Steinbeck, Mr. and Mrs. F. P. McFadden, A. G. Lafka, Jesse Williamson, Nick Terkelsen, W. F. Handley.

Monterey—M. W. Menamin, E. E. Burbaker, Mrs. A. Wahy, Mrs. H. O. Follette, Mrs. Nettie Hyde, C. A. Metz.

San Jose—Mrs. C. Snyder, Mrs. L. Haoutge, Mrs. L. Hatzfield.

Watsonville—J. Thorne, Mr. and Mrs. S. Whitalt, Bert Lewis, S. Stanovich.

Santa Cruz—Mrs. G. Falconer and son, Mrs. M. O'Keefe, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Cox, Mrs. F. E. Morgan, G. P. Dennett.

Palo Alto—A. H. Marshall, David S. Marshall, Mrs. F. H. Marshall; Stanford University—L. B. Brownell, Evelyn Brownell; Pebble Beach—Mr. and Mrs. B. V. McMennamin, J. J. Connelly; Del Monte—Mr. and Mrs. T. Lee; Gonzales—F. E. Hook; Burlingame—Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Campbell; Hollister—J. E. Higgins; San Carlos—Mr. and Mrs. Cart Phillips; Los Altos—Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Sagin; Alameda—Mr. and Mrs. H. Rosenthal.

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*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WILL OPEN FIRST OF MAY

Popular Tassajara Hot Springs has advanced its usual opening date in the interest of the numerous trout fishermen who are eager to get on the streams at the earliest possible moment. Heavy rains and snow storms which swept the Santa Lucia Range during March and April have put the mountain creeks in splendid condition, and capital sport may confidently be expected.

A new trail has been built over the upper falls of Tassajara Creek, opening up several miles of the best trout water in the country.

During the past winter many improvements have been made in and about the Springs, two more snug four-room bungalows erected, the dressing and masseur's rooms over both plunges remodeled and greatly enlarged.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 20<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WILL OPEN MAY 1

The march of improvements goes steadily on at Tassajara Hot Springs, famous mountain summer resort near here, and each season sees extensive changes inaugurated for the greater convenience and comfort of its patrons. The Springs will open for the 1925 season on Friday, May 1.

During the past winter two pretty four-room bungalows have been built, while the dressing and masseur's rooms above the plunges have remodeled and greatly enlarged.

Plans have also been completed for the erection of a concrete steam room immediately above the natural vapor spring, and a laundry is to be installed. The exquisite dahlia beds already give promise of future glories and the large vegetable garden is replete with toothsome products for the table.

A force of men is busy on the mountain road, which, by the opening date, will be in better shape than in any previous season.

Copious rain and heavy and frequent snowstorms have insured a plentiful supply of water in the streams, so that fishermen may confidently look forward to excellent sport. A new trail has been built over the upper falls of Tassajara Creek, opening up a large stretch of the best trout water in the county.

The ride to Tassajara Hot Springs is just four hours of delightful surprises. Ensnconed in one of the roomy, comfortable cars owned piloted by Kenneth Vanderhurst, expert mountain driver, visitors enjoy one of the most at-

tractive trips in the state. Every turn in the road opens up a fresh vista as the wonderful scenic beauties of the Santa Lucia range unfold before the eye.

The country along the Tassajara route is far lovelier this season than for many years. A wilderness of wild flowers carpets every hillside with a riot of exquisite colors, while the tender spring foliage of the forest trees and shrubbery reflects every dainty shade of green.

A spring-time visit to the much favored spot, with its balmy climate and curative waters, is a never to be forgotten experience.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1925:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WILL OPEN MAY 1<sup>st</sup>

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Road work is steadily progressing and the grades will be in excellent shape before the opening date.

No more enjoyable trip can be imagined than a visit to Tassajara Hot Springs, this year. Not for a decade have the hillsides been so lavishly clothed with a wilderness of dainty wild flowers and profuse growth of mountain fern, shrubbery and forest life.

Comfortably ensconced in one of the roomy, powerful Packard auto stages, under the capable guidance of "Kenny" Vanderhurst, (one of the most expert drivers in the state and owner of the line), the four hours' run from Salinas is one continuous delight, as the road winds through the canyons and around the slopes of the Santa Lucias, every turn disclosing some charming new effect of lofty peaks, dense forest and undulating, flower-decked slopes.

Electric lighting throughout; out-door swimming pool; orchestra and dance floor; refrigeration plant; excellent cuisine; male and female masseurs in constant attendance.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1925:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS OPEN MAY 1<sup>st</sup>, 1925

The resort wonderful, for the cure of Rheumatism, Kidney and Liver diseases. Excellent accommodations. Large out-door swimming

tank. Electric lighting. Orchestra and Dancing Floor. Auto Stages leave Salinas daily (except Sunday) at 12:30 p. m., leave Springs at 7:00 a. m. For information and reservations, write or phone Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Cal.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1925:

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*Salinas Daily Index*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1925 (also in the 5/2/1925 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*):

## FIRST STAGE MAKES TRIP TO TASSAJARA

Today marked the opening, for the current summer season, of Tassajara Hot Springs, beautiful health and mountain resort in the San Lucia Range about 60 miles southwest of here. A large auto stage of the line operated by Vanderhurst & Duda made its first 1925 trip in this morning, filled to capacity with passengers and luggage.

Tassajara, under the management of Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, has become one of the most popular mountain resorts in the state and the prospects are it will be crowded from this time on. Many improvements have been made during the past winter season for the convenience and entertainment of guests.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1925:

## TASSAJARA

**Hot Springs, Monterey County**, the most wonderful and popular place in Monterey County. Why? For natural hot mineral springs that cure Rheumatism, Kidney, Blood and Liver disorders. Excellent table, electric lights, general cleanliness, splendid fishing and hunting. For amusements, swimming tank, dancing, etc. Take 8 a. m. train at Third Street depot. Packard auto stage meets train daily at Salinas, except Sunday. For reservations write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, resident owner. Folders at Peck-Judah and *Chronicle*.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

## FIXING MOUNTAIN TELEPHONE LINES

MONTEREY, May 4.—Five miles of the telephone lines extending between Soledad and the Big Sur are being replaced, it was reported here by employees of the Forest Service. The work consists in taking down the small wire that has been in use for a long time and substituting larger wire. The men started at Chew's Ridge and are working towards Tassajara.

Forest Service men are also engaged in making repairs on the Willow Creek and Pine

Ridge trails, in anticipation of an influx of fishermen into the vicinity of the forest streams.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1925 (a mostly identical article, 'Tassajara Hot Springs Lovelier Than Ever,' was published in the 5/5/1925 edition of the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*):

## DELIGHTFUL DAYS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The delightful sunny days at Tassajara Hot Springs make a welcome contrast to the chill fogs and sharp winds recently prevailing and life in the open is most alluring just now.

Prospects for game a little later appear good as many deer, gray squirrel and mountain quail can be seen daily from stages. Forest Rangers have been busy putting the various government trails in shape so that hikers and mounted parties can thread the wonderful canyons and scale the heights of the Santa Lucias with the maximum of comfort and safety.

The beauty of the mountains through which the stage road winds can scarcely be exaggerated; all nature is at her best and brightest just now with the myriad of blossoms and young budding foliage on every hand.

Registrations to date are:

San Francisco—Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Greenwood, Mr. and Mrs. James E. Colston, Genelle Colston and nurse, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Petersen, Mr. and Mrs. D. R. Wagner, C. H. Carrillon, Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin Wood.

Salinas—J. E. Foust, Herman Linder, S. E. Bomer, Ira C. Bailey, W. F. Handley.

Watsonville—Dr. H. G. Waters and son, Miss E. Whalen, G. W. Wright, James J. Enemark, Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Friermuth, Nat F. Wait, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Paul, J. Harper.

Forest Ranger Chamberlain of King City; J. O. Stanley, Forest Service; F. V. Coville, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C.; Rimo Bacigalupi, Stanford University; Dr. T. N. Petersen, Paraiso Springs; John Thorndolph, Paraiso Springs, and Captain F. N. F'reeman, San Mateo.

*Salinas Daily Index*, from May 5<sup>th</sup> onward during the guest season of 1925:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Now open. The resort wonderful for the cure of rheumatism, kidney and liver diseases. Excellent accommodations. Large outdoor swimming tank. Electric lighting. Orchestra and dancing floor. Auto stages leave Salinas dally (except Sunday) at 12:30 p. m. Leave the Springs at 7 a. m. For Information and reservations, write or phone Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, California.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—G. Greenwood and wife, J. E. Colston and wife, G. Colston and nurse, E. H. Petersen and wife, D. R. Wagner and wife, C. H. Carrillon, B. Woods and wife.

From Salinas—J. E. Foust, Herman Linder, S. E. Bomer, Ira C. Bailey, W. F. Handley.

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From 'Recent Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—G. Melbourne and wife, M. Willard, P. La Briers, L. Perkocho, Ben D. Sheridan, Mrs. W. P. Day, Fred Martin, George Mathieson, wife and son, R. Law, Miss E. Renault, F. P. Bronson, C. O. Ritter, Mrs. S. Lare, Lillian Merideth, Robert Swan, Mrs. D. Oppenheim.

From Oakland—W. L. Anderson, F. L. Train, S. L. Klarnet, S. C. Buchman, E. K. Hoaley and wife, W. J. Robinson, Clare de Vries, H. F. Ripon, G. S. Buchanan and wife, Lee Buchanan.

From other places—H. W. Edwards, Mrs. P. E. Ling, S. D. Farrington, Elmer J. Edwards, San Jose; J. E. Forster, Watsonville; Mrs. Dorothy Bagby, P. Bontadelli and wife, George F. Lacey, R. E. Walsh, Herman Linder, H. C. Sweet, W. F. Handley, Salinas; Frank Peterson and son, E. A. Nelson and wife, Mrs. S. Peterson, R. Dexter and wife, A. W. Goutund, Pacific Grove; Urban Cronan, Ben Lomond; B. Barbara Gosliner, Santa Cruz; C. Donien, Pebble Beach; D. Dureon, Chicago; Mrs. W. M. Wood, Mendota; C. B. Greaves and wife, Los Angeles; Charles W. Rittenhouse, E. S. Worcester, Santa Barbara; Edyth Draper, Cicely Clark, Burlingame; V. E. Laporte, wife and daughter, Berkeley.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1925 (also in the 5/18/1925 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs Attracting Guests'):

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS RETAINS POPULARITY

By "MARCUS"

Tassajara Hot Springs is fully sustaining its established record as one of the most popular resorts on this coast. Even at this early stage of the vacation season some sixty health and recreation seekers have gathered there to enjoy the natural beauties and health giving waters of this wonderfully favored spot. This year they may revel unhampered by the emergency restrictions necessary last year.

The mescals [yuccas] are in bloom somewhat earlier this season and these most striking and graceful of all the mountain flora are already freely dotting the hillsides.

Many new patrons from our own, as well from far distant states, are learning of the charm and virtues of Tassajara as evidenced by the registration list.

The road into the Springs has been practically rebuilt this year and this has cut down considerably the running time from Salinas; recent showers have packed the roadbed and



put it in perfect condition, so that the ride in the luxurious high-powered Packard stages is most enjoyable, and is winning unstinted approval alike from those making their initial trip and the veterans who still preserve a lively recollection of the antiquated horse stages.

Recent registrations are:

San Francisco—Mr. and Mrs. G. Melbourne, M. Willard, Mrs. Chas. Hildebrecht, L. Perkocho, Ben D. Sheridan, Mrs. W. P. Day, Lily Renault, V. G. Rossiter, B. S. Baker, F. Rolston, J. G. Spencer, T. Getz.

Oakland—W. L. Anderson, F. L. Train, S. L. Klarnet, S. C. Buchanan, M. Hill.

Salinas—Mrs. Dorothy Bagby, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bontadelli, George F. Lacey, R. E. Walsh, Herman Linder, H. C. Sweet, W. F. Handley.

Pacific Grove—Frank Peterson and son, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Nelson, A. W. Goutund, Mrs. S. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. R. Dexter.

San Jose—Mrs. H. W. Edwards, P. E. Ling, S. D. Farrington, Elmer J. Edwards; Watsonville—J. E. Forster; Ben Lomond—Urban Cronan; Santa Cruz—B. Barbara Gosliner; Pebble Beach—C. Donien; Chicago—D. Dureon; Mendota—Mrs. W. M. Wood; Los Angeles—Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Greaves.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

Reports current here yesterday afternoon to the effect that much damage had been done by a cloudburst in the Santa Lucia Range near Tassajara Springs and Jamesburg, are unfounded, according to telephonic advices from Mrs. Helen Quilty, manager of the former.

Mrs. Quilty stated that only intermittent showers fell in the vicinity of the Springs, that no damage was done and that the only effect will be to promote the growth of wild flowers and greenery.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

#### NO RAIN DAMAGE AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A rumor was current in Salinas yesterday, founded, no doubt, on the heavy downpour of rain there, that Tassajara Springs had been visited by severe rains, amounting to a flood, with loss of property and danger to life.

According to a telephone message received about 6:30 o'clock last evening, By William F. Handley, from Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, manager of Tassajara Springs, the resort experienced only intermittent showers, and no damage had been done.

It was said that it did not rain as hard at Tassajara Springs as it did at Salinas, and only gain will accrue from the showers, as it will bring out the wild flowers in that section in even greater profusion, and add to the natural beauty of the surroundings.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

#### FISHING IS GOOD AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Delightful sunny days greet the visitor to Tassajara Hot Springs just now. In a few hours ride the fogs and sharp winds are but a memory and one revels in a genial warmth and brightness of atmosphere equal to that of

Bermuda.

Fishing in the upper reaches of the various streams is good. Catches brought in recently have been above the average in size.

Latest registrations are:

San Francisco—Dr. and Mrs. Shelly, Mr. and Mrs. W. Baumeister, Albert Baumeister, Mrs. J. J. Callaghan, R. H. Ring, S. B. Hughes, W. S. Dunlop, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Cassidy, Otto Silbsen, Robert Alsop, S. E. Devine, T. Rowe and Ellen Welland.

Pebble Beach—Mr. and Mrs. B. V. McMenamin, B. V. McMenamin, Jr.; Santa Cruz—Mr. and Mrs. M. Zanzow, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Barnhill, Mrs. Charles Gebhardt; Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Metz, M. McMenamin, G. Fadden; Arroyo Seco—Guy Abbott; Aptos—Lucile Banndini; Carmel—K. F. Albertson; Watsonville—L. S. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Resettar; Gonzales—Mrs. L. G. Moreau, Alice Moreau, Emile Moreau; Stockton—Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Myers; Salinas—W. F. Handley.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1925:

#### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Dr. and Mrs. Kelly, W. Baumeister and wife, Albert Baumeister, Mrs. J. J. Callaghan, R. H. Ring, S. B. Hughes, W. S. Dunlop, J. H. Cassidy and wife, Otto Silbsen, Robert Alsop, S. E. Devine, T. Rowe, Ellen Welland.

Pebble Beach—Mr. and Mrs. B. V. McMenamin, B. V. McMenamin, Jr.; Santa Cruz—Mr. and Mrs. M. Zanzow, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Barnhill, Mrs. Charles Gebhardt; Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Metz, M. McMenamin, G. Fadden; Arroyo Seco—Guy Abbott; Carmel—K. F. Albertson; Watsonville—L. S. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Louis Resettar; Gonzales—Mrs. L. G. Moreau, Alice Moreau, Emile Moreau; Stockton—Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Myers; Salinas—W. F. Handley,

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1925:

#### BIRTHDAY PARTY AT TASSAJARA

Tassajara Hot Springs was the scene of a very pleasant and unique social event a few days ago. The occasion was the 86<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the birthday of Mrs. Peter Bontadelli of Salinas, who is at present a guest at the Springs. It chanced that the birthday of another guest fell upon the same day, May 21<sup>st</sup>, that of little 6 year old Bernie McMinamin of Pebble Beach, so a joint celebration was staged in honor of these two visitors. Appropriate and felicitous speeches were made by the proprietress of the resort, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, and others at a banquet in the prettily decorated dining room. An original poem was read by Mrs. Mary R. Dexter of Pacific Grove. There were about sixty persons present.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

#### TASSAJARA SPRINGS IS POPULAR RESORT

By "MARCUS"

The influx of summer visitors to Tassajara Hot Springs has commenced somewhat earlier

this year, due possibly to a desire on the part of visitors to escape the chilly weather prevalent during the early part of the present month. Another factor is the great improvement in the mountain roads which have been widened and smoothed to approximately highway condition for many miles of the route, adding greatly to the enjoyment of the stage ride.

The large, out-door swimming pool is proving as popular as ever with both young and old. Anglers are being rewarded with good catches of satisfactorily sized trout. The natural vapor bath is in operation and well patronized daily. Sportsmen will welcome the news that deer are unusually plentiful even for Tassajara; some of the more venturesome are to be seen nightly taking a toll of the vegetables and alfalfa within thirty yards of the hotel.

Restocking the various streams will this year be conducted on the "Rearing Ponds" system, this will insure a large supply of well grown young fish for release as soon as the waters raise in the fall.

San Francisco—P. G. Redington, H. P. Day, C. Hildabrech, Gus Schlieb, Dr. and Mrs. J. C. Brady, Eileen Brady, J. K. Connelly, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. George F. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hall, Carolyn Hall, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Hudson, Tom Hunter, Edith A. Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Noyes, Verne Dinger, Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Wright, W. F. Stewart, L. W. Oliver, A. C. Livingston, Clinton Davidson, Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. T. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. H. T. Kutzkan, Marion Kutzkan, Mrs. M. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Gallamore, Dr. and Mrs. J. A. Bacher, John Bacher Jr., Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Hughes, S. Anderson, J. H. Dyer, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Willis, Mr. and Mrs. John Traynor, Teresa Slebing, Jane Kostovich, Mr. and Mrs. Ted Huggins, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Zachan.

Salinas—Cleon A. Tynan, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Rossi, William Jeffery, S. A. Miller, W. H. Hogue, Pauline Lopez, Hannah Pedersen, F. L. Garrison, R. C. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. K. F. Bertelsman, Mrs. P. T. Petersen, Imogene Thompson, W. F. Handley.

Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. Allen Griffin, Will Jacks, Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Burns, Archie Kay, Mr. and Mrs. H. Pickels, F. Smyth, L. K. Owen, G. Maddock, Grant Towle, Roy Barton, J. L. Zoodrick, A. M. Bantovich.

Watsonville—C. B. Lewis, J. Spange, O. W. Levy, J. T. Harper, T. Pearson, C. Bozich, E. S. Raine, M. J. Balich, J. Novrich.

Oakland—T. J. Finerty, Mr. and Mrs. Reisling; Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Ellison, Ollis Shely, Mrs. E. A. Eaton.

San Jose—C. A. Hall, E. D. Tuttle, Henry A. Pfister, Louis Lightston.

Carmel—Col. S. F. Dutton, Geo. Best, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Aidiston, L. Warrally.

Soledad—C. K. Bartchin, W. R. Bartschin, A. Fransconi, Jr.

Pacific Grove—Mrs. G. Hermann, F. L. Oliver, J. Waggoner, G. Waggoner, P. B. Redfern.

Santa Cruz—H. L. Abrams; Hollywood—E. E. Jeffery; Hollister—Mrs. C. Schultz; Denver—Annie C. Thomas; San Mateo—Al Fitzgerald; Stockton—G. F. Schuler, Carrie C.

Schuler; San Juan—T. M. Landrum; Sur—Mr. and Mrs. C. Grimes; Washington, D. C.—Mrs. M. S. Fenton; Berkeley—Mr. and Mrs. P. Salterbach; Palo Alto—Prof. S. S. Seward; King City—C. T. Rogers.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—P. G. Redington, H. P. Day, C. Hildabrech, Gus Schlieb, Dr. J. C. Brady and wife, Eileen Brady, J. F. Connelly, F. R. Lewis and wife, G. F. Davis and wife, H. R. Hall and wife, Carolyn Hall, E. A. Hudson and wife, Tom Hunter, Edith A. Mitchell, A. T. Noyes and wife, Verne Dinger, L. E. Wright and wife, W. F. Stewart, L. W. Oliver, A. C. Livingston, Clinton Davidson, S. J. Gibson and wife, T. Thompson and wife, H. T. Kutzkan and wife, Marion Kutzkan, Mrs. M. Williams, W. E. Gallamore and wife, Dr. J. A. Bacher and wife, John Bacher Jr., S. B. Hughes and wife, S. Anderson, J. H. Dyer, C. S. Willis and wife, John Traynor and wife, Teresa Slebing, Jane Kostovich, Ted Huggins and wife, E. A. Zachan and wife.

Salinas—Cleon A. Tynan, E. F. Rossi and wife, William Jeffery, S. A. Miller, W. H. Hogue. Pauline Lopez, Hannah Pedersen, F. L. Garrison, R. G. Ford, K. F. Bertelsman, Mrs. P. T. Petersen, Imogene Thompson, W. F. Handley.

Monterey—A. Griffin and wife, Will Jacks, E. Burns and wife, Archie Kay, H. Pickels and wife, F. Smyth, L. K. Owen, G. Maddock, Grant Towle, Roy Barton, J. L. Zoodrick, A. M. Bantovich.

Watsonville—C. B. Lewis, J. Spange, O. W. Levy, J. T. Harper, T. Pearson, C. Bozich, E. S. Raine, M. J. Balich, J. Novrich.

Oakland—T. J. Finerty, Reisling and wife; J. B. Ellison and wife, Ollis Shely, Mrs. E. A. Eaton; San Jose—C. A. Hall, E. D. Tuttle, Henry A. Pfister, Louis Lightston; Santa Cruz—H. L. Abrams; Hollywood—E. E. Jeffery; Hollister—Mrs. C. Schultz; Denver—Anne Annie C. Thomas; Soledad—C. K. Bartchin, W. R. Bartschin, A. Fransconi, Jr.; Carmel—Col. S. F. Dutton, Geo. Best, H. A. Aidiston, Louis Warrally; San Mateo—Al Fitzgerald; Pacific Grove—Mrs. G. Hermann, F. L. Oliver, J. Waggoner, G. Waggoner, P. B. Redfern; Stockton—G. F. Schuler, Carrie C. Schuler; San Juan—T. M. Landrum; Sur—Mr. and Mrs. C. Grimes; Washington, D. C.—Mrs. M. S. Fenton; Berkeley—P. Salterbach and wife; Palo Alto—Prof. S. S. Seward; King City—C. T. Rogers.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1925:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Known as one of the most healthful resorts of California, Tassajara Hot Springs should appeal to seekers after health, because of its soda springs that bid fair to become as famous as the renowned hot springs of Arkansas.

Rheumatism, gout, dropsy, paralysis, liver and stomach trouble sufferers are said to report great relief after bathing in the waters of the springs, with their 160 degrees of heat. In many cases entire cures are said to have been

brought about.

Two sanitary bath houses, consisting of fourteen private rooms, equipped with porcelain or sunken tile tubs and cold showers for guests, as well as a sixty-foot swimming pool, furnish accommodations for the guests, as well as a natural steam bath, which contains beneficial properties.

A virtual network of trout streams surround Tassajara. These are kept stocked by the government fish hatcheries. The steelhead, the rainbow and loch leaven trout may be found in abundance. During the season hunters will find plenty of deer.

Tassajara is located in Monterey County, forty-seven miles south of Salinas. It is 1500 feet above sea level, in the Santa Lucia Mountains. The resort is but eight miles on an air line from the ocean, but cold winds are kept from it by the mountains. During the evenings a wrap is seldom necessary.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1925:

### DOUBLE SHOWER GIVEN BY MRS. QUILTY AT TASSAJARA RESORT

Dr. Henry G. Watters of Watsonville was master of ceremonies, and was ably assisted by Lynn Marsh, at a delightful shower party which was given by Mrs. Quilty for two brides-to-be, who are enjoying their vacation at Tassajara Hot Springs.

The affair was held last Friday night, and the young women were made the recipients of quite a number of articles of beauty and utility for their respective hope chests. As a large proportion of the visitors at Tassajara now are of the younger set, the affair proved one of great pleasure to the prospective brides and their friends. One of the soon-to-be brides is Miss Marion Wright of this city. The other was from San Francisco.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

### GUESTS ARE ENJOYING TASSAJARA SPRINGS

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, MONTEREY COUNTY.—A very successful season for this, one of the most popular health and rest resorts in our state, appears assured. Already some 160 guests are enjoying its invigorating climate and unequalled mineral waters. The immense outdoor swimming pool lures a daily crowd of frolicking folks of all ages to revel happily in its tempered waters.

Not the least among the charms of Tassajara is its informality; a comfortably "homey" spirit permeates everyone and there is an air of comradery and general good fellowship that perfectly rounds out a delightful vacation.

The mountain roads are in the pink of condition, making the stage ride from Salinas an experience long to be remembered for its comfort and the magnificent scenic route traversed.

Fishermen are meeting with good success among the trout and early fall 35,000 rainbow fry will be planted to replenish the streams for future seasons.

It is advisable to make stage room reservations a few days in advance.

Recent registrations are:

San Francisco—Dr. Geo. Rader and family, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Schafer, C. Colby, J. B. Holohan, Mrs. E. Lachman and Dot, Chas O'Brien, Jr., R. Collins, Fred Burget, C. Dien, S. Williams, H. Freed, F. Forsyth, A. Cuneo, F. J. McCormick, Mary D. Roberts, Mrs. W. B. Austin, S. H. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Braunton, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tonkin, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Baumeister, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Klahm, Mrs. T. Baumeister, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Stanford, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Lausten, R. Campiglia, J. L. Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Nave, A. S. Willis, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. W. McPhee, Jr., Mary Giacomazzi, W. J. Richardson, Mrs. F. deSavenac, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Richardson, Helen A. and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. Simons, D. Owens, Miss N. Owens, Miss Wiggins, J. F. Henry, Mrs. C. L. Zahniser, Frances Sheets, Leo Atteridge, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Casey, W. Fisher, Theresa A. Mercereau, Ruth Hildebrecht, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Freed.

Watsonville—Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Watters, Helen G. Thompson, Geo. W. Sill, Dr. and Mrs. P. K. Watters, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Hudson, Ruth Driscoll, T. M. Wright and daughter Marion, Helen M. Watters, H. H. Watters, P. K. Watters, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Lynn L. Marsh and son, M. E. Stanovich, Otto Nelson, J. Harper, Hazel Winne, Dan Leddy, Mr. Rasmussen, Mary A. Menezes, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Waters, Mr. Rose, Catherine Lettunich, Mrs. M. P. Butler, P. Butler, Lottie Waters, Louise E. Hudson, Charlotte Hudson, Margaret Hudson, Bobby Hudson, Pat H. Rowan, John Stanovich.

Salinas—E. P. Alexander, wife and daughter, Bessie Chestnut, F. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. O. P. Bardin, Wm. Bardin, O. Bardin, Jr., D. Bardin, A. Bardin, Vina Redman, A. H. Christensen, Jerome and Janet Alexander, Minnie Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. Ed Rossi, Ella Rossi, Mr. and Mrs. Cleon Tynan, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Cozzens and son, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Porter, W. F. Handley.

Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Olmsted, A. C. Henkle, J. J. Harrington, Mrs. Will Jacks, P. Vergn, Mrs. Grant Towle, L. Goldstine, Mrs. Alice Todd, J. W. Cox, Mrs. J. J. Harrington, Mrs. J. A. Murray, Fran Stewart.

Oakland—Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Lang and Mr. and Mrs. K. W. Green.

Berkeley—Ben B. Dixon and family.

San Jose—Chas. O'Brien and C. M. Hall.

Carmel—Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Leslie and son, B. Wetzel, P. Floor.

King City—Tom Franscioni, P. Morasel.

Pacific Grove—Frank Bullene, Mrs. Fannie Downing.

Hollister—Harry Perry, Edna Neilson, John Lauritzen, A. A. Hyman.

Denver—Mrs. Ella G. Morrison.

Sacramento—V. Mikulin.

San Juan—Morse Landrum.

Redwood City—J. E. Lynn.

San Luis Obispo—Mrs. G. C. Matthews.

Castroville—Mr. and Mrs. John B. Lyons.

Gilroy—W. C. Stoud.

Philadelphia—Mrs. A. F. Lysile.

Mountain View—Mrs. F. Stuart.

Soberanes—W. L. Wilkerson.

Golanda—Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Klep and son.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Dr. Geo. Rader and family, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Schafer, C. Colby, J. B. Holohan, Mrs. E. Lachman and Dot, Chas O'Brien, Jr., R. Collins, Fred Burget, C. Dien, S. Williams, H. Freed, F. Forsyth, A. Cuneo, F. J. McCormick, Mary D. Roberts, Mrs. W. B. Austin, S. H. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Braunton, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tonkin, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hall, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Baumeister, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Klahm, Mrs. T. Baumeister, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Stanford, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Lausten, R. Campiglia, J. L. Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Nave, A. S. Willis, Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. W. McPhee, Jr., Mary Giacomazzi, W. J. Richardson, Mrs. F. deSavenac, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Richardson, Helen A. Richardson, Mr. and Mrs. E. Simons, D. Owens, Miss N. Owens, Miss Wiggins, J. F. Henry, Mrs. C. L. Zahniser, Frances Sheets, Leo Atteridge, Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Casey, W. Fisher, Theresa A. Mercereau, Ruth Hildebrecht, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Freed.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

### ESCAPES DEATH IN PLUNGE FROM GRADE

Injured after plunging 400 feet over the Tassajara grade, Earl Landium, 19, son of Thomas Landium, well-known Salinas Valley rancher, is at the Tassajara Hot Springs resort on the way to recovery after a miraculous escape from death, according to word which reached Monterey Wednesday. Landium's car hurled from the grade and turned over four times, according to accounts. The youth was thrown from the auto when it rolled over the third time, escaping from the crash with a sprained ankle and severe bruises, it is said.

*Monterey Peninsula Daily Herald*, guest season of 1925:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Monterey County, Calif. Where nature's boiling mineral waters cure Rheumatism, Kidney, Liver and Stomach disorders, and where natural attractions and balmy climate make it a veritable playground. Booklets at *Peninsula Herald* office. For hotel and stage reservations, write:

MRS. HELEN G. QUILTY,

Tassajara Hot Springs, Calif.

Excellent trout fishing and deer hunting.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1925 (also in the 7/13/1925 *Salinas Daily Index*, as 'Fishing is Good at Tassajara Springs'):

### HEALTH-SEEKERS FLOCK TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Health seekers and holiday makers continue to flock into Tassajara Hot Springs daily and are taxing the capacity of this delightful resort to its utmost; just at present the visitors number 175 with many reservations for the remainder of the season.

Magnificent weather lends an added charm to the restful influence of the surroundings and

tonic effects of the natural baths and mineral waters.

Fishing is still good on the upper reaches of the creeks and a few days ago 35,000 rainbow fry were liberated in the vicinity of the Springs for restocking purposes; the tiny fish stood the long trip well and were enthusiastically received by the committee of guests who rolled out at 3 a. m. to greet and induct them into their new environment, where they speedily made themselves at home, and where it is to be hoped, at some future date, to grace the baskets of the good sports who cheerfully sacrificed a night's rest for the privilege of one day lying brazenly about the "big ones that got away."

Mountain quail are noticeably on the increase. It is not uncommon in a stroll of a mile along the stream to encounter a dozen anxious mother birds, each with a numerous brood, proving that our game fowl are not believers in race suicide.

With the drying of the natural feed the deer are becoming bolder and nightly raid the hotel alfalfa patch.

Swimming by day and dancing in the evenings round out the days mightily pleasantly at Tassajara.

Recent Registrations:

San Francisco—Anna Slater, A. R. Power, H. Ravin, C. Nissen, H. C. Taft, J. Heineberg, C. L. Zahneisef, L. Foss, M. G. Bacoceur, Mrs. Cornell, Ethel M. Barry, Mrs. E. Schetter and neice, Miss E. Norton, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lynch, J. E. Connolly, T. J. Sheehan, E. O'Neill, D. J. Sheehan, Irene Walsh, J. Maxwell, Elsa Boulton, Ruth M. Gleason, R. T. Tenhaus, D. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Weidman, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Ransome, Sr., Mrs. F. Paulsen, F. M. Smith, Mr. J. D. Barry, Mrs. M. B. Lashbrook, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Schafer, Eanna Nixon, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dein, W. F. Hasinger, Mrs. S. E. Sherwood, S. J. Sherwood, E. J. Berg, R. Anderson, L. H. Ward, E. Ward; B. Ward, Mary R. Ward, R. L. Ward, Mrs. N. Fitzgibbon, Mrs. C. J. Gunderson, Emil Abel, G. W. Murray, J. McDonald, J. P. Block, Cappy Berges.

Oakland—Odrienne Cohn, Mr. and Mrs. Day.

Burlingame—Vidgil Vandervort, C. R. Stoffers.

San Jose—Mrs. S. Kirk, Miss E. S. Kirk, Miss L. Goodnough, Clarence Kirk.

Salinas—W. J. Towne, C. O. Praise, Beth Fiese, Mrs. L. H. Anderson, Ira C. Bailey, L. H. Andersen, Lillian Lang, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Hiserman, S. Lanini, Sena Enevoldsen, Elis Enevoldsen, Alyce Parsons, E. H. Bordges, F. B. Lauritzen, H. Martella, L. Martella, John Berges, Mrs. L. Larsen, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Wiland and Mrs. C. R. Kallem, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Hansen, W. F. Handley.

Watsonville—N. F. Waite, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Kallam, Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Horgan, M. Giege, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Baker and Virginia, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Faul, Sam Sprague, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Friermugh, E. O'Neill, Mr. and E. J. Paul, B. Lettunich, Margore K. Empson, Dorothea Wilks, L. Matson, M. A. Borovich, J. Borovich, Effie Paul, Geo. W. Sill, S. Barovich, Mrs. L. D. McFarland, Ida McFarland, Mrs. Nettie Ford, Mr. Nan Bartlett.

Monterey—Dolph Oliver, P. Navarro, H. Myers, S. Todder, T. Zurino.

Castroville—Pat Hayes, Irene Sager.

Arroyo Seco—E. Whitcher, A. B. Colburn.

Soledad—Ida Parks, E. Lanini, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Iverson, Lucille Iverson.

San Juan—Morse P. Landrum, Mrs. J. H. Landrum.

Gonzales—S. Lanini, D. Mills.

Moss Landing—Mrs. E. J. Hansen.

Gilroy—Mr. and Mrs. John B. Sherrer.

Hollywood—Mrs. C. McAllister.

San Luis Obispo—P. Gowling.

Huntington Park—Mr. and Mrs. Jamieson.

Spreckels—Mrs. U. Ulricksen, Miss E. Ulricksen.

Hollister—Mr. and Mrs. Claude Moore, Walter Keene.

Presidio of Monterey—Lt. and Mrs. H. O. Sand, Lt. and Mrs. J. T. Campbell.

Greenfield—J. Ferrari, A. Rianda, F. E. Grimm, F. A. Onyaro.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1925 (also in the 8/26/1925

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs Breaks all its Previous Records'—the *Pajaronian* article differed by its inclusion of registrants from Watsonville, Santa Cruz an Gilroy; these have been added to the lists below):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS HAS RECORD CROWD

Tassajara Hot Springs is just now in the midst of the most successful season in its history, having been practically filled to capacity since shortly after the opening date for 1925. At the present some 95 guests are enjoying life there and prospective visitors will do well to make reservations in advance.

Plans are already afoot for further improvements next year, and lumber, etc., is on the ground for a dozen new bungalows which will be erected after the close of the season in the middle of October.

The creeks literally swarm with trout fry of various sizes giving splendid promise of sport to come.

Deer are plentiful; in fact they invade the hotel gardens and alfalfa field almost nightly.

Climatic conditions are most agreeable; cool mornings and evenings with a sufficiency of genial warmth to make the days ideal for the vacationists.

Registrations for August from this and nearby sections are:

Salinas—Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Ober, L. M. Herstott, Mary Martella, Mrs. E. Martella, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Pedroni and family, F. A. Abbott, Mrs. Silacci, J. Berges, P. Guidotti, M. Heinrichs, E. Overton, E. J. Sharp, Ira C. Bailey, C. F. Joy, Bernice Donahue, L. Thompson, J. R. Hughes, Nellie Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Nissen, Laurine Nissen, Mrs. F. J. Carlsen, Marie McKinon, Paul Pioda, Anne Bordges, Jim Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Austin, J. A. Anderson, P. C. Balestra, E. Craig, H. Dwight, H. J. Donnelly, Ross Nissen, Jr., Mildred Martin, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Martin, R. G. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin, Walter Schween and family, Mrs. B. Leidig and son, Dr. and Mrs. G. Parker, Mrs. E. C. McHarry and son, Mr. and Mrs. A. Church, S. Church, Mrs. J. Seller, Adam

Thompson, A. Gottfriedson, C. Neilson, J. Jacobson, J. Violini, Jr., J. Violini, T. Cascioni, Mr. and Mrs. E. Reese, C. Sipe, B. Sipe, Ann McFadden, Mrs. M. Fontes, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bordges, A. Smith, Paul Tavernetti, R. H. Bullene, M. C. Bordges, J. N. Anderson, Mrs. F. C. Bordges and daughter, Wallace McFadden, A. C. Hayward and family, John Grau, W. F. Handley.

Soledad—Milton Iverson, Mrs. C. Lanini, R. Lanini.

Spreckels—Rose Rhyner, A. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Paulsen.

Gonzales—N. Bianchi, Catherine Twisselman, B. De Carli.

King City—Mrs. Mrs. J. Mathews, Rosalind Matthews, R. B. Foster.

Blanco—Lucille McFadden.

Moss Landing—E. J. Hansen.

Rancho Tularcitos—R. E. Marble, J. E. Marble, W. Bruce, W. B. Wright.

Chualar—Tom Mattart.

Monterey—Etta Eckhardt, K. Keller, Mrs. F. China and son, Mrs. D. Schwart, P. Haxdovos, A. Prego, A. C. Hinkle, N. A. Burke, A. J. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lee and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Littlefield, Irma Littlefield, F. W. Hellam and family, A. Kopke.

Pacific Grove—F. J. Salsman, E. Ricketts.

Carmel—Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Gottferd, R. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hale, G. Wells, Donald Hale.

Castroville—Mrs. J. Collins, Evelyn Collins, Jack Collins.

Hollywood—Eugene Jeffery and daughters.

Hollister—W. Hudner, Mrs. J. A. Kearney, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wright, Ernestine Wright.

Honolulu—R. F. Carson.

Watsonville—D. J. Daly, L. S. Alexander, Cecilia Alexander, J. S. Thompson, Mrs. N. C. Petersen and daughter, N. Lettunich, W. C. Petersen, W. Petersen, Ella Thurwachter, Jim Enemark, Dorothy Staud, Agnes Staud, L. W. Lettunich, T. Caddy, C. J. Sibole, J. W. Miller, G. W. Kingsbury, W. Whiteman, M. Resetar and son, H. Bridgewater, Edna and Lily Larsen, C. Sandberg, P. V. Stolich, F. H. Gerdan, M. A. Papassi, Anita Driscoll, P. F. Marinovich, H. Mathews, G. Cottrell, Mrs. R. L. Buckhart, Pearl Larsen, Edna Jansen, E. Jansen, Mrs. M. Morak, R. S. Muraska, J. Mida, L. C. Fane, E. Shov, H. C. Rasmussen, A. H. Hoffman, R. Thorne, Loretta M. Phillips, Aloyse Phillips, A. Z. Gellon, Mrs. A. Jerenich, M. Jassovich, Lester Driscoll, Wilma Kane, N. Alaga, L. Matson, G. P. Kennedy, R. L. Gates, Wileen West, J. Meginness.

Santa Cruz—Mrs. C. L. Baldwin, Mrs. P. Scaroni, Lillian Scaroni, G. P. Dermott.

Gilroy—Mrs. J. Buffo.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

### WOUNDED DOE FOUND ON TASSAJARA ROAD

Helplessness crippled and crying piteously a wounded doe was found early this morning on the Tassajara road near the Bruce ranch by Peter Hansen, a truck driver who was on his way to Salinas, accompanied by Albert Smith, George Maddock and A. F. Perry. Someone had wantonly sent one bullet through its neck, another through its ear and left it to die.

Hansen and his companions lifted the wounded animal into the truck and brought it to Salinas, still alive and suffering. After reporting at the sheriff's office, in order to avoid possible trouble with game wardens, the doe was mercifully put out of its misery and the carcass was sent to the county hospital. The doe appeared to be about a year and a half old.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Dr. Ray L. Hursh and wife, R. H. Jackett, Furnia Davis, Dorothy Brady, Lucille Egan, Blanche Egan, Claire Egan, B. H. Egan and wife, M. V. Brady and wife, Frank Brady, O. Haire, H. M. Jeffery, A. Walsh, E. Dempsey, E. A. Coughlan, Mrs. F. Campbell, Miss D. McCarthy, J. Dockrell and wife, Molly Camp, R. A. Sollars and wife, J. P. Pelins, M. C. Pelins, J. Cotter, Charles Gordan and wife, W. H. Schulter and wife, Gladys Gunning, Alice Harrington, Janis Cunningham, M. V. Brady, W. H. Egan, M. O. Brady, Irene Mackin, F. H. Palamountain, Ruth Baldwin, E. Wilson, E. J. Thompson and wife, J. P. Collins and wife, Silva F. Harris, McEldowney and wife, W. E. Shafer, A. J. Bordenave, H. S. Doyle, A. Muhoberac, B. Pedro, C. A. Patterson, H. M. Hall and wife, J. S. McLean and family, Miss B. Marcus, P. Mullen, Clara Mullen, Miss M. d'Erlach, D. H. Young and son, Marjory May, Mrs. R. D. Jackson, J. R. Donnigan, wife and son, Mrs. W. Ferguson, Gertrude Fleming, S. Bastandig and wife, Miss V. Wiseman, L. C. Clier, J. Deben, O. Bankhead, W. H. Riverts and wife, G. Goeppart and wife, W. Long, Anne Howard, W. Howard and wife, Claire Howard, Vera Howard, Mrs. J. Howard, E. Psottis, R. Mallaires, Mrs. R. H. Riddell, J. P. Crann, Lenora Lane, D. Anderson, E. Carroll, F. L. Adams, W. F. Dooling, C. J. Behlow, Kathryn Wallace, Jesse Jensen, G. V. Dow and wife, Captain H. J. Goodwin and wife, A. D. Newell and wife, Mrs. R. Handey, Mrs. M. Barina, J. J. Reardon and wife, G. Flynn, Marie F. Fitzsimmons, J. Van, R. Rizzo, Cora I. Kent, P. Hegarty, P. Mahoney, E. V. Brown, B. Sheridan.

Oakland—J. Johnstone, R. H. Pronty, Sarah F. Flynn, Francis Mulligan, Mrs. M. Mulligan, J. J. Sheehan, M. J. Madsen, Mrs. W. W. Atwater, Miss M. Van Dusen, J. W. Atken, Bessie Healey, Rosemary Healey, A. S. Jones, Wigholm and wife, Jean Wigholm, Jack Wigholm, H. Knudsen, A. L. Garland, F. H. Garland, E. C. Wangh, M. McKinlay.

Salinas—Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Ober, L. M. Herstott, Mary Martella, Mrs. E. Martella, Mr. and Mrs. G. J. Pedroni and family, F. A. Abbott, Mrs. Silacci, J. Berges, P. Guidotti, M. Heinrichs, E. Overton, E. J. Sharp, Ira C. Bailey, C. F. Joy, Bernice Donahue, L. Thompson, J. R. Hughes, Nellie Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Nissen, Laurine Nissen, Mrs. F. J. Carlsen, Marie McKinon, Paul Pioda, Anne Bordges, Jim Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Austin, J. A. Anderson, P. C. Balestra, E. Craig, H. Dwight, H. J. Donnelly, Ross Nissen, Jr., Mildred Martin, Mr. and Mrs. W.

J. Martin, R. G. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin, Walter Schween and family, Mrs. B. Leidig and son, Dr. and Mrs. G. Parker, Mrs. E. C. McHarry and son, Mr. and Mrs. A. Church, S. Church, Mrs. J. Seller, Adam Thompson, A. Gottfriedson, C. Neilson, J. Jacobson, J. Violini, Jr., J. Violini, T. Cascioni, Mr. and Mrs. E. Reese, C. Sipe, B. Sipe, Ann McFadden, Mrs. M. Fontes, Mr. and Mrs. A. Bordges, A. Smith, Paul Tavernetti, R. H. Bullene, M. C. Bordges, J. N. Anderson, Mrs. F. C. Bordges and daughter, Wallace McFadden, A. C. Hayward and family, John Grau, W. F. Handley.

Watsonville—D. J. Daly, L. S. Alexander, Cecilia Alexander, J. S. Thompson, Mrs. N. C. Petersen and daughter, N. Lettunich, W. C. Petersen, W. Petersen, Ella Thurwachter, Jim Enemark, Dorothy Staud, Agnes Staud, L. W. Lettunich, T. Caddy, C. J. Sibole, J. W. Miller, G. W. Kingsbury, W. Whiteman, M. Resetar and son, H. Bridgewater, Edna and Lily Larsen, C. Sandberg, P. V. Stolich, F. H. Gerdan, M. A. Papassi, Anita Driscoll, P. F. Marinovich, H. Mathews, G. Cottrell, Mrs. R. L. Buckhart, Pearl Larsen, Edna Jansen, E. Jansen, Mrs. M. Morak, R. S. Muraska, J. Mida, L. C. Fane, E. Shov, H. C. Rasmussen, A. H. Hoffman, R. Thorne, Loretta M. Phillips, Aloyse Phillips, A. Z. Gellon, Mrs. A. Jerenich, M. Jassovich, Lester Driscoll, Wilma Kane, N. Alaga, L. Matson, G. P. Kennedy, R. L. Gates, Eileen West, J. Meginness.

San Jose—Lucille Cherry, Hiram Tuttle, W. Nunez, May B. Murphy, K. O'Neil, Mable A. Lederich, Jean Provall, Miss N. Quinn, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bordges, Mrs. J. A. Marten, Cecilia O'Neil, J. C. Farley, Mable F. Farley, C. A. Barker, Paul Davies.

Monterey—Etta Eckhardt, K. Keller, Mrs. F. China and son, Mrs. D. Schwart, P. Haxdovos, A. Prego, A. C. Hinkle, N. A. Burke, A. J. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Lee and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Littlefield, Irma Littlefield, F. W. Hellam and family, A. Kopke.

Berkeley—Thelma Pedersen, Marie Pedersen; Burlingame—W. J. Fox, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Driscoll, Mrs. J. Liberg and family, Florence Barbut; Palo Alto—Miss Wood, Florence Wood, Mrs. W. H. Bulger, Mildred Bulger; Santa Cruz—Mrs. C. L. Baldwin, Mrs. P. Scaroni, Lillian Scaroni, G. P. Dermott; Stockton—Carrie C. Schuler, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. McIntosh, Paula Ohlandt; Pacific Grove—F. J. Salsman, E. Ricketts; Carmel—Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Gottferd, R. Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. D. Hale, G. Wells, Donald Hale; Daly City—W. J. Savage; Hollywood—E. F. Jeffery and daughters; Castroville—Mrs. J. Collins, Evelyn Collins, Jack Collins; San Mateo—Mrs. N. M. Ryley; Los Angeles—F. E. Wright, L. E. Hart, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Walker, Bob Walker, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McManus; Winters—Ora A. Woods; Gilroy—Mrs. J. Buffo; Fresno—Helen Vaughan, J. Dier, W. A. Lisk; Hayward—R. P. King; Honolulu—R. F. Carson; Eureka—C. Allmeroth, G. Cummings; Soledad—Milton Iverson, Mrs. C. Lanini, R. Lanini; Spreckels—Rose Rhyner, A. Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Paulsen; Gonzales—N. Bianchi, Katherine Twisselman, B. De Carli.

King City—Miss J. Mathews, Rosalind Mathews, R. B. Foster; Blanco—Lucille Mc-

Fadden; Redlands—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Olds; Pine Knot—Mrs. L. E. Holloway; Chualar—Tom Mattart; Hollister—W. Hudner, Mrs. J. A. Kearney, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Wright, Ernestine Wright; Moss Landing—E. J. Hansen; Hughson—C. S. Machado; Rancho Tularcitos—R. E. Marble, J. E. Marble, W. Bruce, W. B. Wright; Modesto—F. Vestio; San Diego—G. R. Garrissere; Sacramento—A. P. Valine; Alameda—J. E. Hadley, F. A. Williamson, Clara Spencer, A. E. Reinhold.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1925 (also in the 9/10/1925 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs a Beautiful Spot'):

## SHOWERS IMPROVE TASSAJARA ROAD

By "MARCUS"

Recent fairly heavy showers have vastly improved conditions at Tassajara, packing the roads nicely and heightening the enjoyment of the stage ride, besides restoring to the foliage and vegetation all the charm and freshness of early spring. Numbers of parties selected Tassajara Hot Springs as the ideal spot in which to spend the holidays of the past few days, and a large fleet of privately owned cars supplemented the customary stage service and added to the life of the resort.

The past season has been extremely favorable for the increase of animal and bird life in the Santa Lucias, and foxes, gray squirrel, valley and mountain quail are more numerous in the vicinity of the Springs than for many years past; the mountain quail have been especially prolific and large convoys of these beautiful game fowl are to be encountered in a half mile stroll in any direction.

Deer hunters are meeting with fine success and several fine bucks have been brought in during the past few days; the does and fawns emboldened by immunity are extending their attention to the young orchard between the hotel and the outdoor swimming pool where they attract a great deal of notice and pleasant comment from everyone but the proprietress who prefers peaches and plums to deer tracks any day.

Recent registrations are:

Salinas—Walter Wallace, Garth Lacey, L. V. Ober, A. Walter, Geo. Lacey, Mr. and Mrs. Leo. S. Bullene, Mrs. M. C. Borden, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Christian, N. Terkelsen, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bontadelif, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Machado and three sons, Mrs. M. S. Gularte, Ira C. Baily, H. Martella, L. Martella, A. Silacci, M. Martella, E. King, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Porter and family, W. F. Handley; Castroville—C. R. Phillips, Genevieve Phillips, A. Arellanes; Monterey—Mrs. M. L. Hatton, G. A. Maddick, A. C. Hinkle, Irma Littlefield, Mildred Littlefield, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Metz, A. Duckworth, Mr. and Mrs. H. Steinhagen, I. Battinich; Spreckels—E. M. Juhler; Aromas—Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Seely; Jamesburg—Mrs. Wm. Lambert; King City—Pete Morasci; Carmel—Dr. Amelia P. Gates, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Kitchen, Tilly Polak, G. W. Rulich and family; Hollister—E. T. Gowen; Gonzales—J. Cochran; Pacific Grove—E. Williams, D. Mauze; Watsonville—Dr. H. G. Watters, H. B. Pflagst, S. G. Dahl, G. A. Cottrel, Mr. and Mrs. A. O.

Cox, Mrs. M. O. Tuttle, Miss Gene Tuttle, J. Condon, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Leddy, J. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Leddy; San Francisco—Mrs. F. J. Nason, Mrs. G. S. Tullock, H. Stafford, Bruce Fair, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Lowney, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Haberdin and Kenneth, G. H. Meyer, A. Bloch, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Howell and Camille, Mrs. A. E. Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. B. Burk, H. J. Stahner, Bertha Howell, Theresa Merkle, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Levy, N. R. Copeland, J. C. McCaney, Carmen Biederman, M. W. Fleming, Blanche Pierre, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Schafer, Mrs. E. Zeig, Miss E. Nixon, Cathrine T. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Radford, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Burke, Mrs. F. O. Callaghan, Miss D. McCarthy, Clara S. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Dilger, Mrs. G. A. Sturgis; Los Angeles—Catherine Nason, Elleen Nason, Mac B. Raymond; Burlingame—Mary C. Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Rowe, J. C. Marshall; Oakland—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Gerlich, Miss E. L. Patterson; San Jose—Mr. and Mrs. C. Herold, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wyckoff, Frances Wyckoff, P. Herold, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Nash, G. F. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Vollmer; Alameda—Mrs. Agnes Paulsen; Fresno—Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Conebs; Berkeley—Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Barrett; Bakersfield—Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Larkin, W. T. Larkin; Merced—W. A. Wallis; Gilroy—V. Pontin; Santa Maria—Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Moss; Stanford University—E. K. Strong and son; Stockton—Laddy Ann Rilich, E. E. Snitchon, Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Freel; Santa Cruz—L. W. Riche, Mr. and Mrs. D. Wilder and son, Mrs. G. Falconer, Dr. and Mrs. R. Faulkner.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1925:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Mrs. F. J. Nason, Mrs. G. S. Tullock, H. Stafford, Bruce Fair, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Lowney, Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Haberdin and son, A. Bloch, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Howell and Camille, George H. Meyer, Mrs. A. E. Doyle, H. J. Stahner, Mr. and Mrs. B. Burk, Bertha Howell, Theresa Merkle, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Levy, N. R. Copeland, J. C. McCaney, Carmen Biederman, M. W. Fleming, Blanche Pierre, Dr. and Mrs. A. F. Schafer, Mrs. E. Zeig, Miss E. Nixon, Cathrine T. Ryan, Mr. and Mrs. J. Radford, Mrs. F. O. Callaghan, Miss D. McCarthy, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Burke, Clara S. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. Dilger, Mrs. G. A. Sturgis.

Salinas—A. M. Smith, Walter Wallace, Garth Lacey, L. V. Ober, A. Walter, Geo. Lacey, Mr. and Mrs. Leo. S. Bullene, Mrs. M. C. Borden, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Christian, N. Terkelsen, Mr. and Mrs. P. Bontadelif, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Machado and three sons, Mrs. M. S. Gularte, Ira C. Baily, H. Martella, L. Martella, A. Silacci, M. Martella, E. King, Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Porter and family, W. F. Handley.

San Jose—Mr. and Mrs. C. Herold, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wyckoff, Frances Wyckoff, P. Herold, Dr. and Mrs. D. E. Nash, G. F. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. I. J. Vollmer.

Los Angeles—Catherine Nason, Elleen Nason, Mac B. Raymond; Burlingame—Mary

C. Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. K. H. Rowe, J. C. Marshall; Oakland—Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Gerlich, Miss E. L. Patterson; Spreckels—E. M. Juhler; Alameda—Mrs. Agnes Paulsen; Merced—W. A. Wallis; Sacramento—A. P. Valine, J. Helpin

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1925:

## PLEADED GUILTY TO TWO CHARGES KILLING DEER; FINED \$600.00

Through the efforts of Game Warden J. H. Hill, of Hollister, assisted materially by Wardens Lancaster and Sherwood, of this section, John Larson, of Tassajara Springs, Monterey County, yesterday entered a plea of guilty to two different charges of killing deer out of season, one of the charges involving a doe.

The case was heard before Judge D. W. Rohrback, of the Pajaro justice court, and Larson was given his option of paying fines of \$300 on each charge, or a total of \$600, or in lieu of serving a 300 day jail sentence. He paid the fine and was released.

The first offense was committed on March 22, last, when Larson admits killing a buck out of season. The other was on November 16, at which time the hunter's victim was a doe. Both animals were killed in the vicinity of the Tassajara Springs resort.

Judge Rohrback gave the violator a lecture on the seriousness of his crime, stating that the state is spending thousands of dollars to protect the wild life and that good citizens are expected to do all in their power to see that the regulations are observed.

The wardens also had the co-operation of the Pajaro Valley Fish & Game Protective Association, many members of which were present at the hearing.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1925:

## DEER KILLER FINED IN PAJARO COURT

WATSONVILLE, Nov. 21.—John Larson, foreman on the Tassajara Springs resort property in Monterey County, pleaded guilty to two charges of killing deer out of season and was fined \$600, \$300 for each offense, in the Justice's Court of D. W. Rohrback at Pajaro yesterday. The complaints were sworn to by Deputy Game Wardens L. S. Lancaster and E. S. Sherwood.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1925:

## HEAVILY FINED FOR KILLING DEER

When John Larson, employee of Tassajara Springs, Monterey County summer resort, appeared in Justice of the Peace D. W. Rohrback's court at Pajaro, he pleaded guilty to shooting deer out of season. Judge Rohrback gave Larson his option of paying a fine of \$600 or serving 300 days in the county jail. He chose the fine and gave a check in payment.

## 1926

From the 'People You Know' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty was in Salinas Thursday en route to Tassajara Hot Springs, where she is making plans for the coming summer.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1926 (also in the 5/6/1926 *San Diego Evening Tribune*):

## STAGE JUST WON'T EXPIRE

CADILLAC, AFTER TEN YEARS IN MOUNTAINS, NOW USED AS TRUCK

The 1913 Cadillac stage which for so many years has carried the visitors over the long climb to Tassajara Hot Springs will not be seen this year in the hills of the Coast Range. After more than ten years of the hardest kind of mountain work, the old Cadillac was lengthened out into a truck and is now being used to haul lettuce.

The record of this car is typical of hundreds of other Cadillacs which have been used for semi-commercial work. During its first three years of service the car covered 75,000 miles over the roughest kind of mountain roads. In 1916 it was equipped with a special stage body and was put in regular service, replacing the horse-drawn vehicle. From May 1 to October 15 it made daily trips to the Hot Springs, carrying a ton to a ton and a half load over the fifty-five mile trip. Approximately twenty miles of the distance was made in low gear and ten miles in intermediate. On the trip out of Tassajara before the road was rebuilt, there was a pull of five miles where it was always necessary to use chains on the rear wheels to get traction. The average mileage per season was 10,000. During the winter the car was used as a truck, hauling lumber and supplies. The car served in this capacity for eight years, and since then has been used for general farm trucking.

Some idea of the sturdiness of the Cadillac construction can be gained from the fact that the original bearings have never been replaced, the valve tappets and guides are as good as new, the master pistons and small gear have never been replaced, and the universals are the same as when they came from the factory. It has a new battery and the wrist pins and bushings have been replaced.

This vehicle was first purchased by William Jeffery in April of 1913. See From the 'Personals' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1913, and 'To Tassajara by Automobile,' *Salinas Daily Index*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1913.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1926 (also in the 4/26/1926 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs to Open May 1<sup>st</sup>')

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS WILL OPEN SATURDAY, MAY 1<sup>st</sup>

One of the many charms of Tassajara Hot Springs lies in the fact that each recurring year sees extensive improvements, planned with the sole idea of adding to the comfort and convenience of its visitors.

Nine new cottage bungalows have been added since last season, and a force of workmen are busily engaged putting everything in apple pie order for what is expected to be the largest patronage in the history of this resort.

Generous rains during the past winter have brought the creeks up to old time conditions; trout are plentiful and anglers may look forward with confidence to better sport than they have enjoyed for several years. Owing to the

unprecedented high water the erection of a proposed concrete Vapor Bath is of necessity been temporarily postponed.

Vegetation of all kinds was somewhat retarded this spring in the Santa Lucias, this means that visitors at the Springs during the next two months will enjoy to the fullest the wonderful diversity and profusion of mountain flora, and foliage for which this range is noted.

Dr. and Mrs. Adam, expert masseurs, will again be a part of the official staff, as will "Smiling Sam" who has presided over the culinary department for the past 14 years and assists in maintaining the reputation of Tassajara for the most liberal and excellent cuisine of all coast resorts.

A new and up-to-date laundry plant will be in operation by the opening date, May 1<sup>st</sup>.

Roomy, comfortable Packard auto-stage will make daily runs from the Hotel Jeffery, Salinas, with Kenneth Vanderhurst, a past master of mountain driving at the wheel.

The road has been thoroughly worked over and put in fine condition which will render this incomparably lovely, scenic mountain ride one of the most pleasant and outstanding memories of your 1926 outings.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 26<sup>th</sup> to May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1926:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Open May 1<sup>st</sup>. The resort wonderful for the cure of rheumatism, kidney and liver diseases. Excellent accommodations. Large out-door swimming pool. Electric lighting. Auto-stages leave Hotel Jeffery, Salinas daily (except Sunday) at 12:30 p. m. Leave Tassajara at 7 a. m. For information and reservations write or phone Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, California.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1926 (also in the 5/4/1926 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Springs Has Record Opening'):

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS HAS RECORD OPENING DAY, 50 REGISTERED

Tassajara Hot Springs welcomed on May 1<sup>st</sup> the largest crowd ever recorded on any previous opening day in its history, more than fifty guests being registered.

In addition to the regular stage, which was booked to capacity, some thirteen privately owned cars rolled in filled with eager fishermen, and a liberal sprinkling of ladies and children, all of them keen to test their skill in the famous trout waters of the Santa Lucias. Every creek within reach was visited and the fine baskets brought in attested the prediction that this season will be unusually good. One twelve year old lassie was seen proudly exhibiting a fourteen inch rainbow she had taken with the traditional willow pole within a stone's throw of the hotel.

Glorious sunny weather added to the general enjoyment and tempted a number of swimmers into the big concrete outdoor pool.

Registrations from:

San Francisco—J. J. Baumgartner, C. Stoff, Miss Best, E. Snyder, W. J. Carrillon, C. F. Hagman, C. E. Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. R.

Collins.

Salinas—G. J. Pedroni, Ira C. Bailey, E. Griffenstein, F. R. Porter, Paul Porter, George E. Lacey, G. H. Richardson, R. H. Haver, J. Stuhr, H. Heinricks, W. F. Handley.

Watsonville—Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Frieremuth, H. B. Sears, G. R. Cottrell, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Paul, Sam Sprague, Dr. H. G. Watters, R. Watters.

San Jose—Merrill Fleming, H. D. Little, L. C. Trausdell, G. D. Jones.

Burlingame—Mr. and Mrs. P. Decker, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Botcher and family.

Palo Alto—W. P. Wasson, Helen Wasson, C. R. Stanley.

Berkeley—M. L. Broderick, M. D. Quackenbush, F. E. Walker.

Carmel—Mrs. R. K. Roberts and daughter, Gertrude.

Honolulu—Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Hammond and son.

Frankfort, Germany—Chas. A. Carrillon.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 3<sup>rd</sup> and onward during the guest season of 1926 (also in the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, from May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1926 onward):

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*San Francisco Chronicle*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## RESORT HOTEL PROPRIETOR LEAVES FOR HOT SPRINGS

Mrs. Helen Quilty, who was a guest at the Clift Hotel all last winter, left yesterday for Tassajara Hot Springs, where she will operate a resort hotel. Mrs. Quilty, who recently took over the management of the hotel following the death of her husband, announces that prospects point to a good season this summer.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS OPENS WITH RECORD CROWD

Tassajara Hot Springs welcomed on May 1 the largest crowd ever recorded on any previous opening day in its history, more than fifty guests being registered.

In addition to the regular stage, which was booked to capacity, some thirteen privately owned cars rolled in filled with eager fishermen, and a liberal sprinkling of ladies and children, all of them keen to test their skill in the famous trout waters of the Santa Lucias.

Registered from San Francisco were: J. J. Baumgartner, C. Stoff, Miss Best, E. Snyder, W. J. Carrillon, C. F. Hagman, C. E. Haskell, Mr. and Mrs. R. Collins. From San Jose: Merrill Fleming, H. D. Little, L. C. Trausdell, G. D. Jones. From Palo Alto: W. P. Wasson, Helen Wasson, C. R. Stanley.

Salinas Daily Index, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## MRS. HELEN G. QUILTY BUYS STUDEBAKER 6 FOR TASSAJARA ROAD

The season at Tassajara Springs has opened with new transportation equipment. In keeping with the progress of the place and maintaining the high standard of efficiency by which it is known, Mrs. Helen Quilty, owner, has purchased from the local Studebaker dealer a Big 6 Studebaker, Sheriff model, to be used as private equipment between the Springs and Salinas.

The performance and comfort of this particular model, made it desirable for such service, particularly when safety is essential. Supplementing this purchase, Mrs. Quilty has taken delivery, also from the local dealer, of a new Model 51 white. This unit is the very latest production of the White Factory and is noted for its power and ability to negotiate mountain roads.

This new truck made its initial trip yesterday, with a 4 ton steam boiler, which is to be used in the laundry, now being erected at the Springs. This truck, on account of its speed and power, is to be used for transporting groceries and other essentials necessary for the comfort of the guests. Mrs. Quilty made both of her purchases from Harvey L. Burehell.

Salinas Daily Index, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

WANTED—Young man to wash silver and glassware at Tassajara Hot Springs. Write or phone Mrs. Helen G. Quilty at Springs.

WANTED—Man for general chore work at Tassajara Hot Springs. \$60.00 per mo. and board and lodging. Telephone or write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty at Springs.

Salinas Daily Index, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## GUEST AT TASSAJARA SUCCUMBS TO STROKE

Rolla V. Watt of San Francisco, nationally known philanthropist and insurance man, who was vacationing at Tassajara Springs, succumbed to an apoplectic stroke at that place last Saturday afternoon. He was suddenly stricken in the morning shortly after partaking of a hearty breakfast. Medical aid was summoned from Salinas, but the doctor was unable to save the patient's life and he died after lingering unconscious until late in the afternoon.

The body was brought to Salinas in the Salinas Undertaking Company's auto ambulance and from here was taken to San Francisco.

The deceased and his wife had been guests at the Springs since last Thursday, having arrived that day accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Burke, also of San Francisco.

For fifteen years Watt had been president of the San Francisco Young Men's Christian Association, and was noted for his charitable work among boys. He was 68 years old.

Salinas Daily Index, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## TASSAJARA LURES MANY TO FAMOUS MOUNTAIN RESORT

By "MARCUS"

From the many familiar faces seen at Tassajara Hot Springs this month it is plainly evident that the lure of this wonderful mountain oasis has as strong a hold as ever upon its habitués, while the constant influx of fresh seekers of health and recreation bids fair to test the greatly increased accommodation to full capacity very early in the season.

The unique and invigorating natural vapor bath is now in full operation and is daily enjoyed by both sick and well.

Water in the creeks is about right for the fishermen, and good sport is had in the upper reaches. Mountain quail are unusually numerous near the Springs and these beautiful game fowl are of much interest to the hikers.

It is scarcely possible to exaggerate the rugged grandeur and beauty of the Santa Lucias at this season with the spring foliage and blossoms at their best.

Many deer are seen daily from the stages and from the trails radiating from the hotel; a very short stroll usually results in encountering one or more of these graceful animals.

Among the more recent registrations are:

Salinas—Dr. J. P. Nichols, Adam Thompson, Elizabeth Call, Harry Moller, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McAdams, E. Rianda, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Tuttle, C. G. Hughes, Tom Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Hebron and son, Mrs. Elmer B. Brown, Walter Wallace, W. F. Handley, Mr. and Mrs. Herman Linder and son, Mildred McCreery, Howard L. Sweet, Dr. Rollin Reeves.

San Francisco—Captain Kittleson, Fred Sweeney, Mrs. Gertrude Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Willis, Rollin C. Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Burke, Mr. Rollin V. Watt, Andrew Kuehne, Jos. Pfaff, J. F. Henry, G. C. Lowe, Mrs. Mae A. Cronin, Emily Parsons, M. Peterson, Dr. John A. Bacher, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Healy, W. John, J. Foge, J. Hauptil, Otto Lang, C. Gihut, E. S. D'Soix, Mrs. Chanteloupe.

Carmel Highlands—Mrs. M. W. George, Florence Silent, Mr. and Mrs. J. Wicbovich and son, J. C. Gwinn, J. Cutino and daughter, C. Doman, L. Hignans, Frank Lucas, W. H. Orrick.

Santa Cruz—H. L. Abrams, H. Gosliner, Mr. and Mrs. U. Crojan, Leo C. Kincannon, A. E. Brewer, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. E. Kenny.

Oakland—Miss Vestal Ayres, Lillian Goldwater, Thad Sheridan, Marie Mills, M. O. Orrick, J. M. Ruediger.

Watsonville—Martin Jossovich, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Beck.

Pacific Grove—Mrs. E. Chew, Miss V. Strong.

Palo Alto—Clara Baer, R. F. Driscoll.

San Jose—W. J. Edwards, Mrs. H. W. Edwards, S. D. Farrington, C. H. Moates.

Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. B. Palmer.

Pasadena—Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Hatcher.

Hollister—J. E. Higgins.

Gilroy—Louis Cupich.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 30<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Captain Kittleson, Fred Sweeney, Mrs. Gertrude V. Wilson, Mr.

and Mrs. C. F. Willis, Rollin C. Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Burke, Mrs. Rollin V. Watt, Andrew Kuehne, Jos. Pfaff, J. F. Henry, G. C. Lowe, Mrs. Mae A. Cronin, Emily Parsons, M. Peterson, Dr. J. A. Bacher, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Healy, W. John, J. Foge, J. Hauptil, Otto Lang, C. Gihut, E. S. D'Soix, Mrs. Chanteloupe.

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Salinas Daily Index, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1926:

## MANY VISITORS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Following is a list of guests registered at Tassajara Hot Springs:

San Francisco—J. J. Baumgartner, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Beceay, M. C. Knickbocher, Louis Kleinhans and wife, G. R. McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nelson and daughter, Miss Brita Glen, R. F. Hudson and wife, T. B. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hall and the Misses Hall, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Slee, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Reidy and Miss Reidy, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Drumbell and son, Mr. A. S. Little and wife, H. F. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Malouf, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Braid, Wm. Romain, B. Romain, Pierson Dubrow, Phillip H. Knapp, Mr. and Mrs. Warden, Carl Warden, Nils Lindbloom, R. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kragel, Miss Kragel, Mrs. M. Ladd, J. D. Selleck.

Salinas—Mr. and Mrs. H. Linder, Howard Sweet, R. E. Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meyers, Miss Machado, Misses McFadden, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Meyenburg and son, J. D. Burke, A. Thomsen.

Gilroy—Louis Osbourne, Fred U. Suter.

Santa Cruz—O. Gosliner, A. Chubb.

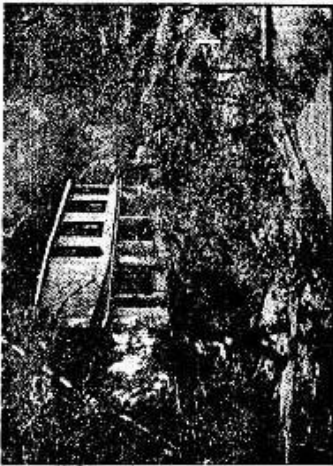
Pacific Grove—Miss L. Shepardson, Mrs. D. H. Botchford, Mrs. I. G. Southworth, M. S. Lopes.

Watsonville—Martin Malladin, Chas. Sam-

# TASSAJARAS HOT SPRINGS

**THE SPRINGS THAT ARE  
ALWAYS GOING AHEAD!**

*Under the Same Ownership and Management for 21 Years*



Tassajara Bath House—Natural Vapor Bath

Two comfortable concrete bath houses consisting of four-foot pipes, built on the order of a standard automobile, are situated just above the sea level, in a beautiful hollow of the Sierra Nevada mountains. The water is rich with iron, manganese, calcium, magnesium, sodium, potassium, and various other minerals.

The hotel, which is of modern construction, contains 40 guest rooms, business parlors and writing room. An Annex and accommodations for 200 guests. Electric lights in every room and throughout the grounds.

Tassajara Hot Springs is noted for the excellence of its hot water, which is of a high temperature and contains an abundance of fresh milk and vegetables served. No housekeeping or cleaning privileges allowed.

Two comfortable concrete bath houses consisting of four-foot pipes and cold showers furnish unlimited accommodations. Two large plunges (concrete) one for men, the other for women are filled daily with the waters of the hot mineral springs. Mountain creek water supplies the showers for both.

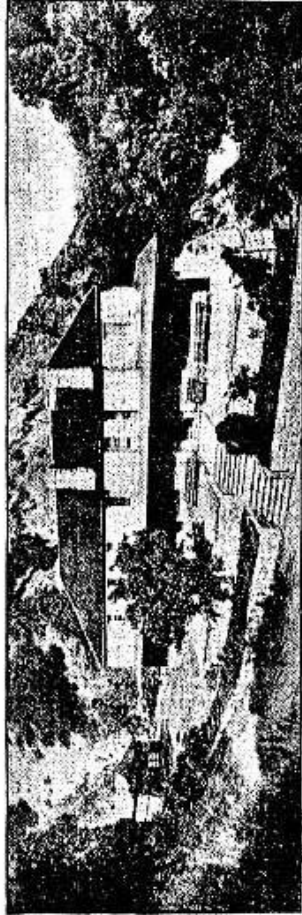
Expectant mothers are welcomed where medicinal and curative attention is desired.

Expected Mascare and Marzocco always in attendance at the baths.



Swimming Pool—Tassajara Hot Springs

With its sixty feet or length and depth varying from three to eight feet, the swimming pool is situated on the edge of Tassajara Creek. Fed unobscuredly by the clear mountain water of Tassajara, it is a fine swimming pool. The pool is situated on the left for both sexes. Bathing suits can be rented at the office.



MAIN BUILDING AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Everyone who comes to Tassajara comes again. WHY? Wonderful trip, careful management, best of food, first-class housing facilities, delightful climate, marvelous medicinal baths, excellent trout fishing and deer hunting, varied amusements and picturesque environment.

**CLIMATE**

While only eight miles on an air line from the ocean, towering mountains and forests cut off cold winds and thus on the alpine bare of top, this makes outdoor life a constant delight to the guests. The evenings are so balmy as to seldom make a wrap necessary.

**AMUSEMENTS**

Dancing, horseback riding, hiking parties, swimming, croquet and other amusements.

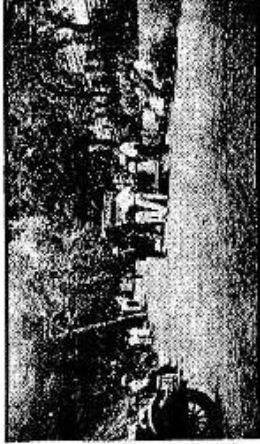
**STAGE RIDE**

Not the least attractive feature is the wonderful ride from Salinas over well-kept mountain roads, in comfortable 1926 Avro-Stages, through a country replete with scenic beauty and charm. Stage meets train leaving San Francisco at 8 a. m.; also from Los Angeles, leaving at 10 a. m. The rugged ride to Tassajara Hotel, 100 miles, from \$15 to \$20 each for baggage. For further particulars apply to your local Railroad Agent. **POST OFFICE, LONG-DISTANCE PHONE AND TELEGRAPH SERVICE MAINTAINED.**

**RATES**

By day \$4.00, per week \$23.00 and \$25.00. Two guests in room \$10.00 per week, breakfast included. Beds \$1.00 per night extra. Children 10 years and over charged full rate, under 10 years according to age and service required. Cots in rooms \$1.00 per week extra. Monthly rates on application. Rates include baths to guests remaining one week or longer.

For further information address **MRS. HELEN G. QUILTY, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey Co., Calif.**



Morning Stage Leaving Tassajara Springs

**Tassajara Hot Springs Waters**

The waters which are used for drinking and bathing, contain sulphur, iron, soda, magnesia and other minerals. In this respect the waters resemble those of the famous Hot Springs of Yellowstone. The medicinal effects of the waters are well known to all who have visited Tassajara, but it is an accepted theory that their curative properties lie in their great natural heat. Tassajara waters are almost 160° F.

In many forms of chronic disease especially, their effects are most beneficial. The sulphuric water which is obtained is heated which carries off waste matter, therefore it is a tonic for the system, and is a good diuretic. The water seems to have a marked effect on the kidneys, and is a good stone and gravel solvent.

**ANALYSIS OF SULPHUR SPRINGS**

The immediate analysis follows:

10.24 Grain. Normal Chloride	18.04
Sulphate of Magnesia	13.11
Sulphate of Potash	2.19
Carbonic Acid	2.48
Sulphuric Acid	2.41
Hydrogen and Sulphur	1.10
Sulphuric Acid	1.10
Ammonia	1.10
Bromine	1.10
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100.00</b>



The Arroyo Seco at Tassajara

Tassajara is liberally surrounded by a network of well-wooded and picture forest scenery. A poor (barren) indeed to be was cannot take a limit of Street, Look Lavin or Hainbow in a few hours. The trees are thick annually from the State, Hainbow.



San Francisco Chronicle, June 20th, 1926. This is the text for the advertisement on the preceding page:

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The hotel, which is of sandstone construction, contains 48 guest rooms, besides parlors and writing room. An annex and 28 cottages from one to four rooms each, furnish ample accommodations for 200 guests. Electric lights in every room and throughout the grounds.

Tassajara Hot Springs is noted for the excellence of its table—all meats being grown and killed on the property, and an abundance of fresh milk and vegetables served. No house-keeping or camping privileges allowed.

Two commodious sanitary bathhouses consisting of fourteen private rooms equipped with porcelain or sunken tile tubs and cold showers furnish unlimited accommodations.

Two large plunges (concrete), one for men, the other for women, are filled daily with the waters of the hot mineral springs; mountain creek water supplies the showers for both.

There is also a natural steam bath whose medicinal and curative properties are very wonderful.

Experienced Masseur and Masseuse are always in attendance at the baths.

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## SWIMMING POOL—TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

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## MORNING STAGE LEAVING TASSAJARA SPRINGS

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WATERS

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The cause of the marvelous medicinal effects is a debated question among chemists and reputable physicians, but there it is an accepted theory that their curative properties lie in their great natural heat. Tassajara waters are almost 160 F.

In many forms of chronic diseases especially, their effects are little short of marvelous. The copious perspiration which the hot bath produces, is a channel in itself which carries off waste matter injurious to health. This is particularly true of kidney troubles, as the system is completely flushed every day, and drinking the water seems to have a marked effect on gall stones, kidney stones and gravel by dissolving and expelling them from the system.

The waters cure or greatly relieve Rheumatism, Gout, Dropsy, Malaria, Paralysis, Liver and Stomach Disorders. Aside from the medicinal qualities possessed by these waters they are cosmetic in their action upon the skin, making it soft, clear and velvety, and not susceptible to tan and sunburn.

### ANALYSIS OF SULPHUR SPRINGS

The remarkable analysis follows:

10 5-8 Grains Mineral Constituent to the gallon, analyzed in hundredths, as follows:

Sulphate of Soda . . . . .	15.04
Sulphate of Magnesia . . . . .	13.17
Sulphate of Lythia . . . . .	3.10
Silica . . . . .	8.50
Carbonic Acid . . . . .	22.45
Potash . . . . .	1.45
Sulphuric Acid . . . . .	2.41
Hydrogen and Sulphur . . . . .	21.00
Alumina . . . . .	3.87
Sesqui Oxide Iron . . . . .	7.08
Iodide . . . . .	.71
Arsenious Acid . . . . .	1.98
Bromide . . . . .	.09
TOTAL . . . . .	100.00

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### The Arroyo Seco at Tassajara

Tassajara is literally surrounded by a net-work of well-stocked and picturesque trout streams; a poor fisherman indeed is he who cannot take a limit of Steelhead, Loch Leven of Rainbows in a few hours. The creeks are stocked annually from the State Hatcheries.

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Miscellaneous—Sausalito—B. W. Leigh.  
Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Clark, Ventura; Master H. W. Edwards, Jr., San Jose; Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Blake, Menlo Park; Geo. F. Schuler and wife, Stockton; Miss M. Topham, San Jose; C.

A. Hall, San Jose; R. M. Cuthbert, San Jose; C. M. Burk, Monterey; A. J. Walsh, Santa Clara; Mrs. D. Sneible, Gonzales; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wright, San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Keesling, Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Russel Mills; Berkeley.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, June 6th, 1926:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—J. J. Baumgartner, Mr. and Mrs. Roland Beacaey, M. C. Knickbocher,

Louis Kleinhans and wife, G. R. McBride, Mr. and Mrs. Martin Nelson and daughter, Miss Brita Glen, R. F. Hudson and wife, T. B. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hall and the Misses Hall, Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Slee, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Reidy and Miss Reidy, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Hartley, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Drumbell and son, Mr. A. S. Little and wife, H. F. Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Malouf, Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Braid, Wm. Romain, B. Romain, Pierson Dubrow, Phillip H. Knapp, Mr. and Mrs. Warden, Carl Warden, Nils Lindbloom, R. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. A. Kragel, Miss Kragel, Mrs. M. Ladd, J. D. Selleck.

Salinas—Miss M. McCreary, Mr. and Mrs. H. Linder, Howard Sweet, R. E. Walsh, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Christensen, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Meyers, Miss Machado, Misses McFadden, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Meyenburg and son, J. D. Burkey, A. Thomsen.

Gilroy—Louis Osbourne, Fred U. Suter.

Santa Cruz—O. Gosliner, A. Chubb.

Pacific Grove—Miss L. Shepardson, Mrs. D. H. Botchford, Mrs. I. G. Southworth, M. S. Lopes.

Watsonville—Martin Malladin, Chas. Sambrallo.

Sausalito—B. W. Leigh.

From other places: Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Clark, Ventura; Master H. W. Edwards, Jr., San Jose; Dr. and Mrs. A. E. Blake, Menlo Park; Geo. F. Schuler and wife, Stockton; Miss M. Topham, San Jose; C. A. Hall, San Jose; R. M. Cuthbert, San Jose; C. M. Burk, Monterey; A. J. Walsh, Santa Clara; Mrs. D. Sneible, Gonzales; Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wright, San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. Homer Keesling, Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Russel Mills; Berkeley.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## "OLD GUARD" ON ITS ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO TASSAJARA SPRINGS

By "MARCUS"

Among the many visitors to Tassajara Hot Springs during the past few weeks are goodly sprinkling of the "old guard" to whom a year would be a total loss without this annual pilgrimage for a general tone up and pleasant loaf amid congenial surroundings; these veterans are holding down the round tables in the club room and meeting and defeating all comers with exasperating regularity.

A most interesting feature of the stage ride just now is the abundance of mesquites [yuccas] in full blossom, these graceful, pale sentinels of the slopes dotting the mountain sides in profusion on all hands.

Instancing the constant spirit of progressiveness displayed by the management of this resort, the complete and up to date steam laundry plant just completed, at a cost between three and four thousand dollars, was placed in operation this week [this structure is now known as the upper barn].

Fishing still continues good and arrangements are being made for a bountiful restocking of the streams from the state hatcheries as soon as the trout fry are available.

Recent registrations are:

Salinas—Mrs. J. A. Day, Miss A. G. Happ, Chris Machado and son, Frank Farmargo, Geo. E. Lacey, W. F. Handley, L. Varangi, Jas. McDonnell, Jas. W. Farrell, E. Gabe, Mrs. Duncan Stirling, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Roberts and child.

San Francisco—P. P. Savage, J. M. Kloubucar, Louis Kirk, Rollin C. Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tonkin, A. D. Himmelman, Robt. Chiever, Miss Henrietta Loeb, Geo. Richi, Mark Sablec, O. H. Ople, Miss Marie A. Calway, Mrs. E. B. Sparks, J. A. Esparza, Mr. and Mrs. F. Schumacher, Mr. and Mrs. A. Busk, J. A. Sieberlich and family.

Oakland—Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sigwald, Geo. Conderer.

San Jose—Mrs. R. Cohoone, Chas J. O'Brien and son, Cupid, H. C. Rick Pwister, C. B. Quilty.

Watsonville—Mrs. Roy T. Eaton and daughter, Kirk Aquert, John Purch, Jas. J. Enemark, H. C. Rasmussen and son.

Monterey—A. C. Hinkle, Grant Towle, J. L. Goodrick, L. E. Payne and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. R. Carpenter.

Saratoga—C. S. Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Regan.

Gonzales—B. de Carli, C. Frodgen; Gilroy—J. Princevalle; San Diego—Miss Martha Baker; Hollister—E. A. Weller, Ray Hamilton; Santa Cruz—Mrs. J. M. Gale, Miss Madlyn Watson; Tucson—Mrs. E. Burgess; Pacific Grove—Mrs. W. A. Little; Spreckels—Mrs. N. P. Iglehart and family; King City—C. I. Ragens; Washington, D. C.—Chas. Beverly Ewing; San Diego—Miss Martha J. Baker.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs, located in Monterey County, forty seven miles south of Salinas, at an elevation of 1500 feet above the sea, nestles in a beautiful hollow of the Santa Lucia Mountains, which are blanketed with a rich growth of maple, pine, sycamore and oak trees.

The vacationists may also find invigorating waters at the springs, which are health giving to the extreme. The waters are famous for relief of gout, dropsy, paralysis, liver and stomach disorders.

A large swimming pool, the hot springs waters being tempered with cool mountain water, is one of the delights at the Springs. Fishing and kindred sports can be found at all sides, and something is doing every minute. Hunting is another sport which is popular, the woods around abounding in game.

Two sanitary bathhouses, consisting of fourteen private rooms, equipped with porcelain or sunken tile tubs and cold showers for guests, as well as a sixty foot swimming pool, furnish accommodations for guest, as well as a natural steam bath, which contains beneficial properties.

A virtual network of trout streams surrounds Tassajara. These are kept stocked by the government fish hatcheries. The steelhead, the rainbow and Loch Leven trout may be found in abundance. During the season hunters will find plenty of deer.

Dancing, horseback riding, hiking parties, swimming, croquet and other amusements are

indulged in at this famous resort.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—P. P. Savage, Louis Kirk, Rollin C. Ayers, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Tonkin, A. D. Himmelman, Robert Ohleyer, Miss Henrietta Loeb, Geo. Richi, Mark Sablec, O. H. Ople, Miss Marie A. Calway, Mrs. E. B. Sparks, J. A. Esparza, Mr. and Mrs. F. Schumacher, Mr. and Mrs. A. Busk, J. A. Sieberlich and family.

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From other places: Mrs. Roy T. Eaton, Kirk Aquert, John Purch, Watsonville; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sigwald, Geo. Conderer, Oakland; C. S. Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Regan, Saratoga; B. de Carli, C. Frodgen, Gonzales; J. Princevalle, Gilroy; E. A. Weller, Ray Hamilton, Hollister; Mrs. J. M. Gale, Miss Madlyn Watson, Santa Cruz; Miss Martha Baker, San Diego; Mrs. E. Burgess, Tucson, Arizona; Mrs. N. P. Iglehart and family, Spreckels; Mrs. W. A. Little, Pacific Grove; C. I. Ragens, King City; Mrs. C. W. Ewing, Washington, D. C.; Miss Martha Baker, San Diego; Miss Mae Hoover, Minnesota.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1926:

## TASSAJARA TRAVEL IS IN FULL SWING

Travel into Tassajara Hot Springs is unusually heavy even for this time of year, with auto stage service being doubled several days each week and all accommodations practically reserved up to and including July 4. One hundred and eighty guests are registered and this is being augmented daily.

A very lively and jolly season is in full swing and everybody manages to extract a full measure of wholesome enjoyment from each waking hour with hikes through the hills, bridge beneath the oaks, games of greater intensity in the cool recesses of the club room, horseback rides, aquatics in the large outdoor pool, and moonlight swimming parties making a big hit with the younger folks; supplementing these activities are the usual dances under the spreading maples. While there will be no official celebration of the "Fourth" this year, the "live ones" among the guests are planning a good time for everyone, and while Rome may not howl as in days of yore, it is predicted that more than a feeble man will go up.

Latest registrations are:

Salinas—Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Rosson, Christ Moller, W. F. Handley, Miss Mildred Himiche, Louis Martella, Chas. O. Prance.

San Francisco—Miss Florence Igllick, Mrs.

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*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

### Good Roads in Monterey County



Echo Point, showing one of Monterey County's fine mountain roads, near Tassajara Hot Springs.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

### "On the Way in Monterey"



Auto stage on the road to Tassajara Hot Springs

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

### A Pastoral Scene in Monterey County



A herd of twenty-one deer seen in Pine Valley, near Tassajara Hot Springs.

O. J. Gray and daughter, Dr. J. G. Brady and wife, Miss Eileen Brady, Miss Martha Brady, Jos. Heineberg, Chas Kochler, Mr. J. E. Mullin and wife, C. Christensen, H. J. Dempsey, wife and daughter, Miss Helen Mack, J. O. Falk, Henry Martella, Dr. Rader and family, M. O'Rourke, Miss L. Schumacher, Julian Lebroad, Sam Kostovich, Douglas Rodger and wife.

Watsonville—M. P. Stolich, Dr. F. D. Koepke and daughter, F. Dickson, Jim B. Nielson, Mrs. M. V. Pista and family, C. R. Kallam and wife.

Miscellaneous—Mrs. M. Irwin and son of Pacific Grove; Katherine Graham, Santa Clara; John B. Lauritzen, Hollister; Henry L. Watson, Monterey; Phillip Enslow, U. S. A.; E. McKinnon and family, John R. Wood, Mrs. A. L. Parsons, Oakland; H. Hecker and wife, G. Hecker and son, Gilroy; Mrs. Ada Janete, Stockton; G. Floor and wife, Carmel; B. Breschini, Ulrich Frudden, Gonzales; Henry Spring, San Jose; C. A. Hill, San Jose; C. L. Pioda and wife, Spreckels.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 4th, 1926:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Miss Florence Igllick, Mrs. O. J. Gray and daughter, Dr. J. G. Brady and wife, Miss Eileen Brady, Miss Martha Brady, Jos. Heineberg, Chas Kochler, Mr. J. E. Mullin and wife, C. Christensen, H. J. Dempsey, wife and daughter, Miss Helen Mack, J. O. Falk, Henry Martella, Dr. Rader and family, M. O'Rourke, Miss L. Schumacher, Julian Lebroadic, Sam Kostovich, Douglas Rodger and wife.

Watsonville—M. P. Stolich, Dr. F. D. Koepke and daughter, F. Dickson, Jim B. Nielson, Mrs. M. V. Pista and family, C. E. Kallam and wife.

Salinas—Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Rosson, Christ Moller, W. F. Handley, Miss Mildred Himiche, Louis Martella, Chas. O Prance.

From other places—Mrs. C. L. Pioda, C. L. Pioda, Spreckles; Mrs. M. Irwin and son of Pacific Grove; Katherine Graham, Santa Clara; John B. Lauritzen, Hollister; Henry L. Watson, Monterey; Phillip Enslow, U. S. A.; E. McKinnon and family, Oakland; John R. Wood, Oakland; Mrs. A. L. Parsons, Oakland; H. Hecker and wife, G. Hecker and son, Gilroy; Mrs. Ada Janete, Stockton; G. Floor and wife, Carmel; B. Breschini, Gonzales; Henry Spring, San Jose; C. A. Hills, San Jose.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 13th, 1926:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS LURES SPORTSMEN

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Deer, always numerous and inclined to haunt the immediate neighborhood of the camp are to be seen daily from the grounds and while these are mainly does and fauns, bucks, singly and in bunches of three or four, have been encountered by hikers during the past week.

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Watsonville—S. P. Knego, Mrs. Sassilo, H. Bridgewater, C. J. Sibole, Lottie Watters, Mrs. G. R. Cotrell and child, L. G. Barker, Mrs. J. Stanovich, R. C. Buckhart, Dr. H. G. Waters.

Salinas—Mrs. Clara Dexter, Iver O. Koue, E. J. Anderson, Miss Katherine Jorgensen, J. A. Day and wife, Miss Ella Enevoldsen, Alyce Parsons, Ed. H. Borges, Dick Deserpa, K. F. Berlesman, Wm. F. Handley.

Miscellaneous—Mr. Herndon and wife, John Hardon, O. W. Sommer, Dan Mills, Gonzales; C. R. Phillips and wife, Miss Genevieve Phillips, Lois F. Phillips, J. B. Lyons and wife, Castroville; C. A. Barker, T. C. Lundin, San Jose; C. Haroldson, Hanford; Mrs. Phillip Gowling, San Luis Obispo; Miss Francis Fisher, Oakland; W. E. McKinnon, Oakland; Paul Pioda, Spreckels.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 18th, 1926:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Jas. Simpson and wife, G. B. Coroselli, Miss Dorothy Wise, J. F. Trainer and wife, L. Ohleyer and family, Mrs. H. L. Hirsch, Richard Hirsch, Grover Grady and family, Mrs. Katherine Mullins, Mrs. Ellen Cummings.

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Salinas—Mrs. Clara Dexter, Iver O. Koue, E. J. Anderson, Miss Katherine Jorgensen, J. A. Day and wife, Ella Enevoldsen, Alyce Parsons, Ed. H. Borges, Dick Deserpa, K. F. Berlesman, William F. Handley.

San Jose—C. A. Barker, T. C. Lundin. Gonzales—Mr. Herndon and wife, John Herdon, O. W. Sommer, Dan Mills.

Castroville—C. R. Phillips and wife, Miss Genevieve Phillips, Lois F. Phillips, J. B. Lyons and wife.

From other places—C. Haroldson, Hanford; Mrs. Phillip Gowling, San Luis Obispo; Miss Francis Fisher, Oakland; Paul Pioda, Spreckels; W. E. McKinnon, Oakland

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 21st, 1926:

### MANY VISITORS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

San Francisco—Genevieve Carroll, A. T. Nugent, L. C. Keenan, M. C. Keenan, Mrs. O. R. Krenz, Miss F. Krenz, Miss D. Krenz Master Walter Krenz, J. J. O'Keefe, M. O.

O'Keefe, Edith Larazolla, Laura Ferrari, S. H. Patterson and wife, M. Rittler and wife, E. E. Hunter, Lucile Murphy, Tom Larkin and son, Mrs. M. Roesti and family, Ben Sheridan, Miss E. Sheridan, Jack Sheridan, Miss F. Sutherland, Miss M. Anderson, Sinclair Trimble, H. N. Hall and wife, Mrs. Wolf, Ernest Luizli, Oxel Nyquist, J. J. Delucchi, Irene Mackin, G. McDowney and wife, Miss E. P. Hunt, J. H. Carlson, John Debin, Patrick Mullen.

Watsonville—D. J. Daly, Miss M. A. Menzes, S. Knego, Peter Knego, Mr. L. M. Lilies and family, M. Chelo and wife, Miss E. Thumacher, Mrs. E. West.

Miscellaneous—Miss Maud Davey, E. H. Sigwald and wife, Patterson Hoxies, Miss E. L. Patterson, Oakland; John Dall, A. G. Lafka, Mrs. J. W. Hill, Salinas; Herbert C. Jorgenson, San Jose; F. F. Smith, Santa Cruz; H. H. Hudner, Mrs. D. M. Patterson and daughter, D. M. Patterson, Hollister; T. R. Kerdell, Miss G. Kerdell, A. Kruger, Mrs. H. H. Sutcliffe, Alameda; R. McKeever, Miss Littlefield, Miss A. Kekener, Miss K. Croesbeck, Miss K. Holme, Miss E. Morris, Monterey; Mrs. Jas. B. Overton, Madison, Wisconsin; E. Hansen and wife, Moss Landing; Miss M. Sutherland, Fresno; Ed Maher and wife, Modesto; H. N. Micholson and wife, Santa Maria; A. Jones, Hayward; E. J. Burns, Big Sur; A. E. Zeitpubs, Richmond.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 25th, 1926:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Genevieve Carroll, A. T. Nugent, L. C. Keenan, M. C. Keenan, Mrs. O. R. Krenz, Miss F. Krenz, Miss D. Krenz Master Walter Krenz, J. J. O'Keefe, M. O. O'Keefe, Edith Larazolla, Laura Ferrari, S. H. Patterson and wife, M. Rittler and wife, E. E. Hunter, Lucile Murphy, Tom Larkin and son, Mrs. M. Roesti and family, Ben Sheridan, Miss E. Sheridan, Jack Sheridan, Miss F. Sutherland, Miss M. Anderson, Sinclair Trimble, H. N. Hall and wife, Mrs. Wolf, Ernest Luizli, Oxel Nyquist, J. J. Delucchi, Irene Mackin, G. McDowney and wife, Miss E. P. Hunt, J. H. Carlson, John Debin, Patrick Mullen.

Oakland—Miss Maud Davey, E. H. Sigwald and wife, Patterson Hoxies, Miss E. L. Patterson.

Watsonville—D. J. Daly, Miss M. A. Menzes, S. Knego, Peter Knego, Mr. L. M. Lilies and family, M. Chelo and wife, Miss E. Thumacher, Mrs. E. West.

Other places—John Dall, A. G. Lafka, Mrs. J. W. Hill, Salinas; Herbert C. Jorgenson, San Jose; F. F. Smith, Santa Cruz; H. H. Hudner, Mrs. D. M. Patterson and daughter, D. M. Patterson, Hollister; T. R. Kerdell, Miss G. Kerdell, A. Kruger, Mrs. H. H. Sutcliffe, Alameda; R. McKeever, Miss Littlefield, Miss A. Kekener, Miss K. Croesbeck, Miss K. Holme, Miss E. Morris, Monterey; Mrs. James B. Overton, Madison, Wisconsin; E. Hansen and wife, Moss Landing; Miss M. Sutherland, Fresno; Ed Maher and wife, Modesto; H. N. Micholson and wife, Santa Maria; A. Jones, Hayward; E. J. Burns, Big Sur; A. E. Zeitpubs, Richmond.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1926:

## TASSAJARA

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*Salinas Daily Index*, July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## DEER HUNTERS TO MAKE TASSAJARA THEIR RENDEZVOUS

By "MARCUS"

A constant influx of new patrons is emphatically demonstrating the growing favor that Tassajara Hot Springs is finding among those discerning folks whose aim is to extract the utmost possible good from their summer outing; a condition easy of achievement here, where complete relaxation, an excellent cuisine and the many outdoors attractions for both sexes are combined with the gratifying and restorative effects following the use of the waters of the hot mineral springs and a judicious course of the plunges and hot vapor baths.

During the next few days many sportsmen are expected for the opening of the deer season which is always good here and which promises to be better this year than for many seasons past.

Following is a list of the latest arrivals:

San Francisco—F. G. Wilson, E. J. Berges, Bart Nordman, W. J. Beaukin and wife, Miss D. Harrington, Charles E. Neff, Dr. H. H. Markel and family, S. W. McMahan, M. Thum, E. Billie and wife, Marie Hegarty, A. C. Redding, Mrs. M. Artat, Mrs. E. O. Herron, Mrs. J. E. De Rosa, Mrs. Thomas Larkin, Miss Clara Mullen, H. C. Christen, Miss Vera Webb, C. W. Burkhart and family.

Salinas and Watsonville—John Berges, C. A. Palmtag and wife, R. W. Hansen, T. L. Wishard and wife, Miss V. Redman, L. S. Alexander, Fred Alexander, Jerome Alexander, C. H. Taylor, Charlotte Taylor, J. Ruiz, C. Bosick, Miss Tarpay.

Other places—Miss Olive Littlefield, Florence McKeever, Monterey; Walter Morrow, J. Coopers, San Jose; Albert Hoefler, Miss Mills, San Jose; C. G. Christensen and wife, King City; Fred O'Donnell, Hollister; Miss Lillian Lang, Hollister; J. R. Pirtie and wife, Alhambra; Mrs. T. McCloskey, Mrs. J. R. Grubb, Hollister; J. Breschini and wife, Blanco; V. Rogers and wife, San Francisco; M. Iverson and wife, Soledad; Miss Lucille Iverson, Soledad.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1926:

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Miscellaneous—C. Haroldson, Hanford; Mrs. Phillip Gowling, San Luis Obispo; Miss Francis Fisher, Oakland; W. E. McKinnon, Oakland; Paul Pioda, Spreckels.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1926:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—F. G. Wilson, E. J. Berges, Bert Nordman, E. J. Berges, family, Miss D. Harrington, Charles E. Neff, W. J. Beaukin, family, S. W. McMahan, M. Thum, E. Billie and wife, Marie Hagarty, A. C. Redding, Mrs. M. Artat, Mrs. E. O. Herron, Mrs. J. E. De Rosa, Mrs. Thomas Larkin, Miss Clara Mullen, H. C. Christen, Miss Vera Webb, C. W. Burkhart and family.

Watsonville—C. A. Palmtag, wife, R. W. Hansen, T. L. Wishard, wife, Miss V. Redman, L. S. Alexander, Fred Alexander, Jerome Alexander, Janet Alexander, C. H. Taylor, Charlotte Taylor, J. Ruiz, C. Bosick.

From other places: John Berges, Salinas; Miss Olive Littlefield, Florence McKeever, Monterey; Walter Morrow, J. Coopers, San Jose; Albert Hoefler, Miss Mills, San Jose; C. G. Christensen and wife, King City; Fred O'Donnell, Miss Lillian Lang, Hollister; J. R. Pirtie and wife, Alhambra; Mrs. T. McCloskey, Mrs. J. R. Grubb, Hollister; J.

Breschini and wife, Blanco; V. Rogers and wife, M. Iverson and wife, Miss Lucille Iverson, Soledad.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## MANY VISITORS AT TASSAJARA

The following Salinas people recently registered at Tassajara Hot Springs:

Mrs. M. McKinnon and son, A. S. Bordges and wife, M. Foutes, Mrs. De Porta and son, Mrs. C. B. Orthier and son, H. C. Hill, R. M. Smith and son, S. P. Sitton, M. M. Silvera, C. Machado and family, Mrs. W. W. Zabala and son, A. Gottfriedien, C. Nielsen, F. L. Martin and wife, J. Olsen, B. R. Hebron, H. G. Bell, Miss M. Tuttle, S. C. Cornett and family.

From Gonzales—H. Rianda and wife, L. Vidorous and wife; From King City—T. Francisco; From Soledad—Mrs. W. Johnson.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—H. Bornholdt and wife, G. A. Ahrenfort and wife, H. J. Dempsey and wife, C. H. Trollet and wife, R. Harris, H. S. Drury, J. Van, E. Kellard, Dr. G. H. Terielyer, E. Kimerley and wife, E. V. Brown, F. Gallezzi, Mr. Flyan and wife, M. N. Tucker, Dr. C. Atkins and wife, Mrs. M. E. Leane, Mrs. C. Swift, Miss E. Gay, E. M. Robitcher and wife, E. MaGrath and wife, Dr. K. F. Terielyer, D. H. Young, C. G. Young, M. Levy, B. M. Flint, E. Olson.

From Salinas—Mrs. M. McKinnon and son, A. S. Bordges and wife, M. Foutes, Mrs. De Porta and son, Mrs. C. B. Orthier, W. C. Hill, R. M. Smith and son, L. P. Sitton, M. Silvera, C. Machado and family, Mrs. W. W. Zabala and son, A. Gottfriedien, C. Nielsen, F. L. Martin and wife, J. Olsen, B. R. Hebron, H. G. Bell, Miss M. Tuttle, S. C. Cornett and wife, Miss Cornett.

From Monterey—Mrs. A. Wals, T. J. Field, S. G. Clifford, B. Bragg, J. Burke.

From Watsonville—Mrs. R. L. Burkhart, Miss L. Mogel, Mrs. Agnes Connor, L. C. Jano, N. Copleeriza, C. McNamee.

From other places—N. Weinberg and P. McMillan, San Jose; T. Francisco, King City; L. Rianda and wife, L. Vidorous and wife and M. D. Hargens, Gonzales; I. B. Cornet, Los Banos; Mrs. W. B. Juett and family and Arthur Wals, Antioch; Miss L. M. Hoffman, Mrs. M. Hudner, Hollister; J. Coffey, Los Angeles; S. E. Winning, Palo Alto; and Mrs. W. Johnson, Soledad.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

## BUCK AND TROUT FROM TASSAJARA

The carcass of a large three-prong buck as well as a number of beautiful rainbow trout were displayed yesterday in the window of McDougall's Market, where they attracted attention and admiration. The buck was killed by Chris Machado of this city in the mountains near Tassajara Springs, and the trout were caught in a stream near that place by the same man.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Joseph M. Klobucar, P. F. Savage, Louis Kirk, W. C. Tonkin and wife, Rollin C. Ayers, A. D. Himmelmann, Robert Ohleyer, Miss Henrietta Loeb, George Riehl, Mark Sablee, O. H. Ople, Miss Marie A. Calway, Mrs. E. R. Sparks, J. A. Esparza, F. Shumatcher and wife, A. Bush and wife, J. A. Seiberlich and family.

From Oakland—J. W. Sigwald and wife, George Conderer.

From Salinas—Frank Farmargo, Miss A. G. Happ, Chris Machado and son, George E. Lacey, W. F. Handley, L. Varangi, James McDonnell, James W. Farrell, E. Gabe, Mrs. Duncan Sterling, Mrs. A. J. Day.

From San Jose—Mrs. R. Condone, Charles M. O'Brien and son, Cupid H. C. Rick Pfister, C. B. Quilty.

From Watsonville—Mrs. Roy T. Eaton and daughter, Kirk Aquert, John Purch, James J. Enemark, H. C. Rasmussen and son.

From Monterey—A. C. Hinkle, Grant Towle, L. E. Payne and family, Joseph L. Goodrick, G. R. Carpenter and wife.

From other places—B. de Carli, U. Frudden, Gonzales; J. Princevalle, Gilroy; E. A. Weller, Ray Hamilton, Hollister; Mrs. J. M. Gale, Miss Madlyn Watson, Santa Cruz; Miss Martha Baker, San Diego; Mrs. E. Burges, Tucson, Ariz.; Mrs. N. P. Iglehart and family, Spreckels; Mrs. W. A. Little, Pacific Grove; C. I. Ragens, King City; Mrs. Charles Beverley Ewing, Washington, D. C.; Miss Martha J. Baker, San Diego; Miss Mae Hoover, Minnesota.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

### GAY SEASON NOW ON AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

By "MARCUS"

As a natural result of a wider knowledge by the public of the virtues of the wonderful curative waters of these Springs, and a steadily growing increase in appreciation of the unique social atmosphere there, the Tassajara Hot Springs is in the hay-day of its most successful season. The clientele this year has been enriched by a bevy of talented and versatile guests whose musical and historic abilities contribute greatly to the general enjoyment and are ranking 1926 as the liveliest and most agreeable summer yet led.

Perfect weather adds its quota and makes the life in the open that ideal condition dreamed of and hoped for by the invalid or jaded business man or woman who must, in a few weeks of rest and relaxation, renew the energies needed for another year of work. This is surely and consistently accomplished at Tassajara and easily accounts for its unusual hold on popular favor.

Latest registrations are:

San Francisco—Dr. S. W. Jackson, Dr. and Mrs. Klugman, Josephine Docarli, Mrs. McKeever, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Monasch, Gertrude Pestel, H. Flocker, Lillian Bain, Ann K. Warden, Albin Warden, Mr. and Mrs. M. Nelson, Vera Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. A.

Strong and daughter, Goe. Cook, Mrs. J. M. Sellick, Mr. and Mrs. D. Brown, G. L. Gerard, Mrs. E. J. Breen, Mr. M. Rogerson, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Durham, C. Curti, T. Quilty, Mrs. Haseltine, Mr. Rodrigues, O. N. Wood, Mrs. E. C. Regan, W. Zaretsky, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fair, Marie Louise Fair, Mr. and Mrs. J. Trayner, Ethel M. McLeod, O. Kane, Mrs. Douglas Dodge, W. H. Archibald, E. J. Regan, H. S. Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. J. Quinn, W. A. Hamilton, G. Sestito, A. Warden, W. L. McGuinness, Martha Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Sheehan, W. Hughadhey and wife, Mae V. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. W. Goodman.

Oakland—Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reeves and daughter, Mrs. F. D. Gallagher, Flavia Gallagher, Mrs. M. T. Pesante, F. A. Warren, Mrs. C. Chambers, Miss M. F. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Rush and family, Helen M. Struve.

Salinas—R. H. Bullene, O. R. Daley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin, Billy Martin, Mildred Martin, Mrs. J. A. Anderson, L. L. Koue, E. Rianda, Dr. Garth Parker, Marjorie Tuttle, Mildred Machado, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Neilsen, Anna Neilsen, Mrs. Ida Prial, Cleon A. Tynan, Paul Tavernetti, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin, Mrs. M. L. Martin, C. R. Morris, Steve Manislo, W. F. Handley.

San Jose—Kate O'Neil, Margurite O'Neil, Cecilla O'Neil, Dennis O'Neil, Anna Darling, Mary Darling, Sallee Darling, R. J. Carley, Lou Murphy, Marion B. Werner, Mabel Farley, Catherine Farley, H. D. Tuttle, W. Nunes.

Watsonville—G. W. Fer, Ethel Regan, Mrs. Nettie Waugaman, Elizabeth Wiley, Velma Waugaman, P. Kreggo, P. Miladin, Jim Enemark, H. Ford, H. Walte, Clare Subasich, P. Battinick, A. A. Story, R. B. Davis, R. T. Buckhart, R. Redman, Mrs. K. F. Redman.

Monterey—M. R. Burke, A. M. Oslo, H. R. Alexander, Shelley Pickels, Louis Marquette, Edith Robinson.

Santa Cruz—Mrs. Mary O'Neill, Mrs. Margret Martin, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Horton, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Thonias.

Hollister—Mrs. M. T. Dooling, Mrs. W. T. Freitas, T. W. Prendergrass, P. D. Crittonich.

Alameda—Mr. and Mrs. J. Detlow, Valeria Detlow, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Walmuth, Miss Walmuth, Elizabeth Mensing, S. H. Mignola, Mr. T. Hamilton.

Pacific Grove—W. P. Sweeney and family, S. Biggar; San Mateo—Mrs. N. M. Ryley; Piedmont—Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McLellan; Los Altos—Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Schroeder; Menlo Park—A. J. Bordenave; Boston—Mrs. E. J. Belti; Los Angeles—H. H. Crawford; Seattle—R. Caro; Gilroy—Mayvern Tuttle; San Juan—W. S. Prescott; Gonzales—J. H. Brown; Redwood City—Mr. and Mrs. F. Smith.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1926:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Dr. S. W. Jackson, Dr. and Mrs. Klugman, Josephine Docarli, Mrs. McKeever, Mr. and Mrs. Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Monasch, Gertrude Pestel, H. Flocker, Lillian Bain, Ann K. Warden, Albin Warden, Mr. and Mrs. M. Nelson, Vera Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. A.

Strong and daughter, Goe. Cook, Mrs. J. M. Sellick, Mr. and Mrs. D. Brown, G. L. Gerard, Mrs. E. J. Breen, Mr. M. Rogerson, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Durham, C. Curti, T. Quilty, Mrs. Haseltine, Mr. Rodrigues, O. N. Wood, Mrs. E. C. Regan, W. Zaretsky, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Fair, Marie Louise Fair, Mr. and Mrs. J. Trayner, Ethel M. McLeod, O. Kane, Mrs. Douglas Dodge, W. H. Archibald, E. J. Regan, H. S. Doyle, Mr. and Mrs. J. Quinn, W. A. Hamilton, G. Sestito, A. Warden, W. L. McGuinness, Martha Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Sheehan, W. Hughadhey and wife, Mae V. Peterson, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. W. Goodman.

Oakland—Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Reeves and daughter, Mrs. F. D. Gallagher, Flavia Gallagher, Mrs. M. T. Pesante, F. A. Warren, Mrs. C. Chambers, Miss M. F. Chambers, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Rush and family, Helen M. Struve.

Alameda—Mr. and Mrs. J. Detlow, Valeria Detlow, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Walmuth, Miss Walmuth, Elizabeth Mensing, S. H. Mignola, Mr. T. Hamilton.

Salinas—R. H. Bullene, O. R. Daley, Mr. and Mrs. J. Martin, Billy Martin, Mildred Martin, Mrs. J. A. Anderson, L. L. Koue, E. Rianda, Dr. Garth Parker, Marjorie Tuttle, Mildred Machado, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Neilsen, Anna Neilsen, Mrs. Ida Prial, Cleon A. Tynan, Paul Tavernetti, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Bardin, Mrs. M. L. Martin, C. R. Morris, Steve Manislo, W. F. Handley.

San Jose—Kate O'Neil, Margurite O'Neil, Cecilla O'Neil, Dennis O'Neil, Anna Darling, Mary Darling, Sallee Darling, R. J. Carley, Lou Murphy, Marion B. Werner, Mabel Farley, Catherine Farley, H. D. Tuttle, W. Nunes.

Watsonville—G. W. Fer, Ethel Regan, Mrs. Nettie Waugaman, Elizabeth Wiley, Velma Waugaman, P. Kreggo, P. Miladin, Jim Enemark, H. Ford, H. Walte, Clare Subasich, P. Battinick, A. A. Story, R. B. Davis, R. T. Buckhart, R. Redman, Mrs. K. F. Redman.

Monterey—Shelley Pickels, M. R. Gragg, S. G. Clifford and wife, Thomas Fields, A. G. Mason, N. A. Burke, A. M. Oslo, H. R. Alexander, Edith Robinson, Louis Marquette.

Santa Cruz—Mrs. M. T. Dooling, Mrs. W. T. Freitas, Mrs. Mary O'Neill, Mrs. Margaret Martin, T. W. Prendergrass, P. D. Crittonich, W. A. Horton and wife, W. E. Thomas and wife.

Other places—W. P. Sweeney and family, S. Biggar, Pacific Grove; R. Caro, Seattle; Mayvern Tuttle, Gilroy; W. S. Prescott, San Juan; Mrs. Brown, Sacramento; J. H. Brown Gonzales; Mr. and Mrs. F. Smith, Redwood City; Bessie Beckman, Lodi; Mrs. N. M. Ryley, San Mateo; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. McLellan, Piedmont; Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Schroeder, Los Altos; A. J. Bordenave, Menlo Park; Mrs. E. J. Belti, Boston; H. H. Crawford, Los Angeles.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

### TASSAJARA FOLKS WILL VOTE TUESDAY

By "MARCUS"

Falling in line with the unusual interest in the approaching primary election, Tassajara

Hot Springs is all agog over the possible results. Guests with a sporting turn are dividing their interests between the poker tables, backing their favorite candidates and making pools off the event.

Excitement in many cases is at fever heat and in instances where the head of households political views opposed to those of her husband some fine stuff is freely broadcasted through the rather thin walls of the new bungalows.

With a laudable sense of duty the proprietress, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, and as many of the staff as can possibly be spared tomorrow, will make a pilgrimage to Jamesburg in a fleet of autos, trucks and on horseback in order to exercise their rights at the polls. Many guests have already absented themselves temporarily for the same purpose.

*Salinas Daily Index, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1926:*

### 125,000 TROUT FRY TO ARRIVE TOMORROW

Seventy cans of young trout, or 125,000 fish in all, are due to arrive here tomorrow morning at 11:50 from the state hatchery in Shasta County for stocking streams in this vicinity.

H. H. Biscoe, chairman of the Salinas Sportsmen's Club fish committee, and members of the club, will take charge of the trout on their arrival.

Sixteen cans of the trout will be sent to the Tassajara section under the supervision of W. F. Handley; ten will be sent to the Soledad Sportsmen's Club for planting in Willow Creek and Lost Valley, under the supervision of Fred Wendt, and two will, be sent to the Gabilan Creek, to be planted under the supervision of Grover Tholcke.

The balance will be planted in various streams of the Cachagua and upper Carmel Valley under the direction of Biscoe and his assistants.

*Salinas Daily Index, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1926:*

### NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS

Office of the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, September 8<sup>th</sup>, 1926.

Sealed bids will be received by the Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Monterey County, at his office, until two o'clock p. m. September 24<sup>th</sup>, 1926, at which time said bids will be opened by said Board for constructing a portion of the Tassajara Road, in Road District No. 5, Monterey County.

Profiles, cross-sections, plans and specifications for this work are on file in the office of the said Board, to which bidders are hereby referred. T. P. Joy.

Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Monterey.

Date of 1<sup>st</sup> pub. Sept. 9, 1926.

From 'Salinas Items,' *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

### MISS NELLIE WALLACE SUFFERS BROKEN ANKLE

A rattler sunning itself on one of the numer-

ous trails near Tassajara Hot Springs Thursday, was the indirect cause of a serious injury to Miss Nellie Wallace, proprietress of a woman's shop in this city. Miss Wallace had been a guest at the Springs for a vacation. While on a hike yesterday she unknowingly came upon the snake. Someone in the party yelled and at the alarm Miss Wallace jumped off the narrow trail down an embankment of five feet, landing on the rocks below. The shock of the landing broke her right ankle in two places. As soon as possible she was brought to the Salinas Valley Hospital in this city.

From 'Contracts Awarded at Board Meeting,' *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1926:

No bids were received on the proposed work of constructing a new section of the Tassajara road.

From the 'People You Know' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, Dec. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1926:

Mrs. Helen Quilty of Tassajara Springs was a business visitor to Salinas Monday.

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From 'The People's Safety Valve' column, *San Francisco Chronicle*, Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1927:

### BETTER TO SMILE AND LET THE CLOUDS ROLL BY

Editor, *The Chronicle*—Sir: I just have to voice a protest at what I have heard day in and day out for over a week, viz., people grumbling, growling and grouching over the rainy weather—in the elevators of the big hotel where I dig in for the winter, in the lobby and in the dining room, and, more than anywhere else, on the streets and in the street cars, and in fact everywhere that a few city folks gather.

Personally, I come from the wide open spaces, where God-given rain means running streams (for the city fishermen); where it means bountiful crops to the suffering farmers (salt of the earth, with my hat off), and where it clothes with verdure and paints with brilliant colors the slopes above the sea, making our California such a glorious home for you and me. So, pause before you growl again, oh ye of little thought.

HELEN G. QUILTY.  
San Francisco, Feb. 21, 1927.

*Salinas Daily Index*, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### WORK STARTS ON REDUCING TONY'S GRADE

Work of cutting down the steep grade on that portion of the county road leading from Salinas to Tassajara Springs, known as "Tony's Boulevard," was commenced this morning by a gang of workmen under the direction of County Surveyor Howard F. Cozzens.

"Tony's Boulevard" is one of the most dangerous places on the scenic drive. At present the grade is 24 per cent, difficult and hazardous for autos either to ascend or descend. It will be reduced to 14 per cent by the work undertaken.

Last year the board of supervisors invited bids for cutting down the grade of "Tony's Boulevard," but contractors shied at it, and none were received. The work is therefore being done by day labor.

County Surveyor Cozzens expects to have the work completed by May 1, in time for the rush of summer visitors to the Springs and the summer vacation season, when hundreds of campers will be taking outings in the adjacent mountain country.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS ROAD IS IMPROVED

NEW PAVING WORK, WIDENING IS UNDERWAY

Motorists driving the Monterey County mountains this season will soon have available a greatly improved road to Tassajara Hot Springs. The county is widening the Jamesburg grade to the Springs and the road beyond Jamesburg is closed at present, the Salinas office of the California State Automobile Association reported yesterday. The work is expected to be completed by May 1, when the resort opens and the region becomes a mecca for hundreds of summer vacationists and campers.

The work includes reduction of a steep stretch of 24 per cent grade to 14 per cent. This is known as "Tony's Boulevard," thus named for after an old-time stage driver.

The trip may be made as far as Jamesburg at present over ten miles of paved road out of Salinas, thence turning left to the Laureles Grade, seven miles of wide mountain road followed by three miles of good road up the Carmel Valley, and then ten miles of mountain road to the junction of the Jamesburg road.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS TO REOPEN MAY 9<sup>TH</sup>

Tassajara Hot Springs, famous summer outing resort in the Santa Lucia Mountains about 60 miles from here, will reopen for the current season on Monday, May 9, it was announced today by the proprietress, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty. Mrs. Quilty was here making arrangements for the reopening.

Kenneth Vanderhurst will drive the stage, as heretofore, making the trips daily to and from the Springs, carrying passengers and supplies.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA MOUNTAIN RESORT OPENS MAY 9

The opening date of Tassajara Hot Springs for the season is Monday, May 9, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, proprietress, stated yesterday.

Kenneth Vanderhurst will drive the stage in again daily to the resort, which is sixty miles from here in the Santa Lucia Mountains, carrying both passengers and supplies.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1927 (also in the 5/7/1927 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs Road is Now in First-Class Shape'):

## ROAD LEADING TO TASSAJARA IN GOOD SHAPE

Next Monday will mark the reopening of the Tassajara Hot Springs for the current season, with indications that a large number of guests will be on hand. A stage will make trips daily to and from the Springs, with Kenneth Vanderhurst in charge. The stage will carry both passengers and express.

Under the management of Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara has become one of the most popular outing places in the state, and it is expected that the rush this season will eclipse all past records. The road to the Springs is in fine condition, the scenic attractions beautiful and the wild flowers in greater profusion this year than ever before known.

For the guidance of local people and others who may be contemplating a visit to the Springs in their own cars the local bureau of the California State Automobile Association has given out the following summary of the condition of the road:

First ten miles paved, followed by seven miles of excellent dirt road over the Laureles grade to the Carmel Valley. First three miles up the Carmel Valley to Camp Steffani is in excellent condition. Next three miles the road-bed is in good condition, although there are many sharp turns and the road is narrow. Then 10 miles of good road, with the exception of a few rough spots to Jamesburg.

Beyond Jamesburg a grade seven miles long is encountered to the summit, this being in good condition, though it is advisable to proceed in low gear.

The road has been widened and turnouts have been constructed in many places, but the one-way control will still be in effect. It is necessary to stop at the telephone station a mile and a half down the grade to ascertain if the way is clear.

The entire route can be considered in excellent condition for a mountain road.

*Salinas Daily Index*, May 12<sup>th</sup> to July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Where nature's boiling mineral waters cure rheumatism, kidney and liver troubles. The home of good beds, excellent table and general comfort. Fine fishing and hunting. Swimming tank, dancing, etc.

Stage leaves Hotel Jeffery, Salinas, daily except Sunday at 12:30 p. m., for reservations write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, Tassajara Hot Springs. Folders at *Index* office.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1927:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Mr. and Mrs. Twohig, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Meyer and son, Mrs. P. A. Westphal and son, Mrs. Valerie Fontelle, Raymond Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Spencer and family, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wilson and family, R. M. Kingman.

From other places—Albert Vollmer, Hubert

Vollmer, Herbert M. Pratt, Oakland; Chester O. McCorkle Jr., Avis J. McCorkle, Berkeley; Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCorkle, Soledad; Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Jorgensen, San Jose; G. L. Carroll, Mr. and Mrs. M. M. King, B. V. McNeamin, Pebble Beach; Fred Leidig, R. Pearson, Phillip Wilson, Mrs. E. R. Stinson and son, Carmel; Rose Catti, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Thompson, Ira C. Bailey, George Gould, Herbert Baltz, Salinas; Rev. F. J. O'Reilly, Santa Cruz; Rev. James O'Reilly, San Juan Bautista; Mrs. H. F. Hannan, Los Angeles; Fred W. Suter, Gilroy; Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Garner, Hollister; Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Friermuth, C. W. Adamson, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Paul, Watsonville; Miss Lucia Shepardson, Pacific Grove; O. Gutierrez, M. W. McMinamin, Al Metz, Monterey.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS HAS BIG LIST OF GUESTS

Arrivals at Tassajara Hot Springs for the week ending May 28<sup>th</sup>:

San Francisco—Wills, Mr. and Mrs. C. S.; Clarke, Mrs. D. C.; Duffy, Miss Dorothy; Cotter, James; Gruneberg, Mr. and Mrs. and son, Fowler, F. G.; St. Goar, Mrs. H.; Rogers, F. G.; Sinnott, Miss Anne B.; Gordon, Mr. and Mrs.; Cavagnaro, Mr. and Mrs. L.; Hauer, Mr. and Mrs. J. B.; Rand, Miss Muriel; Blake, Sarah; Craw, Mrs. R. T.; Millard, D.; Thomas, Mrs. A.; Deben, John; Field, Mr. and Mrs. S. C.; Reilly, J.; Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. H. J.; Alrogn, Agnes N.; Sohne, Mr. and Mrs. Geo.; Connell, Mr. and Mrs. G. M.; Lehmann, Mr. and Mrs. C. T.; Sheehan, Mr. and Mrs. J.; Cappelmann, Mr., and Mrs. O. C.; Alexander, L. A.; Mason, Viola; Wright, Mr. and Mrs. L. B.; Bolger, J. J.; Richardson, Capt. Stanley and family; Gibson, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel.

From Salinas—Kaler, Mrs. J. D.; Kaler, Katherine; Lacy, Geo.; Wallace, H. E.; Zabala, Mr. and Mrs. P. E.; Ayer, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Nichols, Mrs. J. P.; Funge, Vern M.; Thomsen, Arnold; Myers, Ralph; Church, John; Machado, Chris; Linder, H. E.; Cornett, I. J.; Cornett, Mr. and Mrs. S. C.; Cornett, Marie; Cozzens, Mr. and Mrs. R. L.; Cozzens, Paul; Hughs, Mr. and Mrs. R. L.; Thiele, Mr. and Mrs. W. C.; Rianda, Mr. and Mrs. E. Tavernette, Paul B.; Henricks, Herbert; Menke, W. F.; Outhier, Mr. and Mrs. C. B.; Outhier, Betty Ann; Stube, A. C.; Stube, Evelyn; Stube, Mr. and Mrs. Jack; Russell, Mr. and Mrs. E. J.; Catti, Miss Rose; Greene, M. E.

From Monterey—Amend, Geo. B.; Cote, Phillip; Mayo, Oscar and son; Towle, Mr. and Mrs. Grant; Mack, Mrs. Mae; Goodrich, Jos. L.; Bantovich, A. M.; Mehringer, Mrs. Z. and family; Hughes, Mrs. Emma.

From Carmel—Stinson, Mr. and Mrs. C.; Jeffers, R.; Jeffers, Una; Jeffers, Catherine D.; Norton, Mr. and Mrs. R. A.; Narvaez, Pouis.

From Oakland—Stier, Mt. and Mrs. O. N.; Founery, Mrs. John; McIntyre, Mrs. W. G.; Warren, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. From Los Angeles—Wong, Mr. and Mrs. Gage; Lem, K. S.; Lamb, Paul. From Pacific Grove—Gill, Norval; Gill, E. F. From Berkeley—Abbott, Doris L.; Fores, H. W.; Fores, Elsie M. Sumock, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. From New York—Ropes, M.,

Reibold, Mrs. L. S. From Watsonville—Nelson, Otto; Basich, Chris. From San Jose—Codone, Mrs. R.; Haas, Thelma R.; Walters, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. From Palo Alto—Driscoll, R. O., Driscoll, R. T. From King City—Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. From Paso Robles—Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. From Frankfurt, Germany—Friedberg, Mrs. From Santa Cruz—Milward, Mrs. C. From Stockton—Olsen, Dorothy. From Richmond—Moore, Frank; Dickerson, Ed.; Fraga, Leonard. From Jamesburg—Lambert, Mrs. W. B.; Payne, Mae Bella. From Chualar—Stuhe, Mrs. M.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Monterey County, the most wonderful curative springs in the state for Rheumatism, Kidney and Liver disorders. Good beds—excellent table—swimming, dancing, etc. Stage leaves Jeffery Hotel, Salinas, at 12:30 p. m., daily, except Sunday. Booklets at Pajaronian Office. For reservations write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, resident owner, at Springs.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Wills, Mrs. C. D. Clarke, Miss Dorothy Duffy, James Cotter, Mr. and Mrs. Greenburg and son, F. G. Fowler, Mrs. H. St. Goar, F. G. Rogers, Miss Anne R. Sinnott, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gordon, Mr. and Mrs. L. Cavagnaro, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hardy, Miss Muriel Rand, Sarah Blake, Mrs. R. T. Craw, D. Millary, Mrs. A. Thomas, John Debeo, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Field, J. Reilly, Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Thompson, Agnes N. Alrogo, Mr. and Mrs. George Sohne, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Connell, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Lehmann, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Sheehan, Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Cappelmann, L. A. Alexander, Viola Mason, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wright, J. J. Bolger.

From Oakland—Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Stier, Mrs. John Founery, Mrs. W. G. McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Warren, Mr. and Mrs. Ball and son.

From Salinas—Mrs. J. D. Kalar, Katherine Kalar, H. E. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Zabala, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, Mrs. J. P. Nichols, Verne M. Frunge, Arnold Thomsen, Ralph Myers, John Church, George E. Lacy, Chris Machado, H. E. Linder, I. J. Cornett, Marie Cornett, Rose Catti, Mrs. H. T. Cozzens, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Hughes, Paul Cozzens, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Thiele, Mr. and Mrs. E. Rianda, Paul B. Tavernette, Robert Hinricks, W. F. Menke, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Onthier, Betty Ann Onthier, M. E. Greene, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stube, A. C. Stube, Evelyn Stube, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Russell.

From Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. George B. Amend, Phillip Cote, Oscar Mayo and son, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Towle, Mrs. Mae Mack, Joseph L. Goodrich, A. M. Santovich, Mrs. Mehringer and family, Mrs. Emma Hughes.

From Carmel—Mr. and Mrs. C. Stinson, R. Jeffers, Una Jeffers, Catherine Jeffers, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Norton. Louis Navarez.



From other places—Jasper P. McClosky, Hollister; Norval Gill, E. F. Gill, Pacific Grove; Mr. and Mrs. Gage Wong, K. S. Lem, Paul Lamb, Los Angeles; R. O. Driscoll, R. T. Driscoll, Palo Alto; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamilton, King City; Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Hamilton, Paso Robles; Mrs. Friedberg, Frankfort, Germany; Mrs. C. Milward, Santa Cruz; Doris L. Abbott, H. W. Fores, Elsie M. Fores, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Somoch, Berkeley; Otto Nelson, Chris Bosich, Watsonville; Mrs. R. Codone, Thelma R. Hass, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Waiters, San Jose; R. Boils, Gonzales; Dorothy Olsen, Stockton; Frank Moore, Ed Dickerson, Lenard Frags, Richmond; Mrs. W. B. Lambert, Mae Bella Payne, Jamesburg; Mrs. M. Stube, Chua-lar; Captain Stanley Richardson and family, Presidio S. F.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### GO SEE IT YOURSELF

The *Index* has heard no little comment of late of the wonderful work done by County Surveyor Howard Cozzens on the road into Tassajara Springs. We talked with a number of persons who have been over the road, and all of them are particularly loud in their commendation of the work of this very efficient county servant. Cozzens' work is reported exceptionally good on that portion of the road known as "Tony's Boulevard." This section has been a bugbear for motorists for many years past, but since the repair crew put in several weeks on it last winter it is now in the finest condition.

True, there is now, and always likely will be, a considerable grade on portions of the road, but the very bad portion has been done away with, the grades cut down, the road widened, and those who have been over it say it is a pleasure to make the trip at present.

Go see it for yourself. There are likely hundreds of people in this very region who have never seen Tassajara. Like the case of one of the city's best-known citizens who was

born, lived over 60 years and died here without ever having seen the "Palisades and Pinnacles."

You owe it to yourself to see this bit of beauty-land which lies at your very back door. Don't go away from home and admit to others that you've never seen it.

And, while you're making the trip, enjoy the new road.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA STAGE NOW MAKING TRIPS SUNDAYS

The Tassajara stage, which heretofore has been making only weekday trips between Salinas and the Springs, is now making daily trips, Sundays included. This is for the better accommodation of the large number of guests going in and coming out.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1927 (also in the 6/14/27 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs Sold; Kingsburys to Manage the Resort,' and the 6/14/27 *Santa Cruz Evening News*, as 'Tassajara Sold; Geo. Kingsbury is New Manager');

### TASSAJARA SOLD FOR FANCY PRICE TO SYNDICATE

Tassajara Hot Springs, most popular mountain resort between San Francisco and Los Angeles, has been sold to a large corporation. The price was not made public, although it was intimated that it was well over \$100,000. Mrs. Helen Quilty, proprietor and manager of the resort for the past 23 years, will remain there for a short time.

Meanwhile Mr. and Mrs. George Kingsbury, former owners of the Appleton Hotel, Watsonville, have taken over the management of the Springs. The auto stage route will continue under the management of Kenneth Vanderhurst, making daily trips from Hotel Jeffery in this city to the resort.

Tassajara has long been popular with the people of this region, the climate, scenery and

vacation facilities vying with the splendid personality of the hostess to bring hundreds of people there every week during the summer season. Of later years the Springs have been drawing heavily from farther afield and large numbers of people from eastern states, and even from Europe, have been visiting there.

It is understood that George Gould and I. J. Cornett, of this city, are representing the syndicate which has taken over the Springs.

The following editorial note was attached to this article in the *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*:

The retirement of Mrs. Quilty from the Springs will be received with universal regret. Tassajara Hot Springs, without that estimable manageress, will be similar to Shakespeare's "Hamlet," with the Prince of Denmark left out. Mrs. Quilty's charming personality has made the Springs one of the most popular resorts on the Pacific Coast—Ed. *Pajaronian*.

*Salinas Daily Journal*, June 14<sup>th</sup>, 1927 (also in the 6/15/1927 *Monterey Peninsula Daily Herald*, as 'Salinas Group Buys Tassajara Tract');

### FINACIAL RING BUYS TASSAJARA SPRINGS RESORT

George S. Gould and I. J. Cornett, representing a syndicate of financiers, yesterday bought Tassajara and about 480 acres of land. There are 160 acres in the Springs property proper. The price paid for the popular resort was not revealed.

The property was bought from Mrs. Helen Quilty, proprietor of the resort for the past twenty-three years.

The hotel has fifty rooms and twenty-five cottages, and has long been a haven for both San Francisco and Salinas residents seeking a rest.

George Kingsbury, former proprietor of the Appleton Hotel in Watsonville, will manage Tassajara, while Mrs. Kingsbury will have charge of the dining room.



The wooden vapor bath and cooling tent. The wooden part was replaced by a concrete structure in 1928 or 1929.

## 1927 to 1932, THE TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS COMPANY YEARS; p. 203.

Although it was reported that Helen Quilty sold Tassajara to a group of businessmen, no official documents, even that of a lease, were ever recorded. The Tassajara Hot Springs Company was at first represented by George S. Gould, a Salinas realtor, and Iver J. Cornett, who was the Monterey County Auditor and Purchasing Agent.

In 1927 Tassajara was managed by George Kingsbury and his wife. In 1928 and 1929 Tassajara was managed by Iver Cornett and his

brother, L. C. Cornett. From 1930 to 1932 Tassajara was managed by Charles Ayer and his wife.

Improvements during this period were the concrete steam rooms (this had been planned during the last few years of Helen Quilty's tenure), a six room addition to the bath house that extended over the creek bed, and a 40,000 gallon concrete reservoir.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 19<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Situated forty-seven miles south of Salinas, Monterey County, in a beautiful hollow of the Santa Lucia Mountains, at an elevation of 1500 feet, Tassajara Hot Springs is one of the popular vacation places of that section. The resort is open from May 1 to October 15 each year.

A hotel of sandstone construction, containing forty guest rooms, parlors, writing rooms and an annex of twenty-eight cottages of from one to four rooms each, provide accommodations for 200 guests. The hotel is noted for the excellence of its table. All foods come from the premises, meats being grown and killed on the property. There is also an abundance of fresh milk and vegetables.

The hotel affords suitable accommodations and no housekeeping or camping privileges are allowed.

Tassajara Hot Springs waters are noted everywhere as containing many curative properties. In this respect the resort resembles the famous hot springs of Arkansas.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### PLAYGROUND FOR CHILDREN

A new children's playground is under construction at Tassajara Springs, according to reports reaching here from that place.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Rates under new management the same as the management of Mrs. Quilty. Write or phone for reservations. Geo. W. Kingsbury, Manager.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### FOURTH CELEBRATED IN MOUNTAIN RESORT

Following a custom for years past, Tassajara Springs was the scene of another patriotic celebration yesterday of the American national holiday. James L. Attridge, of San Francisco, delivered short and able address after the flag had been raised. Then followed athletic and swimming contests of all kinds, with special features for the young folks.

Guests were present from all parts of California, over 200 participating in some way or other in the day's events.

Miss Gwendolyn Turner, of Salinas, won the ladies' diving contest, and Jimmie Hughes and Tommy Storm, of Salinas, the horseshoe pitching tourney.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### NO RAISE IN RATES AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS SAYS MR. KINGSBURY

From George Kingsbury, manager of the Tassajara Hot Springs, who was in town today, we learn that business is excellent at the Springs, everything going along finely, and the crowds taxing the accommodations of the place.

Mr. Kingsbury asked us to correct a rumor that has gained considerable circulation, viz: that consequent on the change of ownership of the Springs, rates have been raised.

Mr. Kingsbury says this report is absolutely false. That he is conducting the Springs along the lines followed by Mrs. Helen Quilty, and no prices have been raised.

In so doing not only is he following his own inclinations in the matter, but carrying out the instructions of the Springs new owners, who are endeavoring to make greater improvements at the place, and want it conducted on the high standard always maintained by Mrs. Quilty.

Every endeavor will be made to so improve the Springs that it will be, always, the favorite summer vacation spot of Central California, says Mr. Kingsbury.

*Salinas Daily Index*, July 19<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

#### NO CHANGE IN RATES

No change in informality which has made this resort so popular.

Stage leaves Jeffery Hotel at 12:30 p. m. FOR RESERVATIONS WRITE OR PHONE GEO. W. KINGSBURY,

Tassajara Hot Springs.

Folders at *Index* Office

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

San Francisco—George C. Herbert, A. E. O'Leary, Mrs. H. J. Meyer, P. B. Linker, E. Bercovitz, F. H. Haight, Charles E. Ege, Mrs. C. Doolittle, Mrs. Emily Bode, Miss E. B., Bode, Mrs. W. B. Dowling, Mrs. E. R. Moffitt, Anna Shomaker, Alice Harrington, C. W. Allendorf, Fritzl Lachmund, August Waldenmefer, Phyllis Goldsmith, Carmen Blederman, Mrs. E. M. Hirsch and family, Mrs. L. Hohmfesner, Genevieve Carroll, Capt. I. W. Wood, Mrs. L. W. Wood, Miss E. Merriman, Miss Ella Collins, Mrs. M. L. Turner, Mrs. A. Berghoff, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. K., Mrs. H. Stafford, Herbert Jefferys, I. Stube, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Attridge, Anna Lenard, Mrs. A. M. Christenet, Mrs. E. Harris, Miss H. Fried.

Oakland—Mrs. F. Lynch, Miss Lenore

Pozzo, Miss Mary C. Ward, Mr. and Mrs. L. Figo, Miss A. C. Hennings, Miss Clarice Hennings, C. S. Myrick, James Johnson.

Salinas—K. Highman, Mr. and Mrs. F. Heple, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Warth, Glenn Day, Miles L. Lang, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Schmitz, William V. Church, E. R. Nognes, Mr. and Mrs. Tut Imlay, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Austin, Ralph Myers, Bob Myers, John C. Church, Mrs. A. Pedrazzi and family, G. H. Storm, W. H. Hutton, Anne Anderson.

Watsonville—Anna C. Bourbon, Hazel M. Thorne, Myrtle M. Thorne, D. J. Daly, J. Ratch, A. Bete, John Allegrette.

Other points—J. R. Whalen, Hollister; Ben D. Dixon and family, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Steel, W. G. Dean, Alma M. Myers, Berkeley; Mr. and Mrs. W. Bourg, Brawley; B. W. Leigh, Sausalito; A. J. Mason, E. P. Edwards, E. E. Littlefield, Irene Piazzoni, Monterey; Charles E. Canfield, Santa Cruz; Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Lefungwell, Pasadena; Mrs. J. G. Cornyn and son, Miss I. Beals, Niels P. Peterson, San Mateo; Miss Maude Snow, Miss Miriam Hahn, Thomas Hooper, Carmel; Mr. and Mrs. T. Kennedy, Los Angeles; Miss Amelia Stibbens, Beauford Meiggs, Palo Alto; Mrs. Martha Chapman, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Cox, Burlingame; Henry Riando, Silvio Francioni, Gonzales; Adelle Davis, Belvedere.

From 'Vacationing at Popular Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Dr. G. A. Haberer and family, Mrs. Frank B. Lorigan, A. D. Newel, family, G. Book and wife, Catherine Booker, Mrs. M. E. Harder, Mrs. M. E. Anderson, Mrs. C. Hutchins, Mrs. W. Connelly, F. G. Wilson, E. H. Burges, Mrs. Ines Hill, C. O. Thanger, John William, J. Hamptil, Genevieve Hanley, Miss Hanley, Miss M. C. S. Sutherland, Otto Lang, C. H. Newell, wife, Mrs. E. L. Munsen, Mrs. McDonald, Lieut. J. T. Brown, U. S. A., Lylian Geilash, Lolla McMannas, Rose Curvagan, Dolly Johnson, E. Desmond, wife and son Jack, D. Antonio.

Oakland and Alameda—Frank Cliff and wife, Mrs. Sterberg, family, M. J. Madsen, Irene E. Long, John Wipple.

Berkeley—Alice R. Smythe, Anne Grant, Mrs. R. Breakfield, Wm. Byrne and wife.

Watsonville—Irene Chapin, Ines Hutchins, Chris Sandburg, Ben Casche, Shearly Sheppard.

San Jose—G. N. Matherich, Leo Blick, N. W. Weinberg, Dr. W. J. Buchren.

Miscellaneous—Mrs. N. M. Ripely, Los Altos; Rev. Father Medsa, Centerville; Rev. Father Viladomet, Hayward; J. H. Schmidt, Los Banos; M. Rogers, San Rafael; Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Thomas, Long Beach; H. J. Geering, Eureka; Mrs. R. Hudson, Los Angeles; Emil

Schilling, Burlingame; Wm. J. Earl, Taft; Mrs. J. G. Cornyn, Bud Almy, San Mateo; John Burges, A. S. Bordges and wife, Salinas.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Michael Crutchet, Milton Righetti and wife, Milton Righetti Jr., Marie Righetti, Alice Righetti, Elsie Righetti, Harry Doyle Sr., David Barron and wife, W. R. Christie, Wallace Brown, Miss M. E. Cavanaugh, Miss E. Congdon, Tom Dick and wife, Charles Ersephke, Miss Marie Fitzsimon, Dr. Monarch and wife, Math Mikely, A. W. McElroy and wife, Miss McElroy, Miss Mae O'Keefe, A. H. Hoffman.

From Salinas—Mrs. Marie McKinnon, Jimmy McKinnon, Rudolf Dettwyler, James Winsor and wife, G. Sestite, Mrs. C. Molinari and baby, Mrs. N. H. Linder and son Jim, Howard Smith, H. G. Bell, T. W. Ternay, B. J. Dubois, R. H. Bulleni, H. F. Cozzens, Paul Cozzens.

From Watsonville—J. McEwig, Lloyd Smith, E. J. Nelson, J. Dondero, Miss Ethyl Regar, Mrs. Gerard Sheehy, Mary and Marjorie Sheehy, Lewis Jano, Nick Jano.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

San Francisco—Mr. and Mrs. John Trayner, Dr. J. G. Brady, Keith M. Conway, Eliz R. Connolly, Elizabeth Dallas, Mary S. Black, Florence Gardener, W. H. Branson, J. E. Connolly, M. J. Lucey, L. F. Kelly, Arues Loffus, Evelyn Curten, H. E. Jacobs, Dr. B. C. Rosenorth, Capt. H. J. Wright and wife, L. E. Luker and wife.

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country-Side' columns, *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, August 18.—Following is the list of those registered at Tassajara Springs over the week-end:

#### Salinas

O. A. Turner and wife; Mrs. G. Spiros; A. H. Christensen and wife; Miss Woo; J. Chung and son; C. C. Call; George Gould; I. J. Cornett; S. E. Cornett; J. Princevalle; Jim. Irvine; S. A. Sagehorn; J. B. Imlay; K. F. Bertelsman; M. C. Wistder and wife; D. L. Lilla; Mrs. Garth Parker and daughter; A. L. Bettencourt; J. A. Anderson; T. W. Imlay; H. G. Bell.

#### San Francisco

Joe Chase and wife; Harry Chase; Rudolph Rizzo; William Zaretsky; William A. Hamilton; M. M. Gueber and wife; Pat Millen; L. Larkin and wife and son; G. E. Schaefer and wife; Olive Francisco; Valantyne Van Doon; Frank Galleazzi; Joe Vannucce; J. Richard Hughes; J. J. Baumgartner; D. V. Cuneo; Miss Margaret O'Keefe.

#### Oakland and Alameda

Mrs. D. Chambers and Miss M. F. Chambers.

#### Miscellaneous

E. E. Littlefield, of Monterey; Wm. Noyes, of Monterey; Mrs. C. Kelly, of San Jose; A. O. Quilla and wife, of Santa Cruz; H. Picks and wife, of Monterey; Mrs. Fay Thomas, of

Gilroy; L. Goldstein, of Monterey; Jim Princeville, of Gilroy; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Motz and family, of Bisbee; Clark Warren and wife, of Tulare; Dr. W. B. Gould and wife, of Modesto; Anna Gould, of Modesto; Jeannette Gould, of Modesto.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—Joe Chase and wife, Harry Chase, Rudolf Rizzo, William Zaritsky, William A. Hamilton, M. M. Gruber and wife, Pat Mullen, T. Larkin and wife, Larkin, Jr., G. E. Schaefer and wife, Olive Francisco, Valantyne Van Doon, Frank Galleazzi, Joe Vannucce, Richard J. Hughes, J. J. Baumgartner, D. V. Cuneo, Miss M. O'Keefe.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

#### MONTEREY COUNTY

Finest Hot Springs in California. Stage leaves Jeffery Hotel, Salinas, 12:30 p. m. daily. After September 1<sup>st</sup> daily except Sunday.

These Springs will close September 15<sup>th</sup>. Extensive improvements to be made before winter. For rates and reservations write or phone

GEO. W. KINGSBURY, Mgr.,  
Tassajara Hot Springs

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country-Side' columns, *Salinas Daily Index*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Aug. 25.—Following is the list of guests registered during the past week:

Salinas—Gus Spiros; Mr. and Mrs. John Ostrander and family; Miss Edith Del Conte; William Tholcke; Watsonville—J. J. Sheehan; Thomas G. Caddy; J. A. Kohl; Ray Rooney; Mrs. E. A. Hoxie; Hollister—William Hudner; Pete Cumbeled; San Francisco—H. Fink; Miss Vera Trapp; Miss Clara Miller; Mr. and Mrs. H. Valdaspio and son; Mrs. Bernice L. Silva; Miss Nellie Fugett; Mrs. J. McDonald; Monterey—O. Kopke, R. H. Zimmerman, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ganini; King City—Mr. and Mrs. A. Bandettini Mr. and Mrs. S. Tamo and family, James Bengard; Carmel—G. A. Barker; San Ardo—Miss Alice Ferrini; San Jose—Miss Hazel Schmidt, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Bacon; Spreckels—William Paulsen, R. G. Tuttle; Gonzales—J. Cochran; Santa Cruz—Mrs. E. S. Martin, Mrs. M. Richey; George Rice, and Margaret Rice.

From 'Vacationing at Popular Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

San Francisco—H. Fink, Vela Trapp, Clara Miller, Bernice L. Silva, H. Valdaspio, wife and son, Nellie Fugett, Mrs. J. McDonald.

From other places—Miss Bell Anderson, O. Wedgewood, wife and son, Mrs. R. K. Larsen, Lily K. Larsen, Oakland; A. E. Reinhold, Alameda; Wm. Hudner, Pete Cumbelia, Hollister; Gus Sprios, John Ostrander, wife and family,

Edith Del Conte, Wm. Thoscke, Salinas; J. J. Shuhan, Thom J. Caddy, J. A. Kohl, Ray Rooney, Mrs. E. A. Hoxie, Watsonville; O. Kopke, R. H. Zimmerman, Monterey; C. A. Barker, Carmel; A. Bandettini and wife, S. Tamo, wife and family, King City; Miss Alice Ferrial, San Ardo; Mrs. E. S. Mardin, Mrs. M. Richey, George Rice, Margaret Rice, Santa Cruz; Miss Hazel Schmidt, C. C. Bacon and wife, San Jose; Wm. Paulson, Spreckles; J. Cochran, Gonzales; R. G. Tuttle, Spreckles; Frank Ganini and wife, Monterey; James Bengard, King City.

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country-Side' columns, *Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1927:

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Sept. 3.—Visitors to Tassajara Springs over the week-end were as follows:

Salinas—Mary Hunter, George Gould, Frank Clark, John Sutich, Glenn Day, John Jacobsen, I. J. Cornett.

San Francisco—M. Bruce Fair, Miss Marie L. Fair, R. Busk and wife, Chas. Bendu, R. H. Matthey and wife, R. H. Ohio, R. H. Mearty, Mrs. Louise Mann.

Watsonville—Mrs. J. A. Kohl.

Oakland and Alameda—Mr. and Mrs. J. Costello, M. G. Keller, O. G. Grimes.

Stockton—J. H. Bruce and H. Y. Davis.

Hollister—Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Flint, M. Morton Flint, Miss Dorothy Flint, Marjorie Flint.

Miscellaneous: Mrs. Rosa Mason, Gonzales; Jas. S. Simpson, San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Crowe and family, W. H. Crowe and wife, Santa Cruz; Judge and Mrs. Thos. Taylor, Chicago; Chas. F. Brown, Pacific Grove; Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Barnett, Gilroy; F. C. Swain, Monterey.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

### TASSAJARA NOTES

TASSAJARA SPRINGS, Sept. 9.—Following is the list of guests registered here during the week:

Salinas—Miss Josephine de Carli, Miss Jossie C. Mortenson, Miss Grace Hoffmaster, Miss Laura McGregor, Mrs. B. Olsen and son, Miss Emma Kimbert, Miss Marguerite Marci, Miss Annie Anderson, R. H. Storm, Misses Storm, E. Tarleton, Milo Martella, John Lewis, Adam Thompson.

Watsonville—Jas. Williamson, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Miss Edith McGowan, Oscar F. Maher, Charles Bowers, Bud Pelesizene.

Oakland and Alameda—Mr. and Mrs. Kirkpatrick, C. R. Kirkpatrick.

San Francisco—Walter Schulken and wife, R. J. Burrows, Alan Hoxie, Miss E. H. Congdon, Junior Congdon, E. R. Gurdelfinger, J. L. Lerois, M. J. Navhum, Henry Martella, Edward L. King, M. Schiestal and wife, Mrs. C. Dickenson, Frank Luesche, R. Schuntenhaus, Dr. V. Lucchetti.

San Luis Obispo—G. W. Davenport and wife, Dr. G. A. Snyder and wife, C. L. Day, C. H. Slusher.

San Jose—Mrs. H. G. Quilty, Mrs. Rubull.

#### Miscellaneous

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Davies and family, Sole-

dad; H. C. Reavis and wife, Berkeley; Mrs. Tunison, Los Angeles; H. H. Schummaker, Los Angeles; Margaret Ellsworth, Piedmont; Bert Comstock, Carmel; S. Trajano and wife, Tulare.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

**PLANS COMPLETED FOR RECEPTION TO VISITING SCRIBES**

Members of the Monterey County committee in charge of arrangements for the reception and entertainment of a party of San Francisco newspaper men who are coming soon on a visit to this section, met this morning in the chamber of commerce rooms and completed plans. Members of the committee are George S. Gould [a member of the Tassajara Hot Springs Company], Fred Weybret [the editor of the *Salinas Index-Journal*], Paul Parker, Frank D. Tuttle and Iver J. Cornett [another member of the Tassajara Hot Springs Company]. Enos De Caril, of the Gonzales Chamber of Commerce, was present to confer with the Salinas committee.

There will be 16 newspaper men in the party, it was announced. Following is the revised itinerary:

Saturday, Sept. 17.—Leave San Francisco, arriving at Felton, Santa Cruz County, about 9:30. Take lunch in Boulder Creek at noon. Dinner at night in Casa del Rey, Santa Cruz. Remain at night in Santa Cruz.

Sunday, Sept. 18.—Leave Santa Cruz in morning for Monterey. Lunch at Highlands Inn. Dinner in evening at Hotel Del Monte. Remain night at Del Monte.

Monday, Sept. 19.—Leave Monterey at 9 a. m. for Tassajara Springs, arriving at 1:30 for late lunch. Dinner in evening at Tassajara Hot Springs hotel. Remain overnight at Tassajara.

Tuesday, Sept. 20.—Leave Springs at 8 a. m. either horseback or in autos for Abbott's on the Arroyo Seco, arriving at 11:30 as guests of the Soledad and Gonzales Chamber of Commerce. Leave at 1 p. m. for Salinas, tour valley and visit packing plants, creameries, and guayule plantation. Dinner at Hotel Jeffery, Salinas, at 5:30. En train for San Francisco at 7:18 p. m.

*Salinas Daily Index*, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1927:

**SCRIBES ON TOUR GO TO TASSAJARA**

MONTEREY, Sept. 19.—The San Francisco Bay Press excursion, composed of 14 men and sponsored jointly by the Central Coast Counties Regional Advisory Council of the California Development Association and the Chamber of Commerce of Monterey County, after passing Sunday on the Monterey Peninsula, left here this morning for Tassajara Hot Springs.

Tomorrow the excursionists leave Tassajara for Abbott's on the Arroyo Seco, from which place they will be taken on a tour of the valley, arriving in Salinas in the afternoon, where they will be entertained at dinner in the Hotel Jeffery by the Salinas chamber of commerce.

The excursionists are headed by George North, publicity director of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce. In the party are Frank Duprey, publicity director of the California

Development Association; John S. King, assistant general passenger traffic manager of the Southern Pacific; A. F. Howard and Jim Morley of the Southern Pacific; Bob Wilson, of the *San Francisco Bulletin*; Robert Fredericks, *San Francisco News*; Howard Lavelle, *San Francisco Examiner*; E. K. Shuster, *Oakland Tribune*; C. K. Ocheltree, *Berkeley Gazette*; Art Eddy, *San Francisco Call*; Paul Cowles, Associated Press; A. Macumber, *San Francisco Chronicle*; and a representative from the *San Jose Mercury-Herald*.

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*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Jan. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

**MRS. QUILTY ENTERTAINS**

Mrs. Helen Quilty, well known in Watsonville, presided at a charming affair last Tuesday at her home in San Jose, when she assembled a few friends for luncheon and bridge, complimenting her house guests, Mrs. J. J. Van Nostrand and Mrs. Rudolph Herold of San Francisco. Covers were laid for eight, pink carnations, daffodils and fern being the table decoration.

Mrs. Quilty formerly owned the Tassajara Hot Springs in Monterey County, but has disposed of this property and is living in San Jose.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Jan. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS COMPANY INCORPORATES**

SALINAS—The Tassajara Hot Springs Company, of this city, filed corporation papers, showing a capitalization of \$500,000.

Directors are Iver J. Cornett, George S. Gould and George W. Hoffman, all of Salinas.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 15<sup>th</sup> to Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS MONTEREY COUNTY**

Swim, dance, ride, hunt, fish, hike or just rest in a congenial atmosphere. Drink and bathe in wonder working spring water that makes the sick well and the well more fit. Expert masseurs, man and woman. Take 8 a. m. train at 3<sup>rd</sup> Depot for Salinas. Auto stages meet train daily. For reservations write Tassajara Hot Springs Co., Salinas. Folders at Peck-Judah, *The Chronicle*, or Ask Mr. Foster.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

**OPENS WITH THE FISHING SEASON NEXT TUESDAY, MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>**

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

We emphasize the fishing at Tassajara Hot Springs because our opening day corresponds with the opening day of the fishing season. And the network of well stocked and picturesque trout streams make it possible for any first class fisherman to take the limit within a few hours. Steelhead, Loch Leven and Rainbows!

But aside from the marvelous fishing, Tassajara Hot Springs offers you a splendid place to spend the day, week or longer period enjoying the wonderful recuperative properties of the spring waters. Riding, swimming, hik-

ing—are a few of the many ways to build health and vitality at this marvelous resort.

**How To Get There**

Tassajara Hot Springs is in the heart of the Santa Lucia Mountains of Monterey County. You may take our auto stage from Salinas or drive your own car to the Carmel Valley and over to Jamesburg, thence to the grade and drop down to Tassajara over a magnificent route. The road was widened and improved last year.

For Reservations Write

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS COMPANY, Salinas. Folders and information at Hotel San Carlos, Monterey, and at the *Herald* office.

*Salinas Daily Index*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

**NO CAMPING PERMITTED TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

It was erroneously stated in an advertisement published several ago in the *Index* that there were camping facilities for Tassajara Springs visitors. This was incorrect, the management announces, as camping on the Springs properties is prohibited.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

From San Francisco—A. A. Cailleaud and wife, G. A. Rocouillat and wife, J. G. Hooper, Thomas N. Hooper, A. M. Walsh and wife and baby, V. S. Walsh and wife.

From Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda—Maurice J. Bleuel and wife, Mae Heckla, Ellen Nygard.

From other places—H. E. Linder, Salinas; C. W. Bardin, Salinas; M. Henderson, Monterey; H. M. Rodgers, Watsonville; Thelma McBride, Watsonville; Mrs. C. Lorensen, Watsonville; M. Pechinno, Watsonville; Fred W. Kane, Watsonville, C. V. Paul and wife, Watsonville; Mary Hunter, Salinas; Carl Knudson, San Jose; T. J. Lannin, San Jose; C. W. Lannin, San Jose.

From 'Automobiles Wanted,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 26<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1928:

WANTED—A 1920 48 model dual valve, 7 passenger touring Pierce-Arrow; must be in first-class condition. Address manager, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Cal.

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country Side' column, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, June 7.—Following is the list of latest visitors vacationing at Tassajara Hot Springs:

Salinas: Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hughes and John, Gordon and Virginia Hughes, Mrs. William Basham, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Church and daughter Marion, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Wegner, A. V. Rianda Jr., John C. Church, Ralph Myers, Chris Nissen, Jesse Iverson, Richard Bailey, and Lester Shook.

Spreckels: Leo Schlyter.

Monterey and Pacific Grove: Peter Breinig, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Foltz, Mr. and Mrs. C. A.

# Planning Your Vacation

This is the time of year when everyone is planning their vacation. The opening of TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, MAY 1ST, offers you a vacation that is a REAL VACATION. For those who delight in the pleasures of the great out doors can find no more ideal spot than here. Our guests are assured of every comfort and amusement that goes to make TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS one of the most popular resorts in the northern part of the state. We advise you to make your reservations now.

Fishing

Hunting

Camping



Swimming

Riding

Dancing

*The Fisherman's Paradise*

## Tassajara Hot Springs Opens May 1st

This popular resort has been greatly improved since last season.  
Make your reservations now

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McAdory, Mrs. N. E. Newstub, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Ely, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Wilson, Mrs. S. Peterson and children, Frank and Blanche, Edith and Ray Mann, and Urma Koch.  
Del Monte: R. C. Smith.  
Hollister: P. O'Conner.  
San Juan: P. J. Reilly.  
Carmel: Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Lowell.  
Oakland: Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Fraser, Harold Naismith, and Theo. J. A. Vanderloo.  
Watsonville: Mr. and Mrs. Nick Beany, and Katherine Strazich.  
Los Angeles: H. H. Schumacker.  
San Francisco: R. J. Burrows, A. Page Mailliard, V. I. Doyle, Dr. R. E. Kershaw, Louis I. Boggio, Dr. W. C. Meyer, A. E. Annis, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Gibson, Herbert M. Jeffery, F. Schumacker and wife, Mrs. G. Langfan and child, O. Harnett, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Harnett, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Lingle, L.

Bernstein, and Helen Bailey.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 9th, 1928:

### NEW STATE ROAD PROJECT STARTED

A new State highway connection for Monterey and Carmel has recently been started by the Monterey Board of Supervisors, according to advices supplied the National Automobile Club by Howard Cozzens, County Engineer.

This project embodies the improvement of the Tassajara Road, a narrow trail from eight to fifteen feet in width and of heavy grades, which has been extended to twenty-four feet in width with only a few stretches where the grade exceeds 6 per cent, and extends from Carmel to Tassajara.

A six mile stretch to the east from Tassajara, now under construction, will supply a direct connection between Carmel and the Coast

route of the State highway at Greenfield, by way of Arroyo Seco Creek, adding one more to California's scenic system of highways.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, June 10th, 1928:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—R. J. Burrows, A. Page Mailliard, V. I. Doyle, Dr. J. W. Forrest and wife, Fred J. Mason, Dr. R. E. Kershaw, Louis I. Boggio, Dr. W. C. Meyer, A. E. Annis, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Gibson, Herbert M. Jeffery, F. Schumacher and wife, Mrs. G. Langfan and child, O. Harnett, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Harnett, E. E. Lingle and wife, L. Bernstein, Helen Bailey.

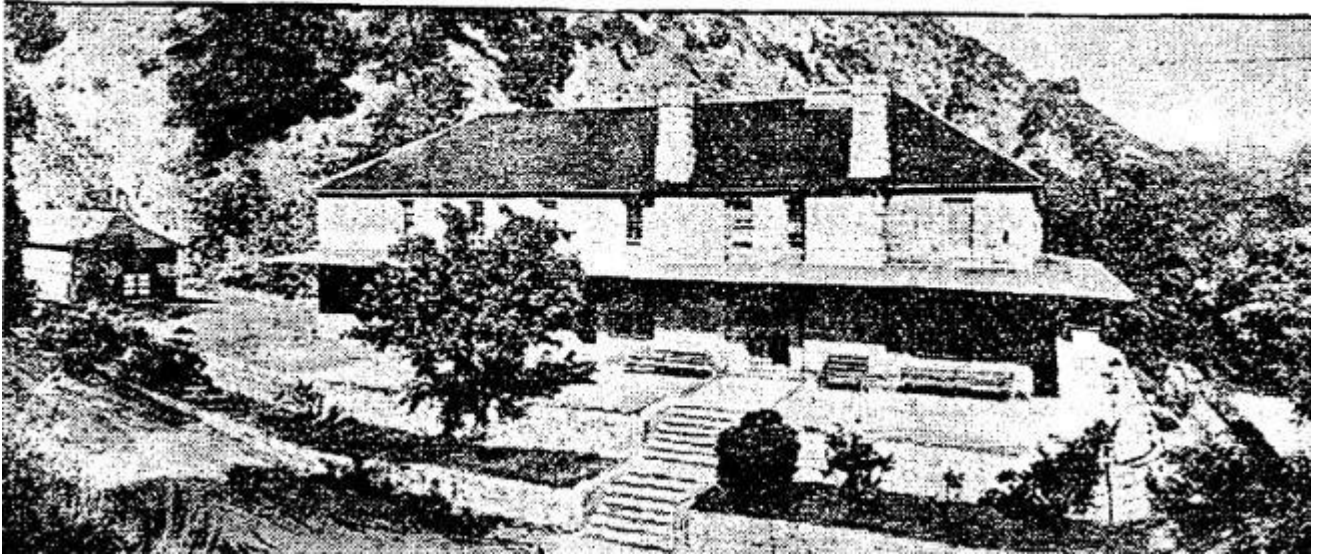
From other places—Peter Breinig, Monterey; R. C. Austin, Salinas; Dr. and Mrs. J. M. Fraser, Oakland; Harold Naismith, Oakland;

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*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

# TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

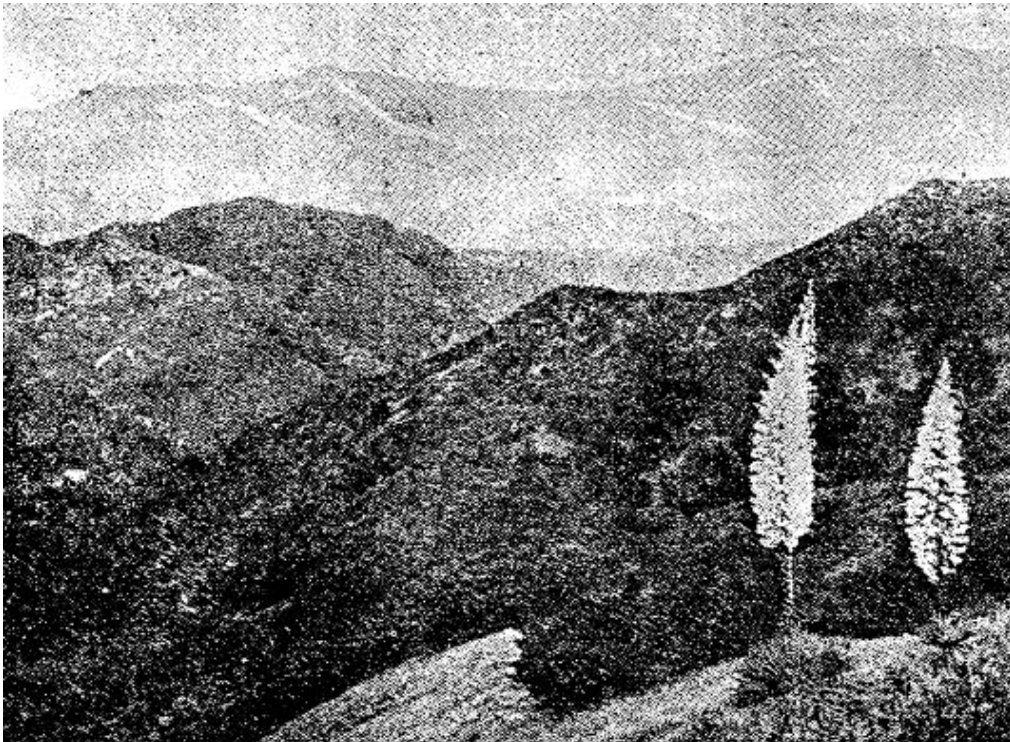
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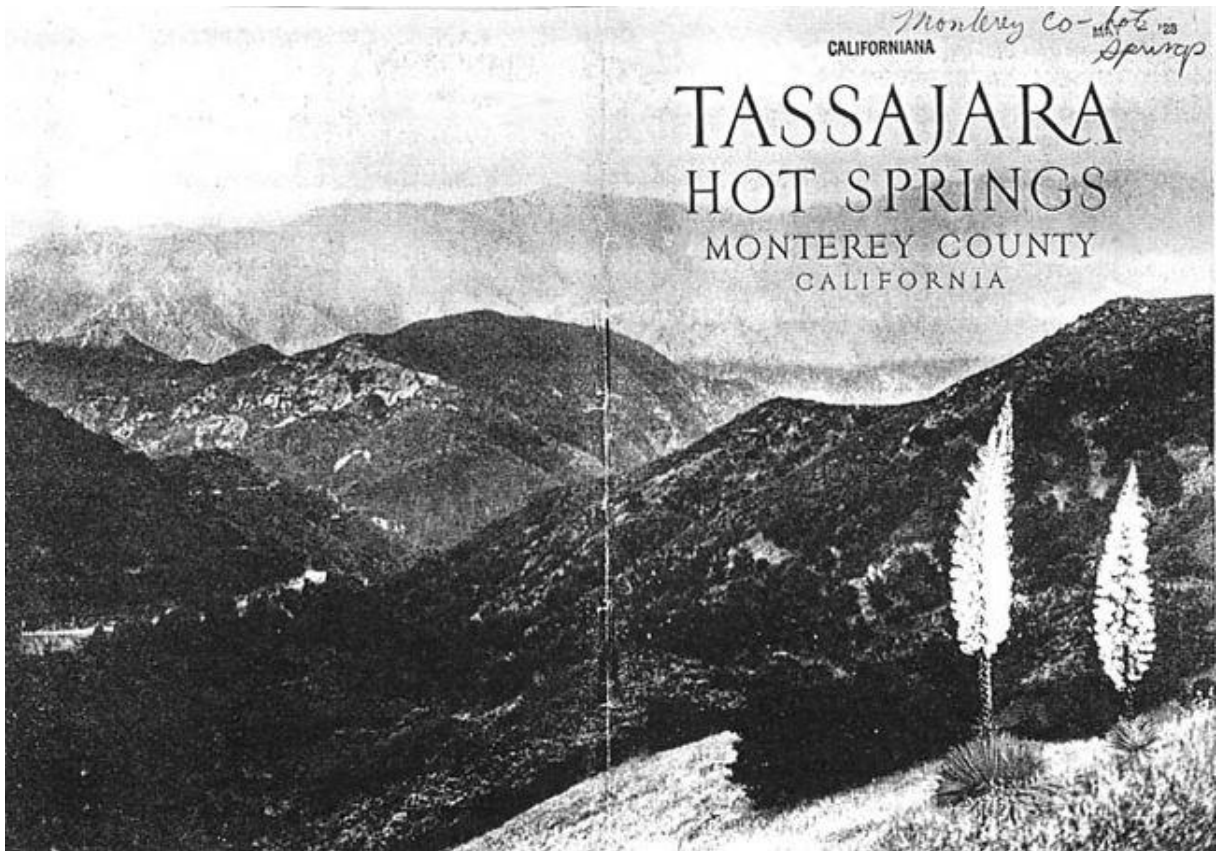
Swim, dance, ride, hunt, fish, hike or just rest in a congenial atmosphere. Drink and bathe in wonder-working spring water that makes the sick well and the well more fit. Expert masseurs, man and woman. Take 8 a. m. train at 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Depot for Salinas. Auto stages meet train daily. For reservations write Tassajara Hot Springs Co., Salinas. Folder at Peck-Judah, the *Chronicle*, or Ask Mr. Foster.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

## Rugged Country in Monterey County



Mountain scene near Tassajara Hot Springs, showing the yucca plant, which blooms every eight years



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COMFORABLE COTTAGES AWAIT YOU AT TASSAJARA



TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS SANDSTONE HOTEL

**ENJOYMENT PLUS HEALTH**

For more than a quarter of a century Tassajara Hot Springs has been one of the best loved resorts in California. Hidden away 1500 feet above sea level in a beautiful hollow of the Santa Lucia Mountains, it attracts many visitors every year.

These visitors hunt, fish, ride, swim, hike or just rest in a congenial atmosphere where there is much to please and nothing to annoy.

And this is not all. They drink and bathe in a wonder-working spring water which makes the sick well and the well more fit.

If you could meet one of these visitors we believe you, too, would be enthusiastic about Tassajara. As the next best thing we present this little booklet. The facts in it will help you to know Tassajara and, we hope, make you want to visit it.

**WHAT AND WHERE IT IS**

Tassajara Hot Springs is a good place to spend a day, a week-end or a month. It is easy to get to, but wild and unspoiled. You may come for rest, for recreation, for health, or for all three together. You may come alone and be sure of meeting friendly people. You may bring your family and be sure that all members of it will enjoy themselves just as you do.

*Location.* Tassajara Hot Springs is located in Monterey County 47 miles south of Salinas. Surrounding it are the picturesque Santa Lucia Mountains with their rich growths of maple, sycamore, oak, pine and madrone trees. The country is famed for its scenery. The roads are good. You may travel with equal comfort in your own automobile, or via train to Salinas, then via stage to Tassajara.

*Accommodations.* The hotel has 40 guest rooms besides various parlors and a writing room. There is an annex and 28 cottages of from one to four rooms. These, together, furnish ample accommodations for 200 guests. The hotel is of sandstone construction and is solid and homelike. The cottages are clean and comfortable. Electric lights are in every room and throughout the grounds.

*The Food* at Tassajara is something to look forward to. All meats are grown and killed on the premises. An abundance of fresh milk and vegetables are served. How good it is, and how the outdoor air and the spring water do whet our appetites!

*Climate.* Tassajara is only eight miles, on an airline, from the Pacific. The towering mountains and forests cut off cold winds. There is never a suggestion of fog. Still, the nearness of the ocean tempers the air. The weather is one unbroken procession of balmy days. You may literally live out-of-doors.

**HEALTH IN TASSAJARA WATERS**

The waters contain, in solution, sulphur, iron, soda, magnesia and other minerals. In this respect the waters resemble those of the famed Hot Springs of Arkansas as well as some of the most noted European spas.

Tassajara waters issue from the ground at approximately 160° F. In many forms of chronic diseases especially, their effects are little short of miraculous. The copious perspiration which the hot baths produce is a channel, in itself, which carries off waste matter injurious to the health.

The waters are effective in the treatment of rheumatism, gout, dropsy, malaria, paralysis, liver and stomach disorders. The ladies will be interested in learning that, aside from their medicinal qualities, the waters are also cosmetic in their action on the skin, making it soft, clear and velvety and not susceptible to sunburn.

A taste for the waters is easy to cultivate. After a day or so you find yourself liking to drink them. This, together with the outdoor air and regular habits that life at Tassajara induces, makes even a short stay a revelation and a treat. You never realize how well you can feel until you have enjoyed yourself at Tassajara.

**THE BATHS**

At Tassajara are two modern, commodious, sanitary bath houses. They are equipped with porcelain or sunken tile tubs, hot mineral water baths and cold showers. There is also a natural hot vapor bath with great medicinal and curative values.

Two large concrete plunges—one for men, the other for women—are filled daily with the waters of the hot mineral springs. Mountain creek water supplies the showers for both.

An experienced masseur and masseuse are always in attendance at the baths.



GAMY TROUT FISHING IS ONLY ONE OF THE MANY SPORTS ENJOYED AT TASSAJARA



THE TASSAJARA BATH HOUSE—NATURAL VAPOR BATHS

**ANALYSIS OF TASSAJARA HOT SPRING WATERS**

This remarkable analysis explains in part, the medicinal and curative powers of the waters.

10 5/6 grains mineral constituent to the gallon, as follows:

Sulphate of Soda. . . . .	15.04%
Sulphate of Magnesia. . . . .	13.17%
Sulphate of Lithia. . . . .	3.10%
Silica. . . . .	8.50%
Carbonic Acid. . . . .	22.46%
Potash. . . . .	1.45%
Sulphuric Acid. . . . .	2.41%
Hydrogen and Sulphur. . . . .	21.00%
Alumina. . . . .	3.87%
Iron Sesquioxide Iodide. . . . .	7.08%
Arsenious Acid. . . . .	1.08%
Bromide. . . . .	.09%
Total. . . . .	100.00%





EVERYONE RIDES AT TASSAJARA

**ENJOY LIFE AT TASSAJARA**

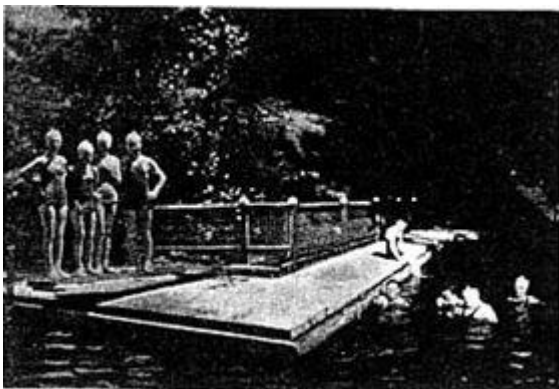
Tassajara is a famous gathering place for the hunter and fisherman. Many visitors come to rest and relax. Here are just a few of the many other pleasures that await you.

*Riding.* Round about Tassajara are many miles of beckoning saddle trails. For the use of those who wish to enjoy these, the management keeps a stable of fine riding horses. They may be hired, at reasonable rates, by the hour, day, or longer. The experienced rider will be delighted with these animals. The inexperienced will find they can ride them with ease. On them one may explore the country and see in comfort its many points of interest.



DEER ARE PLENTIFUL AT TASSAJARA

*Hunting.* Close by Tassajara Hot Springs is the Santa Barbara National Forest of 360,000 acres. This is estimated to be the most densely populated with deer of any government reserve (no deer hunting is allowed on the reserve). It automatically stocks the surrounding country. During the deer season from August 1 to September 15, Tassajara is headquarters for many experienced hunters. They come to the Springs because they are surest of bagging their bucks under the most sporting conditions. The same applies to quail and mountain lion. Last year 36 mountain lions were shot on the reserve by one man.



TASSAJARA SWIMMING POOL

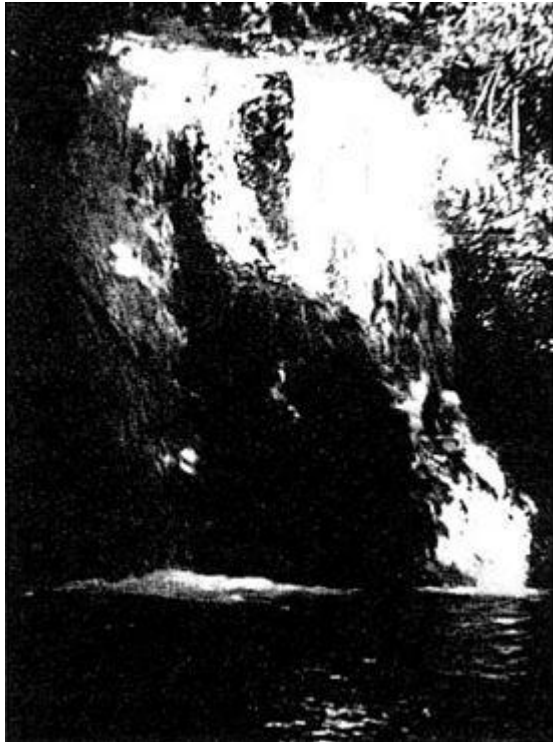
*Swimming.* The balmy weather at Tassajara is a constant invitation to enjoy a good swim. You can do just this in the Tassajara pool. It is sixty feet in length and varies in depth from three to eight feet. It is fed unceasingly by the crystal clear mountain waters of Tassajara Creek blended to an agreeable temperature with those from the hot springs. There are ample dressing rooms and shower baths for both sexes. Bathing suits may be rented at the office.

*Hiking.* Tassajara is the hiker's paradise. The rugged Santa Lucia Mountains resemble the high Sierras scaled down to just the right size for tramping over. When you come be sure to bring your heavy footwear and the khakis.



A MORNINGS' CATCH OF RAINBOWS

*Fishing.* In the country immediately surrounding Tassajara Hot Springs are upward of 400 miles of trout-bearing streams. This network of well-stocked and picturesque trout streams abounds in Steelhead, Loch Leven and Rainbows. The creeks are stocked annually from the state hatcheries. The nature of the country and streams is ideal for the fish thus planted. They grow and multiply. These features act as a magnet in drawing fishermen to Tassajara during the season from May 1 to October 31. Any first-class fisherman can take the limit in a few hours' time.



TASSAJARA FALLS, TASSAJARA CREEK

**HELPFUL INFORMATION**

*Season.* Open from May 1<sup>st</sup> to October 1<sup>st</sup>.  
*Clothing.* Guests usually dress for comfort. Light summer – weight fabrics are suggested. A sweater or wrap is sometimes necessary in the evening.  
*Mail, Etc.* Post office, telephone, express and telegraph services maintained.  
*Camping Privileges.* No camping or house-keeping privileges are extended.  
*Abbott's Lodge,* twelve miles from Tassajara, via mountain trails on the headwaters of the Arroyo Seco River, is operated by the Company in conjunction with Tassajara Hot Springs

**HOW TO GET THERE**

Via the Coast route Tassajara Hot Springs is 158 miles from San Francisco and 393 miles from Los Angeles. Via train, travelers should take Southern Pacific to Salinas. Daily stage meets train leaving San Francisco at 8 a. m. Fare, each way, \$5.00; fifty pounds baggage free to guests. During May and after September 1<sup>st</sup> there will be no stage on Sundays. Ask your local railroad agent for summer round-trip tickets, stage included, to Tassajara Hot Springs.

**RATES (meals included)**

Per day, \$5.00. Per week, \$30.00 and up. Two persons in room, \$1.00 less per person. Twin beds, \$1.00 per week extra. Cots in room, \$1.00 per week extra. Children ten years and over charged full rate; under ten years according to age and service required. Family and monthly rates on application. Rates include baths to guests remaining one week or longer.

For further information, address Tassajara Hot Springs Company, Salinas, California.



THE COUNTRY AROUND TASSAJARA IS FAMED FOR ITS NATURAL CHARM



H. H. Schumacher, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Faltz, Monterey; C. A. McAdory and wife, Monterey; Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Lowell, Carmel; Leo Schlyzer, Spreckels; Theo. J. A. Vanderloo, Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hughes and John, Gordon and Virginia, Salinas; Mrs. Mrs. William Basham, Salinas; Sr. and Mrs. Bruce Church and Marion, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. Nick Beany, Watsonville; Kathryn Strazich, Watsonville; Chris Nissen, Salinas; Jesse Iverson, Salinas; John C. Church, Salinas; Ralph Myers, Salinas; C. S. Ely and wife, Pacific Grove; E. A. Wilson and wife, Pacific Grove; Mrs. S. Peterson and children, Frank and Blanche, Pacific Grove; Edith and Ray Mann, Pacific Grove; Urma Koch, Pacific Grove; P. O'Conner, Hollister; P. J. Reilly, San Juan, A. V. Rianda Jr., Salinas; Richard Bailey, Salinas; Mrs. N. E. Sewstubb, Monterey; Mr. and Mrs. A. O. Wagner, Salinas; Lester Shook, Salinas; R. C. Smith, Del Monte; Miss W. Allen, Piedmont.

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country Side' columns, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, June 13—Among recent visitors at Tassajara Springs were listed the following:

Salinas: Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Cozzens, Paul Cozzens, Mr. and Mrs. I. B. Cornett, R. L. Day, N. A. Holaday, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myers, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Moore, S. E. Bommer, C. P. Joy, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. E. Brown and daughter, Theil Tom Watson, Ray Tadey, Mrs. Daisy Shook, and Miss Bernice Nuttall.

Gonzales: H. Lorentzen, Dan Mills, and Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Reinhold.

Soledad: J. L. Davice.

King City: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamilton.

Monterey: J. E. Freeman, Miss Jessie Turner, Mrs. Grant Towle, A. M. Bantovich, and Jas. L. Goodrich.

Carmel: Frances Glenell, and Capt. And Mrs. Chrichton child.

Del Monte: James C. Dowd.

Watsonville: Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Hudson and children, and Hazel Cowley.

San Jose: C. A. Barker, Al Barker, Geo. H. Osen, and Mrs. Helen G. Quilty.

Oakland: Catherine Law, Edna Wilson, Mary L. Law, and Mrs. Joseph Law.

Berkeley: J. Regan Miller.

San Mateo: Neil P. Peterson.

Hollywood: D. J. Jennings and wife.

Pittsburg, Pa.: E. T. Clymonts.

Los Gatos: Frank Pinhieu and mother.

Los Banos: Mrs. J. M. Arbureg.

San Francisco: Mrs. P. Pierce, Mrs. J. E. Millett, Wm. G. L. Loewe, Henry Knust, Jas. H. Res, G. M. Carroll and wife, Mrs. Louise Lehman, Tom Van Winkle, and M. J. Bloch.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco— Mrs. P. Pierce, Mrs. J. E. Millett, Wm. G. L. Loewe, Henry Knust, Jas. H. Res, Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Carroll, Mrs. Louisa Lehman, Tom Van Winkle, and M. J. Bloch.

From other places—H. Lorentzen, Gonzales; J. E. Freeman, Monterey; Frank Pinhieu and mother, Los Gatos; James C. Dowd, Del Monte; Frances Glenell, Carmel; Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Cozzens, Salinas; Paul Cozzens, Salinas; Dan Mills, Gonzales; C. A. Barker, George H. Osen, San Jose; I. B. Cornett and wife, Salinas; Mrs. J. M. Arnburg, Los Banos; R. I. Day, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Hudson and children, Hazel Cowles, Watsonville; Captain and Mrs. Crichton and child, Carmel; J. L. Davies, Soledad; N. A. Holiday, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Myers, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Moore, Salinas; Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, San Jose; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamilton, King City; Miss Jessie Turner, Joseph L. Goodrich, A. M. Bantovich, Mrs. Grant Towle, Monterey; E. M. Bommer, C. P. Joy, Tom Watson, Ray Talley, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. D. Jennings, Hollywood; E. T. Clymonts, Pittsburg, Pa.; Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Brown and Theil, Salinas; Catherine Law, Edna Wilson, Mrs. Joseph Law, Miss Mary Law, Oakland; J. Regan Miller, Berkeley; Bernice Nuttall, Mrs. Daisy Shook, Salinas; Neil P. Peterson, San Mateo; Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Reinhold, Gonzales.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Hidden away in a hollow of the Santa Lucia Mountains, Tassajara Hot Springs attracts many visitors every year. Its medicinal waters have been found highly beneficial and there are offered the diversions of riding over the many miles of beckoning saddle trails, hiking, fishing in the well stocked mountain streams, and, in season, hunting.

Tassajara Hot Springs are in Monterey County, forty-seven miles south of Salinas and eight miles, on an airline, from the Pacific. The forests and mountains cut off cold sea winds; there is never fog and the weather is continually balmy. The roads are good and the country is noted for its many points of scenic interest.

Hotel and cottages furnish modern accommodations for 200 guests.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 24<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

### SALINAS TO TASSAJARA ROUTE IS DESCRIBED

Conditions on the forty-nine mile trip from Salinas to Tassajara Hot Springs were reported by the California State Automobile Association yesterday as follows:

First ten miles paved; at the end of the pavement a left hand turn is made, following Laureles Grade to the Carmel Valley. This grade is in excellent condition. A left-hand turn is made on the Carmel Valley Road to Jamesburg. From Jamesburg the road is in good condition to the summit, a distance of five miles. From the summit a one-way road is followed to Tassajara Hot Springs.

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country Side' columns, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, June 23.—The following have been listed as recent arrivals at Tassajara Hot Springs:

Salinas: H. G. Bell, R. D. Logan, W. W. McIntyre, Miss Josephine Decarli, Mrs. John Grau, Judge Fred A. Treat, S. H. Speegle, Fred. H. Moore, T. P. Joy, John B. Lauritzen, C. W. Flick and family, C. Wellendor, C. W. Ayer and wife, Mrs. Jessie Hughes and James, R. C. Armond and wife, Franklyn Hagedest, Reid DeArmond, Hans Schmidt, Robert G. Ford, Mr. and Mrs. M. Petersen, Miss Olga Petersen, Miss Julia Godfredsen, Dr. R. H. Storm, and H. H. Hutton.

San Francisco: Sylvania Webster, Kathleen Webster, Ralph W. Ames, Miss M. Anderson, Mrs. L. C. Tichenor, C. D. Carmen, Miss Peggy Ferris, Roland Brigge, Miss Bess Chandler, Jack Hodges, Floyd R. Allen, Mrs. W. A. Hill, Miss M. Gramozzi, Mrs. Neil Kline, Lieut. E. I. Munson, Lieut. W. H. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Norton and Miss Edna, Mr. and Mrs. A. Goldstine, Sam Goldstine, Mrs. E. H. Becker, Mr. and Mrs. E. Birk and child, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Raymond and son, Mrs. A. M. Christenet, Mrs. Teresa Ames and Mrs. A. N. Meyer, Mrs. J. Hansen, Mrs. G. Meyer, James L. Attridge, Helen Gilmore.

Carmel: Dr. and Mrs. Ray Brownell, and Mr. and Mrs. E. Rubenstein.

Pebble Beach: Mrs. H. Gile.

San Jose: P. A. Maloney, Henry A. Pfister, Chas. M. O'Brien, and A. Barker.

Burlingame: Mrs. A. McCloud.

Los Altos: Mrs. R. Colburn, and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Segur.

Santa Rosa: Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hall and son.

Oakland: Frank Otano, and Evelyn Joyce.

Monterey: T. Roami, and I. Oleri.

Greenfield: Ray Lund, and Edward Barlogio.

Soledad: Mr. and Mrs. Jay Lynn, and Mr. and Mrs. A. Johnson and son.

Princeton: Alton Keeran.

Los Angeles: Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Rustard and Chris Burkert.

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country Side' columns, *Salinas Daily Index*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, June 28.—Vacation time is drawing large numbers of visitors to Tassajara Hot Springs, and the following have been listed as recent arrivals:

Salinas: Mrs. Rollin Reeves, Miss Marilyn and Master Billy, Miss Alice Lorensen, Wm. V. Church, Rev. C. Gerald Gay, Miss Josephine Decarli, Mrs. Geo. B. Lemon and sons, Gerald and Dick, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. Warren M. Hawley, Chas. B. Taylor, Leo Boling, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stirling, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Storm, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hardin, and Ann Talley.

Watsonville: John P. Secondo, I. W. Werner, Peter Vlasich, M. Jozovich, and Peter V. Stolich.

Carmel: W. O. Fralli, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Bigland, Miss Spayd, Miss H. Farley, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Macleish and son.

Del Monte: Alyse Mack, and John McFarland.

Monterey: Mr. and Mrs. A. Oliver and son, and J. Cohen.

Gonzales: Tony Mainz, and Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Mills and daughter.

San Jose: Mrs. J. W. Frye, F. L. Sweet, and E. H. Hughes.

Oakland: Mrs. J. W. Friedman.

Berkeley: John Shinkle, and Marie Evans.

Alameda: Lou Schroeder, Sr., and Lou Schroeder, Jr.

Palo Alto: Mr. and Mrs. A. Grumpel.

Visalia: P. E. J. Kehimoos.

San Mateo: J. Chanteloup and son.

San Francisco: Miss Hermina Mueller, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Walsh, M. O. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Emerick and son, Lieut. and Mrs. L. L. Kuhn, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Nounnan and son, E. G. Roulee, Mrs. C. W. Gordon, R. M. Jordan, G. I. Jordan, M. Z. Irwin, M. Duggan, Thos. V. Maher, J. H. Maher.

*Salinas Daily Index*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS, JULY 4<sup>TH</sup>

Join the crowd—weather and water never finer. Good eats and good music. Ring the Springs or Salinas 1000 for stage and hotel accommodations.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1928:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco: Thomas V. Maher, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Walsh, M. O. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Emerick and son, Lieut. and Mrs. L. L. Kuhn, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Nounnan and son, Mrs. C. W. Gordon, R. M. Jordan, G. I. Jordan, M. Z. Irwin, M. Duggan, J. H. Maher, Miss Hermina Mueller.

From other places: Mrs. Rollin Reeves, Miss Marilyn and Master Billy, Miss Alice Lorensen, Wm. V. Church, Rev. C. Gerald Gay, Miss Josephine Decarli, Mrs. Geo. B. Lemon and sons, Gerald and Dick, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Woodruff, Mr. and Mrs. Warren M. Hawley, Chas. B. Taylor, Leo Boling, Mr. and Mrs. Lester Stirling, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Storm, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hardin, and Ann Talley, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. W. Beasley, Jane Beasley, and Phyllis Starbird, King City; John P. Secondo, I. W. Werner, Peter Vlasich, M. Jozovich, and Peter V. Stolich, Watsonville; W. O. Fralli, Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Bigland, Miss Spayd, Miss H. Farley, and Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Macleish and son, Carmel; Alyse Mack, and John McFarland, Del Monte; Mr. and Mrs. A. Oliver and son, and J. Cohen, Monterey; Tony Mainz, and Mr. and Mrs. D. O. Mills and daughter, Gonzales; Mrs. J. W. Frye, F. L. Sweet, and E. H. Hughes, San Jose; Mrs. J. W. Friedman, Oakland; John Shinkle, and Marie Evans, Berkeley; Lou Schroeder, Sr., and Lou Schroeder, Jr., Alameda. Mr. and Mrs. A. Grumpel, Palo Alto; P. E. J. Kehimoos, Visalia.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—W. H. Cameron, R. E. Roberts, Nellie Hart, G. B. Johnson, Bruno Lenck, M. Kristovich, M. Petrovich, L. Cavaguaro, Mr. and Mrs. C. Saunders, Mrs. Margaret Irwin, G. Galivan, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Payne, M. G. Bacour, Miss Lois Williams, Miss Dorothy Williams, James J. Parker.

From other places—Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hughes, Salinas; Miss Margaret Hughes, James Hughes, Cleon A. Tynan, John Grau, Mr. and Mrs. F. S. Myers, Miss Bernice Donahue, Miss Dorothy Donahue, Miss Bessie Dolan, Miss Winifred Alderson, Tom Storm, Salinas; F. P. Marinovich, T. J. Hergan, William J. Paul, P. S. Baker, Ed Strum, Charles Sambrailo, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Resetar and children, Watsonville; Wade Sargent, Robert McKeever, Irma Littlefield, Mrs. R. C. Sargent, L. V. Hartman, Addie C. La Vallee and son, Monterey; Fred Leidig, Dr. J. E. Beck, Mrs. J. Crichton and son, Frederick Bigland, Carmel; Arnold Mills, Fred Mills, B. Breschini, Gonzales; E. A. McDonald, Gilroy Hot Springs; J. D. Kitty, Eagle Rock; Robert D. Parsons, Chew's Ridge; Miss Hazel Laird, Gilroy; John Steffens, Hollister; C. R. Squires, Oakland; A. H. Gordon, Pacific Grove; Paul D. Harlan, Slates Springs; Freda C. Nunz, Burlingame; R. L. Colburn and wife, Los Angeles.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

From San Francisco—H. J. Pfeiffer, S. Harris, F. R. Bergstresser and wife, J. J. Irwin, Henry Fink, D. E. Mooney, Harry A. Doyle, Mrs. J. McDonald, J. H. C. McDonald, Ruth M. Conway, Ella R. Connolly, H. R. Kaye, John F. Conway, Jr.

From Salinas—Harry Moller, Margaret Moller, M. Smock, E. O. La Porte, E. A. Rinda and wife, E. Spiegel, wife and child, E. E. Harden and wife, L. Stirling and wife, X. H. Spiegel, W. R. Johnson, B. H. Leidig, J. W. Brazil, Ralph Myers, Slip Bennett, Jean Kellogg, Eleanor Tynan, Charles Ranson, Eddie Storm, Jack Wilmoth Jr., A. Machado, Henry Kirkmeyer, Pete Malone, K. C. Bertelsman, John C. Church, Lewis Nielsen Jr., Meryn Hiserman, Peter R. Heer, William Jeffery, Mrs. J. R. Vierra, Mrs. James Black, Miss Bernice Donahue, Glenn Day, Helen Dougherty, Marian Dougherty, Karl Lauridsen, Chris Machado Jr., William Tholcke, Herbert Swenson.

From other places—John Gadge, J. A. Wyckoff, Bob de Leon, Ruth Scofield, Kate Lorensen, O. O. Capetanichi, L. Arbanos, D. J. Daly, all of Watsonville; Mr. and Mrs. L. Loretzen, Dan Mills, A. E. Reinhold, Gonzales; W. W. Hurt and wife, A. D. Martin, W. L. Anderson and family, Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Buck, Santa Cruz; L. C. Trousdel, San Jose; Mrs. J. E. Warren, Mrs. T. E. Warren, Fresno; Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Hazard, Monterey; George Dudley, Frances Dudley, San Ardo; W. H. Paulsen, Billy Paulsen Jr., Sprekels.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

## FIRE RAGES IN SANTA LUCIA HILLS

### SHERIFF DRAFTING BATTLERS

Small Party Sent In Toward Nearer Hills, While More Than 50 Are Being Sent From King City

Deputies from the sheriff's office this afternoon were conscripting men to send to the country back of Jamesburg, where a forest fire, of serious proportions, is reported to have been burning since sometime Sunday afternoon.

Early in the afternoon, six men were sent direct to Jamesburg from Salinas to report to the forest ranger in charge, while another party of 50 or more men was being formed, to be sent to King City, to report to the ranger there.

#### No Details Available

No details of the fire could be learned this afternoon, other than the flames were spreading over a wide front. The plea for fire fighters came to the sheriff's office this morning from the forest supervisor in King City.

It was understood that all available men in King City and vicinity were taken to the scene of the fire in trucks and automobiles early this morning.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1928 (headline):

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS BLOCKED BY FIRE

### 30 TO 40 HUNTERS IN LIKE CASE

Urgent Calls For More Men Come To Sheriff Abbott From Ranger's Offices In Zone Of Activity

Between 25 and 30 hunters and more than two-score guests at Tassajara Springs hotel were reported shut-in by the forest fire that is raging unchecked along a 10-mile front in the Jamesburg country, in the coast region, about 40 miles southwest of Salinas. Several ranches, including the Bruce, Jamesburg and Lambert places were also reported to be in the path of the flames.

This information was received from Ranger Parsons, lookout at Chew's Ridge Ranger Station, in the immediate vicinity of the fire. According to Parsons, the fire was closing in toward the ranger station and he was expecting momentarily to receive instructions to leave his post.

#### Resort Not In Danger

While the hunters and guests at Tassajara Hot Springs are in no immediate danger, Parsons declared that none would be able to get out on this side.

Shortly after one o'clock today, the sheriff's office received a call from Bill Lambert, on the old Chew ranch at the Jamesburg postoffice, saying that unless aid could be rushed there at once, his house and ranch buildings would be wiped out by the flames that were closing in on two sides.

#### More Men Sent to Fire

A call for 30 additional men, to aid the more than 100 fire fighters already on the scene, was received from the forestry service by Sheriff Carl Abbott about noon. Two hours later, 19

men, all that could be rounded up in Salinas and immediate vicinity, were on their way to the scene of the fire in trucks.

According to Parsons the fire had already burned over an area eight miles in length and between six and ten miles in width. Sometime this morning, when it was said that prospects were good for bringing the fire under control, the flames split and are now burning in two directions. One fire was reported to have crossed the road below Skinner's ranch and is burning southward unchecked.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1928 (headline):

## CARELESS CAMPERS BLAMED FOR FIRE

MORE MEN NEEDED ON BLAZE LINE

Tassajara Springs Freed Of Danger; Blaze Goes Over Ridge In Direction Of The Monterey Coast

Carelessness of campers is held by forest rangers as responsible for the great forest fire that has been raging for three days in the Santa Lucia range in the vicinity of the mountain town of Jamesburg, 60 miles from here, destroying timber and brush, threatening the homes of ranchers and doing inestimable damage to the watershed of the Carmel and adjacent valleys.

A telephone message late this afternoon from Forest Ranger Parsons, in charge of the lookout station on Chew's Ridge, stated that the fire is defying the efforts of a force of 175 men to control it and that it is still raging fiercely, with little prospect that it can be controlled until it burns itself out.

Resort Out Of Danger

Tassajara Springs is now out of danger, Parsons says, the fire having divided. One of the blazes is sweeping through Anastasia Canyon, the other through Boronda Canyon, both headed westward toward the coast. Miller Canyon, a favorite resort for summer campers, has been burned over, the report says.

The Bruce and Lambert ranches near Jamesburg, according to Parsons, have been saved, but the upper Lambert ranch is in the danger zone. Many more men, Parsons says, are needed to help fight the fires. County School Superintendent James G. Force was in telephonic communication this morning at 9 o'clock with Mrs. L. S. Cahoon, on the Cahoon ranch, at the head of Pine[y] Creek. A force of about 100 men at that time were working hard to prevent the blaze getting into a large timber growth on the west. Mrs. Cahoon said that if the blaze reached the timber the ranch was doomed.

Bruce Ranch, Too

Parsons' report that the Bruce ranch had been saved indicates that the men's efforts were successful.

Large numbers of deer hunters who went out before the opening of the season in order to get early starts, are reported marooned in the mountains, but they are not believed in any danger.

However, they may be compelled to remain in the mountains until travel conditions improve. At present smoke from the fires is obscuring the mountain roads and trails and

traveling is unsafe.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1928 (headline):

## MILLER CANYON FIRE UNDER CONTROL

BLAZE ON RIDGE NOW  
OCCUPYING ATTENTION

Inspector Fowler Ordered Here To Take  
Charge Of The Entire Situation

At 3:00 o'clock this afternoon a report received from Chew's Ridge Ranger Station, in the Jamesburg district, said that the forest fire that has been raging in that region since 5:00 Sunday afternoon was practically under control.

One point of the fire, which divided sometime yesterday, was headed off in Miller Canyon, one of Monterey County's most beautiful picnic and camping spots. The other point of the flames, which early this morning had burned into the Santa Barbara National Forest, was reported to have abated, and prospects of bringing the fire under complete control tonight on the east ridge of Anastasia Canyon are good.

16,000 Acres Burned Over

It is estimated that the fire, which got its start on the old Hallock place, had burned over more than 16,000 acres of timber and brush land.

No Casualties

The report said that as far as could be learned at the scene of the fire there has been no casualties, and with the exception of a few abandoned shacks and cabins, no property loss has been reported.

Inspector To Take Charge

SACRAMENTO, CAL., Aug. 2 (UP)—State Forestry Inspector O. E. Fowler was today ordered to Monterey County to take charge of the fire near Jamesburg which is still out of control, M. B. Pratt, state forester, announced.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1928 (headline):

## FIRE BREAKS OUT WITH RENEWED FURY

TASSAJARA IN PATH OF THE FLAMES

Blaze Coming Over Chew's Ridge, In  
Direction Of China Camp, And  
Nears Homes Of Arroyo Seco

Breaking out of control again last night, the forest and brush fire that raged for four days in the Jamesburg region, about 40 miles southwest of Salinas, today was burning with renewed fury in Calaboose and Piney canyons, and heading directly for Tassajara Springs hotel, according to word from Ranger Parsons, lookout at Chew's Ridge Ranger Station, at 3:00 o'clock this afternoon.

Parsons declared that the situation is more serious than it has been at any time since the fire started last Sunday afternoon about 4:00 o'clock.

The ranger said that within an hour and not to exceed two hours the flames would reach Chew's Ridge. He declared, however, that he would not leave his post until forced to do so to save his life.

The main rim of the fire, Parsons said, is burning toward China Camp, above the Bruce ranch, shutting off all trails and the road through that section. Parsons said that unless the fire is brought under control, the flames will roach Tassajara Springs within two days.

100 Men Needed

At 2 o'clock this morning a report to the sheriff's office from the forestry officials said that 100 more men were needed at once. Men were being sent to the fire line today from King City and all points south of here. About 40 men were recruited in Salinas, and left for the fire line during the day.

While the exact boundaries of the fire could not be determined, it was said that the main body of the flames was burning in the national forest.

Little prospect for bringing the fire under control within the next 24 hours are held by forestry officials, Parsons said. He added, however, that unless aid came to check the flames within the next 60 hours that they would most certainly reach Tassajara Springs.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS FREED OF FIRE'S PERIL

UPPER END OF MILLER CANYON OUT  
OF DANGER

BIG BLAZE IN ARROYO SECO SECTION IS STILL  
RAGING, STATE BEST ADVICES

No More Calls For Men Come To Sheriff;  
More Than 250 Employed

Latest reports from the Jamesburg region, where a forest and brush fire has been raging for several days, indicate that the situation is considerably improved, according to George S. Gould, who was in communication with Tassajara Springs hotel this afternoon.

According to Gould, one section of the fire that has been burning at the head of Miller canyon, near China Camp, this afternoon appeared to be burning itself out. The fire burning at the other end of the canyon, toward the Cachagua, while not visible from Tassajara, was thought not to be serious.

The other section of the fire, which is sweeping toward the Arroyo Seco, is still burning out of control and little hope is held for controlling it for at least 24 hours.

Backfiring Begun

This morning a force of firefighters, under supervision of state forestry officials, started backfiring east of Tassajara Road, eliminating practically all danger that the flames will again jump the road to the west. The report that Gould received said that Tassajara Road was entirely passable to the Springs from this side.

United Press dispatches to *The Index-Journal* from the office of State Forester M. B. Pratt, in Sacramento, contained virtually the same information as that received by Gould. The press dispatches said the fire had already destroyed about 9000 acres of brush and some timber. This estimate, however, is believed to be low.

No calls were received at the sheriff's office today for more men. However, none of the more than 300 men, some of whom have been

fighting fire since last Sunday and Monday have been released. Unless the situation becomes suddenly changed, it is thought that some of the force of volunteers will be leaving the fire zone by tomorrow night.

All efforts are now being concentrated in the Arroyo Seco section, to bring that fire under control.

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country Side' columns,  
*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Aug. 3.—The following have been listed as the latest arrivals at Tassajara Hot Springs this week:

From Salinas: Miss. Marie Breum, Miss Marie Godtfredsen, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Porter, Paul Porter, Peggy Porter, W. H. Hutton and family, Josephine Decarli, Cyril Bomer, P. J. Linde, Mrs. Hutton and daughter, Mrs. Ney Otis, H. C. Murphy, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Bedolli, Fred H. Post, H. E. Linder and wife, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. McCann, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. McCann.

From San Francisco: Mrs. Geo. S. Tulloch, Gordon Card, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Lorigan, Mrs. F. J. Monahan, Will Dale Auerbach, R. W. Harris, Joe Van, L. J. Blum, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Abrams.

San Jose: Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Donn, Fred Jansen, C. J. Jansen, and Dr. T. W. Healy.

Sacramento: Miss Ruth Skeels and W. Lindsay.

Boston, Mass., Mrs. Stella Buzzell.

Vancouver, B. C.: Mrs. Edith McCubrey.

Oakland: Mrs. F. E. Miles, and Marion Miles.

Carmel: Mrs. M. E. Sampson and daughter.

Watsonville: Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Peterson, Ethel Regan, J. J. Sheehan, and Robert Redman.

Daly City: W. J. Savage.

Santa Cruz: Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Briggs.

Hollywood: D. W. McLean and family.

Monterey: M. S. Perry.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

## FOREST FIRE STILL RAGING, UNABATED SANTA LUCIA RANGE

The mountain forest fire that broke out in the Santa Lucia range near Jamesburg more than a week ago is still raging today with fury unabated, according to meager reports received at the sheriff's office and brought in by individuals returning from trips down the southern Monterey County coast.

The forestry service lookout station on Chew's Ridge has been completely destroyed, the reports say, but all the men at the station succeeded in safely escaping.

The fire is now blazing on two fronts, one headed westward toward the Monterey County coast, the other eastward down the upper Arroyo Seco Canyon. Should it get into the lower Arroyo Seco many ranches and the country homes of many local residents will be imperiled.

It is estimated that between 25,000 and 30,000 acres of pasture, timber and brush have so far been destroyed.

A force of more than 400 men, working at

great disadvantage in the rough canyons in the intense heat and smoke, was reported fighting the blaze yesterday. Of this force 160 were stationed on the Cahoon ranch, the report said, 140 near the Chew's Ridge, 40 in Miller Canyon and 80 on the Parrot ranch.

Reinforcements were being sent out today from Monterey, Salinas and King City.

So far there has been but one casualty reported. This was a fire fighter who became exhausted and was brought to a Monterey hospital.

Reports were current here this morning that three others had been brought to Salinas, but these could not be confirmed by inquiry at hospitals.

It was said that 100 men were sent into the fire area from Monterey, and that all the convicts were taken from the coast road camp south of Monterey. Two of the convicts are said to have taken advantage of the opportunity and escaped.

An unconfirmed report reached here today that members of a fire fighting party committed a brutal outrage one day last week on Louis Bordges, well known young Salinas man who was one of the first to volunteer his service in fighting the blaze. It is said that the gang, resentful because Bordges had been made foreman, tied him hand and foot to a tree and left him helpless all day in the heat and smoke, finally releasing him at night.

Relatives and friends of the young man have not heard from him since and they are becoming anxious. The report is said to have been brought in by two men who returned from the scene and claimed to have been a witness.

Yesterday Tassajara Springs was reported to be in no danger, but today unconfirmed reports were current that preparations are being made to bring all guests out.

Monterey County authorities, according to other reports today, are considering the proposition of asking Governor C. C. Young to appoint an impartial commission to investigate the cause of all forest fires that have broken out in Monterey County this year, with a view of fixing responsibility.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

## JAMESBURG BLAZE UNDER CONTROL; MEN GOING HOME

Reports from the Jamesburg mountain fire district today were more reassuring. Telephone messages from the office of the chief ranger at King City were to the effect that the fire is under control, with the exception of a small area between China Camp and Hotel Point.

Many of the fire fighters are being discharged and are returning to their homes in Salinas, Monterey, King City and other places. Patrols are being kept on duty, however, and some backfiring is being done to guard against a renewed outbreak in case of unexpected wind springing up.

These reports were confirmed by Ira C. Bailey, stage driver, who came in from Tassajara Springs this morning. Further information was made by J. C. Mason, a Salinas man, who

made a trip to Jamesburg yesterday and returned last evening.

While there have been no definite reports from the Arroyo Seco section, it is believed that the fire there has also been controlled.

Within a day or two, it is believed all danger will be over.

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country Side' columns,  
*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Aug. 16.—The following are listed as recent arrivals at Tassajara Hot Springs:

Salinas: Misses Edythe and Agnes Kone, Jane Stafford Hughes, Nancy Stafford Hughes, A. C. Hughes, R. H. Bullene, Leo Tavernetti, C. W. Ayer, I. B. Cornett, Irene Marschk, R. H. Storm, Mr. and Mrs. L. Thompson, Anita Kone, J. A. Anderson, John C. Church, John Ostrander Jr., H. E. Linder, Chas. Hooster, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Borges, Mrs. Fontes, Cleon A. Tynan, P. E. Steward, Milo Martello.

Watsonville: E. E. Clements, R. C. Clements, J. S. Thompson, John Bremis, Mr. and Mrs. P. R. Eaton, John Slanovic, Jack Regan.

Soledad: Mrs. Elsie M. Tomast.

Chualar: Miss Florence Pere.

King City: Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Hamilton.

San Mateo: B. P. Scherin.

Burlingame: I. Murphy.

Waterman: Mr. and Mrs. Jack Sibole.

Fresno: A. Sterios.

Pacific Grove: Bessie Orchard and William Orchard.

San Ardo: L. Biaggi.

Oakland: Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Cady and son, Mr. and Mrs. Mell Tobiner.

San Francisco: Frank Gallizzi, Joe Chase, Mr. and Mrs. Ralf Rizze, Wm. Zaretsky, Mr. and Mrs. C. Martin, Mr. and Mrs. A. Brookman, Jim Coffee, Wm. A. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. P. Finne, Mrs. B. M. Joseph, Mrs. C. D. Rule, Mary Gacomazzi, Mr. and Mrs. Capinge, Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Van Winkle, M. L. Barclay, Genevieve Colman, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Kitenger, Miss Mary Gliche, Miss Helen Krauter, Miss A. B. Cookson, Miss Shirley E. Harris, Newt Ennis, D. Leahy, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Curtis, Mrs. Ruggies, Miss D. Jergens, and Wm. Jergens.

From the 'Chit-Chat of the Country Side' columns,  
*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, Aug. 30.—The following are listed as latest arrivals at Tassajara Hot Springs:

Salinas: Rose Catti, Kerby Anderson, Paul Pioda, M. W. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Vanemen, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Machado, Elmer Machado, E. Dougherty and L. R. Bordges.

San Francisco: May E. Barry, Anne Howard, M. A. Kottinger, H. D. Free, Mrs. Annie Kohlbecker, Russell Lockhardt, Jas. M. Cannon, Mamie Norton, J. J. Baumgartener, Frank E. Guilian, Walter A. Green, M. A. Kottinger, D. Free, Mrs. Annie Kohlbecker, Russell Lockhardt, Jas. M. Cannon, Mamie Norton, J. J. Baumgartener, Frank E. Guilian, Walter A. Green.

Oakland: Mrs. C. Dillinger, Mrs. Kerner, H. A. Dillinger.

Some of the varying ads that were published in the *Salinas Daily Index* and the *Salinas Index-Journal* during the guest season of 1928:



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Oakland: Mrs. C. Dillinger, Mrs. Kerner, H. A. Dillinger.

San Juan: Edna Freitas and John Freitas.

San Jose: Mr. and Mrs. Joe Donovan, E. F. Clegg, Luke A. Kelly, A. Lopes, A. Santos, and Corinne Davis.

Monterey: Mrs. F. C. Swain, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Preston, and F. C. Swain.

Watsonville: Marie Masher and John Donohue.

Burlingame: Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Birlockway.

Carmel: Elizabeth White, Miss Florence Very, and Master Francis Very.

Gilroy: L. Tremaine.

Blanco: Mr. and Mrs. John Breschini.

Gonzales: Mr. and Mrs. B. Breschini, Mr. and Mrs. Milton Anderson, and Dan O. Mills.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 31<sup>st</sup> to Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1928:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

### MONTEREY COUNTY

Open to October 1, 1928. September weather the best of the year. Good deer hunting to September 15. Take 8 a. m. train at 3<sup>rd</sup> St. depot for Salinas daily except Sunday, at 1 p. m. For reservations write Tassajara Hot Springs Co., Salinas. Folder at Peck-Judah, *The Chronicle*, or Ask Mr. Foster.

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From 'Week End Tours Within County,' *Salinas Index-Journal*, Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1929:

### SALINAS TO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

First ten miles paved. Turn left over to Laureles Grade, a gravel road, which has many sharp turns, but is wide and in good condition to Carmel Valley. Turn left on Carmel Valley Road, which is in fair condition, to Jamesburg. Tassajara Springs resort is closed and it is not advisable to go beyond Jamesburg during wet weather.

From 'Mrs. Richards to be Honored,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, page 60, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1929:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty and Mrs. John Thompson have returned from a trip to the Hawaiian Islands.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1929:

### PITY YE POOR FISHE IN A CASE LIKE THIS, WON'T YOU?

The Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Fish is investigating the trip to Tassajara Hot Springs this afternoon of several prominent citizens of Watsonville, accompanied by their small sons, for a week-end outing, it is reported.

It is to be hoped that they will use discretion and not resort to any unfair or unethical methods in snaring the aforementioned denizens of the deep from their comfortable beds in the creek, to the warmer regions of the

frying pan.

Members of the party have been accused in the past of catching trout by using flights of oratory, and when the poor fish poke their heads out of the water to hear the speech, they get tapped on the head with a bludgeon.

At least one of the party, name deleted by the censor, is packing a rubber tape measure, and we may expect to hear of his catching some very large trout.

There is one ray of hope, however, that the party will get some trout, because they have taken their small sons with them, and they probably will be able to inveigle the poor fish to bite.

It is freely admitted that the party showed rare judgment in taking the small boys along as it will insure fish on the dinner table.

Those making the trip with their sons are Fred H. Hudson, Lynn Marsh, Cliff Kallam, George Lyman, Basil Clark, George Freiermuth and Dunn Van Glesen.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1929 (also in the 5/3/1929 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as 'Tassajara Springs Re-Opens This Week):

### TASSAJARA THROWS OPEN ITS DOORS TO A FULL HOUSE THIS SPRING

This week marks the opening of the popular Tassajara Hot Springs, and Mr. I. J. Cornett, proprietor and manager, has made extensive improvements and plans toward making this year one of Tassajara's best.

A new 40,000-gallon reinforced concrete reservoir will furnish a plentiful supply of purest mountain spring water.

The hot plunge and vapor, or natural steam baths, are in better shape than ever, while the new open compartments for sun bathing are rapidly gaining in popularity, since medical science has proven that the natural sun rays are the real and only treatment to be given in various chronic ailments.

A new but high class chef, with competent aids, will assure any and all guests of the very best in dining room service. Tassajara has long been noted for its clean, wholesome, and liberal table board.

Mr. Cornett is being assisted in the management this year by his brother, L. C. Cornett, of Oakland, who was at Tassajara last year.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1929:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

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HUNTING—FISHING—SWIMMING—HIKING

Wonderful Scenery and Good Roads

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1929:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs, located at an elevation of 1500 feet in the Santa Lucia Mountains in Monterey County, is one of the outstanding health resorts in the State. Surrounded by forests of sycamore, oak, pine and madrone trees, with streams and beautiful mountain scenery, in a climate tempered by the cool Pacific Ocean breezes, it offers a delightful place for an active vacation. Besides the large sandstone hotel there are some twenty-eight comfortable, roomy cabins spread out in the shade of many trees. The dining rooms, card and game rooms and other hotel facilities are maintained in the main building for the benefit of the hotel or cottage guests.

The waters at the hotel contain sulphur, iron, soda and other minerals and are noted for their health giving qualities. There are hot and cold mineral baths, with modern bathhouses, and two large plunges. Through the mountains are many interesting trails for the rider and hiker, and in the thickly forested mountains are deer, mountain lion and quail awaiting the hunter. Nearby is the Santa Barbara National Forest, which contains 360,000 acres of timbered land. For the fisher, there are some well-stocked trout streams, and picturesque mountain streams and creeks.

Tassajara Hot Springs is 158 miles from San Francisco via the coast route. The Southern Pacific train to Salinas is met by stages from the hotel.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1929:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIF.

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WONDERFUL SCENERY—GOOD ROADS FOR PARTICULARS, WRITE TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS—SALINAS, CAL.

*S. F. Chronicle*, Peck-Judah or Crabtree's

*Monterey County Post*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1929 (also in the 8/7/1929 *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, as 'Tassajara Hot Springs Has Romantic History'):

### TASSAJARA HAS INTERESTING HISTORY

FAMOUS VACATION SPOT TRACED BACK TO SPANISH TIMES

Road To Resort Is Greatly Improved During Off Season

Development of Tassajara Hot Springs, famous Monterey County resort, from the early days when Indians and early Spanish settlers journeyed to the Springs to bathe in its medi-



# TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

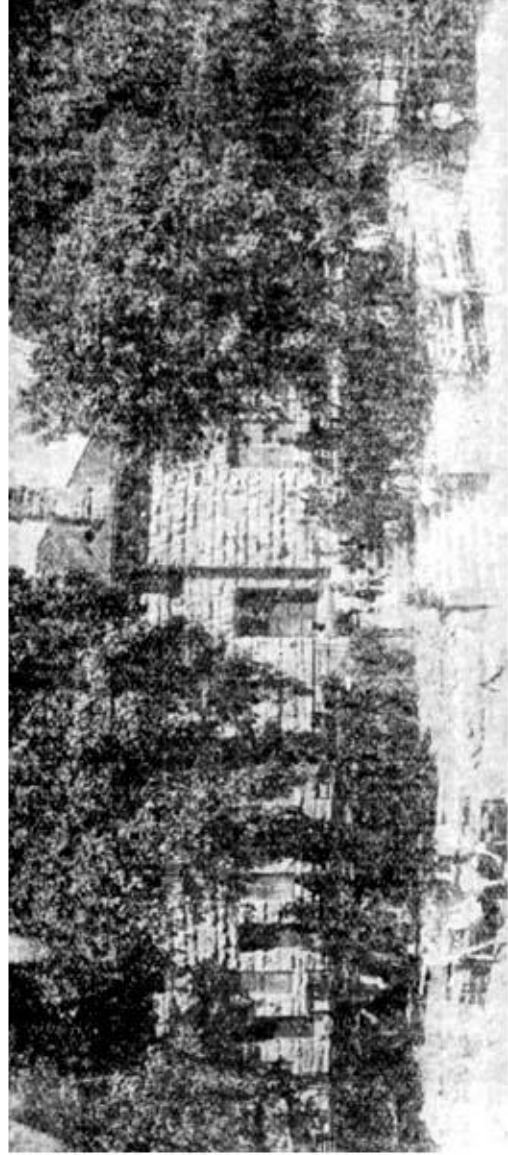


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## HEALTH

Aside from being an ideal vacation resort Tassajara is noted for its Hot Springs, the natural temperature of which exceeds 150° F. The waters that are used for drinking and bathing contain, in solution, sulphur, iron, soda magnesia and other curative minerals. In this respect the waters resemble those of the famous Hot Springs of Arkansas.

The waters, and vapor baths cure or greatly relieve Rheumatism, Gout, Dropsy, Malaria, Paralysis, Liver and Stomach Disorders. In addition to their medicinal qualities Tassajara waters are cosmetic in their action upon the skin, making it soft, clear and velvety.

The cause of the marvelous medicinal effects is a debated question among chemists and reputable physicians, but it is an accepted theory that their curative properties lie in their great natural heat.

For persons desiring a complete rest, or for those in search of a mineral springs, because of poor health, Tassajara is unexcelled. Modern cottages, as well as first class hotel accommodations, are available at reasonable rates.

## RECREATION

For the vacationist seeking recreation Tassajara holds not a dull moment. For many, an early morning plunge, followed, after breakfast, by a hike, horseback ride or fishing trip, occupies the morning.

The afternoon hours may be pleasantly spent in many ways, swimming perhaps being the most popular. Diving for coins is a chief sport at the plunge.

Horseshoe matches, bridge and outdoor games of all kinds furnish additional recreation. The large open-air pavillion lures the guests in the evening. Here all of the old time dances, including the tag and broom dance are given a place, on the evening's program, much to the enjoyment of everyone present.

For the angler, Tassajara creek, a few miles above the Springs abounds with trout. Many limits have been caught this season. A good trail leads the fisherman for miles above the resort where large, icy pools are certain to furnish entertainment in a measure to fully compensate him for his hike up the trail. Horses are available at all times for the angler who likes to fish, but is no hiker.

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**Warm Days**

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cial baths is a story of gradual improvement on nature under the direction of a long list of owners. Perhaps the most important contribution to the popularity of the springs was made by Charles Quilty of San Jose, who put in the one-way road which was in use until this year when the present owners of the Tassajara resort widened the road sufficiently to allow for two-way traffic.

Mrs. E. B. Chew of Pacific Grove, member of the family for which Chew's Ridge, near Tassajara, is named, and also of the family from which Jamesburg got its name, tells the story of Tassajara beginning in 1869 when she first became acquainted with the country.

The present Tassajara Hot Springs was at that time known as Agua Caliente (hot water), and Tassajara was a flat above Jamesburg where the settlers and Indians gathered each year to dry deer and other meats. The place now called Tassajara got the name early in the 70s, Mrs. Chew says.

A man named Rust was the first settler at the Springs. He built a small cabin, but having no means for developing the beautiful place, he soon left. Jack Borden was the next owner. He built several cabins of logs and a rock bath house. At this time a poor trail in from Jamesburg was the only method of reaching Tassajara.

Borden sold his claim to William Hart about 1876. Hart improved bath house facilities and put up the rock part of the present dining room. Comparatively few people visited Tassajara at this time, all of them on horseback over the narrow trail.

Hart in turn sold the Springs to Charles Quilty of San Jose. This transaction took place about 1885, and Quilty and his wife operated the resort until about two years ago, when it was purchased by the present owners and put under the management of I. J. Cornett.

#### Road Built

Quilty built the road in to the Springs using Chinese labor. The coolie road builders were quartered on a little flat at the foot of the grade and the spot is still known as China Camp. The old telephone station, from which in other years prospective guests at Tassajara phoned in to inquire whether the road was clear, was located near this spot. With improvements in the road made this winter, however, the telephone has been taken out. Twenty-four wide car passes were installed and since the road is open most of the way there is little danger of meeting other cars on narrow stretches of the road.

After Quilty's death, under the capable management of Mrs. Quilty, the Springs increased in popularity and drew patronage from all over the west and also from eastern states.

Mrs. Quilty put in an electrical plant, the swimming pool, laundry and a number of the present cottages.

Tassajara is located in the heart of the Santa Lucia range of mountains. Tassajara Creek flows through the grounds and Church Creek flows into Tassajara less than two miles above the resort. Fishing is reported to be good in both streams.

Mary Hunter, 84 year old Monterey county resident, began making an annual trip to the Springs 40 years ago. She is again at the

Springs for the summer.

#### Reserve Adjoins

The forest reserve encloses Tassajara on all sides and the mountains nearby abound with deer and wild game. Two tame deer are features of the resort. They wander about the grounds, fraternize with the guests and appear to have a wonderful time.

Indians of the county and many old Spaniards had great faith in the waters of the springs. Many traces of the Indians are still found near the resort, and a portion of the hollowed rock used as a bath tab is still to be seen.

The famous caves, where Indian inscriptions may be seen on the walls, are located about five miles above Tassajara. A good trail leads to the caves and frequent excursions to the spot are made by guests.

Absolom Beasley, better known as "Rocky," an old hunter, lived in the caves for a time. There were bear in the Santa Lucia range at that time and "Rocky" killed a number of them. Mr. Chew also shot bear near Tassajara.

Bristle Cone, or Santa Lucia Silver Fir, are found only in the Tassajara country. Miller Canyon contains most of these trees although there are small groups near the caves and on the coast trail.

Recreation for guests of the resort includes fishing, swimming, dancing, horseback riding and hiking.

Recent improvements made at the resort by the present management include in addition to widening of the road the installation of a 3,500 gallon fresh water reservoir of concrete. This insures a supply of pure cold mountain water for all purposes.

Throughout their history the Tassajara Hot Springs have been steadily improved and made more accessible and the resort is now one of the best equipped and most popular in the state.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, June 28<sup>th</sup>, 1929:

#### FOURTH AT TASSAJARA

Guests at Tassajara are going to celebrate the Fourth in great style. Ed Jeffery came in yesterday and bought \$100 worth of fireworks to take back with him.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1929:

#### ROAD TO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS BETTER

Motorists driving to Tassajara Hot Springs are permitted to use the main highway west of Salinas for seven miles to the junction of the Tassajara route, reports the touring bureau of the California State Automobile Association. This highway is under construction and is a little rough. From the junction south to Tassajara Road conditions are good. The grade from Jamesburg down to Tassajara has been widened and a number of turnouts provided, with the result that it is no longer necessary to telephone to China Flat to ascertain whether or not there are other cars on the road.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1929:

#### TASSAJARA PLANNING GREATEST CELEBRATION IN HISTORY OF PLACE

Up at Tassajara Hot Springs they are planning for the usual good time over Independence Day, when hundreds will gather there to observe the day in jollification and festivities.

Mine host Iver J. Cornett has made arrangements for the entertainment of one of the largest crowds ever to participate in the big fiesta up at the mountain resort. Bathing, fishing, a ball game, music and dancing—well, these are just a few of the things which those who visit Tassajara on next Thursday will experience.

Until long into the night there will be jollification supreme, and those who attend may rest assured that they will come back, only to go back, many, many times ere the end of the season.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 5<sup>th</sup>, 1929:

#### BAY CITY BANKER TELLS OF TASSAJARA FOURTH

WILL STAY TO ATTEND OUR RODEO

MONTEREY COUNTY'S MOST BEAUTIFUL  
MOUNTAIN RESORT COMES IN FOR HIGH  
PRAISE AT BEVAN'S HANDS

By W. J. Bevan, Vice President Wells Fargo  
Nevada National Bank

Having heard of Tassajara Hot Springs through a mutual friend, Mrs. Bevan and the writer decided to spend our vacation in this wonder spot of Monterey County. Not knowing much about the place, or what to expect, we packed our car and set out on this, our 1929 adventure. The miles flew quickly by, and we soon found ourselves in Salinas, where we were impressed with the wonderful spirit of hospitality shown us, and determined then and there to attend the California Rodeo, July 17 to 21.

From information received in Salinas regarding the trip into the Springs, we were not at all sure whether we should forsake our car and come in by stage, or continue as we had planned in the beginning. To make a long story short, we came under our own power, and were agreeably surprised to find the road in such fine condition that one hour's driving found us over halfway into the Springs. Surely, we thought, the road ahead must be impassable. Mile after mile rolled by, and with each succeeding mile the road became a trifle steeper and narrower until we reached Jamesburg. From Jamesburg on the road wound round the mountainside, but never at the dangerous pitch or angle we had been led to expect. Just two hours after we left Salinas we reached the summit, where we had a most wonderful view of the lower Salinas Valley and numberless hills, toward the broad Pacific. But on to Tassajara—from the summit re-rolled swiftly along, dropping some 3000 feet over well-kept mountain road into Tassajara the beautiful.

Having visited other hot springs we were expecting to see the usual more or less barren scenes, with buildings scattered here or there without rhyme or reason, and one may imagine

our surprise to find instead everything laid out on a well-worked plan, with natural beauty worked into the scheme of things in a truly marvelous manner.

Tassajara proper is laid out in the shape of a Y, with towering hills on every side. A large sandstone building housing many rooms, the office and main lobby, was first to meet our eyes as we drove past the private garages generously provided for guests' cars.

#### Met By Host

Driving up before this imposing structure we were met by the genial manager of Tassajara, Iver Cornett, and immediately we were made to feel a part of the great Tassajara family and joint heirs to all the place possessed.

#### Reasonable Rates

When shown to our cabin, equipped with private toilet, electric lights and running mountain water, we decided before accepting our adoption into that great Tassajara family, that we had better count the cost. Upon consulting the rate card in our cabin we found that the total cost for the two of us would be less than we would expect to pay in San Francisco. Surely, we thought, there must be a catch somewhere, and we would have to pay for the baths extra. This, however, proved not to be the case and we could bathe as often and as long as we liked, in tubs, showers, sulphur plunge, vapor or outdoor swimming pool, as we pleased.

#### Everything For Health

The climate—dry, with warm mountain air, must be experienced to be appreciated.

Fishing—three hours out, and back with the limit.

The hiking—anything you may wish for.

The bathing—hot right out of the mountain, and good for what ails you.

Drinking water—pure mountain spring, hot and cold, and five mineral waters.

The Tassajara spirit—a thing you get before you have been here 24 hours, something that can't be bottled up, but keeps bubbling over. One feels that everyone in camp is a friend of long standing, and that every employee has but one thought, and that to serve you well.

#### July 4<sup>th</sup> At Tassajara

On the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, the entire Tassajara family were up at 6:30 a. m., some in the plunge, some in the baths, and others at the loosing of Old Glory to the gentle breezes. Breakfast at seven, and then hikes, fishing, swimming, and games, while the chef and his corps of able assistants prepared the barbecue. As we at Tassajara are all one big family, dinner is served at one long table. At 12:00 noon, a Salinas orchestra took its place on the platform, and the Indians who used to frequent these parts, had nothing on us when it came to dancing and eating. Thinking to go the Indians one better, Iver Cornett, our genial host, decided that a few speeches would be in order.

Bob Hudson, a prominent Tassajaran and attorney of Watsonville, was called upon, and gave a stirring patriotic address, closing with a glowing tribute to our flag. Next in order, James Leo Atteridge, another old-time Tassajaran, of San Francisco, speaking for the old-timers present, spoke of the years they had been coming to Tassajara, of the many joyous times, of the many pleasant acquaintances

formed, and of dreams come true. In closing he paid a wonderful tribute to Cornett, and those associated with him, for the many improvements they had made during the past two years, and prophesied a great future for Tassajara, the wonderland of Monterey County.

Fred J. Hart, a newcomer to the Springs, stated that he had heard many wonderful things about Tassajara, but that he had never heard one-half of the story, and that from now on he was a Tassajara booster and would be a frequent visitor.

Between speeches, songs were sung by Miss Irene Vaughn, Mrs. Ben Leidig and Mrs. Charles Ayers. "America" was the closing song, and was sung by all present.

The afternoon, spent in various ways, was brought to fitting close with a big feed of ice cream, donated by Chas. O'Brien, of San Jose, another ardent Tassajaran, who, in company with "Uncle" Dick Pfister, of San Jose, spent last week at the Springs.

Over 50 cars drove in over the fourth, many of them driven by women.

#### Have Tassajara Spirit

The writer and his family, though but newcomers, have caught the Tassajara spirit, and are hoping that Monterey County, realizing the value of this great resort, will cooperate with the owners of Tassajara, in letting the world know of this wonderful resort, where rest, health and entertainment reign.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1929:

### POSTMASTER WRITES OF TASSAJARA GLORY

"This is a wonderful place. Everything first-class. Table excellent. Our people do not fully appreciate it. There should be more local people here."

Thus says Postmaster Wm. J. Martin in a letter to the *Index-Journal* today. His topic is Tassajara Hot Springs, where the Martin family is spending a short vacation. The postmaster has asked that the *Index-Journal* follow him into the hills.

Tassajara, as Martin indicates, is becoming noted as the foremost mountain resort of the coast counties, and is better known to people of the bay cities than to many who reside within half day's ride. This year crowds are declared to have been bigger than ever, and the annual 4<sup>th</sup> of July or Independence Day celebration one long to be remembered by everyone who participated.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 6, 1929:

### HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR VALLEY?

#### TASSAJARA—GEM OF THE SANTA LUCIAS

How well we recall that the very first day we ever pounded a typewriter on the *Salinas Daily Index*, parent publication of the expanded and consolidated *Index-Journal*, Mrs. Helen Quilty, for many years the owner and proprietor of the wonderful resort known as Tassajara Hot Springs, came into the office to have her pamphlets printed for the season just opening. That was back on March 2, 1921.

We met Mrs. Quilty at that time and were invited to visit the Springs when the resort hotel had opened for the season. Later we were to hear the praises of the place sung in endless fashion by the late Wm. F. (Kunnel Bill) Handley, then the secretary of the Salinas Chamber of Commerce, Salinas Lodge No. 614, B. P. O. Elks, secretary of the California Rodeo, secretary of—well, there might have been a few organizations in town of which "Bill" Handley was not secretary. If there were we never heard of them.

Now we had a little experience with hot springs and resorts where health, happiness and what not were to be had at so much per plunge and massage. So our opinion of Tassajara quite naturally revolved about other places we had visited in several years of knocking about the country. We didn't even take the trouble to investigate, and it was not until the following spring, when an enterprising automobile concern conceived the idea of staging a fuel economy run from San Jose into Tassajara and return, that Frank Heple, of Heple's Garage, dragged us from our lair and up to the beauty spot in the Santa Lucia Mountains.

We stayed overnight that time. Always we wanted to go back, but time and conditions never seemed to be auspicious. When we went in there last Saturday night such a sight as we rarely ever beheld greeted our eyes. The sun had shunted down the horizon as "Red" Cornett's car started down the grade from the second summit. At Echo Point it was completely out of sight. When we reached the bottom and our car glided into the tiny glade along Church Creek, where stands the hotel, the bath house, the swimming pool, the quaint and cozy nooks where one finds hammocks, soft canvas chairs and other things to make enjoyment of the place the more complete, the shades of early eventide had already begun to gather.

Dusk comes down like the "thunder" of Kipling's "Mandalay" at Tassajara. Even so early in the season the electric light plant is doing duty long before the dinner hour. At many points along the esplanade electric arcs sputter into being and the scene is one begging description.

Dim shapes come stealing up from the direction of the plunge. We begin to recognize in those bathing suit clad beings who amble our way certain old acquaintances from Salinas, Monterey, Watsonville—even San Francisco is represented by a member of the big town's police force who "Simply can't stay away" year after year; and the one and only, inimitable and irrepressible "Mack" of radio fame, together with his wife and three members of his "gang."

Handshakes and greetings pass around. The usual queries: "How long you in for?" "When did you come up?" "When are you going out?" Like the "When do we eat?" of the soldier man, those three queries seem to be about the most important in conversation at Tassajara, unless it be something with regards to the baths and the plunge.

All day long, and even far into the night, one may see shapes attired in bathing suit, kimono or bathrobe over all, darting off toward the big vapor bath house at the upper end of the tiny

valley, or off to the big plunge down the creek bed.

Baths, a rubdown, a plunge, eats, another bath, another plunge, eats—with a bit of bridge sandwiched in for dressing and an occasional hike or horseback ride for dessert—that about completes the life at Tassajara. But it's a life worthwhile for all that since so many go back there year after year—some to remain for many weeks and then bemoan a fate which sends them out to business cares or worries when one could have so much a better time stopping at the Springs for another week.

What is the meaning of Tassajara? Well, tomorrow we'll tell you about this, and how a later use to which the Springs and their surroundings have been put have brought such a change in the meaning of the term. Likewise, before we've finished, we're going to try to convince many a Salinas Valley resident that he or she, like ourselves, has probably placed too little credence in the stories of miraculous cures, lazy days and jolly nights which emanate from that resort.

*Salinas Index-Journal, Aug. 7, 1929:*

## HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR VALLEY?

AS THE INDIANS SAW IT

What is the meaning of the word "Tassajara?" We told you yesterday that we'd interpret the word today, and give a bit of sidelight on the place that may be interesting.

In the language of the Indians who were the first inhabitants of this region—the progenitors of those Carmel Indians who later became the neophytes of Fr. Junipero Serra and his co-workers—the word Tassajara means "The Drying Place." Literally this is interpreted to mean the place where the Indians brought the deer they slew with bow and arrow in the hunting season, to dry the meat so that it might be more easily carried out to the villages along the coast near Monterey and Carmel.

It is not difficult to picture an Indian encampment in the tiny glade—the tepees scattered about—the braves lying about or going and coming to or from the hunt—the squaws cutting up the meat, dipping it in the necessary sauce and hanging it up to dry. Later, when the hunting season had ended, and the chill winds begun to foretell the approach of winter, the entire party would start out over the trails toward home.

Just ponder one moment, those of you who think it is quite some trip to take a motor at either Salinas or the peninsula towns, to drive into the Springs in from two and one half to three and one half hours. Quite some trip, you think. Then think what it must have been in the days when the Indians went in and out of the Tassajara country with naught save trails—these often most precipitous and hazardous—to guide their feet, unless we consider that uncanny sense of direction which served the red man as compass and sextant.

For that matter, think of the trip it must have been even after the first road was built into the Springs, when it took two days to make the trip by horse and wagon from Salinas—when one camped at the Tularcitos or at Jamesburg

the first night out, and then on to the Springs on the following day.

Now don't get an idea it's such a distance. From Salinas to Tassajara it is just 46.7 miles. When the new road to Monterey is complete the running time will be shortened by from 10 to 12 minutes.

Not a dangerous road, by any means. It is so many years since an accident of any magnitude has happened there (if, in fact, one ever did happen) that it's completely out of our ken. But it is a road where necessity demands that one drive slowly. What necessity? The rise from 43 feet in Salinas to 5050 feet at the first summit, and the drop down to the 1600 level at the Springs—some pull that?

"The drying place!" Today the Springs are used for a purpose in direct juxtaposition to that which the Indians made it serve. The baths! We mentioned them yesterday. There is little "drying" from the time one gets there until he or she leaves. Most of the time is spent in water, as we told you yesterday.

But it seems that the Indians enjoyed bathing in the health giving waters, which rise from the bed of Church Creek, in clouds of vapor. Under the end of the two storied commodious bath house, I. J. Cornett, manager of the resort at the present time, showed us the remnant of the famous old stone bath tub, lined with mud, wherein the Indians soaked the soreness occasioned by long climbs over the hills after deer and other game from their bones and muscles.

Painted rocks! Until you've seen nature's paint brush at work with naught save the ingredients of the wonderful Tassajara water, you've never seen coloring.

Vivid reds! Startling oranges! Brassy greens! Solid blacks! Dazzling whites! Never did a pigment pot produce such unusual colors as one finds at Tassajara.

The outside of the old Indian bathtub is one mass of these shadings and linings.

Recently we tried to introduce a beauty spot in the lower end of the Salinas Valley by referring to it as "Secret Valley." The real "Secret" Valley is that in which Tassajara is located. High the mountains rise on either hand—towering peaks which seem to meet the sky, but whose topmost cairns are left far below ere one reaches the summit, and starts down toward Jamesburg on the valley side.

Atop one of these vast uprootings of Mother Earth, which looks like for all the world like the jagged tooth of some prehistoric monster cast aside as out of use, is "Flag Rock." There one sees the beautiful folds of "Old Glory" waving in the breeze. And one doesn't lack for a reason why Francis Scott Key wrote "The Star Spangled Banner."

*Salinas Index-Journal, Aug. 8, 1929:*

## HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR VALLEY?

"BILL" HANDLEY'S VISION

TASSAJARA, Land of sunshine, where the sparkling, healing rills, Gush from out their rocky fastness, to assuage dame nature's ills. Where the mountain jay's harsh chatter

ushers in the dawning day,  
And amid the swaying tree tops, lithe-some squirrels leap in play.  
Where the graceful water willow makes obeisance to the stream,  
And beneath the dancing riffles hungry troutlets dart and gleam.  
Where the truant mountain breezes bear a fragrance sharp and sweet,  
From the sage and manzanita and gnarled and gray mesquite.  
Where the rugged granite boulders strive forever with the foam,  
Of the rushing, restless brooklets, hurrying to their ocean home.  
Where the cliffs in savage grandeur guard the smiling vales below,  
Clothed in verdure in the springtime, pale with winter's wreath of snow.  
Where the mescal flings to heaven, shafts of purest dazzling white,  
And the madrone's glistening leaflets, wink and dimple in the light.  
Where the shade and sunlight mingle, by the mountain streamlet's brink,  
And at eve the forest dwellers, shyly venture forth to drink.  
Where the stars blaze out in brilliance as the firmament grows dim,  
And the moon in silver splendor, stoops to kiss the canyon's rim.  
Backward winging thoughts possess me, and in retrospect I see,  
Many happy crowds that gathered underneath the "Gossip Tree."  
With the pleasant summer playtime slipping lazily away,  
Till it all to soon had vanished, like a wisp of driven spray.  
But I know, when next the poppies gild the slopes above the sea,  
That I'll hear again the calling, Tassajara calling me.

Read that over again, people of the Salinas Valley, and see if there isn't a bit of a lump in your throat when you have finished. That's the tribute of the late William F. (Kunnel Bill) Handley to Tassajara. And how "Bill" did love Tassajara. Sit him down in an easy chair in the lobby of Hotel Cominos, let him take out his package of brown papers and pouch of fine cut to fashion himself a cigarette. Then, when he had twisted the outward end together in the way only "Bill" could twist it, hand him a match and lean back while he got in a few puffs before asking him about Tassajara. It was a liberal education in peace, contentment, health and happiness just to listen to "Bill" for half an hour on his favorite topic.

More than three years ago Handley wrote his "finis" at the end of his string, and passed to a better world. But we'll wager his spirit still hovers over the hills which surround Tassajara. We can easily vision the dear, old fellow keeping pace with every party which goes up "Flag Peak" to watch the flag of his adopted country swing in the breeze of the evening or flap idly against the steel shaft in the still hours of mid-day.

Rave of the waters of Carlsbad if you will; you'll never find them better than those at Tassajara. Ask anyone who goes up there year after year. There are hundreds of people here

in Salinas—equally as many more in Monterey and Watsonville—who have taken the waters and baths and have returned unto their labors revived in spirit and in body.

We could tell you the story of a Monterey man who was taken into Tassajara on a stretcher and who came out hale and hearty at the end of three weeks. We could tell you how, every time he feels the least kink in his old muscles, or an ache in his bones, this man grabs his bag and flies up to the Springs, there to sojourn until he feels relief.

In addition to the baths there are 15 springs, each of them with a different water component. In tomorrow's installment we shall tell you what each of these springs contain. Likewise, we shall tell you of the wonderful work of Dr. and Mrs. Adams, of San Francisco, who have charge of the manipulatory work at the springs. Dr. Adams is a big man in his line. He is regularly employed at the Olympic Club, San Francisco, but he leaves the city to spend the season at Tassajara. You'll like him. You'll like Mrs. Adams. In fact you'll like everyone about this place from manager I. J. (Red) Cornett to little Jessie, the waitress who gives you a smile for desert with every meal.

*Salinas Index-Journal, Aug. 9, 1929:*

## HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR VALLEY?

### THE SEASON AT TASSAJARA

The season opens May 1 at Tassajara. The pilgrimages from all over the state begin at that time. All through the year until October 1 there is a continuous stream of pilgrims, either in private cars or aboard the mammoth stages which the resort supplies for the comfort of its patrons, going into or out of the mountains to take the baths and drink the wonderful, health giving waters which Dame Nature has supplied for mankind.

Last Sunday morning we "made the rounds" of the Springs below the hotel in company with manager I. J. Cornett. It was unnecessary to ask questions as to the content of each spring, as a brilliant placard above each one tells of the minerals to be found in the water and just what disease each water is a cure for.

We began at spring No. 1. It has a heat content of 118 degrees. The water contains sulphur and soda. Spring No. 2 is the same as No. 1 except that it is not so hot. Spring No. 3 contains arsenic and soda—good for stomach disorders and skin infections. Spring No. 4 has soda and magnesium. No. 5 has soda, sulphur and magnesium. No. 6 contains soda alone. No. 7 and No. 8 supply the water for the baths. The water from No. 9 is used in the vapor baths alone. This is heated to 144 degrees. Across the creek are "Twin Springs," each of which contains iron. Then within 50 feet is the "Cold Spring," from which water as cold as ice pours at all times.

In the old days the vapor room was merely tent over the place where the vapor rises from the cracks in the bottom of Church Creek. Since the new concern took over the place solid concrete steam rooms have been erected—one each for the men and the women. There is a plunge in connection with each—

also sun rooms where one coming from the vapor bath may absorb the health giving rays from above.

There are private plunges for both men and women. There are tub baths—Roman tubs set with their upper rims even with the floor, and ordinary bathtubs—an equal number of each for men and women.

In another year there will be mud baths in the bed of the creek, where manager Cornett plans to build concrete sinks during the winter months.

Yes, work goes on at the resort throughout the year, even though snow prevents entry at some seasons. But there is scarcely a week that manager Cornett does not go up Chew's Ridge to the summit and down to the hotel. He keeps a man in there the year round.

Last winter "Red" hustled rocks and built stone walls, laid out miniature gardens and walks. This winter these will be improved.

And talk about health! That man Cornett is the very picture of old Ajax himself, even though "Age" was a Greek and "Red" is the descendant of a Danish family. Drinking those waters, taking those baths, patronizing the massage parlors of Dr. Adams, juggling big boulders—working every minute of the time throughout the winter, have made a man of iron of our friend Cornett. Under his shirt the muscles play across his chest and back. In his arms one sees taut tendons as hard as steel. A living testimonial to the benefits to be derived from a stay at the Springs.

There are 480 acres in the tract which contains Tassajara. This area lies in a checker board formation. A strip here, a strip there—most of it nearly as straight up and down as can be.

Along the slopes of these hills tame deer range at all seasons of the year. In the valleys and through the brush the quail flitter and fly. In the pools along the bed of Church Creek myriads of tiny trout dart here and there, with an occasional one some four or five inches in length to keep the small fry moving.

But woe to the hunter who slips into the confines of the resort and tries for a deer or quail. Tassajara is a lesson in conservation. Two pretty does which Cornett and his man, Malcolm, raised on a bottle after their mother had been slain by an unthinking hunter, play along the paths which lead from the hotel to the garage, the baths or swimming pool. Their big, bright eyes shine out a mute protest against the wanton slaughter of their kind to satisfy an unnatural desire to kill on the part of "sportsmen."

Tomorrow we'll tell you of the hotel, the dining room and the cabins where most of those who visit the resort spend their time.

*Salinas Index-Journal, Aug. 10, 1929:*

## HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR VALLEY?

### DON'T TAKE OUR WORD FOR IT

The hotel at Tassajara Hot Springs is a stone affair, every stone in the structure having been found and cut on the spot. In the old days there were ample accommodations therein. Nowadays many people elect to inhabit the

neat cabins which lie on the flat above the hotel, and down the road toward the big plunge. They call this "Pajama Lane." The road up the gulch back of the dining hall they call "Chicken Walk."

The cabins are frame. There are accommodations for varied numbers in these. Some are fitted up for families. Still others are made to order for parties of friends and relatives. Special attention has been given to the bedding, which is as fine as one may find in the best hotels of the city.

The dining hall is separate from the hotel proper. Its main entrance lies in the shade of the famous "Gossip Tree," of which the late William F. Handley wrote in his "Ode to Tassajara."

The room is long and narrow, with the tables neatly set in three rows the full length of the place. Here we have tables for parties of four, for families and for twosomes. The napery is spotless—the silver service and china ditto.

The food: well, if you're an epicure of the most fastidious sort your palate will be pleased at Tassajara, for manager Cornett and Miss Holmes, the genial hostess, make a boast of their cuisine. Quite rightly, too. Could you have partaken of that turkey dinner served at 5:30 last Sunday night you would have been hard to put to disagree with us. However, that Sunday evening dinner, while a feature, is also a sample of every meal served at the resort.

Today is the fifth day on which we have written of Tassajara—of the beauties of the spot—of the benefits to be derived from the baths and the waters which flow from the cracks in the stone basin which underlies all of Tassajara. From whence come these? No man knows. They are highly impregnated with minerals and salts which medicos the world over will recommend for their patients. The baths alone are superior to anything the rest of the state offers. The only reason why Tassajara has not taken her proper rank as the LEADING health resort of California is based on the bugbear of "bad roads," which has now been laid by the heels with hundreds of cars traveling up and down the splendid roads each weekend.

"Tony's Boulevard," which once proved a nightmare to many a motorist, has vanished. County Engineer Howard Cozzens saw to this. In place of the old, steep and tortuous grade a new roadway with a light grade has taken its place.

Ask those old cronies, Carl Neilsen and Ross Nissen, what they think of Tassajara. Chat about the baths with Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Myers. Get Charles W. Ayer, or Mrs. Ayer to tell you about the food. See what Art Mason, of Bay Rapid Transit, Monterey, thinks of sleeping in the cool bracing air surrounding the cabins. Get Dan Dougherty or Alex Anderson to tell you of the wonderful horseshoe court and the rivalry in the sunshine for supremacy at "Barnyard Golf."

If you can get "Win" Hutton to stop talking "Green Gold" long enough, have him tell you how he drives in and out of the Springs in two and one half hours with never a thought of danger on the road.

Herd Carroll Joy or Searl Bomar into a corner and get them to tell you of the joys of a

weekend up there in the hills where public business and even one's own private affairs may be surely and safely forgotten for the nonce.

Ask George Lacy his opinion of the place.

Mr. and Mrs. George Friermuth, of Watsonville, are others who may wish to question. "Bill" Laporte, Mrs. Friermuth's brother and Emile Berges are others.

And finally, there is the one and only, inimitable and irrepressible "Mack," of KFRC, San Francisco. Sure, you all know him and his "Bum Song," "Big Rock Candy Mountains," "Abdul Abulbul Ahmeer," or "Ivan Skovinsky Skovar," or "Ti Ti Yippee Yippee Yay." Listen to what that old veteran says when next he gets on the air. Don't take our word for it. Hear what the others say.

In conclusion, let us repeat that last stanza of Handley's justly famous "Ode:"

"But I know, when next the poppies gild the slopes above the sea,

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Kipling's "Temple Bells at Mandalay" never sounded a welkin stronger than this.

From "First Meet of Advisory Council is Successful,"  
*Monterey County Post*, Nov. 15, 1929:

George Gould, chairman of the highway committee, reported that the program of the board of supervisors and county engineer, now engaged in improving county highways under the bond issue, was approved by his group. The committee also endorsed the campaign for the earlier completion of the Carmel-San Simon highway, and urged construction of a county road from Arroyo Seco to Tassajara, from where the Arroyo Seco road is improved.

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From 'State Fair Awards Out Soon; Tubbs Says Too Busy Mail Them; Forestry Men Come to Discuss Projected New Road From Abbott Lakes to Tassajara Springs,' *Salinas Index-Journal*, Jan. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

George DeLapp and J. B. Robinson, members of the United States Forest Service, came before the board to discuss the possibilities of securing from the state the money necessary to build a proposed road from Abbotts Lakes to Tassajara Hot Springs. The proposed road is approximately eight miles in length, most of which is in supervisor district number five.

From 'Coast Ridge Route To Be Followed By Government,' *Monterey County Post*, Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

There is little chance for federal aid for construction of road from Abbott's Lakes to Tassajara Hot Springs, Robinson stated. This road is included in the development plans for the national forest, but it is not considered as important by the service as are many other roads.

*Monterey County Post*, Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

### FAVOR NEW ROAD TO TASSAJARA

The Soledad City Council has gone on record in favor of the proposal to construct a county road from Abbott's Lakes to Tassajara

Hot Springs. The road would follow the Arroyo Seco River opening up some beautiful country and making the long climb over the ridge from Jamesburg unnecessary for those who wish to visit the Springs.

From 'BIS o' THIS an' O' THAT,' *Salinas Index-Journal*,  
April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

The summer season is upon us. We accepted this fact this morning when our good friend Charlie Ayer told us that he was to open Tassajara to the public on May 1. This is Charlie's first year as manager at the great mountain resort, but by no means his first venture in this field. He has an excellent personality and, with the aid of his estimable wife, should bring added acclaim to this justly famous place high in the Santa Lucia Range.

*Salinas Index Journal*, April 11<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

### AYER WILL PRESIDE AT TASSAJARA

WELL KNOWN BUSINESSMAN OF SALINAS FOR MORE THAN 20 YEARS SELECTED TO MANAGE FINE RESORT

C. W. (Charlie) Ayer, for many years a leading Salinas businessman, is to return to his first love as a vocation—that of catering to a transient public. Tassajara Springs is to have a new manager this year. And there is the story's told in one paragraph, just as the big time city editors demand it.

And that's what we call news!



C. W. Ayer

Announcement that he would open the Springs on May 1 for the 59<sup>th</sup> annual time, was made here this morning by Ayer. Mrs. Ayer, who has been associated with her husband in his business ventures here, will likewise be with him at Tassajara, lending her gracious personality toward preserving the popularity of that justly famous resort.

With Fairmont Hotel

Ayer has been in Salinas for a matter of 21 years. During the days of the Ford & Sanborn Company he was manager of the hardware department, later taking over that business when the firm dissolved.

One year ago Ayer sold a half interest in his

store at this place to Messrs. W. A. Emmett and A. Hamilton, who came here from San Francisco to take an active part in the management of the store. This gave Ayer his opportunity to get into the open. Always a lover of the hills, and Tassajara, especially, he readily accepted an offer to take over the management of the resort this year.

Few Salinas people know, however, that this is not Charlie's first venture in the catering game. At one time, during the reign of Colonel Fitzpatrick and Obediah Rich at the Fairmont Hotel, the local man was with them when they operated the hotel for the Palace Hotel Company, of San Francisco.

Will Feature Food

Ever a good trencherman himself, Ayer declares his best effort will be directed toward giving patrons of Tassajara the very best to be had in food during the forthcoming season. To this end he already has, on the ranch in the floor of the valley, 5000 fryers, 20 baby beef, 200 spring lambs and 50 young pigs.

And, mindful of how he often went hungry on a morning when he wanted to fish, rather than await the 7:00 o'clock breakfast hour and have to wade the streams in the heat of the day, Ayer has arranged for a special breakfast, at which he will, himself, preside, at the hour of 5:00 o'clock, for aspiring disciples of Ye Ancient Isaac. He will, likewise, put up lunches for those going fishing, should they desire to remain long on the streams in pursuit of the finned beauties.

In keeping with the spirit of "New Spain" and the old Spanish traditions, Ayer has arranged for periodical barbecues for patrons of the resort only, in mid-week throughout the season. As a barbecue chef Ayer stands out among his fellows. His annual affairs for Salinas Lodge No. 614 B.P.O. Elks, and his annual barbecue at the George Gordon Moore rancho, as well as his annual "Big Week" feast for groups of his friends, have come to be pretty much a part of the life and history of this community.

For Golf Enthusiasts

And, no longer will one have to remain behind when the weekend exodus to Tassajara begins, simply because one feels that he must not neglect his golf. A complete 18-hole golf course, in miniature, has been laid out in this tiny valley which houses Tassajara. The course will cover about one and one-half miles, thus giving the needed exercise to the tired business man who cares for the ancient sport of the Scots.

The same masseur service as in the past will be offered patrons of the Springs, with Dr. and Mrs. Adams in attendance.

The merits of the vapor, tub and shower baths, as well as the splendid swimming pool, are too well known to warrant repetition here.

Two Stages This Season

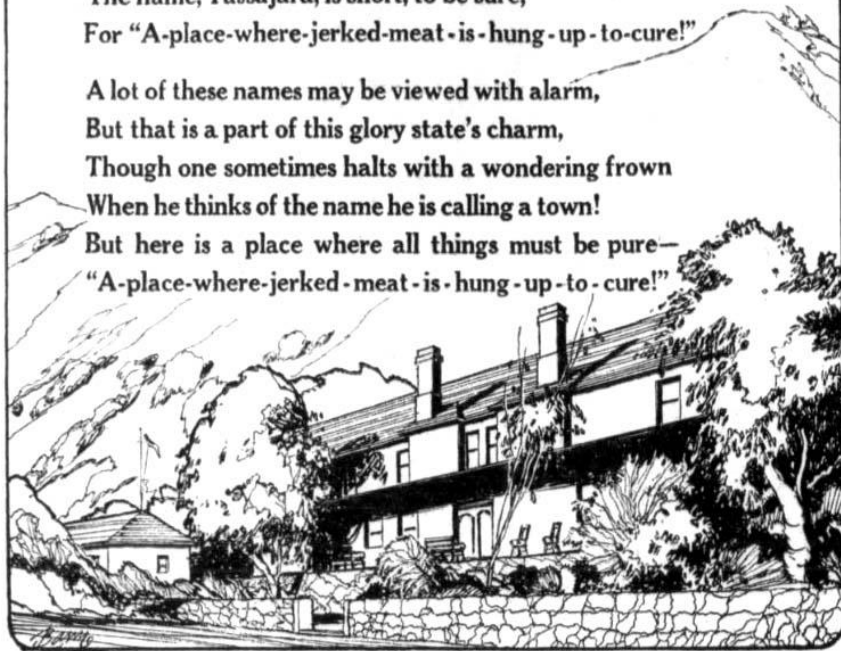
The Tassajara Springs Company, owners of the resort, have purchased and placed in commission two new seven passenger stages which will be operated under direction of S. Kraul, for many years in the employ of E. F. Rossi,

**SONGS of CALIFORNIA**  
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**TASSAJARA**

There's a town in the mountains whose name will endure --  
"A-place-where-jerked-meat-is-hung-up-to-cure!"  
And here are some springs full of mineral wealth  
That people there tell you will bring you new health.  
The name, Tassajara, is short, to be sure,  
For "A-place-where-jerked-meat-is-hung-up-to-cure!"

A lot of these names may be viewed with alarm,  
But that is a part of this glory state's charm,  
Though one sometimes halts with a wondering frown  
When he thinks of the name he is calling a town!  
But here is a place where all things must be pure--  
"A-place-where-jerked-meat-is-hung-up-to-cure!"



of this city.

With the fishing season opening on the same day as the annual event at the Springs, Ayer declares he looks forward to record crowds from the very beginning of the season.

And thus, even as the outside public, coming here each year to attend the California Rodeo, have come to look upon the Ayer home, on Maple Street, as headquarters for all and the great meeting place for social converse, so will that public find the same pleasant smiles and gracious welcome on the part of both Mr. and Mrs. Ayer at the Springs this year.

*Monterey County Post, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1930:*

**NEW MANAGER FOR TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

Tassajara Hot Springs, well known Monterey County resort, will have a new manager when it opens on May 1 of this year. He is C. W. Ayer, prominent Salinas merchant, who will leave the management of his hardware business to his partners this summer to accept the position at Tassajara. He will be aided by Mrs. Ayer.

A number of new and different events are

planned for this season at the Springs. An added entertainment feature is a miniature 18 hole golf course, which is just 1 1/2 miles long.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1930:*

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*Monterey Peninsula Herald, April 19<sup>th</sup>, 1930:*

**C. W. AYER LEASES  
TASSAJARA; OPENS FOR  
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C. W. Ayer, for the last 20 years a prominent business man and a lifelong devotee of outdoor life, has leased the popular Tassajara Hot Springs resort in the Santa Lucia Mountains and will run it under his personal supervision this summer, he announced today. Mrs. Ayer will be associated with her husband in the enterprise, insuring a homelike atmosphere in the roomy hotel and about the spacious grounds.

Ayer has been a guest at Tassajara on many occasions since he became a resident of this county, and says he plans to operate the resort in a manner designed to satisfy the most exacting patrons. For instance, he will himself prepare the special fisherman's breakfast which he plans as a regular feature of the establishment, to be served each morning at 5 a. m.

Midweek barbecues for his guests are to be another attractive feature of the summer season program, and a large herd of cattle, with a flock of lambs and several hundred head of poultry, all on property belonging to Ayer, will provide an ample supply of fresh meat for every purpose.



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#### DINING SERVICE

In this particular department we are giving special attention, and are going to serve you the best meals Tassajara ever served. To give you an idea of the preparations we have made, we will tell you that right now, we have on our menu in the Salinas Valley the following, in meat and poultry: DUCK, TURKEY, CHICKEN, GOOSE, BEEF, LAMB, VEAL, PORK, and these served with the vegetables that are grown in the Salinas valley and going to permit us to serve you the most appetizing food that one would wish.

#### SPECIAL BREAKFAST SERVED

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We have found that during the season, owing to the fact that the fishing and hunting in Tassajara springs is unusually good that we cannot meet anglers and hunters that like to leave the springs early in the morning, to make their trip more enjoyable, we are installing a special dining room and gas equipment so that we may be able to serve at 3 o'clock breakfast, and get up a noon day lunch which will carry no additional cost to your regular rate.

#### MASSUERS

Mr. and Mrs. Adams who have acted for several years as masseur and masseuse are going to be with us again this year and they need no introduction to you.

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We are putting in a miniature golf course for five men to use gratis which will be placed the length of the long runway which will give the player a walk of about one to one and a half miles in the 18 holes.

#### HORSE BACK RIDING

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### How To Get to Tassajara Hot Springs

Take the Southern Pacific train or the Pickwick to Salinas, Del Monte or Monterey. The stage leaves the Pickwick office at 11:00 a. m. and connects at Jamesburg with the stage that leaves Salinas at 1:00 p. m. daily, except Sunday. By arrangement, parties of four or more can arrange for Sunday appointment and arrive at the springs in time for dinner. We are running two 7-passenger Pierce Arrow stages which are owned by the Tassajara Springs Company, and operated by them under the direction of S. Kraul, a man who has been in the employ and driving for Ed. Rossi for 21 years—a careful, experienced courteous driver. The phone will be replaced for the use of guests driving their own cars in, and on arriving at the top of the hill at China Camp you can phone in and have a one way traffic over the grade for the last four miles. The stage trips in and out is one of the most interesting parts of your vacation. This trip is considered one of the most beautiful and scenic spots in the United States. Fare \$5.00 one way. 48 miles from Salinas. Leaving the springs on the return trip the stage starts at 7:30 a. m. and arrives in Salinas at 10:00 a. m. Get your directions from any Transportation Company. The stage departs from the Hotel Jeffery.

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C. W. AYER, MANAGER

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Monterey County Post, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

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Monterey County resort, will open for its 59<sup>th</sup> season next Thursday, May 1, according to an announcement from C. W. Ayer, prominent Salinas business man, who has leased the resort for this season. Mrs. Ayer will be associated with her husband in operation of the popular Santa Lucia Mountain resort, insuring a homelike atmosphere in the roomy hotel and spacious grounds.

Tassajara has been a vacationer's paradise for years. In addition to the renowned medicinal baths there is trout fishing, swimming in a spacious pool, hiking, horseback riding and golf, on a newly laid out miniature course, 1 and one half miles in length.

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Hunting  
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# VACATION CALLS

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In this particular department we are giving special attention, and are going to serve you the best meals Tassajara ever served. To give you an idea of the preparations we have made, we will tell you that right now, we have on our ranch in the Salinas Valley the following in meat and poultry: 5000 YOUNG FRYERS, 24 BABY BEEF, 200 SPRING LAMBS, 50 YOUNG PIGS, and these served with the vegetables that are grown in the Salinas valley are going to permit us to serve you the most appetizing food that one would wish.

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Natural attractions at the resort have long been popular with residents in the Monterey County area, who are familiar with the endless supply of hot water that emerges from the rocks at a temperature so high that cooling is necessary for bathing purposes, while, a short distance away, ice cold water flows down in a mountain torrent teeming with gamey steel-head waiting to tempt the angler. A swimming pool 50 feet wide and 125 feet long provides the proper combination of temperatures for bathers.

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*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1930:*

**C. W. AYER, SALINAS BUSINESS MAN, WILL MANAGE TASSAJARA**

An important feature of the half-page ad of Tassajara Springs in today's issue of the *Pajaronian*, is the announcement that C. W. Ayer, prominent business man of Salinas, will preside over the destinies of this famed resort this season.

Charles Ayer is one of the best known and most popular business men in Monterey County, and his taking over of the management of Tassajara Springs will be hailed with satisfaction by the public, as Mr. Ayer is no stranger in catering to the public.

Regarding this important change, we take the following "send-off" from the Salinas Index-Journal, whose management has known Mr. and Mrs. Ayer for years.

Announcement that he would open the Springs on May 1 for the 59th annual time, has been made by Ayer, who also stated that Mrs. Ayer, who has been associated with her husband in his business ventures here, will likewise be with him at Tassajara, lending her gracious personality toward preserving the popularity of that justly famous resort.

**With Fairmont Hotel**

Ayer has been in Salinas for a matter of 21 years. During the days of the Ford & Sanborn Company he was manager of the hardware department, later taking over that business when the firm dissolved.

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Few Salinas people know, however, that this is not Charlie's first venture in the catering game. At one time, during the reign of Colonel Fitzpatrick and Obediah Rich at the Fairmont Hotel, the local man was with them when they operated the hotel for the Palace Hotel Company, of San Francisco.

#### Will Feature Food

Ever a good trencherman himself, Ayer declares his best effort will be directed toward giving patrons of Tassajara the very best to be had in food during the forthcoming season. To this end he already has, on the ranch in the floor of the valley, 5000 fryers, 20 baby beef, 200 spring lambs and 50 young pigs.

And, mindful of how he often went hungry on a morning when he wanted to fish, rather than await the 7:00 o'clock breakfast hour and have to wade the streams in the heat of the day, Ayer has arranged for a special breakfast, at which he will, himself, preside, at the hour of 5:00 o'clock, for aspiring disciples of Ye Ancient Isaac. He will, likewise, put up lunches for those going fishing, should they desire to remain long on the streams in pursuit of the finned beauties.

In keeping with the spirit of "New Spain" and the old Spanish traditions, Ayer has arranged for periodical barbecues for patrons of the resort only, in mid-week throughout the season. As a barbecue chef Ayer stands out among his fellows. His annual affairs for Salinas Lodge No. 614 B.P.O. Elks, and his annual barbecue at the George Gordon Moore rancho, as well as his annual "Big Week" feast for groups of his friends, have come to be pretty much a part of the life and history of this community.

And, no longer will one have to remain

behind when the weekend exodus to Tassajara begins, simply because one feels that he must not neglect his golf. A complete 18-hole golf course, in miniature, has been laid out in this tiny valley which houses Tassajara. The course will cover about one and one-half miles, thus giving the needed exercise to the tired business man who cares for the ancient sport of the Scots.

The same masseur service as in the past will be offered patrons of the Springs, with Dr. and Mrs. Adams in attendance.

The merits of the vapor, tub and shower baths, as well as the splendid swimming pool, are too well known to warrant repetition here.

The Tassajara Springs Company, owners of the resort, have purchased and placed in commission two new seven passenger stages which will be operated under direction of S. Kraul, for many years in the employ of E. F. Rossi, of this city.

With the fishing season opening on the same day as the annual event at the Springs, Ayer declares he looks forward to record crowds from the very beginning of the season.

And thus, even as the outside public, coming here each year to attend the California Rodeo, have come to look upon the Ayer home, on Maple Street, as headquarters for all and the great meeting place for social converse, so will that public find the same pleasant smiles and gracious welcome on the part of both Mr. and Mrs. Ayer at the Springs this year.

*Salinas Index-Journal, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1930:*

## TASSAJARA FISHING GOOD, ROAD PERFECT, SAYS AYER

Despite the fact that the water was a little high to get the big ones to rise, everyone at

Tassajara got the limit on the first day of trout season, according to reports from C. W. (Charlie) Ayer, manager at the popular mountain resort. Ayer, in communication to The Index-Journal, states that a number of Salinas, Watsonville and Monterey people were on hand for the opening day.

Robert Porter, of Salinas, carried off horse shoe honors on the opening day. Ayer states that the road to the resort is in perfect condition.

*Salinas Index-Journal, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1930:*

## GUADIN GETS THRILL OUT OF TRUCK RIDE TO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

G. C. Gaudin, Ford dealer in Salinas, recently got an unusual introduction to the road into Tassajara Springs. Used as the motor dealer is to riding a pitching monoplane high in the air, he declares he got the thrill of his lifetime on his first trip into the Springs, but not because of the roughness of the way.

"They told me about the road—some of them said it was a hard one to drive. Well, I never saw anything I wouldn't try once, so I tackled the Tassajara Road," Gaudin told the *Index-Journal* today.

"We left here one morning about three weeks ago in one of the new four-wheel drive Ford trucks carrying two tons of groceries. C. W. Ayer, manager of the resort, rode with me.

# GROCERIES for TASSAJARA

After using a Ford Sedan for two years the Tassajara management decided to purchase a new Ford Truck and Sedan for their work this year.



C. W. Ayer and Gaudin with one of the new Ford Trucks carrying two tons of groceries on the road to the Tassajara Hot Springs.

**NEW FORD 4-WHEEL  
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## **GAUDIN MOTOR CO.**

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Gaudin said today that the Tassajara management was so well pleased with the service of the Ford sedan they used last year that a new car and one of the new trucks will be part of this year's equipment.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1930:*

### STAGE PROVIDES SAFE, COMFORTABLE TRIP INTO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs is as popular this year as ever, if not more so, and constant inquires come to this office requesting information as to the departure of stages for the popular resort.

Following is the schedule for the comfortable, powerful motor stage which leaves Salinas, daily, except Sunday, at 1 p. m., arriving at Jamesburg, 2:40, at China Camp, 3:55, and arrives at Tassajara at 4:45 p. m.

The trip is safe and picturesque and the stage travels at a comfortable rate of speed. Visitors to Tassajara claim that the ride in and out of the famous resort is one of the chief attractions of the trip.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, May 15<sup>th</sup>, 1930:*

### RECENT ARRIVALS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

The season has opened up, in great shape, at Tassajara Hot Springs, judging from the following list of recent arrivals at that popular and beautiful resort:

Salinas—Robert Porter, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Nichols, Dr. and Mrs. Ray Appleby, Dr. and Mrs. Brazelton and two boys, S. H. Hutton and wife, Miss Jane Hutton, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pedroni, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Dorothy Pedroni, Miss Helen Pedroni, Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Samavia, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Cornett, Clarence Church, Mrs. Ralph Meyers, Walter B. Robinson, D. B. Graves, Bert Hebbroon, Leroy Tavernetti, Tom Rianda, R. A. Sheeby, I. B. Cornett, Herbert Henricks, Philip C. Carson.

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Oakland—Mrs. G. H. Tewerliger, G. H. Tewerliger, Dr. Ernest M. Fetzer.

Burlingame—Mrs. J. Lorenz, Fred S. Heinz, Dr. W. H. Martin, Dr. J. H. Lorenz, Mrs. W. H. Martin.

Carmel—O. Thiel, K. Hansch; Livermore—Katherine Norris; Newman—Dr. John Amstead; Hollister—Dr. C. D. Johnson, H. H. Trefts; Fresno—Mr. and Mrs. J. Wesley Tilton; San Jose—L. H. Rasmussen.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

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From Oakland: Mrs. G. H. Tewerliger, G. H. Tewerliger, Dr. Ernest M. Fetzer.

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From 'Summer Resort News,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

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*Salinas Index-Journal, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1930:*

### BARBECUE PICNIC AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Mrs. Ralph H. Smith and her sister, Miss Margaret Miller, entertained about 35 of their friends Thursday afternoon at Tassajara Hot Springs, with a delightful chicken barbecue. Delightful weather added to the enjoyment of the affair, with tables placed under the spreading trees that shaded the dance platform.

A unique program was arranged for the occasion by Miss Miller, and was given over the lines of the broadcasting system which has just been installed by the management, for the entertainment of guests. The entire grounds and buildings have been wired, and special intensifiers placed in the club-house, lobby and dining room and at the dance platform, so that the latest music may be heard simultaneously by guests scattered throughout the buildings.

Following the barbecue dancing was enjoyed by the assembled guests for the remainder of the afternoon.

Mrs. Smith and Miss Miller will leave the Springs shortly for a tour of California, before returning to their homes in Waterbury, Connecticut.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

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From San Francisco: Mr. and Mrs. E. Shernikerr, Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Barron, Mr. and Mrs. G. E. Forrester, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Thompson, J. W. Miller, A. L. North and son, George Tourny, Stanley Sharp, M. T. Rau, R. J. Buuowes, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Van Ney, Albert J. Fabre, E. H. Hildebrant, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Mancke, L. W. King, Mr. Willet, Mr. and Mrs. Coral Wills.

From Salinas: Herb Hinricks, Phil Carson, Leslie Kellogg, Clarence Church, Chester Chesholm, J. O. Breschini, Jr., C. A. Nance, M. Winkie, Mrs. A. J. Pierce, William Jeffery, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Burchell, M. W. Austin, J. F. Davis, J. W. Storm, Avis Branch, Lillian Hurt, Berl H. Leidig, Herbert Mills, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Wyatt, Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Bomer, E. B. Tustin, E. D. Woods, J. F. Danvers, P. C. Christial.

From other places: Raymond Armsby, Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Tucker, Burlingame; Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Biglan, Mrs. Vera Perk Mills, C. A. Cubaniss, Carmel; William Tavernetti, Mrs. D. C. Sueible, J. H. Taylor, Gonzales; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Ayer, Edith Ayer, Bob Ayer, Gilroy; H. H. Shoemaker, Los Angeles; J. W. Sargent, W. C. Adams, Eva Pagner, Monterey; Miss Caellesfield, Piedmont; J. F. O'Donnell, George W. Cose, Palo Alto; Mrs. T. A. Work, Jr. and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ferlinger, Pacific Grove; R. M. Herming, Mr. and Mrs. L. K. Wright, L. R. Beaverson, P. A. Maloney, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, San Jose; Captain and Mrs. J. C. Cantwell, Mr. and Mrs. Leo E. Kemper, Sausalito; Mr. and Mrs. Joe King, Castroville; Paul E. Ayer, Oakland.

*Salinas Index-Journal, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1930:*

### TASSAJARA PLEASES TRAVELER

AND MAN JUST BACK FROM SOJOURN ABROAD WRITES THIS PAPER OF HIS LOVE FOR OUR MOUNTAIN RESORT

(Editor's Note: The beauties of Tassajara so affected L. P. Fletcher, and so pleased was that individual to get back to the beauty spot in the Santa Lucia Range that he penned the following for use by *The Index-Journal*)

By L. P. Fletcher

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS—It is several years since I penned a letter of the happenings at this marvelous place—but only because I have been sojourning in a foreign land. After again reaching America I hastened here and I am having, as usual, a most delightful and beneficial visit.

Many improvements have been made that add to the comfort of guests and the road is much better than it was a few years ago, when the far-famed Tony's Boulevard gave motorists a thrill of fright not soon forgotten. That is now eliminated and the road is of uniform grade. I think there is no road of such scenic beauty in this state, barring none, and the beautiful mesal [yucca] blooms stand like ghostly sentinels, guarding dark canyons and purling waterfalls.



Arriving at the Springs the old timer is greeted as a returned member of the household and the stranger is made to feel at home by the genial and gracious hosts, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer. I have traveled far and to many public resorts, but believe me, it is in your Monterey County, Tassajara Hot Springs, that one cannot help but respond to the whole-souled hospitality extended. The stranger is conducted to all the buildings, shown where the baths and swimming tank are, and told how use them and drink the waters to receive the greatest benefits, and I am here to tell you these courtesies are not shown in many places.

I wonder if most of your people know the really wonderful medicinal waters of Tassajara. There are now two ladies from Connecticut, who, like myself, are world travelers, and we agree that even the European spas, as hot springs are there called, cannot even equal those of Tassajara. The old Indians knew what they were doing when they brought their sick comrades to lay them in the healing waters.

And besides those who come for the curative waters, there are many more that come for the rest and enjoyment to be found. Yesterday I counted 15 saddle horses going out, taking guests on a fishing trip or else rides on the beautiful trails.

Ayer is untiring in his efforts to please, as noted that he will cook and serve breakfast as early as 5:00 a. m. to the fishermen who wish an early start. Show me where else it is done.

Today we had a great barbeque, cooked over the new brick pit just completed, and oh, boy, how full of good eats—young chickens and lamb broiled to perfection, brown beans of heart's delight, spaghetti, chili, salsa a la Ayer, coffee and ice cream. Again I say, show me another place where you will get a setup of that kind and without extra charge.

Fifteen cars came in over the weekend, so we had quite an addition to the regular guests. I am going now to get the list of guests at the office, and later on I will write more of our life at this little kingdom in the hills.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1930:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

The number of guests visiting the Tassajara Hot Springs, in the Santa Lucia Mountains near Monterey and Salinas, since May 1, indicate that this will be the most successful season in the history of the resort, according to reports reaching the local office from the Springs.

The season opened at the Springs on May 1, and will continue until October 1. The resort is located forty-eight miles from Salinas and Monterey, on the shores of Tassajara Creek in the range of mountains skirting the ocean south of Monterey. The creek and its tributaries are stocked each year with trout, making the resort one of the best fishing centers in California. Provision is made for numerous sports, including miniature golf, swimming, hiking and horseback riding.

In addition to the recreational advantages of the rest, it claims some of the best mineral springs in the West. The water used for drinking and bathing has proven beneficial in the treatment of many chronic diseases. Mineral

plunges and vapor baths are provided for both sexes, with a running cold creek nearby for a refreshing plunge afterward. Accommodations at the resort include a hotel and modern cottages, with a dining room featuring foods produced on the resort company's ranch in the Salinas Valley.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*,  
June 29<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Miss Marie Bardin, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Fisher, San Mateo; August Waldenmeter, San Francisco; Miss Fritzi Lachmund, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. H. Y. Joy, Oakland; Mrs. C. A. Gebhart, Santa Cruz; James Greggains, San Francisco; Frank Casey, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Gibson, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Christensen, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. L. D. McGowan, Watsonville; Mr. and Mrs. George Riecks, Monterey; Mrs. C. Winton, Monterey; Mrs. L. E. Wyatt, Salinas; Mrs. S. E. Bommer, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Thorpe, Watsonville; Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Goodman, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Burns and family, Monterey; Carter Porteo, Amsterdam, Holland; Henry Wiethase, Taft; Harriet Ellis, San Francisco; Peggy McFadden, San Francisco; Florence Beck, Oakland; Miss L. L. Norris, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Carroll, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Brascisco, Menlo Park; Mildred Brascisco, Menlo Park; Miss Ann Calvin, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Galvin, San Francisco.

H. Pigur, Salinas; Martin Kulish, Watsonville; Martin Butier, Watsonville; T. M. Van Winkle, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Wade, Burlingame; A. P. Madsen, Sprekels; Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Bevan, Burlingame; L. P. Krausgrill, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Kniesche and son, San Francisco; Dr. and Mrs. S. L. Baker, San Francisco; C. B. Rilivich, Watsonville; Mrs. L. M. Lehmann, San Francisco; Mary Commerford, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pioda, Sprekels; Miss Helen Igleheart, Sprekels; Miss Ruth Igleheart, Sprekels; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Brown, Monterey; W. H. Cameron, San Francisco; E. J. McKinney, San Francisco; Phillip B. Tustin, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Reicker, Pacific Grove; Mrs. R. H. Smith, Waterberry, Conn.; Miss Margaret Miller, Waterberry, Conn.; Charles P. Sambraido, Watsonville; W. S. Simpson, Watsonville; Mr. and Mrs. George Gould, Salinas; Dr. and Mrs. E. W. Reeves, Salinas.

Robert Ford, Salinas; Field Tooker and party, Salinas; L. M. Hagestad, Salinas; J. H. Breing, Monterey; Ralph Condon, Carmel; Mrs. Brady Carr, Berkeley; Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Williams, Monterey; Mr. and Mrs. H. Mestie, Monterey; Henry Bondesen, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. J. Guiggain, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Hayes, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. F. Huffman, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. W. Hufschmidt, Oakland; Mrs. Fred Treat, Carmel; M. J. Block, San Francisco; Margaret Foley, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ianne, San Jose; George E. Robbins, Burlingame; William S. Tevis, Burlingame; Arthur Greeley, Burlingame; O. D. Hood, Salinas; J. F. Dan-

vers, Salinas; Adeline Wrede, San Francisco; R. H. Lawrence, San Francisco; R. A. Thompson, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Julian Phillips, Carmel; J. G. McIlvain, Los Angeles; Herbert M. Jeffery, San Francisco; Louie Bernstien, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Vining, Monterey.

C. V. Canfield, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. Knight, Salinas; R. A. Armstrong, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. John Martin, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. Hal Allen, Salinas; John Church, Salinas; S. J. Spear, Salinas; J. J. King, Castroville; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur George, Castroville; Charles P. Sambraido, Watsonville; Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Gaudin, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Myers, Salinas; h. Laws, Salinas; E. R. Mann and daughter, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Holgerson, Watsonville; H. B. Baum, Salinas; B. E. Anderson, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Heple, Salinas; Laura Rhodes, Salinas; Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Rooney, San Francisco; Miss N. Sealamani, San Francisco; Mrs. W. A. Emmett and family, Salinas; Mrs. A. Z. Cooper, Monterey; A. H. G. Cooper, Monterey; Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Harden, Salinas; M. B. Felman, Salinas; Hugh Young and family, San Francisco; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Maller, Salinas; J. A. Eustace, Carmel; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pedroni, Salinas; Miss Helen Pedroni, Salinas; Miss Dorothy Pedroni, Salinas.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

## MRS. HELEN G. QUILTY SUSTAINS LEG FRACTURE

Salinas friends of Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, of San Jose, will learn with much regret that she sustained a fall several days ago and broke one of her legs in three places. Mrs. Quilty at the time was contemplating going on a vacation and the accident has necessitated calling off plans for the trip.

Mrs. Quilty, former owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, popular mountain resort near here, is the step-mother of Mrs. William Jeffery and Mrs. Howard Cozzens, both of this city.

*San Francisco Chronicle and San Francisco Examiner*,  
guest season of 1930:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

MONTEREY COUNTY-VIA SALINAS  
OR MONTEREY

Stage leaves Salinas daily at 1 P. M.  
HOT MINERAL—VAPOR—SOLAR  
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Expert masseurs. Excellent table, board, with modern cottages or hotel rooms. Rates \$28 to \$40 per week. Hunting, fishing, swimming, hiking; wonderful scenery and good roads. C. W. Ayer, Prop. and Mgr.

*San Jose Evening News*, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

## TRIP OUTLINED TO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

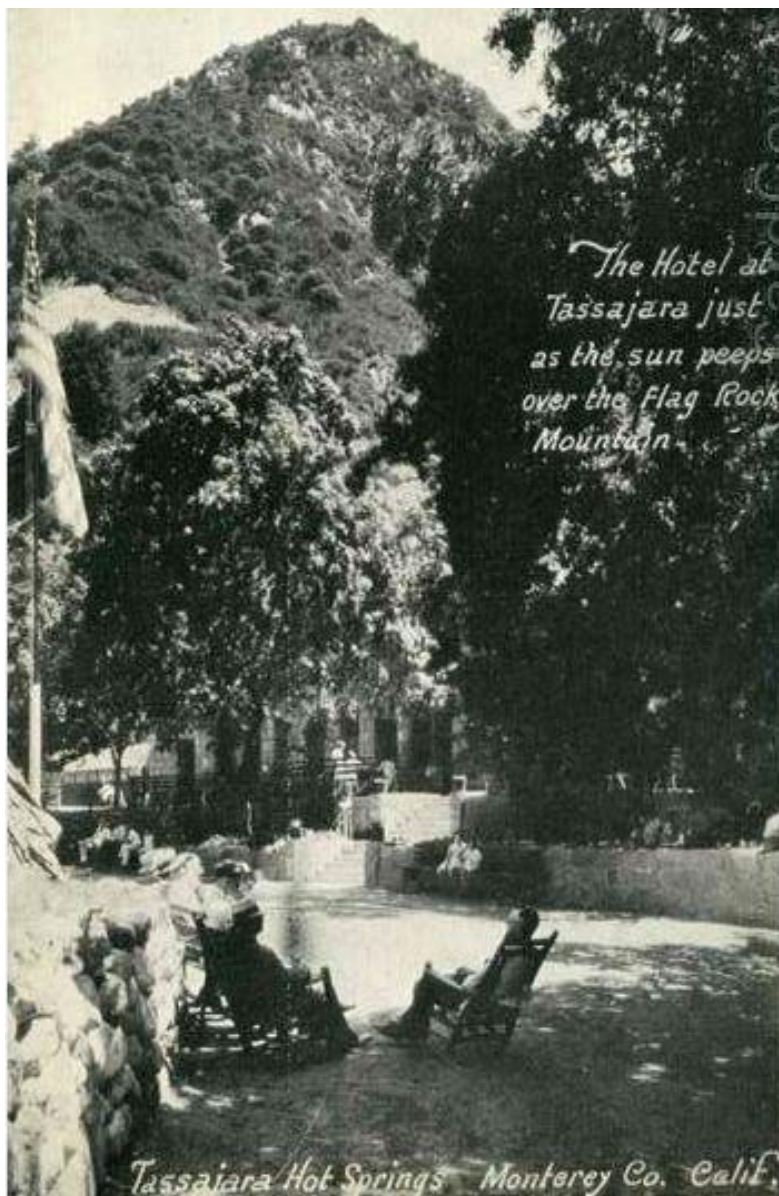
A trip to Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, provides an excellent week-end jaunt, or a trip of longer duration, according to L. L. Norris, touring director of the National Automobile Club.

Pavement will be encountered from San Francisco to San Jose, with the exception of several miles of rough road starting at May-

1930, p. 235.

San Francisco Chronicle, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1930:

# TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS



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DANCING—HIKING—RIDING**

**DRINK OR BATHE IN HOT OR COLD**

**WONDER-WORKING MINERAL WATERS**

Excellent Dining Room and Bath House Service. Hot Mineral, Vapor or Sun Baths. Expert Masseurs. Rates—\$28 to \$40 per week, including baths.

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For Particulars, Write C. W. Ayer

**Tassajara Hot Springs—Salinas, Cal.**

*San Francisco Chronicle, Peck-Judah or Crabtree's*

1930; p. 236.

Salinas Index-Journal, July 2nd, 1930:



# CELEBRATE the 4th at Tassajara Hot Springs

With the Fourth of July coming on a Friday this year, opportunity presents itself to make this a real three-day holiday and there is no better place in this section than Tassajara Hot Springs. Noted for its hospitality, excellent food, comfortable lodging, hunting, fishing and scenery, Tassajara is the place for fun and plenty of recreation.

Make  
Reservations  
Early

Tassajara Hot Springs has always been known for its popularity on the 4th of July and to insure reservations may we suggest that you phone or wire immediately either to Tassajara Hot Springs or the Hotel Jeffery? By doing so you will avoid disappointment.



## Tassajara Hot Springs

C. W. AYER, Mgr.



1930 to 1931; p. 237.

Monterey County Post, Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1930:

## TASSAJARA SETS NEW RECORD IN PRESENT SEASON

The current season has seen more people at Tassajara Hot Springs than any year during its history, according to Charley Ayer, manager of this now famous resort.

Reservations for the month of September, according to Ayer, will set a new mark at the Springs. This is due largely, Ayer says, to additional advertising given to the resort in a statewide campaign this year and because Monterey County people know that September climate at the Springs is the finest to be found in the state.

The many forms of recreation afforded guests, and the fact that as a resort Tassajara is unsurpassed in making this wonder spot one of the most popular vacation spots in this section of the state, and a decided asset to Monterey County.

Salinas Index-Journal, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

## TASSAJARA TO CLOSE FOR 1930 SEASON ON LAST DAY OF MONTH

Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County's most famous health resort, will close its doors for the 1930 season tomorrow. The Springs have handled larger crowds this season than any previous one in their history, according to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ayer, who have been in charge of the popular vacation-time playground this year.

The service throughout was particularly good this year, according to those who visited there. The table was even better than in the past and those who know the history of the place will readily realize what such a statement means. The effort of Mine Host Ayer to purvey in particular to the early morning fishermen, through serving of a special warm meal at an early hour won the acclaim of all the disciples of "Ye Ancient Isaak."

During the coming month Ayer will have his workmen busy getting things shipshape for the winter months.

Salinas Index-Journal, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

## AYER'S CLOSE TASSAJARA; WILL SPEND WINTER HERE

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ayer, for the past season host and hostess at Tassajara Hot Springs, popular Monterey County resort, have closed the place for the year and will be at their home in this city throughout the winter.

The current season at Tassajara was one of the most successful in the history of the resort. Many are the compliments which have come to the Ayers upon their management, the excellence of the cuisine and the splendid service offered in every line.

Caretakers will be left at the springs throughout the winter season and Ayer will make occasional trips in to direct repair work during the quiet season.

An outstanding achievement at Tassajara this year is the securing of radio reception, which has been next to impossible until this year.

field [now part of Palo Alto] and continuing south where a new highway is under construction, thence pavement from San Jose to Gilroy and Salinas. Another two miles of construction will be encountered leaving Salinas, no detours, but careful driving necessary. The new Monterey Highway is followed for approximately 10 miles, at which point the road to Tassajara Hot Springs turns south. A wide, but somewhat rough, road is encountered for the first 5 or 6 miles, thence good wide graded road to the junction of Carmel Valley Road. The next three miles have been recently oiled, thence fair to good road to the point where one road continues straight ahead to Soledad, 38 miles, and the other road branches right to Jamesburg, but from that point to Tassajara it is a dirt mountain road. The roadbed is good, but the grade is steep, ranging from 12 to 18 percent, and there is a steady climb from Jamesburg to the summit, thence seven miles step decent to the Springs. This road should be driven in second and low gear both ascending and descending to insure safety, and it is absolutely not advisable to any but thoroughly experienced mountain drivers.

The road leads into the very heart of the Santa Lucia Range, ascending from practically sea level to an elevation of 5,060 feet at Chews Ridge Lookout Station on Chews Ridge. The road then descends to Tassajara Springs, elevation 1,750.

An alternate return trip is to retrace the above route to Jamesburg and 19 miles beyond, thence turn west, over the new oiled gravel highway along the Carmel River, through the fertile Carmel Valley, to either Carmel or Monterey, thence either through Watsonville and the Chittenden Pass to the main highway, or via Salinas and the San Juan Grade; or through Santa Cruz and via any of the numerous routes from that point to the bay district.

Salinas Index-Journal, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1930:

## DO YOU WANT A VACATION?

The next six weeks is the ideal time to visit Tassajara Hot Springs. If you are looking for a place that is different as well as restful, quiet, comfortably warm, the meeting place of the cosmopolitan, the resort that gives you the freedom and comforts of your home, with food that is unsurpassable, shade trees to shade your hammocks as you while away the hours.

Magic mineral waters in abundance for bathing and drinking purposes with an endless run of trails for hiking and horse-back riding.

Tassajara has entertained the largest crowd of satisfied guests in its 59 years of history. If you have not visited your own Monterey County resort, do so before the close of the 1930 season.

September—the ideal month in our big mountains—is the best time of the year to get your real rest.

We close October 1st. Visit us before that date and enjoy one of the most restful vacations you have ever had.

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Monterey County, California

1931

Monterey County Official Records 272: 419-424, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1931:

Helen G. Quilty to the Corporation of America (Bank of America Trust and Savings Association), a \$15,000 mortgage of the Tassajara Hot Springs, Horse Pasture and The Pines properties. This mortgage was satisfied on May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1936, re. Monterey County Official Records 434: 229.

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1931:

## WARDEN HOLOHAN TAKES MRS. HELEN G. QUILTY AS BRIDE

Watsonville friends were delightfully surprised today to learn of the marriage at Reno, Nevada, of Warden James B. Holohan of San Quentin Prison and Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, until recently the owner of Tassajara Springs, Monterey County. The news came to Watsonville through the medium of a United Press dispatch from San Francisco which said briefly that:

"James B. Holohan, warden of San Quentin State Prison, was married today at Reno to Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, widow of Charles Quilty, a prominent San Jose attorney. They are returning today to San Francisco and after a honeymoon voyage to the east by way of the Panama Canal will make their home at San Quentin."

The news was a complete surprise to even the most intimate Watsonville friends of the warden and his bride, many of whom had not the slightest inkling of the romance.

Warden Holohan was born and raised in the Pajaro Valley and still regards it as his home. He owns a fine apple orchard in the Holohan district northwest of town. He received his education in the local schools and was prominent in community affairs. About 17 years ago he left Watsonville to become a United States marshal, a position he held with distinction until the death of Sheriff Howard V. Trafton, when he came back to Santa Cruz to accept the appointment of the supervisors to the sheriff's post.

George Holohan and Mrs. E. E. Kelly, both of this city, are brother and sister of Warden Holohan.

About three and a half years ago, Sheriff Holohan was appointed by Governor C. C. Young to succeed Frank J. Smith when the latter resigned as warden of the stale prison at San Quentin. He was reappointed last month by Governor James Rolph Jr., a rare tribute to his ability, as such reappointments have been rare in the history of state politics.

One of the most colorful incidents in the life of Warden Holohan occurred several years ago while he was United States marshal, when his presence of mind and quick action saved one of the court attaches during an important trial. One of the witnesses, a Hindu, suddenly drew a gun and was about to shoot in revenge for fancied wrongs. The act was noted by Holohan who drew first and shot the would-be murderer dead in his tracks.

Although she has never lived here, the

former Mrs. Quilty is well known to Watsonville residents, having visited here frequently with her sister, Mrs. J. H. Thompson.

As the owner of Tassajara, popular resort in Monterey County, she met and made friends throughout this district by a charming personality. Since she sold Tassajara, about three years ago, Mrs. Holohan resided in San Jose, frequently traveling and spending some time with her sister at the latter's home on the San Juan Road.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Feb. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1931:

## J. B. HOLOHAN, WARDEN, WEDS IN RENO

MRS. HELEN FORD QUILTY BECOMES  
BRIDE OF SAN QUENTIN CHIEF

James B. Holohan, warden of San Quentin Prison, former United States Marshal for the Northern District, former State Senator and leader in democratic politics, was married yesterday morning in Reno to Mrs. Helen Ford Quilty, widow of Charles W. Quilty, attorney of San Jose. The wedding took place at Thomas Aquinas Church with Rev. Father Donohoe officiating. The couple are passing a brief honeymoon at the Riverside Hotel, Reno, and are expected to return Friday to San Francisco.

The warden's bride comes from a prominent family of the Santa Cruz and Monterey districts. She is the sister of Mrs. J. H. Thompson of Watsonville, Mrs. C. T. Ryan of Gilroy and of the late Dr. A. T. Schafer, internationally known for his serum discoveries and research.

Runs Hotel Properties

Following the death of her husband in 1914, Mrs. Quilty took over his hotel properties at Tassajara Springs, Monterey County, and developed and operated them for fifteen years. She sold the resort hotel two years ago and has since made her home alternately at the Hotel St. Claire in San Jose and at the Clift Hotel in San Francisco. She has no children of her own, but reared eight stepdaughters, all of whom are now residents of San Jose.

The romance of the warden and Mrs. Quilty was the outgrowth of an acquaintance of many years during which Mrs. Quilty was a close friend of Mrs. Adeline Holohan, the warden's wife, who died April 27, 1929.

Lives With Father

Miss Josephine Holohan, who lives with her father in the "house on the hill" overlooking San Quentin Prison, is the warden's only child.

Holohan became warden of San Quentin in August, 1927. At the time of his appointment he was serving as Sheriff of Santa Cruz County. He was United States Marshall for the Northern District during the administration of President Wilson.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Feb. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1931:

## SAN QUENTIN GREETES WARDEN AND BRIDE

Warden James B. Holohan was presented with a hand painted China dinner set by officials and guards of San Quentin Prison on his return there yesterday with his bride, the former Mrs. Helen Ford Quilty. A framed picture of San Quentin Prison was presented to them by the prisoners.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, March 31<sup>st</sup>, 1931:

## TASSAJARA OPENING MAY 1

AYER AND CORNETT OWNERS

Meats, On The Hoof, Poultry And Other  
Edibles, Being Gathered Here For Use At  
Famous Resort

Tassajara Springs will open on May 1 this year, according to Chas. W. Ayer and S. C. Cornett, in whose hands the future of the famous resort property now rests, they having acquired all other interests therein during the winter just passed. The opening this year will be most propitious, and will continue the Ayer-Cornett policy of "refinement and food" for all visitors of the place.

Although a month must pass before the proprietors will be able to welcome guests, the roads are in good condition, and interest in the Springs is already agog.

A large crew of workmen is engaged, at the present time, in putting the Springs to rights for the reception of guests at the appointed time.

Foodstuff Gathering

Chas. W. Ayer, who, together with Mrs. Ayer, will again be hosts at the Springs this season, spent the winter months getting together his beef cattle, lambs, chickens and everything in the way of meats to be consumed at the resort this summer. These animals and poultry are quartered near this city and will be requisitioned as their food values are required at the Springs.

That there will be splendid fishing at Tassajara this year seems to be the unqualified opinion of anyone who has visited there to date. According to Ayer there is plenty of water in the creek. Carmel River is dry, it is true, but there is a vast amount of water moving down between the banks along which Tassajara spreads her buildings.

Hot water, in particular, is more than sufficient, says Ayer.

New Trails and Roads

A new trail is being constructed over the hills from Tassajara to Abbott's, it was stated today. Saddle horses to the number of 20 or more with full riding gear will be stationed at either end of the trail for the amusement of those guests desiring to indulge in horseback riding.

The old roads are being widened, the county's shovel and scraper crews being sent in along those thoroughfares for that purpose.

New features are being added this year, and everyone who visits Tassajara after the opening will be impressed by the desire of the host and hostess to meet the desires of their guests.

The table will be featured with the best the market affords in every product of the nation. The same courteous attention to the baths and massage tables will be found working at top speed.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1931:

## TASSAJARA WILL OPEN FRIDAY FOR SIXTIETH SEASON

Opening its sixtieth annual season on Friday, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County

health and vacation resort, is better prepared than ever before to accommodate guests, according to Charles Ayer, who will again serve as manager of the popular resort. Ayer and "Smoke" Cornett, both of Salinas, have enjoyed unusual success since taking over the hot springs premises.

In a telephone message to the Herald this morning, Ayer reported that the recent heavy rains have put the trout streams in first class condition. Ayer also reported that through the efforts of County Supervisor A. A. Caruthers, the road was widened by one to three feet all the way in.

A trail has been made over the famed "Narrows" and offers many beautiful views for the person who takes that trip. Sports features at the resort include horseback riding, hiking, swimming, miniature golf and dancing.

Long famed for its mineral baths and mineral springs, Tassajara has been a favorite vacation spot for Monterey Peninsula residents for years. Being only 48 miles from the peninsula and reached by automobile or Tassajara stage, the Springs are also popular for weekend trips.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1931:

## TASSAJARA READY FOR 60th OPENING ON FRIDAY, MAY 1

Opening its doors for the 60th time since it first became the coast region's most famous and most popular summer resort, and prepared to welcome folk from the four corners of the earth this season, Tassajara Hot Springs will play host to its friends during the year 1931 beginning next Friday morning, May 1. The season will last until October 1.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, managers of the resort, in a recent broadside to their friends and former guests, extended the warmest of invitations to visit the place again this year, promising better service (if such a thing is possible) than in the past.

For months past Ayer has been assembling his foodstuffs, poultry, beeves, lambs and other edibles here in the valley where they may be kept in best condition until needed in the dining room.

"Ayer hospitality" has become the by-word among frequenters of Tassajara, even as "Quilty hospitality" was so well known in the days when the former owner of the place made her guests welcome at the doorstep.

Swimming, fishing, horseback riding, hiking—these are but four of the sports in which Tassajara excels. The wonderful baths and massage, the excellent waters—all these go to make up the offerings of one of the finest watering places in the golden state.

The new trail to Abbott's in Arroyo Seco is almost complete. A fine string of mounts has been assembled there, ready for those who like the equestrian sports.

The high waters of last weekend have improved fishing conditions, according to Mine Host Ayer.

The management expects a record crowd on the opening day, they said today.



Tassajara  
Hot Springs  
and  
Trout  
Season  
Open  
Friday  
May 1st



# Come To Tassajara Hot Springs

## Opening Friday, May 1st

Hot springs for bathing and drinking . . . Horseback riding . . .  
Plunges . . . Miniature golf . . . Dancing . . . Hiking . . . TROUT  
STREAMS . . . Wonderful food . . . Rest.



**C**OME, bathe in the health giving mineral baths of Tassajara, drink the mineral waters, rest, relax, find recreation in healthful outdoor sports. Miles of superb trout streams; a new trail has been built over the "narrows" offering vistas of great charm; a short trail from the Abbott Ranch leads into Tassajara Hot Springs and 12 or 15 saddle horses are in readiness to bring parties through.

Guests usually dress for comfort—light summer-weight fabrics are suggested. A sweater or wrap is sometimes necessary in the evening.

Post office, telephone, express and telegraph service are maintained. No camping or housekeeping privileges are granted.

## Enjoy Life At Tassajara



For further information address—

**CHAS. W. AYER, Manager**

Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Calif.

Phone Soledad 11-F-3

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

**ACCOMMODATIONS**—The hotel has 40 guest rooms besides various parlors. Also an annex and 28 cottages. Accommodations for over 200 guests.

**RATES**—\$30 to \$40 per week, including everything—room, meals, all sports (except horseback riding).

**CLIMATE**—Never a suggestion of fog, the nearness of the ocean tempers the air—one unbroken procession of balmy days.

**HOW TO GET THERE**—By automobile up the Carmel Valley to Jamesburg, then over the hills to Tassajara. Or by way of Salinas—Our stage meets the 11:15 train at Salinas and also makes connections with the Pickwick stage out of Monterey. The roads are in excellent condition.



1931; p. 240.

Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1931:

# Tassajara Hot Springs



Fishing

Hiking

Swimming

Dancing

Miniature Golf

Vapors

Horseback  
Riding

**TROUT SEASON OPENS FRIDAY, MAY 1st.**

**COME TO TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WHERE THE FISHING  
IS ALWAYS THE BEST**

**Bring the family. A variety of Recreation at the Springs to  
Keep the Whole Family Busy**

**A NEW TRAIL HAS BEEN COMPLETED FROM THE ABBOTT RANCH TO THE SPRINGS  
YOU CAN ALL HAVE AN ENJOYABLE TIME**

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

Stages Leave Salinas at 1 P. M. Daily Except Sundays



# VACATION AHOY!

TODAY

Friday, May 1

Sees the Opening

for the

SIXTIETH YEAR

of

## Tassajara Hot Springs



It is with pleasure we announce the 60th opening of Your Country Home, Tassajara Hot Springs, on Friday, May 1, 1931. Whether or not it has been our pleasure to entertain you as a guest in the past we extend to you a cordial invitation to come to Tassajara this season. You will not regret it. We assure you we will make every effort to make your stay an enjoyable one. Sincerely yours, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, Managers, Tassajara Hot Springs.

**"YOUR COUNTRY HOME"**

WITHIN THREE HOURS OF SALINAS

There you will meet the best people of the state and nation—they even come from abroad to visit this wonderland of the Santa Lucias.

Unique and different from any other vacation place on the Pacific Coast, Tassajara offers especial inducements to those seeking health through rest, the finest waters, baths, massage and the finest table available.

Early breakfast for fishermen who desire an early start on the morning's pastime.

- Fishing
- Hunting
- Swimming
- Hiking
- Horseback Riding
- Golfing



We'll Be Seeing You  
at

## Tassajara

Open From May 1 to  
October 1





Watsonville Evening Pajaronian, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1931:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS  
OPEN FOR SUMMER**

Vacation days are again on at Tassajara Hot Springs, the delightful mountain resort in southern Monterey County. This popular recreation spot is again open for the summer season, and as usual its lure will attract many tired business men and women and their families and friends.

With the opening of the trout season Friday the Springs will become the temporary home of hundreds. There are available fishing, swimming, plunges, vapors, miniature golf, hikes and horseback riding, to say nothing of an unexcelled cuisine.

An attractive quarter page advertisement in today's *Pajaronian* extends an informal invitation to Tassajara Hot Springs. The stage leaves Salinas at 1 p. m. every day except Sunday. The road is easily negotiated for private conveyance and many will drive their own cars. But whether by stage, private conveyance or on foot, the same cordial welcome will await the pilgrims who choose the Springs as their vacation haunt.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1931 (also in the 5/5/1931 Monterey County Post):*

**TASSAJARA HOT  
SPRINGS OPEN**

This morning Tassajara Hot Springs, one of California's most famous and beautiful summer resorts, nestled in the mountains of the coast range in Monterey County, will formerly open for the 1931 season under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Ayer.

The opening today marks the sixtieth year this famous resort has been in existence. The season will close October 1, and judging from the inquiries the management has received it will be among the best ever experienced.

Guests at Tassajara lack nothing to make their visit a pleasant and memorable one. The food is of the finest to be found in any resort. The scenery rivals any of the country in California. There are pools of natural hot water and of cold water as well.

There is hiking, fishing, dancing and other amusements to be found, and at the same time there is quietude that is sought by many who wish a real rest away from the scramble of business life.

Mr. and Mrs. Ayer have been unusually successful in their management of the resort and their many friends who visited there last year are planning on returning along with many new ones.

*Salinas Index-Journal, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1931:*

On the road to Monterey, 8 miles out, you turn left to go to. . .

**TASSAJARA  
HOT SPRINGS**

California's most interesting resort, white trails zigzag to the hotel from 3000 feet in the air, you look down breathless depths and after a short hike or ride you are again at the hotel

door.

Be Busy . . . . . Be Lazy

You have your choice, amusements galore, swimming, miniature golf, vapor baths, fishing, hiking, or if you if you prefer, a quiet nook in a hammock with your book. You will find our meals unexcelled and served in a manner that makes them doubly enjoyable.

Clean wholesome air, sunshine full of life giving rays, deep starry nights.

Every week spent at Tassajara adds a year to your life.

RATES—Room and board and all baths and sports privileges—

**\$30.00 to \$40.00 per week**

PIERCE ARROW STAGES LEAVE  
SALINAS EVERY DAY AT 1:00 P. M.

**TASSAJARA  
HOT SPRINGS CO.  
Monterey County, California**

*Salinas Index-Journal, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1931:*

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

Among recent guests at this favorite resort, which opened for the season on May 1, were the following:

Salinas: Mr. and Mrs. Ben Leidig, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Pioda, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Pedroni, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Cornett, Misses Bernice Donahue, Eunice Jane Hutton, Dorothy Pedroni, Helen Pedroni and Marie Cornett, Messrs. L. E. Johnson, L. Smith, Paul Sheets, H. M. Williamson, I. B. Cornett, and Father P. Gerald Gay.

Watsonville: Messrs. J. Liles, Carl Mehl, W. H. Paul, N. S. Penhemino, C. V. Paul, E. M. Petersen, Allan Petersen, Millard Coots, Kenneth Marshall, George Friermuth, J. Stonivich and N. Banicevich.

Monterey: Capt. Ross E. Larson, Messrs. Leland O. D. Moore, J. Fisher, A. A. Caruthers.

Carmel: Mr. and Mrs. K. Gould and Mr. and Mrs. B. R. Stover.

Madrone: Mrs. J. Sheldon and Miss Barbara Sheldon.

San Jose: Mr. and Mrs. J. Stephenson and F. E. Riegel.

San Francisco: Mr. and Mrs. Carol Willis.

Oakland: Mrs. M. Dyche.

*Salinas Index-Journal, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1931:*

**TASSAJARA EXPECTING  
IMMENSE CROWD OVER  
NEXT DOUBLE HOLIDAY**

It rained a lot in the mountains over the last weekend, and the streams of the Tassajara region were running bank full, according to Charles Ayer, joint manager with Mrs. Ayer of Tassajara Hot Springs resort in the Santa Lucia range, who was in Salinas this morning making arrangements for caring for the large crowd expected over the double holiday of next weekend.

"Fishing will be greatly increased," according to Ayer.

The popular Tassajara host told how the grounds around the famous resort were cut deeply by rivulets as the water coursed down

from the surrounding hills to join the flood in the stream bed.

Things were never so favorable for quite rest and improved health of a weekend at Tassajara as they are this year, says mine Host Ayer.

*Monterey County Post, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1931:*

**TASSAJARA IN READINESS  
FOR HOLIDAY TROOP**

Persons planning to spend the week end at Tassajara Hot Springs will experience one of the most enjoyable holidays that resort has ever offered, according to Charley Ayers, manager, who was in Salinas Wednesday making final preparations for the entertainment of guests.

With the rains of last week, streams in the mountain regions, according to Ayers, have raised as much as 12 inches, and fishing is the best that it has been this season. Limits of trout taken during the past few days, Ayers said, are running over the average in size. Ayers predicted that fishing would be extra good for the next couple of weeks.

Aside from fishing there is some form of sport of amusement to satisfy everyone. For the hiker a new trill has been built to the Big Narrows, one of the beauty spots of this region. The trails are all in fine condition, according to Ayers.

Horseback riding is another popular diversion at the Springs. A two hour ride over interesting trails takes one to the Abbott ranch on the Arroyo Seco. Horses are available at both places, making it possible for the equestrian to make the trip either way, or if so inclined, to make the round trip from either the ranch or Tassajara.

Golf and swimming are two of the most popular sports at the resort. The swimming tank is amply large to accommodate all of those who like this sport. Good music will be furnished over the week end for dancing, which will get the attention of most guests during the evenings.

Food, another item that guests, after a strenuous hike, swim or other diversion, give critical scrutiny, has won a statewide reputation at Tassajara and a table fit for any king will be in order over the week end, according to the genial manager.

*Monterey County Post, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1931:*

**COME TO  
TASSAJARA  
HOT SPRINGS  
FOR THE WEEKEND**

You'll say it was the grandest two-day vacation you've ever experienced

**GOLF HIKING SWIMMING  
DANCING FISHING HORSE BACK  
RIDING**

Since the rains of the past week-end streams have raised as much as twelve inches and as a result fishing is the best it has been this season. If you like to hike, a new trail to the Big Narrows offers scenery that is incomparable in this

# Tassajara Hot Springs At Its Best

The recent two inches rain has improved the roads, the fishing, the scenery. Take a little time off and visit California's Most Scenic Resort. May 30th falls on Saturday making a double holiday. Make it a point to spend the time where nature intended. We will make a special effort to make your trip interesting and pleasant. Swimming, fishing, dancing, horseback riding, vapors, miniature golf and above all our food is an outstanding feature. Saturday's, May 30th, Menu follows:

<b>BREAKFAST</b>	<b>LUNCHEON</b>	<b>DINNER</b>
Pres Peaches	MOCK Turtle Chowder	Fresh California Oyster Cocktail
Stewed Prunes	Sliced Tomatoes and Mayonnaise	RELISHES
Orange Juice	Fruit Salad	Celery
Raspberries and Cream	Heart's Lettuce Roquefort Cheese Dressing	SOUP
Strawberries and Cream	Corn Beef and Cabbage	Consommé A La Royal
Sliced Oranges	Tassajara Baked Pork Chops and Dressing	Amontillado Green Turtle and Country Biscuits
Special Strong Berries and Cream	Monterey Bay Grilled Salmon Steak	SALADS
Sauerkraut Juice	Moena Del Hotel	Fresh Shrimp
	CHOICE OF	Fresh Asparagus and Mayonnaise
Cream Wheat	VEGETABLES	1000 Island or French Dressing
Pepp	Potatoes Marquise	ENTREE
Post Toasties	Gucchini Italian Tomato Sauce	Aligollette of Halibut Moderne
Rice Kriapias	Peach Pie	CHOICE OF
Kellogg's Corn Flakes	Chocolate Sundae and Macaroons	Bread Chicken Tassajara
	Plum Pudding Sherry Sauce	Baked Virginia Ham Champagne Sauce
Ham and Eggs	Hot or Iced Tea, Coffee, Milk, Chocolate	Roast Prime Hibs of Beef Au Jus
Calves Liver and Bacon		VEGETABLES
Fried Chicken Country Style		Mashed Potato Buttered
Monterey Bay Abalone Steak		Apple Pie
Hot Cakes		Strawberry
Coffee		Short Cake
Tea		Glace Pantalale 1931
Milk		Raspberry Jello and Whipped Cream

**Rates—Daily: \$5.00, \$5.50, \$6.00 and \$7.00 per person.**

**Rates—Weekly: \$30.00 to \$40.00 per person.**

**Children under 2 years \$1.00 a day; under six years \$2.00 and 6 to 12 years one-half rate.**

We maintain a string of good saddle horses at the Abbott Ranch out of Soledad and make a charge of \$3.50 each way for a three hour trip up the Arroyo Seco River to Tassajara over one of the most beautiful trails in the State of California.

The above rates include the free use of all sports and the free use of baths. Forty-eight miles from Monterey Peninsula and forty-eight miles from Salinas.

## Tassajara Hot Springs

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, Mgrs.

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San Francisco Chronicle, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1931:

# TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS



**Fishing—Hunting—Swimming—Dancing—Hiking—Riding**

**Drink or Bathe in Hot or Cold Wonder-Working Mineral Waters**

Excellent Dining Room and Bath-House Service. Hot Mineral, Vapor or Sun Baths. Expert Masseurs.

Rates—\$28 to \$40 per week, including baths.

**Stage Leaves SALINAS Daily at 1 P. M.—Fare \$5.00**

WONDERFUL SCENERY—GOOD ROADS

For Particulars, Write C. W. Ayer

**Tassajara Hot Springs—Salinas, Cal.**

*San Francisco Chronicle, Peck-Judah or Crabtree's*

section of California.

For the equestrian the two-hour ride from Tassajara to the Abbott Ranch over excellent trails is a real treat for anyone.

DANCE MUSIC BY GOOD ORCHESTRA

Food the equal of which is seldom found.

GOLF AND SWIMMING

All This And More You Will Get At

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Home environment Reasonable Rates  
Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, Managers

*Salinas Index-Journal, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1931:*

### HOT TIME HAD BY SUPERVISOR WHEN VAPORS RUN AMUCK

“Turn on the Heat,” erstwhile song hit, has been permanently discarded from the repertoire of Supervisor A. A. Caruthers. A sudden and violent aversion to the melody was taken last night during a visit of the county board member at Tassajara Springs.

After inspecting county roads in that district, Caruthers decided it would be a pleasant move to take a vapor bath at the Springs. No sooner considered than done!

It was early in the evening that he entered the hot vapors, whose temperature hovered around the 100-degree mark. It was not long after that when he fell asleep in the bath, and was overcome by the heat, it was reported.

This morning he was discovered in the bath by James Princevalle, mayor of Gilroy. No ill effects appeared to have been suffered by the supervisor, who will next be introduced to the song: “Igloo Days are Coming Soon.”

*King City Rustler, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1931:*

### REOPEN TRAIL TO TASSAJARA RESORT

The old horseback trail to Tassajara Hot Springs, the only route to the resort before the present road was built, has been reopened by the United States Forest Service in cooperation with the resort owners.

The trail leads from Abbott's ranch up Willow Creek and follows up Tassajara Creek to the resort. The trail was reopened from Willow Creek on, as the first part of it has been open for travel.

*San Francisco Chronicle, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1931:*

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS IDEAL FOR OUTING

The outdoor man who likes fishing, hunting and mountain hiking will find Tassajara Hot Springs a restful vacation spot. Situated in Monterey County, forty-seven miles south of Salinas, with the scenic beauty of the Santa Lucia Mountains at its back, it is a vacation spot which, once enjoyed, is never forgotten.

The food at Tassajara is also something to be remembered. All meats are grown and killed on the premises. Fresh milk and vegetables, spring water and comfortable accommodations add to the general pleasure of the guest. While Tassajara is only eight miles from the ocean, the mountains cut off all cold winds and the summer months are ideal.

In the country surrounding the Tassajara locale are 400 miles of trout bearing streams. The Santa Barbara National Forest nearby is densely populated with deer, which stocks the

surrounding country with excellent hunting possibilities, the hunter knowing he is sure of tagging his buck without difficulty. Quail exist in abundance. Water from hot springs and Tassajara Creek is blended for ideal swimming in a sixty-foot pool attached to the hotel.

*San Francisco Chronicle, guest season of 1931:*

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS MONTEREY COUNTY—via Salinas or Monterey

Season May 1st to November 1st  
STAGE LEAVES SALINAS DAILY AT 1 P. M.  
HOT MINERAL—VAPOR—SOLAR BATHS  
EXPERT MASSEURS

EXCELLENT TABLE BOARD, WITH  
MODERN COTTAGES OR HOTEL ROOMS  
Rates—\$30 to \$40 per. wk. Hunting, Fishing,  
Swimming, Hiking—Wonderful Scenery and  
Good Roads. C. W. Ayer, Prop. and Mgr. See  
Peck-Judah, 672 Market St., S. F., and 434  
13th St., Oakland

*Salinas Index-Journal, Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1931:*

### TASSAJARA WILL BE OPEN MONTH LONGER THAN IN THE PAST

Tassajara, the great resort, known the world over for its offering to the sick and ailing—those needful of rest or surcease from pain—will serve its patrons one month longer this year than ever before in the history of the place. Thus said Chas. Ayer, mine host at the mountain beauty place, when he arrived in town today looking fit, carrying no fat, but just bimming over with good news about the

change in plans.

Always in the past the Springs have been kept open until September 30, only. This year the final call will not sound until October 31, Ayer said today.

Right now the mountains about the Springs are the prettiest—the autumnal leaves have begun shooting forth and everything round about the Springs carries the appeal of the late summer. The roads are in excellent condition. “Never saw them better,” said Ayer today. “I drive in easily in my flivver. It is no trick to make it in that time. I’ll welcome any of you, at any time, and feel assured that you will have enjoyed your ride in.”

The Springs are still popular, and some of the nation’s leading people have come in to rest or to write in quiet. The nightly conferences (or plain jaw feasts) are still interesting. Everyone is ready for bed with the 10:30 call, and up with the first faint break of day.

Ayers declares he believes the month longer opening will bring in some of the finest people in the land.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Nov. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1931:

### AYERS AGAIN HEADS HARDWARE STORE HE OWNED FOR MANY YEARS

Salinas opened her arms today to welcome back to her business lanes one who has been absent for the past two years, but who has always been with us in spirit, though his interests were elsewhere.

When the doors of the Ayer Hardware were opened it was the hand of cheery, kindly, beloved “Charley” Ayers which turned the lock. Today Ayer took over the interests of Russell Hamilton and W. A. Emmett, to whom he sold the property two years ago. Today he is back behind the counter where he stood so long waiting on the trade or spinning yarns with old friends and cronies.

When Ayer disposed of a portion of his local business interest two years ago he did so with intention of taking active management (together with Mrs. Ayer) of Tassajara Hot Springs. For two years the Ayers have given the most wonderful service at that mountain resort.

The repossession of the hardware store will, in no wise, alter the situation, as Ayer has already announced his projected return to the Springs next spring. The property there he owns with jointly with S. C. Cornett, also of this city

## 1932

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1932 (also in the 2/12/1932 *Monterey County Post*):

### JAMESBURG CATTLE DIE IN BLIZZARD

Their resistance cut down by short feed during the long dry season, about 80 head of cattle belonging to Lee Cahoon, Jamesburg rancher, were reported to have succumbed to cold during the last snowstorm in the Santa Lucia Range. Bodies of the ill fated cattle are to be seen in numbers along the Jamesburg

Road, it is reported.

Jamesburg is a ranch postoffice on the Tassajara Road about ten miles from its junction with the Carmel Valley Road. Other ranchers of the county are reported to have lost smaller numbers of cattle due to the cold wave.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

### TASSAJARA HAS WORST WINTER SINCE 1884, VETERAN REPORTS HERE

The Tassajara region has been hit by the worst winter since 1884, according to Will Church, caretaker on Bill Jeffery’s ranch in that district.

During recent storms snow drifts 15 feet deep were common on many ridges, Church said. These drifts all have been melted by warm rains but about two to five feet of early snow still remains. This snow froze shortly after falling and is melting very slowly, according to the veteran caretaker.

Church, who has been in the Tassajara country since 1884, says he never has seen a winter like the present there. The cold weather is placing heavy coats of fur on animals and assuring plenty of water for springs and streams there, Church declared.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1932:

### AYERS AND PRINCEVALLE LEAVE FOF TASSAJARA

Time for the reopening of Tassajara Hot Springs, California’s most famous mountain resort, draws on apace. Indicative of this fact Wednesday of this week saw Mr. and Mrs. Chas. W. Ayer, managers of the resort, and James Princevalle, their able aide, leaving for the beauty spot far back up in the Santa Lucia range.

May 1 has been set as the opening day and Mine Host Ayer has promised an exceptional entertainment for the early comers.

As a special feature during the month of June, Mrs. James B. Holohan (nee Mrs. Helen Quilty), wife of the warden of San Quentin and for many years manager of Tassajara, will return to the scene of her great successes in the past and take charge for the period of her stay.

From ‘Arroyo Road Taps Scenery of High Order,’  
*San Francisco Examiner*, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

An offshoot of this road leads to Tassajara Hot Springs, a resort set snugly in deep forest country. Signs leading to the Springs are large and unmistakable, but one must bear in mind in taking the road that the telephone at the summit must be used for safe passage, because of the road’s height and width.

Last winter’s storms were so devastating that the road was closed for the first time in years by slides. It is now being worked on and should be open and in good surface condition by May 1.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1932 (a mostly identical item was published in the 4/29/1932 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, as ‘Tassajara Resort Awaits 72d Opening Sunday, May First’):

### TASSAJARA READY FOR 72nd OPENING, SUNDAY

Nestled high in the Santa Lucia range, with her brooks running bank-full, with the early flowers of spring in their greatest beauty and the green setting which catches the eye from afar, Tassajara Hot Springs were today ready for the grand opening on Sunday, May 1.

This will be the 72nd annual opening of California’s favorite resort of the coast line. For more than a week past Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ayer, managers of the resort, together with James Princevalle, mayor of Gilroy and the Ayers chief aide, have been busy getting things in readiness for the coming of early spring visitors.

Writing the *Index-Journal* recently, Ayer said “You never saw Tassajara so beautiful as it is this year. I have known it for quarter of a century, and I see a new Tassajara this season. Old Mother Nature has taken her paint pot and brushes and, by lavish use of green as a base with the addition of all the colors of the rainbow resplendent in the background, she has painted a picture which no artist of real life could conceive, much less transfer to canvas.

“We are expecting all our old friends at an early date this year—typically Tassajara crowds of many years—prior to the great influx of visitors from other points.

“Then, too, we are all looking forward to the coming of Mrs. James Holohan (nee Mrs. Helen Quilty), former owner and manager of the resort, who will come to us for a short time during the month of June. During her stay here she will be in full charge and will welcome all her old time friends and patrons”

Stages into the Springs will begin on Saturday, April 30. Sunrise of the morning of May 1 is expected to witness a great caravan of people moving in the direction of Tassajara.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1932 (also in the 4/29/1932 *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*):

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

48 Miles From Salinas or the Monterey Peninsula.

### OPENING MAY 1st

Visit Your Own Monterey County Resort  
During Your Vacation and Enjoy

BATHING . . . . SWIMMING  
18 Hole Miniature Golf Course  
FISHING . . . . HUNTING  
HIKING . . . . DANCING

UNEXCELLED FOOD

RATES

\$25 to \$35 Per Week  
\$4.00 to \$5.50 Per Day

C. W. AYER,  
MANAGER

1932; p. 246.

Salinas Index-Journal, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1932:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Among visitors at this popular resort during the past few days have been the following:

Salinas: Ralph Beckett, Mr. and Mrs. L. P. Krausgrill, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wallace, Walter Sandberg and Robert Ford.

Carmel: Mr. and Mrs. Paul Dougherty, Mrs. Sumpter Earle, Mrs. Arthur Gandersen, Mrs. M. C. Sampson, Miss Ruth Huntington, Miss Vera Peck Mills, Miss Laura Finnamon and Miss Rachel Hiller.

San Francisco: Miss Margaret McMillan, Miss Alma E. Morris, F. G. Spaulding and Mr. and Mrs. Basil Bickel.

Pacific Grove: Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Beckman and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Stanton.

Los Banos: Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Handley; Oakdale: Mrs. S. Seiber and daughter; Los Angeles: Mr. and Mrs. R. Allan; Long Beach: James Keipp; Altadena: Donald Parker.

Salinas Index-Journal, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1932:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS ROAD IN GOOD CONDITION

The road to Tassajara Hot Springs, both from Salinas and Carmel, is in unusually excellent shape this year, according to California Mission Trails Association officials.

It is only 48 miles to Tassajara from Monterey, and the trip has been a popular one ever since the 70-year old resort opened for the season, May 1.

Salinas Index-Journal, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS PREPARING FOR THRONGS OF HOLIDAY VISITORS

Tassajara Hot Springs, popular resort set high in the beautiful Santa Lucia Mountains, is busily preparing for an added influx of visitors over the Memorial Day holidays, with a crowd of pleasure seekers expected to arrive at the Springs for the double holiday of Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Ayer, host and hostess at Tassajara, stated today the climate is now ideal, and swimming, horseback riding, hiking and all other outdoor diversions may now be enjoyed to the fullest extent by the guests.

Salinas Index-Journal, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

**Spend the Double Holiday with Us**

Fishing—Hiking—Swimming

Miniature Golf—Croquet—Botcha

Coon Can

Enjoy the Vapor Baths, Hot Mineral Plunges

Meals that Can Not be Surpassed

A wonderful scenic mountain drive 2 ½ hours from Salinas or Monterey Peninsula with road greatly improved.

NEW LOW RATES

\$4.00 to \$5.50 Per Day—\$25 to \$35 Per Week

SPECIAL STAGE RATES \$5 ROUND TRIP

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

C. W. AYER, Mgr.

Phone 11-F-3

Soledad, California

Monterey County Post, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

**FOR THE BEST TIME EVER—**

COME TO

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

FOR THE DOUBLE HOLIDAY

Roads are in Excellent Condition.

**And for Pastime—**

HERE'S A FEW THINGS YOU'LL ENJOY

Miniature Golf—Swiss Botcha—Cooncan—

Croquet—Ping Pong—Swimming—Hot

Mineral Baths

**ALL AT REDUCED SUMMER RATES**

**\$4.00 to \$5.50 Per Day**

Includes Everything

**Stage Fare Cut to \$5.00 Round Trip**

San Francisco Chronicle, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

### TASSAJARA ROAD IN SHAPE

The road from Jamesburg to Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, is in very good condition, according to a report received by the National Automobile Club from the California Mission Trails Association.

San Francisco Chronicle, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS ENJOY BIG PATRONAGE OF IKE WALTONS

The number of guests visiting the Tassajara Hot Springs, in the Santa Lucia Mountains, near Monterey and Salinas, since May 1, indicate that this will be the most successful season in the history of the resort, according to C. W. Ayer, the owner and manager.

The season opened at the Springs on May 1, and will continue until October 1. The resort is located forty-eight miles from Salinas and Monterey on the shores of Tassajara Creek in the range of mountains skirting the ocean south of Monterey. The creek and its tributaries are stocked each year with trout, making the resort one of the best fishing centers in California. Provision is made for numerous sports, swimming, hiking and horse-back riding.

In addition to the recreational advantages of the rest, it claims some of the best mineral springs in the West. The water used for drinking and bathing, has proved beneficial in the treatment of many chronic diseases. Mineral plunges and vapor baths are provided for both sexes, with a running cold creek nearby for a refreshing plunge afterward. Accommodations at the resort include a hotel and modern cottages, with a dining room featuring foods produced on the resort company's ranch in the Salinas Valley.

Salinas Index-Journal, July 26<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

## HUNTERS ATTENTION!

OPEN THE

### DEER SEASON

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San Francisco Chronicle, guest season of 1932:

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Salinas Index-Journal, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

### NEW ORCHESTRA AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

"Jimmy Bolffing and His Troubadors" have been secured as the latest summer attraction at Tassajara Hot Springs, according to word received here from the management of that popular resort.

This five-piece orchestra, which comes from Gilroy, is another addition to the many outstanding entertainment features of Tassajara, and began its seasonal engagement Monday evening, meeting with an enthusiastic reception.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

### LOCAL FOLK GUESTS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A number of peninsula people have been guests at Tassajara Hot Springs this past week.

Among those at the resort are Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Rand and sons, Mr. and Mrs. Neil Bosworth and daughters, Miss Louise Van Sickle, Mrs. W. Boyler, Stanley Wood, Paul Dougherty, Miss King, Donald McLeod Lewis, Miss Mary Jepp, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schroeder, Dr. and Mrs. O. H. Terry, Dr. E. W. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Tevis and sons, Mrs. Alfred Wolff, Mr. and Mrs. Cockburn, Ronald Cockburn, Miss Peggy Patton.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

## MANY JOBLESS IN COUNTY WILL BE GIVEN WORK

STATE PROJECT TO PUSH ARROYO  
SECO HIGHWAY TO TASSAJARA  
SPRINGS

At least 200 unemployed men in Monterey County will be assured of "bed and board" this winter.

This was revealed at this morning's meeting of the county supervisorial board in the courthouse.

F. H. Raymond, State Forest Ranger for Monterey County, appeared before the board, explained a large labor camp projected slated for this winter in the Arroyo Seco district and asked if the county would assist in paying hospitalization costs for the men.

It is planned to establish a camp for 200 men. Working in daily four-hour shifts, these men will push the present road which extends from Greenfield to Abbott Lakes to Tassajara Springs, according to Raymond.

The men are slated to begin work about November 1. Originally it was hoped to start the project in mid-October.

### State Will Aid

According to Raymond, the state will furnish the men with food, lodging and clothes during the winter. State and federal forestry officials will supervise the road work.

Located inside the Santa Barbara National Forest, the proposed road would extend about six miles from Abbott Lakes, following an old survey.

This route will eliminate virtually all the tortuous low-gear driving now necessary on the narrow, twisting Jamesburg-Tassajara road.

In addition, it would give the Federal Forestry Service quick access to the rugged mountain interiors in case of fire.

Raymond said Monterey County unemployed will be given preference until the 200 quota has been reached. If 200 unemployed cannot be found in this county, men from other parts of the state will be employed.

The board took the hospitalization request under advisement until it could investigate the costs incurred by other districts which had

such camps last year.

Raymond estimated that it would cost the state approximately \$3000 per month to feed, lodge and clothe the men.

He told the supervisors that he did not believe hospitalization expenses would be high, "because every man taken into the camp must submit to a thorough physical examination first."

Don King, Coast Counties Fire Chief in the State Ranger Service, and Federal Ranger Virgil De Lapp assisted in preliminary negotiations this morning.

"Regardless of whether the county is able to pay hospitalization costs or not, the camp will be established," Raymond declared after his appearance before the board.

From 'Foresters Plan Complete Network of Roads to Penetrate County Mountain Area as Aid to Future Fire-Fighters,' *Salinas Index-Journal*, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

Yesterday's announcement that state and federal foresters this winter would supervise construction of a six-mile road from Abbott's Lakes to Tassajara Hot Springs was merely another link in this network... Still north of this runs the Arroyo Seco Road, which now extends to Abbott's Lakes, and which will be pushed through to Tassajara by spring if all goes well... From Pfeiffer's this road will run to Anderson Peak, be joined by a road from the Tassajara-Abbott's Lakes link, hit the Indians' Road and intersect the Nacimiento River Road in the southern end of the county.

*King City Rustler*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

## ABBOTT ROAD TO TASSAJARA THIS WINTER

200 MONTEREY COUNTY UNEMPLOYED  
TO PUT IT THROUGH; START ABOUT  
NOVEMBER 1

Motorists of this section will be pleased to learn that they will next summer have a road with easy grades direct to Tassajara Springs by way of Abbott's Lakes. This news "broke" when State Ranger Raymond and Forest Reserve Ranger De Lapp appeared before the county supervisors Monday morning with a request for county cooperation to the extent of

hospitalization for any of the 200 men to be employed who might need it. The board took the matter under advisement, but Raymond assures the work will proceed, whether the county co-operates to that extent or not, and work will start about Nov. 1.

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From 'Study Jobless Camp Location,' *Salinas Index-Journal*, Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1932:

Slated to start about November 1, the camp is expected to accommodate about 200 men. Engineers propose to extend the Arroyo Seco Road into Tassajara Hot Springs, utilizing this unemployment labor. Laborers will not receive a salary, being rewarded for their work with room, board and clothing.

From the 'Personal' column, *Salinas Index-Journal*, Oct. 27<sup>st</sup>, 1932:

Warden James Holohan of San Quentin Penitentiary, and Mrs. Holohan, formerly Mrs. H. Quilty of this region, stopped in Salinas yesterday en route to their home after a stay at Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Chief Names State's Labor Camp Officials,' *Salinas Index-Journal*, Nov. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1932:

In this county, forestry officials hope to push through a road from Abbott's Lakes to Tassajara Hot Springs, forming a loop with the present Tassajara Road and affording an entrance to the Springs from the eastern slope of the Santa Lucia Mountains.



The second bath house. The extension over the creek bed was constructed in 1928.

## 1933 to 1945, HELEN QUILTY-HOLOHAN'S SECOND TENURE; p. 248.

According to Marilyn McDonald (*A Brief History of Tassajara*, 2018), the great depression that followed the stock market crash of 1929 had a severe financial effect on the resort business, and thus Helen Quilty-Holohan had to retake possession of Tassajara in 1933.

The only known building project during this period was the con-

struction of a new bar; this structure is now known as the pine rooms. The carpenter was probably D. L. Ingersoll, for according to four 'Corralitos' news columns that were published in the *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian* between May 9<sup>th</sup> and May 23<sup>rd</sup> of 1940, Mr. Ingersoll was employed at Tassajara on a large construction project.

*Monterey County Post*, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1933:

### TO MANAGE HOTEL

Charles Ayer announced this week that he has taken over management of the Santa Lucia Inn and is planning numerous changes.

Ayer, for many years a resident of this city, has considerable hotel experience. At one time he was connected with the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco and more recently he managed the Tassajara Hot Springs hotel.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1933:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS IN THE LAND OF THE YUCCA AND HOT WATER OPENS MAY 1st

Under the personal supervision of the owner, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan. Hot mineral and steam baths. Excellent table board with modern cottages or hotel rooms. Hunting, fishing, swimming, hiking. Wonderful scenery and good roads. Take S. P. 8 a. m. train, 3d and Townsend, or Pacific Greyhound stage, 8 a. m., 5th and Mission Sta. Stages leave Salinas 12:30 p. m. Same stage leaves Monterey at 1 p. m. Address Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey Co., Cal., or see Peck-Judah, 672 Market St.

*Monterey County Post*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### AYERS TO MANAGE SANTA LUCIA INN

C. W. Ayer, better known to his many friends throughout the county as "Charlie," has taken over the management of the Santa Lucia Inn, it was recently announced.

Both Ayer and Mrs. Ayer have an enviable reputation for hospitality. They managed Tassajara Hot Springs for some time and made that place a bright spot to vacationists and week-enders throughout the state.

Mrs. Ayers will assist her husband in handling the hotel and will act as hostess. The Ayers are anxious to give the Inn a special appeal to Salinas residents as well as to through travelers. From time to time they will offer special dinners in the dining room of the Inn and intend to devote much time to developing the place into a social center and entertaining site for the entire Salinas area.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1933 (also in 4/29 *Monterey County Post*):

### TASSAJARA TO OPEN MONDAY FOR SUMMER

MRS. QUILTY-HOLOHAN TO  
TAKE PERSONAL CHARGE  
OF POPULAR RESORT

Inveterate resort guests today hailed with satisfaction an announcement from Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs.

Mrs. Quilty-Holohan will take personal supervision as manager of the popular spa this year, she announced.

The hot springs resort will open Monday, May 1, and is prepared to entertain season and week-end guests until October 14.

Returning to the Springs after an absence of five years, Mrs. Quilty-Holohan is eager to carry out a series of ambitious plans destined to make her guests' visits even more comfortable and enjoyable than in the past.

Nestling amid the highest peaks of the rugged Santa Lucia Range, Tassajara Hot Springs has been one of California's most famous and popular spas for years. In fact, its popularity dates back to the days of the Indians, who first discovered its attractions and gave it its name.

Noted for their medicinal qualities, the warm springs are surrounded by picturesque oaks, stately sycamores, and pungent pines. These waters, which are used for both drinking and bathing, contain in solution sulphur, iron, soda magnesia and many other health-giving minerals.

Two commodious bath houses, the swimming tank, cottages and other equipment all have been cleaned thoroughly and renovated in anticipation of another heavy tourist influx.

Local residents need not be told that Tassajara is a sportsmen's paradise with excellent hunting and fishing conditions.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Where are you going to spend your vacation this summer? At Tassajara Hot Springs, of course. Because the mineral waters are as hot and beneficial as ever—the climate as wonderful—the table as good and whole-some—and because the owner and manager for many years—Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan is returning to again cater to the comfort and amusements of the guests. **Rates reduced to suit the times.** Write for information or get folders at *Index-Journal*.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1933:

### 400 TO WORK AT U. S. CAMP KING CITY MAY GET ONE OF 15 PROJECTS

KING CITY, May 1.—Establishment in this section of one of the 15 camps allotted to the Santa Barbara forest under President Roosevelt's conservation plans, appeared certain today, according to John Edwards, ranger in charge of the national forest work here.

Edwards said that every indication points to the fact that a camp will be located on the Arroyo Seco section and over in the Nacimiento region.

Should the camp be located here, vast improvements in the southern end of the county are planned, such as the pushing forward of the

Arroyo Seco-Tassajara road and the possible completion of the Nacimiento road.

Four hundred men would be imported into the area at a wage scale of \$30 a month under the plan.

Although no official information has reached the Forest Service offices here, Edwards is planning ahead to utilize the men as effectively as possible in speeding the development plans for the local forest where work has been laid out for several years in advance.

"While it is not feasible to reforest in this part of the state, there are many things to be done in the forest," he said.

"Trails along ridges can be built which will enable us to better control fires by surrounding them promptly with fighters the first night, there is a telephone line from Pine Ridge to Strawberry canyon badly needed which could be constructed now instead of next year, roads such as that to Tassajara and up the Nacimiento could be built, some work on established public camp sites and on new ones could be done, and it is possible that the ranger stations needed on the Nacimiento and Big Sur could be built this year," Edwards said in mapping a few of the projects which could be carried out with the added personnel from the Conservation Corps.

With but five miles of the Nacimiento road to finish before it connects with the San Simeon-Carmel highway near Gorda, Edwards believed the route could be opened to traffic this year if the workers under the President's relief plan could be utilized for the project.

Further improvement of the Arroyo Seco camp site is also planned. A scenic road around the flat has already been completed and rock surfaced by the state relief camp workers. A drive way around the lake at the camp could be built and the lake flooded if the county decides to supply pipe to lay along the road, Edwards pointed out.

*Monterey County Post*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1933:

### WANTS STAGE LINE

The railroad commission has received an application from Tassajara Hot Springs Company and Bruce W. Robb, asking authority respectively to sell and purchase an auto passenger and freight line operated between Salinas and Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### MRS. HOLOHAN AGAIN TO MANAGE TASSAJARA

Watsonville and Pajaro Valley lovers of Tassajara Hot Springs in Monterey County, will be delighted to hear that Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, who for so many years conducted the Springs so successfully, until her marriage to Warden Jim Holohan of Watsonville and San Quentin Prison, is back at the Springs again.

In a letter received today Mrs. Holohan said

she was enjoying her return to the most popular summer resort in this section of California, and expressed the sincere hope that she will be able to renew all her old acquaintances.

Throughout many years Tassajara has been the mecca of sportsmen at the start of the trout season, as many fine trout streams originate in that section of the Monterey national forest. In the fall the deer season always has its quota of hunting guests at the Springs, and throughout the summer months its medicinal waters, wonderful climate and splendid cuisine attract a host of vacationists.

The Springs are located in the heart of the forest reservation, amid forested mountains. Hot water from mother earth furnishes health-giving baths and the wonderful climate invigorates the body, mind and soul of every guest.

*San Francisco Examiner*, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### ROAD NOW OPEN TO TASSAJARA FROM SALINAS

The road from Salinas to Tassajara Springs, Monterey County, is now open to traffic, reports the San Jose office of the National Automobile Club.

Pavement is to be encountered from Salinas for about nine miles, where the road leading to Tassajara turns south. From this point there is a fairly good oiled road to Jamesburg and two miles beyond. The route then becomes narrow, winding and steep. To the experienced mountain driver, this affords a very interesting and scenic trip.

There is a telephone at the last summit, and motorists are cautioned to telephone down to the Springs to ascertain if the road is clear. Due to its extreme narrowness, this part of the road is under control.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

WANTED—Large sized roasting poultry. Write or Phone manager, Tassajara Springs.

*San Francisco Examiner*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### SANTA LUCIA RANGE HIDES TASSAJARA

Tassajara, one of the highlights of Monterey County, is situated 48 miles from Salinas and Monterey in the mountains of the Santa Lucia Range, which skirt the ocean from Monterey to Santa Barbara.

Tassajara Hot Springs proper lies at the base of three of the largest and highest peaks, and the buildings are located beside the beautiful Tassajara River, which has an abundance of water the year round.

This stream, and its tributaries, which are stocked each year by the State with trout, furnish the best fishing to be found anywhere in the State.

From 'Work Project in Nacimiento Goes Forward,' *Salinas Index Journal*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

A force of 212 men has been received at the latter camp [at the Arroyo Seco Ranger Station]. The forest service continues assembling

equipment, and an air compressor and two drilling machines have been rented to use on an extra rebellious section of the Tassajara [Arroyo Seco-Tassajara] road. This section is being built by a cliff where it is necessary to move 20 cubic yards of hard rock for every lineal foot of road advance made.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### HOT SPRINGS LURE VISITORS

The outdoor man who likes fishing, hunting and mountain hiking will find Tassajara Hot Springs, now under the personal supervision of the owner, Mrs. Helen Quilty-Holohan, a restful vacation spot. Situated in Monterey County, 47 miles south of Salinas, with the scenic beauty of the Santa Lucia Mountains at its back, it is a vacation spot which, once enjoyed, is never forgotten.

The food at Tassajara is also something to be remembered. All meats are grown and killed on the premises. Fresh milk and vegetables, spring water and comfortable accommodations add to the general pleasure of the guest. While Tassajara is only eight miles from the ocean, the mountains cut off all cold winds and the summer months are ideal.

In the country surrounding the Tassajara locale are 400 miles of trout-bearing streams. The Santa Barbara National Forest nearby is densely populated with deer, which stocks the surrounding country with excellent hunting possibilities, the hunter knowing that he is sure of bagging his buck without difficulty. Quail exist in abundance. Water from hot springs and Tassajara Creek is blended for ideal swimming in a 60 foot pool attached to the hotel.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### FOREST FIRE RAGING NEAR TASSAJARA

DENY RESORT GUESTS ENDANGERED AS ARMY OF 375 JOINS FIGHT

Trucks And Pack Trains Rushed Into Rugged Hills As Airplanes Scout Burning Area Near Black Cone Mt.

(Special to the *Index-Journal*)

An uncontrolled forest fire rages in the rugged hills south of Tassajara Hot Springs today while rangers, airplanes and an "army" of Forest Conservation workers waged a dramatic battle to check its spread.

The unparalleled activity brought into play under command of United States Ranger John Edwards led to the misleading report that the famed resort was in danger. Mrs. Helen Quilty-Holohan, in charge of the spa, denied this rumor and said none of her 100 guests were alarmed.

Lookouts on Chews Ridge and Cone Peak first sighted the fire late Wednesday afternoon. They sounded warnings which launched one of the most stubborn episodes of fire fighting in county history.

More than 375 men were battling the blaze today. As yet their efforts to bring it under control have been unsuccessful. Whipped through oak timber and high brush, the fire has

blackened more than 300 acres and has defied all attempts to check its rampage.

Starting on Black Cone Mountain, a few miles southwest of Tassajara, the flames have fingered out in three directions—eating first into brush and timber lands on Tassajara Creek and Upper Willow Creek, the fire now is raging in Strawberry Fats at the head of the North Fork of the Sur River.

Crackling in almost inaccessible mountain country, the fire is being fought by men rushed from Forest Conservation camps at Arroyo Seco, Pine Canyon, Figueroa Mountain in Santa Barbara county, and from the Aveneles Camp in San Luis Obispo county.

Fighters Face Difficulties

To reach the battlefield, the fire fighters have to beat their own trails through matted brush and trek across land "that stands on end." Night and day combat is being waged. Two plans have been enlisted for observation work. More than 100 head of pack animals have been rushed through with equipment, supplies and foodstuffs. Water is scarce. Some of the men are suffering with minor burns and bruises. All are weary.

Each day more trucks lumber into Tassajara Hot Springs with new recruits. The Springs are being used as a base of operations, since the fire fighters must go up Tassajara and Willow Creeks to reach the fire.

The first serious Monterey County fire of the season, the Black Cone blaze is difficult to fight because of the rugged country. Forest rangers have little hope of bringing it under control before the first of next week.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### PLANE SCOUTS FOREST FIRE

BLACK CONE MOUNTAIN FIRE UNCONTROLLED

(Special to the *Index-Journal*)

KING CITY, July 10—United States rangers here today awaited the return of a scouting airplane to determine what progress was made over the weekend in checking the rampages of a fire burning 4 miles southwest of Tassajara Hot Springs near Black Cone Mountain.

The plane roared out on an observation tour at 10 o'clock this morning. It has not returned, and no report had been received from its pilot, at 2 o'clock this afternoon.

Rangers here said the fire, which has been burning stubbornly out of control since last Thursday had not been controlled today. Rugged and inaccessible country has hampered the effectiveness of fire fighters who are concentrating their efforts along the north fork of the Sur River.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### FIRE BEATS BACK WEARY HILL CREWS

BLAZE BATTLERS PREPARE FOR SECOND WEEK FIGHT ON STUBBORN FLAMES IN BLACK CONE MOUNTAIN

1500 Acres Laid Waist By Raging Inferno; Precipitous Canyons Hinder Control Crews



1933; p. 250.

*San Francisco Chronicle, June 25<sup>th</sup>, 1933:*

# TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS



California's beautiful health and pleasure resort, again under the management of the owner, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan. Natural hot mineral and steam baths for Rheumatism, Liver and Kidney Disorders. Fishing, hunting, swimming, amusements. Rates reduced. Southern Pacific 8 a. m. train or Pacific Greyhound stage 8 a. m. For information write Manager at Springs, or Peck-Judah, 672 Market St.

(Special to the *Index-Journal*)

Grimly preparing to begin their second week of combat, more than 375 weary fire fighters today had made little headway against the Black Cone Mountain fire eating down the walls of precipitous canyons four miles southwest of Tassajara Hot Springs.

Bursting forth last Wednesday, the blaze has raged uncontrolled ever since. Today there was no hope that it could be checked for some time.

The flames already have transformed a wild, verdant area into a smoking, blackened district. Pilots who have soared over the scene of devastation in observation planes estimate more than 1500 acres has been made barren.

Viewed from the air, the battleground resembles a jagged design of tell-tale ebony, somber in a refreshing setting of green and brown.

The army of men, seen spread out in thin, wavering lines as winds whisk aside an ever-present choking fog of blue and black fumes, resemble tiny ants. They skirt alongside sharp cliffs, digging trenches to prevent the flames from leaping to further destruction. Other groups follow along "cold trails" and dart almost into the flames and flank the fire to block its spread on either side.

The task of fighting this fire is almost impossible. Because of the rugged fissures and canyons in which the holocaust is burning, the fire fighters find their efforts blocked by bold bluffs where rangers say, "It is impossible to stand on your hind legs."

Rain, or even a heavy fog, would be welcomed by the fire fighters whose eyes are reddened by smoke, whose clothes are singed and whose muscles ache with fatigue—but clear skies unmarred by anything except the tell-tale billows which arise alongside of the embattled youngsters from Forest Conservation camps give no promise of relief.

#### Only One Chance

According to rangers, their only chance to win their battle will come when the stubborn fire eats its way out of the canyons onto more level ground. There the men will be able to use backfires if conditions are right, will be able to follow "cold trails" better and can construct ditches over which the flames will be unable to sweep.

This fire already has burned longer than any blaze did in Monterey County last year, without being brought under control. It is the first serious fire of the season in California.

While the inaccessible region in which the blaze rages has made its conquest impossible to date, it has at the same time excluded any danger to ranches or summer homes—a threat constantly present in other county brush and timber land.

Whereas the Black Cone region and the North Fork of the Sur usually abounds with game of all sorts, hundreds of wild animals have fled from the district, thoroughly terrorized, since the flames started their destruction of the natural game preserve last week.

The fire front may be reached with equipment only through Tassajara Hot Springs and Willow Creek. The resort has been used as

base of supplies and summer guests have been treated to many hints of the drama which is being enacted some miles away as grimy "troopers" drag into camp for additional supplies and equipment.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### FIRE FOUGHT FOR SIX DAYS STILL RAGING

FIRST BLAZE OF SEASON IN STATE CALLS OUT CAMP WORKERS TO AUGMENT FIGHTING FORCE

Flames were raging yesterday, entirely out of control, through the timber and underbrush on Black Cone mountain, west of Tassajara, in the Monterey division of the Santa Barbara National Forest.

It is California's first big forest fire of the year, according to the United States Forest Service here, and up to yesterday afternoon more than 1000 acres had been swept by the flames.

In addition to forest rangers and other Government men, several scores from civilian conservation camps at Arroyo Seco and Santa Maria have been called into service to fight flames, which are sweeping an exceptionally isolated portion of the vast forest.

Several fire fighters have suffered minor injuries. Smoke from the roaring flames yesterday had darkened the sky for miles.

Yesterday an airplane was ordered to survey the area.

#### Hundred Men Added

When 355 men under the direction of Supervisor S. A. Nash-Boulden, Ranger William E. Edwards and Assistant Supervisor Warren Murphy were unable to halt the fire, more than 100 C.C. C. men were called out.

The fire fighters had to cut their way in to the burning timber. A pack train of five mules carried supplies. So rough is the country that one mule was killed. An army doctor was injured Sunday.

The fire has been burning for six days, out of control.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### FOREST FIRE HALTED UPON TWO FRONTS

ADVANCE TOWARD WATERSHED OF CARMEL MAY BE CHECKED SOON

Tassajara Sector Is Scene Of Hottest Fighting At Present

BASE FIRE CAMP, TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, July 15 (Special to the *Herald*).—Like a well disciplined army surrounding a stubborn enemy force, members of the fire-fighting crews in the Black Cone Mountain sector today were being shifted to the northern front after having completely vanquished the foe on the east and west flanks.

Tassajara Creek was the scene of the hottest fighting today—hottest in the most literal sense, with the midsummer temperature augmented by many degrees as the result of the blazing oaks and brush.

The movement of the fire was almost straight to the northward, in the direction of the Carmel watershed, now between two and one-half and three miles distant.

#### May Save Watershed

Danger of serious damage to the source of Monterey Peninsula's water supply was not yet past, although it was hoped to have the fire under control on that front also, within the next 24 hours.

There are two more ridges on the north side where further efforts can be made to halt the fire should it succeed in breaking through the present line. Chances of the latter eventuality were considered about even, although the fire was conceded a slight edge on the fire fighters, due to the inaccessible nature of the terrain.

#### Men Give Out

The battle to halt the spreading conflagration suffered a severe setback yesterday in the Pine Ridge sector, when a detachment of about 80 men from the veterans' C. C. C. camp in San Luis Obispo County proved physically unequal to the combined strain of heat and exertion, dropping in exhaustion while the blaze ate fiercely into new areas of brush and small timber.

Today a fresh contingent of 150 younger Civilian Conservation Corps members were being rushed in from Arroyo Seco camp to relieve the veterans, while the latter were being returned to their own camp for resumption of regular forest activities.

There were about 456 men actively fighting fire today, disposed as follows: 200 on the north fork of the Big Sur, 150 on Pine Ridge, 40 on the upper Tassajara and 75 lower down on the same stream.

Supplies were being packed for the most part from China Camp.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### 600 BATTLING MONTEREY FIRE

FOREST BLAZE PERILS CARMEL WATERSHED

A forest fire battled by 600 men which has already swept over 15,000 acres on Black Cone mountain in the Santa Barbara National Forest last night was threatening the Carmel river watershed, which supplies water to the entire Monterey Peninsula.

Scores of the fire fighters, most of whom are from the Government Civilian Conservation Corps camps in the district, have suffered severe burns and are near exhaustion from the long hours without sleep that they have been battling the flames.

The area covered by the blaze, which was being driven by a strong wind last night, is 20 miles long and three miles wide.

The fire started 11 days ago, supposedly from a falling meteor, but was believed to have been under control until yesterday, when it was whipped to fury by the wind.

Fire fighters were handicapped by the extreme roughness and inaccessibility of the country, trails having to be built for miles in some sections to enable the crews to reach the flames.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

## WATERSHED SAFE FROM FIRE

### TASSAJARA BLAZE CONTROLLED TODAY

FRESH FIRE FIGHTING FORCE STEMS  
ADVANCE OF FIRE TOWARD CARMEL

Victory in Long Battle is  
Anticipated Before Wednesday

With 250 fresh men on the fire lines, reinforcing the 400-odd active fire fighters already on duty, U. S. forest rangers directing the long battle to control the Black Cone mountain fire were "extremely hopeful" today that the situation would be well in hand within the next 48 hours.

The fresh men went into action on the Tassajara Creek front and that dangerous side of the fire which had threatened the Carmel River watershed was reported "under control" for the first time this afternoon.

At Pine Ridge and on the Big Sur front the fire continued to hold out against all efforts to corral it, but the situation was far from hopeless. Men and equipment are being shifted to this area as rapidly as the fire is controlled elsewhere.

The active front of the fire which this morning had burned over almost 8,000 acres of brush and scrub oak is being steadily cut down and all indications were that barring high winds or unforeseen conditions the blaze would be "out" by the middle of this week.

Jaded and weary fire-fighting crews moved out early this morning to have another try at stopping the stubborn Black Cone mountain blaze which, burning in its 13th day, was still dangerous on at least two fronts.

Watersheds of the Carmel and Big Sur rivers were still threatened today but rangers in charge of the campaign were hoping today that the fire would be "corralled" by Wednesday.

Halted and virtually "out" to the south several days ago, the fire has been burning stubbornly northward through the rugged country lying between the north fork of the Big Sur and Tassajara creek.

A crew of 200 men were moving northward with the blaze on the north (Big Sur) flank as the fire advanced and until yesterday the fire on that side was not dangerous. The situation altered, however, and today this side of the fire was one of the danger spots as the blaze threatened break through the fire lines and sweep down into redwood groves and pine timber.

Another flanking crew moved to Tassajara Creek with the fire but this precipitous country (there is no trail up the creek) aided the blaze which out distanced the fire crews and threatened today to slop over into the adjoining Church Creek canyon from which it might move swiftly into Pine Valley where the Carmel River heads.

Reports were, however, that the fire had not yet crossed Tassajara Creek and that this flanking crew was holding the blaze against almost hopeless odds.

The center of the long fire line was not a danger zone today. Fresh men on Pine Ridge had the situation there under control, it was reported, and there was little chance that the blaze would "slop over" into Bear Basin and creek, an important tributary to the Carmel River.

Handicapped by the rugged nature of the country through which the fire is burning, the fighting crews have been aided thus far by favorable weather and the fact that the dry season is not far advanced and brush and trees are still green enough to resist the flames somewhat.

The fact that the rank growth covering the rough mountain country is green accounts for the tremendous volumes of smoke which at times have been visible from the Monterey Peninsula.

Six hundred members of the Civilian Conservation Corps, principally young men with a sprinkling of world war veterans, continue to make up the active fire-fighting crews. Approximately 400 of these were on the lines today, with the balance in camp resting for night patrol and on the list of "casualties." Poison oak and minor accidents have taken their toll from among the ranks of active fighters.

Six truckloads of fresh men arrived from Santa Barbara County yesterday afternoon at Arroyo Seco, to relieve about 300 of the men who have been fighting fire, the latter leaving by truck last night for Santa Barbara County, where they will resume their regular duties of trail building while they recover from the strenuous exertions of the last ten days.

The problem of supplying the fighting crews with food, tools and other supplies was solved Saturday afternoon with arrival of a pack train of 30 horses from the coast near Big Sur. Four pack trains, operating from Arroyo Seco, China Camp and Tassajara Springs are now supplying the fire crews.

The China Camp pack trains, two in number, haul supplies to the Pine Ridge gang over eight miles of trail. Another group of packers operate from Tassajara over an improvised trail up Tassajara Creek to care for men on that side of the fire. The third pack route is from Arroyo Seco up Willow Creek to the Big Sur fire camp.

Men of the forest army continued today to do their grueling work on the fire lines with good spirit. Many of them, who are away from home from the flat country of mid-America and are working in mountains for the first time in their lives, are rated as seasoned fire fighters now and are working much more effectively than earlier when inexperience caused mistakes.

Typical of the hazards which the fire fighters face was the experience of a crew in the Tassajara Creek canyon recently. The fire was quiet and the men settled down for a few hours sleep when a huge boulder, loosened by heat, smashed a path down to the creek, exploding with a tremendous concussion. There was little sleep in that camp for the balance of the night.

Organization and state rivalry runs high

along the fire lines. An argument over the comparative beauties of Ohio and Illinois kept a camp of several hundred men awake most of one night. Every C. C. C. company on the line has "the best camp and is doing the most work," and no one can tell them anything different.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

## LAST PATROL LEAVES FIRE LINE TOMORROW

The last fire patrol will be called back from the Black Cone fire tomorrow and the blaze which burned over almost 8,000 acres of the wilderness area of the Santa Barbara National Forest will be officially "out."

Pine Ridge and Tassajara camps were to be evacuated today and the Big Sur camp will be pulled out tomorrow.

Less than 200 of the 900 men who were on the fire lines at the height of the fire still remained on patrol today and all of these will be gone tomorrow.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1933:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Guests registered at Tassajara Springs follow:

### FROM SAN FRANCISCO

Ellen Bacon, Mrs. Philip J. Lawlor, Mr. and Mrs. Fournier, A. E. Robertson & wf., E. W. Bullard, H. S. Church and wf, Mrs. E. O. Bullard, Harold A. Leandro, Esther Bullard, Helen Morton, Ann Bullard, Katherine R. Cahill, Mrs. Anna S. Hunt, Katherine Kelly, Arthur L. Frelich and wife, Catherine Graeey, Marguerite Peck, Dr. Mary B. Glover, Ethel McKay, J. A. Seiberlich & wf., Herbert Jeffery, Betty Partridge, W. Morrison, T. B. Settle, W. H. Cameron, K. J. McClosky & wf., Mrs. Irene Grunig, J. Chandler Smith and wife.

### FROM OTHER PLACES

Charles M. O'Brien, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Chace, Gordon and John Chace, Floyd and Bill Parton, Dr. W. C. Balley, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Slavon, Eleanor Breschini, Mr. and Mrs. William Nelli, Al Bauteau, Edna French, all of San Jose; Mrs. Bessy Olsen, Bessy Lent, Adam Thompson, James Hughes, Hazel Jacobson, Tom Storm, Dorothy Abbott, Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Rhyner, Mr. and Mrs. Edw. Rossi, M. M. Glickbarg and son, A. J. Machado, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McFadden, Ormond Smith, Kenneth Ahrenkiel, D. O. Mills, Helen Bosse, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Melander, Dr. Band R. Daughters, Norma Hile, S. M. Armstrong, George E. Link, Mrs. Annie Moore, Walter Christensen, all of Salinas; Esther c. Petersen, Lansing Tevis, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Wade, Burlingame; F. J. Saveria, Mrs. Milcovich, Mr. and Mrs. George Friermuth, F. P. Moranovich, Rose Gomez, Mary Mainlich, Paul Zivanovich, Martin Butler, Joe Botich, B. W. Durant, Peter Zie, Louis Alaga, J. Burkich, Miss B. Ryan, Mrs. Louise Schroder, Mrs. Frank Hill, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Rodgers, L. P. Cicuth, C. Sandberg, Frances Hinds, Albert Rooney, W. J. Bernardini, all of Watsonville; Mr. and Mrs. Ben Dixon and family, Mr. and

Mrs. Emile H. Daniels, Mrs. James S. Brown and son, Helen Marr, Cecil Sherburne, Dr. and Mrs. Priest, Al Ayers, Loyal Hymes, all of Berkeley; Mr. and Mrs. William Barden, Major E. C. McGuire, M. R. Duarte, Frank Duarte, Monterey; Mrs. Winifred Beaumont, Pacific Grove; K. D. Mathiot, Joe Morro, J. A. Eustace, Mrs. F. F. Townsend, Mrs. G. U. Bliss, Mrs. J. N. Pomeroy, Girard Felton, Colonel and Mrs. H. Lee Watson, Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Graham, all of Carmel; Patricia Clark, Niels P. Peterson, E. A. Best, Mrs. William Best, all of San Mateo; Georgia Wintrinsham, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. McCue, Dr. L. L. Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Smith, all of San Rafael; Amelia Stebbens, Jack R. D. Freeman, both of Palo Alto; C. H. Whitehead, Pasadena; Mr. and Mrs. R. Somovia, Tres Pinos; Herber T. Wymann, Mrs. R. B. Keith, Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Lambert, Jr., all of Jamesburg; Otis E. Hyde, Campbell; Mrs. Louise Rice, Sacramento; Mr. and Mrs. Louis Nisson, Spreckels; Herbert Brownell, Monterey; Mr. and Mrs. George M. Nave, Mountain View; Louis Leanini, B. Breschini, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Baumbauer, all of Gonzales; Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Prouty, San Bruno; Mr. and Mrs. Ledbetter, Santa Barbara; Mr. and Mrs. L. F. Corte, Kentfield; J. F. Lewis, King City; Mr. and Mrs. Lenkeit, Los Angeles.

*Salinas Index Journal*, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1933:

### LOCAL RESIDENTS ENJOY VACATIONS AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs, popular Monterey County resort, is proving a popular vacation spot this year for many Salinas residents, with a large number of guests registered there during recent weeks.

Among those who have vacationed there during the summer are the following:

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Grainger, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Myers, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Gaudin, Mr. and Mrs. M. Devin, Mr. and Mrs. J. Grande, Mr. and Mrs. C. Machado, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Maller, Mr. and Mrs. J. K. Vanderhurst, Mr. and Mrs. D. Bardin, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rhyner, Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Rossi, Mr. and Mrs. F. McFadden, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Melander, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. McMahon, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Christensen, Mrs. Bessie Olsen, Mrs. Annie Moore, Mrs. R. D. Heple, Mrs. Margaret Austin, Miss Bernice Donahue, Miss Hazel Jacobsen, Miss Dorothy Abbott, Miss Bessie Lent, Miss Dolores Slinger, Miss Helen Bosse, Miss Norma Nile, and Messrs. Adam Thompson, E. M. Carlsen, L. P. Baum, Herbert Wyman, J. S. Scroggs, C. H. Peck, L. M. Tracy, Herbert Hinrichs, James Pedroni, Chris Machado, Jr., Dr. L. C. Johnson, Roy McKenney, W. W. McIntyre, Albert Tom, Elmer Larsen, A. R. Peterson, W. Crook, F. B. Lauritzen, J. F. Davies, J. J. Taverna, W. T. Rice, William P. Shaughnessy, James Hughes, Tom Storm, M. M. Glikbarg and son, Ormond Smith, D. O. Mills, Kenneth Ahrenkiel, Dr. Bard R. Daughters, S. M. Armstrong, George E. Link, Walter Christensen, Frank Martin, A. J. Machado, Elmer Machado, R. L. Lockwood,

J. P. Holm and Glenn Day.

From 'Arrivals at Summer Resorts,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 13<sup>rd</sup>, 1933:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

#### FROM SAN FRANCISCO

James Igstadtr, J. W. Kronquist, Walter A. Green, Dr. A. A. Berger, John Conway, Mrs. Ruth Conway, Mrs. Edna Emory, Miss J. B. Foley, Alice Harrington, Mary Gliebe, Mrs. E. D. Hall, Wm. A. Hamilton, Marie Mathews, Mr. and Mrs. McCann, Mrs. E. C. Regan, Paul Riley and wife, R. L. Sherman, Joe Vann, Hannah Pedersen, Hazel Britton, Roy Ouer, Miss Marie Dobie.

#### FROM SAN MATEO

William Lieb & wf., Renee McCreery, Lawrence McCreery, Mrs. Wm. Parrott, Stephant Parrott, William Parrott Jr., Robert Folsom, R. Chantaloup.

#### FROM BURLINGAME

Mrs. Robert Hays Smith, Mrs. Ross Ambler Curran.

#### FROM MONTEREY

Mr. and Mrs. Zanetta, M. J. Lenahan & wf.

#### FROM CARMEL

C. Rand, wf. & sons, W. C. Neilsen, H. L. Neilsen, Albert Neilsen.

#### FROM SALINAS

Miss Alice Osterheld, Gus Fabrey, Mr. and Mrs. Barhyte, Miss Bernice Donahue, Steve Franco, Chas. Bardin & wf., Ben Bardin, Fred J. Kochi & wf., Antonio Lial, Walter Wallace, Mrs. E. C. Mothershead, Geo. Rianda, Mrs. W. J. Schween, Loyd Schween, Bardin Schween, W. J. Wallace & wf., Richard Wallace, Frank Martin, Chris Machado, J. L. McMahon, wf. and son, Mrs. R. D. Heple, R. L. Lockwood, L. M. Tracy, Mrs. Ida Adams, Mrs. Maze Milne.

#### FROM WATSONVILLE

James J. Enimark, wife and son, Mrs. V. J. Linneman, Tony Salutich, Chas. Sambrallo, wf. and sons, Lucile King, A. L. Vucinich, Nick Stolich, Ann Stolich, Eleanor Stolich, Lewis W. Lettunich, Mateo Lettunich, Mrs. Irene Ceschi, Elmer J. Johnson, John Gieg, John Stanovich, F. J. Saveria, Mrs. M. L. Kalich, Tom Arbanas, L. Arbanas, Mrs. E. Varni, N. S. Peochinino & wf., Esther Green, Mr. and Mrs. Capitanich, Thos. Starks and mother.

#### FROM DEL MONTE

Chas. A. T. Cabaniss, E. Callender and wife, Miss Clara Callender, Rose Mannering, Mrs. M. W. Rhorer.

#### FROM OTHER PLACES

W. W. Crocker, Hillsborough; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Moody, Fresno; Lawrence Aaroo, Soledad; Mrs. T. Breschini, Blanco; Mr. and Mrs. B. L. Prouty, San Bruno; George Dennett, Santa Cruz; Mr. and Mrs. Fred F. Ouer, Berkeley; Mr. and Mrs. R. Ouer, Oakland; Mr. and Mrs. Donald Dias, Mill Valley; J. B. Scherrer, Gilroy; Mrs. E. C. Vierra, Moss Landing; James Coffey, Los Angeles.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel*, Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### HOLOHANS HAVE OPEN HOUSE AT TASSAJARA

Jim Holohan, warden of San Quentin, who made a host of friends in Santa Cruz while he was sheriff of Santa Cruz County, spent the Labor Day holidays at Tassajara Hot Springs in Monterey County, which are owned and managed by his wife, Helen G. Quilty-Holohan. With Holohan were Charles Neumiller, president of the state board of prison directors and parole board, who served for almost 20 years with no compensation for his time or for his expenditures for gasoline and other incidentals, and Frank Sykes of San Francisco, director and member of the board of parole, who was accompanied by his wife.

Tassajara Hot Springs has been in the possession of Mrs. Holohan's family since 1885, her first husband having been the third white owner. Traces of the original Indian life at the Springs are still found occasionally. Mrs. Holohan has a very fine arrowhead which was found this year.

Tassajara Hot Springs were sold five years ago, but were repurchased by Mrs. Holohan this year.

The massive sandstone hotel building blends in with the ruggedness of the surrounding hills, while smaller airy cabins cluster close about for the use of devotees of fresh air and sunlight.

One of the secrets of Mrs. Holohans's success in keeping a large crowd of guests during the vacation period seems to be her happy faculty of making everyone feel at home by providing special amusements that cause all present to mingle as one large happy family.

On Labor Day she had barbecued steaks served on tables placed on the open air dance platform. Sam, the jolly Chinese chef, kept passing around, carrying a huge pan of juicy, tender steaks, cooked to just the degree that makes them melt in your mouth. His urgent "You likum 'nother piece steak. Come, come, you takum 'nother piece," caused many sighs of satisfaction as all indulged to the full limit of their appetites.

Among the residents of nearby towns who spent the Labor Day holidays at Tassajara Hot Springs were Mr. Davis of the Southern Pacific in Watsonville, and his wife: Dan Mills of Salinas, The Misses Flint and brother, of Hollister; J. Cousins of Watsonville, Rosemarie McManamee of Hollister; Mr. and Mrs. Bruce of Aptos, Mrs. John H. Thompson and son, Stanley Thompson of Watsonville, and Mrs. C. T. Ryan of Gilroy.

*Salinas Index Journal*, guest season of 1933:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Spend your vacation at your County's beautiful resort, Tassajara Hot Springs. Not alone for the benefits derived from the wonderful hot mineral waters, but for recreation, swimming, fishing, hunting, miniature golf, croquet, dancing, and fine table. Write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, manager, for rates and week-end rates. Stage leaves Jeffery

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Hotel, Salinas, every day at 1 P. M. Folders at *Index-Journal* office.

*Monterey County Post*, Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### VISITORS HERE

Mr. and Mrs. James Holohan were visitors here from their home at San Quentin. Mr. Holohan is warden of the state penitentiary. Mrs. Holohan is owner of Tassajara Springs.

From "40 Youths Home From U. S. Camp,"  
*Salinas Daily Post*, Dec. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

T. R. Dean of Monterey, who is in charge of building construction at the camp, said the camp now has 212 men enrolled. He has a crew building a warehouse to be used for storage of forestry department fire equipment. Most of the CCC men, however, are engaged in extending the Arroyo Seco road toward Tassajara.

*Salinas Daily Post*, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1933:

### 205 MEN ON ARROYO SECO JOB OPEN UP NEW DISTRICT TO BRING 5-MILE LAKE WITHIN EASY ACCESS OF CAMPERS; TRAILS BEING CONSTRUCTED

Tassajara Project is Difficult, Only One Mile of Hard Stretch is Completed So Far

At the CCC Arroyo Seco camp there are 205 men at work on the Lake road project which will open up a large tract for camping at a lake that will be five miles around.

Five miles of the 12 mile trail through Horse Canyon is also completed. This trail has been made to facilitate the moving of men to locations in summer when fires start. It has a minimum width of five feet and much of it is through solid rock. In some places it was necessary to excavate to the depth of 15 feet in order to get a five foot level of trail.

The Tassajara road is by far the most difficult. So far only one mile has been completed as the work is very difficult, as it is through solid rock on the face of a cliff. Here in places it was necessary to blast and excavate as much as 80 feet in order to have a 24 foot level.

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*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Jan. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### COUNTY'S RECREATION AREAS BEING DEVELOPED, PROTECTED FROM FIRE, BY C. C. C. CREWS

Eight hundred young men enrolled in Civilian Conservation Corps units now active in Monterey and San Benito counties are pushing rapidly ahead with numerous road and trail building jobs as well as fire prevention work which will prove to lasting benefit to this region.

Importance of the work being accomplished is not now generally appreciated, nor will it be realized until sportsmen, picnickers, hikers and

other begin to use the roads, trails and park sites made available by the C. C. C. program.

Major projects now underway in this county are the coast ridge forest road, to connect King City with the Carmel-San Simeon highway, and the Arroyo Seco-Tassajara road. These roads, being built by the Nacimiento and Arroyo Seco camps, will, when completed, open up many square miles of virgin country to motoring parties.

At Big Sur another C. C. C. contingent is working on the task of making the newly acquired Pfeiffer Redwood Park available to the public, and at the Pinnacles, San Benito County, a fourth conservation group is doing general landscape and trail and road building work.

At the Arroyo Seco camp, located near the Abbott Lakes, more than 200 men are at work on a variety of jobs, the most important of which is the new Tassajara road. This road, building of which has been slowed by the heavy grading involved, will follow a water grade deep into the "wilderness area" of the Santa Barbara National Forest. In addition to providing an easier route to the famous hot springs it will open up much scenic back country formerly accessible only on foot or by saddle horse.

A five mile road about the old lakes, now dry but soon to be flooded with water diverted from the Arroyo Seco River, was completed by men of this camp some weeks ago and a large tract has thus been opened for camping and picnicking purposes.

In addition several miles of the new trail through Horse Canyon have been completed. This trail was built to facilitate movement of men to combat forest fires and is expected to assist in preserving watershed timber and brush worth millions of dollars to residents of this county.

### To Complete Ridge Road

Completion of the Nacimiento highway, leading from King City over the coast ridge to the Carmel-San Simeon route is the goal of the 587th company which is camped on the Nacimiento river.

Only a few miles of this road, begun as a joint forest service-county project some years ago, remain to be built, and the 200-odd men of the company have been making good progress, aided by a county owned power shovel.

In addition considerable work was done in cleaning up the river bed and destroying dead timber which constituted a fire hazard.

The ridge road, a standard forest highway 12 feet wide with turnouts to enable automobiles to pass, runs through wild country rarely visited by the most enthusiastic hikers or sportsmen. Numerous small streams offer prospects of good trout fishing and hunting is also expected to be good. Numerous public camp sites are to be developed along the road, it is expected.

Another project of the Nacimiento camp is the coast ridge truck trail, a fire protection project, which extends northward from Cone Peak. It is expected, eventually, to join with a similar trail being built south from Big Sur by another C. C. C. company.

### Improve Pinnacles

Construction of trails and improvement of roads, together with elimination of fire hazards, has engaged attention of the 1551st company, camped at the Pinnacles in San Benito County. Trails already constructed make points of interest within the federal monument, particularly the scenic caves, more accessible to visitors.

Landscaping of the Pfeiffer Redwoods park, construction of picnic sites and public buildings as well as work on the coast ridge fire trail has kept men of the 990th company, Big Sur, busy since the camp was opened.

In addition a new trail from the coast to Tassajara is being pushed rapidly toward completion.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1934:

### CCC BOYS IMPROVE U.S. FOREST CAMP

Improvement of China Camp, national forest outing spot open to the public, is being put through by a crew of men from the Arroyo Seco CCC camp it was reported today by Ted Dean of Monterey who is in charge of the work.

Installation of picnic tables, fire pits and other facilities is going forward at China Camp, located on the Tassajara road above Jamesburg. The camp, long popular with sportsmen and others who camp and hike in the national forest, is expected to be more attractive than ever as a result of the work.

Dean said important improvements have also been made at the forest service fire lookout, atop Chews Ridge above China Camp. In addition a pipe line has been placed from a spring on the ridge to the ranger station half a mile below.

Good progress is being made on the Tassajara road, being built from Abbotts Lakes up the Arroyo Seco River to Willow Creek, Dean said. This is another project of the Arroyo Seco CCC contingent.

*Salinas Index Journal*, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1934:

### ARRIVE HERE FROM TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Laird and little daughter, Winona, were visitors in Salinas Saturday.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS WILL OPEN MAY 1

Of interest to a large number of sportsmen and vacationers of this community is the announcement today of the opening May 1 of Tassajara Hot Springs.

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, owner and manager, will again be in charge of the Springs this year, and she invites all her old Watsonville personal friends to the Springs.

The beauties and climate of Tassajara are so well known to most everyone about here, so there is no use repeating them. And the hospitality and warm welcome of Mrs. Holohan

likewise requires no additional praise.

There is no doubt that the Springs will again this season attract a large share of their patronage from this section where they have for a great many years been the most popular summer resort and vacation place in California.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIF.

Again under the personal management of the owner—Mrs. Helen G. Quilty Holohan. Tassajara Hot Springs offers the greatest curative mineral hot waters in the State as well as the most perfect vacation. Riding—Swimming—Hiking—but always the curative properties of California's most famous hot mineral springs where the waters have to be cooled before reaching the baths. Daily stage—May 1st—from Salinas. For information write

**MANAGER, TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS,  
MONTEREY CO., CALIF.**

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Monterey County, which opens May 1st, offers the perfect health vacation. Why? The curative power of California's most famous natural hot mineral springs. And then—riding, swimming, hiking, dancing—for a perfect vacation. Daily stage from Salinas. Information write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, Owner and Manager, at Springs. Folders at Peck-Judah and *Chronicle*.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1934:

### WARDEN HOLOHAN AND WIFE STOP HERE EN ROUTE TO TASSAJARA

James Holohan, warden of San Quentin prison, and Mrs. Holohan were Salinas visitors today while en route to Tassajara Hot Springs, which Mrs. Holohan will open for the season this afternoon.

The popular mountain resort and health center, which attracts thousands annually because of the matchless climate and scenic beauty, will remain open until October 1. Both Warden and Mrs. Holohan number countless friends in this district.

A number of Salinas residents already are making plans to spend a part of the summer at Tassajara.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1934:

### HOLOHAN DENIES HE PLANS TO QUIT POST

SAN QUENTIN, May 2 (U.P.)—Warden James Holohan of San Quentin, today termed as "bunk" reports that he contemplated resigning because of his health.

The warden sent word from Tassajara Hot Springs, where he is taking a few days rest.

"Someone is simply trying to play politics," the Warden said.

*San Francisco Examiner*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS,

**Monterey County.** California's beautiful health and pleasure resort, again under the management of the owner, Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan. Natural hot mineral and steam baths for Rheumatism, Liver and Kidney disorders. Fishing—hunting—swimming—amusements. **Rates reduced.** Daily stage from Salinas. Southern Pacific 8 a. m. train or Pacific Greyhound stage 8 a. m. Information write Manager at Springs or see Peck-Judah, 672 Market Street. Folders at *Examiner* office.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### MANY VISITORS AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS WHEN RESORT OPENS

Tassajara Hot Springs, popular Monterey county health resort, already is being visited by hundreds of Salinas and out-of-town folk, who are enjoying vacation visits there. The following is a list of arrivals at the Springs since May 1:

Salinas: Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Granger, Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Gaudin, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Lacey and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McIntyre, U. L. Robinson, John O. Breschini, G. P. Anderson, Barbara and Gilbert Anderson, R. F. Klausner, H. Hinrichs, Mr. and Mrs. J. Shuck, Mr. and Mrs. F. Necas, Mary Azvedo, Adeline Tomassini, Billy Hughes and Virgil Ragsdale.

Watsonville: Fred R. Hudson and sons, Chas. P. Sambrailo, J. J. King, N. S. Peccenino, Miss Dora Martin.

Monterey: Mrs. Violet Laystrom, Mrs. and Mrs. E. J. Zanetta and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Kendall, Ernest Doelter; Carmel: L. E. Payne, William Payne, Harry Payne, Miss Agnes Dempsey, Mr. and Mrs. George Vye; Santa Cruz: L. M. Briggs, C. R. Holobrook, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Tibbot, Miss Cowell-Lane; San Jose: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Slavan, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Pitcher, Phil D. Herold, H. J. Heisch; Burlingame: Wm. S. Tevis, Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Moody, E. N. Hawkins; Berkeley: R. S. Robinson; Pebble Beach: Joe Morrow; Carmel Valley: K. D. Mathiot; Paraiso Springs: F. N. Freeman; Del Monte: Lieutenant Commander Stephenson and wife; Glendale: Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Burger; Pacific Grove: Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lewis; San Francisco: Mr. and Mrs. John Wiese Jr., Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Morris, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gillespie, J. Blumlein; New York City—Mrs. W. L. Hall, Miss Mary A. Hall.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### MANY SOJOURN AT HOT SPRINGS

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, May 19—The following were recent guests at Tassajara Hot Springs:

San Francisco—Mr. and Mrs. John Wiese Jr., Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Morris, J. Blumlein, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gillespie; San Jose—Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Slavan, Phil D. Herold, H. J. Heisch, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas A. Pitcher; Burlingame—Wm. S. Tevis, Mr. and Mrs.

Robert R. Moody, E. N. Hawkins; Berkeley—R. S. Robinson; Honolulu—Mr. and Mrs. James D. Dole; Pebble Beach—Joe Morrow; Carmel Valley—K. D. Mathiot; Paraiso Hot Springs—F. N. Freeman; Del Monte—Lieutenant Commander Stephenson and wife; Glendale—Mr. and Mrs. C. N. Burger; Pacific Grove—Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Lewis; Santa Cruz—L. M. Briggs, C. R. Holobrook, Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Tibbot, Miss Cowell-Lane; Salinas—Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Grainger, U. L. Robinson, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Gaudin, John O. Breschini, G. P. Anderson, Barbara and Gilbert Anderson, Herb Hinrichs, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Lacey and daughter, R. F. Klausner, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McIntyre, Mr. and Mrs. Shuck, Mr. and Mrs. F. Necas, Billy Hughes, Mary Azvedo, Virgil Ragsdale, Adeline Tomessini; Watsonville—Fred R. Hudson and sons, Chas. P. Sambrailo, J. J. King, N. S. Peccenino, Miss Dora Martin; Monterey—Mrs. Violet Laystrom, Mrs. and Mrs. E. J. Zanetta and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. L. R. Kendall, Pop Ernest Doelter; Carmel—L. E. Payne, William Payne, Harry Payne, Miss Agnes Dempsey, Mr. and Mrs. George Vye; New York City—Mrs. W. L. Hall, Miss Mary A. Hall.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 21<sup>st</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS MONTEREY COUNTY

Offers perfect Health and Vacation. Why?

The curative powers of California's famous natural hot mineral springs. And then—Riding—Swimming—Hiking—Dancing—Makes a Perfect Vacation. Daily stage leaves Jeffery Hotel, Salinas, 1 p. m.

Information, write

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan,  
Owner and Manager  
at the Springs

*Salinas Index-Journal*, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1934:

### MANY VACATIONING AT TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Scores of visitors have been registered the past month at picturesque Tassajara Springs, among them being:

Salinas: Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Bertlesman, Lloyd Bertlesman, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bronson, Miss Viola Peterson, Dorothy Smith, John Koue, Alvin J. Machado, E. A. Rianda, Peter Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Lacey and Diane, Mrs. A. R. Herman, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Maller, Mrs. Edw. F. Rossi, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson; Castroville: Mr. and Mrs. J. Fasio, Mrs. Lucia Franco; Monterey: Allen J. Close, Mr. and Mrs. Otto G. Leg; Carmel: E. H. Ewig, Louis E. Schromm, W. R. Moore, R. A. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fox, Miss Hallie Samson, A. L. Lafrenz; Pacific Grove: Mrs. Laura B. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Dexter, Mr. and Mrs. John Asher, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Asher, H. M. Law, Mrs. E. A. Harrison, Mrs. Etta A. Olmsted; San Francisco: Mrs. George Obitz, John P. Kelly, P. J. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Manche, Mrs. C. Kelb, Mr. and Mrs. Burt L. Lapp, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Millikan, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gillespie, Gus Scheib, Mr. and Mrs. Fred G.

## TASSAJARA IS VISITED BY MANY LOCAL RESIDENTS

Tassajara Hot Springs is continuing to prove one of this season's most popular summer resorts, with many Salinas residents vacationing there, together with others from this state and many other points. Among recent guests at the Springs were Mr. and Mrs. Roland Jacobs, from far-off Tokyo, Japan.

Among those registered from this city during recent days were:

Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Peirce, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Hendricks, Mr. and Mrs. William Dodd, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Adcock, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Church, Mr. and Mrs. George Wellman, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Curtis, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Tynan and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Leidig, Mr. and Mrs. G. Stanley, Mr. and Mrs. Milo Martella, Mrs. F. L. Walsh, Miss Dorothy Donahue, Miss Edith Abbott, Miss Gladys Covell, Miss Marion Church, Miss Raiya Fidler, Miss E. Martella, L. M. Stromberg, A. C. Hughes, Nelson W. Black, Henry Parsons, Rodney Lisk, John Koue, W. Toomey, Louis Jorgensen, George Rianda, W. F. Olsen, E. P. Rawling, Vernon Leidig, Stanley Seedman, H. H. Law, Jr., J. L. Chan, W. Wong and R. E. Walsh. Registered from Del Monte was E. Callender, while a registrant from Spreckels was F. B. Hayes. From Monterey were the following: Lt. and Mrs. W. Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. Thysen, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rhyner, Mr. and Mrs. C. Williams, R. J. Ferguson, Mr. and Mrs. L. Williams, Mrs. R. Barrett, Miss Blanche Turner, Miss Edna Carpenter, Frank Work, Louis Oliari, J. F. Moore, E. A. Jackson, George Mason, Elmer Zanetta and S. Vidoroni. Watsonville: Mr. and Mrs. A. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. W. Waters and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. Pfingst, Mr. and Mrs. F. Bartlett, Mr. and Mrs. R. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. C. Mehl, Mr. and Mrs. C. Sambrailo, Mr. and Mrs. N. Pechinino, Mr. and Mrs. W. Cockcroft, Mr. and Mrs. E. Callender, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. J. Mathews, Mr. and Mrs. E. Paul, Mrs. A. Villemur, Mrs. Jennie Menasco, Mrs. Edith Stanovich, Mrs. J. Thompson, Mrs. J. Lyons, Mrs. John Hughes, Mrs. Helen Lettunich, Mrs. Rose Kalich, Mrs. C. Sanberg, Mrs. N. Bielich, Mrs. A. Stolich, Misses Mary Ellen Struve, Rose Paul, Marilyn Hudson, Margaret Glensar and Nina Elsom, Messrs. J. A. Dethlefsen, J. Henricksen, G. Kennedy, Bill Kell, Ray Bielich, M. Chervoich, F. Malsburg, H. Diltensen, G. Navro, M. Perovich, Jack Novich, F. J. Saveris, Luke Alaga, W. W. Green, Hubert and Frederick Hudson, Eugene Paul, and T. M. Wright; Carmel: R. T. Holler and Peter Hanna; Gilroy: Mr. and Mrs. Truman Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. Glen Patterson, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Scherrer, Bernice Baldwin, John and Mary Scherrer; San Jose: Mr. and Mrs. Gene Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Hunt, E. D. Lynch, P. E. Stuart, John Scott and Gordon Hunt.

Shaar, Mr. and Mrs. David Barry, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fournay, Mr. and Mrs. S. Erlanger, Mrs. J. B. White, Mrs. B. McElroy, Wm. D. Norton; San Jose: Mrs. Louis Oneal, Miss M. Schneichert, Mrs. J. R. Kocher, Clifford Hayes, B. H. Burger, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burres, Dr. and Mrs. H. Collins, E. P. Smith, Walter Napolitano; Cu-pertino: E. Dow, Sara Robinson, Lillie E. Hanrahan; Santa Cruz: Don C. Sadler; Boulder Creek: Jim Anderson; Stanford University: Louise E. Hudson, Elizabeth Manwaring; Ventura: Richard B. Gould; Alameda: Mr. and Mrs. R. Crite; Hong Kong, China: Mrs. A. G. Grantham; Oakland: Miss Sigrid Hoye, Miss A. Bruce Walker; Watsonville: George Backovich, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sambrailo and son, Gordan Everett, George Sheehy, C. M. Silva, Martin Butier; Palo Alto: Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Prior, Jr.; Berkeley: Jos. E. J. Valencia, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Mann, Miss Edith Galbraith, Miss S. Gawthorp.

Salinas Daily Post, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1934:

James Holohan, warden of San Quentin, passed through Salinas Friday en route to Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,'

San Francisco Chronicle, June 10<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

San Francisco—Mrs. George O'Bitz, John P. Kelly, P. J. Kelly, Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Manche, Mrs. C. Kelb, Mr. and Mrs. Burt L. Lapp, Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Millikan, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gillespie, Gus Scheib, Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Shaar, Mr. and Mrs. David Barry, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Fournay, Mr. and Mrs. S. Erlanger, Mrs. J. B. White, Mrs. B. McElroy and Wm. D. Norton.

Salinas: Mr. and Mrs. K. C. Bertlesman, Lloyd Bertlesman, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Bronson, Miss Viola Peterson, Dorothy Smith, John Koue, Alvin J. Machado, E. A. Rianda, Peter Carlson, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Lacey and Diane, Mrs. A. R. Herman, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Maller, Mrs. Edw. F. Rossi and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wilson.

San Jose: Mrs. Louis Oneal, Miss M. Schneichert, Mrs. J. R. Kocher, Clifford Hayes, B. H. Burger, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Harry Burres, Dr. and Mrs. H. Collins, E. P. Smith and Walter Napolitano.

Pacific Grove: Mrs. Laura B. Rogers, Mr. and Mrs. Robt. Dexter, Mr. and Mrs. John Asher, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Asher, H. M. Law, Mrs. E. A. Harrison and Mrs. Etta A. Olmsted.

Berkeley: Jos. E. J. Valencia, Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Mann, Miss Edith Galbraith, Miss S. Gawthorp. Boulder Creek: Jim Anderson; Monterey: Allen J. Close and Mr. and Mrs. Otto G. Leg; Castroville: Mr. and Mrs. J. Fasio and Mrs. Lucia Franco; Palo Alto: Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Prior, Jr.; Stanford University: Louise E. Hudson and Elizabeth Manwaring; Ventura: Richard B. Gould; Alameda: Mr. and Mrs. R. Crite; Watsonville: George Backovich, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sambrailo and son, Gordan Everett, George Sheehy, C. M. Silva, Martin Butier and H. Fischer; Cupertino: E.

Dow, Sara Robinson and Lillie E. Hanrahan; Santa Cruz: Don C. Sadler; Carmel: E. H. Ewig, Louis E. Schromm, W. R. Moore, R. A. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Paul Fox, Miss Hallie Samson, A. L. Lafrenz; Hong Kong, China: Mrs. A. G. Grantham; Oakland: Miss Sigrid Hoye and Miss A. Bruce Walker.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,'

San Francisco Chronicle, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

San Francisco: Ed Mathews, C. P. MacDonald, Joe Toryol, C. F. Hasman, Herbert D. Dell and wife, E. W. Cumberland and wife, Miss L. Scanion, Ward Ingram, Fred Bassetti, Genevieve O'Neal, Richard Bell, Herb. M. Jefferys, Mrs. J. F. Kittel, Chas. Carlson, Father J. Karnett, Dr. C. R. Sherman, J. J. Baumgartner, E. E. Linzle and wife, Mrs. J. R. Wade, Mrs. Edna Marlow, J. W. Stone, S. J. Gibson and wife, Maria J. Callahan, Al Moran, E. J. Norton and wife, Edna Norton, Mrs. A. Goldstine, Miss H. Pedersen.

San Jose: Burke Quilty and wife, Edward J. Kelly and wife, Dr. K. M. Anderson and wife, Joe Arena, Joe Vittorio, Wm. Giacomazzi, Jas. Pelton.

Salinas: H. B. Chadbourne, Geo. Griffin and wife, Agnes Koue, Mrs. M. F. Martin, Dorothy Smith, Theresa Martin, Earl Wilson and wife, Mrs. F. Peterson, Fred Lovett, Virginia Price, Mrs. E. Russell, F. O. Hawkins, Mildred Thompson, Bob Wheaton, L. Maller and wife, Mrs. M. W. Little, H. S. Gray and wife, Orval Myers and wife, C. R. Milander and wife, A. J. Zadig and wife, M. O. Bailey, Janette Mayers, B. E. Baird and wife, Louis J. Wyatt and wife, John Breschini, Margaret Austin, Alex Carlsson, E. J. Drussel and wife, Walter Nielsen and wife, John Pierce and wife, Dean Lacey, wife and Diane, Chas. S. Brooks and wife, Miss R. Scott, Sally Wilson, Virginia Wilson, P. A. Lauber and family, J. B. Lauber and family, Ruth Eglehart, Fred J. Koehl, wife and daughter, Miss A. Rianda, S. Rianda and wife, Frank L. Martin, Wm. McGlinchey.

Carmel: David Askew, Paul Fox and wife, J. A. Eustace, Mrs. Maria Ginn, Phil Noyes, Billy Terry, Mrs. Margaret Hickey, Miss C. Ginn, Mrs. C. S. Noyes, E. L. Terry and wife.

Santa Cruz: R. Fowler, wife and Barbara, J. H. Hauschildt; Spreckels: W. P. Paulson; Gilroy: Mr. and Mrs. R. Paganucci; Soledad: Frank Lafranch and son; San Anselmo: G. R. Starrs; Tres Pinos: Mr. and Mrs. Ramon Somovia; Watsonville: Mark Cherovich, Henry Struve, Loraine Struve, Jean Struve, Chris Sandberg, George Sears, H. B. Sears and wife, Misses Sears, Willis H. West, Geo. Bachovich, Sam Cohen and wife, L. Rosenberg and wife, Allan E. Petersen, A. K. May, Russell J. Schauer, Adamae Donohue, E. V. Frost, L. J. Marsano, E. H. Struve and wife, Jack Regan; Berkeley: E. J. Valencia, A. B. Mann and wife, R. S. Robinson, F. P. Cronemiller, D. O. McGovnehy and wife; San Mateo: Father H. J. Lyne; St. Ann's Hill, Ireland: Mrs. Ada Mahoney.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1934, and onward during the guest season of that year:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Monterey County. The resort of curative mineral waters of great natural heat, perfect sanitary conditions and cleanliness, and the best food prepared by an A-1 chef. Where the sick get well, and the well have a perfect vacation. Folders at Peck-Judah or *Chronicle* Office, or write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, Owner and Manager, at Springs.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1934:

### SUMMER VISITORS THROG TO POPULAR TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Throgs of Salinas residents are among the groups enjoying vacation trips to Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County's popular summer resort, which yearly attracts visitors from all parts of the world.

Included in the guests who have registered at the Springs since early in July are many from San Francisco, Los Angeles, Oakland, Berkeley, Burlingame, Mill Valley, San Jose, Santa Cruz, Hollister, Watsonville, Pacific Grove, Carmel, Modesto, San Mateo, Los Gatos, Alameda, Los Altos and many other points.

Among the visitors from Salinas are the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Koehl, Miss Myrleen Koehl, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Lacey, accompanied by Mrs. E. Hardy, Miss Caroline Hardy, of Berkeley, and Mrs. E. C. Kraft, of Santa Rosa, Mrs. M. F. Martin, Miss Theresa Martin, A. H. Christensen, Miss Minnie Christensen, J. P. Holm, John De Porta, Frank L. Martin, John Tholche, Walter Eva, Mr. and Mrs. Leo Miller, Miss Margaret Sullivan, Miss Kay Rhodes, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Machado, Mrs. K. S. Graham, Mrs. E. A. Rianda, Mrs. Marie McKinnon, Mrs. Mary Harkins, Miss Alice Osterheld, Jimmy Osterheld, D. O. Mills, G. C. Gaudin, John Breschini, Dr. Garth Parker, George Rianda, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Les, K. Allen, J. Thorup, Buster Olsen, Dick Bordeaux, Hugh Rathburn.

From Fresno: Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wallace, formerly of Salinas; From Del Monte: Eliot Callender and Clara Callender. From Monterey: Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Raiter, C. Raiter, Bebe and Jacquillize Raiter, Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Barrett, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Metz, Miss A. Brown, Eddie Burns, Fred A. Parie, W. W. Tibbetts and Louis Oliari; From Tres Pinos: Mr. and Mrs. James Slaven and Mrs. L. Brummett; From Carmel: Mr. and Mrs. Niel Twilegar, Col. and Mrs. H. L. Watson, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Schroeder, Dr. and Mrs. Grant Phillips, Dr. and Mrs. Clarence Terry, Mrs. M. Nicolay, Gertrude Nicolay, Mrs. L. Simpson, Miss E. Armstrong, Mrs. J. H. Belo, Miss Margaret McCarthy, Miss Alice McCarthy, Miss Elizabeth Watson, C. W. Coleman, L. E. Payne, Miss Effie MacFarland; From Pacific Grove: N. E. Duclos, F. D. Naylor, Mr. and Mrs. Byron Savage, Raymond J. Conway and family.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Following is a list of arrivals at Tassajara Hot Springs:

FROM SAN FRANCISCO: Charles Johnson, Alvin Scale & wife, Mary Wilkinson, Alvina Toomey, Miss Bertha B. Miles, Mrs. G. M. Palm, T. J. Finerty, P. S. Orr, M. King & wife, S. Stillman Jr., J. L. Minnis Jr., Mrs. S. Erianger, J. C. McCann & wife, A. Adams, Dora Savage, J. F. O'Brien & wife, E. C. Walton, W. Goodman & wife, John Hunter, Bessie O'Toote, Katherine Slaven, Alice M. Corbett, H. B. Bruce & wife, Anna J. Mappé, Paul Bancroft & wife, C. Crocker & wife, Ruth Bulger, Margaret E. Dolan, I. Icstadt, James C. Malloy, Mrs. J. MacDonald, Mammie Norton, B. O'Donnell, Mae O'Keefe, Robert M. Ripley

FROM OTHER PLACES: N. W. Thompson, D. E. Metz, W. A. Olson, James Johnstone, Annie Hayes, Oakland; Walter Estes, A. W. Ayers, C. B. Newby Jr. & wife; Berkeley; E. A. Horner, E. Renour, Burlingame; Ivan Lundquist, A. Lundquist and wife, Mrs. E. McCune, Mill Valley; Chester Herold, Lathrop Herold, Phil Herold, Mrs. Margaret Keller, Tom Holland and wife, San Jose; Mrs. M. F. Martin, Theresa Martin, A. H. Christiansen, Minne Christiansen. J. P. Holm, John Deports, Frank L. Martin, John Sholche, Walter Eva, Leo Maller and wife, Margaret Sullivan, Mrs. Marie McKennon, Mrs. K. S. Graham, Mrs. E. A. Rianda, Chris Machado and wife, Mrs. Mary Osterheld, Jimmy Osterheld, D. O. Mills, G. C. Gaudin, John Breschini, Dr. Garth Parker, George Rianda, C. H. Lee and wife, Kay Rhodes, Clyde Lawrence and wife, Fred J. Koehl and wife, Miss M. Kochi, Jim Thorup, Buster Olsen, Dick Bordeaux, Hugh Rathburn, Ken Allen, A. D. Lacey and wife, Diane Lacey, Mrs. E. Hardy, Caroline Hardy, Mrs. E. C. Kraft, Salinas; P. J. Borovich, Mrs. K. Taylor, S. Shaw, Hollister; George Dennett, John Righetti, Santa Cruz; Carl Mehl and wife, Mrs. A. P. Stolish, Mrs. Edith Stanovich, P. Lettunich and wife, A. N. Nelson and wife, E. J. Dethlefsen and wife, R. H. Davis and wife, S. Cohon and wife, George Njavarro, M. Perovich, Ben Ceschi, L. S. Alexander, Ray Shaw and wife, John Hendicksen, Andrew Bokeriza, F. J. Saveria, Jasper Simonovich, Joe Batich, Fred Hudson, George Peacock and wife, P. Secondo, son and wife, Charles Sambrailo and wife, Billy and Junior Sambrailo, Jack Novich, Mrs. J. Thompson, W. E. Davis and wife, James, Jane and Buddie Enemark, Henry Strove, Lorene and Jean Struve, N. S. Pecchinino, Louis Ferodo and wife, W. Rauenegger, M. Capitanich and wife, Ruby Mae Handley, S. A. Leddy, son and wife, Russell Thompson, D. J. Daley, Nick Kuezevich, Dr. Tolman, son and wife, George Kennedy, Bill Kell, P. Battinich, Mrs. Irene Ceschi, Nels Enemark wife and son, Peter Jenro, Martin Jossovich, Yoko Kobayasi, Frank Saveria Sr., Tony Sabatish, Watsonville; N. Earle Duclos, P. D. Naylor, Byron Savage and wife, Raymond J. Conway and family, Pacific Grove; C. W. Coleman, Mrs. M. Nicolay, Gertrude

Nicolay, Dr. Grant Phillips and wife, Dr. Clarence Terry and wife, Mrs. L. Simpson, Miss E. Armstrong, Mrs. J. E. Belo, Margaret McCarthy, Alice McCarthy, Niel Twilegar and wife, Colonel H. L. Watson and wife, Elizabeth Watson, L. E. Payne, Effie MacFarland, Jack Schroeder and wife, Carmel; Antonio Silva, Modesto; Roy R. O'Keefe, R. Chantaluop, San Mateo; Harold Wallace, Fresno; Colonel R. R. Merret and son, Livermore; Eliot Callender, Clara Callender, Del Monte; Walter A. Sorrell and wife, Pasadena; U. A. Smith, W. H. Baxter, San Quentin, Don W. Woods, South Pasadena, Mrs. F. E. Charlton and Patsy, S. Shapeto and family, Mrs. Maud Kennedy, P. C. Gernert, Los Angeles; K. P. Roberts and wife, H. P. Cheathan, Los Gatos; Mrs. S. Alden, Alameda; James Slaven and wife, Mrs. L. Brummett, Tres Pinos; W. J. Minnis, Los Altos; Alex King and wife, Lucile King, Miss Rodriquez, Mrs. J. R. Lyons, Castroville; Mrs. R. M. Barrett, F. C. Raiter and wife, Bebe and Jaquiline Raiter, Eddie Burns, Miss M. A. Brown, Fred A. Parie, W. W. Tibbetts, Louis Oliari, A. G. Metz and wife, Monterey.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

No lovelier month than September in the Mountains. Same curative hot mineral springs, same fine food, and same amusements, but at greatly reduced rates. Daily stage leaves Jeffery Hotel, Salinas, at 1 P. M. Write or telephone Springs for information.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1934:

### MANY VACATIONISTS FROM THIS CITY AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A large number of local residents are listed among the many guests vacationing at Tassajara Hot Springs. Among those who have registered at the resort since July 30 are the following:

Mr. and Mrs. Adam Thompson, J. A. Bardin, Charles W. Bardin, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Bardin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bardin, Mr. and Mrs. E. McHarry, Charles McHarry, E. C. Motherhead, Mr. and Mrs. Gary G. Fabrey, Milton Tavernetti, Henry Lanini, Jr., Roy Bardin, A. Thompson, Julius Ratuer, G. S. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Dewar and son, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wisely and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. Maringer, Mrs. Annie Moore, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McIntyre, Miss Ella Enevoldsen, Margaret Reynolds, Miss Lucy Evans, Mrs. R. Stirling, Mrs. C. Clausen, Mr. and Mrs. W. Moore and daughter, J. W. Malone, Edward Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. E. Breschini, Mrs. W. Potter, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Martin and daughter, Beverly, Mrs. W. J. Schween, Mrs. P. Tavernetti, Mrs. Mildred Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wallace, Richard Wallace, Mrs. F. W. Winham. Visitors from Monterey included: Mr. and Mrs. E. Zanetti, Miss Inez Whitaker, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Metz, Mrs. Mary McKillop, Mrs. M. Steinhagen, W. L. Lee, and A. J. Mason; From Carmel: Mr. and Mr. E. D. Shepherd, Miss J.



Stoopes, F. J. Ward, C. M. Henderson, W. C. Nielsen, H. Nielsen, J. Burge and B. Franklin; From Del Monte: Lt. Com. and Mrs. Grant Stephenson, E. Callender, Miss Clara Callender, J. Hawkins and D. Sheilds; From Santa Cruz: Mr. and Mrs. A. Law, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. F. Stron, Mr. and Mrs. R. Moody, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sharp, Miss Barbara Sharp, Miss Sybil Wessendorf, E. V. Woodstock, D. Gregerson and J. Bias, Jr.

From 'Summer Resort Arrivals,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Following is a list of arrivals at Tassajara Hot Springs since July 30:

From San Francisco: R. de Rose & wf., Thomas Harvey, Theodora Jackson, Mrs. J. MacDonald, Ruth Pechart, Mrs. J. O'Keefe, Mrs. M. O'Keefe, Alice Harrington, Ralph Rizzo, P. Galleazzi & wf., H. Donnelly & wf., Mrs. C. W. Conlisk, Katherine R. Cahill, Eva C. Mucahy, B. O'Donnell, Mrs. Fernandez, L. Herrmann, Vera Larsch, E. S. Rix & wf., Dr. E. R. Kidenmuller & son, Jos. Vannucci, Margaret E. Dolan, J. A. Briggs, Lt. Jas. C. Malley, Ruth Bulger, Mary Olibe, J. J. Burke & wf., Louse Riorden, Helen Riorden, Sidney Abrams, W. H. Beanston, Helen Kahn, Mrs. A. Callender, F. J. Finerty, Walter Green, Wm. A. Hamilton, E. Lachman & wf., C. K. Melrose & wf., J. A. Seiberlich & wf.; From Oakland, Berkeley and Alameda: Kathileen Slaven, S. Mills, William Mills, Miss J. McDonald, Miss Lucy Abell, Peter Van Routie, C. C. Van Houtte, Anna Sequeria, D. E. Metz; from Burlingame and San Mateo—W. B. Tevis, L. N. Hawkins, Miss A. Basham, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Moody; From San Jose—Phil Herold, L. P. Coopers, A. Vart, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Moorland, Julia Sparrer, Max Sparrer; from Salinas—Ray Bardin, Mr. and Mrs. Adam Thompson, Allen Thompson, J. A. Bardin, Charles W. Bardin, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Bardin, Mr. and Mrs. C. Bardin, Mrs. E. McHarry, Charles McHarry, E. C. Motherhead, Mr. and Mrs. H. Gary, Gus Fabrey, Milton Tavernetti, Henry Lanini, Jr., Julius Ratuer, Margaret Reynolds, George S. Gould, Mr. and Mrs. Dewar and son, Mr. and Mrs. H. Wiseley and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. H. Maringer, Mrs. Annie Moore, Ella En-evoldsen, Lucy Evans, Mr. and Mrs. W. W. McIntyre, J. W. Malone, Mrs. Robert Sterling, Mrs. C. Clausen, Mr. and Mrs. Wirth Moore and daughter, Edward Olsen, Mr. and Mrs. E. Breschini, Mrs. W. Potter, A. C. Hughes, Stafford Hughes, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Martin and Beverly, Mrs. W. J. Schween, Mrs. P. Tavernetti, Mildred Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wallace, Richard Wallace, Mrs. F. W. Winham; from Watsonville—John Batistich, John Sambraio, Dr. P. S. Enego, Tony Resetar, Peter Senro, Mrs. J. Rouse, Georgia Rouse, P. Battenich, J. Mathews, M. Resetar Sr., Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Aiton, Paul Zironovich, L. Arbanas, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Varni, Mrs. P. S. Oliver, Mrs. Rose Kalich, T. M. Kissich, Annie Kisaleh, Alfred Rooney, Peter Stolich, Mary Resetar, Mrs. Agnes Staud, M. Stolieb,

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Dutro, Mr. and Mrs. N. Enemark, David Enemark, John Glagg, Mrs. L. M. McGowan; from Santa Cruz—E.V. Woodstock, D. Gregerson, J. Bias, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Troyer, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hamilton, Sr., and Mrs. Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. Alex Law, Mr. and Mrs. F. Stron, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sharp, Miss Barbara Sharp, Miss Sybil Wessendorf; from Monterey—Mr. and Mrs. E. Zanetti, Miss Inez Whitaker, W. L. Lee, A. J. Mason, Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Metz, Mrs. Mary McKillop, Mrs. M. Steinhausen; from Carmel—F. J. Ward, Miss Stoopes, C. M. Henderson, W. C. Nielsen, H. Nielsen, J. Burge, B. Franklin, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Shepherd; from Del Monte—E. Callender, Miss Clara Callender, Lt. Commander and Mrs. Grant Stephenson, Jack Hawkins, D. Sheilds; Mr. and Mrs. J. Lentini, Los Angeles; Mr. and Mrs. Albert Moore, New York; Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Kocker, Palm Springs; A. Silva, Modesto; J. P. Churchill, Santa Barbara; Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Ledebur, Hollywood; Mr. and Mrs. R. Ewell, Walnut Creek; Mrs. Berelaria, Mrs. Hastings, Jamesburg; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Stebbon, King City; Miss G. Sheetz, Fresno.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 26<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS MONTEREY COUNTY

No more beautiful place than in September. Perfect climate. No fog. Curative mineral baths. The resort of cleanliness and fine food. Greatly reduced rates in September. Information at Peck-Judah's, *Chronicle* Office or write Manager at Springs.

From the 'Personal Mention' column, *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1934:

James B. Holohan, warden of San Quentin prison, visited with relatives and friends here yesterday. He was returning from a visit to Tassajara Springs, famous mountain resort conducted by Mrs. Holohan, formerly Mrs. Helen Quilty.

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*Santa Cruz Evening News*, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1935:

### FELONS BOLT; JIM HOLOHAN MAY DIE

Late this afternoon the convicts were reported captured at Valley Ford.

A deputy sheriff telephoned he had gotten a drop on the fugitives and had taken all into custody.

One prisoner was shot in the capture and the report said he was dying.

All the hostage prison board officials were said to be safe.

SAN QUENTIN, Jan. 16. (AP)—An unknown number of convicts broke out of San Quentin prison today.

They captured three members of the state prison board, its secretary, Mark E. Noon, and escaped in automobiles.

Warden James B. Holohan was knocked unconscious and left in the rear of a prison

building as the desperate prisoners swept through the "big house" to freedom.

The identity of the fleeing convicts was not determined at once. San Quentin, the most populous penitentiary in the United States, long has been the source of rumors of unrest within its walls.

About a score of prisoners were confined to the dungeon recently on charges of agitating among the 6000 inmates.

Escapes from San Quentin are difficult, however, because it is situated on a point of the bay north of San Francisco and the only landward route for fleeing men is to the north.

Members of the board, in session at the prison, had just gone to the warden's house for lunch when the desperate convicts jumped out from hiding places within the grounds, pounced upon the officials and dashed out the gates in the official automobile.

Holohan was struck over the head with a weapon and possibly seriously injured.

The prison board members taken were Frank C. Sykes, chairman, Warren H. Atherton and Joseph Stephenson, all prominent in state affairs. The secretary is Mark E. Noon.

Police of the bay cities rallied speedily to all possible avenues of escape which are necessarily limited because of the situation of the famous "big house."

Reports from the prison, where the communications systems were badly shattered, said the warden was "badly beaten" and was later thrown out.

Mark Noon, prominent California politician and head of the board, was among the civilians held.

An automobile appeared mysteriously and the convicts and hostages left by the Greenbrae gates toward the town of Sausalito.

It was possible to take three routes along the road, however.

The alarm was spread by teletype machine to all police headquarters and sheriffs offices in California and nearby states.

Every available guard from San Quentin was thrown into the chase.

Warden Holohan was found in the prison yard. He was severely beaten and was carried into his home on the prison grounds. His condition appeared to be serious.

Prison officials said the automobile number was E (in a diamond) 6154, or 6153. This was an indication the car is a prison machine.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1935:

### WARDEN HOLOHAN MAY NOT LIVE

SAN QUENTIN, Jan. 16.—3:10 p. m.—Desperate convicts staged a wild break from San Quentin prison today, kidnapped Warden James B. Holohan and four board members of the prison board and poured a withering fire from machine guns at pursuing guards.

Airplanes took off from Hamilton Field to aid in suppressing the break.

Alcatraz guards and police from all northern California prepared to send forces to the scene.

Holohan, veteran prison warden, jumped from the running board of his automobile as the six convicts tried to kidnap him. He suf-

fered a fractured skull.

Mark E. Noon, secretary of the board, after a wild ride in which the men fired at pursuers was dumped from the machine near Black Point, northeast of the prison. Governor F. Merriam, informed at Sacramento of the break, immediately assumed personal charge in an effort to capture the men.

Two prison guards, Clarence Doofe, a veteran of the penitentiary, and Harry Jones, were forced to ride on the running board.

The convicts used the men as shields, firing at their pursuers. It was reported they had a machine gun in their automobile.

A bridge tender, Joseph B. Wayne, lifted the span across Ringo Slough, forcing them to turn onto another highway.

The guards were dumped from the automobile a few minutes later, but the fate of the prison board officials was unknown.

Warden Holohan was so seriously injured that prison physicians feared he would die.

Excerpts from 'San Quentin 'Broken,' Warden Holohan Dying, Convicts Capture Board Members, Flee in Machine,' *Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1935:

(BULLETIN 3:40 P. M.)

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Jan. 16 (UP)—Five convicts staged a spectacular escape from San Quentin prison today, slugged and probably fatally injured Warden James B. Holohan, and were captured less than two hours later when one of the convicts was slain by a posse at Valley Forge.

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Jan. 16. (UP)—Warden James B. Holohan, slugged by escaping convicts here today, was said at the prison hospital to be dying from a fractured skull.

"We don't believe he can live more than a few hours," said one of the prison physicians. The warden feared that there were three convicts in the car which raced out of the prison. Planes from the army air base at Hamilton Field took to the air in the search for the desperadoes. The planes were equipped with machine guns.

SAN QUENTIN PRISON, Jan. 16 (UP)—A group of convicts—exact number unknown—today stormed into a room where the state prison board was meeting, captured some of the members and Warden James B. Holohan of Watsonville, and escaped in an automobile.

Reports from the prison where communications systems were badly shattered said the warden, "badly beaten," later was thrown out of the car.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1935 (headline):

## SYKES, STEPHENS SHOT AS 4 QUENTIN FELONS ESCAPE

CONVICTS SLUGT HOLOHAN, SEIZE BOARD; CAUGHT

Fleeing Badmen Captured After Running Gun Fight and Dramatic Chase; One Slain

In a sensational gang engineered prison break, unprecedented in criminal history, four armed convicts at San Quentin knocked the Warden senseless, kidnapped four members of

the State Prison Board and two guards and made a clean getaway from the prison walls.

Two hours later one convict was shot and fatally wounded, two others shot and all four captured following a dramatic chase and gun battle, in which two Parole Board members were also wounded.

Clyde Stevens, California's No. 1 gangster, engineered it, and a few hours later he was captured with three aids by San Francisco police in an island shack near Antioch.

A rendezvous between Stevens' mob and the convicts had been arranged in Berkeley. When it fell through, Captain of Detectives Dullea and a posse started closing in up in the river country.

Shortly before midnight they surrounded the gangster and wounded two of his henchmen, Albert Kessel and Eugene Martini, Captain Dullea said. The third man was Stuart Leese.

Stevens, paroled San Francisco bank robber, was not only the master mind behind the break, but arranged for the firearms to be smuggled into the prison for the break.

Warden Holohan, prison head and former United States Marshal, has a fractured skull as the result of his beating in the prelude to the gang gathering. He is in a serious condition.

Those kidnapped by the convicts were:

Frank C. Sykes of San Francisco, president of the Board of Prison Directors and the Parole Board.

Mark Noon, secretary.

Warren Atherton of Stockton, Prison Board director.

Joseph H. Stephens of Sacramento, Prison Board director:

Lieutenant Harry Jones, head of the prison guards.

C. L. Doose, a guard.

The four convicts who participated in the escape and kidnapping were:

Dead

Rudolph B. Straight, 35, Alameda County robber.

Captured Convicts

Alex McKay, 28, Los Angeles robber, flesh wound in head.

Joe Kristy, 26, Los Angeles kidnaper.

Fews Landers, 27, San Francisco robber, wounded in lip.

All three confessed to the Stevens escape plot.

Sykes and Stephens were wounded in the gun battle in which the capture of three of the convicts was effected.

With Atherton, they alone remained in the convict car with the escaping prisoners at the conclusion of the desperate chase. Noon and the prison guards were forced out of the car early in the chase—Noon to halt the gun fire of posses and the guards because they were excess baggage.

Sykes was shot in the hip and Stephens in the leg. Their wounds were not serious. Straight was wounded by District Attorney Albert E. Bagshaw of Marin County, when the desperado emerged from the Valley Ford creamery to try to shoot his way out.

Sykes narrowly missed instant death when the gun of one of the convicts failed to

discharge. At the opening of the break, one of the convicts shouted to Sykes: "Who are you?" Before Sykes could answer, the convict snapped the trigger. The ensuing confusion is believed to have prevented a second attempt on Sykes life.

Warden Holohan recovered consciousness shortly after 4 o'clock in the prison hospital. Dr. L. L. Stanley, prison physician, who is in attendance, said he was to function coordinately, but recognized his surroundings. Dr. Stanley said his condition was "very serious."

Prison authorities declared the break had been carefully planned.

The board of prison terms and paroles had met at San Quentin yesterday morning. Following the session they adjourned to Warden Holohan's house, which is some 200 yards from the main prison building but inside the prison compound. The group had lunch as guests of Warden Holohan. Lieutenant Jones and Guard Doose were waiting to drive the party to San Rafael. The warden's car stood just outside his house at the rear.

The parole board members, Noon and Holohan, were just finishing luncheon when the four convicts entered the dining room, having swept through the kitchen and cowed a Chinese cook there.

"Hands up!" was the command.

Holohan was returning from a telephone in the study, but one of the convicts, identified a Straight, launched after him, striking him over the head with his gun and felling him to the floor.

Wild confusion followed, with the convicts commanding a change of clothes with the parole board members, a change but partly effected. The four then herded their hostages out the back door. Two drivers for the warden were there, and one shot was reported fired at this stage.

But Noon, warned everybody that there was to be no interference. Apparently everything went off with some deliberation at this stage. Noon caused a signal to be sent to the gates, to let the prison car through, and not to fire at it.

By this time the prison was in an uproar, knowing that an escape was in progress.

The hostages were pushed into the warden's big car, and with Jones driving, it shot across the reservation and out the back gate.

His Wife Gives Alarm

In the meantime Mrs. Holohan, warned by a shouting Chinese, ran to the aid of her husband. She found him senseless on the floor and gave the alarm. Guards in the towers were instructed not to fire on the machine for fear of hitting the parole board members.

The rear gate guard opened the rear gate and the machine, driven by Jones, shot through in the direction of Greenbrae and the prison rock quarry.

The car headed north through San Rafael with a fast gathering posse closing in behind it. State highway patrol cars, San Rafael police, fast machines with prison guards, and machine loads of deputy Sheriffs trailed behind. Once an ambush blocked the way of the speeding

car but when the officers refused to fire the convicts became elated. They thought they were reasonably safe. When the officers refused to fire the convicts became elated. They thought they were reasonably safe.

#### Noon Forced Out

The machine swung over the Black Point cutoff and notched to 50, then 60 miles an hour. Ahead was a drawbridge. There was some conversation among the convicts as to whether they would find it open or shut.

It was open and the machine ground to a stop amid a string of curses.

Noon, secretary of the prison board, was forced out of the machine and told to warn posses that the parole board members were still with the convicts and would be killed unless the posses held their fire.

The car then doubled back, passing through armed posses of men unable to shoot. The board members caught glimpses of tense faces in cars with police insignia. Muzzles of shot-guns, machine guns and revolvers pointed their way—all silent, waiting, helpless.

Once there was a rattle of shots. One officer, more daring than the rest, attempted shoot the tires off the speeding car. He missed, and the escapes roared on, swaying back and forth across the highway. The machine doubled back through Novato to the Redwood highway. In San Rafael and at other police points, frantic efforts were being made to broadcast by radio to police cars to tell them not to shoot.

But as the runaway car gained distance and gave promise of being lost in the mountains to the northwest, several of the posses experimented with firing low, attempting to shoot off the tires of the machine.

Armed posies, many of whom may not have known that officials were in the prison car, started rising on every side. Jones and Doose were let out and Kristy started driving. They kept on going. Lead thudded in the rear.

One tire went flat, and the car began to sway crazily on the highway. Through the rear windows the prisoners watched pursuers leveling rifles at them. The air was filled with the whine of bullets.

Finally a second tire was shot off. The car swayed drunkenly. A posse bullet burned Sykes in the hip. Another struck Stephens in the leg.

All crouched over to elude the whining sheet of lead which came with increasing frequency as the car sped through ambushes. Kristy swung off into a road leading to the creamery. The car crashed into a barn.

Everybody jumped from the car and ran for cover, parole board members and convicts.

The convicts ran for the creamery building. The posses closed in after them with lightning speed, surrounding the creamery. Eyewitnesses said Straight came out the back door of the creamery, firing, trying to shoot his way out. Bagshaw, one of 36 posse men now at the scene, fired, and Straight fell. The remaining three, cornered, surrender-ed.

Difficulty was experienced in getting word out from Valley Ford, and getting am-

balances in. All available telephone lines were tied up for over an hour.

#### Irony in Parole

State officials were laying the lines for a searching investigation of the entire break. One phase will be directed to the ironic twist by which Clyde Stevens, paroled bank robber, arranged for the smuggling in of the guns which prisoners swung on the parole board which prematurely released Stevens.

After they were returned to San Quentin last night the prisoners admitted Stevens had engineered the break and procured the guns. Straight at first said a guard had sold the guns to them, but officials branded this as a lie.

The guns were concealed under the cowl of a work Ford driven innocently by Harry Simpson, a Public Works civil employee at the prison. The guns were hidden in the car a couple of weeks, then MacKay got them out and concealed them.

#### Planned to Meet Stevens

Officials also will delve into the ease with which a mere change of clothing of MacKay and Straight got Straight out into the reservation, where he was not ordinarily permitted. He had tried to escape before. The other three prisoners, however, were permitted to go on the reservation.

Officials declared the four prisoners confessed they were to have met Stevens and his mob at Ninth and University Avenue, Berkeley, for the final getaway.

Stevens was paroled from San Quentin last year, two months ahead of time, and is credited with several recent holdups, including that of a branch bank on Fillmore Street, when he escaped a police trap which had been laid for him.

Discipline was clamped down both at San Quentin and Folsom prisons last night, Julian Alco, president of the Prison Board, declared he would act as warden for the time being. All days off for guards were cancelled and all outside privileges for prisoners were abrogated for the present.

State officials, remembering other successful breaks, were themselves surprised by the swift denouement of this one. They were preparing for a widespread manhunt, and the order went out from Governor Merriam directly to State officers to form a second circle of steel.

This second circle was never needed.

Prison officials declared that in spite of the excitement of the day, the prison was all quiet last night

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1935:

### HOLOHAN'S STORY OF SLUGGING

On recovering consciousness early last night, Warden James B. Holohan told his first story of the attack. Holohan had been under the constant care of Dr. Leo L. Stanley, prison physician, since he first was struck down.

"I was walking from the telephone," said Holohan, "on my way back to the dining room to rejoin the members of the board."

"I was struck from behind. I turned quickly, intending to put up resistance, when the blond man, the leader of the gang, I think it was

Straight, swung a gun over his head and hit me with the barrel. I dropped to the floor, losing consciousness. I don't know what happened after that, it all came in a flash."

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1935:

### TWENTY WOUNDS ON WARDEN

The merciless slugging which Warden Holohan underwent at the hands of the "light-haired convict," was indicated last night by Dr. L. L. Stanley, prison physician.

Here is Dr. Stanley's report:

Frontal fracture of the skull.

Fifteen cuts about the scalp made with the muzzle of a gun.

Two cuts behind the right ear. Two cuts on the right cheek.

All wounds bleed profusely, and the warden vomited blood at intervals.

Early last evening Warden Holohan recovered consciousness, and as the night progressed gained in strength. His pulse and respiration returned to normal, Dr. Stanley stated, and while he was not pronounced out of danger, his condition was distinctly more favorable at midnight.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1935:

### ATHERTON TELLS STORY OF WILD RIDE WITH CONVICTS

#### BULLETS MISS HIM, BUT WOUND PRISON BOARD AIDS

An amazing and intimate account of the ill fated convict break from San Quentin and kidnapping of State Parole Board members was given to the *Chronicle* yesterday—first in a telephone message 10 minutes after the capture and later in an amplified account from Sacramento—by Warren Atherton, member of the board who was kidnapped. Here is his story:

By Warren Atherton  
Kidnapped Member of the State Parole Board

We are certainly glad to be alive. It all happened quickly and we were taken very much by surprise, but plenty happened in the few dangerous moments in the Warden Holohan's house and during that wild ride. We had been lurching when the convicts invaded the house. Warden Holohan had been phoning in the next room when he was suddenly attacked from the rear and slugged unmercifully.

Before we could make a move a convict came into the dining room with an automatic pistol in his hand and said:

"We don't want any trouble, now, but we have to get out of here in a hurry. We're going to take all of you with us. Get your clothes off and we'll trade with you."

At that moment Mrs. Holohan, who had heard the disturbance, came into the room. We could all hear the warden groaning in the next room and she pleaded with the convicts to let her go to her husband.

"Never mind, Mrs. Holohan," one of them said, "We'll be out of here in five minutes and then you can see him."

"But we've always treated you fellows well," said Mrs. Holohan. "Please, why don't you use

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your heads and give up this crazy scheme?"

"Too late now," said the convict, "We've got to go through with it."

Then, by coincidence, Mrs. Stephens called her husband on the phone at the house. Mark Noon was forced to answer the phone while a convict held gun on him, and, under instructions, he said that Stephens couldn't come to the phone for five minutes.

By that time we were out through the west gate, crowded into the car with the convicts and the two guards, Doose and Jones, who had been picked up when they came to our rescue.

The convicts were quite calm about the whole thing, astonishingly so, and from their conversation we gathered that they planned to follow the route which took the two escaped convicts, Stewart and Wyeth, to San Bernardino a year ago—that is, by cutting across the Black Point road and following little used secondary roads down the eastern rim of the State, perhaps making for Mexico.

But the bridge stopped them.

#### Convicts Nervous

We were being followed, meanwhile, by State Highway Patrol cars, although none had fired any shots as yet, and the convicts were getting nervous at last.

They dumped out Mark Noon to warn the posses not to fire, and then we doubled back through the posse. One of the convicts said he thought they could find a hideout on some side road.

"We got to get rid of this hot car," he said. "We aren't getting any place, like this. We got to have another car."

They dodged off on a side road, a dirt road, and stopped for awhile, but then they pushed on. One of them suggested cutting North and heading for Oregon.

#### Rear Tire Hit

Some member of the posse then took a couple of shots and hit one of the tires on a rear wheel. The car swerved and lurched, but Jones, who was driving, managed to right it. I don't know just where we were at the time, it was all so confused and we expected to have somebody open fire at any time. They kicked out Doose and later on Jones, too, probably to lighten the car. Also they told Jones to tell the posse not to fire, that we were along.

Things got hotter. A new blast of bullets struck the car, and one of them passed through the rear window and out through the front windshield. I don't think it missed me by more than inches. I ducked, but felt foolish for doing that.

#### Plan to Duck

"We can't make it now boys," one of the convicts, "We'll have to duck out and fight them somewhere."

Just then we came over a little rise and saw that creamery.

The convicts piled out while the car was still going about 25 miles an hour and all four ran for the creamery building. We piled out the other side of the car at the same time and started to scatter for shelter—because from outward appearance, on account of the clothing shift, we looked like convicts and the convicts looked like Parole Board members.

#### Tells Threat

One of the posse leveled a rifle at me and yelled:

"Stop right there or I will kill you, you dirty dog!"

I was frozen to the spot, speechless, and thought it was all over for me.

But Sykes and Stephens cried out:

"Don't shoot, for God's sake, that's Ather-ton."

It was then I noticed that both Stephens and Sykes had been hit. In the excitement they hadn't even mentioned it.

The rest of the battle you know about.

#### Glad to Be Alive

We're certainly glad to be alive.

There was a silly sort of aftermath. When the convicts had been rounded up one of them remarked casually to me—"Say, Judge, you'll find your coat on the other side of the creamery, I left it there in my hurry."

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Jan. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1935:

### QUENTIN CHIEF HAS RECORD AS PEACE OFFICER

SAN QUENTIN, Jan. 16 (AP). Warden James B. Holohan was a United States Marshal and a Sheriff for many years before he took charge of San Quentin Prison.

Holohan, born July 20, 1871, was appointed Marshal for the Northern District of California in 1914 and was reappointed in 1918. He retired March 9, 1924, after serving 10 years.

After Sheriff Howard V. Tafton was shot to death in a gun battle with a recluse, Holohan was named Sheriff of Santa Cruz County on September 9, 1925. He became warden of San Quentin September 19, 1927.

A tall, strong man, Warden Holohan is regarded as a firm disciplinarian, punishing unruly convicts, but he has endeavored to supply educational facilities for the thousands of prisoners under his care.

He interviews personally the scores of men who apply for jobs as guards at the penitentiary, and friends say he is able to read their characters while conversing with them.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Feb. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1935:

### WARDEN HOLOHAN IS IMPROVING IN HEALTH

Steady progress toward recovery from injuries received in the recent outbreak of prisoners at San Quentin penitentiary is being made by Warden James B. Holohan, according to Sheriff Bob Devitt of Santa Cruz County, who visited the convalescing official during a trip to the prison. Holohan was able to leave his bed for the first time and was sitting in a chair.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1935:

### TASSAJARA IS OPENED

Tassajara Hot Springs was opened for the season yesterday by Mrs. James Holohan, who was in Salinas making arrangements for the opening of the stage service to the resort.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1935:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Fishing is excellent at this mountain resort, \$5 being offered for the largest trout caught before July 1st. An air of home and comfort, bathing in hot curative mineral waters, and the best of food.

Address:

Helen G. Quilty-Holohan  
Owner and Manager, Folders at  
*Index-Journal* Office and  
Chamber of Commerce

*San Francisco Examiner*, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1935:

### CROCKER, S. F. ENGINEER, DIES

Arthur J. Crocker, prominent San Francisco construction engineer, died in his sleep Friday night at Tassajara Hot Springs, where he was vacationing with his two sons, George and Herbert A. Crocker.

Mr. Crocker for a number of years was president of the California Construction Company, the Peninsula Paving Company and the California Bridge and Tunnel Company, but retired a few years ago. He was also a member of a number of prominent clubs in this city and on the peninsula.

Mr. Crocker, who was 57, lived at 135 Cedro Avenue with his wife, Anna Bertha Crocker. Beside his widow and two sons, he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. James A. Flood.

Plans have been made to bring his remains to San Francisco for funeral services.

*Santa Cruz Evening News*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1935:

Mr. and Mrs. Laurence Canfield returned today from a delightful three-day vacation spent at Tassajara Hot Springs in Monterey County. While there they were saddened by the sudden death of Charles Crocker of San Francisco, who was a guest at the Springs. Mr. Crocker suffered a heart attack.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1935:

CROCKER—In Tassajara Hot Springs, June 1, 1935. Arthur J., beloved husband of Anna B. Crocker, devoted father of Mrs. James A. Blood and George N. and Herbert A. Crocker; native of Red Bluff, Calif.

Funeral services will be held at his late residence, 135 Cedro Way, today, Monday, at 3 o'clock p. m.

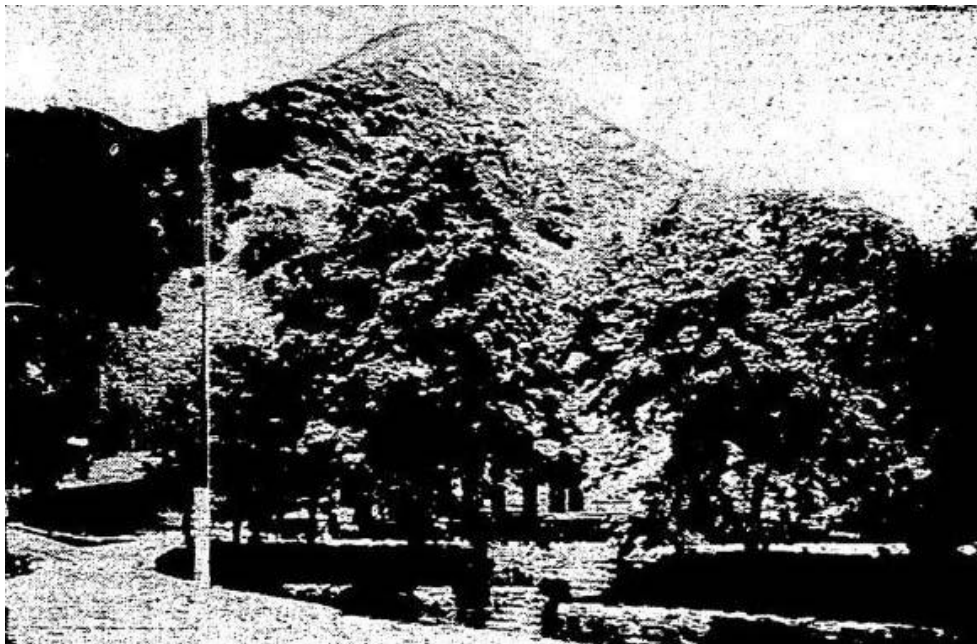
*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1935:

### CROCKER BURIAL RITE SET TODAY

Funeral services for Arthur J. Crocker, prominent San Francisco mining and construction engineer, will be held this afternoon at 3 o'clock from the family home at 135 Cedro Street.

John McNab and Julian Alco will conduct the service which will be under the auspices of the Masonic order.

VIEWES OF A FEW OF CALIFORNIA'S FAMOUS SUMMER RESORTS



Main Building, Tassajara Springs, Monterey County

Crocker died suddenly at Tassajara Springs, Monterey County, Saturday, after an illness which caused his retirement from active business two years ago. Born 56 years ago in Red Bluff, he had spent most of his life in San Francisco. He graduated from the University of California in 1900.

He is survived by a widow, Anna B. Crocker, a daughter, Mrs. James B. Blood, and two sons, George N. and Herbert Crocker.

From 'Vacation Chatter,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 4th, 1935:

From the high Sierra country to the base of the Santa Lucia range... and Tassajara Hot Springs in Monterey County. Probably most of you tested the pleasures of Tassajara at one time or another—and have bathed in, or drunk those healing waters that the gods of mountain release for man's well being.

They're really fine, though certainly not the only attraction, for Mrs. Holohan offers the triple attraction of excellent food, many amusements and charming surroundings. And if you want just to relax... I don't know of a better place to do it...

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Guest season of 1935:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS  
IN THE MONTEREY NATIONAL  
FOREST, MONTEREY COUNTY**

This spot is famous for its wonderful curative hot mineral waters. Perfect climate. No fog. Excellent trout fishing. Deer hunting. Riding, swimming, dancing, etc. Daily stage from Salinas. Write MRS. HELEN G. QUILTY-HOLOHAN, Owner and Manager, at the Springs. Folders at Peck-Judah and *Chronicle*.

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*San Francisco Chronicle*, Feb. 22, 1936:

**RESIGNATION GIVEN  
BOARD BY HOLOHAN**

The resignation of James B. Holohan as Warden of San Quentin prison was announced yesterday by Judge T. N. Harvey of Bakersfield, spokesman for State Board of Prison Directors.

The announcement was made immediately following the resumed session of the board which has been conducting an inquiry into prison conditions and a recent counterfeiting scandal. Holohan's resignation is effective as of March 31. The board refused to confirm the report that Court Smith, Warden of Folsom, was to be Holohan's successor.

In announcing Warden Holohan's resignation, Judge Harvey stressed the statement that the resignation was not connected with the recent revelation of counterfeiting operation within the prison. He paid high tribute to Holohan's record and services as a warden.

Warden Holohan himself confirmed the resignation in an interview with newspaper men.

"I am not leaving immediately," he said. "I will remain long enough to see that everything under investigation is cleared up."

The warden said he might go to his ranch at Watsonville or to Tassajara Hot Springs, he indicated.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 15th, 1936:

**HOLOHAN GIVEN HONOR  
ON LAST DAY AS WARDEN**

RETIRING PRISON OFFICIAL  
AND FAMILY TO LIVE  
NEAR WATSONVILLE

Salinas people soon will be greeting their old friend, James B. Holohan, on the streets of this city.

Wednesday he began his last day as warden of San Quentin prison, America's largest penal institution.

Shortly after lock up tonight the warden, his wife, and their daughter Josephine, will drive out of the grey-walled prison reservation to their ranch near Watsonville, where Holohan plans to live as an apple rancher.

In former years the warden and his wife, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs in the mountains southeast of here, have been occasional visitors in this city, where Mrs. Holohan has relatives. Now that they are going to make their permanent home near Watsonville, it is expected that the trips to Salinas will be even more frequent than in the past.

Holohan's retirement marks the end of 42 years of public service. He came to San Quentin in September, 1927, after a colorful career which began when, at 21, he served as a member of the school board of Santa Cruz County.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 15th, 1936:

**WARDEN HOLOHAN**

When James B. Holohan leaves the post of Warden of San Quentin he can look back on a proud record of public service. As an official in various capabilities he has been outstanding in courage, fidelity and integrity. Respect and admiration have followed him all his years. It is all summed up in the one word, "character." Holohan has it and that is the quality that determines whether a man is base metal or true steel.

San Francisco Chronicle, April 15<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

## HOLOHAN TO FARM

WARDEN'S PRISON CAREER ENDS  
TONIGHT

Watsonville Ranch to Be Open to Old Friends

Special to the *Chronicle*

SAN QUENTIN, April 14.—Shortly after lock-up tomorrow evening Warden James B. Holohan will drive out of the grim walled prison reservation and his 42 years of public service will be at an end. Court Smith, long time warden of Folsom, takes his new post at San Quentin Thursday morning.

Accompanied by his wife and daughter, Josephine, Warden Holohan will drive to the family ranch near Watsonville, where the warden plans to establish an open house for his many old friends throughout the State.

Holohan came to San Quentin in September, 1927, after a colorful career, which started when he was a 21 year-old member of the school board in Santa Cruz County.

He subsequently served as a State Senator, a United States Marshal, two terms as Sheriff of Santa Cruz County, and finally as warden of the world's largest penal institution.

A staunch believer in Americanism, Warden Holohan immediately recognized the necessity of educating the inmates of San Quentin. Under his direction the educational system at the penitentiary grew until now an inmate may learn to read, write, attend grammar school, high school and finally receive a college degree.

Under Holohan's direction many improvements were made at the prison. Equipment in the world famous San Quentin jute mill was improved until now more than 6,000,000 grain bags are produced annually.

New cell blocks were built and the prison hospital was moved to the women's ward when the women were transferred to Tehachapi three years ago. "Warden Jim," though known to dislike executions, officiated at 58 hangings during the eight years of his term. Such figures as Northcott, Hickman and, recently, McNab and Bagley were accompanied to the gallows by Holohan.

Always a stern disciplinarian, Holohan was looked upon by "cons" and free men alike as absolutely fair in his treatment.

Shortly after he reaches his ranch at Watsonville, Warden Holohan will be joined by Geronimo Grayjacket, prize winning collie, the warden's constant companion for the last four years. "Jerry" is to spend the first days of freedom he has ever known.

Santa Cruz Evening News, April 16<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

## HOLOHAN TO SPEND MOST OF SUMMER AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

James B. Holohan, who last night ended eight and a half years as warden of San Quentin prison, was today at the home of a family friend, Mrs. Edward Kelly, in Watsonville.

Mr. Holohan, looking fatigued and still showing effects of the beating he received in

the prison break last year, said that after two weeks at his farm in the Amesti region he will go to Tassajara Hot Springs, operated by his wife, to spend most of the summer.

Salinas Morning Post (Sunday Post), May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

## AUTOLOGUERS VISIT TASSAJARA SPRINGS IN STURDY PACKARD

INCOMPARABLE VIEWS FROM HIGH  
ROAD THROUGH SANTA LUCIAS  
CLIMAXED BY HISTORIC OLD RESORT

It seems strange in this day of fast and easy transportation that such a vast playground as is provided by Monterey County's 322,273 acres of national forest land could lie comparatively unknown for all these years, with none but fishermen and hunters and a few venturesome hikers to explore its innermost secrets.

Yet the Monterey Division of the Santa Barbara National Forest, the only national forest land in California that has a coast line, spreads like a mantle over the massive Santa Lucia Range, holding in its folded ravines more unexploited territory than is to be found anywhere west of the Sierra escarpment.

Peaks that tower more than a mile above sea level in a serrated blue ridge paralleling the ocean for more than a hundred miles cap tumbled ranges of chaparral, oak and redwood forest. More fishing streams than the most ardent devotee of the dry fly could cover in a lifetime ripple cheerfully through fern banks and splash in merry cascades and ribbon like falls over rocky barriers.

And in the heart of it all lies Tassajara Hot Springs, source of mineral wonders known to the Indians and the Spaniards who followed them, and to the earliest Anglo-Saxons in their invasion of the fertile surrounding valleys.

It was to Tassajara Springs that we started out before daylight last Sunday morning on an automobile trip.

It wasn't exactly necessary to start that early, for the rangy Packard 120 sedan from the Blackie agency, the trip is all too short coming and going.

But if you have never the sunrise of a frosty morning atop the Santa Lucias watched the indescribable symphony of color spreading with the rising sun over the distant Gabilans, then you have lived in Monterey County quite in vain.

We breezed over the dark Monterey highway to the Laguna Seca to the tune of a merry little ditty played by some night-owl station over the excellent Packard radio in the dash, turned off on Los Laureles cutoff and over Los Laureles grade and into the Carmel Valley before we had scarcely had time to become accustomed to the noiseless and effortless flow of the 120-horsepower motor propelling the luxuriously comfortable car.

Winding Lane

The winding curves of the upper Carmel vanished rapidly, Robles del Rio and San Clemente ranch and Camp Stephani and the other landmarks of the quiet vale skipping past in a blur of darkness.

Jamesburg and Foster's place, and the little creeks that course along the road in random fashion marked the beginning of the climb, 30-odd miles out of Salinas, as the half-light of the false dawn began to filter through the heavy forest growth all about.

Dim vistas of deep canyons yawning beside the smooth dirt road slipped by the windows, gave way to the open ravines of the upper ridge as we boomed up Chew's Ridge to emerge from the forest into the glory of the dawn then breaking over the east.

The purple and blue of the countless intervening ranges of mountains provided a striking setting for the flaming reds and oranges of the eastern panoply of light, tipping the silvery tops of the forest trees close at hand.

But the trip was young yet, there were steep miles to be covered and reluctantly we turned again to the winding road that led down the ridge to China Camp before plunging abruptly on the last four-mile descent to the Springs.

We stopped at the beginning of the four-mile control road to phone in to see if the road was clear. It was, the hotel assured us, and we dropped into compression for the final journey.

Sure Footed Car

The venerable old road, threading deep canyons and skirting flower-decked banks held no terrors for the Packard with its easy steering and sure-footed qualities as we counted the steps of the descent in the numbers of the score of "car-passes" which make the road safe for auto travel.

Under strict one-way control by means of the telephone system, the road is easily negotiated by anyone accustomed to mountain driving, with ample spots to stop for taking in the truly inspiring views spread at every hand.

It is one of the most spectacular scenic drives this side of the Sierra, and has more fascinating spots of beauty packed into its short length than any road outside Yosemite Valley, we were convinced at the end of the 48 mile jaunt from Salinas, which ended at the handsome sandstone hotel of Tassajara Hot Springs.

Here is a spot steeped in tradition. Its innumerable mineral springs, bubbling forth in every imaginable kind of beneficial waters, from magnesia to sulphur and back again, were the cause of Indian battles.

Adobe Remains

Remains of adobe huts by the Spaniards before the days of the American occupation may be found here and there, but these and the more modern buildings all are nearly lost in the profuse green foliage of the trees that line every walk and form a heavy bower over Tassajara Creek curving through the floor of the little valley.

Owned originally by a man named Burland on a government grant, it was sold to a man named Hart in the seventies, and finally to C. W. Quilty in 1885. In the Quilty name it has remained since, owned and operated now by Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan, wife of former Warden James B. Holohan, who retired recently from his long service as the head of San Quentin prison.

Charles W. Quilty, Mrs. Holohan's former

husband, built the big stone hotel that stands unblemished by the nearly half a century it has watched pass in the easy ebb and flow of time in this secluded and picturesque valley.

The ample hospitality of the Holohan's, and the comforts and facilities of the Springs, the baths, the swimming pool, the trails and fishing streams are the lure that draws scores each season, besides the steady influx of fisherfolk who troop to the upland creeks from the first of May to late in the fall.

A morning spent in wandering trails over the splendid forest trails, browsing about the streams, and exploring the expanses of the resort itself was climaxed with "lunch" at the hotel dining room, a "lunch" that turned out to be a dinner of no mean proportions.

Then, waved on our way after "checking out" at the hotel for incoming traffic, we started back up the grade that soared 3500 feet to the top of the world again over the route of ever-changing wonders.

Chews Ridge loomed ahead after we had reported "out" at the control telephone station and watched the stage rumble by on its daily trip from Salinas.

#### Lookout Point

So to Chews Ridge we went, turning off on a rocky little half-mile trail which the big car traversed with the nimbleness of a goat to emerge with startling suddenness at the lookout station.

The view from the station with its spidery steel tower would be a more fitting subject for a symphony than a prose description, for a rhapsody than an autologue—and in the final analysis it must be seen to be imagined, much less appreciated.

A drink of the clear mountain water available on that rocky point by a few turns of a pump handle, and we were on our way again, soaring on down the long, easy slopes that led to the Carmel Valley with the swift sure flow of a ski trip in the Packard, and afternoon concert on the radio provided the final touch to a perfect autologue trip.

From 'The News Cruiser,' *Monterey Trader*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

Attorney B. D. Greene and Dr. W. E. Anderson, back from a Memorial Day holiday at Tassajara Springs, ask us to believe that FOUR inches of snow fell up there Saturday while Monterey was enjoying a spring shower. Anybody want to cross-examine the witnesses?

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 12<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

### DEMOCRATS LAUNCH MOVE TO RUN HOLOHAN FOR SENATOR

A move to draft James B. Holohan, former warden of San Quentin prison and prominent Pajaro Valley citizen, as a candidate for the position of state senator from the 23rd state senatorial district, was launched last night at a meeting in Santa Cruz sponsored jointly by the Democratic Women's Forum and the Young Democratic Club of Santa Cruz County.

Holohan's name was placed before the meet-

ing as a possible candidate by John Maher of Santa Cruz, the suggestion being greeted with enthusiasm by the assemblage of democrats and unanimously adopted.

Contacted last night by telephone at Tassajara Hot Springs, where Holohan has been spending the week, the former San Quentin warden expressed surprise at the move and reserved comment on his attitude toward the suggestion until he receives formal announcement of the action.

Holohan, prominently identified with the democratic party, only recently retired as warden of San Quentin prison and came to his home in Watsonville. Whether he would abandon his announced intention to retire from active public life to carry the democratic banner in the senate race was problematical.

Last night's meeting was called as a recreational-educational rally to hear explanations of various branches and features of the social security act, but developed into a political caucus.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

### JAMES B. HOLOHAN TO BE CANDIDATE FOR STATE SENATE

FORMER SAN QUENTIN WARDEN YIELDS TO FRIENDS

#### Strong Backing

James B. Holohan of Watsonville, who achieved international recognition for his many years of successful supervision of the world's largest penal institution—San Quentin Penitentiary—today emerged from his recent retirement to announce that he would be a candidate for the state senate, at the fall election seeking to represent Santa Cruz County. He will oppose the incumbent, Bert B. Snyder of Santa Cruz.

Mr. Holohan, who recently returned from a sojourn at Tassajara Hot Springs, where he went shortly after his retirement from the wardenship of San Quentin, declared today that his decision to seek the office was prompted by the insistence of friends, both here and in Santa Cruz.

He expressed himself as agreeably surprised at the action of 300 persons gathered in Santa Cruz Thursday night for a meeting of the Democratic Women's Forum and the Young Democratic Club of Santa Cruz County, at which a move was launched to draft him for the senatorship.

Mr. Holohan declared that in deciding to run for the senatorship partly lines had not been taken into consideration, and he was not prepared to discuss this matter at the present time. "Merely say I will be a candidate," he said.

The former warden intimated that the sudden jump from heavy responsibilities as head of San Quentin, to the comparatively uneventful routine of private life and retirement had in time weighing heavily on his hands, and that he would welcome the opportunity to serve the county in the state senate as a means of usefully directing his energies.

### SEEKS SENATE POST



James B. Holohan of Watsonville, recently retired as warden of San Quentin penitentiary, who today formally announced he would be a candidate for state senator from Santa Cruz County

Mr. Holohan formerly served in the state legislature from this district, and was a former sheriff of Santa Cruz County. Prior to that he was United States marshal of the northern California district.

From 'Thousands of Trout Planted in Monterey County Streams,' *Salinas Morning Post*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

The planting in the Tassajara district, Miller Canyon, Pine Valley, Bear Basin and Church Creek was carried on by Post, Waters and Sweet, Paulson, Bergschicker and Ed Tandy, driver of the truck, furnished by the Standard Oil Company. The ice for the trip was also furnished by the Salinas Brewing and Ice Company.

William Lambert met the truck and men at China Camp where his eight head of horses were packed for the trip to Miller Canyon, Pine Valley, Bear Basin and Church Creek. The Truck was then driven to Tassajara Hot Springs where seven head of horses were packed for a trip to the headwaters of the Tassajara. Malcolm Laird furnishing the horses and packing each horse with two 10-gallon cans each started for upstream at 4:30 a. m., returning at four p. m. after the planting was finished.

#### Horse in Plunge

One horse slipped off the trail near the falls on the return trip with empty cans rolling down the bluff approximately 85 feet, but was taken out after unpacking and unsaddling. Aside from several deep cuts and bruises, the horse was able to continue on back to the Springs, where Mrs. James Holohan's hospitality was enjoyed by the men, at a dinner she prepared.

From 'Vacation Chatter,' *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 17, 1936:

Your old friend, Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County.

This is grand during the autumn months, too, when the oaks and the sycamores turn and blaze in color. The big tank's a blessing in the afternoon sun—and the hot mineral and medicated steam baths are their own forms of relief.

Tassajara's always been noted for her natural hot spring resources—they're very like the famous Arkansas spa in mineral content. It's the sort of place that would have attracted pagantry to a worship of the beneficent gods in the old, lost days—and still draws the crowds, minus some of their illusions.

Plenty to do around the resort, and you're only over an hour's drive from the playgrounds and historic points of Old Monterey and Del Monte. Hotel or cottages, American plan. Season until October 14.

Better make reservations with Mrs. Quilty-Holohan—at Tassajara.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

### CAR HURTLES GRADE, WOMAN SAVED

MRS. MARY HARKINS HURT WHEN  
MACHINE PLUNGES OVER  
EMBANKMENT IN JAMESBURG AREA

Mrs. Mary Harkins of Salinas, former model for Harrison Fisher, famous artist, narrowly escaped death last night when the automobile she was driving plunged over a 1500-foot embankment in the Jamesburg district, overturning eight or ten times. Thrown from the machine as it hurtled downward, she suffered painful scalp and body cuts and a possible fracture of the shoulder.

Because of Mrs. Harkins' perfect profile, she was used by Harrison Fisher as the model for the large painting of the Indian head on the approach to Tassajara Hot Springs.

Those who saw the wreckage of the automobile deep in a ravine said it was miraculous that she escaped alive.

Mrs. Harkins was injured shortly before 9:30 o'clock last night. At that hour people in the Foster stage station in the Jamesburg district heard the shrill screams of a woman—and then silence. A posse was organized, but a search through the dark countryside failed to reveal any trace of the woman.

Subsequently Mrs. Harkins stumbled into the building there, her clothes torn and splattered with crimson, and undergarment wound about her head to staunch the flow of blood from deep cuts.

She explained that her car had gone out of control and left the highway as she was en route to Salinas. As the car was somersaulting downward, she felt herself being flung clear. Although painfully injured, she had presence of mind enough to bandage her wounds and make her way to the nearest habitation, where further first aid was given.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

### WOMAN HURT IN FALL OVER MOUNTAIN CLIFF

MRS. JOHN H. THOMPSON LIES

#### IN RAVINE FOR THREE HOURS

Tumbling 40 feet from a mountain cliff one-quarter mile from Tassajara Hot Springs, Mrs. John H. Thompson, sister of Mrs. James B. Holohan, resort owner, was painfully injured at 1:30 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Thompson sustained a broken ankle, two broken ribs, scalp wounds and suffered from shock. She was taken by ambulance to the Watsonville Hospital.

A search for Mrs. Thompson was started Tuesday afternoon after the woman failed to return from a hike which she started about 1:30 o'clock. At 4:30 o'clock searchers found the injured woman in a semi-conscious condition lying in a ravine which borders the trail.

One of the heels of Mrs. Thompson's shoes was missing and it was thought that the woman had stumbled on the trail or caught her foot on a rock and had been thrown headlong into the creek bed 40 feet below. Six inches of water in the creek were thought to have partially broken the fall and prevented more serious injury.

Mrs. Thompson was carried on a canvas stretcher, and later, under direction of Dr. Garth Parker, who was summoned from Salinas, taken to the Watsonville hospital.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Sept. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

### MRS. THOMPSON BADLY HURT IN TASSAJARA SPRINGS FALL

A fall over a 40-foot cliff at Tassajara Hot Springs, after which she lay helpless in the chill waters of Tassajara Creek for three hours, brought serious injuries to Mrs. John H. Thompson, prominent San Juan Road resident and sister of Mrs. James B. Holohan.

She was recovering today at the Watsonville hospital from severe scalp wounds, a badly broken ankle, two broken ribs and general bruises and lacerations. Her condition was described as serious.

The accident apparently occurred at 1:30 p. m. yesterday, although Mrs. Thompson was not found until 4:30 p. m. when Mrs. Holohan launched a searching party.

Mrs. Thompson had gone for a walk along a rough mountain trail skirting Tassajara Creek. She was punctual in her habits, and her failure to return had caused alarm.

Mrs. Thompson herself was unable to furnish details of the accident, although it was believed her foot caught in a rock and that she lost her balance. The heel from one of her shoes was missing, supporting this theory. It was believed the fact she landed in the creek helped break the force of the fall, which could easily have ended fatally. The creek at the spot was only a few inches deep, although a short distance away it was deep enough to have drowned her. Mrs. Thompson made an effort to crawl to the bank, but was too weak and painfully injured to get out of the water. She was still there, semi-conscious, when a workman at the Springs—one of the searchers—came upon her.

A small truck was sent out from the hotel.

Mrs. Thompson was lifted from the creek, carried on a piece of canvas to the truck, and taken to the hotel. Dr. Garth Parker of Salinas was summoned to administer first aid. Later Mrs. Thompson was brought to Watsonville via an ambulance from Tassajara Springs.

From 'Roosevelt by Landslide; Snyder Loses Seat, Holohan Wins Senate in Upset,' *Santa Cruz Evening News*, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

In one of those rare unexplainable freaks of the ballot box, James B. Holohan, former San Quentin warden and [Santa Cruz] county sheriff, polled a total of 9020 votes to unseat State Senator Snyder, whose top vote was 7618.

Holohan, backed by the county Democratic organization, lagged behind Senator Snyder by more than 1500 votes in the August primary, only to turn the tables yesterday in almost the exact opposite ratio.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel*, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

### HOLOHAN THANKS VOTERS FOR A VOTE OF VICTORY

"I am extremely grateful to my friends throughout the county for the manner in which they rallied to my support," said James B. Holohan, the successful nominee for the senate from this district. "The vote cast in the final decision by the people of the county is evidence that the principles of justice and equal rights for all, on which I made my race, is the basis on which they wished to pick their representative in the state senate.

"Before the coming session of the legislature there will be many questions of vital importance to the people of Santa Cruz County. I shall endeavor to make my legislative record one which will be a credit to the people of the county as a whole."

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1936:

### INDIANS ROAD BEING BUILT BY CCC BOYS

WILL OPEN NEW COUNTRY; SHORTEN  
DISTANCE TO JOLON FROM MONTEREY

Much useful work is being accomplished by government CCC camps in the Monterey region. One of the nearby camps, comparatively speaking, is the Arroyo Seco CCC camp, commanded by Captain Clair V. Henke, engineer reserves.

The captain reports that about 7 miles of road have been constructed towards the Indians from the Arroyo Seco camp. Five miles have been constructed on the same project from the Indians, leaving 4 ½ miles yet to complete.

This new road will cut the distance from Monterey to the Indians nearly in half and open up a lot of new country to hunters, campers and fishermen. The Indians is near Jolon, and to get into this country at present it is necessary to drive to Salinas, thence to King City and across to Jolon and the Indians.

After the road is completed it will be possible to drive through to Arroyo Seco and



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south to the Indians, thus opening up much new country hitherto almost inaccessible.

To Tassajara Road

Approximately 2 ½ miles of major road built by the CCC workers could be used should a road through to Tassajara and the coast be constructed. The Willow Creek project has not yet been approved, however, according to Captain Henke.

Other work done by the camp is the maintenance of about 30 miles of trails in the Arroyo Seco country. Also about 20 miles of telephone line has been maintained, approximately 2 miles of new telephone line constructed, the Santa Lucia Adobe camp grounds constructed about three miles from the CCC camp and approximately 28 acres of camp ground maintained.

The CCC workers at the camp have been called out on 20 fires this year.

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*Salinas Index-Journal*, Jan. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1937:

#### BATTLE THROUGH SNOW

With between three and four feet of snow on Chew's Ridge, making travel out of Tassajara Hot Springs impossible by the regular route, Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Laird and their daughter came out this week by horseback, traveling out through the section known as the "Indians" place near the head of the Arroyo Seco. They reported two feet of snow in that section of the county.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1937:

#### DELAY OPENING FOR TASSAJARA

##### WORK ON ROAD CAUSE OF POSTPONEMENT

Because of uncompleted work on the roads, it will be impossible to open Tassajara Hot Springs resort for guests on May 1st, Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, owner of the popular resort, announced. The date of opening of the resort will be announced later.

Mrs. Holohan also said that fishing in that vicinity would not be good before June 1 because of continued high water.

Mr. B. W. Robb of Salinas will again operate the stage line which insures a ride where guests may revel in the scenic grandeur of the trip in maximum safety and comfort, Mrs. Holohan said.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 1937:

#### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS NOTED

Down where the Santa Lucia range looks upon Salinas, Monterey and Del Monte, is Tassajara Hot Springs—equidistant from all these well known spots.

Primarily, Tassajara is famous for the curative powers of its mineral waters and baths, which taken together will cure many ills.

But it's a grand spot for the hale and healthy—offering fine trails, lazing spots, hunting, fishing and swimming. Wear your comfortable clothes and take life easy.

From 'Soledad Personals,' *Salinas Index-Journal*, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1937:

#### AT TASSAJARA

Alice and Eddie Tonini of Soledad left Thursday for Tassajara Hot Springs, where they have been engaged by Mrs. J. B. Holohan, manager of the Springs, to furnish music in the evenings at the resort. They will be there one month.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1937:

#### SUTHERLUND'S TO PLAY AT TASSAJARA

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Sutherlund and Elwood Craig are leaving today for Tassajara Springs where they have been engaged to furnish music for the guests for the next ten days.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1937:

#### GEN. CALLES VISITS TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Leaving with the suggestion of returning again in May, General Plutarcho Calles, ex-president of Mexico, his daughter and several friends left Tassajara Hot Springs on Tuesday for Los Angeles.

The group stayed at the Springs a week. With the Calles family were Mr. and Mrs. Asa J. Brunk and Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Church, San Diego.

Guests at the resort said the general was pleasant company, and his lack of fluent English was compensated for by the presence of his interpreter.

Wanting to return to Mexico from his exile in this country, but unable to do so for political reasons, the general nevertheless keeps in close touch with conditions in his native country.

*Watsonville Evening Pajaronian*, guest season of 1937:

#### Tassajara Hot Springs

##### MONTEREY COUNTY THE RESORT FOR HEALTH, RELAXATION AND AMUSEMENT

Natural hot mineral waters and steam baths, also a fine swimming pool, all of which are included in the rates.

Get a folder at the *Pajaronian* Office or the Chamber of Commerce... Or write Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan at the Springs.

STAGE LEAVES DAILY AT 1 P. M. FROM  
THE JEFFERY HOTEL, SALINAS

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1937:

#### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS IN THE MONTEREY NATIONAL FOREST

The resort famous for Natural Curative Hot Mineral Waters. Perfect climate. No Fog. Trout fishing, Deer Hunting, Amusements. Daily stage from Salinas. Same Management. Write for information. Folders at *Chronicle* and Peck-Judah.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, guest season of 1937:

#### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

#### FAMOUS FOR ITS NATURAL CURATIVE HOT MINERAL WATERS

Ideal climate, no fog. Dancing, Swimming, Riding, Fishing, Hunting. Good road. Daily stage from Salinas. Write Mrs. Quilty-Holohan. Folders at *Index-Journal* office and Chamber of Commerce.

*San Francisco Examiner*, Aug. and Sept. of 1937:

#### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Come to these famous hot springs in September and get your system in order for the winter. Glorious weather in the mountains. Reduced rates for September. Daily stage from Salinas. Write Mrs. Quilty-Holohan, Tassajara Hot Springs, Calif., or telephone Soledad 11-F3. Folders at Peck-Judah or *Examiner* office.

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*Watsonville Morning Sun*, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

#### MRS. J. B. HOLOHAN IN SANTA CRUZ HOSPITAL

Mrs. James B. Holohan, wife of Senator Holohan, is at present in the Santa Cruz Hospital, her many friends learned yesterday.

From 'Personals,' *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, Jan. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

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*Watsonville Morning Sun*, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

#### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WILL OPEN SATURDAY

Tassajara Hot Springs, for many years the popular resort of Watsonville and Pajaro Valley people, will open for guests tomorrow, May 14th, it was announced yesterday by Mrs. James Holohan, owner.

Local people will hear some tall fish stories very soon, especially those told by Fred Hudson and Charles Sambrailo, who fish only for the big ones in Tassajara Creek and the other tributaries of the Arroyo Seco in the neighborhood of Tassajara Springs.

Mrs. Holohan is offering a prize of \$5 for the largest fish caught before June 1, when the contest will be repeated. Announcement advertisement is carried in this morning's *Sun*. Read it over.

*Watsonville Morning Sun*, May 13<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

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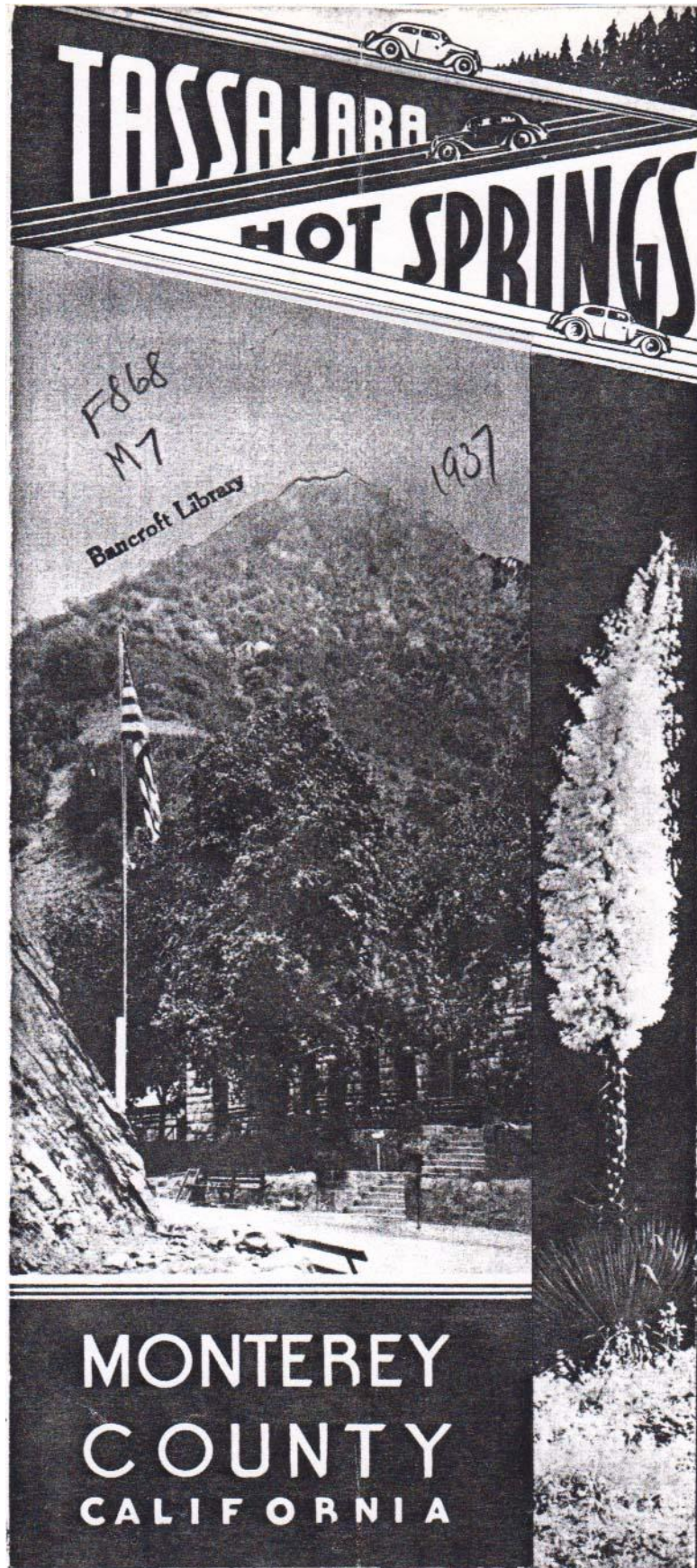
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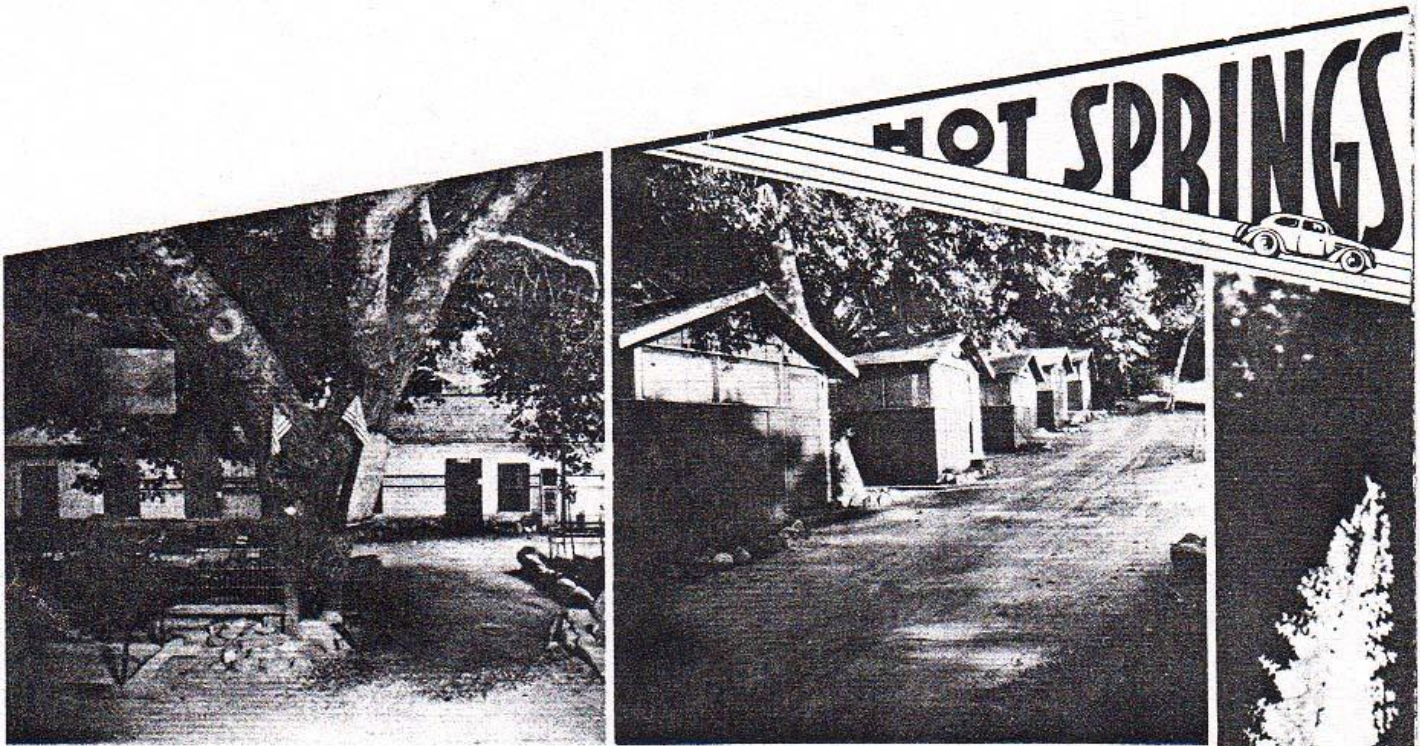
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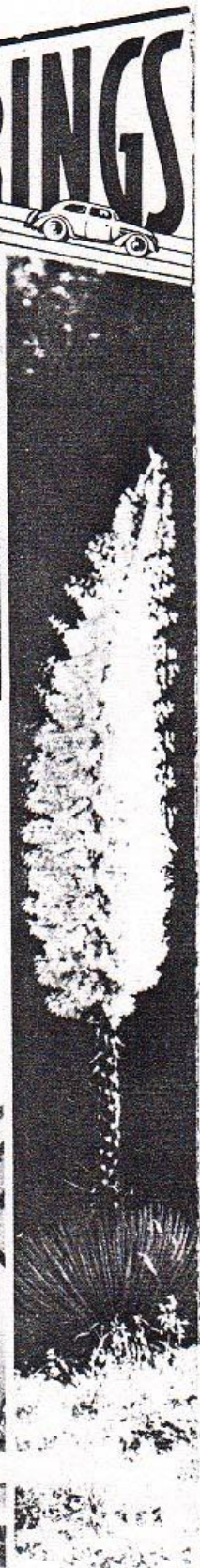
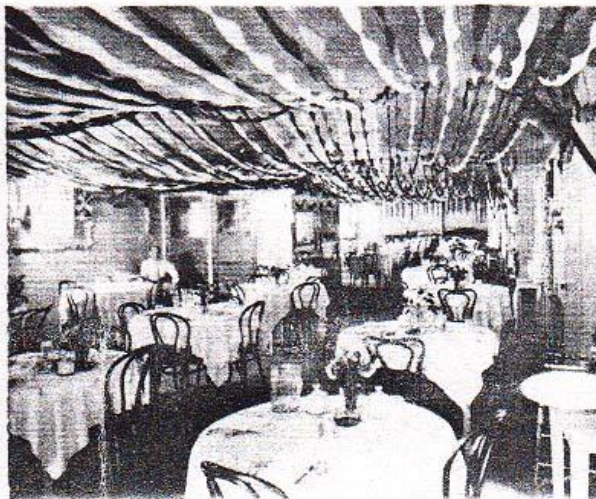
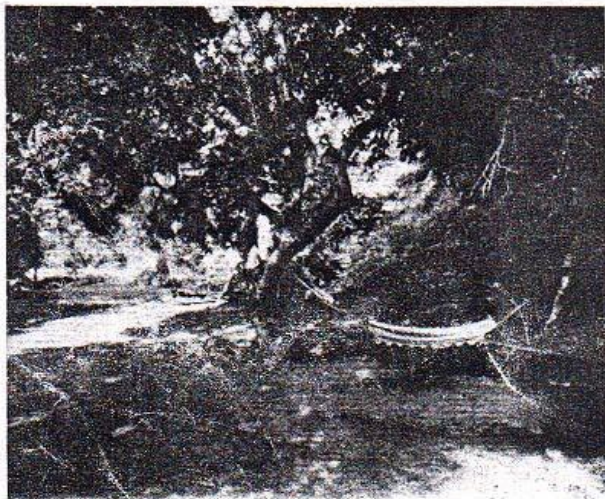
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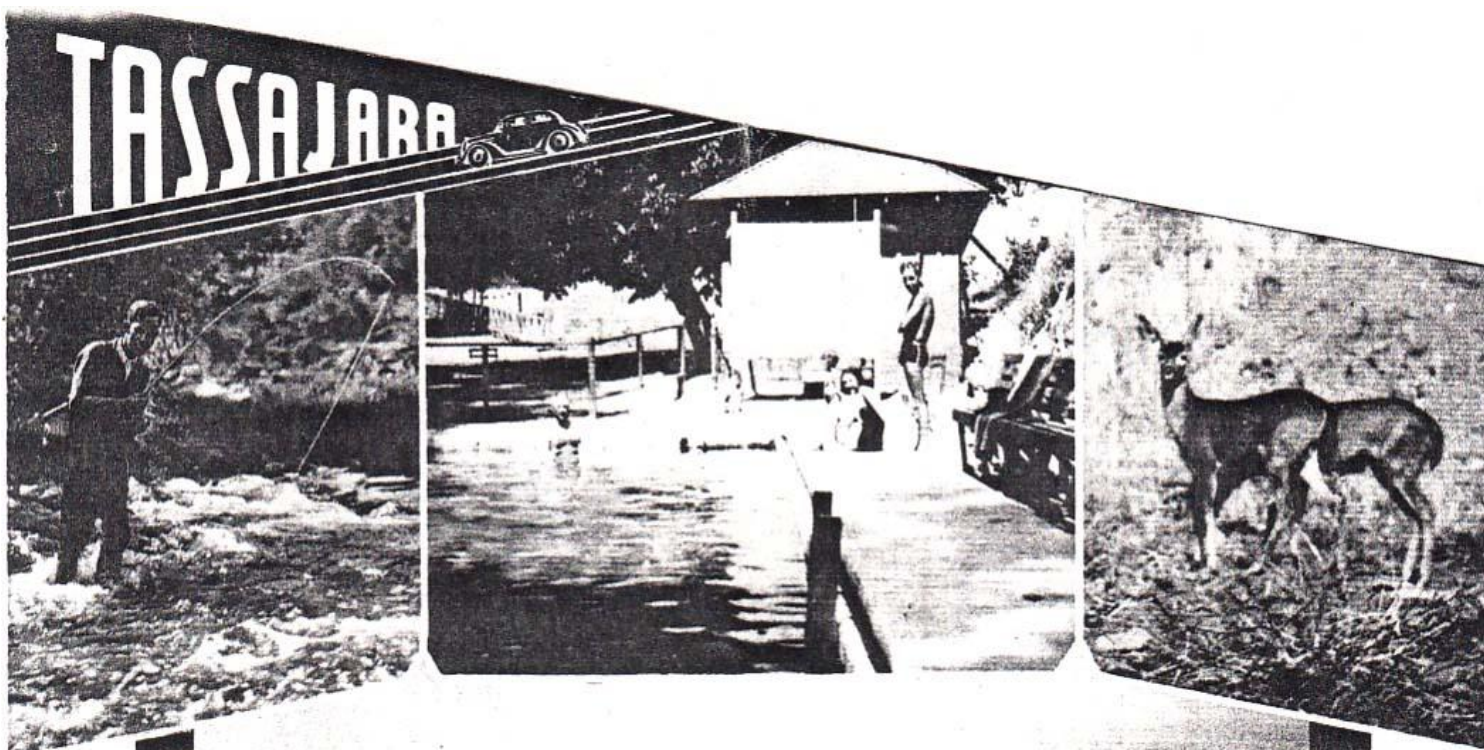
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#### HUNTING AND FISHING

**WITHIN** walking distance there are several beautiful trout streams and any fisherman can catch a limit in a short time. The streams are stocked every year from the State hatcheries.

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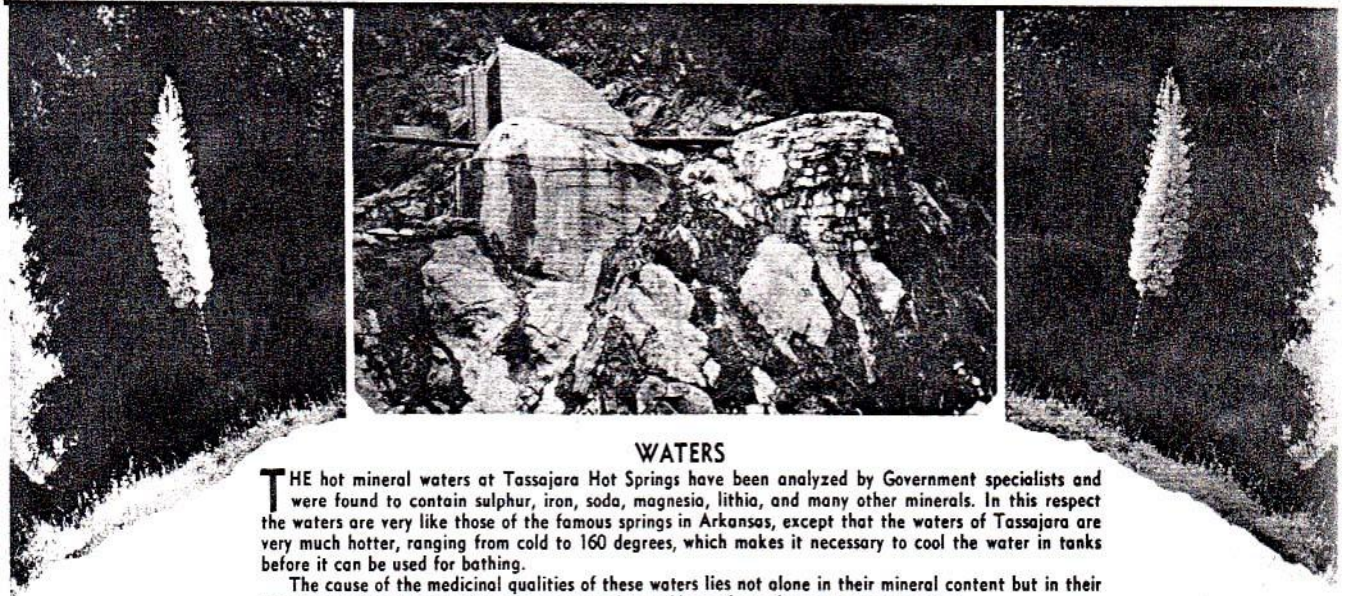
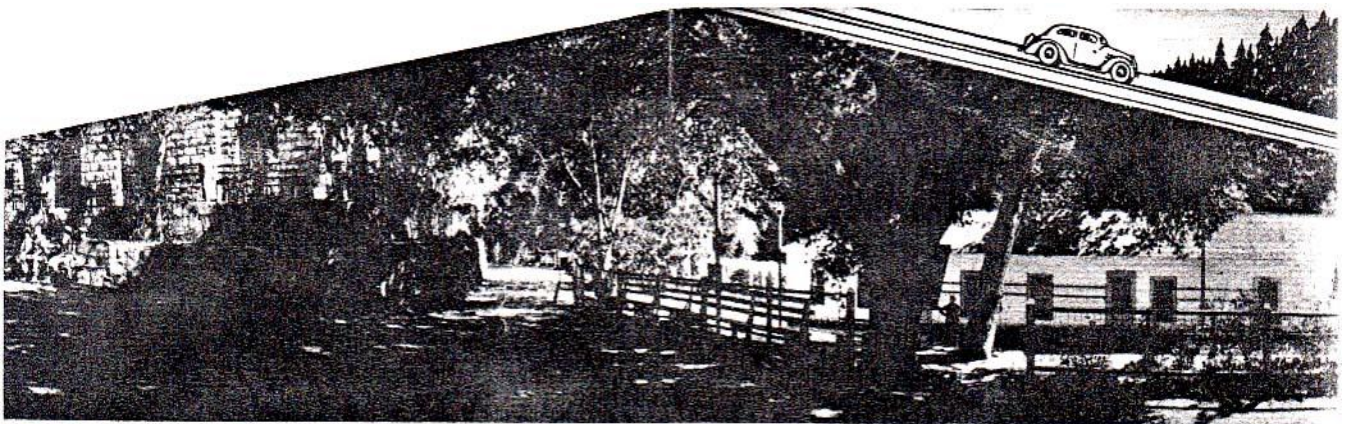
#### RECREATION

**T**ASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS is so situated that there are many trails over which guests may hike, or ride horseback, in every direction from the Springs. These trails are scenic, taking the guest beside running creeks, among giant trees and rugged country. One very popular trip is to the Government Lookout Station where the Government Ranger in charge is always courteous and explains the points of interest of the grand panoramic view Nature has spread before the enchanted visitors. This Lookout Station, six thousand feet above sea level, is an education to visit.

Other scenic and interesting trips are to the Caves where Indian markings still cover the sandstone walls and to the Abbott ranch.

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### WATERS

**T**HE hot mineral waters at Tassajara Hot Springs have been analyzed by Government specialists and were found to contain sulphur, iron, soda, magnesia, lithia, and many other minerals. In this respect the waters are very like those of the famous springs in Arkansas, except that the waters of Tassajara are very much hotter, ranging from cold to 160 degrees, which makes it necessary to cool the water in tanks before it can be used for bathing.

The cause of the medicinal qualities of these waters lies not alone in their mineral content but in their great natural heat which German scientists claim adds vastly to their curative properties.

In many forms of chronic diseases their effects are little short of marvelous. The copious perspiration induced by drinking and then bathing in the hot water is in itself a channel which carries off waste matter injurious to health. This is particularly true of kidney troubles, as the system is completely flushed every day, thus having a marked effect on gall-stones, kidney stones and gravel by dissolving and expelling them from the system. The waters cure or greatly relieve Rheumatism, Stomach and Liver Complications.

### BATHS

TWO commodious sanitary bath houses consisting of fourteen private bathrooms equipped with porcelain or sunken tiled tubs and showers, furnish ample accommodations.

Two large plunge baths, one for men and one for women, are filled daily with hot mineral waters. There are also natural steam baths whose medicinal and curative properties have made them famous not alone in California, but in many States throughout the Union.

An experienced Masseur and Masseuse are in constant attendance at the Baths.

### RATES

HOTEL and Cottage rooms without running water and private toilets-- single: day \$5.00; double: day \$9.00; single: week \$30.00; double: week \$56.00.

Cottage rooms with running water and private toilets -- single: day \$6.00; week \$35.00; double: day \$11.00; week \$66.00.

Twin beds -- \$1.00 per week extra per person. Cots in rooms -- \$1.50 per week extra. Children 6 to 10 half rate; under 6 according to age and service required.

RATES include all meals, mineral and steam baths and swimming pool.

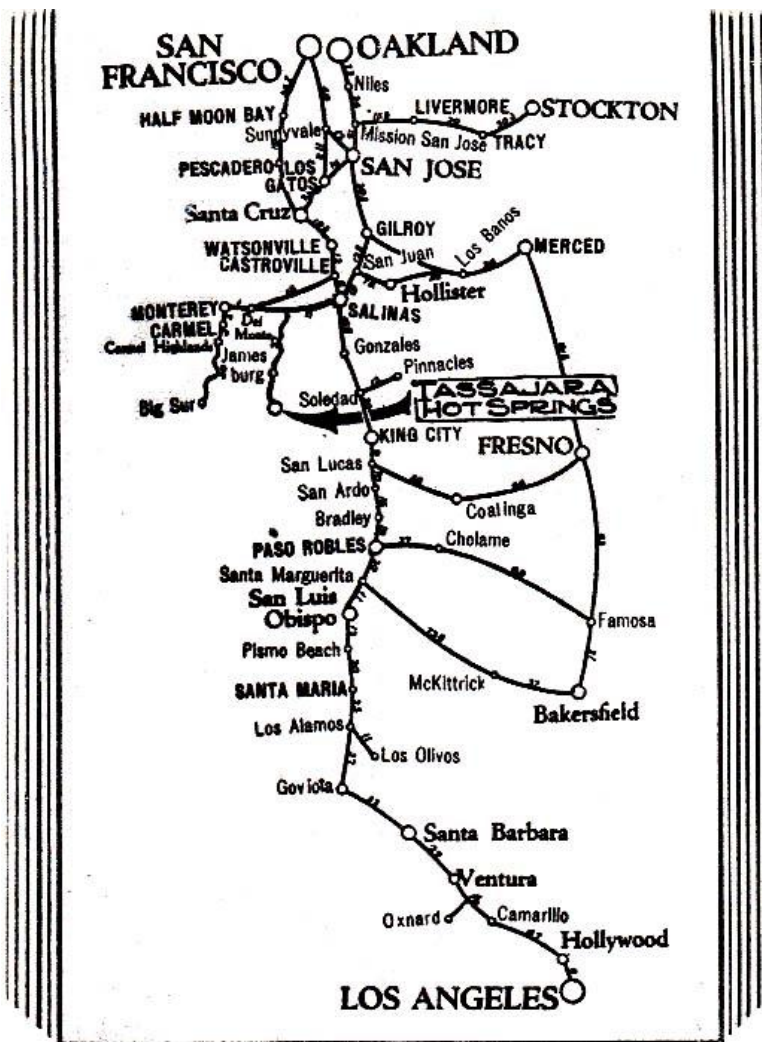
### USEFUL INFORMATION

Season: Open from May 1st to October 1st . . . No camping or housekeeping privileges . . . No dogs allowed . . .  
Daily Mail: Post Office, Telephone, Telegraph and Express service maintained

# TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

## MONTEREY COUNTY

MRS. HELEN QUILTY HOLOHAN • Owner and Manager



### STAGE

NOT the least attractive feature of the vacation is the stage ride over a road of scenic grandeur comparable only to that of the Alps. Many guests, in order to better enjoy the views, leave their cars in Salinas and go in on a roomy comfortable stage operated by only the most experienced drivers.

Stage fare one way \$5.00; round trip \$8.00. Take either Southern Pacific train or Greyhound stage leaving San Francisco at 8 A. M. and arriving at Salinas after 11 A. M. After lunch at the Jeffery Hotel, the stage leaves the hotel at 1 P. M. and arrives at the Springs at 4:30 P. M.

### WEARING APPAREL

GUESTS usually dress for real comfort, Sport clothes and light Summer fabrics being mostly in vogue, with khakis and stout shoes for those who hike up the creek or over the trails.

A long dressing gown or kimona to wear to and from the Baths is a real comfort and a wrap for evening outdoor wear is sometimes necessary.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

**BIRTHDAY FETE AT TASSAJARA PLANNED FOR SENATOR HOLOHAN**

Friends of Senator James B. Holohan here have received notice of the big celebration in honor of his birthday being planned for Saturday at Tassajara Hot Springs.

Friends from all over the district will go up to the Springs for the occasion and it is expected that a barbecue on the "upper flats" will be a highlight of the celebration.

*Watsonville Morning Sun*, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

**DEER PARK TAVERN SOLD TO BUTRIZA**

Martin Butier, former owner of Deer Park Tavern, announced yesterday that he has sold his interest in the Tavern, located on the Santa Cruz Highway near the Rio Del Mar entrance, to Nick Butriza.

Butier, well known as a genial host, is now manager of the club room at Tassajara Springs. He issued a very cordial invitation to all of his friends yesterday, to come down and visit him and to take advantage of the wonderful vacation advantages of the Springs. He declared they would have the most enjoyable time of their lives as the Springs are now attracting many guests and all are having a fine time.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

**MARTIN BUTIER NOW AT TASSAJARA**

Martin Butier, former manager of Deer Park Tavern, is now at Tassajara Hot Springs where he is managing the club room at the popular resort.

Under 'Vacation Time,' *Watsonville Morning Sun*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1938:

Tassajara Hot Springs in the heart of the Monterey federal forest reservation is one place most people of this community are familiar with. It is now open and has been filled with guests daily who are enjoying the Springs more this year than ever before. Those never having had the pleasure of a vacation in the warm, dry atmosphere of Tassajara are due for a most enjoyable surprise when they go there. It is this community's own summer resort.

*Watsonville Morning Sun*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1938:

**COMBINED OCCASION MARKS BARBECUE AT TASSAJARA RESORT**

Tassajara Hot Springs celebrated Fathers' Day in the same joyful and sumptuous manner for which Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan is famous throughout the state as a most perfect hostess. This auspicious occasion also marked the birthday of Senator James. B. Holohan, our first citizen.

Long and beautifully decorated tables were spread on the grounds where the old dance platform stood and about 150 guests were seated, all congratulating the honored guest on his natal date.

A delicious barbecue with all the accompaniments was served by the culinary staff of the Springs, and old-time song and music, happiness and merriment prevailed.

Charles O'Brien of San Jose acted as toastmaster. He paid tribute to the many sterling qualities of the Senator and to the usual honors bestowed upon him. Mr. O'Brien read many telegrams and letters of felicitations from many friends of the Senator throughout the state.

Among those present from Watsonville were Dennis J. Daly, George P. Tolman, Mr. and Mrs. Mike Resetar and family, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Resetar, Dan Trickle and Martin Butier.

*Salinas Morning Post*, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

An independent bus line is operated between Salinas and Tassajara Hot Springs, in the heart of the Santa Lucia Mountains by the Robb Transportation Company, a Salinas concern, between May 1 and October 1. The same company operates a bus service between Salinas and Spreckels, and Salinas and the Alisal district to the east.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1938:

**ORCHESTRA TO GIVE VAUDEVILLE SHOW AT RESORT SPRINGS**

Highlights of their engagement which starts Sunday at Tassajara Hot Springs, will be the vaudeville show and mock trial planned by Sutherland's orchestra Saturday, Aug. 13.

The orchestra will be at the popular resort, which is conducted by Helen Quilty-Holohan, all next week. Shirley Sutherland will be soloist. A large number of Watsonville people are planning to be at the Springs next week, and news of the local orchestra's engagement there is meeting with favor.

The group plans to leave Sunday morning following the regular Saturday night dance at Buckhart's for which Sutherland's orchestra will play.

*Watsonville Morning Sun*, Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1938:

**WATSONVILLE WEEK AT TASSAJARA**

Special engagement of Sutherland's orchestra, with Shirley Sutherland, soloist, during the week, Sunday, August 7th to Sunday, August 14th. Big Vodevil show and mock trial, Sat. night Aug. 13th.

*Watsonville Morning Sun*, Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1938:

**DEER IS SHOT AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

This season's first deer to be killed right in Tassajara Hot Springs was killed last week by W. N. Robb, driver of the Tassajara stage.

Martin Butier, host of the club room, spotted the deer on the hillside directly above the hotel. He told Robb to get his rifle and take a shot.

The shot was effective and the deer rolled down the hillside into the road near the hotel, so the hunter was saved climbing or even going hunting to get his buck.

From 'Personals,' *Watsonville Morning Sun*, Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1938:

Senator James B. Holohan and daughter, Josephine, came in Monday from Tassajara Springs for Tuesday's election. They will return today as Mrs. Holohan is reported not

very well from a heart attack.

From 'Personals,' *Watsonville Morning Sun*, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

Senator James B. Holohan has returned to this city following the summer spent at Tassajara Hot Springs. Mrs. Holohan is reported as scheduled to return here in about a week.

From 'News About People You Know,' *Watsonville Morning Sun*, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

Senator and Mrs. James B. Holohan have taken up apartment residence in the Hotel Resetar.

From 'Around the City,' *Salinas Morning Post*, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

Another unfailing donor [to the Community Food Pile] is Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, owner and manager of the popular Tassajara Hot Springs. Although ill in the Watsonville hospital, she remembered the needy of this community and sent a check for \$10 for the purchase of food. Mrs. Holohan never forgets them. We wish her and Mr. Tynan and all other donors a very Merry Christmas.

From 'Food Pile Honor Role,' *Salinas Morning Post*, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

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*Watsonville Morning Sun*, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

**TWO MORE HOSPITAL STOCKHOLDERS GIVEN**

Names of two more stockholders in the new Watsonville hospital have been furnished to the Morning Sun. They are Mrs. Helen Holohan, wife of Senator James B. Holohan, and Mrs. Chris Sandberg, wife of the real estate broker, Chris Sandberg. Both have been stockholders since the start of the hospital project.

From 'New Hospital Now Housing All Patients,' *Watsonville Morning Sun*, Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1938:

Mrs. James B. Holohan was the first patient to be removed from the old to the new hospital.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1938:

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*Watsonville Morning Sun*, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1939:

### GIL CANO RECALLS DAYS OF DRIVING STAGE TO TASSAJARA

Upon reading of the old Pierce-Arrow stage that Chris Rasmussen used to drive into Tassajara Hot Springs, Gil Cano, Pajaro's long-time constable, now retired and a pioneer of the Salinas district, became reminiscent of those days back in the early 90s when he was young and rigorous.

He couldn't help relating some of his experiences on that same Tassajara Hot Springs stage run, which he handled for a while in those days. They were so interesting that he was persuaded to allow them [to be] published:

"In about 1891, when Frank Bullene was running a livery stable in Salinas just north of

the Jeffery Hotel, the question arose about carrying of the mail to Tassajara Hot Springs.

"Mr. Bullene wanted me to take the stage line for some unknown reason, but I wouldn't take it and he did," said Cano reflectively. "The first trip was driven by Manuel Mandado, but he would not drive anymore and Bullene insisted that I drive for him, so I drove the first trip and Bullene went with me as I had never been to the Springs.

"On Monday or Tuesday we got back to Salinas and Bullene went up to the hay loft to put hay down to feed the horses. While forking the hay he fell through the floor and broke a hip. He now lives in Pacific Grove and the last I heard of him he was in the hack business.

"So after Bullene was in bed I drove the stage for him, as I remember, for two seasons. At Tassajara Springs there were no buildings then, only tents.

"Mr. Quilty had a man named Tony, a Kanaka, in charge of the Springs. About 10 years ago a man came to my home in Pajaro and asked if I were Gil Cano. I said yes, he grabbed my hand and said he was Tony. I couldn't remember him, and he asked me if I didn't remember Tony who ran Tassajara for Quilty when I drove the stage there from Salinas. Tony went to San Jose from here and

I have not heard from him since.

"I took people to the Springs on crutches. Some I had to carry as they suffered from different ailments, and in three or four weeks they would walk again as good as ever. The water at the Springs is one of the wonders of the world.

"Tassajara Hot Springs were known in the early days as La Tasajera. This meant 'the hunting ground' were they made jerky (dried deer meat).

"I drove four horses and used to change horses at the Gordon rancho. From Salinas to the Gordon rancho I drove fast horses, but from the rancho to the Springs I drove big horses. That was mountain road and as an average one-way road. I had about one foot of spare earth in places, and I put on the spare curtains to keep the passengers from looking down the high cliffs. Some of the turns were so short that I had to be very careful" (continued tomorrow).

*Watsonville Morning Sun*, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1939:

Reminiscences by Gil Cano, colorful constable of Pajaro township for many years, telling of his experiences while driving the stage to Tassajara, are completed in today's installment.

"The Tassajara stage made three trip a week in those days, in one day and out the next. I always spent Sunday in Salinas. In those days it was nothing to see eight or ten deer run across the road on our trips. There were also chipmunks and gray squirrels all along the way in large numbers," Cano continued.

"The mountains about the Springs are well covered with all kinds of herbs we used for medicines. Many times on my trips I would take back to Salinas sacks filled with herbs tied to the back of the stage for my father and W. S. Johnson. I will name a few of the herbs, the names being in Spanish: *Malva Ruvia, Tarvardio, Balsamo, Yerba Nis, Yerba de la Virgin, Ypasote, Lusena, Yerba de la toso Perinagua, Flor de August, Sanpasuche, Popotillo, Altamisa, Alusina, Lagruel, Telampacate, Tolcuache, Grama Flor de la Chispa, Rosa, Campamocha, Conchalagua Sacapillote, Yerba de Chibato, Golondrina, Calaguuala, Yerba de Oso, Rosillo, Chuchupate, Ymoral, Yerba de Garaso, Paletta, Fresno, Orega de Liebre, Berdologia, Gordo Lovo, Amapola, Asusena, Berbena, Escamote, Estafiate, Barra de San Jose, Pionitta, Yerba Colorada, Romero, Salvia, Sarsaparilla, Yerba Buena Saus, Cascalote, Saucó*, and there were a lot more herbs we used in the old days when doctors were few and far between. Dr. Garth Parker of Salinas will remember the days when Mrs. Louisa or W. S. Johnson and my father, Nicolas Cano, were recognized as herb doctors. They made their own salves and they used lots of barks from all kinds of trees. A lot of our Spanish medicines were learned from the native Indians. Even today I keep many of these herbs in my home and use them as we used them in the early days of my family.

"On one of my trips Duncan McKinnon, father of Duncan McKinnon, now deputy sheriff of Monterey county, engaged in the front seat, H. S. Ball, prominent business man, Al Graves, then sheriff of Monterey county, engaged in the second seat, and Tom Hughes, another prominent Salinas business man, and I believe A. B. Jackson, a banker of Salinas, occupied the third seat. There was a man at the Springs, I don't remember his name, but he was a clerk at the Paine store in Pajaro from 1874 to 1878, who had given me 50 cents to bring him a bottle of whiskey. I bought the bottle of whiskey in Salinas before leaving with all those prominent men for the Springs. I put the bottle in a box under the front seat. After changing horses at Gordon's, going up the mountains the cork came out of the whiskey bottle.

"McKinnon asked me if I had been drinking. I told him I had not, but he insisted he could smell whiskey on me, and that if I had been drinking he would not ride any further with me. The other passengers, Sheriff Graves, Ball, Hughes and Jackson, all vouched for me, saying that I did not drink, and it was then that I remembered I had a bottle of whiskey in the box under the front seat. I stopped the stage and asked McKinnon to stand that I could lift the cushion on the seat, and found the cork had come out of the bottle. I had all my passengers vouch that I didn't drink the whiskey when I

reached the Springs and the man who ordered it became skeptical when I didn't have it.

Mr. Cano chuckled at his recollections of this incident, and continued:

"Those were certainly good old days. We all had jobs and we all had money. Salinas was a little town. Niss Nisbitt was city marshal, V. B. Sargent was district attorney. I am not sure but I believe Mr. Alexander was superior judge.

"It was about that time the Eugene Sherwood donated the ground for a race track, and the park became known as Sherwood Park, now an auto park near the rodeo grounds, is part of the old place. Naidie and Stanley Sherwood still own the Sausal rancho about three miles north of Salinas.

"Jesse D. Carr and others formed a company in those days and had the Salinas lake drained. That is the lowland between Salinas and the county hospital. Harvey Abbott was the Salinas butcher then. Charley Clark ran the slaughter house, and Tom Clark was in the meat market. John Joy was postmaster, his sons and Thad Walter and Tom Workin worked in the post office.

"It was then that Grover Cleveland and James G. Blaine ran for president. The republicans wore white stove-pipe hats, and the Democrats wore brown stove-pipe hats. These hats sold for \$5 and if you didn't have one you weren't a good Republican or Democrat.

"The Republicans made the Indians wear the white stovepipe hats in those days. They told the Indians that if the Democrats got into power, they would make all the Indians slaves like the negroes in the south.

"I have not been to Tassajara Springs since those days, but on my first opportunity I am going to make a trip over to my old stamping grounds. I used to know all of the people in Salinas and the district, as I carried the mail for them all. I don't expect to find any of my old acquaintances of 55 years ago."

*Monterey Peninsula Herald, April 20th, 1939:*

### **BERNIE McMENAMIN TO OPEN TASSAJARA**

Bernie McMEnamin, widely known hotelman, is resigning his position as manager of the Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, effective this week end and will on May 1 open famed Tassajara Hot Springs for the summer season.

Formerly manager of Del Monte Lodge, McMEnamin is widely known here. He is the brother of Mayor Emmet McMEnamin of Monterey and of M. W. McMEnamin, Monterey druggist.

He is leasing Tassajara, located in the Santa Lucia Mountains southwest of Jamesburg and about 45 miles from Monterey, from Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan of Watsonville and may eventually purchase the charming mountain resort, it is indicated.

McMenamin and his family will come to Monterey this week end to make preparations for opening the hot springs, friends here have been informed.

*Watsonville Morning Sun, April 21st, 1939:*

### **MRS. HOLOHAN LEASES TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

Tassajara Hot Springs, owned by Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan, wife of Senator James B. Holohan of Watsonville, has been leased by Bernard V. McMEnamin, manager of the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco.

McMenamin, brother of Mayor McMEnamin of Monterey, will resign his San Francisco position this week and go at once to Tassajara so the famous resort in the Monterey National Forest will be ready for opening May 1, for the trout season.

Mrs. Holohan has operated the resort for many years, but has decided to lease it and retire to the more comfortable home life. The resort always opened for the trout season, and many fishermen from the Watsonville area go there to enjoy the exceptional angling of Tassajara, Arroyo Seco, and adjacent streams.

*Salinas Morning Post, April 21st, 1939:*

### **TO MANAGE TASSAJARA**

Tassajara Hot Springs, famed resort in the Santa Lucia Mountains 50 miles south of Salinas, will be opened May 1 under the management of Mr. Bernard V. McMEnamin, brother of Monterey's mayor, Emmet McMEnamin, it was announced in Monterey Thursday.

Mr. McMEnamin, manager of the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco and former manager of the Del Monte Lodge, will operate the resort under a lease from Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan, owner and wife of Senator James Holohan.

It was reported that the new manager will resign his position with the San Francisco hotel this week-end to supervise preparations for the opening.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, April 21st, 1939:*

### **TASSAJARA LEASE IS SIGNED BY S. F. HOTEL MAN**

Bernard V. McMEnamin, manager of the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, will be the new operator of Tassajara Hot Springs in the Monterey National Forest.

McMenamin has leased the resort from Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan, wife of Senator James B. Holohan of Watsonville, who has operated it for many years.

*Watsonville Morning Sun, April 22nd, 1939:*

### **MRS. HOLOHAN TO CONTINUE TO LIVE AT HOT SPRINGS**

In an interview with Mrs. James B. Holohan, relative to the operation of her Tassajara Hot Springs, Mrs. Holohan states that while Bernard McMEnamin, present manager of Hotel Fairmont, will operate Tassajara, she will live there as usual and nothing will be different. The same high class meals and sociability where everyone feels at home, will continue.

Senator James, daughter, Josephine, and Helen "G," as Mrs. Holohan is so widely

known, will help make a pleasant vacation for the guests, and Mrs. Holohan states she knows the lettuce and apple guests from Watsonville like to shuffle the pasteboards and she will have plenty of time for that this year.

Tassajara will open on May 15, not before as extensive work is being done on the road.

The veteran driver, B. W. Robb, will again drive the stage.

*Salinas Index-Journal, April 22nd, 1939:*

### HOT SPRINGS OPENS IN MAY

Making plans for the opening of Tassajara Hot Springs on May 15, Mrs. James B. Holohan was a Salinas visitor on Friday. Mrs. Holohan pointed out that while Mr. Bernard McMenamin, present manager of the Fairmont Hotel in San Francisco, will act as manager this summer, she will live at Tassajara as usual and that the policy of the resort and prices will be unchanged.

Sen. James B. Holohan and their daughter, Josephine, and Mrs. Holohan, known to Tassajara visitors as "Helen G.," will assist with the pleasant hospitality of the Springs, which annually attracts many from the Salinas Valley.

Extensive work is being done to improve the road and Mr. B. W. Robb will again operate the stage when the resort opens May 15.

*San Francisco Chronicle, April 25th, 1939:*

### FAIRMONT MANAGER TO TAKE NEW JOB

B. V. McMenamin, manager of the Fairmont Hotel, yesterday announced he was resigning his post here to take a similar position at Tassajara Springs in Monterey County. He will begin his new job within the next few days.

McMenamin came to the Fairmont Hotel two years ago, after leaving Del Monte Lodge, Pebble Beach, where he was manager for 18 years. Negotiations for an operating lease on Tassajara Springs were completed several weeks ago.

*Salinas Index-Journal, May 11th, 1939:*

### NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENGAGE IN THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.

May 10, 1939.

To Whom It May Concern:

Notice is hereby given that fifteen days after the above date, the undersigned proposes to sell alcoholic beverages at these premises, described as follows:

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty Holohan, Tassajara Hot Springs.

Pursuant to such intentions, the undersigned is applying to the State Board of Equalization for issuance of an alcoholic beverage license (or Licenses) for these premises as follows:

On Sale Distilled Liquors.

Anyone desiring to protest the issuance of such license may file a certified protest with the State Board of Equalization at Sacramento, California, stating ground for denial as provide

by law.

Mrs. Helen H. Quilty Holohan, May 11, 1939.

*Watsonville Morning Sun, May 14th, 1939:*

### TASSAJARA TO OPEN TOMORROW

Tassajara Springs opens tomorrow for the 1939 season. Mrs. James B. Holohan is leaving Watsonville tomorrow to go to Tassajara to be there for the opening and to remain the summer season.

A few fishermen have been in to Tassajara this year but the resort has not yet been formally opened. The fishermen reported good catches.

*San Francisco Chronicle, May 14th, 1939:*

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS OPENS MAY 15

The resort famous for Natural Curative Hot Mineral Waters. Perfect climate. No Fog. Trout fishing, deer hunting. Amusements. Daily stage from Salinas. Management B. V. McMenamin. Mrs. Quilty-Holohan will be here to greet her old friends. Write for information or phone Soledad 1-1-F3 for reservations. Folders at *Chronicle* office.

*San Francisco Chronicle, May 24th, 1939:*

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS NOW OPEN

The resort famous for Natural Curative Hot Mineral Waters. Perfect climate. No Fog. Trout fishing, deer hunting. Amusements. Cocktail Bar. Daily stage from Salinas. Management B. V. McMenamin. Mrs. Quilty-Holohan will be here to greet her old friends. Write for information or phone Soledad 1-1-F3 for reservations. Folders at *Chronicle* office.

From 'Gigling Fire Burns Over 2600 acres; Under Control,' *Salinas Morning Post, Aug. 25th, 1939:*

Crews were being retained at the scene of the fire along the ridge above "The Caves" between Church Creek Divide and Tassajara, which was brought under control late Wednesday night, and at the scene of last week's major fire in the Little Sur-Bixby Creek region, until forestry service rangers are certain these fires are definitely out.

From 'Sunsnap,' *Watsonville Morning Sun, Aug. 25th, 1939:*

Senator James B. Holohan said Mrs. Holohan is feeling much better at Tassajara Hot Springs. "She loves those mountains around Tassajara," the Senator explained.

John Stanovich of the Central Electric Company returned yesterday after two weeks spent at Tassajara. "Had a wonderful time, and didn't see the sign of a single forest fire, although when the fire on the coast was at its height there was some haze at Tassajara," he said.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel, Aug. 28th, 1939:*

### BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JOSEPHINE HOLOHAN

Gala event at Tassajara Hot Springs recently was the birthday celebration that feted the birthday of Miss Josephine Holohan. In compliment to her, Mrs. Helen Quilty-Holohan was hostess at a lovely dinner party, to which all Tassajara guests were invited.

Following the dinner there was an informal evening of dancing and card games. There were also birthday congratulations and good wishes to J. E. Reinhart, who was another birthday guest.

Informal social gathering also were enjoyed by the various guest during the day.

*Watsonville Morning Sun, Sept. 20th, 1939:*

### TASSAJARA PLANS GAY WEEK FOR ALL

Tassajara Hot Springs' last 1939 "roundup" starts September 20 and ends October 1. This popular resort plans many interesting events and good times for its farewell to summer.

It is to be a reunion of the "regulars" and during the week old friends will greet old friends.

*San Francisco Examiner, guest season of 1939:*

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS IN THE MONTEREY NATIONAL FOREST— B. V. McMenamin, Mgr.

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Ideal climate, no fog. Dancing, Swimming, Riding, Fishing, Hunting. Cocktail Lounge. Daily stage from Salinas. Mrs. Helen G. Quilty Holohan will be here to greet her old friends. Phone Soledad 11-F-3. Folders at *Examiner* Bureau.

*Salinas Index-Journal, guest season of 1939:*

For Rest, Health or Holiday

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

In Santa Lucia Mountains—Two hours from Salinas over newly improved road

Mineral Waters—Natural Steam Baths—Fishing—Hiking—Horseback Riding—Excellent Food—Swimming—Dancing

"Mrs. H. G. Quilty will be here to greet old friends."

Same rates starting at \$5 a day, include all meals, baths and swimming

For Reservation Telephone Soledad 11-F-3 B. V. McMenamin, Mgr.

*Watsonville Morning Sun, guest season of 1939:*

### TASSAJARA Hot Springs

MONTEREY COUNTY

In the Monterey National Forest B.V. McMenamin, Mgr.

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COCKTAIL BAR  
NO CHANGE IN RATES

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From 'Valley Wide C. of C. Projects Discussed,'  
*Salinas Index-Journal*, Jan. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1940:

At Soledad the rebuilding of Mission Soledad, the development of Paraiso Hot Springs, a road up Arroyo Seco to Tassajara Hot Springs, the widening of the Prunedale cut-off and particularly the widening of the road between Chualar and Salinas, Soledad-Pinnacles road and water conservation were some of the things stressed at the meeting.

*Watsonville Morning Sun*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

### TASSAJARA TO OPEN MAY 1

As is customary, Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the opening of the fishing season on May 1, and what is more important to the hundreds of loyal Tassajara friends in this community, Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan will again conduct the Springs herself.

This good news was given the *Morning Sun* yesterday together with a lot of Tassajara Folders, available in the *Morning Sun* business office.

For a great many years Tassajara has been the rendezvous of anglers on the season's opening. The weather is ideal and the accommodations at the Springs likewise.

Those who have been regular patrons there on these occasions know what it means to get in hungry and tired from a long morning's hike along any of the fine trout streams of the area, to take a good bath in the hot plunge, a short nap and be served one of those Tassajara meals.

*Salinas Morning Post*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1940:

### TASSAJARA TO OPEN MAY 1

Preparing for the opening of trout fishing season May 1, Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan announced that Tassajara Hot Springs will be opened Wednesday for the convenience of fishermen as well as vacationers.

Taking over personal management this year, Mrs. Holohan, who has operated the resort for the last 35 years, revealed that the streams are "right" for fishing and are in within walking distance of the Springs.

The resort is situated 48 miles southwest of Salinas in the Santa Lucia Mountains, and a bus leaves the Hotel Jeffery in Salinas at 1 p. m. every day. Mr. R. B. Robb is the operator of the bus line.

### THE RESIDENTS OF TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS AS ENUMERATED ON MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> IN THE UNITED STATES CENSUS OF 1940:

Lammi, George, head of household, white male, 42 years old, married, born in Finland, in 1935 lived in Palo Alto, San Mateo County,

California, occupation: masseur at hot springs resort.

Lammi, Fanny, relationship to head of household: wife, white female, 49 years old, married, born in Finland, in 1935 lived in Palo Alto, San Mateo County, California, occupation: masseuse at hot springs resort.

From 'Who's Doing What,' *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1940:

Senator and Mrs. Holohan are in Tassajara, where Mrs. Holohan will remain to manage the Hot Springs for the season. The senator will make his headquarters here.

*Watsonville Morning Sun*, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

### TASSAJARA LAUNDRY MOVED TO PETERSEN'S BUTCHERS

Tassajara's old power laundry equipment has been bought by Ed Petersen and is now set up and operating at Petersen's Wholesale Butchers, doing the work of laundering the gowns, shrouds, and jumpers used at that plant.

The machinery has been at Tassajara for several years but has not been used as the operators there sent their washing to Salinas. Recently Ed Petersen was on a visit to Tassajara and saw the equipment and got the idea it would be fine to have it at his meat plant here.

The equipment consists of a power washer, a mangle and a high-speed centrifugal extractor, which whirls the water right out of the damp pieces. A dryer is to be put in later.

Bill Burnett, master mechanic at Petersen's made several trips to Tassajara to dismantle the laundry there and get the machinery to Watsonville.

From 'Corralitos,' *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

D. L. Ingersoll spent Thursday and Friday at Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Corralitos,' *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

Dee Ingersoll is leaving for Tassajara Hot Springs, where he is working on a large construction job. He expects to be gone a month.

From 'Who's Doing What,' *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 14<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

Carl Sahlberg, son of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Sahlberg, is now in Tassajara and expects to remain there for the rest of the season. He is in charge of the electric light plant.

From 'Corralitos,' *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

D. L. Ingersoll left Saturday for Tassajara, where he will be working on a large construction job during the coming month.

From 'Corralitos,' *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1940:

D. L. Ingersoll returned Saturday to spend the week-end with his family in Corralitos, before returning to Tassajara, where he is now employed.

From 'News About People You Know,' *Watsonville Morning Sun*, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

Bob Hudson has gone to Tassajara Springs to work for the season. Bob is the son of Attorney and Mrs. R. H. Hudson of Hecker Pass.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1940:

### RAY JUDAH TO ENTER RACE FOR STATE SENATOR SEAT

ANNOUNCEMENT FOLLOWS  
DECISION OF JAMES B. HOLOHAN NOT  
TO RUN AGAIN

Ray Judah, for years the publisher of the *Santa Cruz News* and former chairman of the state highway commission, on Friday was announced as candidate for the senate seat.

Revelation of his candidacy by political backers in Watsonville and Santa Cruz followed the announcement by the incumbent, Senator James B. Holohan of this city, that he would retire at the end of his present term and would not seek reelection.

Senator Holohan announced his decision at the urgent behest of members of his family, due to ill health, not only his own but that of Mrs. Holohan. Senator Holohan never regained his strength fully after the severe beating he received from escaping convicts at San Quentin prison some years ago when he was warden of that institution.

In a formal statement of Judah's candidacy, John Gardner, prominent Watsonville attorney, declared:

"Senator Holohan has twice served his district as state senator. In that office he has been a bulwark of strength, the personification of sturdy character and loyalty. For personal reasons and to the sincere regret of both republicans and democrats in great numbers, Jim Holohan is determined not to be a candidate again."

From 'Who's Doing What,' *Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1940:

Senator James Holohan left Monday morning for Sacramento, where he will remain for the remainder of the special session.

Mrs. Quilty-Holohan, who has been ill for some time at Tassajara Hot Springs, is reported to be much improved.

From 'Red Cross Drive Enters Final Stages in Valley,'  
*Salinas Morning Post*, July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

Meantime, contributions continued to come in from all branches in the valley, with most conspicuous donation being a \$51 dollar check which was received Tuesday afternoon from Tassajara Hot Springs. According to Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, proprietor of the resort, employees and guests held a raffle with the proceeds going to the Red Cross fund.

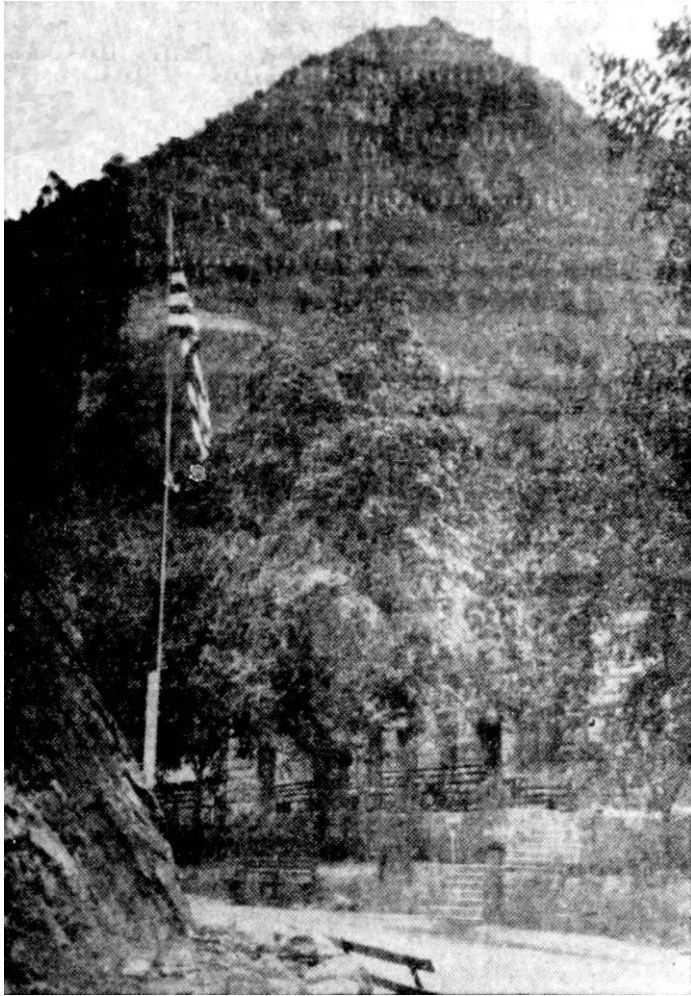
*Salinas Morning Post*, July 12<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

### TASSAJARA RESORT IS POPULAR WITH LOCAL RESIDENTS

With California summer weather in full bloom, Salinas residents are taking advantage of the lull before Big Week by vacationing at

Salinas Index-Journal, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

## Tassajara



TASSAJARA Hot Springs, high in the Santa Lucias, is a favorite vacation spot for many Californians. A glimpse of it is above.

Watsonville Morning Sun, April 27<sup>th</sup> to April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

## GOOD FISHING at Tassajara Hot Springs

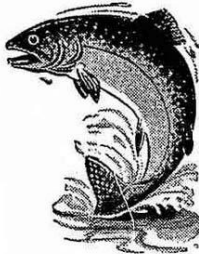
SEASON OPENS MAY 1st

Get out your old clothes and Fishing Tackle and go to TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS on April 30. Get ready for the big FISH the following day, May 1st, when the season opens. There will be plenty to eat and a good time. Mrs. Holohan will see to that.

(Folders at Morning Sun Office)

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan, Owner and Manager



Salinas Index-Journal, later days of April, 1940:

## GOOD FISHING at Tassajara Hot Springs

SEASON OPENS MAY 1st

Get out your old clothes and fishing tackle and "hit out" for TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS. Your luck should be exceptionally good during the first week of the season . . . and as typical of Tassajara. There will be plenty to eat and a good time. Mrs. Holohan will see to that.

(Folders at Index-Journal, Morning Post Office)



## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan, Owner and Manager

Watsonville Morning Sun, guest season of 1940:

## Tassajara Hot Springs



Where better to spend your week-end or vacation than at the famous Tassajara Hot Springs . . . where nature has been most generous in the Wonderful Natural Hot Curative Springs, a perfect climate without fog, and a general grandeur of the mountains. Amusements of various kinds.



Write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty Holohan, Mgr.  
Tassajara Hot Springs—(Folders at Sun Office)

Salinas Index-Journal, guest season of 1940:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Where better to spend your week-end or vacation than at the famous Tassajara Hot Springs in your own County—Where Nature has been most generous in the Wonderful

## NATURAL HOT CURATIVE SPRINGS

Perfect Climate without fog and general grandeur of the mountains. Amusements of various kinds.

Write Mrs. Helen G. Quilty Holohan, Mgr.  
at Tassajara Hot Springs.

Folders at the Office of this Newspaper

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nearby beach and mountain resorts, of which none is more popular than Tassajara Hot Springs.

Local folks enjoying the mountain resort during the last week include Messrs. And Mesdames S. K. Bertelsman, H. E. Crean and son, William, A. D. Lacy, Howard Cozzens, C. A. McAdams, Leroy Tavernetti, H. B. Sprolls and children, Sally Ann and Allan, Carol F. Joy and daughter, Carol Lee, and Ralph Hughes.

Mesdames Mable Warnock, Lily Anderson, C. I. Bently, Miss Dolores Burch, Miss Diane Lacy, and Miss Marylyn McAdams.

Messrs. Charles Rosendale, William J. Gilbert, R. A. Agostini, Charles Pioda, Stafford Hughes, S. W. Anderson, Ted Walker, Matt C. Bordges, Lloyd Bertelsman and Dr. Garth Parker.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

### TASSAJARA POPULAR WITH VACATIONISTS

Nestling at the base of the highest peaks of the Santa Lucia Mountain range, Tassajara Hot Springs is 48 miles southwest of Salinas, and an equal distance from Monterey.

While only eight miles on an air line from the Pacific Ocean, towering mountains and forests cut off cold winds and shut out the slightest trace of fog, thus making outdoor life a constant delight to visitors.

Nature was kind when she caused the medicinal hot waters of Tassajara Hot Springs to gush from mountain sides covered with mossy growths and beautiful trees.

Within a short distance of the Springs are several beautiful trout streams and any fisherman can catch a limit in a short time. Streams are stocked annually from state hatcheries.

Deer are numerous and are allowed to roam the area at will.

In every direction from the Springs are trails over which guests may hike or ride on horseback. The trails are decidedly scenic, running beside gurgling creeks, among giant trees and generally rugged country. One very popular trip is to the government lookout station where the government ranger in charge is always courteous and cooperative and explains points of interest. Other interesting trips are to the caves where Indian markings still cover the sandstone walls and to the Abbott ranch.

At Tassajara Hot Springs resort, in addition to the springs, there is a swimming pool filled from the purest of cold mountain springs [water] but tempered to pleasurable swimming temperature by the addition of hot mineral water, making it possible to remain in the tank for any length of time without discomfort.

The Tassajara Hot Springs resort season, which began May 1, continues until October 1. A bus leaves the Hotel Jeffery in Salinas at 1 p. m. daily and arrives at the Springs, after a ride over a road of scenic grandeur comparable only to that of the Alps, at 4:30 p. m.

In order to better enjoy the views, many visitors to the Springs leave their cars in Salinas and go in on the roomy, comfortable stage operated by experienced drivers.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

### TASSAJARA BENEFIT NETS RED CROSS CASH

A raffle at Tassajara Hot Springs Saturday night netted \$52.25 for the Watsonville Red Cross fund.

Articles raffled were donated by Mrs. Helen Holohan, proprietor of the resort. Auctioneer was Miss Josephine Holohan, assisted by her father, Sen. James B. Holohan. The fund was turned over to Joe Crosetti, local Red Cross drive chairman, Tuesday.

From 'You and Your Friends,' *Salinas Index-Journal*, Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

Mr. Larry Alder of Tassajara Hot Springs was a visitor in Salinas Sunday.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel*, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1940:

Senator James B. Holohan returned on Tuesday from a visit with Mrs. Holohan at Tassajara Hot Springs. He reports the weather ideal down at the Springs.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1940:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS CLOSED FOR WINTER

Tassajara Hot Springs, in Monterey County, has been closed for the winter, it was announced Tuesday night by State Senator James B. Holohan, who has just returned from the Springs which are operated by Mrs. Holohan. She will return to Watsonville in a few days.

The hot springs enjoyed another good season, Sen. Holohan said. A caretaker will be at the popular resort during the winter and it will reopen for its new season on May 1, 1941.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel*, Oct. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1940:

Senator James B. Holohan has returned to his ranch from Tassajara Hot Springs, leaving Mrs. Holohan, who is supervising the readying of the famous resort for the winter. The Springs were officially closed last Saturday night.

From the Watsonville City Directory in Polk's Santa Cruz California City Directory, including Watsonville and Santa Cruz County, 1940:

Holohan, Jas B (Helen), r Hotel Resetar.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1940:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS IN THE BEAUTIFUL SANTA LUCIA MOUNTAINS—NO FOG—IDEAL CLIMATE

Everything here for you to have an enjoyable and recreational vacation

Dancing, Swimming, Riding, Fishing, Hunting

Famous for its Natural Curative Hot Mineral Waters

Daily stage from Salinas. Write Mrs. Helen G.

Quilty-Holohan, Owner, Tassajara Hot Springs, Cal., or Tel. Soledad 11F3.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, guest season of 1940:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Where better to spend your week end or vacation than at the famous Tassajara Hot Springs in Monterey County—Where nature has been most generous in the wonderful Natural Hot Curative Springs—Perfect Climate, no fog and general grandeur of the mountains. Amusements of various kinds. Write: Mrs. Helen G. Quilty Holohan, Mgr., Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, California.

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*Santa Cruz Evening News*, Feb 4<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### BIG DAY TODAY FOR MRS. HOLOHAN

Today is an auspicious one for Mrs. James B. Holohan. Although confined to Watsonville Hospital, she is observing her birthday and her wedding anniversary on the same day.

Senator and Mrs. Holohan were married Feb. 4, ten years ago

*Santa Cruz Sentinel*, Feb. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### DOUBLE ANNIVERSARY FOR MRS. J. B. HOLOHAN

Tuesday will be a double anniversary for Mrs. James B. Holohan who, although confined in the Watsonville hospital, will celebrate her birthday and her wedding anniversary. Senator Holohan and the former Mrs. Helen Quilty were married 10 years ago, February 4.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### TASSAJARA WILL OPEN MAY 19; HIGH WATER NOW

High water at Tassajara Hot Springs will force postponement of the opening of the resort until May 19, it was announced Friday by Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, operator.

The recent rainy season brought 77 inches of precipitation to the Tassajara region, making fishing impossible on the usual opening date, May 1.

Regular opening announcements will be made later, Mrs. Holohan said, but guests cannot be accommodated before May 19, the opening date.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### DELAY OPENING OF TASSAJARA

Mrs. Helen G. Holohan has returned from a short trip to Tassajara Hot Springs and reports the resort will not open on May 1st as usual on account of high water which makes fishing impossible.

Regular announcements will be made later, but guests cannot be accommodated before May 19th, which will be the opening date.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS OPENS NEXT MONDAY

Tassajara Springs—mecca of Pajaro Valley

residents—will open this coming Monday, May 19, according to Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, manager of the popular resort.

Hunting, fishing, mineral waters and a swimming pool are included in Tassajara's attractions. The resort is reached either by private motor car or by stage from the Jeffery Hotel in Salinas. This year, Mrs. Holohan announced, a four-piece orchestra has been secured, opening its engagement June 18.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian,*  
May 16<sup>th</sup> to June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

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Folders at *Register-Pajaronian* and Hotel Resetar, or write owner—Mrs. Helen G. Holohan—at Springs.

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*San Francisco Chronicle,* May 18<sup>th</sup> to June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

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*Salinas Index-Journal,* June 17<sup>th</sup> to early Sept., 1941:

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*Salinas Morning Post,* July 11<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### VACATIONERS GO TO HOT SPRINGS

Tassajara Hot Springs was chosen by a large group of Salinas residents as the spot at which to pass the recent holidays.

Among vacationers at the resort were Mr. and Mrs. Garth Lacey and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Chris Machado, Sr., Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Caldwell, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. McAdams and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. A. Dean Lacey and daughter.

Miss Alice Robasciotti, Mrs. Stella Smith, Miss Betty Schermerhorn, Mr. E. A. Rianda, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Struve, Mr. and Mrs. Jess McCandless, the Misses Lily and Edith Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce E. Baird, Miss Irene Balangero, Mr. and Mrs. Ed H. Bordges, Mr. Oscar P. Daley and sons, Mr. B. B. Green, Mr. Thomas George, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Nielsen, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Warth and Mrs. Mable Warnock.

*Salinas Morning Post,* July 17<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS PLEASES ALL TASTES

No vacation is complete without hot springs. The vacationlands of Salinas and Monterey County are complete, then, for they boasts a hot spring of wide reputation and popularity. The Tassajara Hot Springs, 48 miles southwest of Salinas and an equal distance from Monterey, nestles at the base of the tallest peaks of the Santa Lucia mountain range. Towering mountains and forests cut off cold winds and shut out the ocean fog, making outdoor life at Tassajara a constantly desirable place to vacation—with a health factor thrown in. The Springs are but eight miles on an air line from the Pacific and are reached by automobile road either via Big Sur or Arroyo Seco [?].

Nature was proud when she permitted the creation of Tassajara Hot Springs. The medicinal hot waters gush from the mossy mountain sides in no stingy style. Verdant trees, thick growths of scenic bushes, several beautiful trout fishing streams, bubbling creeks, and all other possible contributions of natural vacationland are at Tassajara in abundance.

Streams that beckon the fisherman are stocked annually from state hatcheries. Limit catches are common.

Deer are numerous and are allowed to roam the area to their heart's content.

In every direction from the Hot Springs are trails over which guests may hike or ride on horseback. Scenic trails thread the hills among giant trees and hard hills that bring out the rustic nature of the country.

One of the most popular side-trips is to the government lookout station where the U. S. ranger in charge will gladly tell you something of the country and point out interest spots. Another side-trip is to the nearby caves where Indian markings still cover the sandstone walls. The Abbott ranch is also popular.

The Hot Springs are augmented in inducements for the vacationists by a swimming pool filled from the purest of cold mountain springs but tempered to pleasurable swimming temperature through the addition of hot mineral water. This affords the swimmer a chance to remain in the tank for any length of time without discomfort.

The season for the Tassajara Hot Springs resort began in May and will continue until October. A bus leaves the Hotel Jeffery in Salinas every day and arrives at the Springs after a three hour ride over a road of scenic grandeur comparable only to that of the Swiss Alps. Many visitors leave their cars in Salinas and travel via the roomy, comfortable stage.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian,* Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### BARBECUE BIG EVENT OF WEEK AT TASSAJARA

Event of the week at Tassajara Hot Springs was a grand barbecue sponsored by a group of Watsonville men, according to a report from the popular resort.

Clement Ivelich was chef in charge, Tony Kissich, was reported a "little lazy on the job," John Allegretti and Jack Novich, who proved an A-1 superintendent, Stanley Thompson, formerly of Watsonville, also helped, after being threatened to be thrown in the swimming tank.

Two fine lambs were roasted for the main course with which were served the usual barbecue accompaniments. After the barbecue, the Tassajara orchestra played and Alice Tonini gave accordion solos. Hit of the program was the Apache dance put on by Elvezzo "Shorty" Teroni.

Mrs. Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, owner and manager, sends word that recent guests from Watsonville included Mr. and Mrs. Dick Mehne, Mr. and Mrs. Tony Resetar, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Sears, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Bowen and daughter, Charles Sibole, N. A. Kalich, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Christensen.

Ex-Senator James B. Holohan, who has been staying at the Springs, is in Watsonville for a few days on a business trip.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald,* Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### NO PROFIT IN VENISON STEW

Judge Ray Baugh, who presides in Monterey's justice court found "something new under the sun" today when Game Warden Fred Post marched into court with a complaint against Henry C. Tuller, manager of the restaurant at Tassajara Hot Springs.

Post charged Tuller with selling venison, a crime which is listed in the "it is always illegal" section of the California fish and game code. The warden, who was still admittedly a bit puzzled about the whole deal, produced a Tassajara menu which blandly listed "venison stew" as evidence against Tuller.

Judge Baugh set trial for Sept. 3 and released Tuller on \$100 cash bail.

The game warden, who was just "checking up" on rumors that someone had bought some cooked venison at Tassajara, is still carrying that menu in his pocket—just in case someone doubts that it really happened.

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The Tassajara resort has long been owned and operated by Mrs. J. B. Holohan of Watsonville, wife of the former state senator, U. S. marshal and San Quentin prison warden.

Post said that Tuller told him someone left a deer carcass at the lodge and they simply cut it up and put it on the menu.

Under 'Today and the Week,' *Santa Cruz Sentinel*, Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

J. B. Holohan of Pajaro Valley and Tassajara Springs, and his sister, Mrs. Alice C. Kelly of Pajaro Valley, were here yesterday.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### **SALINAS RESIDENTS VISIT AT TASSAJARA**

Among Salinas residents who visited Tassajara Hot Springs during the Labor Day weekend were Messrs and Mesdames E. Dougherty, W. J. Rhymer, R. L. Emery, Fred Tiscornia, H. Wisely, E. J. Drussel, V. Moore, E. S. Tarleton, Chris Machado, Dan Johnson and Elmer Machado.

Also present were Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Felman and Miss Jacqueline Felman, Messrs. and Mesdames Leo Maller, Pat Silacci, W. S. Talcott and family, E. J. Donohue and Mickey, and Messrs. George M. Carey, George S. Gould, E. Finkelstine, J. Kotik and Ray E. Bennett.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup>, 1941:

### **TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

Visit and enjoy this popular resort during the most beautiful month of the year . . . perfect days and nights to insure complete rest and relaxation. Season closes October 1. Information and folders at this newspaper.

**RATES REDUCED DURING SEPTEMBER**

From the Works Progress Administration's *Guide to the Monterey Peninsula*, 1941:

The founder of Jamesburg, 16.9 m. (cabins), John James of North Carolina, came here in 1867 and succeeded in attracting to the tiny settlement a post office and passenger stage—neither of which serve Jamesburg today.

In 1928 a disastrous fire destroyed thousands of acres of forest and chaparral and most of the rattlesnakes in this region. Now the trees have their second growth and the snakes are becoming larger and more plentiful each year.

South of Jamesburg the road climbs rapidly, often precariously, to the top of the ridge. The country is wild, offering superb views on all sides. The wooded hills roll down to the Salinas Valley (L) and the blue Pacific (R). Meadowlarks sing in the clearing; roadrunners and quail streak from the paths of oncoming cars.

The road crosses the northern boundary of Los Padres National Forest at 20.4 m., and continues its steady climb to China Camp, 24.6 m. (campsites, stoves, tables, comfort stations), one of nine similar camps in the forest. The route southward lies over a dizzily precipitous one-way road (telephone Tassajara

Springs from below China Camp to learn whether northbound traffic obstructs road). Huge rocks jut from the chaparral; tall yuccas catch the light.

The waters of Tassajara (Ind., meat-curing place) Springs (1,700 alt.), 31.1 m. (hotel, baths and plunges, saddle horses), long have been known for their medicinal qualities. The Indians used these waters long before the Spanish occupation; the huge tub hollowed in rock under a corner of a modern bath house was made with their crude implements. The Tassajara River flows at the base of the mountains, a clear, rapid stream. From boulders along its banks flow the hot springs, containing sulphur, iron, magnesia, lithia, and other minerals. Some of the water is 160° Fahrenheit.

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*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1942:

### **TASSAJARA TO OPEN ON MONDAY, MAY 18**

Mrs. Helen G. Holohan announced Tuesday that Tassajara Hot Springs will open for the 1942 season on Monday, May 18. As in former years, B. W. Robb will operate the stage to the popular resort.

Because of the tire shortage, many Salinas residents who in former years have gone to more distant vacation points are expected this year to go to Tassajara.

*Salinas Index-Journal*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1942:

### **AREAS OF LOS PADRES FOREST ORDERED CLOSED**

Regulations governing the closure of the Los Padres National Forest June 1 were filed by S. A. Nash-Bowden, forest supervisor of Santa Barbara, with the Monterey County Board of Supervisors Monday. The order follows:

"All of Los Padres National Forest is hereby closed to public use effective June 1 and until further notice, with the exception of the following described areas, use of which is not restricted:

"All county and state roads and playgrounds immediately adjacent thereto, including the following:

"Pfeiffer Beach, China Camp, Arroyo Seco, Nacimiento, Nacimiento Summit and Santa Lucia campgrounds in Monterey County.

"All areas in which the use is restricted will be duly posted on the ground with suitable public notice given thereof. No permit will be required of residents going to and from their homes in the restricted areas."

It was pointed out that travel on state and county roads will not be affected by this closure unless so posted, and that permits to enter closed areas will not be issued this season as last year.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 1942:

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*Salinas Index-Journal*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1942:

### **LOS PADRES NATIONAL FOREST CLOSED FOR REMAINDER OF 1942 FIRE SEASON**

**HUNTING AND FISHING ARE UNDER BAN**

Safety Measures Taken by U. S. Forest Service

Los Padres National Forest in Monterey County is now closed to the public for use until the 1942 fire hazard season ends, according to an announcement by the United States Forest Service headquarters in King City.

This includes a ban on hunting, fishing, hiking, camping and other uses of the national forest lands which are closed under federal and county regulations. Persons found violating the closing will be prosecuted, and forest service officers are patrolling the area to guard against trespassing.

The closing, it was announced, was made to reduce the possibility of forest fires which ordinarily damage the timber and require a great use of man-power, which is not available during wartime. It is estimated that 80 percent of the fires in previous years are caused by hunters, fishermen and others.

A few of the larger camp grounds accessible by auto are still left open for general use. These include Arroyo Seco, The Indians, China Camp and Pfeiffer Beach.

*Salinas Californian*, July 4<sup>th</sup>, 1942:

### **TASSAJARA ATTRACTS**

Mecca of vacationists for many years is Tassajara Hot Springs, 48 miles southwest of Salinas and an equal distance from Monterey.

Situated at the base of the highest peaks of the Santa Lucia mountain range, the Springs enjoy an ideal climate, with the towering mountains and the forests cutting off cold winds and shutting out all trace of fog.

Medical hot waters of Tassajara Hot Springs have proved of invaluable aid to many in ill health, and in addition to the springs there is a swimming pool filled with from the purest of cold mountain springs but tempered to swimming temperature by the addition of hot mineral water.

The resort season opens in May each year and continues until October.

*Salinas Californian*, Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1942:

### **MYRLEEN KOEHL IS FETED ON BIRTHDAY**

Highlight of Miss Myrleen Koehl's vacation



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at Tassajara Hot Springs was the dinner party at which she and Mr. Perry Bergstresser of San Francisco were the guests of honor on the occasion of their birthdays. A huge cake with the inscription "Happy Birthday Perry and Myrleen" was presented to the honorees by Mrs. Helen Quilty-Holohan.

Among those seated at the long table were members of the Bergstresser family of San Francisco, and Mrs. Fred Koehl, Miss Lucile McFadden and Mr. Matt Bordges, all of Salinas.

The remainder of the evening was enjoyed dancing with all of the guests at the resort participating.

*Salinas Californian*, Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>, 1942:

### LOCAL RESIDENTS VISIT TASSAJARA

Many Salinas residents traveled to Tassajara Hot Springs for the week-end and Labor Day holiday. Among those visiting the resort were Mr. and Mrs. Irvine Armstrong and family, Mr. Louis Nissen, Mr. Lloyd Bertelsman, Mr. and Mrs. Matt C. Bordges, Mr. and Mrs. William Chittick and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Drussel, Mrs. Naile, Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Nichols, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Snell and family, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Tarleton, Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wyatt, Judge and Mrs. J. A. Jeffery and Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Felman and daughter.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald, San Francisco Chronicle, San Francisco Examiner, Santa Cruz Sentinel, and Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, guest season of 1942:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Everyone needs rest and relaxation now more than ever, so spend your vacation at Tassajara Hot Springs where you will find health giving natural hot mineral baths and amusements.

Stage leaves daily at 1 p. m. from Jeffery Hotel, Salinas. Write or telephone the Springs for information.

*San Francisco Examiner*, Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1942:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

There will always be a Tassajara Hot Springs in the grandeur of the Monterey mountains. Why not come for Labor Day and September? The climate is perfect. Medicinal curative waters all the time. Write Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, P. O. Tassajara Hot Springs, California, or telephone Soledad 11F-3.

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*Salinas Californian*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1943:

### TASSAJARA WILL BE CLOSED THIS YEAR DUE TO WAR

Tassajara Springs, from year to year the mecca of vacationists not only from California but the entire nation, will be closed this year due to war-time conditions. No guests will be received at the resort, and no fishing or hunting will be permitted.

The owner, Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, announ-

ces that the decision to close Tassajara this year was made due to present transportation conditions, food rationing and labor shortages, which make it impossible to operate and give the service of former seasons.

*Salinas Californian*, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 1943:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS TO BE CLOSED

It is with regret that hundreds of Salinas and Monterey Bay patrons have learned that Tassajara Hot Springs, the popular resort, will not receive any guests this year, and also no fishing or hunting be permitted.

The owner, Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, announces that owing to present conditions of transportation, food rationing, and labor shortage, it would be impossible to operate and give the service that guests have been used to receiving.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, May 20<sup>th</sup>, 1943:

### WOULD DROP BUS ROUTE TO TASSAJARA RESORT

SAN FRANCISCO, May 20. (AP)—Bruce W. Robb asked the railroad commission today for permission to discontinue his bus service between Salinas and Tassajara Springs because the resort will not be open this summer on account of the war.

From 'County Salaries Wage Increases Are Adopted, Tassajara Road Will Stay Open,' *Salinas Californian*, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1943:

A request from W. C. Austin, state forest ranger for Los Padres National Forest, that the Tassajara Road be closed for the duration was denied after considerable deliberation. Austin gave as his reason that automobile traffic increased the fire hazard, and that reduced forest funds and lack of personnel to fight fires constituted an emergency.

The board denied the plea on the grounds that it would be discriminatory inasmuch as owners of property there would still be allowed access to the area. Gasoline rationing and the OPA check on cars in pleasure areas will automatically reduce traffic on that highway, they said.

*Salinas Californian*, June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1943:

### TASSAJARA ROAD OPEN

Despite pleas of W. C. Austin, King City forest ranger, the county board of supervisors will not close Tassajara Road this summer. They contend, and rightly, that it is a county road, maintained by taxpayers' money and therefore should be used by the taxpayers. But, in arriving at this conclusion, the board admits there is grave danger in that area if careless motorists follow their usual habits of throwing away lighted cigarette butts or leaving camp grounds without properly extinguishing embers of fires. Nature has left countless beauties in our forests, beauties that would be blighted beyond recognition if flames ever swept through them. Won't you be more careful this summer, Mr. Motorist? If you are of

the careful variety, then admonish someone else to follow suit. The chances are the pleasure seeker who never heeds a warning will not see this editorial, because he reads only the things he likes to read. He doesn't want anybody to tell him where to go or scare him into being patriotically careful! Therefore it is all the more important that those of you who do read this, take heed and be ever vigilant. Each person on the road should consider himself a watchman. There are too few forest rangers now to watch every square mile of this vast coast area.

From 'Personalities in the News,' *Santa Cruz Sentinel*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1943:

Hon. James B. Holohan of Pajaro Valley and Hon. George Radcliff were over from Watsonville calling about the court house on their old friends... The Holohans, owing to war conditions, did not open Tassajara Springs this season.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1943:

### TO DISCONTINUE TASSAJARA BUS

Bruce W. Robb was granted permission by the State Railroad commission to discontinue passenger, baggage and express service between Salinas and Tassajara Hot Springs until May 1, 1944. He testified the Springs resort will not be open for business this summer, hence no reason to operate stages between points named.

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*Salinas Californian*, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1944:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WILL REMAIN CLOSED

Tassajara Hot Springs resort will remain closed again this summer by order of the Office of Defense Transportation on a necessity basis.

In a letter to the Salinas Chamber of Commerce, Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, owner of the resort, asked Fred S. McCargar to announce the closing locally, and expressed regret that those who depend upon the Springs for medicinal purposes will not be permitted to use them.

Mrs. Holohan now is at the Hotel Resetar in Watsonville, and since the post office at the Springs will remain closed, asked that her friends and correspondents be notified of her present address.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 1944:

### SNAPS

Tassajara enthusiasts, who missed the popular resort last summer, will have to go without their steam baths and massages there again this year, according to an announcement by Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, owner of the resort. Tassajara will remain closed this summer by order of the Office of Defense Transportation which regulates bus transportation on a necessity basis, says Mrs. Holohan, who makes her home in the Hotel Resetar.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1944:

**TASSAJARA WILL REMAIN CLOSED**

Because the Office of Defense Transportation will not authorize bus transportation, Tassajara Hot Springs will remain closed this summer, it was announced by Mrs. Helen G. Holohan of Watsonville, who owns the Santa Lucia Mountains resort.

Santa Cruz Sentinel, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1944:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS WILL BE CLOSED**

Mrs. J. B. Holohan has announced that Tassajara Springs will remain closed again this summer by order of the defense transportation office which regulates bus transportation on a necessity basis.

Watsonville Register Pajaronian, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1944:

**TASSAJARA SOLD FOR \$100,000**

Announcement of the sale of Tassajara Hot Springs to a Salinas corporation for an estimated \$100,000 was made Monday by Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, who has owned and operated the famed Springs for nearly 40 years. Names of the members of the corporation were not announced.

Tassajara dates back to the days of the Indians and has been a mecca of Californians since the 80s, when horse and buggy transportation was the only available method of traveling the grades. Its climate, scenery, springs and hospitality attracted a large clientele which returned year after year to enjoy Mrs. Holohan's personality and accommodations. In later years, visitors have come from much farther distances, even as far as from Honolulu to "bake out."

Mrs. Holohan will remain in Watsonville where her husband, former Senator James B. Holohan has large orchard holdings, but the two of them she says, will go back to Tassajara whenever war conditions permit, as "you can't break the Tassajara habit."

For the first time in 1943, the Springs were not opened, due to ODT [Office of Defense Transportation] restrictions which prevented opening this summer. Plans of the new owners have not been announced, Mrs. Holohan said.

Salinas Californian, June 6<sup>th</sup>, 1944:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS SOLD TO CORPORATION**

Sale of Tassajara Hot Springs to a Salinas corporation for an estimated \$100,000 has been announced by Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, who has owned and operated the famous Springs for nearly 40 years. Names of the members of the corporation were not revealed.

For many years Tassajara has been a favorite spot for vacationists. Situated 48 miles southwest of Salinas and equal distance from Monterey, at the base of the highest peaks of the Santa Lucia Range, the Springs enjoy an ideal

climate and the medical hot waters have proved of aid to many in ill health.

Tassajara was opened each year from May to until October until last year, when transportation difficulties and other wartime restrictions forced its closure. Plans of the new owners have not been announced, according to Mrs. Holohan.

Mrs. Holohan will remain in Watsonville, where her husband, James B. Holohan, has large orchard holdings.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1944:

**TASSAJARA IS BOUGHT BY SALINAS GROUP**

WATSONVILLE,--Tassajara Hot Springs, famous local resort which has been closed since 1943 due to restrictions of the Office of Defense Transportation, have been sold for approximately \$100,000. The name of the Salinas corporation which made the purchase was not made public.

Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, former owner, has operated the Springs for some 40 years. She will remain in Watsonville where her husband James B. Holohan, former senator, owns large orchard holdings.

The new owners have not announced future plans for operation of the Springs, which are located about 40 miles from Monterey near the headwaters of the Carmel and Arroyo Seco rivers.

Tassajara lies in a deep gorge with the precipitous Santa Lucia Mountains rising on all sides. The scenic country has been a retreat since the early days of California, when horse drawn carriages took passengers over the narrow winding grades to enjoy the benefits of the steaming springs. In later years, visitors came from all over the world to rest and bask in the natural springs of the hospitable resort.

Santa Cruz Sentinel, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1944:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS SOLD**

Sale of Tassajara Hot Springs to a Salinas corporation has been announced by Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, who has owned the famous resort for over 40 years. The amount was estimated to be \$100,000.

The Springs are located 48 miles southwest of Salinas and about the same distance from Monterey. The healthful waters were opened to the public each year from May until October until last year, when transportation difficulties forced the owner to suspend operations.

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Monterey County Official Records book 871: 33, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1945.

**Helen Quilty Holohan to Ralph and Helen Myers and James and Molly Bundgard, the Tassajara**

**Hot Springs, the Horse Pasture and The Pines properties:**

As the transfer tax notice in the upper left margin of the original document states a fee of \$66 dollars, the properties were sold for \$60,000 dollars.

For value recieved, Helen G. Holohan, formerly Helen G. Quilty, conveying her separate property, grants to Ralph E. Myers and Helen G. Myers, his wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship, an undivided one half interest, and to James Bundgard and Molly Bundgard, his wife, as joint tenants with right of survivorship, and undivided one-half interest, in all that certain real property situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, described as follows, to wit:

Southeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4, North 1/2 of Southwest 1/4, and Southeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 28;

East 1/2 of Northeast 1/4, Northwest 1/4 of Northeast 1/4, and Northeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4 of Section 29;

Northeast 1/4 of Section 32;

In Township 19, South, Range 4 east, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 480 acres of land, more or less, according to United States Government Survey thereof

Together with all of granter's interest in and to that certain Notice of Water Appropriation by Mary E. Quilty, recorded January 13, 1891, in Volume "A" of Water Rights, at page 96, Monterey County Records.

Subject to:

1. Current taxes.
2. Easement for County Road.
3. Right of way for pole line with telephone and telegraph wires across that portion of the herein described property in Section 28, as granted by Mrs. Helen G. Quilty, to United States of America, by instrument dated August 21, 1917 and recorded August 29, 1917 in Volume 151 of Deeds at page 240, Monterey County Records.

Witness my hand this 31st day of May, 1945.

Helen G. Holohan  
State of California, County of Santa Cruz, ss.

On this 31st day of May, in the year one thousand nine hundred forty-five, before me, Winona Sans, a Notary Public in and for the said County of Santa Cruz, personally appeared Helen G. Holohan, personally known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and she acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Official Seal, at my office in the said County of Santa Cruz, the day and year in this certificate first above written.

Winona Sans  
Notary Public in and for County of Santa Cruz, State of California  
(Notarial Seal)

Recorded at the request of Salinas Title Guarantee Company on June 1, 1945 at 36 minutes past 10 A. M. . . . #6244. . . .

\$1.30. . . . Wright.

From 'Delinquent Tax List,' *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 1945:

JAMESBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT

Helen G. Quilty-Holohan, E 1/2 of NE 1/4, NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, Sec. 29, Twp 19 R4, 160 acres, E 1/2 of SW 1/4, NW

1/4 of SW 1/4 sec. 28 Twp 19 R4, 160 acres, NE 1/4 sec. 32, Twp 19 S R4 E, 160 acres.

\$208.72

From 'Real Estate Transactions,' *Salinas Californian*, June 7<sup>th</sup>, 1945:

Deed: Helen G. Holohan to Ralph E. Myers, Helen G. Myers, wife, jt. ten., und. 1/2 int.,

James Bundgard and Molly Bundgard, wife, jt. ten., und., 1/2 int., May 31. SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, N 1/2 of SW 1/4, and SE 1/4 of SW 1/4 of Sec. 28; E 1/2 of NE 1/4, NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, and NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of Section 29; NE 1/4 of Section 32, Twp 19-4, ctg 480 ac. With water rights. Subject to rights of way.



As the sycamore trees in the left-center had not yet developed leaves, this photograph must have been taken in early to mid spring. On the left is part of the broad crown of the historically famous 'Gossip Oak,' which was a Tassajara landmark. I have been told that this tree was killed by having planter box built around the base of its trunk during the early years of Zen Centers' ownership of Tassajara. Photograph courtesy of the Mayo Hayes-O'Donnell Library.

## 1946 to 1951, THE TENURE OF HELEN MYERS, p. 285.

As it will be seen, in this period two tragedies occurred. The first was the death of Ralph Myers, which occurred a few days after the first anniversary of his purchasing of the resort. The other was the fire in 1949 that destroyed the hotel and many other buildings at Tassajara.

Ralph Myers wanted to develop Tassajara into an exclusive resort that would have a helicopter shuttle service from San Francisco. He planned to build a heliicopter landing pad on top of the Tassajara Over Look Trail Ridge that would have a tram that would carry passengers to the hotel.

Although Helen put Tassajara up for sale in December of 1947, the ad only ran for 18 days, and her ultimate decision was to renovate and operate the resort. According to Marilyn McDonald (*A Brief History of Tassajara*, 2018), who somehow was able to track down and interview Helen Murphy-Myers-Terry, when Helen first saw Tassajara she had an adverse reaction to the place, and thought "dear God, what has Ralph done. But you know, I stayed there for about a week and then I went home and I could hardly wait until I got back there. It gets under your skin. I really loved Tassajara."

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1946:

### TASSAJARA WILL REOPEN APRIL 26

Tassajara Hot Springs, which is 48 miles southeast of Monterey, nestled at the base of the highest peaks of the Santa Lucia Mountain range, will reopen to the public for the season of 1946 on April 26, continuing until the first of October.

This popular summer resort has been closed for the past three years due to war conditions.

Reservations are piling in fast because these springs have been the rendezvous for annual vacation and weekend trips for 75 years.

There will be numerous outdoor activities, including swimming, dancing, riding, fishing, hunting, etc. The place will be managed by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Faul of Salinas.

*Salinas Californian*, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1946:

### TASSAJARA TO OPEN APRIL 26

Tassajara Hot Springs, 48 miles southwest of Salinas at the base of the Santa Lucia coastal range, will reopen for the 1946 season on April 26 and continue until October 1, it was announced today by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Faul of Salinas, who will manage the resort. Tassajara was closed for three years due to war conditions, and previously had operated continuously for more than 75 years.

Reservations will be required Mr. Faul said, and the Robb stage will leave the Hotel Jeffery at 1 p. m. In addition to the natural vapor and mineral baths and waters, Tassajara will provide numerous outdoor activities of swimming, dancing, badminton, volley-ball, riding, fishing, hunting.

*Salinas Californian*, beginning on April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1946 (nearly identical ads were also published in the *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, the *San Francisco Chronicle*, and the *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*):

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS REOPENING APRIL 26<sup>th</sup>

Monterey County  
Reservations Required

HUNTING—FISHING—BADMINTON—  
RIDING—COCKTAIL LOUNGE—  
SWIMMING POOL—MINERAL  
WATERS—STEAM BATHS

Experienced Masseur and Masseuse in  
Constant Attendance at the Baths

HOTEL AND CABIN  
ACCOMMODATIONS

### AMERICAN PLAN ONLY

Stage accommodations from Salinas daily at 1 p. m. For folder, rates and further particulars write Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Tassajara Calif. Phone Salinas 9323.

Elmer and Sybell Faul, operators.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1946:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS WILL REOPEN

Reopening of Tassajara Hot Springs, widely known pre-war Monterey County resort, April 26, Tuesday, was announced by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer J. Faul of Salinas, who will manage the resort.

The summer resort, 48 miles southwest of Salinas at the base of the Santa Lucia Mountain range, had been operated continuously before the war for over 75 years and had been a favorite vacation spot for many California residents.

Numerous outdoor activities are being planned, Faul announced, including swimming, badminton, volley ball, riding, fishing and hunting, as well as dancing.

B. W. Robb, who has operated the stage line for many years, will act in similar capacity this season, leaving the Hotel Jeffery at Salinas daily.

*Salinas Californian*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1946 (headline):

### RALPH E. MYERS, PHILIP PRADER ARE KILLED IN AIRPLANE CRASH

PLANE FALLS AFTER TAKEOFF AT SAN MATEO

Prominent Salinas Man Was Returning Home After Playing Polo; Craft Bursts Into Flames After Hitting Ground

Ralph E. Myers, 43, prominent produce dealer, nationally known as a pioneer in air freight shipments and aviation enthusiast, was killed when his private plane crashed and burst into flames near the San Mateo airport shortly after 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon. Meeting death in the same plane was Philip Prader, 33, chief mechanic at the W. S. Talcott Lumber company, an experienced pilot.

Shortly after the takeoff from the airport Mr. Myer's low wing metal monoplane, reported by airport officials as piloted by Mr. Prader, banked steeply near the Bay Meadows race track and then dived to the street from an altitude of about 500 feet. Immediately upon hitting the ground, the plane burst into flames which San Mateo firemen were unable to

extinguish.

Mr. Myers had just played in a polo match at Burlingame before the fatal accident occurred. He and Mr. Prader left the Salinas municipal airport yesterday afternoon.

Mr. Myers, who headed one of the largest growing, packing and shipping operations in the west—the Ralph E. Myers Company, organized in 1939—pioneered that modern mode of shipment, the air cargo. His first shipments made in 1945 went out of Salinas, El Centro, Fresno and other important produce centers, until today they have increased to the point that three paneloads leave thus city daily for Los Angeles, Atlanta, New York, Philadelphia and Detroit markets. He was the first to ship strawberries by air from the Salinas Valley market.

At the present time he was associated with other growers in organizing companies for pre-packaging of fresh fruits and vegetables as another of the most forward steps in the industry.



RALPH E. MYERS

The Myers interests included deals in the Salinas and Imperial valleys, Los Banos and Delano.

Mr. Myers spent much time and money in improving the air freight business, making trips to Washington in its interest. He gave reports on those efforts at the last annual convention of the United Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Association held in Chicago, with the result that his report was published in full



PLANE TRAGEDY—San Mateo firemen attempt to extinguish fire blazing through wreckage of a private plane which crashed yesterday near Bay Meadows Race Track, killing two persons. The dead are Ralph E. Myers, wealthy Salinas produce dealer, and pilot Philip Prader. Both men were trapped in the burning wreckage of the plane.

in subsequent issues of *The Packer*.

He was vice-president of the Salinas Valley Ice company, which is operated by his father, Frank S. Myers.

Mr. Myers played a large role in the return of the Salinas army air base to the control of the city. He worked closely with the city council, the newly created airport commission and with other city officials in negotiations with the government. His Remco Flying Service is the biggest operated at the air base with a fleet of 50 some ships.

The Salinas industrialist was an aviation enthusiast of long standing with more than 20 years of flying experience starting with the old Jennys after World War I. During the war he left his business to become a civilian instructor at the army air base at King City, serving in this capacity for three years.

L. E. Wyatt, president of the Salinas Chamber of Commerce, today paid high tribute to Mr. Myers. "Mr. Myers was one of my close personal friends," Mr. Wyatt said, "and his death is one of the most serious losses to the community in a long time. He was a leader of the air freight perishable business in the United States and his death is a very great blow to that industry."

Mr. Myers was born in Salinas March 22, 1903 and attended high school here and at Lowell High in San Francisco where he graduated. He also attended the University of California. He was a member of the Salinas lodge

B.P.O. Elks.

Surviving Mr. Myers are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Myers, his wife Helen and three children, Michael, 5, Ralph Edwin, Jr., 3, and Mary Margaret, 2. Another daughter, Stephanie, lives in Los Angeles.

Mr. Prader was born in Gonzales and had been employed at the Talcott Lumber Company for the past 4½ years. He was a close follower of aviation and had more than 200 hours flying time to his credit.

Surviving are his wife, Elsie, and two children, Gary, 4 years, and Randy, 10 months; four brothers, Jack and Alfred, of Salinas, and Eddie and Rudolph of Gonzales. His mother, Mrs. Marine Prader, also lives at Gonzales.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1946:

## TWO SALINAS MEN DIE IN PLANE CRASH

RALPH MYERS, PHILLIP PRADER LOSE  
LIVES IN SAN MATEO ACCIDENT

SAN MATEO, CAL., June 17 (U.P.) Two men were dead today in the crash of a private plane on a street near Bay Meadows race track.

The dead were Ralph E. Myers, 43, wealthy produce dealer and sportsman, and Phillip Prader, 33, a mechanic, both of Salinas. They were en route from San Mateo airport to Salinas in Myers' low-wing, metal monoplane.

Shortly after taking off, the plane, piloted by

Prader, banked steeply near the race track and then dived to the street from an altitude of about 500 feet witnesses said. Immediately upon hitting the ground, the plane burst into flames.

San Mateo firemen were unable to extinguish the flames and the two occupants of the plane were burned to death.

Myers had just played in a polo match at Burlingame before the fatal accident took place. The plane was a former Army advanced trainer and one of several the sportsman used in his business.

News of the tragic death of Myers came as a decided shock to the people of Monterey County and to members of the Salinas lettuce industry in which he has been an outstandingly progressive operator.

It was he who pioneered the air freight shipment of lettuce and other produce to eastern markets and he still was working to perfect the plan at the time of his death.

Work in this field earned Myers national recognition and it followed closely his keen interest in aviation. He was operator of the Remco Flying Service at the Salinas airport.

Myers founded the Ralph E. Myers Company, a widely known packing organization, in 1937 and since had acquired extensive holdings in the Imperial and San Joaquin valleys, as well as the Salinas Valley.

He was the only son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Myers, well known Salinas residents. He

was educated in Salinas schools and was graduated from the University of California.

Besides his parents, Myers leaves his wife and three small children, Michael, Ralph E., Jr., and Mary Margaret.

Pilot of the plane at the time of the fatal crash, Phillip Prader, also a well known Salinas man, was employed as chief mechanic at a local lumber company.

He leaves his wife and two small children and two brothers, Jack and Al Prader, all of Salinas.

Funeral arrangements still are pending and will be announced later.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1946:

### R.E. MYERS KILLED IN PLANE CRASH

Ralph E. Myers, 43, of Salinas, considered the largest produce operator in the United States, and widely known in Watsonville and throughout the Monterey Bay Area, was killed Sunday in the crash of a private plane on a street near Bay Meadows race track which also claimed the life of his friend, Phillip Prader, 33, Salinas. They were en route from San Mateo airport to Salinas in Meyers' low-wing, metal monoplane.

Shortly after taking off, according to the United Press, the plane, piloted by Prader, banked steeply near the race track and then dived to the street from an altitude of about 500 feet. Immediately upon hitting the ground, the plane burst into flames.

San Mateo firemen were unable to extinguish the flames and the two occupants of the plane were burned to death.

Myers had just played in a polo match at Burlingame before the fatal accident took place. The plane was a former Army advanced trainer and one of several Myers used in his business.

Myers operated packing plants in the Salinas Valley, Imperial Valley, Los Banos and Delano and his widespread interests were known throughout the United States. He was vice president of the Salinas Valley Ice Co., of which his father, Frank S. Myers, semi-retired, was president.

The younger Myers had pioneered the shipment of produce by air and also was a pioneer in the pre-packaging of frozen foods.

He owned the Remco Flying service and used planes extensively in the conduct of his business.

He had been flying for over 20 years and during the war acted as civilian army aviation instructor at King City.

A native of Salinas, he attended Salinas and Lowell high school of San Francisco and was graduated from the University of California. In 1939 he organized the Ralph E. Myers Co., and it was from the initials of this company that the flying service name, Remco, was formed.

Surviving are his widow, Helen B. Myers; three children, Michael 5, Ralph Edward Jr. 4, and Mary Margaret 1½ years, all of Salinas, and a daughter, Stephanie, of Los Angeles, by a previous marriage. Also surviving are his

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank S. Myers, Salinas.

Prader was brother of Jack Prader, prominent Salinas realtor. He is survived also by his widow, Elsie, and two sons, Gary 4, and Randy 10 months; three other brothers, Albert of Salinas and Eddie and Rudolph of Gonzales, and his mother, Mrs. Marina Prader of Gonzales.

For four and a half years he had been employed as chief mechanic for the Talcott Lumber Co., Salinas. He had about 200 flying hours.

Just a week ago one of the Remco planes crashed at Salinas, fatally injuring two men, and about a month ago Myers and Mrs. Myers escaped when the plane he was flying made a crash landing in southern California.

Myers' body was removed to Struve and La Porte mortuary at Salinas and Prader's to the Muller Mortuary, also in Salinas. Funeral arrangements are pending.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, June 18<sup>th</sup>, 1946:

### MYERS FUNERAL TOMORROW

SALINAS, June 18—Funeral services will be held Wednesday afternoon at 2 p. m. for Ralph Edward Myers, 43, who was killed in an airplane crash yesterday near Bay Meadows Race Track, San Mateo.

Myers, who is survived by his widow and four children, was returning from a polo game in Burlingame, when the accident occurred.

Phillip Prader, who was flying with Myers at the time, is survived by his widow and two children. Arrangements for his funeral are pending.

*Salinas Californian*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1946:

### RITES ARE HELD FOR RALPH E. MYERS

Friends from all over the United States paid final tribute to Ralph E. Myers, 43, yesterday at funeral services held at Struve & Laporte funeral home at 2 o'clock. Hundreds of floral offerings from Canada to New Orleans and New York to California testified as to the high esteem in which the local man was held.

The Rev. Keppel W. Hill, St. Paul's Episcopal Church, read the chapel services and committal rites in the IOOF cemetery. Acting as pallbearers were Vincent Arena, Glenn Phillips, George Gaudin, C. A. Bowen, James Bundgard and Worth Moore.

Delegations from the produce trade in Los Angeles, San Francisco and Imperial Valley came to Salinas to attend services for Mr. Myers, who met his death in an airplane accident Sunday evening at San Mateo, where he had gone to play polo. Members of his polo team—Bill Gilmore, Los Angeles; Irving Mosley, Burlingame; Vick Graber, Oakland; Bob Smith, San Mateo; and Lee Baker, Salinas—were here, as were these relatives of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Myers, his parents: Mr. and Mr. H. A. Benning and Arthur Benning, Ogden, Utah; J. D. Peters and J. D. Peters, Jr., Chico; Mr. Byrd Gillis, Stockton; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Hartley, Jr., Vacaville, and Mrs. Clara Hartley.

Mrs. Jessie Murphy, Sacramento, mother of Mrs. Ralph E. Myers, was accompanied by these relatives of the widow: Mr. and Mrs.

John R. Murphy, brother and sister-in-law of Arcata; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Atherton, Jr., Placerville; Mrs. Clinton Campbell, Sacramento, Mr. and Mrs. John S. Casey, El Centro. Mrs. Atherton, Mrs. Campbell and Mrs. Casey are sisters of Mrs. Myers.

Among other close friends here from out of town were: Harold Thorup, El Centro; Sid Justman, Brawley; George Mooten, American Air Lines, New York; Walter McGowan, George Casey, Jr., Harold Deery, L. McMillan and Tom Timierty, all of San Francisco; Dick Cotton, G. F. Phillips, and Frank Castiglione, Western Growers Association, Los Angeles; Mel Sanguinetti, Lodi, and A. D'Rigga and Mrs. Craig, San Jose.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, July 8<sup>th</sup>, 1946:

### TASSAJARA HAS MANY LOCAL VISITORS

Many Watsonvillians have found their way to Tassajara since its reopening May 1. Among recent arrivals there are Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Watters and daughter, Helen, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Svien, Mrs. F. C. Olander, Mrs. Louis Lettunich, Max Payer, Dr. and Mrs. Francis Shea and son, John, Dr. and Mrs. E. H. Eiskamp and son, John, and Mrs. W. J. McGrath.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith and sons, Kirk and Leland, Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Eaton, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bennett, Mrs. Muriel Rau and daughter, Sue, Nick Drepich, George Lucich, Walter J. Wilkinson, Mrs. Fred Rea, A. M. Earls, Mrs. P. Capitanich, Anton Lucich, Lyman P. Cox, H. B. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. George Peacock, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hudson and son, Bobby.

From the 'Social Roundup' column, *Salinas Californian*, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1946:

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Faul and children, Gene and Rosemarie, will return today from Tassajara Hot Springs. They will be busy getting settled once again in their Pajaro Street home. Mr. Faul has been managing the resort during the last few months.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, July 31<sup>st</sup>, 1946:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS UNDER NEW CONTROL

Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County resort well known to Watsonville people, this week was leased to Pennington and Hellam and is now under the new management. Pennington was connected formerly with Paraiso Hot Springs.

Retiring as managers of the summer resort are Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Faul of Salinas, formerly of Watsonville, who pioneered the reopening of Tassajara in April after it had been closed during the war.

*Salinas Californian*, beginning on Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1946:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

MONTEREY COUNTY  
RESERVATIONS REQUIRED

NOW OPEN TO OCT. 1<sup>st</sup>

The Perfect Spot for a Complete Rest—Above the Fog Belt

HUNTING-FISHING-BADMINTON-RIDING-COCKTAIL LOUNGE-SWIMMING POOL-MINERAL WATERS-STEAM BATHS

Expert Masseur & Masseur in Constant Attendance at the Baths HOTEL AND CABIN ACCOMMODATIONS AMERICAN PLAN ONLY

Stage accommodations from Salinas daily at 1 p. m. For reservations phone Tassajara Hot Springs, Soledad 11-F-3.

Hotel Rate \$48 per Week per Person—Cabin Rate \$60 per Week per Person. Excellent Food Served!

Now Under New and Friendly Management

Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>, 1946:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**  
**NOW UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT**  
AMERICAN PLAN ONLY

Rest and Relax Above the Fog

Hunting-Fishing-Outdoor Swimming Pool-Dance Pavilion-Recreation Room-Hiking-Cocktail Lounge

Excellent Food and Invigorating Climate

Daily Rates \$8 to \$10 per day per person, with one day free with each weeks stay

For reservations write Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County, Calif., or Phone Soledad 11-F-3. A folder will be mailed with complete information.

Vapor, Steam and Mineral Baths, 3 Waters—Experienced Masseur and Masseur in attendance

Monterey County Official Records 959: 297-298, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1946:

**Estate of Ralph Myers to Helen Myers, the decedent's interest in the Tassajara Hot Springs, Horse Pasture and The Pines properties**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF RALPH E. MYERS, also known as RALPH MYERS AND RALPH EDWIN MYERS, Deceased

DECREE TERMINATING JOINT TENANCY AND ESTABLISHING FACT OF DEATH

The petition of Helen G. Myers to establish the fact of death of Ralph E. Myers, deceased, and terminate a joint tenancy, came on regularly to be heard this day.

It is proved to the satisfaction of the Court that due notice of the hearing of said petition has been given by posting notice for a period of at least ten days before the hearing at the Court House in the County of Monterey, State

of California where the said Superior Court is held; and no person having appeared to contest or oppose said petition, the Court, after taking evidence in support of said petition and upon all the issues raised, finds that all the allegations of said petition are true, and the prayer thereof ought to be granted; and it further appearing that John O. Breschini, duly appointed as Inheritance Tax Appraiser herein, has filed herein his certificate that there is an Inheritance Tax due in the said matter which may be collected from other of the estate of said deceased and that said petition may be granted;

It is hereby ordered, adjudged, and decreed that said Ralph E. Myers is dead; that he died on the 16th day of June, 1946, and the joint tenancy under which the said deceased and the said Helen G. Myers held an undivided one-half in the property herein described, has by reason of the death of the said Ralph E. Myers there is vested in the Helen G. Myers title in fee in and to an undivided one-half of the following property situated in the County of Monterey, State of California, to wit:

Southeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4, North 1/2 of Southwest 1/4, and Southeast 1/4 of Southwest 1/4 of Section 28;

East 1/2 of Northeast 1/4, Northeast 1/2 of Northeast 1/4, and Northeast 1/4 of Northwest 1/4 of Section 29;

Northeast 1/4 of Section 32;

In Township 19, South, Range 4 East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 480 acres of land, more or less, according to United States Government Survey thereof.

Together with all grantors interest in and to that certain Notice of Water Appropriation by Mary E. Quilty, recorded January 13, 1891 in Volume "A" of Water Rights, at page 96, Monterey County Records.

Done in open Court this 16th day of September, 1946. H. G. JORGENSEN

Judge of the Superior Court

The following instrument is a correct copy of the original on file at my office dated February 14th 1947.

Emmett G. McMenamin

Clerk of the Superior Court in and for the County of Monterey, State of California, by Josephine Quatrini, Deputy.

(Court Seal)

Recorded at the request of Monterey County Title & Abstract Co., February 14, 1947, at 30 min. past 2 P. M. #5690. Fee \$1.40, Le Noir

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Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1947:

**DEATH TAKES SEN. HOLOHAN**

COLORFUL PUBLIC SERVICE CAREER ENDED BY HEART AILMENT AT 75

James Bernard Holohan, 75, former state senator and warden of San Quentin Prison, and one of the most colorful and beloved figures of the Pajaro Valley, died early Friday morning at the Watsonville Hospital where he had been

confined for the past month. Death followed a losing battle against a chronic heart condition which had sapped his strength. Mr. Holohan was a native of Watsonville, the son of the late Richard and Catherine Lynch Holohan, both natives of Ireland. His father located in Watsonville in 1869, engaging in farming and acquiring the Holohan ranch property on Holohan Lane which during his lifetime numbered 112 acres.

Mr. Holohan was born June 19, 1871, and was reared in the Pajaro Valley where he attended schools, and later assisted his father in the operation of his ranch property.

While he was still in his teens, both his father and mother died within the same year. As the eldest member of the family he shouldered the task of rearing his three brothers and a sister, and took over the management of the ranch.

At 21 he began public service as the unpaid clerk of the district school board and as a school trustee. He interested himself in schools for the rest of his life, carrying the same interest to San Quentin later by creating education opportunities at the prison. It is possible today to get a college education at San Quentin.

His first entry into political life came in 1908 when he was elected state senator from the 20th (Santa Cruz County) district. He served from 1909 through 1913.

In 1914 he became United States marshal for the northern district of California and served in this capacity for 10 years, until his appointment in 1925 by the board of superiors as sheriff of Santa Cruz County. The appointment was made following the death of the late Sheriff Howard V. Trafton. The following year he won election as sheriff of the county.

But on Sept. 1, 1927, he was appointed by Gov. C. C. Young to succeed Frank J. Smith as warden of San Quentin Prison and resigned as county sheriff to accept this appointment. Re-appointed by Gov. James Rolph, he served as warden for eight and one half years.

These proved to be the most exciting and most strenuous years of his life.

It was early in 1935 that he suffered serious injuries at the hands of four convicts who staged the most spectacular of San Quentin prison breaks. The four convicts, who in some manner had acquired crude guns, broke into a meeting of the board of prison terms and paroles in the warden's home.

Warden Holohan bravely attempted sound an alarm by reaching a telephone in an adjoining room. He was struck down by one of the convicts and severely beaten.

The four members of the parole board were forced into an official car. Guards of the gate, unable to fire upon the escapees because of the danger of wounding the board members, opened the gates of the prison.

Later in a running gun battle the convicts were recaptured near San Rafael, but not until two of the hoard members had been wounded.

Two of the escaped plotters later paid with their lives by execution.

During his term at San Quentin Mr. Holohan had supervision over such famed prisoners as Tom Mooney, Kid McCoy, David Lamson, William Edward Hickman, Frank Egan and Asa Keyes, as well as Clara Phillips. During his term, women as well as men were sentenced to San Quentin. His position as warden forced him to witness 57 hangings during the eight and one-half years he served as warden.

In April, 1936, he resigned as warden of San Quentin because of ill health, traceable mainly to the injuries suffered the prison break earlier that year.

He returned to the Pajaro Valley, determined to rest and regain his health, but almost immediately he was drafted to run for state senator. In the November general election of 1936 he won election again to the senate and served the 1937-1940 term. He did not seek reelection.

During his marshalship he was in U. S. district court when a crazed Hindu shot a fellow Indian and turned the gun on the spectators. Hesitating only a second to make certain no others were in the line of fire, Marshal Holohan drilled a hole through the Hindu's heart, killing him before he could cause further harm.

In 1902 he married Adeline Frasier of Carmel Valley. One daughter, Josephine, was born to this union. Mrs. Holohan died in 1929. In 1931 Mr. Holohan and Mrs. Helen G. Quilty of San Jose were married.

His widow, Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan, his daughter, Josephine, and a sister, Mrs. Edward E. Kelly, all of Watsonville, survive. He was also the brother of the late Stewart, George and Oscar Holohan.

*San Francisco Chronicle, Feb. 1st, 1947:*

## **JAMES B. HOLOHAN**

FORMER WARDEN OF SAN  
QUENTIN DIES AT 75

James B. Holohan, one of the most colorful public officials in Western life, died from a heart ailment at his Watsonville home yesterday at the age of 75.

He is probably remembered best as the one-time warden of San Quentin Prison, but one of his most outstanding achievements was authorship of a bill while he was in the State Senate which substituted death by gas chamber for hanging in California.

He was a public official for 42 years, had a reputation for fearlessness and fairness, and was in the news repeatedly, both for constructive activities and in connection with spectacular events.

One of his most memorable events occurred in Federal Court here in 1918, while he was United States Marshal for the Northern California District of California.

A group of Hindus was on trial in litigation known as the Hindu conspiracy cases.

One day the decorum of the court was shattered by a pistol shot. Ram Singh, one of the defendants, had shot and killed Ram Chandra. As Ram Singh pointed the gun at another, Marshal Holohan fired. The bullet struck Ram Singh in the neck. He dropped instantly, fatal-

ly wounded.

The remarkable part of Holohan's marksmanship was its speed. Spectators were rising in confusion and alarm, directly in the line of fire. Holohan had to get his man before it was too late. He did.

Near the end of eight years as warden of San Quentin, a regime noted for just administration, four convicts broke loose during a prison board meeting and kidnapped four prison board members to cover escape. Their freedom was short lived, but Warden Holohan's efforts at preventing the kidnapping resulted in a beating so severe that his health suffered for years thereafter.

Although he was a lifelong Democrat, his efficiency brought recognition in Republican appointments as well.

A native of Watsonville, Mr. Holohan was elected to the school board at the age of 21. On various occasions, he retired to the relative peace of his fruit ranch, but was drawn from retirement twice to fill posts in which his qualifications were deemed eminent.

He was elected State Senator the first time in 1908. In 1914 he became U. S. Marshal, holding the post 10 years before he retired. In 1925, he was appointed Sheriff of Santa Cruz County.

His appointment to the San Quentin warden-ship was in 1927 and lasted eight years later when he retired.

As warden he was a strict disciplinarian, but rewarded every convict who demonstrated cooperation and willingness to become a useful citizen after satisfying his debt to society.

As Santa Cruz Sheriff he participated in the capture of the notorious train robber, Roy Gardener. As warden of San Quentin he was "host" to Tom Mooney, "Tiger Murderess," Clara Phillips, killer-kidnapper William Edward Hickman, Kid McCoy, David Lamson, former District Attorney Asa Keys of Los Angeles, former San Francisco Public Defender Frank Egan and San Francisco matricide Dorothy Ellingson.

He witnessed 57 hangings while warden. They were the motivation for his lethal gas bill. He termed gas "the best method yet found of inflicting the death penalty."

His retirement lasted only two years. In 1937 he went back to the Senate, serving until the duties became too arduous for his health.

Surviving are his widow, Helen Quilty Holohan, originally from San Jose; a daughter, Josephine, and a sister, Mrs. Edward E. Kelly, Watsonville.

Funeral services will be at the Mehl parlors, Watsonville, at 9:15 a. m. Monday, and at 9:30 from St. Patrick's Church. Elks services will take place the preceding evening at 8:30.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel-News, Feb. 1st, 1947:*

## **EX-STATE SENATOR J. B. HOLOHAN DIES**

James B. Holohan, twice elected state senator, former United States marshal, one time Santa Cruz County sheriff and former warden at San Quentin Prison, died at 12:30 a. m. Friday in Watsonville hospital after a month's

illness.

Probably one of the most colorful personalities of Santa Cruz County, Holohan's 75 years were crowded with outstanding events which gained nation-wide publicity.

A prominent pioneer family, the Holohans are believed to be the only family in the Watsonville area which still retains the large ranch and orchard holdings in the Pajaro Valley, established in the early days. Even now, the properties have not been broken up or sold and the Holohan ranch is still operating.

The son of Mr. and Mrs. James Holohan, their son, James, was born on the family ranch two miles from Watsonville July 20, 1871. When he was 14 years old he had lost both of his parents, and as the eldest of five children, he assumed the responsibilities of operating the ranch.

Politically-minded and a staunch Democrat, Holohan first held public office at the age of 21 as a school trustee from his district. His broader political experience began in 1908 when he was elected to the state senate from the Santa Cruz-San Mateo district and served four years at Sacramento.

It was during this period that the young senator introduced the bill which later made the Bear Flag the official flag of the State of California.

In 1914 President Wilson appointed James Holohan United States marshal, an office which he held for 10 years, the longest period the office was ever retained in this district.

In April, 1918, the marshal gained national prominence during a trial in the United States Federal Court, when he shot a Hindu on trial for violating the neutrality laws, when he ran amok in the courtroom.

From the stand the Hindu shot and killed another Hindu, who would probably have killed other persons in the crowded court room if Holohan, standing at the back of the room, had not drawn his revolver at an instant's notice and shot the Hindu through the neck.

Because of his outstanding record, Holohan was appointed sheriff of Santa Cruz County in April, 1925, by the board of supervisors to succeed Sheriff Howard Trafton, who was killed in a gun battle with a maniacal hermit.

During the time that Holohan served as sheriff of the county, he and his wife, the former Alice Frasier of Monterey and their daughter, Josephine I. Holohan, lived in their home on Pacheco Avenue.

Two years after he was named sheriff, or in September, 1927, Holohan was appointed warden of San Quentin State Penitentiary by Gov. C. C. Young to succeed Warden Frank J. Smith, who resigned the post.

He remained at the prison until 1936.

During that period his wife died in 1929, and later, in 1931, he married the former Helen G. Ford, widow of Charles W. Quilty, president of the San Jose Light and Power Company.

The new Mrs. Holohan managed Tassajara Hot Springs, which she owned, until about three years ago when the holdings were sold.

While warden at San Quentin, James Holohan was seriously injured in a prison break in



January, 1935. It is believed that he never completely recovered from the injuries received at that time.

After leaving San Quentin, Holohan again entered the political arena and returned to Sacramento when he was elected to the state senate in 1936. He remained in Sacramento until the end of his term in 1940.

Since his withdrawal from politics, the former senator has been retired, managing his ranch and orchards. At the time of his death he was living in a suite at the Resetar Hotel in Watsonville.

Besides his other affiliations, James Holohan was a charter member of the Watsonville Elks Club, past president of the Native Sons of Watsonville, a member of the Woodmen of the World and an honorary member of the Watsonville Rotary Club.

The brother of the late Stewart, George and Oscar Holohan, he is survived by his wife, Helen, a daughter, Josephine F. Holohan, and a sister, Mrs. Edward E. (Alice) Kelley, all of Watsonville.

*Salinas Californian*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1947:

#### **SUIT IS FILED ON OPERATION OF TASSAJARA**

Complaint for \$10,077.58 alleged due for services performed in connection with the opening and operation of Tassajara Hot Springs last year, has been filed in the Monterey County clerk's office by Elmer J. Faul and Sybell E. Faul against Frank S. Myers, individually and as executor of the last will and testament of Ralph E. Myers.

Plaintiffs allege the agreement to pay the money was made orally March 22, 1946. Alexander, Bacon & Mundhenk are attorneys for the plaintiffs.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1947:

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*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1947:

#### **WIDOW OF FORMER SEN. HOLOHAN DIES IN WATSONVILLE**

WATSONVILLE, Oct. 29 (U.P.)—Funeral arrangements were announced today for Mrs. Helen Holohan, widow of the late Sen. James B. Holohan.

Mrs. Holohan died yesterday afternoon in the Watsonville Hospital after a brief illness. She was 75.

Her husband, former warden of San Quentin and later state senator, died here last January.

Funeral services will be at 8:45 a. m. from Mehl's Funeral Home, with a low mass of requiem at St. Patrick's Church.

Mrs. Holohan was a native of San Francisco. For 40 years she operated Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County resort. Before her marriage to Sen. Holohan in 1931, she was Mrs. Helen G. Quilty.

*Salinas Californian*, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1947:

#### **MRS. HOLOHAN, WATSONVILLE, PASSES AWAY**

Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, 75, widow of the late James G. Holohan, former owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, passed away in Watsonville yesterday. She is survived by these stepchildren: Mrs. William Jeffery and Mr. Howard Cozzens, both of Salinas, and Mrs. J. A. Kerwin, Mrs. Fred Suter, Mrs. Estelle Quilty, Mrs. Leo Taylor, and Mrs. Leo Ball; one sister, Mrs. J. H. Thompson; a niece and nephew, Mrs. James Lyon and John S. Thompson; and one cousin, Mrs. Catherine Ryan.

Mrs. Holohan was a native of San Francisco and a frequent visitor here during the many years she and her husband owned the famed resort in the mountains near this city.

Funeral services will be held Friday at 8:45 a. m. from Mehl's Funeral Home in Watsonville, thence to St. Patrick's Church, where a requiem mass will be celebrated at 9 a. m. Private entombment will be in Holy Cross Mausoleum.

Rosary services will be recited tomorrow night, 8 o'clock, at the funeral home.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1947:

#### **HELEN G. HOLOHAN**

Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, widow of the former warden of San Quentin Prison and U. S. Marshal, died yesterday in Watsonville. She was 75.

Funeral services are to be held there Friday at 8:45 a. m. from Mehl's Funeral Home, followed by a requiem mass at St. Patrick's Church, Watsonville.

Her late husband, James Holohan, retired as warden of San Quentin in 1936.

She is survived by eight step-children. Miss Josephine Holohan, Mrs. William Jeffrey, Mrs. Howard Cozzens, Mrs. J. A. Kerwin, Mrs. Fred Suter, Miss Estelle Quilty, Mrs. Leo Taylor and Mrs. Leo Ball, and a sister, Mrs. J. H. Thompson.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel-News*, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1947:

#### **MRS. J. B. HOLOHAN SUCCUMBS**

WATSONVILLE, Oct. 29 (U.P.)—Funeral arrangements were announced today for Mrs. Helen Holohan, widow of the late Sen. James B. Holohan.

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Mrs. Holohan was a native of San Francisco. For 40 years she operated Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County resort. Before her marriage to Sen. Holohan in 1931, she was Mrs. Helen G. Quilty.

Among eight step-children is Mrs. Howard Cozzens of Salinas.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1947:

#### **MRS. HOLOHAN DIES, FUNERAL TO BE FRIDAY**

Funeral arrangements were announced Wednesday for Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, widow of the late Sen. James B. Holohan.

Mrs. Holohan died Tuesday afternoon in the Watsonville Hospital, where she had been taken Monday night after being suddenly taken ill. She was 75 years of age.

Her husband, former warden of San Quentin prison and later state senator, died here last Jan. 31.

Funeral services will be conducted at 8:45 a. m. Friday from Mehl's Funeral Home, with a low mass of requiem at 9 a. m. in St. Patrick's Church. Private entombment will be in Holy Cross Mausoleum, Colma. Rosary will be recited at 8 p. m. Thursday at Mehl's.

Mrs. Holohan was a native of San Francisco. For 40 years she operated Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County resort. In 1931—she was Mrs. Helen G. Quilty—she was married to Senator Holohan, who retired as San Quentin warden in 1936.

Surviving are eight stepchildren: Miss Josephine Holohan, Watsonville; Mrs. William Jeffrey and Mrs. Howard Cozzens, Salinas; Mrs. J. A. Kerwin, Oakland; Mrs. Fred Suter, Gilroy; Miss Estelle Quilty, San Jose; Mrs. Leo Taylor, San Francisco, and Mrs. Leo Ball, Los Gatos.

Also surviving are a sister, Mrs. J. H. Thompson, Watsonville; a niece, Mrs. James Lyons, Castroville, and a nephew, John S. Thompson, Piedmont. Mrs. Catherine Ryan, Gilroy, is a cousin.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1947:

#### **HELEN G. HOLOHAN FUNERAL RITES HELD**

Funeral services for Mrs. Helen G. Holohan, widow of the late State Senator James B. Holohan, who died Tuesday, were held Friday morning from Mehl's Funeral Home followed by a low mass of requiem at St. Patrick's Church. The Rev. Fr. William Batt officiated.

Pallbearers were William Jeffrey, Fred Suter, Howard Cozzens, Charles O'Brien, R. H. Hudson and R. E. Mehne. Private entombment was in Holy Cross Mausoleum at Colma.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel-News*, Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1947:

#### **WILL IS FILED FOR ESTATE LEFT BY MRS. J. B. HOLOHAN**

The will of Mrs. Helen Holohan, widow of J. B. Holohan, filed in probate court, bequeaths

\$5000 to her cousin, Mrs. C. T. Ryan; \$8000 to a nephew. John Stanley Thompson; an automobile to Mrs. John Stanley Thompson; \$8000 to a niece, Helen G. Lyons, and \$3000 to a stepdaughter.

Her jewelry and personal belongings, including a diamond solitaire ring, were left to Mary Isabel Scherer; a dinner ring, dinner set and glassware to stepdaughter Alice L. Cozens of Salinas; a diamond and sapphire ring to Helen G. Lyons.

Robert Hudson was named executor. The will was made May 20, 1947, with Stacy Irwin and Winona Sans as witness.

From the 'Real Estate For Sale' section, *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1947 to Jan. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1948:

## TASSAJARA

We are offering for sale the famous Tassajara Hot Springs, finest health resort in California. Consisting of hotel, cabins, and about 460 acres of land. Liquor license included. Full price \$100,000. For particulars, contact:

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*What's Doing* magazine, vol. 2 (pt. 10), April 1948:

### POINTS OF INTEREST: TASSAJARA

Tassajara Hot Springs resort is located about forty-eight miles southwest of Salinas and the Monterey Peninsula, deep in the Santa Lucia Mountains. Lying at an elevation of 1538 feet, it is ringed about by the highest peaks of the range. Toward the west rise Black Cone and the Ventanas. Northward, Black Butte merges with Chew's Ridge, and in the southeast Pinon and Junipero Serra peaks tower well over 5000 feet.

The way to Tassajara lies through Carmel Valley, past orchards, dude ranches, and real estate subdivisions. As the road winds higher it enters cattle country where stock raising is still the main occupation—it's real range country and cowhands are not mere ornaments. It passes the stark, sun-blasted hills of the great Tularcitos ranch, where occasional patches of oak and chaparral show black against the livid grass. Cattle huddle in the meager shade against the inexorable glare of noon. They will crop the pastures nearly bald before rains commence and the hills blaze once more with the green fire of spring.

At the former Jamesburg Post Office is "Pat" Foster, the ex-circus man and pugilist who now serves as postmaster, station-master, dog-catcher, and mayor. In addition to his numerous civic duties, he sells cokes and beer at a little roadside stand, and dispenses, gratis, a large amount of strictly cock-eyed local lore. The Tassajara stage always makes a stop here so that passengers may receive the full benefit of his expansive personality.

The ascent of Chew's Ridge now begins and the road to the top is good—as steep dirt roads go. During the resort season, from May 1st to

October 1st, when temperatures range from warm to broiling, it is necessary to have plenty of water in the car and lots of oil. The road climbs straight upward, passes through white oaks, graceful madrones, and fern thickets into the Coulter Pine belt. The heavy, ponderous cones of this rather frail-looking pine reach lengths of eighteen inches or more. They are studded with great curving talons, wickedly sharp, which make them difficult to handle, but people seek them yearly throughout the summer and fall. As one emerges at the summit of Chew's Ridge, sweeping views of complex-patterned mountainous country open up, range upon range in all directions. Ahead lie plunging slopes clothed with manzanita, greasewood, and wild lilac, where in summer the tall creamy yucca, "Candles of Our Lord," burn like pale flames in the heat shimmer against vast, deep, incredible blue distances.

We might as well be frank about the road which lies ahead. On the north side of Chew's Ridge and at the summit one can still turn back, but beyond China Camp there is no returning until one has reached Tassajara Hot Springs, and there is no way for automobiles to get out of Tassajara except over this same road. In short, it is a one-way, dead-end dirt road which drops from over 5000 feet to 1538 feet elevation in a little less than eight miles. It must be driven in low gear. Timid drivers will not like it and careless drivers have no right to attempt it. For a long distance this thread of road lies along the contours of the mountain without cut-backs, but in the last swift drop from Black Butte into the gorge, it goes through some mad contortions. Each winter the rains work havoc with it, carving it full of pot-holes and young canyons, and strewn the whole length with boulders and rubble. Every April the county road crew goes in to open it once again regardless of whether or not the hotel is going to open. So even though the resort is now closed indefinitely, anyone with the courage to drive in may enjoy a day at Tassajara.

Tassajara Creek rises high on South Ventana Cone and Chew's Ridge and rumbles through a canyon lined with sycamore, alder, willow, and sprawling oaks as it rushes eastward to merge with the Arroyo Seco. In spring the arid slopes above the bottom of the canyon are splashed with a whole fleeting host of colorful blossoms. A little below the confluence of Tassajara and Church creeks, in the steepest, narrowest stretch of canyon, some seventeen hot springs boil out of the rocks on the southern banks of the stream. Some of the water leaves the ground at 160 degrees Fahrenheit, in violent contrast to the icy mountain torrent. One spring issues right out of the middle of the creek in a mighty cloud of steam, and a vapor bath has been built over it. Among the old-timers there is a tradition that the Indians used the mud bath which forms here in summer when the stream level falls. The main spring has been cemented up and diverted into the bath house tubs and plunges.

The miracles attributed to these waters reached a high point of extravagance in the 1890s and the early years of this century, when

it was said that they could cure anything—even broken pipes. As a matter of fact, they did cure pipes, for it was found that if a leak in the pipe which led from the spring to the bath house were bound with rags for a few days, it would "heal" over. Then, in a pamphlet dating from the 1920s we are told that "the waters are also cosmetic in their action on the skin, making it soft, dear and velvety and not susceptible to sunburn." The same pamphlet assures us optimistically that "a taste for the waters is easy to cultivate. After a day or so you find yourself liking to drink them." And, of course, everybody is urged to visit the health-giving iron spring at least once.

In addition to sipping brimstone-scented nectar from the infernal regions, guests may go horseback riding, hiking, fishing, and swimming. The resort maintains a stable, and many trips can be arranged. Perhaps the most worthwhile is the visit to one of the several lookout stations which stand lonely guard over Los Padres from the peaks above Tassajara. Five miles northward near the Church Creek Summit, are Indian caves with pictographs. Or one may follow Tassajara Creek twelve miles to the east, to the old Abbot ranch on the Arroyo Seco. Much of the National Forest is accessible by trail, and the person who really wants to hike can cross the range from Tassajara to the sea. There is abundant wild life in the region. Deer are thick around the Springs and are left undisturbed even though they do graze in the gardens. The European wild hog has spread from Carmel Valley into the Chew's Ridge, Miller Canyon, and Church Creek country, and it has an ugly temper when disturbed.

In this age of vitamins, hot mineral water has lost the hold it once had on the public imagination, and probably most people who visit Tassajara Hot Springs will do so to enjoy magnificent scenery, fine outdoor recreation, and a quiet good time. Tassajara has a real claim to its name as a health resort, however, for this reason: any place one wants to go there is straight up hill, and this insures plenty of vigorous exercise and a hearty appetite. And its location is sufficiently far from the maddening crowd to have a beneficial effect on dyspepsia, stomach ulcers, and nervous disorders.

Carol Card

From 'Tassajara Stage Files Request to Suspend Service,'  
*Salinas Californian*, May 1<sup>st</sup>, 1948:

Tassajara Hot Springs stages asked permission [from the California Public Utilities Commission] to suspend service from Salinas to Tassajara Hot Springs because the resort will not be open this year.

From 'Santa Cruz Bus Fare Increase Requested,'  
*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1948:

Tassajara Hot Springs stages asked permission to suspend service from Salinas to Tassajara Hot Springs because the resort will not be open this year.

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*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 27<sup>th</sup>, 1948:

### **MRS. HOLOHAN ESTATE VALUED AT \$112,000**

The estate of Helen G. Holohan, who died Oct. 28, 1947, is valued at \$112,311.83 before taxes, according to an inheritance tax appraiser's report on file at the county courthouse. Clear market value is \$101,512.38

Beneficiaries include four stepdaughters, other relatives and friends.

Stepdaughters Alice L. Cozzins is given \$15,792 by the will; Estelle Quilty, \$17,792.13; Mary Jeffery, \$13,902.20, and Irene Kerwin, \$13,902.20. Others named are Mary I. Scherrer and Helen Scherrer, daughters of a first cousin, \$1,750 apiece; Mrs. C. T. Ryan, first cousin, \$5,000; John S. Thompson, nephew, \$10,000; Helen G. Lyons, niece, \$8,200; Kathleen Thompson, grandniece, \$13,902.20; Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Suter, \$1,250, and Virginia Thompson, \$850.

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*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, April 29<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

### **TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS HOTEL LEASED; FAMED RESORT WILL OPEN FOR FIRST TIME SINCE 1946**

SALINAS, CAL., April 29 (U.P.)—Lease of the once-fashionable Tassajara Hot Springs Hotel to Phil Terry, ex-husband of actress Joan Crawford, was announced today by Mrs. Helen Myers, Salinas, owner of the property.

Terry will become the resident manager of the hotel which will open its season on June 11, Mrs. Myers said.

Mrs. Myers said that extensive alterations to the two-story, 38 room main building and the 28 cabins are now under way.

Mrs. Myers refused to divulge any details of the financial arrangements between her and Terry.

The hotel was founded in 1880 and for a long time it was operated by Helen Quilty who later became the wife of Jim Holohan, one-time state senator and warden of San Quentin.

Mrs. Myers inherited the hotel from her husband Ralph, who was killed in a 1946 plane crash near the hotel.

The hotel has not been in operation since the brief 1946 season.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

### **TASSAJARA HOTEL IS LEASED BY ACTOR**

SALINAS—Lease of the once fashionable Tassajara Hot Springs hotel to Phil Terry, ex-husband of actress Joan Crawford, was announced Friday by Mrs. Helen Myers, Salinas, owner of the property.

Terry will become the resident manager of the hotel which will open its season June 11, Mrs. Myers said. She refused to divulge details of the financial arrangements.

Mrs. Myers said extensive alterations to the two-story, 38 room main building and the 28

cabins are now underway. The hotel was founded in 1880. For many years it was operated by the late Helen Quilty Holohan of Watsonville.

*Salinas Californian*, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

### **THROUGH THE BUSINESS STREETS, SALINAS, HOME OF THE CALIFORNIA RODEO**

Tassajara Springs, completely remodeled and renovated, will again be open to the public on June 11, just 69 years after picturesque spot in the heart of the Santa Lucia Mountains first was used as a resort. The hotel proper has been remodeled to bring it up to modern standards of vacation spots, with additional baths and cottages provided. Mrs. Helen Myers, Salinas, owner of the Springs, will have Phil Terry, southern California man, as her resident manager. She is the widow of the late Ralph E. Myers, who during his ownership operated the resort.

The famous vacation springs are 48 miles from Salinas and from the Monterey Peninsula. In addition to improvements made by Mrs. Myers and Mr. Terry, they will provide a full summer of swimming, riding, folk dancing, hiking and sports.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, May 11<sup>th</sup>, 1949. Also in the *Monterey Peninsula Herald* and *Salinas Californian*; a mostly identical ad was published in the 5/27/1949 *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, but this ad included the rates (\$8 to \$14), and also stated: "Daily Bus service to Tassajara, leaving 24 Central Ave., Salinas, at 1:00 p. m."

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*Salinas Californian*, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

### **ROBB REQUESTS END OF TASSAJARA STAGE ROUTE**

SAN FRANCISCO (WNS)—Abandonment of passenger and express stage service to Tassajara Hot Springs is proposed in an application filed with the California Public Utilities Commission here by Bruce W. Robb, 24 Central Avenue, Salinas.

The application reported that the service has been in a state of suspension since July 15, 1943. Robb's application went on to say that the commission, in one decision, stated that if service to the Springs was not reestablished by

May 1, 1948, the operative rights would be revoked. Despite this, a further extension was granted to May 1, 1949, permitting the suspension to continue until that date, according to the application.

Robb reported that he had "Made a survey of the need for re-establishment of the service and finds no prospective traffic at this time or in the future."

*Salinas Californian*, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

### **TASSAJARA TO OPEN OWN BUS SERVICE**

Tassajara Springs will operate its own bus service this year, starting June 11, it was announced today by Mrs. Helen Myers. The bus will leave the Springs each morning at 7 o'clock for Salinas and the return trip will start from Robb's Transportation Company, 24 Central Avenue, at 1 o'clock each afternoon.

*What's Doing* magazine, vol. 3 (part 12), June 1949:

### **A SPA IS BORN**

ON THE REOPENING OF TASSAJARA,  
ONE OF MONTEREY COUNTY'S OLDEST  
RESORTS, ITS HISTORY, FROM WAY  
BACK WHEN, IS HERE RECALLED

By Carol Card

The history of human settlement in the Tassajara country goes far back into the dim past to a now forgotten Indian people who made their way up the tortuous Arroyo Seco River to its headwaters. In the narrow canyon of Church Creek, five miles beyond the precipitous gorge where hot springs boil up from the rocks at the stream's edge, some relatively shallow caves have been worn out of the yellow sandstone cliffs. Here these prehistoric settlers made their abode and painted the smoke-darkened walls with a pattern of human hands.

In time the cave artists vanished, leaving neither name nor tradition, and their paintings were regarded with superstitious awe by later Indians. Probably the only living man who can read this "sign language" is old Bill Church, and in the days when he resided at the Caves, he made some fearful and wonderful translations of it for the enlightenment of city-slickers and gape-mouth tourists who chanced to stray into his territory. Those who explored the Caves under his guidance emerged with a far more comprehensive knowledge of Indian pictographs than any archeologist possesses.

From early days the Tassajara-Church Creek country has been popular with hunters and fishermen. Spaniards who penetrated the mountain fastness learned of the hot springs and called the place Agua Caliente. But the first white settler of whom we have any knowledge was "Doc" Chambers, who squatted at The Caves early in 1870. He was reputed to be an incorrigible practical joker, but as far as anyone can remember he had no legitimate claim to the title of "Doc." In the early '70s he was joined by Absalom Beasley, better known throughout the countryside as "Rocky." He hunted deer and bear for the hides, and although he used The Caves as his head-

quarters, he was off in the mountains most of the time with his saddle and pack horses, "Apache" and "Lightning Striker." "Rocky" was an incurable showoff, and he loved to exaggerate and dramatize his backwoods manners and appearance, especially if he had a fresh audience to impress. He was quite illiterate, so Mrs. James used to write letters for him. "Rocky" stayed on at The Caves after "Doc" left. Then along in the early '80s he sold his squatters' right to Ben Marks and went to the Jolon country, where in time he made a name for himself as a "character" deluxe.

Marks broke a leg in 1884, and in order to meet his expenses he sold out to Thomas Church for \$700. Mr. Church had been in the lumber business in San Mateo County, and now he planned to raise cattle back in the mountains, where the land had not yet been surveyed and unlimited pasture was available. He moved in with his family of five in the early summer. As fate would have it, the region was surveyed that same winter, and thereafter settlers were restricted to the amount of land allowed under the Homestead Law. Years later they sold the land, but the Caves are now in the family again, for it was purchased in recent years by Bruce Church of Salinas, who was born back there.

Meanwhile, commercialism had been rearing its ugly head down at the Springs. The nineteenth century firmly believed that hot mineral waters could cure anything and everything, or if one had no specific ailment, they were good to bathe in or drink just on general principles. In those days any hot spring was considered a potential gold mine. About 1868 or early in 1869, Frank [John] Rust opened a camp at the Springs, but he remained only until the winter of '69. After a time a squatter named Spencer arrived and opened a camp, but in a very short time he, too, departed. Since there was not even a good trail into the place in those days, their guests had been passing hunters and fishermen. But Jack Borden, the next owner of the Springs, had bigger ideas. He wanted to start a health resort, and in order to advertise his place, he changed the name. Hitherto, it had been known simply as the Springs, and one couldn't boost that; or it was called by its Spanish name of Agua Caliente, and California already had too many Agua Calientes. So Jack Borden simply appropriated the name "Tassajara" ("meat-drying place"), which rightfully belongs to the place now known as the Bruce ranch, located on the northern slopes of Chew's Ridge, half way to the summit. The real Tassajara Creek is the small stream which flows past the Bruce ranch and Jamesburg, and which now has no name at all as far as the maps are concerned.

Thus in the "Handbook to Monterey and Vicinity" (1875) we find perhaps the earliest published description of Tassajara Springs:

"Near Mr. James' house the wagon road ends, and some ten miles of trail lead to the last glory of Carmel, Tassajara Hot Springs, about forty-five miles from Monterey... The late Dr. C. A. Canfield, our Monterey savant, forwarded some of the water to the Smith-

sonian Institute, to be analyzed, and it was reported the richest spring then known in the United States. Thirty-two distinct ingredients were found therein... Mr. John Borden, the present proprietor, reports some remarkable cures... Visitors can be accommodated either with 'al fresco' lodgings, in which case they should carry their own necessaries, save provisions which can be furnished them, or board and lodging can be found for a limited number."

It was a tough invalid who could take the cure in those days. Of course, Mr. Borden did not say that the resort hotel consisted of a tiny one-room log cabin, but he did let it be known that he was endeavoring to form a joint stock company to build a large hotel and bath houses.

Not enough invalids hitched their rheumatic limbs and ailing stomachs over the long pack-trail to the 'al fresco' accommodations, however, and finally Jack Borden sold his squatters' right to William Hart sometime between 1875 and 1880.

Hart built a log "hotel" of two or three rooms, some small cabins, a shale rock dining room, and a rock bath house with a plunge and several individual wooden tubs strongly reminiscent of horse troughs. He also widened the trail a little. Hart used to bring in great wagon loads of supplies from town as far as the James ranch (now Lambert's), and leave them in the dairy house there, to be packed in bit by bit over the Chew's Ridge trail. This proprietor is described as a queer, cranky old fellow who was not very well liked. Guests were known to depart from the Springs fuming over his stinginess.

Some of the guests were enthusiastic about the place, however, and among them was Charles Quilty. He visited the resort about 1884, and not very long afterwards he bought it. The first thing he did was to have a real road surveyed from the James ranch to the Springs, since it was obvious that there would have to be something better than the rough trail if the place were ever to become a sure source of income. He took on John McPhail as working partner, and work began in 1885. McPhail acted as boss of the road crew, composed largely of road men, while Mrs. McPhail and family ran the resort.

Many of those who have seen this road are probably convinced that its builder was a direct descendant of Machiavelli and in league with the Devil besides. This is not so. Mr. Quilty is described by one who knew him as "a genial, kindly man, who would go out of his way to be friendly, and very tolerant of the foibles of others." He was just the sort of patient, persistent man who could tackle a gigantic task and wade through it where others would quit in disgust. And it was a tremendous piece of work for those times when road construction was almost entirely a pick and shovel job. From the James ranch to the crest of Chew's Ridge the work was comparatively easy, for much of the road could be plowed. The last eight miles, however, from the crest of the ridge to the Springs, taxed the builders to the utmost. Much of the way lay through

sandstone and granite along precipitous slopes. Some sections of the road earned such expressive names as the Zigzag and the Hairpin Bend. Since the undertaking was financed out of Mr. Quilty's own pocket, a time came when money began to give out, and the road gang grew tired of waiting for its pay. Chinese from San Jose were brought in to help finish the job, and the new road was finally opened in 1890 [1888]. It served not only the Springs but also a number of families living along the way. Eventually the county took over its maintenance. At one time Mr. Quilty had talked of building another road from the Springs to the Abbott ranch on the Arroyo Seco, but one proved to be enough!

Stages drawn by four-horse teams now served Tassajara Hot Springs. The trip took a whole day one way from Salinas, and there were three changes of horses at Whitlocks, at the Steffani place, and at Jamesburg. On the last precipitous eight-mile lap, timid passengers clung in terror to the edge of the seat and prayed all the way down.

With the road a reality at last, Mr. Quilty could think of enlarging his accommodations, and he planned a forty-room sandstone edifice to replace Hart's log hotel. Most of the material used was obtained in the vicinity, but redwood lumber, windows, doors, and hardware had to be hauled in from outside. Nor was this all there was to the problem of building. The canyon walls are so steep that a sizable shelf had to be excavated for each building erected. Henry Arnold was hired to blast out all the stone used in the new hotel from great masses of rock nearby, and this was squared into blocks on the spot by masons from San Jose who laid the walls. Mr. Arnold himself built the walls about the resort grounds and filled in the terraces. Limestone, too, was quarried in the canyon and burned in a kiln set up close at hand. The hotel was finished in 1893.

For years only a precarious living came from the resort. The building program had been a terrible expense, the stage-line was costly to maintain, and the season was short. Early in this century Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan took over the management, put profits back into the business, and expanded it. Swimming pool and riding stable were added eventually, and new bath houses with plunges and private bath rooms. The wooden "horse-troughs" were replaced by porcelain or sunken tiled tubs, and a masseur and masseuse presided over the fun. Mrs. Holohan's business ability, personality, and the genuine liking for people helped mightily, and when she finally sold the resort, it was worth about \$100,000.

This June, with a hotel of 38 rooms and 29 cabins, the resort is opening again as Tassajara Springs, the "Hot" having been deleted due to the loss of scientific prestige of the old medicine water cure-all days. Emphasis now is on its healthful mountain air, its swimming pool, its outdoor sports and its hunting. Today, if the garrulous old squatter "Rocky" Beasley were to canter up on "Lightning Striker," even he would be at a loss for words to express his surprise over the changes at the Springs.

1949; p. 294.

Salinas Californian, June 9th, 1949:

**PHILLIP TERRY AND MRS. MYERS ARE MARRIED HERE**

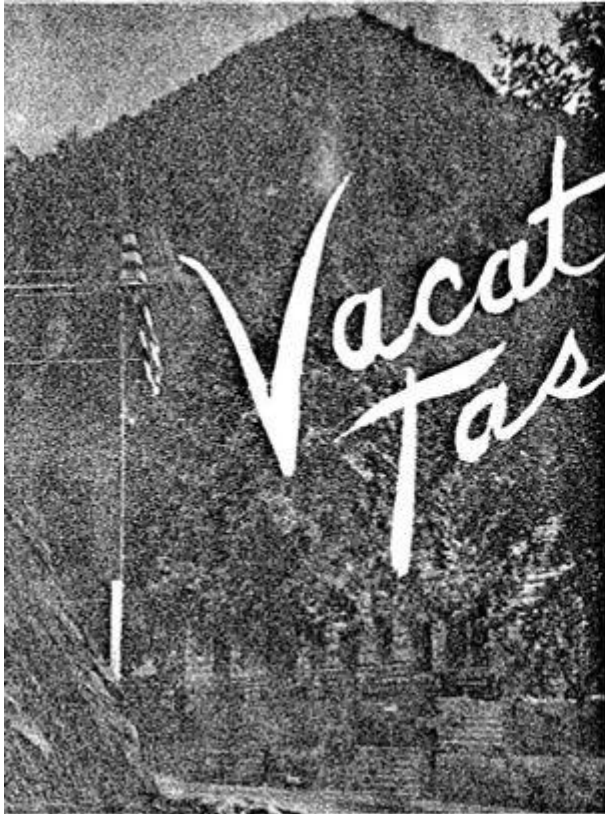
Phillip Terry, 40, former motion picture star and presently operator of the Tassajara Hot Springs resort hotel, and Mrs. Helen S. Myers, 36, widow of the late Ralph Myers, were mar-

ried at 5 p. m. yesterday in Superior Court Judge Henry G. Jorgensen's court chambers at the county courthouse.

Mr. Terry was formerly married to screen star Joan Crawford. He enjoyed a brief acting career in Hollywood and came to Monterey County last year to take over operations of the

resort hotel at the upper end of the Carmel Valley. Mrs. Myers was widowed June 16, 1946, when Ralph Myers was killed in a plane crash near San Mateo. The couple announced that they would make their home at the resort for the time being.

What's Doing magazine, vol. 3 (part 12), June 1949:



*Vacation at Tassajara Springs*  
**NEWLY REMODELED AND REDECORATED**  
for HUNTING, FISHING, HIKING, RIDING, SWIMMING IN OUR HEATED POOL, SQUARE DANCING, CROQUET, HORSE SHOE PITCHING, MINERAL BATHS, MASSAGE, FINE CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND  
**American Plan, Rates: \$8 to \$14**  
*Advance Reservations Essential*  
DAILY BUS SERVICE TO TASSAJARA LEAVES FROM 24 CENTRAL AVENUE, SALINAS AT 1:00 P. M.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, June 9th, 1949:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS, FAMED MOUNTAIN SPA, REOPENS SUNDAY**

**FAMOUS ROAD IMPROVED BUT STILL RUGGED**

By Joe Schoeninger

Tassajara Springs, discovered by the Indians and frequented by California's first families since 50 years ago, re-opens this Saturday. The same hot mineral baths are there, but old-timers will find the cottages on "Pajama Lane" painted pink, chartreuse and mist green.

The many legends of Tassajara center around the rugged mountain road which leads from Carmel Valley through Jamesburg and then over Chew's Ridge to the Springs.

Whenever Tassajara is mentioned, people want to know about the road. This writer can report it is passable, with many turnouts—but not recommended for those unfamiliar with mountain driving.

Bill Foster, mayor of Jamesburg and genial beer-dispenser, remembers the days when the old Cadillac stages with the fringe on top

would pull into his place, the women vowing they would go no further.

But their real ride was ahead. There is the long pull up to Chew's Ridge and then the descent to the Springs for five long, twisting, precipitous miles.

Before the Cadillacs there was the horse-drawn stage, which left Salinas at 7 a. m., crept over Los Laureles grade, and pulled into Tassajara at 6 p. m. Horses were changes twice, and passengers were a brave lot.

Up until the last few years, the road was strictly one-way. You telephoned from the bottom or top, and waited as long as an hour for a vehicle to clear the way.

The phone has been discontinued now, and even in low gear you can make the entire trip in three hours from the Peninsula. Experienced motorists will leave Tassajara by 7 o'clock in the morning, since the 20 per cent grade will overheat engines later in the day. For those who don't care to try it, there is a daily bus service.

For 40 years Tassajara was operated by Mrs. Helen Quilty, who later married Warden Holohan of San Quentin Prison. The present owner, Mrs. Ralph Myers of Salinas, is the second

Helen in the history of the place. Her late husband purchased Tassajara in 1944, but was killed in an airplane accident two years later.

A private pilot, it was his idea to fly guests into the Springs, leveling off an adjacent hill for a landing strip.

Tassajara was a war casualty in 1942, but Myers reopened it in 1945 and 1946. For the past year or two Mrs. Myers has been remodeling the buildings for this year's grand re-opening. Phillip Terry of Hollywood is manager.

They hope to make Tassajara once more the popular resort it was in years gone by, when prominent families from all over the West came for a week to swim, ride, play cards, or just relax under the many shade trees.

Informality is the keynote, with jeans and walking shoes recommended for attire. Terry emphasizes good meals will be served; the resort is operated on the American plan.

The name probably comes from "tasajera," meaning a place where jerked meat is hung up to cure. Discovered by the Indians, it lies midway between Paraiso Springs near Soledad and Slate's Springs on the coast.

Actually, Tassajara is only eight miles from

# Tassajara SPRINGS



Monterey County  
CALIFORNIA

If it's

REST... RELAXATION... FUN...  
you're looking for...

*the difference is*

## Tassajara

WARM DAYS... will send you home the envy of your friends. You'll be tanned, rested, happy, and not "all in" from the trip. Tassajara Springs is only 48 miles south-west of Salinas, seat of Monterey County... and equidistant from historic Monterey and artistic Carmel-By-The-Sea.

COOL NIGHTS... mean wonderful evenings spent under the stars. We stress outdoor living and out-of-doors fun. Mountains you have to look up to and forests lush and deep keep off chilly winds... bring restful sleep.

NO FOG... to chill your marrow bones, though Tassajara lies only eight miles from the blue Pacific "as the crow flies." The Springs are cuddled in a natural pocket... it cuts off slightest dampness.

*the difference is Tassajara* ☀

Like to Fish and Hunt?

We have a sportsman's paradise right in our own back yard.



TROUT ???

DEER ???

*They're Everywhere!*



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### Like Fun?

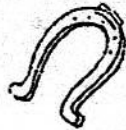
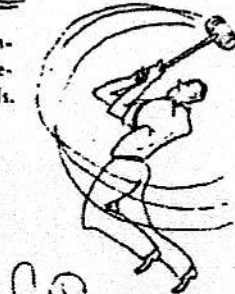


There's our pool. Crystal pure water. Tempered to comfortable swimming temperature by the addition of hot mineral water. Then there is dancing, croquet, horseshoes, shuffleboard, bingo. A soda fountain for the kids, and a bar and cocktail lounge for the grown-ups . . .



Mineral waters at Tassajara contain sulphur, iron, soda, magnesia, lithia, and other minerals.

### *the difference is* **Tassajara**



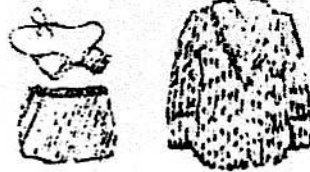
### BATHS

In addition to the "Saturday night" variety (housed in two commodious sanitary bath houses consisting of 14 private bathrooms equipped with porcelain or sunken tiled tubs and showers) we have . . .

### Two Large Plunge Baths

One for the femmes fatale, the other for the he-men. They're filled continuously with hot mineral waters. Yep—we have a masseur and a masseuse in constant attendance.

*the difference is* **Tassajara** 



### WHAT TO WEAR . . .

Comfort is the password at Tassajara . . . dress for it. Sports and light summer clothes are the thing. . . . If you plan to hike, bring your levis and heavy shoes. Don't forget to tuck in your bathing suits and shorts for sunning! Better bring a wrap for evenings out of doors (if you plan to stay up 'til the last dog is hung).

### BITS OF "INFO" TO ABSORB

SEASON OPENS APRIL 28 . . . Stays open through October.

Phone Long Distance and ask for Tassajara Springs or Write Box 577, Salinas, California.

For further information consult your travel agency.

## Tassajara Springs

*Monterey County, California*

HELEN and PHIL TERRY, *Managing Owners*

the coast as a crow flies, but the only trail over the mountainous country winds for some 30 miles. Part of the spa's charm is its secluded location and background of the rugged Santa Lucia Mountains on all sides.

The Springs occupy a small canyon, and the first building upon entering is the sandstone hotel, built in 1888 [completed in 1893]. Cabins were added in the '20s, until now the resort can accommodate 175 guests.

Along the cold mountain stream in the canyon are built a row of rock structures which house the dining room, bar, and rooms which will eventually be converted into shops. Down "Pajama Lane" are the cottages leading to the outdoor pool which is fed by the stream.

In the other direction, upstream, are the baths, massage parlors and steam rooms. The hot sulphur baths include private tubs and plunges and are followed by a cold shower.

Mrs. Meyers reports there is nothing more restful than the steam treatment.

"You take a magazine with you, and read until it turns to pulp. Then it's time to take a shower and get out," she suggested.

Under the supervision of Mrs. Myers and Terry, Tassajara has had a pretty thorough face lift. The baths have been painted inside and out, sandblasting has removed the plaster and cement from the buildings along the river, leaving the original rock exposed, and the cot-

tages painted in bright hues.

All furniture has been replaced or repainted. In the hotel, new plumbing and plaster have been added, and all rooms now have bathrooms. A playground with a trained nurse will be available for children near the river.

Hartnell College girls from Salinas will act as maids and waitresses.

Among the adventures of the early days on the road into Tassajara were the excursions of the late Arbolado "Lot" Cooper of Monterey in the first big automobile to attempt the trip.

On one of his original trips over the old stage road he took a party of visiting newspapermen and an ample supply of refreshments. A tree was tied to the rear of the vehicle to act as a brake, but the ride down into the Springs was too much for the journalists.

One by one they dropped off by the roadside, each clinging to a bottle tossed to them by the genial "Lot," as he roared down the mountainside. In this way he broke several "speed" records coming and going to Tassajara.

In the hotel register dated Friday, June 24, 1909, a note reports that J. P. Cooper and a party of guests drove into town to church, "making the round trip in 15 hours, actual time." The note adds that it was the "only party of six to leave the Springs and return with seven, having an increase on the road."

The artist Harrison Fisher left his mark at Tassajara by painting an Indian maid on a rock in the canyon. Legend has it that two bucks fought to the death over the girl at the spot.

There actually are 20 springs, several with temperatures as high as 160 degrees, others cold and fresh. The mineral springs which can be used for drinking as well bathing, contain sulphur, iron, soda and magnesia.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

**TASSAJARA MANAGER,  
OWNER ON HONEYMOON**

Phillip Terry, 40, and his bride, the former Mrs. Helen G. Myers, 36, were honeymooning in Salinas Saturday.

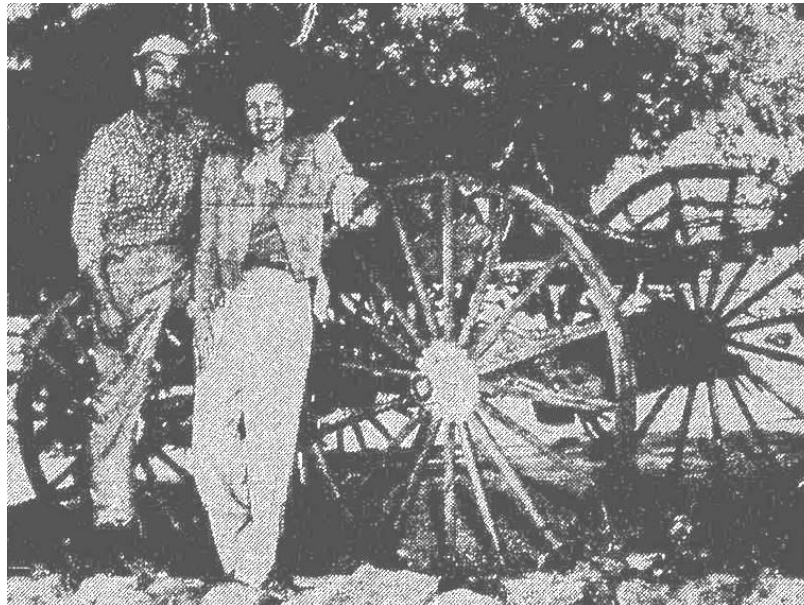
Terry is the manager of the Tassajara Hot Springs resort in Monterey County, and is the former husband of movie actress Joan Crawford.

His bride, the owner of the resort, is the widow of Ralph Myers, well-known produce dealer killed in an air crash in 1946.

From 'Marriages,' *Salinas Californian*, June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

**TERRY-MYERS**—Phillip Terry, 40, Tassajara Springs, and Helen G. Myers, 36, 1775 Old Stage Road.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



Phillip Terry, manager, and Mrs. Ralph Myers, owner, pose by the original horse-drawn stage which brought passengers to the Springs 50 years ago.



1949; p. 298.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



Famous 'Pajama Lane' between cottages and a corner of the swimming pool

Salinas Californian, Aug. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

The Sun Is  
Shining  
at  
**TASSAJARA**

Featuring...  
**Smorgasbord**  
Every Sunday  
Rates from \$8.00  
American Plan  
**TASSAJARA  
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Daily Bus Service from  
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Monterey County Official Records 1203: 193,  
July 28<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

**James and Mollie Bundgard  
to Helen Terry, their half  
interest in the Tassajara Hot  
Springs, Horse Pasture, The  
Pines, Adobe (Horse Bridge)  
and Indian Valley properties:**

For value received, James Bundgard and Mollie Bundgard, his wife, grant to Helen G. Terry, an undivided one-half interest in and to all that real property situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, described as follows:

Southeast quarter of Northwest quarter (SE 1/4 of NW 1/4), North half of Southwest quarter (N 1/2 of SW 1/4) and Southeast quarter of Southwest quarter (SE 1/4 of S 1/4)

of Section 28;

East half of Northeast quarter (E 1/2 of NE 1/4), Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter (NW 1/4 of NE 1/4) and Northeast quarter of Northwest quarter (NE 1/4 of NW 1/4) of Section 29;

Northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of Section 32, all in Township 19 South, Range 4 East of Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 480 acres of land more or less, according to the United States Government Survey thereof.

Together with all of grantor's interest in and to that certain Notice of Water Appropriation by Mary E. Quilty, recorded January 13, 1891 in Volume "A" of Water Rights, at page 96, Monterey County Records.

South half (S 1/2) of South half (S 1/2) of Section twenty-three (23) in Township twenty (20) South, Range three (3) East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 160 acres of land, more or less.

South half (S 1/2) of Southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of Section two (2) and South half (S 1/2) of Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Section three (3) in Township twenty (20) South, Range Four (4) East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 160 acres, more or less.

Witness my hand this 28th day of July, 1949.

(signatures of James and Mollie Bundgard)

State of California, County of Monterey ss

On July 28, 1949, before me, E. J. Drussel, a Notary Public, in and for the said County and State, personally appeared James Bundgard and Mollie Bundgard, his wife, known to me to be the persons whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

Notary's signature, etc.

San Francisco Chronicle, guest season of 1949:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**  
FOR THE MOST ROMANTIC  
VACATION YOU'VE EVER HAD  
SWIM, DANCE, RIDE, HUNT, AND FISH  
Hot Mineral Baths—American Plan  
45 miles south of Monterey  
Write to Tassajara Springs now for  
reservations, or in S. F. Phone GA 1-2250

Salinas Californian, Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

**LICENSES TO WED**  
PLATT-JOHNSON—Burton S. Platt, 48,  
and Elizabeth Johnson, 24, both of Tassajara  
Springs.

San Francisco Chronicle, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949 (headline):

**FIRE IN COAST RANGE  
BURNS HOTEL, TRAPS 40**

TASSAJARA RESORT

Helicopters Will Try for Rescue  
Near King City

Special to The *Chronicle*

KING CITY, Sept. 9—Forty persons were trapped early today at the Tassajara Hot Springs resort 20 miles west of here as a 1200-acre brush and oak fire roared out of control.

U. S. Forest Service officials expressed amazement that the resort employees and the guests had escaped death.

Their evacuation by helicopter from the flame-seared canyon will be attempted later this morning.

At least four helicopters were being trucked into the rugged mountain area.

The fire started at 3 p. m. yesterday in one of the resort's cabins.

Within minutes it flashed through the oak

and cottonwood treetops, gutting the main hotel building and burning 15 cabins to the ground.

Then, whipped by a brisk wind, the fire front raced northward toward Jamesburg, sealing off the only route of escape.

Fifty forest rangers and 250 Soledad prison convicts were sent to fight the blaze but were unable to proceed along the narrow canyon road which they described as a "tube of flame."

For six hours, fate of the 40 trapped persons was not known.

Finally, District Ranger Henry Branagh drove through a wall of fire and reached the stricken resort to find all were safe.

Along the flaming six-mile route he encountered two burned out bridges and the smoldering automobile of resort owner Phil Terry.

Terry was in Salinas when the fire started but dashed back toward Tassajara and fought his way to the resort seeking his wife and three children.

He was forced to abandon the automobile along the way and it was quickly consumed by fire.

U. S. rangers are in charge of fighting the fires in the tumbled, brush-covered Santa Lucia Mountains.

The Tassajara resort is located on the edge of the Los Padres National Forest.

The great mushrooming cover of smoke over the area was so thick two helicopter pilots were unable to check the full extent of the fire.

Rangers said the main fight against the blaze will begin at dawn today. They hope to stop the flames at Chew's ridge, about eight miles north of the resort.

Half of the 40 trapped persons at the ranch are guests from Salinas, Watsonville and Monterey. The other 20 persons are employees of the establishment.

They were described by Ranger Branagh as "cool, calm and collected" after Terry organized them into fire-fighting squads.

Rangers said they may have to remain in the cut-off canyon for "several days" unless the helicopter rescue efforts can be accomplished today.

The single road leading out of the canyon was described as "too dangerous" for use as an evacuation route. It would be necessary for people to walk out because of the burned bridges.

One of the four helicopters heading for the rescue mission is owned by inventor Stanley Hiller of Palo Alto.

It is a Hiller 360 helicopter similar to the machine which performed the sensational Yosemite Park rescue last month of 12 year-old Terence Hallinan.

Hiller's chief test pilot, Frank W. Peterson, will fly the craft into the jaws of the dangerously narrow Tassajara Canyon.

Three Bell helicopters owned by the Forest Service were headed for the fire zone from Bakersfield and Arcadia.

Rangers expressed some fear for the 40 trapped people at the resort if the wind should shift today from south to north.

They said the area is experiencing "ideal forest-fire weather" with high temperatures, unusual dryness and low humidity.

Branagh is in immediate charge of the fire-fighting crews while an overall headquarters was set up in King City by veteran Fire Control Officer Warren Barnes.

Barnes was flown here from the U. S. Forest Service office in Santa Barbara to take charge.

Tassajara was built in the 1890s and became a famed summer vacation grounds for the wealthy of Northern California by the turn of the century.

Besides the 36-room hotel which burned down, the luxurious layout includes 30 cabins, a stone dining room, stables, a vapor bath and plunge.

Over the Labor Day week end 175 persons stayed at Tassajara and at first it was feared as many as 100 of these might still be at the flame-ringed ranch.

This spring \$40,000 was spent on improving the property, which was scheduled to close its vacation season in another five weeks.

Terry, 40, the owner, is the former husband of movie actress Joan Crawford. Last June, he married Helen G. Myers, 36, of Salinas.

*San Francisco Examiner*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

## FOREST FIRE TRAPS 61 RESORT HOTEL DESTROYED

KING CITY, Sept. 8.—A fire at Tassajara Hot Springs Resort in the rugged coastal mountains twenty miles west of King City today started a rapidly spreading conflagration in Los Padres National Forest.

Forty vacationers and a score of employees at the resort and its owner, Phil Terry, former husband of Actress Joan Crawford, were reported safe.

The first ranger to reach the scene, Henry Branagh, radioed that no one was hurt.

The blaze started about 3 p. m. in a cabin at the resort. It destroyed the two story sandstone hotel and several cottages, with damage unofficially estimated at \$200,000.

The prevailing southwest wind swept the fire northward away from the resort. The resort, built in the 1880s, was long a fashionable sulphur springs spa.

The 22 mile per hour breeze whipped the flames into tinder dry brush, oak and scattered pines in the narrow canyon occupied by the resort.

Within moments, the flames spanned the only road to the outside, burning two bridges.

Roaring up Tassajara Creek, the fire in a few hours engulfed an estimated 1,000 acres, and topped a nearby ridge and Flag Rock, a promontory overlooking the entire area.

A resort caretaker turned in the first frantic alarm before the flames cut telephone lines.

Forest service officials rushed some sixty fire crew leaders to the scene and borrowed 215 prisoners from the minimum security institution at Soledad, some fifty miles away.

Fire Control Officer Warren Barnes, who came from Santa Barbara to direct efforts to control the blaze, said the terrain was too rough to permit use of many more.

Two helicopters were pressed into action.

Branagh said vacationers at the resort would stay there until the fire is controlled. The road over which the fire swept was still hot and boulder-littered as he hiked into the resort last night, he said.

Officials said the mountain ranch of Bruce Church, wealthy Salinas lettuce grower, lay in the path of the flames, but that no other habitations were immediately threatened.

Barnes said chances of controlling the blaze tomorrow were dim. Continued strong southwest winds and low humidity were forecast.

*Salinas Californian*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949 (headline):

## TASSAJARA BURNED; 62 ESCAPE

62 PERSONS WIN BATTLE  
AGAINST TASSAJARA FIRE

By Walter Barkdull

United Press Staff Correspondent

Sixty-two guests and employees of the swank Tassajara Hot Springs resort won a battle for their lives in six fearful hours last night when a burning cabin mushroomed into a forest fire.

The 62 courageous men, women and children were safe today thanks to their own brave efforts.

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*Salinas Californian*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

### 300 FIREFIGHTERS HOPE TO SURROUND TASSAJARA FOREST FIRE BY TOMORROW

By Max Gordon  
*Californian* News Editor

Bulldozers were carving fire breaks out of mountain ridges, small crews of men were manning the fire lines and helicopters were flying overhead spotting for the ground crews as the U. S. forestry service today opened its offensive against the Tassajara Hot Springs area fire—the worst in the district this year.

With the safety 62 guests and employees at the resort no longer in doubt, the forest service with headquarters in King City, marshaled all its resources to check the Santa Lucia Mountain range flames quickly.

At noon today the King City dispatcher reported that the size of the burn was now estimated at 700 acres. Previously it was reported at 1,000 to 1,200 acres. The “blowup” expected this morning did not materialize and the forestry service reported the “picture was not too bad.” Officials hoped to control the flames by tomorrow

The scene of the fire was obscured by smoke and haze this morning. From an airplane it appeared that the blaze had burned away from the resort. Plainly visible, however, were the outlines of the burned two-story hotel and nine cabins, a recreation hall, a 20-car garage and a repair shop that went in flames as the fire broke out. In several spots the fire burned out as it reached the top of the high ridges that look down on the resort.

At the time of the flight, shortly after 9 o'clock this morning, the sun had not yet dried last night's moisture and the wind had not started to blow, so the fire was not too active. Plumes of smoke were rising at widely separated points. Main course of the fire today was northeast on Black Butte mountain which is away from the Bruce Church ranch which for a time appeared to be in danger. Mr. Church, who this morning made the flight over the area in the plane piloted by Mickey Muzinich, said he did not think his ranch would be endangered.

The forestry fire camp which has been established at Chews Ridge was visible from

the air. From here the more than 300 men are fanning out to build fire breaks, plan backfiring and to battle the flames. Included in the fire fighting group are 165 prisoners from the medium security prison at Soledad, U. S. forestry service and the state forestry service men.

The Tassajara area has some of the roughest country in the county. As Pilot Muzinich maneuvered the twin-engined plane for photographs this morning he was circling in and out of canyons and flying through heavy smoke. To get one shot he dropped to 3,000 feet

Because of the roughness of the country it appeared from the air that the flames might not reach the intensity feared. The terrain is rocky and spotted with pine, oak and heavy brush.

The fire broke out yesterday afternoon in the cabin of Resort Owner Philip Terry, fanned out like a prairie blaze, cutting off all the escape routes except a trail south and east to Arroyo Seco.

The fate of the 62 people in the area was not known until after 9 o'clock last night when District Ranger Henry Branagh and Fire Control Officer Jack Curran reached the resort. The two were forced to dash through a veritable tunnel of fire to reach the scene. Two of the bridges leading to the resort were burned so that the only means of entry today is by foot. It will be several days before the bridges are repaired and the guests will be required to stay until then.

However, it was reported that enough of the cabins were left standing to house the guests and that an adequate supply of food was available.

Mr. Terry was the first to reach the stranded resort. Fearful for the safety of his wife, Helen, and three children he raced to the fire area from Salinas, covering the last mile on foot after he was forced to abandon his car at one of the burned out bridges. His car later was destroyed.

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Warren Barnes, Santa Barbara, fire control officer for the Los Padres national forest, flew to King City last night to take charge of the fight.

From the King City office last night, Mr. Barnes and Charles Swartz, the dispatcher, rounded up the mechanical equipment, camping supplies, men and materials needed. They were in constant contact by radio with District Ranger Branagh, who is directing the fight at the scene of the fire.

When Branagh's message came through last night reporting all of the occupants of the resort safe, it eased the minds of relatives who had been besieging the office with calls all evening.

The U. S. forestry service did not have a single fire in the Monterey division last year. Yesterday's blaze was the fifth this year, but by far the most serious.

*Salinas Californian*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

### THREE SOURCES PROVIDE EXCLUSIVE FIRE PHOTOS FOR CALIFORNIAN TODAY

Acme News-pictures, Inc., photographers Charles McCarthy and Cliff McDowell reached the scene of the Tassajara Hot Springs fire at midnight last night, obtaining the shots of the ruined buildings which appear in today's *Californian*.

A guest at the resort, C. R. Blodgett, secretary-manager of the California Pacific Title Company of Santa Cruz, shot all the pictures which show the actual burning of the buildings. They are being distributed nation-wide through NEA by telephoto today.

Pictures of the fire were developed in the *Californian's* dark room and then telephotoed to San Francisco for distribution.

Aerial pictures were taken by Del Gard, *Californian* photographer, from Bruce Church's twin-engine plane piloted by Mickey Muzinich.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949 (headline):

### 62 PERSONS SAFE IN TASSAJARA FIRE

#### BLAZE STILL RAGES OUT OF CONTROL

Sixty-two persons trapped by a raging forest fire at Tassajara Hot Springs, 52 miles southeast of Monterey, were safe today, but the flames which closed their one avenue of escape from the mountain resort were blazing out of control.

U. S. Division of Forestry rangers had no hope of controlling the fire today, but believed they had a chance to surround the flames sometime tomorrow.

Seven hundred acres of land covered by brush and oak and madrone trees have been blackened since the fire began yesterday afternoon.

But the 62 persons at the famous hot springs resort had won a dramatic fight for their lives which began yesterday afternoon when a fire mushroomed from a burning cabin into the main hotel building, and into a raging forest fire alongside the one road leading out of the area.

Only casualty of the Tassajara fire was “Corky,” a pet dog who was burned to death when she bravely entered a burning cabin to save her puppies. The pups had already been carried out of the building by an employee.

With men, women and children marshaled as fire-fighters, the little band of 40 guests and 22 employees was able to save 21 of the 35 cabins at the place, the dining room and kitchen, the bar and bath house.

The place is well stocked with provisions and the group faces no immediate hardships.

At least two parties, one including a *Herald* reporter and photographer have made their way into the Springs and out again, and found the guests and employees in good spirits. However, no effort had been made at noon today to rescue them, forestry officials deciding to wait until the road is safer.

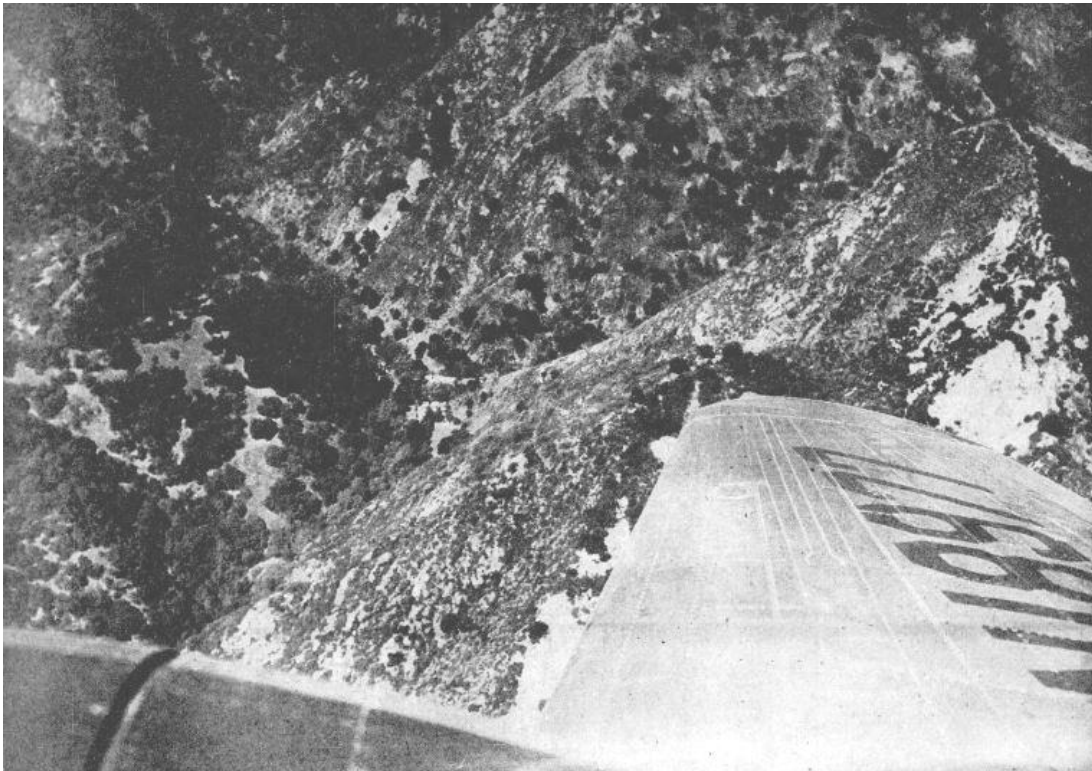
Two bridges were burned out yesterday

1949, p. 301.

Salinas Californian, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



After the fire that broke out in the Tassajara Hot Springs resort yesterday plunged into the mountains, guests and employees of the hotel who waged a courageous fight to save many of the buildings, inspected the ruins. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Ross, Monterey, standing in the foreground are looking at the site of some of the nine cabins that were destroyed. The hotel proper, gutted and scarred by the flames, is shown at the base of the mountain at the rear. Due to the efforts of the guests and employees the fire was confined to an arc, saving cabins to the rear of the hotel and along the creek to the right.



Tassajara Hot Springs resort nestles at the bottom of a small cup-shaped canyon in the Santa Lucia Mountains, 20 miles west of King City. This aerial view taken by a Californian photographer from Bruce Church's twin-engine plane, shows the ruggedness of the country. The resort itself can be seen in the left center of the picture. After leaving the resort the fire burned up the mountain in the right rear. Firefighters are severely handicapped in controlling the blaze because of the nature of the country, believed to be the roughest in Monterey County.

1949; p. 302.

Salinas Californian, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



This picture, taken at the height of the fire yesterday at Tassajara Hot Springs resort shows burning cottages to the left. At the right is a row of cottages already destroyed by the fire.



Guests and employees at Tassajara Hot Springs resort were not lacking in courage when the fire swept through there yesterday. Picture above shows one of the guests playing a stream of water on the garage. The hotel proper is to the right of the picture.

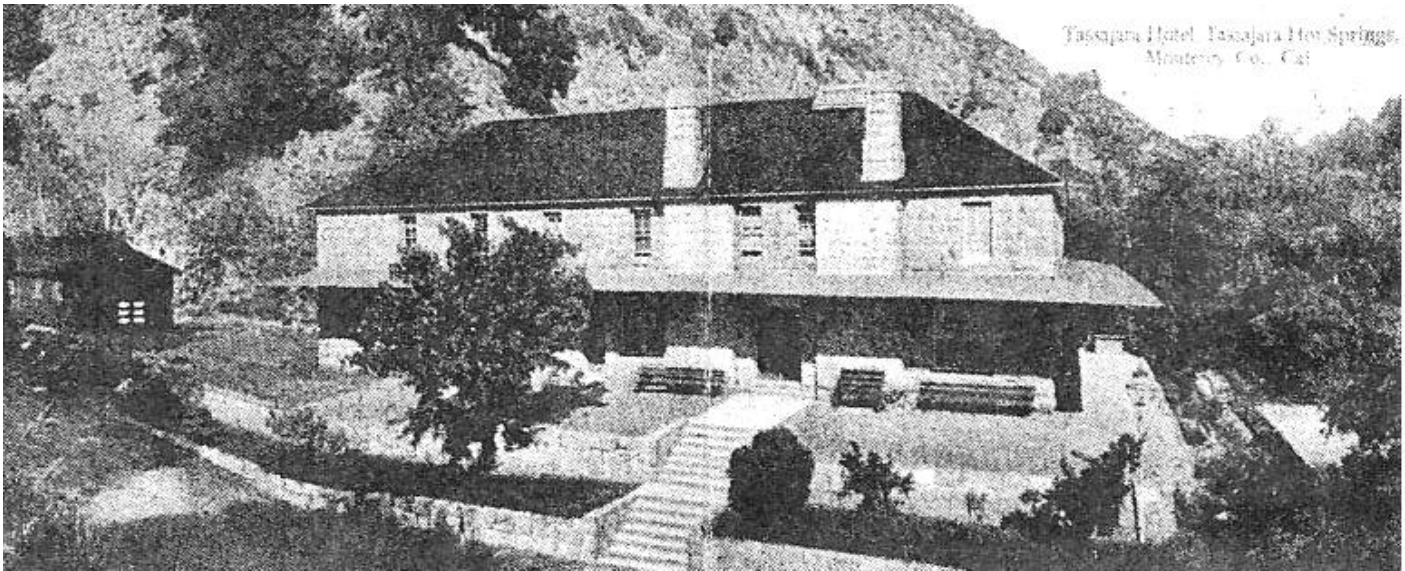
Salinas Californian, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



Guests of the Tassajara Hot Springs resort, 20 miles west of King City, turned firefighters yesterday employing buckets, shovels axes and garden hoses to save many of the buildings. In the picture above, taken at the height of the fire, one of the guests is playing a garden hose on a cabin destroyed by the flames. All of the guests and employees received high praise for their bravery.

1949, p. 303.

Salinas Californian, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



This is the picture of the famous Tassajara Hot Springs hotel taken several years ago before cabins and other improvements were added. The main hotel building in the center of the picture above was destroyed. Only this year Owner Philip Terry had spent \$40,000 in improvements. The building to the left is a cottage which was also destroyed. The cabins, some of which burned, were located to the rear of the hotel and to the left in the picture above.

shortly after the flames swept up out of the hollow, cup-like depression where the resort is located, effectively blocking the road.

Division of Forestry officials said today over three hundred fire-fighters, aided by three helicopters and hastily summoned equipment, were trying to establish fire lines, but the terrain, some of the most rugged in the Los Padres National Forest, hampered their efforts.

A call for 100 more fire-fighters was issued by Supervisor Lloyd Rickel and other officials, but reinforcements had not yet arrived this afternoon.

Value of the historic old stone hotel building constructed in 1888 and the adjoining cabins and other service buildings destroyed in the fire was set at approximately \$75,000.

Exact cause of the fire was not determined, but the blaze is known to have started in one of the cabins about 20 feet distant from the main building.

Fed by tinder-dry timber, grass and brush, the flames quickly spread into a raging forest fire and swept up steep canyon walls despite the efforts of the guests and employees.

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The fate of the trapped people was unknown for more than six hours and it was feared they had roasted alive in the fiery trap. It wasn't until 9 p. m. last night that two heroic rangers dashed through a veritable tunnel of flame to reach the resort.

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Both men were sent in by the fire service to determine the fate of the resort's guests.

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(headline):

## LOCAL PEOPLE UNHURT IN FIRE AT TASSAJARA

RESORT BURNS TO THE GROUND;  
GUESTS ESCAPE

Six Watsonville residents were among 62 guests and employees of swank Tassajara Hot Springs resort, near Jamesburg in Monterey County, who won a heroic battle for their lives against flames Thursday night. Their fate had been unknown for more than six hours, but Friday U. S. Forest Service rangers reported all had escaped serious injury.

The resort, a favorite vacation spot for Watsonville people for years, was reported totally destroyed by the fire which started in one of the cabins. The 46-room stone hotel, nine cabins, a large recreation hall, a 20-car garage and a repair shop, were left in smoldering ruins by the fire, according to Walter Barkdull, United Press staff correspondent from Monterey. Barkdull reached the scene early Friday morning.

In the wake of the fire were more than 1,200 acres of blackened oak and brush land.

Watsonville people learned to have been at the resort during the fire were Mr. and Mrs. Dick Mehne, Martin Butier and his stepson, Francis Selak, and Nick Kosovich and Jeff Monroe, employees of the resort. Kosovich has been a grounds keeper at Tassajara and Monroe a masseur.

At least 11 local people had planned to spend the weekend at the resort. These included Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Wyckoff, Mr. and Mrs. Otto Larsen, Mr. and Mrs. Tom Porter, Mr. and Mrs. George Friermuth, Marty Franich and Pete Knego. Bert Scott, en route to the Springs, was stopped at Jamesburg.

The fire continued to rage out of control near the Santa Lucia Mountains resort Friday, but the men, women and children who had been in peril were safe, thanks to their own brave efforts, Barkdull reported.

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afternoon in the cabin of the resort owner, Philip Terry, fanned out like a prairie blaze. It cut off the occupants escape route and severed communications. The Jamesburg road is the only access to the resort and it was directly in the path of the flames and periodically obliterated by fire.

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## RESORT FIRE HOTEL BUILT 61 YEARS AGO

Tassajara Hot Springs in Monterey County, destroyed by fire Thursday afternoon, has figured in the social and vacation life of Watsonville people for six decades.

Information available here indicates that the hotel was built in 1888 [from 1888 to 1893] from stone cut by Italian stone cutters. The road into the resort was built [completed] by Chinese labor from which China Camp in the area gains its name. The laborers were housed at this camp.

Before the erection of the hotel a camp had existed at Tassajara and Indians had used it for the therapeutical nature of the springs.

For more than 25 years the resort was operated by the late Helen Quilty Holohan and it was during this period that it became particularly popular with Watsonville residents.

During World War II it was closed and was reopened in 1946 when it was purchased by Ralph E. Myers, later killed in an airplane accident. Myers' widow, Helen, and her present husband, Philip Terry, recently have been managing the resort. This year, it was reopened for the season after a \$30,000 remodeling program.

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*San Francisco Chronicle*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949 (headline):

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**TASSAJARA FIRE**

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Survivors Describe Efforts by All Present to  
Save Spa; Fire Is Still Out of Control

By Jack Foisie and Dick Hemp  
*Chronicle* Staff Writers

TASSAJARA, Sept. 9—An 18-hour “battle for our lives” was described tonight by 60 employees and guests still trapped by a racing brush fire at this hot springs resort 20 miles west of King City.

Out of danger but isolated behind the fire front, the 60 survivors are safe and sound—but exhausted.

Wearily, they told of the tireless efforts of men, women and children to save the resort from the mushrooming flash of fire which swept through the spa’s brush and cottonwood trees yesterday.

“It was really wonderful the way everyone acted when huge, moss-covered boulders came rolling down on us like cannon balls from the canyon sides,” said Mrs. L. A. Ross of Monterey.

She said the guests and hotel help “worked

like soldiers” in the face of the flames.

Despite their efforts to save themselves and the luxurious resort, famed for the magic of its mineral waters, the main hotel building was gutted and at least nine cabins burned to the ground.

While Mrs. Ross and others told of bucket brigades and frantic attempts to cover rooftops with wet blankets, 400 fire fighters manned the main fire line six miles to the north.

U. S. Forest Service District Ranger Henry Branagh said the 1400 acre blaze is still out of control.

Fifty Fort Ord soldiers were thrown into the fire fight tonight and additional gangs of convicts from Soledad minimum security prison were brought to the scene.

Among the trapped fire fighters at Tassajara was attractive Mrs. Philip Terry, 36, the resort owner.

She recently married Philip Terry, 41, extractor and former husband of movie actress Joan Crawford.

“I was sitting in front of the dining room about 2:30 yesterday with Philip Lilienthal (of San Francisco) and all of a sudden one of the cabins went up in a crackling blaze,” she said.

“I can’t imagine what set it off—but there it was.

“Mr. Lilienthal sounded the dinner gong as a general alarm and all the guests and help gathered on the run.

“The flames mushroomed more quickly than anything I’ve ever seen.

“As the fire spread into the brush and trees, we banded together in small groups to fight it.

“Women rushed with armloads of blankets to the swimming pool, soaked them in water, then tried to throw them on the blazing rooftops.

“The men, packing hoes and hand extinguishers, tried to prevent the flames from racing northward up the canyon towards Jamesburg.”

At this point, Lilienthal added:

“If the south side behind us had ignited, we’d have been cooked.”

Battle against the ever-spreading fire continued hour after hour. The heat became so intense in the narrow canyon where the resort nestles that it was necessary to douse the amateur fire fighters with buckets of water.

At least five children were at the resort when the fire broke out. They were Mrs. Terry’s three children, Michael, 8, Edwin, 6, and Mary, 5, together with Henry Frederico, 3½, of Monterey, and Sonja Blodgett, 10, of Santa Cruz.

At the height of the losing battle against the flames, a solitary figure stumbled through the fire-gutted road to the resort area.

It turned out to be Terry, who had been in Salinas when the blaze began.

He had driven to within a mile of the Springs and then been forced by two burned-out bridges to continue on foot.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



Mrs. Sam Wright, San Francisco, guest, and Mrs. Philip Terry, wife of the owner, stand in ruins of Tassajara.



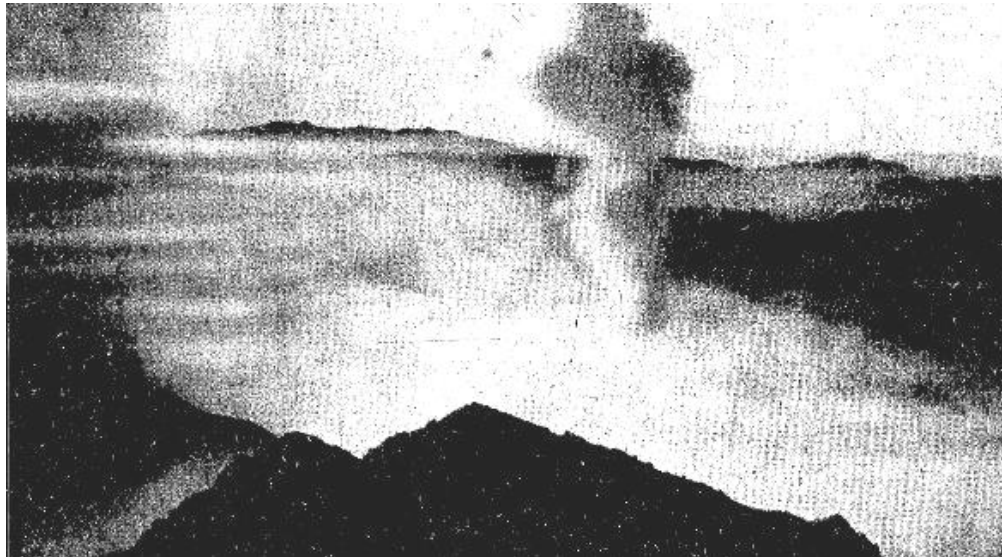
1949; p. 306.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



Before the big blaze there were two bridges on the only road leading to Tassajara Hot Springs. They were both burned out. This is the site of one of them. The scene is approximately a half mile from the resort, looking toward it. Note the irony—the “No Smoking” sign half burned away.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



This is how the fire looked to *Chronicle* photographer Ken McLaughlin from a helicopter at approximately 4000 feet. He was looking southwest down the main canyon in the Santa Lucia range toward the resort. Three other helicopters ferried fire fighters and equipment into the rugged area, cutting vital traveling time to a minimum. Rangers said this was the most extensive use ever made of the craft in fire fighting.

1949, p. 307.

San Francisco Chronicle, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



Guests and employees fought side by side in a fruitless effort to save this main building at Tassajara. But all that remains are arches, ambers and rubble, surrounded by thick walls and chimneys. Nine cabins and other buildings were also destroyed at the swank resort. There is enough food and water for the 50 guests and employees, however.

Minutes after he abandoned his automobile, it was consumed by flames swooshing through the heavy brush lining the road.

Terry was followed a short time later by Ranger Branagh and Fire Control Officer Jack Curran, who reported over their portable radio that the road was "a tube of flame."

At least a dozen automobiles at the resort were moved down into the creek bed, where they were saved.

Tonight, it is still impossible to drive the road between Jamesburg and Tassajara because of the fire and the burned-out bridges.

One path of escape, a rugged mountain trail, was left to the beleaguered people at the resort last night. But rangers doubted whether many of the women could have negotiated this route.

Everyone was grateful the wind blew from the south, blowing the fire away from the remainder of the resort area and leaving this one tenuous escape line open.

Only one injury was reported at Tassajara. Charles Ronson, 43, a maintenance worker, suffered burned hands.

Mrs. Terry's children were saddened, however, by loss of their mongrel pet, Corky. She died in the lames after first dashing into a burning cabin and rescuing her two 12-day-old puppies.

Helicopters were used extensively today along the main fire line which slices across six rugged, crumpled miles of the Santa Lucia Mountains.

It was possible to carry fire-fighters to strategic points along the line in a matter of minutes by helicopter, whereas walking would have taken four hours.

All of the four machines were based on an open patch of ground on Chew's Ridge, six miles south of Jamesburg.

One of the machines was a Hiller 360, the same type craft that rescued 12-year-old Terrence Hallinan from Yosemite Park a month ago.

Rangers said the people trapped at Tassajara will probably have to remain there another day or two at least.

Tassajara Hot Springs as developed as a resort in the 1890s and became a famed summer vacationing grounds for wealthy Northern Californians at the turn of the century.

This is the first year the Terrys have operated the resort. They spent \$50,000 improving the place last spring and planned closing it down for the winter in mid-October.

Salinas Californian, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

## TASSAJARA FIRE SLOWING DOWN

FOREST BLAZE TO BE RINGED BY 7 O'CLOCK

Favorable Weather Conditions Aiding 300 Men on Fire Line; Bridges Repaired But No In-Going Traffic Permitted

Aided by favorable weather conditions for the first time since the fire started Thursday afternoon, 300 fire-fighters expect to bring the Tassajara Fire in Los Padres National Forest under control about 7 o'clock tonight, Dispatcher Charles Swartz said this afternoon in King City. A high fog blanketed the burning area and the wind was recorded here at nine miles an hour.

"The situation at the fire looks good now and barring unforeseen weather changes, we should have it under control by 7 o'clock tonight," Swartz said. A fire is not regarded as under control until the perimeter of the blaze is completely circled by lines.

A recheck of maps this morning reduced the burned-over acreage to about 800, lowering earlier reports that 1,800 acres had been consumed.

Fire-fighting conditions were good last night and early today and the blaze "laid down" overnight, making little progress, while fighters employed the valuable time strengthening lines around the front of the burn.

Meanwhile other workmen have started to restore bridges leading into Tassajara Springs so that the 62 guests and employees caught in the hollow by the fast moving flames Thursday may be evacuated. It was expected the two burned-out bridges would be repaired today.

No ingoing traffic will be permitted on the road for some time, the forest service pointed out, and all vehicles will be stopped at Jamesburg. Traffic on the road at the present would be a hindrance to the movement of men and equipment.

Forest Supervisor Lloyd A. Rickel informed the dispatcher's office in King City that only two persons now at Tassajara Hot Springs indicated they wanted to leave as soon as the road was opened. Others probably will wait until their vacation time has been used.

Three fire-fighters have suffered what were described as "very minor" injuries. One prison guard from the Soledad medium security prison pulled a muscle in his leg for the "most serious" casualty, Swartz said.

He added that one of the four helicopters used to observe the fire was being released to the Cleveland national forest near San Diego, where a fire already has burned 2,400 acres.

*Salinas Californian*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

## COLORFUL HISTORY OF TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS GOES BACK TO INDIANS IN ARROYO SECO AREA

By Dorothy Vera

History of Tassajara Hot Springs goes back to the days of the Indian tribes, who roamed through the tortuous Arroyo Seco River country to its headwaters, and visited the medicinal springs while on their way to the yellow sandstone cliffs and caves five miles beyond.

However, the first white man to take over the Springs proper came in about 1868 or 1869, when Frank [John] Rust opened a camp. At that time it was believed that hot mineral waters were an assured cure-all, just on general principles, and any hot spring was considered as potential gold mine. Rust left that year, and turned his holdings over to a squatter by the name of Spencer. He, too, departed, but a Jack Borden, new owner, had more promotional ideas. He, desirous of starting a health resort, changed the name from Agua Caliente to "Tassajara," meaning "meat-drying place."

The wagon road ended perhaps 10 miles from the Springs, and the 45-mile trip from Monterey was a long and arduous one.

The late Dr. C. A. Canfield, Monterey, forwarded some of the water to the Smithsonian Institute for analyzation, and it was reported to be "the richest spring in the United States, containing some 32 distinct ingredients."

Accommodations under Mr. Borden's regime were "al fresco." Persons were cautioned

to bring their own necessities, but provisions were available.

Discouraged by the lack of "invalids" at his spa, Jack Borden finally sold his squatters' right to William Hart sometime between 1875 and 1880. Hart then built a log "hotel" of two or three rooms, some small cabins, a shale rock dining room, and a rock bath house with a plunge and several individual wooden tubs. He widened trails to bring in supplies from the James ranch (now Lambert's).

Some guests were enthusiastic about the place, and among the most enthusiastic was the late Charles Quilty, father of Mrs. William Jeffery and Mrs. Howard Cozzens, both of Salinas. He visited the resort about 1884 and not too long afterward, negotiated for its purchase.

It was Mr. Quilty who is responsible for the first road into the Springs. He had the country surveyed from the James ranch to the Springs, took on John McPhail as a partner, and got busy. A year later Mr. McPhail started the road as its boss, while Mrs. McPhail and family ran the resort.

Building of that mountain road was a tremendous and intricate job, for at that time most construction was done by pick and shovel. From James ranch to Chew's Ridge the work was comparatively easy, as much was done with plows. The last eight miles, from the crest of the ridge to the Springs, lay through sandstone and granite along precipitous slopes. It was this difficult terrain that gave the names Zigzag and Hairpin Bend to sections of the road.

Financing of the road came from Mr. Quilty's own pocket, and sources of road materials started to become low for that reason. The road gang grew tired of waiting for its pay, so Chinese were imported from San Jose to help finish the job, and the new road was opened to the public in 1890 [1888]. It served several families in the area, as well as the resort, and eventually the county took over its maintenance. At one time Mr. Quilty considered building a second road from the Springs to the Abbott ranch on the Arroyo Seco, but to this day his initial venture has been the one way in and out of Tassajara.

Trips into the Springs took all day in stages drawn by four horses. Three changes of horses, made at Whitlocks, at the Steffani place, and at Jamesburg, preceded the last eight-mile lap.

A road in, Mr. Quilty next turned his efforts to enlarging his plant. He planned a 40-room sandstone edifice to replace Mr. Hart's log cabin. Most of the material used was native, except for redwood lumber hauled in from the outside for windows, doors and similar work. Canyon walls were so steep that building problems were multiplied. They necessitated excavation of a sizeable shelf before each building could be erected. Henry Arnold was hired to blast out all the stones used in the new hotel from gigantic rocks nearby. San Jose masons squared them and laid the walls.

Mr. Arnold, in later years a resident of Salinas, himself built walls around the resort grounds and filled in the terraces. Limestone, too, was quarried there and a kiln set up close

by.

The hotel was finished in 1893, and provided only a precarious living at the beginning. Building costs had been high, and maintenance higher.

At the turn of the century, Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan took over the management, and expanded the facilities to include a swimming pool and riding stable, in addition to the new bath houses and plunges. When she finally sold the resort it was worth approximately \$100,000.

In June the hotel of 38 rooms and 29 cabins were completely renovated and re-opened to the public by Mr. and Mrs. Phil Terry after a long period of change in manager ship at brief intervals.

The word "hot" was deleted from the name, and as "Tassajara Springs" it has been operating to hundreds of resort goers for the last three months.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

## TASSAJARA GUESTS MAY ESCAPE TODAY; RAGING FIRE ALMOST CONTROLLED

BRIDGES ON ONLY ROAD OUT READY FOR TRAVEL

By Walter Barkdull

The raging fire in the Santa Lucia Mountains was gradually being held under control today, ending the threat to the lives of 62 persons trapped at Tassajara Springs.

"If the weather holds up, we expect to have the fire whipped by tonight," U. S. Forest Service Dispatcher Charles Swartz said in King City.

He had radio communication with the guests and employees who were trapped in a narrow mountain canyon at the resort.

He told them that temporary bridges would be ready by three p. m. on the narrow road leading to the Springs, enabling them to drive out in their cars. But only two carloads of guests planned to leave. The others told Swartz they would remain and finish out their vacations.

Swartz attributed the lessening of the blaze to a stratus overcast, which reduced the wind and temperature and increased humidity, with the result "the fire was dying down."

About 1,000 acres have been burned over by the fast moving blaze, which was fanned by winds of 20 miles per hour yesterday. Five hundred men, including soldiers from Fort Ord, were battling on the fire lines today.

Tassajara, owned by Phil Terry, ex-actor and former husband of Joan Crawford, lost its main 36 room lodge, nine of its 30 cabins and other outbuildings. But the Springs, with water available to fight fire, became a four-acre haven.

The 40 guest and 22 employees could thank a lucky shift in the wind, and their own courage and calmness, that the small mountain valley didn't become a death trap.

They were organized into a fire-fighting brigade by hotel clerk Bert Plump and Terry. All joined with buckets, shovels, axes and wet

1949; p. 309.

*San Francisco Examiner*, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



**FLAME SWEEP**—Pictured from air are the ruins of the historic Tassajara Hot Springs resort and a number of adjacent cabins after being swept by flames. Although the forest fire continued to blaze out of control last night, forty men, women and children at the resort were reported safe. More than 1,000 acres have been swept by the flames.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1949:



Only the stone skeleton of the main building at Tassajara Hot Springs, famous mountain resort in Los Padres National Forest, remained after fire swept the place Friday and then into the adjoining forest. The charred bed frames standing in the foreground above show where a large cabin housing members of the staff stood before it was raised by the fire. Behind the guests shown inspecting the ruins is the blackened spot marking the location of another cabin where the blaze is believed to have started.

blankets in the battle for their lives. There was no panic.

The resort was out of touch with the world for nearly six hours when all communications were burned out at 2:55 p. m. Thursday. Ranger Henry Branagh and a fellow fire-fighter were the first to penetrate the flames along the tortuous mountain road into the resort.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian,*  
Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949 (headline):

## BURNED OUT BRIDGES PREVENT GUESTS FROM LEAVING SCENE OF FIRE AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

WATSONVILLE WOMAN LEAVES  
VIA JEEP FOR AREA OF BLAZE

Watsonville residents, marooned at Tassajara Hot Springs by the fire which roared through the camp Thursday afternoon, Saturday still had been unable to leave the camp. Two burned bridges prevented the exit of cars and it was believed the local people were waiting until they could go out in their own cars.

None of the cars were damaged by the fire, according to word received here by Cecille Monroe, whose husband, Jeff, is among those at the camp. Mrs. Monroe left Saturday morning for the camp and expected to drive a friend's jeep into Tassajara. She said she would offer to bring back the local residents, if they care to leave.

Besides Monroe, Watsonville people there include Mr. and Mrs. Dick Mehne, Martin Butier, Francis Selak and Nick Kosovich.

Mrs. Monroe said she had been in touch by telephone with a friend employed at Tassajara who has been in and out of the area twice. The burned bridges are about a mile from the resort and machines have been able to make it to that point, despite large boulders on the road.

Mrs. Monroe was told that most of the cabins which burned were those of employees. The fire also destroyed the big stone lodge hotel.

In the meantime, the forestry department reported that the forest fire, resulting from the Tassajara blaze, raged out of control along a six mile front on Santa Lucia mountain. There was no wind, and firefighters expected to halt the blaze from spreading northward unless the wind changed. One ranger said "it could be very big if that wind blows up."

About 1,000 acres have been burned over by the fast moving blaze which Friday was fanned by winds of 20 miles per hour. Five hundred men, including soldiers from Fort Ord, were battling on the fire lines Saturday.

United Press reported that Tassajara, owned by Phil Terry, ex-actor and former husband of Joan Crawford, lost its main 35-room lodge, nine of its 30 cabins and other outbuildings. But the Springs, with water available to fight fire, became a four-acre haven.

Only fatality was "Corky" the camp's pet dog, who burned to death when she dashed into a cabin to rescue her puppies. They already had been carried to safety by one of the guests. There were two minor injuries, both

arm burns.

Telephone communication into the resort was cut off when the lodge burned.

Mrs. Monroe reported that she had been told a truck with plenty of vegetables, milk and other food for the 62 persons in the camp had been driven to the burned bridges and food had been carried into the camp. A bulldozer was working on a fill at one of the bridges, she said, so that cars could be taken out, probably by Monday.

*New York Times,* Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

## FOREST FIRE MAROONS 40 GUESTS AT RESORT

KING CITY, CALIF., Sept. 9 (AP)—Brisk winds hampered efforts of nearly 300 fire-fighters today to control flames sweeping through Los Padres National Forest near the central California coast.

The fire marooned forty guests and twenty-two employees amid the charred ruins of fashionable Tassajara Hot Springs resort where the fire originated yesterday. They were in no immediate danger. Helicopters stood by to evacuate them if necessary.

At least two persons suffered burns in the fire that destroyed the main hotel building, ten of the thirty-five cottages, a twenty-car garage, a repair shop and recreation building. Damage was estimated at more than \$75,000 by the owner, Phillip Terry. The resort, first built in the 1880's, is about 100 miles south of San Francisco.

Mrs. Terry was burned on the arm while trying to enter her children's cottage where the fire started from undetermined cause. The children, Michael, 8 years old, Edwin, 6, and Mary Myers, 5, had left the cabin, however, to go swimming. Also treated for hand burns was Charles Ronson, hotel maintenance man.

Guests and employees joined in fighting the flames. But the wind carried the fire up a canyon and into the brush, oak and scattered pines of the forest. The single road leading out was blocked by fallen trees, rocks and two burned bridges.

Several reporters reached the resort by foot and came out again. They said, however, that forest rangers had advised the people stranded at Tassajara it would be safer to remain for a while.

*San Francisco Chronicle,* Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

## TASSAJARA BLAZE BROUGHT UNDER CONTROL

FIRST REFUGEES BROUGHT  
OUT FROM RESORT

TASSAJARA, Sept. 10—The brush fire that trapped 50 people in this hot springs resort three days ago and destroyed its historic hotel, was brought under control late today.

The first two carloads of refugees rolled out over the reconstructed mountain road to King City. Others expect to leave this morning; some said they would stay and finish out their vacations, despite the fire.

Road crews had thrown up two small bridges

to replace those destroyed by the flames.

"An overcast gave us a break," said Fire Dispatcher Charles Swartz. "The wind and temperatures dropped, the humidity increased. If the weather holds we should have it out by early in the morning"

Henry Branagh, ranger in charge of the 450 fire fighters, said only a shift in wind or significant change in humidity or temperature could cause the fire to get out of hand once again.

Ten fresh rangers were flown in from Southern California early today to replace the exhausted Forest Service personnel who have fought the fire for three days without sleep.

*Salinas Californian,* Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

OWNER TERRY REPORTS

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS TO BE REBUILT IMMEDIATELY

Tassajara Springs resort, heavily damaged by fire which ultimately swept over 800 acres of Los Padres national forest last week, will be rebuilt immediately, Owner Philip Terry announced today.

Mr. Terry told *The Californian* that after the last of the guests leave, probably by the middle of this week, the resort will be closed and reconstruction of the hotel, cabins and other buildings razed by the fire Thursday will start.

The resort owner expressed his thanks to employees and guests who courageously battled the flames and succeeded in saving many of the buildings. He also expressed his appreciation to the Forest Service and others who aided in the fight.

The first two carloads of guests left the resort Saturday over the newly constructed road. The first car to reach King City was that of C. R. Blodgett, Santa Cruz. Five minutes later Mr. and Mrs. Charles Federico, Monte-rey, came out.

Charles Swartz, U.S. forestry service fire dispatcher, said most of the fire fighters were released Saturday night and soldiers from Fort Ord returned to the army base, yesterday. He said a small crew would be kept in the smoldering area for at least another three days. About 150 inmates from Soledad medium security prison were expected to be returned to the institution today.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald,* Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

## TASSAJARA FIRE UNDER CONTROL

Small crews today were mopping up on the fire which on Thursday afternoon gutted a major portion of Tassajara Hot Springs and then swept over 1,400 acres of brush and timber in Los Padres National Forest about 52 miles southeast of Monterey.

U. S. Division of Forestry officials at King City said today there was no danger that the fire, controlled at 10 o'clock Saturday night, would get away again.

Meantime, the single road into the famed mountain resort has been temporarily restored to service, but only a few of the 40 guests and

22 employees trapped by the fire Friday have made their way out of the Springs.

No one is allowed to enter the resort, however.

First of the guests to leave the Springs late Saturday were Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Blodgett and two daughters of Santa Cruz and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Federico and son of 152 Franklin Street, Monterey.

Although they were flanked by smoldering underbrush and blackened trees, they reported the trip as slow but not too dangerous.

Rangers said these were the only two parties indicating an immediate desire to leave when the tow bridges burned out by the fire were repaired at 3 p. m. Saturday.

Other guests told forestry crews they were comfortable and would continue their vacations at the resort, only a part of which was destroyed by the fire.

Still intact are 21 guest cottages, the dining building, bathhouses and the bar and recreation room. Burned were garages (although cars owned by guests were saved) as well as 15 cottages and dormitories, another recreation building and the main hotel building.

Starting in a cottage, the fire quickly spread into the nearby main structure and then swept up the steep canyon walls to the northeast and into the forest, cutting the single road out of the place.

Forestry crews aided by soldiers from the 12th Infantry Regiment at Fort Ord and prisoners from the Soledad Minimum Security Prison battled Thursday night and all day Friday until 10 p. m. Saturday until the fire was pronounced under control.

Forestry officials said they were aided in their fight when a low overcast of clouds came over the rugged mountain area Saturday. The change in weather brought increasing humidity, a drop in the temperature and a decrease in the wind.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1949:*

## FIRE FIGHTERS DUCK BULLETS, BOULDERS

By J. Howard Sheerin

"Some of the things that happen are funny now—but they weren't then."

Martin Butier and Francis Selak thus summed up their reaction to their experiences last Thursday when they battled the fire that destroyed the greater part of Tassajara resort in Monterey County.

First of the guests to leave the camp after the fire, they returned here Saturday evening. They were brought out in Phil Terry's station wagon, which earlier had been reported destroyed in the fire when he successfully made his way to the camp after learning that his resort was on fire.

Others who had taken their own cars on their vacation trip to Tassajara were waiting for Monday to leave so that they could drive their own cars out. Bulldozers were making fills at two points where bridges were burned out on the road, only access to the camp.

Butier and Selak escaped with all their belongings. The cabin which they were occupy-

ing was one of those not burned.

They reported that fire was not the only hazard during the catastrophe. Boxes of shells in Terry's cabin and in the main hotel exploded with menacing "zings" and the fire fighters took to cover. Huge boulders also rolled down the mountainside toward the fire fighters.

One huge boulder, followed by a rolling, burning log, tumbled past Butier. The log lodged against one of the cabins in the area which was not burned. Butier, who had a pail of water handy, doused out that fire.

"Every towel and blanket in the camp was used in fighting the fire," Butier said. "If there had just been enough water pressure to spray the roof of the hotel, it could have been saved," he said.

Selak told of the disappointing trickle of water that came from garden hoses fed from the reservoir. However, a good play of water came from a larger hose as a pump in the river was put into operation.

Butier was taking a nap at the time the fire broke out and Selak was at the swimming pool, where he was giving the three Terry children lessons in diving. He said that when one of the guests came down to the pool and unemotionally told him that there was a fire in the camp he at first did not believe it. He raced back to the camp when he saw the smoke, however.

Women were sent to the swimming pool area, although many of them remained to fight the fire alongside the men.

Both Butier and Selak were amazed at the speed with which the fire spread and the complete destruction wrought in the hotel. Oil and butane tanks in the basement of the hotel added to the menace. One of the employees disconnected the butane tanks, they said.

Both particularly lauded the fire-fighting efforts of the resort employees and of Mrs. Terry herself. "They were wonderful," Butier said.

Selak said a shift in the wind definitely favored the fire fighting activities.

Cars were saved from burning by shifting them to various positions way from the menace of flames.

After the fire had finally been controlled, guests and employees slept in their clothes and took turns during the night doing fire patrol duty. There was plenty of food, the men said, but water was on short ration and had to be secured from the river.

While there was no panic or hysteria during the fire, they said, a reaction did set in the day after the fire. Several of the women particularly were anxious to get away from the scene of destruction as soon as possible.

Butier said the Terry's plan to continue the season at Tassajara, using the remaining cabins and continuing open to the regularly scheduled closing date in October.

Butier, who has been going to Tassajara Hot Springs for 40 years, wasn't sure that he wants to go back. "It can't ever be the same," he said.

He recalled that he had first gone into Tassajara when teams were used for the trip, with three changes of horses on the way.

He said he rode in the first car—a Model T Ford—to make the trip to the Springs. That car, he recalled, bogged down right at the Pajaro River and he wasn't sure they were going to make it. But it did—with a push here and there along the way on some of the steeper grades.

Butier also was in charge of the tavern at the Springs for one season.

The forest fire resulting from the resort fire was brought under control Saturday. Monday the Forest Service was stamping out still smoldering pockets of the fire. The Forest Service said it would be several days before the last embers are extinguished.

Jeff Monroe, physiotherapist at the resort, who returned home Sunday, said a bulldozer had filled in at the bridge sites so that his wife was able to drive her car right into Tassajara Saturday afternoon when she drove down to get him. Mrs. Monroe spent the night there and they came out the next day, bringing with them Evelyn Windrum of Los Angeles, who was working with Monroe.

Monroe said he "didn't lose a thing." He said also that in retrospect there were "some comical things about the experience, but they weren't funny at the time.

"It was not exactly fun," he said.

Nick Kosovich, grounds keeper, also came back to Watsonville Sunday. The cabin in which he was housed was one of those destroyed.

Monroe said that all the cars were able to leave Sunday if guests desired. Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Mehne of Watsonville, however, chose to remain at the resort, completing the stay they originally intended.

*Salinas Californian, Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1949:*

## RANGER TELLS SOLEDAD ROTARY OF TASSAJARA FIRE, CONTROL

At their regular luncheon meeting yesterday at Pasquale's Soledad Rotarians heard Henry Branaugh, district ranger, U. S. Forest Service, review the circumstances surrounding the recent Tassajara fire and its suppression. The speaker lauded the work of the resort's guests and employees in confining the fire north of the Tassajara river. "If the fire had jumped the river we would probably still be in there with our crews," Branaugh said. He also praised the work of the Soledad Prison inmates who were released for fire-fighting by Warden Bert Webb.

Additional comment was made of the excellent work accomplished by the four helicopters. "This was the first time helicopters have been used in the Los Padres National Forest," the speaker said, "and we were particularly pleased with the results of the experiment." Mr. Branaugh spoke at length concerning the responsibility of the U. S. Forest Service in the Los Padres area which comprises 360,000 acres in a district 45 miles in length and 12 miles in average width. He stated that the service in national forests was created for the purpose of watershed protection and watershed management.

From the 'Social Roundup' column,  
*Salinas Californian*, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1949:

In lieu of a large wedding, Miss Annabelle Gee, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Gee, 1468 Second Avenue, surprised family and friends by deciding to wed in a quite home ceremony. She and her husband (Mr. William Lee Murray) were married Tuesday afternoon, spent a brief honeymoon in Los Angeles, and are at home at Tassajara Springs, where both are employed.

## 1950

Monterey County Official Records 1203: 194,  
March 20<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

### GRANT DEED

For value received, Helen G. Terry, who acquired part of her title as Helen G. Myers, Grants to Salinas Title and Guarantee Company, all that real property situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, described as follows:

Southeast quarter of Northwest quarter (SE 1/4 of NW 1/4)), North half of Southwest quarter (N 1/2 of SW 1/4) and Southeast quarter of Southwest quarter (SE 1/4 of S 1/4) of Section 28;

East half of Northeast quarter (E 1/2 of NE 1/4), Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter (NW 1/4 of NE 1/4) and Northeast quarter of Northwest quarter (NE 1/4 of NW 1/4) of Section 29;

Northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of Section 32, in Township 19 South, Range 4 East of Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 480 acres of land more or less, according to the United States Government Survey thereof.

An undivided one-half (1/2) interest in and to the South half (S 1/2) of South half (S 1/2) of Section twenty-three (23) in Township twenty (20) South, Range three (3) East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 160 acres of land, more or less.

South half (S 1/2) of Southwest quarter (SW 1/4) of Section two (2) and South half (S 1/2) of Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Southeast quarter (SE 1/4) of Section three (3) in Township twenty (20) South, Range Four (4) East, Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 160 acres, more or less.

Witness my hand this 20th day of March, 1950.

(signature of Helen Terry)

State of California, County of Monterey ss  
On March 20, 1950, before me, E. J. Drussel, a Notary Public, in and for the said County and State, personally appeared Helen G. Terry, who acquired part of her title as Helen G. Myers, known to me to be the persons whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

Notary's signature, etc.

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State of California, County of Monterey ss  
On March 20, 1950, before me, C. C. Conant, Jr., a Notary Public, in and for the said County and State, personally appeared E. J. Drussel, known to me to be the Vice President of the corporation that executed the within instrument, and also known to me to be person who executed it on behalf of such corporation and acknowledged to me such corporation executed the same.

Notary's signature, etc.

*Salinas Californian*, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS PLANS REOPENING

Tassajara Springs, deep in the rugged Santa Lucia Mountains southwest of Carmel Valley, will reopen this summer, completely remodeled after the fire which damaged it last summer, United Press reported today.

The resort has been modernized and is more accessible, Mrs. Philip Terry, owner and operator, announced. The Springs will be open to fishermen at the start of the trout season April 28. Public opening will be May 25.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

### TASSAJARA RESORT TO BE OPEN AGAIN

Tassajara Springs, deep in the rugged Santa Lucia Mountains southwest of Carmel Valley, will reopen this summer, completely remod-

eled after the fire which partially destroyed it last summer.

The resort has been modernized and is more accessible, Mrs. Philip Terry, owner and operator, announced.

The Springs will be open to fishermen at the start of the trout season April 28 and will have a public reopening will be May 25, according to Mrs. Terry.

*Salinas Californian*, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 1950 (also in the 4/26/1950  
*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*):

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*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS REOPENS AS FAMED CALIFORNIA RESORT

By Joe Schoeninger

As enchanting—and almost as remote—as Shangri-la, Tassajara Springs reopens next month for the visitor who heeds the call of the wild as an exciting contrast to urban life.

Fishermen—and this reporter—had a preview of this famous California watering hole last weekend. They left with limits of fine trout and memories of many hours of relaxation in the mineral baths and sunshine.

Tassajara is much as it was in the old days, when Mrs. Holohan, wife of San Quentin's late warden, operated the spa with a firm hand. Now, however, it is more of a resort than a health center.

Though the main hotel—a square, double-story brownstone affair—has been demolished following last summer's fire, the rustic buildings and bath house along the stream have been restored in better shape than ever.

The road was scraped a few weeks ago, and should hold no terrors unless the motorist is inherently unable to handle mountain driving. It is one-way for the most part, but has many turnouts for passing.

I checked my mileage, and the two-hour trip was exactly 45 miles from the Peninsula. Only road in is from Carmel Valley through Jamesburg and over Chew's Ridge, where the elevation is 5,000 feet. Tassajara itself is only 1,500 feet.

Pajama Lane with its accommodations for 80 guests was untouched by the flames, and the swimming pool has been refinished. Guests will find an ice cream bar for the kids and a cocktail lounge for adults.

The hot mineral baths and steam rooms are still the answer to jangled nerves, and the lupine and other wildflowers coat the green

mountains of the Los Padres Forest which surrounds the Springs.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

The difference is  
**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

Opening May 25<sup>th</sup>  
American Plan  
Hot Mineral Baths  
40 Miles from Carmel  
Reservations:  
Box 577, Salinas  
Phone: LD Tassajara

*Salinas Californian*, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 1950 (also in the 5/19/1950  
*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*):

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS  
OPENS MAY 25<sup>th</sup>**

For a Vacation to Remember . . .

The Difference Is . . .

. . . TASSAJARA

(Just 40 Miles from Carmel)

For Reservations write Box 577, Salinas, or  
call Long Distance—TASSAJARA SPRINGS  
Helen and Phil Terry, Managing Owners

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

**TASSAJARA OPENS**

Tassajara Springs resort, rebuilt following the fire last September, opened for the summer Thursday. The Resort is located 40 miles southeast of Carmel in the Carmel Valley. It is being operated by the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Phil Terry. Landscaping and a sun deck have taken the place of the portion destroyed by the blaze. The resort will close Oct. 15.

*Salinas Californian*, May 29<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS  
OPEN FOR SUMMER**

Tassajara Springs has been opened for the summer vacation season by Phil and Helen Terry, managing owners. The resort has been rebuilt since the fire and the grounds have been improved, providing more "fun in the sun."

*Salinas Californian*, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

The Difference is

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

Where there is "everything under the sun" for  
a real

**VACATION**

JUST 40 MILES FROM CARMEL

Hunting, Fishing, Hiking, Swimming (Heated Pool), Square Dancing, Croquet, Horse Shoe Pitching, Mineral Baths, Massage, Children's Playground, Cocktail & Ice Cream Bar.

**American Plan**

**RESERVATIONS**

Write Box 577, Salinas, or call Long Distance,  
TASSAJARA SPRINGS

**1950 to 1951**; p. 313.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald and Salinas Californian*,  
June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1950:

The Sun Is Shining

at

**TASSAJARA**

Featuring

**Smorgasbord**

EVERYSUNDAY

AMERICAN PLAN

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

P. O. Box 577, Salinas

Phone: L. D. Tassajara

From '85 Men Battle Blaze Below Big Sur,' *Salinas Californian*, July 6<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

**No Smoke Visible**

Tassajara Hot Springs reported this afternoon that no smoke was visible from there, although it is located about five miles from the fire. Smoke was visible from Tassajara late yesterday.

From 'Big Sur Fire Still Uncontrolled,'  
*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, July 10, 1950:

Believed to have been started sometime Wednesday by a careless park visitor, the fire now is burning from Big Sur and the coast in the direction of Tassajara Hot Springs resort.

The Springs, partially burned in a fire last September, were not believed to be in any immediate danger, according to Ranger Henry Branagh, but he said he was watching that front of the fire closely.

Meantime, five heavy bulldozers were pushing west from Arroyo Seco along Willow Creek, preparing a road to a new fire camp to be established on the eastern front of the fire.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 1950:

PENINSULA DIARY

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

By Mayo Hyes O'Donnell

For several hundred years before the Americans came to Monterey or to California, Tassajara Springs were famous, according to an article written by Jack Swan, who arrived in Monterey in 1843 and built the adobe building now known as "The First Theatre." Writing in 1876 he says:

"I first heard of Tassajara Springs in the spring of 1843 while bunting in the Carmel Valley. I met a large band of Indians coming up the valley, some being on horseback and others on foot. The leader, who had been educated at the Missions, spoke good Spanish. He stated that he and his tribe were bound for Tassajara Springs to take the waters for a rash or skin disease that had broken out among them. They would build a sweat hut of mud and branches over the place here the hot water flowed from the ground and then remain there until they got so weak the medicine men would have to carry them out. After which they would scrape their bodies with the ribs of a deer or some other animal."

Frequently there would be several tribes in there at one time, but because of the great abundance of wild game of all kinds, and fish,

they had no trouble living. In fact there was so much game there, according to Swan, and it was such an ideal place to dry the meat, that the Indians gave it the name of Tassajara, meaning a place to dry meat. It is pronounced "tass-a-har-a" and has been repeatedly used as a place name in California. It is a Spanish-American word.

Both the grizzly and the cinnamon bears that lived in the vicinity of the Springs were much lighter in color than those found elsewhere. It has been said that W. E. F. Hartnell sent a pelt of what he thought was silver bear to the museum in London, but it turned out to be only a cinnamon bear of extreme size and with much lighter coat than that type of bear usually would have.

There is also another delightful tale concerning the Carmel Indians and the origin of the name of the hot springs at Tassajara. It goes something like this, according to legend:

There was once an Indian chief who was all powerful. He was the favorite of the Sun God that ruled the universe and from this deity received his powers. So supernatural was he that he could hear the grass grow and see his enemies and game a day's travel away. The chief had a young sister who was very dear to his heart and when she became stricken with a strange malady, the hills and dales were ransacked for herbs by the medicine man for a cure. Everything failing, the brother started her on a trip to the big water, hoping that the ocean air would benefit her. By the time the stream, now known as Tassajara Creek, was reached, the sister had failed so rapidly that it was not possible to proceed further. All the powers of the chief had failed and her life was ebbing slowly.

Finally in desperation he supplicated his Sun God, offering his own body as a sacrifice. He fell prone on the ground. Although it was midday the sun was soon obscured and the earth became dark. The body of the chief stiffened and he grew rigid and was turned to stone. As he dissolved into a mass of rock, hot tears poured from it. The sister fell prostrate over the place where he made the sacrifice, and was soon covered with the hot tears of her sorrowing brother. When she arose she was completely cured. The news of the miracle spread among the Indian tribes of California and, it is said, that after that, every year the lame, the halt and the blind wended their weary way to bathe in the hot waters which poured from the rock where the chief had died.

**1951**

*Salinas Californian*, beginning on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

**WORLD FAMOUS  
TASSAJARA SPRINGS  
TO BE SOLD**

We are offering you a chance to be Part Owner of the beautiful and restful Tassajara Springs... the healthful and sunny Summer Resort known and enjoyed by people from all over the country. We would like to sell Tassajara to a group of people for the purpose of forming a Club or Corporation.



JACK PRADER extends an invitation to anyone interested (and we know many who are) to come to dinner, Thursday evening at 7 p. m., March 29, at Loma Linda in order to discuss this amazing offer (no obligation). Phone Jack Prader, your host, for reservations at Salinas 4821 or evenings Salinas 3513. This is an opportunity you can't afford to miss.

Price and terms will be a pleasant surprise. Tassajara Springs has not been offered to the general public!

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, beginning on March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### WORLD FAMOUS TASSAJARA SPRINGS TO BE SOLD

We are offering you a chance to be Part Owner of the beautiful and restful Tassajara Springs... the healthful and sunny Summer Resort known and enjoyed by people from all over the country. We would like to sell Tassajara to a group of people for the purpose of forming a Club or Corporation.

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Price & Terms Will Be a Pleasant Surprise (This opportunity has not been offered to the general public)

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, March 30<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### IT WAS LIKE TRYING TO SAVE THE OLD HOMESTEAD

By Howard Sheerin

You've got a soft spot in your heart for Tassajara Hot Springs? You've got an idle \$2,000? You should have been at that dinner at Loma Linda Thursday night.

It was something like a family gathering facing the problem of saving the old homestead—this homestead being a 480-acre vacation resort in the Santa Lucia Mountains of Monterey County. People from Watsonville have been going there for vacations for well over 50 years. They do have a fondness for it. Maybe not \$2,000 worth, though.

Jack Prader, Salinas real estate agent, had 18 guests at his dinner Thursday night. They were from Watsonville, Salinas, Monterey, Carmel and Gilroy.

He told them Tassajara is for sale and might not open as a resort this year unless a sale is made. The price is \$66,000.

His suggestion—that 33 people who have that real affection for the resort form a corporation and buy shares at \$2,000 each. If the corporation bought the resort, it could be leased out for operation or conducted as a closed club.

A few of those present were ready to—and did—make out their checks on the spot. Most wanted to consider the proposal.

There were some objections to the price, and some to conditions imposed on the proposed sale.

Tassajara recently has been operated by Mr. and Mrs. Phil Terry. He's an ex-actor, former husband of Joan Crawford. It was understood he's interested in returning to theater work. Mrs. Terry fell heir to Tassajara following the death of her first husband, Ralph Myers, Salinas vegetable packer and shipper, killed in an airplane accident.

For many years it was operated by the late Helen Quilty Holohan. People from Watsonville have been going to the resort since the mountain road was first covered by horse-drawn stages out of Salinas.

In the summer of 1949 the resort hotel was destroyed in a forest fire. A number of Watsonville people were there at the time and narrowly escaped serious injury. Cabins now accommodate about 60 people at a time. There is a swimming pool and the resort is noted for its sulphur baths.

Checks taken at Thursday night's meeting were deposited with Gene Dressel of the Salinas Title Guarantee Co. Prader said that others who were unable to attend the meeting were definitely signed up to join in the purchase. If the \$66,000 is not subscribed within 10 days, he said, the property will be offered for sale to the general public.

Louis Gross and Lyman Cox were at the meeting. Dan Driscoll of Gilroy, former Watsonville resident, also attended. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Faul of Carmel, former Watsonville residents, who managed the resort for a season, also were there.

*Watsonville Register Pajaronian*, beginning on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### WORLD FAMOUS TASSAJARA SPRINGS FOR SALE

The steal of the year. The beautiful Tassajara Springs selling for

\$66,000

1/2 down—Terms

World famous for its mineral baths and sunny climate, Tassajara Springs is the ideal summer resort.

A Good Buy . . . A Good Money-Maker  
460 acres located in Monterey County just 45 miles from Carmel. 19 cabins (will accommodate 80 guests) furnished and redecorated, dining room and kitchen, cocktail lounge, soda fountain, swimming pool.

A Sportsman's Paradise

A good trout stream runs right through the property. Excellent deer hunting in the mountains.

Buy It Now! Open May 15th

Call or Write

JACK PRADER

8 1/2 Gabilan St., Salinas, California. Phone 4821

*San Francisco Chronicle*, beginning on April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1951 (also in the *San Francisco Examiner*):

### FOR SALE TASSAJARA SPRINGS SUMMER RESORT

World Famous for its mineral baths and sunny climate. Located in Monterey County, 45 miles from Carmel. 19 cabins, will accommodate 80 guests; dining room and kitchen, cocktail lounge, soda fountain, swimming pool, hunting, wonderful trout streams, 480 acres.

\$66,000

1/2 DOWN, TERMS

A Good Buy, A Good Money Maker

JACK PRADER

8 1/2 Gabilan St. Salinas, Calif.

Phone 4821

*Salinas Californian*, beginning on April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### LOOK NOW For Sale

World Famous Tassajara Hot Springs

The healthful and sunny resort known and enjoyed by people from all over the country.

480 acres, 19 cottages, will accommodate 80 guests, large lobby and dining room, cocktail lounge, swimming pool, hot mineral baths, vapor rooms, outdoor dance floor.

Hunting and fishing paradise.

A beautiful trout stream right at your door.

Buy this now, open May 15th.

EASY TERMS

\$66,000

JACK PRADER

REALTOR

Ph. 4821 8 1/2 Gabilan St.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### LOOK! NOW FOR SALE WORLD FAMOUS TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

The beautiful and sunny resort known and enjoyed by people from all over the country.

480 acres, 19 cottages, will accommodate 80 guests, large lobby and dining room, cocktail lounge, swimming pool, hot mineral baths, vapor rooms, outdoor dance floor.

Hunting and fishing paradise. A beautiful trout stream right at your door.

Buy this now, open on June 1st

Terms—1/2 down, balance payable in 10 years. Will consider leasing for 1 year with first option to buy.

\$66,000

For further information call

JACK PRADER

Phone 4821, evenings 3513 Salinas, Calif.

*Salinas Californian*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### LOOK WHAT A BUY WORLD FAMOUS TASSAJARA SPRINGS SUMMER RESORT

1951; p. 315.

World famous for its hot mineral baths and sunny climate. A real place to relax.

19 cabins, will accommodate 80 guests. Large dining room, liquor license, cocktail lounge, swimming pool, wonderful trout stream. Completely furnished. 480 acres.

Too bad the resort was not open to the public this year—hundreds of guests were ready to go. Buy this wonderful resort NOW and plan for a big 1952 season.

EASY TERMS

10 Years to Pay

Come in and talk it over!

\$66,000

JACK PRADER

REALTOR

Ph. 4821 8½ Gabilan St.

Monterey County Official Records 1334: 219,  
Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

## Helen Terry to Frank and Angela Sappok, the Tassajara Hot Springs, the Horse Pasture and The Pines properties:

GRANT DEED

For value received, Helen G. Terry Grants to B. Frank Sappok and Angela Sappok, his wife, as Joint Tenants, all that real property situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, described as follows:

Southeast quarter of Northwest quarter (SE 1/4 of NW 1/4), North half of Southwest quarter (N 1/2 of SW 1/4) and Southeast quarter of Southwest quarter (SE 1/4 of S 1/4) of Section 28;

East half of Northeast quarter (E 1/2 of NE 1/4), Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter (NW 1/4 of NE 1/4) and Northeast quarter of Northwest quarter (NE 1/4 of NW 1/4) of Section 29;

Northeast quarter (NE 1/4) of Section 32.

All in Township 19 South, Range 4 East of Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 480 acres of land more or less, according to the United States Government Survey thereof.

Dated October 9, 1951.

(signature of Helen Terry)

State of California, County of Monterey ss  
On October 9, 1951, before me, E. J. Drus-

sel, a Notary Public, in and for the said County and State, personally appeared Helen G. Terry, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

(notary's signature, etc.)

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS SOLD BY TERRYS

Tassajara Hot Springs, old-time California resort located in the Santa Lucia Mountains south of Carmel Valley, has been sold by Mr. and Mrs. Phillip Terry to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok, former owners of the Franco Hotel in Castroville and the Carmel Inn.

Terry, one-time screen actor and husband of actress Joan Crawford, and Mrs. Terry, the former Mrs. Ralph Myers of Salinas, will move to Beverly Hills.

The Sappoks, who recently returned from a tour of Europe, will take possession immediately, it was announced by Carol Pindell of Davis and Associates, Salinas advertising agency.

Terms of the sale were not revealed. Jack Prader, Salinas broker, negotiated the transaction.

The Sappoks will remodel the hotel and plan to reopen it May 1. It has long served as a mecca for fishermen and vacationers, since its location is secluded and it offers mineral baths from hot springs.

Salinas Californian, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### SAPPOKS BUY TASSAJARA FROM TERRYS

Mr. and Mrs. Phil Terry today announced the sale of Tassajara Hot Springs to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok. The new owners are well known in this area having formerly owned the Franco Hotel in Castroville and the Carmel Inn in Carmel. They sold their interest in the Franco Hotel two years ago and have recently returned from a five months' tour of Europe.

Mr. and Mrs. Sappok will take immediate possession and are planning extensive remodeling with the objective of opening Tassajara Springs May 1, 1952, for the opening of the fishing season.

The purchase price was not disclosed. The

sale was handled by Jack Prader.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry plan to make their home in Beverly Hills.

Watsonville Register Pajaronian, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS RESORT SOLD

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok, former owners of the Franco Hotel in Castroville and the Carmel Inn in Carmel, have purchased Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County resort well known to Watsonville people. The sale was announced by Mr. and Mrs. Phil Terry. Purchase price was not disclosed.

Mr. and Mrs. Sappok sold their interest in the Franco Hotel two years ago and have recently returned from a five-month tour of Europe.

They will take immediate possession and are planning extensive remodeling aiming to open the resort May 1, 1952, for the start of the fishing season.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry plan to make their home in Beverly Hills. The sale was handled by Jack Prader of Salinas.

Tassajara was not open during the past season while it was up for sale. Last year an effort was made to sell it on a club basis, in which local capital was solicited. This attempt was unsuccessful.

Santa Cruz Sentinel-News, Oct. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1951:

### TASSAJARA RESORT SOLD TO SAPPOKS

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok, former operators of the Franco Hotel in Castroville, have purchased the Tassajara Hot Springs resort in Monterey County from Mr. and Mrs. Phil Terry.

The Sappoks recently returned from a five month tour of Europe and will take immediate possession of Tassajara. After remodeling operations, they plan to open the resort May 1, 1952, coincident with the opening of fishing season. Purchase price was not disclosed by Jack Prader of Salinas, who handled the sale.

Mr. and Mrs. Terry will make their home in Beverly Hills. They had owned the resort for several years and were required to do considerable reconstruction work after a serious fire struck the resort more than two years ago.

## 1952 to 1958, THE FRANK AND ANGELA SAPPOK TENURE; p. 316.

Mr. Sappok was born Oct. 5, 1900, in Germany. He first came to the Monterey Peninsula from his home country in 1928, starting work here as a busboy at the Del Monte Lodge. Within three years he had saved enough money to send for his wife, Angela, and their son, Hans, who was 1 year old when his father left for the United States.

In 1935 the Sappoks bought the Carmel Inn which Mrs. Sappok operated while Mr. Sappok continued at the Lodge, where he had risen to be head waiter. By this time the couple the parents of a daughter,

Dorothea.

Four years later the Sappoks bought the Franco Hotel in Castroville, a venture whose success was assured by the wartime activation of Fort Ord. Shortly after the war they sold the hotel and bought a place in Aptos, and established the Little Brown Jug liquor store in Watsonville.

After Angela Sappok sold Tassajara, she established the Y Restaurant at the intersection of highways 101 and 25 south of Gilroy. She died in Watsonville, at the age of 66, in March of 1966.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, March 12<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

Peninsula Diary

### POTENT POTATOES

By Mayo Hayes O'Donnell

Did you know that if your tobacco gets too dry to make a good smoke, that a small piece of potato placed with it will moisten it? This was the information N. J. Little gave to R. H. Willey in June of 1889, when they, with Adolfo Sanchez and C. H. Rodriguez, camped at Tassajara Hot Springs and Willey complained of the tobacco.

Little then added that that magic was not the only good quality of the potato. He told the group that if a person was afflicted with rheumatism all you would have to do was to take a piece of potato, put it in your pocket and in time it would become petrified and that as long as you "packed the same petrified potato about your person, you would never be troubled with rheumatism." His version of the potato took the camp by storm.

It was on Monday, June 10, 63 years ago, that these four Monterey gentlemen started out on the trip to the Springs which place they reached the next day at five o'clock in the evening. On ascending the Carmel hill, which was much higher and steeper in those days than now, their trouble began. One of the whiffletrees broke. That accident compelled them to send back to Monterey for another wagon. After waiting an hour and a half a fresh wagon was secured and they repacked their blankets, cooking utensils, provisions, rifles, shotguns, munitions of war, fishing rods, etc, and started out again.

The story goes that they camped the first night at the Tularcitos Ranch, turned out their horses in a small field with the permission of the owner, and after partaking of a hearty supper, rolled in their blankets to sleep until five a. m. when they would get an early start on the last lap of the journey.

All the men were up on time but when they went for the horses they were not to be found; they had gone, and the disappointment and indignation of the men knew no bounds. After much talk and search, they were told that the horses had been turned out through a mistake, they having been taken for strays. They were soon found and the journey was resumed at 9 o'clock.

At 11 a. m. they reached the "foot of the grade that takes the traveler over the crooked and narrow road for a distance of 14 miles over rough and rugged mountains until the Springs are reached." Three of the men reported walking up the grade to save the horses who "were about petered out."

"From the top of the grade to the Springs,

the road is hardly wide enough and the turns are so sharp, and the descent so steep that you have to have a good and gentle pair of horses, besides a good driver and good brakes on your wagon, otherwise the least misstep will send team and occupants a thousand feet below."

Mose Mitchell, formerly messenger for Wells Fargo & Co. in Monterey, greeted their arrival and gave them use of his cooking stove for their evening meal. When Willey, Little and Rodriguez left the Springs they left Adolfo Sanchez with Mitchell to recover his health. Sanchez was a pioneer of Monterey and had married Nellie van de Grift, the sister of Mrs. Robert Louis Stevenson. Isabel Fields, the daughter of Mrs. Stevenson, in her book "This Life I've Loved," wrote: "Adolfo Sanchez was the most popular young man in Monterey. He belonged to one of the oldest families there, his father and grandfather having once owned half the county. He was young, extraordinarily handsome, and was gifted with a glorious baritone voice."

On Sunday, June 16, 1889, the Rev. George McCormick of Salinas, held divine services at the hotel, this being the first time divine service had ever been held at the Springs. The meeting was well attended. Among those present were the four men from Monterey, the James McDougall family from Salinas, Mr. Archer and wife—in all 23 persons were in the congregation.

The popular tunes of 1889 must have been the "Arkansas Traveler," "Yankee Doodle," "Rock Me Bye-Baby," for our informant writes: "McDougall of course, brought his fiddle along with him to Tassajara and kept camp lively discoursing occasionally sweet melodies," such as those above mentioned.

The travelers arrived in Monterey and reported "feeling greatly improved from having taken the sulphur baths at the Springs."

*Salinas Californian*, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

### SAPPOKS WILL OPEN TASSAJARA SPRINGS

TASSAJARA—Announcement was made today by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok, the new owners, that Tassajara Springs will be open this season. They expect to have the resort in readiness to receive fishing parties for opening day of the season, May 3.

Mr. and Mrs. Sappok are well known in the hotel and restaurant business in Monterey County. They are the former owners of the Franco Hotel in Castroville and the Carmel Inn in Carmel. They purchased the Springs from Mr. and Mrs. Phil Terry last fall. The Terrys have returned to Southern California.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, March 28<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

### TASSAJARA PLANS OPENING BY MAY

Tassajara Hot Springs, which since the early days has been a vacation resort for Watsonville people, will be reopened this season, according to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok, new owners.

They said they expect to have the resort in readiness to receive fishing parties for the opening day of fishing season, May 3.

Former owners of the Franco Hotel in Castroville and the Carmel Inn in Carmel, Mr. and Mrs. Sappok purchased Tassajara last fall from Mr. and Mrs. Phil Terry, who have returned to Southern California.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Fishermen will be welcome on opening day (May 3) at the Tassajara Springs, about 40 miles from Carmel in the Carmel River Valley, according to the Frank Sappoks, new owners.

From 'Proceedings of the Board of Supervisors, March 24, 1954,' *Salinas Californian*, April 18<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

Aromas California Grange No. 361 and B. Frank Sappok are granted dance permits covering the Grange Hall, Aromas and Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, *Salinas Californian*, *San Francisco Chronicle*, *Santa Cruz Sentinel-News*, and the *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, from May 2<sup>nd</sup> onward during the guest season of 1952 (in the *Chronicle* "Just 40 Miles from Carmel" replaces "B. F. & Angela Sappok, Managing Owners":

FAMOUS

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

NOW OPEN FOR THE SEASON

Relax and Play in the Sun

This famous old hot springs has been a popular vacation spot with Californians for generations.

Swimming, Hunting, Fishing, Horses, Square Dancing in the Evenings, Mineral Baths, Massage, Children's Playgrounds. There's something for everyone to enjoy at...

TASSAJARA SPRINGS

B. F. & Angela Sappok, Managing Owners  
Phone Tassajara 1. P. O. Box 577, Salinas, Calif.

From 'News Brief Roundup,'  
*Salinas Californian*, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1952:

Among the local residents who officially "opened" Tassajara Springs over the long

week-end were Mrs. A. Sconberg and Terry and Bruce, Mr. Garth Lacey and daughter, Marcia, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Drussell, Mr. Louis Nissen, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Prader, Miss Betty Prader, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Williams, Miss Marion Dougherty, Mrs. Alice Osterheld, Mr. and Mrs. John Nissen and family, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Rhyner, Mr. and Mrs. F. Aliano, Mr. Milton Hitchcock and Mr. Herb Brown.

Carmel Valley and peninsula guests included in the 51 registered were Mr. Ben Wetzel, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Brownell, Mr. and Mrs. C. Jones, the Arthur McEwens, Mrs. Paul Chase and daughter and Mrs. J. Arnold and daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Cox were over from Watsonville.

From 'Mac's Memos' (by H. D. McKay), *Salinas Californian*, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

Last item—"Lunch looks poorer at 4 a. m." It does. Spreading deviled egg on cold damp bread at that hour is for stronger stomachs than ours. Add an orange and what have you got. Later in the day, deep in the canyon where the Tassajara flows, those sandwiches were the most delicious food we've ever tasted.

Ummn!

This was our first trip to Tassajara. Stan Kammerer, fellow ad man from the *Californian*, together with yours truly, started out Sunday to fish on the Cahoon ranch at Jamesburg. Somehow we ended up at the Chew's Ridge lookout—elev. 5060 feet—and decided to carry on. Figured there had to be a stream in the bottom of one of those canyons.

Six miles and 5050 feet lower we were greeted by Frank and Angela Sappok who now run the resort, Tassajara, known to generations of Salinas Valley people (the number of folks who remember going to Tassajara by stagecoach is growing hourly, the only exception is our society editor, Dorothy Vera, who rode in and out on horseback—first time on a horse at that). Indians first discovered Tassajara Hot Springs centuries ago and the whole tribe used to go there every summer to dry "jerky" (that's what the man said).

Last Sunday everyone was having more fun than a barrel of monkeys—swimming pool, fishing, vapor baths, good food. But nobody drying "jerky."

*Salinas Californian*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

### JUDGE JEFFERY RESCUES YOUTH FROM HIGH CLIFF AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Heroic rescue of a 17-year old Monterey youth from a cliff-side bush 600 feet up Flag Rock at Tassajara Springs took place before an audience of 85 week-end vacationers late Saturday night and early Sunday morning.

The young mountain climber, Jerald McDonald, was climbing down the steep rock when he slipped and fell 50 feet onto the meager brush outcropping, according to witnesses. His cries for help attracted the attention of the vacationers.

Salinas Municipal Court Judge J. A. Jeffery, who was spending the weekend at the resort, and Edwin Driscoll, a Monterey youth, ascended the 800-foot cliff with ropes and flashlights.

#### Judge Reaches Boy

Reaching the outcropping in a record 35 minutes, the rescue party of two was forced to search almost an hour for a position to anchor the rope before Judge Jeffery made the hand-over-hand descent to the tapped boy.

W. J. Redding of King City, one of the witnesses, said Judge Jeffery was unable on his first try to secure the youth for the rescue. He talked to him and explained that the rescue would be "easy" and not to be frightened.

Climbing back up the steep incline, Judge Jeffery found a new position for young Driscoll, who then served as a human anchor with the rope wrapped around his body and arms, Judge Jeffery descended again and started young McDonald up the rope. He then coached him on the upward climb and waited until the boy had reached safety before making the second ascent himself.

#### Youth Not Injured

Mr. Redding said the McDonald youth would have fallen at least 75 feet onto a rocky ledge if he had slipped from the brush. He was not injured seriously, suffering only bruises and scratches, according to all reports.

The youth slipped and fell about 9 p. m. Saturday. He was escorted down the rock shortly after 1 a. m. yesterday.

Mr. Redding said the boy had been hiking around the cliff with two unidentified companions after dinner Saturday. It was a bright moonlight night and he decided to climb the towering rock. His companions turned back. He climbed to the top and was on his way down when the accident occurred.

The McDonald youth was vacationing with the Cliff Jones' of Monterey. It was understood that young McDonald's mother is in Europe.

*Salinas Californian*, July 19<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

### CAR IS STOLEN

Theft of his coupe from Tassajara Springs about 2 a. m. today was reported to highway patrolmen by Frank Thomas, a cook at the resort.

*Salinas Californian*, July 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1952:

### MONTEREY MAN PLEADS GUILTY

Fred Therman Colton of Monterey pleaded guilty to a burglary charge when arraigned before Judge Anthony Brazil in superior court this morning.

Colton, who was not represented by counsel, requested a probation hearing which was set for Aug. 6. He is being held at the county jail pending his hearing. He was accused of burglarizing a unit at Tassajara Springs on July 18, according to the complaint filed by the district attorney's office.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1952 (headline):

### WOMAN KILLED NEAR TASSAJARA

#### AUTO PLUNGES OFF ROAD

A Watsonville woman was killed instantly yesterday when the brakes on her car failed to hold and the '46 model plunged 800 feet from the Tassajara Hot Springs Road into the canyon below.

Mrs. Mildred Lucille Soldo, 37, of 116 California Street, Watsonville, was killed seconds after she told her husband the brakes weren't holding and frantically attempted to halt the car's wild run by ramming it into the bank.

This failed and the car smashed over an embankment and down the almost sheer precipice. Mrs. Soldo was thrown out after the car had fallen about 300 feet.

Monterey County Coroner Elmer Machado said she apparently died instantly from head injuries.

The husband, Andrew Soldo, 48, is in the Peninsula Community Hospital where his injuries are described as painful but not critical. He received many abrasions in his 800 foot roll to the bottom of the canyon and may have some fractured bones, but X-ray results are not yet known.

Soldo, who was dazed and injured, couldn't find his wife's body as he struggled up the hill, so he worked his way to the top and began running and walking to Tassajara, about three miles to the south. The accident occurred about 5 p. m., and Soldo reached Tassajara at 6:15 p. m.

He was taken to Carmel by ambulance and Machado and California Highway Patrol officers began the task of getting Mrs. Soldo's body to the road. With the aid of a winch-equipped jeep this was finally accomplished at midnight.

Machado reported that the couple had been involved in another accident between Gilroy and San Jose about two weeks ago. At that time they were sent to a hospital for a short time. Their car had been demolished, and while waiting delivery of a new one, they had been loaned the auto Mrs. Soldo was driving yesterday.

Soldo said his wife had driven the Tassajara Road several times and was familiar with it, but when the brakes went out she was unable to do anything.

They had planned to spend some time at Tassajara so he could recover completely from the previous accident.

Mrs. Soldo was the Watsonville director of the Yugoslav radio program which was aired over KHUB in Watsonville and KLOK in San Jose. It is a native music and language program.

Her body was taken to the Muller Mortuary in Salinas and funeral arrangements are being made through Mehl's Funeral Home in Watsonville.

In addition to her husband, Mrs. Soldo leaves a son, Andrew Soldo Jr. of Watsonville; a daughter, Mrs. John U. Jurchan of San Francisco; her mother, Mrs. Anna Banich of

Chicago; and two sisters, Mrs. Anthony Arbunich and Mrs. Steve Frost of Watsonville.

*Salinas Californian*, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1952 (headline):

## WOMAN KILLED AS CAR PLUNGES INTO CANYON

### BRAKES FAIL ON TASSAJARA ROAD

Mrs. Mildred L. Soldo, 27, Watsonville, Is Victim; Husband Is Seriously Hurt But Walks Three Miles to Summon Help

Highway patrolmen today blamed faulty brakes for an accident on the Tassajara Springs Road yesterday afternoon which took the life of a Watsonville woman and injured her husband seriously. Victim of the one-car accident was Mildred Lucille Soldo, 37, of 116 California Street, Watsonville. Mrs. Soldo was known in the central coast area for her work as director of the Yugoslav radio programs on Watsonville and San Jose radio stations.

She was killed at 5 p. m., when the borrowed car she was driving went out of control three miles from the Tassajara resort, plunged over an embankment and rolled 800 feet into a canyon, according to Coroner Elmer L. Machado.

Her husband, Andrew Soldo, a passenger in the car, received major injuries but crawled up the steep embankment and back to the resort where help was summoned. He is in a critical condition in the Carmel Hospital, according to patrolmen.

He told officers that his wife was thrown from the car when it bounced about 300 feet down the grade. He was trapped in the car until it came to rest 500 feet beyond where his wife was thrown out.

Mr. Soldo was unable to find his wife's body and went on for help. He arrived at the lodge one hour and 15 minutes after the accident occurred.

#### In Previous Accident

He told Coroner Machado that he and his wife had been in another accident about a month ago and that the borrowed car was being used until their personal car was repaired. Both Mr. and Mrs. Soldo were hospitalized after the earlier accident, according to the report.

Coroner Machado said the Soldos were familiar with the Tassajara Road, having visited the resort only a few weeks ago.

The injured husband related how his wife told him the brakes were not holding and then how she attempted to stop it. Her efforts were in vain and the car shot over the embankment, he said.

The victim's body was taken to the Muller Mortuary in Salinas where funeral arrangements are pending.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*,  
Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1952 (headline):

## CAR PLUNGES OVER 800 FOOT CLIFF; WOMAN KILLED

### HUSBAND CRITICALLY INJURED

A Watsonville woman was killed Tuesday afternoon and her husband, although critically

injured, climbed 700 feet up a sheer canyon wall and walked 3½ miles for help, highway patrolmen reported.

Dead is Mrs. Mildred Lucille Soldo, 37, 116 California Street, director of the Yugoslav radio programs broadcast by stations KHUB and KLOK.

In Carmel Community Hospital with reported major injuries is her husband Andrew Soldo, 48. Hospital spokesmen said Soldo's condition is "good" but the extent of his injuries is not yet known.

Patrolmen said the brakes on a 1946 sedan driven by Mrs. Soldo apparently gave out on a turn on Tassajara Hot Springs Road at 5 p. m. The car struck a bank and then plunged over the edge of a steep 800 foot embankment.



Margaret Lucille Soldo

Mrs. Soldo was thrown from the car 300 feet down and killed instantly. Her husband remained in the vehicle until it landed in the bottom of the canyon and then crawled painfully up the hill. Despite his injuries he walked more than three miles into Tassajara for help, then collapsed.

Monterey county coroner Elmer Machado reported the accident as the second to befall the Soldos in less than a month. He said they suffered minor injuries in a wreck on Highway 101 between Gilroy and San Jose and were hospitalized for short time.

Machado and highway patrolmen worked until midnight to recover Mrs. Soldo's body, which was finally brought up the face of the cliff with the aid of a winch-equipped truck.

Soldo told patrolmen his wife was familiar with the steep, curving road, having driven it less than a month ago. He said she told him the brakes weren't working just before the car began its wild trip down the mountainside.

Machado said the car was one loaned to the Soldos by a local auto firm while they were awaiting delivery of a new one. Their own car as demolished in the Highway 101 accident, he said.

Mrs. Soldo was reportedly driving her husband to Tassajara Hot Springs, where he planned a rest period to recover from the effects of the first accident.

The body was taken to Muller's mortuary in Salinas. Funeral arrangements are pending at Mehl's mortuary here.

Mrs. Soldo leaves a daughter, Mrs. John Jurchan of San Francisco; a son, Andrew Robert Soldo Jr. of Watsonville; her mother, Mrs. Anna Banich of Chicago, Ill., and two sisters, Mrs. Anthony Arbunich and Mrs. Steve Frost, both of Watsonville.

Mrs. Soldo also leaves two brothers, Jack and John Banich of Chicago and several nieces and nephews.

She was a native of Chicago and came to Watsonville in March 1948. She was a member of the Croatian Fraternal Union, Catholic Daughters, American Legion auxiliary and Culinary Workers' Union local 335.

*Salinas Californian*, Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

## OKLAHOMA MAN SENTENCED TO STATE PRISON

Fred T. Calton, 23, of Spavinaw, Okla., was sentenced to San Quentin Prison this morning when he appeared before Judge Anthony Brazil for judgment on a burglary charge.

Calton, who worked in this area as a dishwasher, was accused of stealing a radio, wrist watch, silver money clip and \$60 from guests at Tassajara Springs July 18. He was arrested by Monterey police shortly after the crime was reported. According to testimony presented in court this morning, Calton has served time for two felonies in the past.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

## CAR PLUNGES 800 FEET— WOMAN KILLED

Special to *The Chronicle*

CARMEL, Aug. 6—A Watsonville woman was killed last night when her car plunged 800 feet down a canyon wall on the Tassajara Hot Springs Road 32 miles southeast of here.

Mildred Lucille Soldo, 37, was driving to the Tassajara resort with her husband, Andrew, 48. Heading down an incline she called out that brakes were not gripping. A moment later she tried to swerve the car into an embankment, but the auto ran over the top and plunged downward.

Mrs. Soldo was thrown out the car 300 feet below the road, and her husband, who remained in the vehicle, was carried another 500 feet.

Bruised and badly cut, Soldo walked the three miles to Tassajara for help.

Soldo was taken to Peninsula Community Hospital here, where his condition is fair. He told police he and his wife were injured only three weeks ago in an automobile crash near Gilroy.

*San Francisco Examiner*, Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1952:

## CAR GOES OFF 800-FT. CLIFF; WOMAN DIES, MATE INJURED

MONTEREY, Aug. 6.—The body of a 37 year old woman whose auto plunged 800 feet down a mountain was found thirty miles south-east of here early today.

Her husband miraculously survived the almost sheer drop with only minor injuries.

The dead woman was Mildred Lucille Soldo, a radio broadcaster from Watsonville.

The accident occurred yesterday afternoon three miles from Tassajara Hot Springs, where the couple was going to convalesce from injuries suffered in another auto mishap two weeks ago, near San Jose.

They were using a borrowed car while awaiting delivery of a new auto.

The victim's husband, Andrew, 48, a cook, said his wife was driving yesterday.

"She said the brakes wouldn't work. Then she tried to stop the car against the side of the cliff. It bounced off and we went over," Soldo declared.

Soldo said his wife was thrown from the car about 300 feet down. He fell all the way.

Soldo crawled up the mountain to the road and tried to flag help. When no cars came by, he walked into Tassajara Hot Springs.

Mrs. Soldo conducted the Yugoslavian Hour KHUB in Watsonville and KLOK in San Jose.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald, Aug. 7th, 1952:*

### TASSAJARA BURGLAR SENT TO PRISON

Fred T. Calton, 23, of Oklahoma, has been sent to San Quentin after pleading guilty to burglary charges.

He was sentenced yesterday by Superior Judge Anthony Brazil in Salinas.

Calton was arrested after he had stolen money and a car from a chef at Tassajara Hot Springs on July 18. Officers apprehended him in a Seaside motel.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, Aug. 8th, 1952:*

### SOLDO RESTING IN LOCAL HOSPITAL

Andrew Soldo, 48, 116 California Street, was reported resting comfortably and in "good" condition at Watsonville Community Hospital Friday morning.

He was injured and Mrs. Soldo killed when the car in which they were riding plunged 800 feet into a canyon off Tassajara Hot Springs Road Tuesday.

Soldo climbed more than 700 feet up the canyon and walked 3½ miles to the resort for help. Spokesmen at the hospital here said his injuries are mostly cuts and bruises with some ribs possibly broken.

*Salinas Californian, Aug. 8th, 1952:*

### CORONOR REPORTS TASSAJARA ROAD SAFE FOR DRIVING

Coroner Elmer L. Machado, in response to numerous inquires about the Tassajara Springs road, said today that the road in his opinion is safe if drivers use ordinary mountain driving caution.

The inquires resulted from the publicity given the fatal accident on the road Sunday night in which a Watsonville woman was killed and her husband seriously injured. Coroner and highway patrolmen both caution drivers planning mountain driving to have the

mechanical condition, especially the brakes, checked.

*Salinas Californian, Oct. 30th, 1952:*

### \$122,113 ASKED FOR ACCIDENT ON TASSAJARA SPRINGS ROAD

Fatal automobile accident on Tassajara Hot Springs Road Aug. 5 is the basis of a \$122,113.08 complaint for damages filed in the Monterey County Clerk's office here. In the complaint Andrew Soldo alleged that the car sold to him by Irvin Louis Koppel and Gerald Foster Marcus, representing the Portola Motors Company, defendants, was equipped with defective brakes.

The one-car accident resulted in the death of Mildred Soldo and in injuries to the plaintiff, Andrew Soldo. The complaint seeks \$100,839.64 as compensation for the death, \$21,273.94 for injuries and damage sustained by the plaintiff plus costs of the suit. Attorney for the plaintiff is Donald Grunsky of Watsonville.

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*Salinas Californian, Feb. 10th, 1953:*

### DAMAGE CASE IS SETTLED

Settlement of a \$122,000 superior court damage complaint scheduled to be tried by a jury here today was announced late yesterday by attorneys handling the case. The complaint, arising from a fatal car crash on the Tassajara Hot Springs road Aug. 5, was that of Andrew Soldo of Watsonville and his two children against Irvin Louis Koppel and Gerald F. Marcus, of the Portola Motors Company. Mrs. Soldo was injured fatally in the crash.

Terms of the settlement were not announced.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, Feb. 11th, 1953:*

### SETTLEMENT MADE IN \$122,000 ACTION

A \$122,000 damage suit by a Watsonville man has been settled out of court, it was announced Tuesday just as the case was about to go to trial in Monterey Superior Court.

Donald L. Grunsky, attorney for Andrew Soldo and his two children, said a settlement had been reached, subject to the approval by the court, of payments for the benefit of the minors. Soldo had sued Portola Motors after the 1946 car he was driving plunged off the Tassajara Road last Aug. 5, killing Mrs. Soldo. Terms of the settlement were not revealed.

From 'Mac's Memos' (by H. D. McKay), *Salinas Californian, May 6th, 1953:*

Hardly a year ago we were singing the praises of Tassajara Springs, nearby Monterey County vacation spot, and to hear us tell about it you'd think we were the first to discover this spot that's been "popular with Californians for thousands of years" (a mighty catchy slogan which stems from the fact that the early Indians used to vacation there).

Last weekend we went back again for the opening of trout season. Although we caught a couple of limits, we lost out on the prize awarded for the biggest trout. Vic Johnson,

artichoke grower from Castroville and an enthusiastic subscriber of the *Californian*, took the honors.

If you like to fish so much the better. If you don't, Tassajara is still a wonderful place to go. Don't take our word for it—of all the guests there we found ourself the least frequent visitor. John Lyons of Castroville started going there over 23 years ago. George Freiermuth of Watsonville has been vacationing there 40 years.

We're happy to report that the road in to Tassajara is better than ever, the food is delicious, the scenery magnificent, and the host, Frank Sappok, as gracious as you'll find.

*Salinas Californian, May 8th, 1953:*

### TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS NOW OPEN

Health, Sun and Fun! Rates start at \$8 daily. Meals and baths included.

(Special Weekly Rates)

For Reservations Phone Tassajara No. 1

*San Francisco Chronicle, May 24th, 1953:*

### BAD ROADS KEEP THE TIMID AWAY FROM THE SPRINGS BELOW MONTEREY

By Constance Christopher

If an unspoiled yet challenging Shangri-la preoccupies your escapist dreams, you could select no better fulfillment than the ancient sanctuary of Tassajara, in the heart of Los Padres National Forest, just 45 miles south of California's Monterey Peninsula.

Tassajara is a rugged Paradise, 1538 feet above the sea, encircled by the 5000-foot peaks of the Santa Lucia Mountains.

In the course of your visit in Tassajara, you may have to honk a giraffe or an elephant out of the road. Should this happen, you will be able to affirm a story, hitherto apocryphal, to effect at some indefinite date, a circus ship was wrecked on the Pacific Coast eight miles to the west, and the animals escaped into the Tassajara country where they were seen subsequently roaming for many years. They were seen, of course, always by somebody else!

The trip to Tassajara demands both car and driver be in good condition—plenty of oil in the former, none whatever in the latter. The route has been known to induce silence in chronic back seat drivers.

Experts advise that the long pull begin no later than 7 a. m., especially during the summer months. Otherwise the car may over-heat to the danger point.

The Indians discovered Tassajara. They built mud sweat houses over its hot sulphur springs and ascribed wonderful curative powers to these treatments. In the 90s bebuggled ladies and mustachioed gentlemen shared the Indians enthusiasm for the waters and Tassajara was a Western counterpart of fashionable European spas.

Although the health-giving attributes of the waters are a moot point, the waters do cure leaky pipes. It was found that if leaky pipe were bound with rags for a few days, the pipe was automatically healed and the pipe leaked no more!

Local Legends

The Indians have their version of the springs origin. According to the legend, the favorite of the sun god was a handsome In-dian youth who could see his enemies a day away and could even watch the grass grow. His sister became ill and after seeking a medicine man in vain, the brother decided to take his sister to the Big Water (the Pacific Ocean) where he thought she might regain her strength.

By the time the two arrived at Tassajara, the sister became so ill that they could proceed no farther. Thereupon the lad offered his life to the sun god if only his sister might be cured. Immediately the youth became cold and rigid and the noonday sun blackened out.

The sister noticed that from the dissolving form of her brother hot tears issued. Thereupon she fell in grief over his body and their tears mingled—the tears that continue to issue from the hot springs!

When the Spanish discovered the place, they called it Agua Caliente, naturally! In recent times, however, the old name has been revived. Romantic though the moniker sounds, Tassajara translates to a prosaic "place where meat is cured by drying it in the sun."

To get to the Tassajara country, your first automotive target is Jamesburg, a tiny settlement containing a post office, old hotel and a home or two. Thence you proceed up the north slope of Chew's Ridge through fern forests and big cone pine stands.

Atop Chew's Ridge, 5060 feet up, you will be able to survey the panorama of mountain ranges ringing your lookout post on all sides—spikes and spires, almost grotesque yet with the gaunt beauty of California ranges.

Arriving at China Camp, you will confront your hour of decision. Here is where the faint-hearted decide not to go on. There is no turning back once you have set your wheels on the tortuous trail down into Tassajara. You will descend from 5060 feet elevation to 1538 feet elevation in eight miles. It's low-gear driving.

The road winds and twists and, towards the end, appears to have convulsive seizures. Occasional potholes, spawned by rain and erosion, add to the questionable interest of the trail, immeasurably compounding the delightful jeopardy.

You will come to a grateful journey's end in the steepest, narrowest part of the canyon. There in the confluence of mountain-born Tassajara and Church creeks, are the hot springs (temperature 160 degrees) rising from the icy mainstream.

Hotel accommodations are available at the Springs.

Indian Caves

From Tassajara, you can hike to the lookout stations atop the surrounding mountain peaks, Ventana Cone, Black Butte, Chew's Ridge. Near Church Creek summit there are Indian

caves and pictographs.

Even if you don't glimpse the aforementioned giraffes and elephants, you will certainly see many black-tailed deer. Mountain lions are numerous, too, as are European wild hogs which were imported to the area and have developed a ferocity that often causes them to attach a man on horseback without hesitation.

Coyotes howl at night. Quail, fat and dowager-shaped, with their little ones, exact duplicates in miniature, will cross the trail. According to those who know the area, rattlesnakes are comparatively scarce.

The Forest Service stocks the mountain streams with trout fry and the fishing is said to be utopian.

The authorities issue a cordial and cautious invitation to the public to take advantage of the wilderness recreational facilities in the forest. Permits are required for fires and every camping party must tote a shovel with overall length of not less than 36 inches, and blade 8 inches wide. Also an axe, over length not less than 26 inches and head with minimum weight of two pounds.

No Neon

Special smoking rules also pertain and campers are admonished to respect all Closed Area signs.

In administering the forest, the Forest Service has adopted a policy of keeping civilization at bay, conceding only to the installation of minimum indispensable amenities.

If you really want a vacation from neon, juke boxes and television, you will find a Tassajara interlude entirely fulfilling your specifications.

From the 'News Brief Roundup' column, *Salinas Californian*, Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

Week-end guests at Tassajara Hot Springs from Watsonville were Miss Josephine Holohan, Mrs. Julia W. Sullivan, Mrs. Lucy Secondo, Mr. Mike Resetar, Mr. M. Butier, Mr. E. Toroni, Mr. L. Arbanas and Mr. T. Arbanas and son.

Salinas persons enjoying the week-end at Tassajara were Mr. and Mrs. J. O. Gambetta, Mr. S. K. Rhodes and family, Mr. Walter Christensen and family, Mr. Otto Kusterer and Mr. J. P. Holm.

Tassajara visitors from Monterey were Adm. Robert Braddy, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Ross, Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Appleton, Mr. Charles Stanyan and family, Mr. William Hellam and family and Mr. John Hellam.

San Francisco visitors were Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wright and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Cannon, who also stayed at Tassajara.

From the 'News Brief Roundup' column, *Salinas Californian*, Aug. 13<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

Week-end guests at Tassajara Hot Springs were Mr. Walter Christensen and family, Mr. Carl Mortensen and family, Mr. Elmer Machado and family, Mr. B. N. Young and family, Mr. John Burritt and family, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Prader, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Russell, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Drussel, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gregg, Mr. and Mrs. John Nielsen, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nielson, Mr. and Mrs. Hans Jespersen, Mr.

and Mrs. Chris Machado, Mrs. Jim Bardin, Mrs. A. Breschini, Mr. Bob Proctor, Mr. Stan Kammerer and Mr. Dick Caswell.

From Watsonville at Tassajara over the week-end were Mr. Nick Butier, Mr. Frank Scrivani, Mr. L. N. Hansen, Mr. Clement Ivelich, Mr. M. Posts, Mr. P. Sivanovich and Mr. E. Toroni.

Castroville residents of Tassajara were Ralph Markum and family, Mr. Albert Pieri and family and Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Cursi.

Others spending the week-end at Tassajara were Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Todt of Berkeley, Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Roy of San Diego, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Turner of Riverside and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chapman of Tracy.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, guest season of 1953:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

In the beautiful Santa Lucia Mountains. Natural vapor and health giving mineral waters. Swimming, hiking, hunting, fishing, sun and fun. Rates start at \$8.00 per day, 3 meals included. For reservations phone Tassajara 1 or write P. O. Box 577, Salinas, Calif.

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*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

**TASSAJARA  
HOT SPRINGS  
OPEN  
MAY 1st**

*Salinas Californian*, April 27<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS  
OPENS  
MAY 1st  
(Special Weekly Rates)  
FOR RESERVATIONS  
Phone Tassajara No. 1**

*Salinas Californian*, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1954:

**TASSAJARA  
HOT SPRINGS  
NOW OPEN**

Health, Sun and Fun! Rates start at \$8 daily. Meals and baths included. (Special Weekly Rates) For Reservations Phone Tassajara No. 1

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, June 21<sup>st</sup>, 1954:

**The Sun Is  
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Salinas Californian, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

**MANY VISIT TASSAJARA  
ON 4th HOLIDAYS**

Tassajara Hot Springs had a capacity crowd during the Independence holiday weekend, according to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok and their daughter, Dorothy.

Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Christensen and family, Mr. and Mrs. John Nielsen, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Prader, Mr. and Mrs. Harvey E. Berkuist, Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Wallace, Mr. Stan Kammerer and Miss Mary Peters, all of Salinas.

Mrs. Elmer Zanetta and daughters, Marie Virginia and Fidella, Mr. and Mrs. Allan Yager and Mr. and Mrs. Al Brown and family, Monterey; Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Fiels, Mr. and Mrs. Dick Wells, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bishop and son, Mr. and Mrs. J. Woods and Miss Florence Brooks, Pacific Grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed O'Donnell and family, Mr. H. B. Scott, Mr. L. P. Cox, Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Dethiefsen, Mr. and Mrs. George Friermuth and grandsons Jay and John, all of Watsonville.

Judge J. L. Atteridge, Santa Cruz; M. E. Driscoll and sons, Gilroy; Mrs. Kay D. Jewell, Dr. and Mrs. S. Shields, Mr. and Mrs. Emil Walter, Mrs. S. Davidson and sister, and Mr. and Mrs. Joe Seashore and family, Houston, Tex.; and Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Burrows and grandchildren, Nancy, Patsy, Dick and Bob, San Francisco.

Salinas Californian, Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

**URANIUM FOUND AT  
TASSAJARA**

Discovery of uranium in the Tassajara Hot Springs area was reported today. Frank B. Sappok, who owns the hot springs, and his wife, reported that three miners from Modesto made the survey with Geiger counters and nuclear (radiation) meters. He said they found better than one per cent surface ore at the Springs with the best reading across from the vapor bath house.

Mr. Sappok said he has his attorney conferring on a lease possibility with the three miners, who operate a uranium mine at Modesto. He said they were in the Tassajara area last week and are expected to return from Modesto today or tomorrow for further surveys.

Mr. Sappok explained that the miners have staked out about 2,000 acres in the Los Padres Forest from Tassajara to Chew's Ridge. He said the men reported there were good indications of uranium ore in the entire area.

Samples of surface rock are being assayed to determine quality, Mr. Sappok explained. The miners reported that uranium usually loses its strength on the surface, Mr. Sappok said.

Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, Dec. 17<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

**URANIUM REPORTED  
FOUND NEAR TASSAJARA**

Discovery of traces of uranium in the Tassajara Hot Springs area of Monterey County has been reported by Frank B. Sappok, operator of the resort and former resident of Watsonville.

Sappok said three miners from Modesto made a survey with Geiger counters and found better than one percent surface ore at the Springs. Best reading was across from the vapor bath-house. The area is well known to many Watsonville people who have spent vacations at Tassajara for many years.

Sappok reported he is conferring with his attorney on a lease possibly with the three miners who operate a uranium mine at Modesto. They were expected to return for further surveys.

He said they staked out about 2,000 acres in the Los Padres forest from Tassajara to Chew's Ridge and that they told him there were good indications of uranium ore in the entire area.

Samples of the surface rock are being assayed to determine quality.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Dec. 28<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

**REPORT OF URANIUM STRIKE  
LURES PROSPECTORS TO  
HILLS**

By Earl Hofeldt

Uranium hunters, in considerable force, today were toting Geiger counters and trudging over the rugged Chew's Ridge area, about 30 miles above Carmel Valley and 45 miles southeast of Monterey.

Whether this actually is a uranium "rush" remains doubtful. There are many men, perhaps several hundred, beating the bushes in this wilderness near Tassajara Hot Springs, but many of these are pigeon hunters.

But there has been a definite flurry of mining claims being filed in the county's recorder's office in Salinas. County Recorder Emmet McMenamin described this activity as a "mad rush."

He said about 20 claims have been filed in just in the last few days on this government-owned Los Padres National Forest property which McMenamin said is "open territory as far as filing of claims is concerned."

First news of a possible strike in the Tassajara region came out about Dec. 2 when a man identified as Robert L. Steele of Fresno filed several claims in the Los Padres Forest.

General interest, however, failed to jell until this past weekend after it was reported that certain of Steele's assays indicated he "had something."

Johnny Johansen, deputy sheriff in the Carmel Valley area, said he met with Steele last Sunday and said Steele told him that assays showed his ore was of "commercial grade."

Steele had nine claims staked out, Johansen said, and had placed some monuments right

against Tassajara Road. He was planning to stake out several more claim, Johansen added.

The uranium "belt" at the moment, apparently lies in a three or four mile area between Chew's Ridge and Tassajara, on the right side of the road to persons driving in the direction of the hot springs. This is some of the wildest country in the Coast Range.

Grant Risdon of Carmel Valley is one of the men who has caught the uranium fever. With Walter Setzer of Pacific Grove, he said he trekked over the area yesterday with a Geiger counter, and said he "got some counts, of 10, which is very high."

The uranium strike is making a lively source of conversation among valley residents. But the village didn't exactly resemble a jumping off place for the Yukon last night.

One bartender said he hadn't even seen any customers, let alone uranium miners. Another tavern owner said he had several men in who were talking about going to Tassajara but there was nothing yet that smacked of a real big discovery in the mountains.

Mrs. W. G. Lambert, who lives on the Olson Ranch, bordering the Los Padres Forest, said "an awful lot people have been going past our place to the forest, but we don't know if they are uranium hunters or just pigeon hunters" (this is pigeon season).

It is virtually impossible to guess the number of men hunting uranium. Risdon said he and Setzer met at least 50 men while they were prospecting yesterday. Deputy Johansen estimated there were between 500 and 1,000 men in the region over the weekend.

Another valley resident said he thought there were about 150 men staying overnight (a very cold proposition these nights) in the "strike-zone."

Another source said the entire road from Tassajara to Jamesburg is staked out, with miners moving into the area in trucks, horses and some afoot. All have packs and tents and are carrying Geiger counters, he said.

Agents in charge of the U. S. Geological Survey office in Menlo Park, which handles assays for the Atomic Energy Commission and prospectors, were not available for comment today on the Tassajara situation.

The United States now pays a bonus of \$30,000 for uranium of at least 20 tons of ore averaging out 20 percent uranium or better, delivered at the mill in Moab, Utah. The bonus is in addition to the market price for the ore. The market price ranges from \$3.50 per ton starting with ore of one-tenth of one percent uranium.

Salinas Californian, Dec. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

**23 CLAIMS ON  
URANIUM FILED HERE**

An Atascadero family appeared today to have made important discoveries in the current uranium "rush" in the Tassajara Hot Springs area of the Los Padres National Forest.

Eight mining claims were filed Monday by Max A. Pennington in the recorder's office here at the courthouse. Other members of the group were C. E. and Buck Pennington, all of



Atascadero.

This brought the total number of claims filed in the Tassajara area in the last eight days to 23. The "rush" started Dec. 20, when six claims were filed. Ten were filed Monday, although there was none reported yesterday.

The first to file a claim was Robert L. Steele of Fresno, on Dec. 2. The area is between Chew's Ridge and Tassajara.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

## U. S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OFFICE DAMPENS HOPES OF URANIUM HUNTERS

TASSAJARA SAMPLES  
'NOT TOO FAVORABLE'

"Slight radioactivity above normal," was reported today in ore samples taken from the Tassajara area where several uranium prospectors have been trudging about of late with Geiger counters and other devices.

The report was given by an official of the U. S. Geological Survey office in Menlo Park which has received ore samples from the area, located roughly 30 miles above Carmel Valley.

He added that the samples "do not appear too favorable" in uranium-bearing quality, although ore in the area is quite similar to that found in other sections of the U. S. where there are known uranium deposits.

The spokesman stressed that his report must be considered unofficial, adding that any official statement should come from the Atomic Energy Commission office in Salt Lake City.

He added that he was unable to release specific information about the ore samples he received, what their assay value was, or who submitted them, as "this data is all confidential."

Robert Steele, a prospector from Fresno who has staked claims in the Tassajara Hot Springs area, reportedly has stated that he had some ore samples assayed, and they came back labeled as "commercial grade."

*Salinas Californian*, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

## 2 MORE URANIUM CLAIMS FILED HERE

Two more mining claims in the Tassajara district, where discoveries of uranium have been reported, were filed this morning here at the courthouse by Monterey Peninsula residents.

One claim was by George C. Kavanaugh of Pacific Grove and the other by Howard B. Knapp and William C. Kennedy of the army language school at Monterey.

No claims were filed yesterday, following an eight-day spurt of activity during which 23 claims were filed in the recorder's office.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

## URANIUM RUSH REPORTED IN LOS PADRES

Special to The *Chronicle*.  
MONTEREY, Dec. 29—The wild, rugged hills

of the northern section of Los Padres National Forest have an unusually high population of hunters these days, some looking for pigeons, the rest looking for uranium.

The short winter season on pigeons is annual, but the intense prospecting for commercial uranium deposits is a first time affair.

It began in earnest December 2 when Robert Steele of Fresno filed nine claims near Tassajara Hot Springs, about 30 miles south of Carmel Valley.

Since that time nine other claims have been filed in the county clerk's office in Salinas.

No one is sure just how many Geiger counter carriers there are in the region, the estimates ranging from 50 to 1000 during the last week end.

*Santa Cruz Sentinel News*, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

## PROSPECTORS SEEK URANIUM IN LOS PADRES

MONTEREY (AP)—Uranium prospectors were reported today to be ranging through the steep, rugged hills of the Los Padres National Forest, some 30 miles above Carmel Valley.

More than 20 claims have been filed in the past few days with the county clerk in Salinas.

Deputy Sheriff John Johansen of Carmel Valley estimated that between 500 and 1000 men were in the area last weekend. He said that some were pigeon hunters.

The general area in which the prospectors, armed with Geiger counters, are operating, is known as Chew's Ridge, about 45 southeast of Monterey.

Johansen said he was told by Robert Steele of Fresno that Steele had staked out nine claims, some of them along the road that runs to Tassajara Hot Springs. Steele said assays of ore samples he had taken indicated they were of "commercial" grade.

Grant Risdon of Carmel Valley and Walter Setzer of Pacific Grove said they went over the area yesterday with Geiger counters and "got some high counts."

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, Dec. 30<sup>th</sup>, 1954:

## URANIUM EXCITEMENT MOUNTS IN TASSAJARA

Beginnings of a uranium rush have been noted in the Tassajara region of Los Padres National Forest, about 45 miles southeast of Monterey.

Uranium hunters were lugging Geiger counters over rugged Chew's Ridge area above Carmel Valley Wednesday, and the county recorder's office has been swamped with a flurry of mining claims.

County Recorder Emmet McMenamin said about 20 claims have been filed on government property in Los Padres Forest, which is open to mineral claims.

Interest began to rise this week when it was reported that Robert L. Steele of Fresno "had something" on the nine claims he filed Dec. 2 on land adjoining Tassajara Road.

The "hot belt" with reported readings of 10-high on the scale apparently lies in a three or four mile area between Chew's Ridge and

Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1954:

## URANIUM ACTIVITY 'VERY HOT'

Uranium hunters in the Tassajara area, 30 miles above Carmel Valley, were staking and filing claims at a fast pace today. County Recorder Emmet McMinamin, who described the claim filing as "very hot," said eight claims were filed this morning and he expected four more to be filed before the day was over.

In addition, he said, his clerks had received inquiries which indicated that 8 or 10 more claims would be filed within the next few days.

In summary this means that more than 25 claims already have been staked out since the uranium prospectors started their activity in the region, mostly between Chew's Ridge and Tassajara, in November.

One claim was filed yesterday by George C. Kavanaugh of Pacific Grove and the other by Howard B. Knapp and William C. Kennedy of the Army Language School of Monterey.

Kennedy, an army captain, and three other associates, Capt. Waddy Burnham, Lt. William Hubbard and Tom Stroop of Fort Ord, were among the first prospectors in the area, and have established more than 10 claims atop Chew's Ridge.

Kennedy said he and his partners are in process of drawing up papers to form the "Cachagua Mining Corporation."

## 1955

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1955:

## CLAIMS FILERS QUIT FILING

The report that radio-active minerals had been found in the Tassajara and Jamesburg areas above Carmel sent 70 claims filers to the Monterey County Recorder's Office since Dec. 23. Amateur prospectors swarmed over the area and the ones who got there first immediately set up a claim to unclaimed territory.

Thirty-one of the "prospectors" filed claims with the recorder on Monday. Since then the rush of "sooners" has lapsed with just three claims being filed since Monday.

The first to file claims during Monday's stampede were three young women who complained that while staking out their claim during the weekend in the Tassajara hills, 15 men had tried to take it.

## 1956

*Salinas Californian*, April 27<sup>th</sup> to May 18<sup>th</sup>, 1956:

**Relax at Beautiful  
TASSAJARA  
HOT SPRINGS  
NOW OPEN  
Natural vapor baths.  
Hot sulphur plunges.  
Mineral water swimming pool.**

**Horseback riding.  
Comfortable accommodations.  
Delicious meals.  
Special weekly rates.  
For Reservations  
Phone Tassajara No. 1**

From 'Peninsula Parade' by Prof. Toro, *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, July 27<sup>th</sup>, 1956:

**TASSAJARA.** The Indian knew a good thing when he saw it and so for hundreds of years bathed in the soothing mineral waters of Tassajara Hot Springs in Carmel Valley. But like everything else, the Indian eventually gave up the hot springs to the white man who has been

enjoying it ever since. And perhaps it is a good thing after all as I might have been scalped by the Indian, whereas the present owners, Frank and Angela Sappok greet guests with a deal more warmth and friendliness.

Alarmist Unalarmed. Tassajara of today is reached by driving into the Carmel Valley, past the village, through Jamesburg and the Chew's Ridge Ranger Station. It took me an hour and a half and I found the terrors of the road vastly overrated. Dirt, true, past Jamesburg, and windy, too, but negotiated without due alarm by your alarmist correspondent.

Scenery is panoramic both to east and west and deer stare surprised in the road around many corners. Yuccas stand like pale sentinels

against the dark hillside foliage. From Chew's Ridge at about 5,000 feet you descend rather sharply to the Springs at 1,500 feet, surrounded picturesquely by towering hills.

Welcome Committee. I was greeted by the Sappoks, their attractive daughter, Dottie, and a dog named Lumpy, all of whom made me feel quite at home. One of the major assets of the place is relaxation, and it immediately sneaks into your system. More so after a mineral steam bath and a chilling dip in the Tassajara River which runs immediately behind the lodge. The daytime temperature rose no more than 91 while the night dipped to the high 60's.

## 1957

*Game & Gossip* magazine, vol. 9, pt. 1, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1957:

### AN INDIAN CHIEF STARTED IT

Tassajara Hot Springs, a mountain resort at the end of the trail is calmly nestled in the bosom of a magnificent canyon.

Several hundreds of years before the Americans came to Monterey or to California, Tassajara Springs were famous. It was a favorite haunt of the diseased Indians. They drank and bathed in the waters for rash and skin diseases. Whole tribes would frequent the place, they had no trouble living for there was a great abundance of wild game and fish.

There's a legend concerning the Carmel Indians and the origin of the name of the hot springs at Tassajara.



Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok and dog Lumpy. Lumpy got his name from the German word meaning little bum.

There was once an Indian chief who was all powerful. He was the favorite of the Sun God that ruled the universe and from this deity received his powers. So supernatural was he that he could hear the grass grow and see his enemies and game a day's travel away. The chief had a young sister who was very dear to his heart and when she became stricken with a strange malady, the hills and dales were ransacked for herbs by the medicine man for a cure. Everything failing, the brother started her on a trip to the big water, hoping that the ocean air would benefit her. By the time the stream, now known as Tassajara Creek, was reached, the sister had failed so rapidly that it was not possible to proceed further. All the powers of the chief had failed and her life was ebbing slowly.

Finally in desperation he supplicated his Sun God, offering his own body as a sacrifice. He fell prone on the ground. Although it was mid-day the sun was soon obscured and the earth became dark. The body of the chief stiffened and he grew rigid and was turned to stone. As he

dissolved into a mass of rock, hot tears poured from it. The sister fell prostrate over the place where he made the sacrifice, and was soon covered with the hot tears of her sorrowing brother. When she arose she was completely cured. The news of the miracle spread among the Indian tribes of California and, it is said, that after that, every year the lame, the halt and the blind wended their weary way to bathe in the hot waters which poured from the rock where the chief had died.

The history of human settlement in the Tassajara country goes far back into the dim past to a now forgotten Indian people who made their way up the tortuous Arroyo Seco River to its headwaters. In the narrow canyon of Church Creek, five miles beyond the precipitous gorge where hot springs boil up from the rocks at the stream's edge, some relatively shallow caves have been worn out of the yellow sandstone cliffs. Here these prehistoric settlers made their abode and painted the smoke-darkened walls with a pattern of human hands.

In time the cave artists vanished leaving neither name nor tradition, and their paintings were regarded with superstitious awe by later Indians.

The Tassajara country in the early days was popular with the Spaniards as a hunting and fishing paradise and the hot springs were called Agua Caliente. The first white settler was "Doc" Chambers, who squatted at The Caves in 1870. He sold his squatters' right in the early '80s to Ben Marks, then went to live in Jolon.

Marks broke a leg in 1884, and in order to meet his expenses he sold to Thomas Church for \$700. Mr. Church moved in with his family of five in the early summer. About 1868, Frank Rust opened a camp at the site of the Springs but remained only for a short time. Several owners later, Jack Borden actually started a health resort here and changed the name to "Tassajara" ('meat-drying place').

In the "Handbook to Monterey and Vicinity" (1875), an early published description of Tassajara: "...The late Dr. C. A. Canfield, our Monterey savant, forwarded some of the water to the Smithsonian Institute to be analyzed, and it was reported the richest spring then known in the United States. Thirty-two distinct ingredients were found therein... Mr. John Borden, the present proprietor, reports some remarkable cures... Visitors can be accommodated either with 'al Fresco' lodgings, in which case they should carry their own necessaries, save provisions which can be furnished them, or board and lodging can be found for a limited number... Of course it did not say that the resort hotel consisted of a tiny one-room log cabin.

It was William Hart who built a two or three room "hotel," a few small cabins, a shale rock dining room and a rock bath house with a plunge and several individual wooden tubs. This all took place in 1875.

In 1884 Charles Quilty bought the place and took in a partner, John McPhail. It was these two men that tackled the gigantic task of road construction. It was almost entirely a pick and shovel job. Now, stages drawn by four-horse teams could come through. The trip took a whole day one way from Salinas, changing horses three times.

Mr. Quilty's plan for a forty-room sandstone edifice started to take place after the road became a reality. Great masses of rock nearby was blasted and squared into blocks and laid into walls making a fine hotel. It was finished in 1893.

It was not until the early part of the 1900s that Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan added the swimming pool, riding stable, bath houses with plunges and private bath rooms with tubs.

Mrs. Holohan sold out for \$100,000, then it sold again and again. In 1949 when the hotel burned down Mr. and Mrs. Terry were the owners.

Yesterday we chanced the "dangerous" road to Tassajara.

After driving through the beautiful Carmel Valley, one reaches a winding dirt road that drops from 5000 feet to 1538 feet elevation in less than 8 miles. The whole distance (of dirt road) is really only fourteen miles from Jamesburg to the door of Tassajara. The road is well scraped and easily driven, if one drives carefully and in low gear. Careless drivers have no right on this road. At one time it was a treacherous one, for it was narrow, full of rain pot-holes, rock and rubble. Now, the county maintenance crew works on it constantly and it is really in good condition.



The large swimming pool is ideally situated in a sheltered spot away from the main buildings.

For an hour and ten minutes we drove leisurely. Beautiful trees and bushes lined the roadway on both sides. Deer crossed in front of us. Skunks ran alongside trying to get away from our oncoming car. On top we could look for miles and miles in all directions. Truly a wonderful sight to behold.

After we started the down-hill grade we came to the conclusion that the owners, Mr. and Mrs. Sappok, surely must possess a terrific sense of humor, for signs were posted along the way reading: "no passing on curves," "speed checked by radar," "no U turns," and finally at the bottom of the last turn "you have made it." Frank tells me they plan one more sign which will be posted soon, "next time try the train."

The day was spent dipping in the just right temperature pool, sipping tall cool drinks, lazing in the sun, taking several vapor baths and a long walk down a winding trail, and finally a scrumptious dinner of soup, salad, prime ribs of roast beef, strawberry short cake and coffee.

Frank and "Gela," (short for Angela) came from Germany in 1929 to

work for a friend of Gela's father who had sent for them. There was the crash of '29 and their job crashed too. By mere chance Frank heard of an opening at the Del Monte Lodge, which turned out to be a bus-boy job. This job he took which he didn't keep long, for he advanced quickly and in a few years he became the maitre d'hotel.

In '37 the Sappoks bought and operated the Carmel Inn. After selling it they bought the Franco Hotel in Castroville. It was here that Gela learned to prepare all sorts of fascinating dishes. An Italian woman taught her how to make raviolas and other paste dishes, a Chinese woman the exotic oriental delicacies.

While traveling in Europe, after selling their interest in the Franco Hotel, they discovered their Italian dishes were far superior to the ones they tried in the best hotels in Italy.

It was in 1951 they purchased the Springs. Combining all of their efforts, ideas and knowledge they have one of the most fascinating resorts in America.



Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Wagner and offspring, Christina, Richard and Donald, are frequent guests of the lodge.

Frank runs the bar and can mix any kind of a drink. Gela supervises the kitchen and from behind the swinging doors come some of the most delectable dishes imaginable.

Masseur, Al Schneiderman, a licensed physio-therapist, recently of Palm Springs, can give you one of the best massages you have ever had.

From May 1st to October 31st, Tassajara is open. In my opinion one could travel far and wide and not be able to find a more delightful spot to spend a day, a week or a fortnight. And above all it is so terribly reasonable. Rates start at \$8.00 a day with a 10% discount on weekly rates. Children under seven, in a room with their parents, half price. This includes three meals and the use of all the facilities.

Tassajara's location is sufficiently far from the maddening crowds, in a magnificent setting of nature's doings, where one can be assured of a good quiet time, and yet never be bored.

From the Book Club of California's Annual Keepsakes  
Series for 1957:

## TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS

By Edith M. Coulter

Tassajara Hot Springs, located in the Santa Lucia Mountains, Monterey County, about forty-five miles from Salinas and an equal distance from Monterey, were known to the Indians and later to the Spaniards. Legend tells us that local Indian tribes made pilgrimages to the area. The Springs received their name from a Spanish-American word *Tasajera*, meaning a place where meat is cut in strips and hung in the sun to dry.

On the southern bank of the Arroyo Seco Creek, for a distance of 200 yards, seventeen hot mineral springs issue from the mountainside at a temperature of 140-150 degrees. They contain sulphur, sodium, magnesia, iron, and phosphates and are reported to be effective remedial agents.

The only approach to the Springs in early days was by a steep and hazardous trail. Due to the difficulty of access, accommodations were limited and bathing facilities crude. In the 1890s, a road was built permitting the use of horse-drawn stages. These ran from Salinas taking ten to twelve hours for the trip, horses being changed three times.

In 1904 [1893] a sandstone hotel was constructed. Improvements, consisting of tub and plunge baths with improved vapor baths, were added early. A better road by 1912 allowed automobile passenger service, reducing the length of the journey to two and a half hours. Bath-houses and outdoor plunges, the latter filled continuously with hot mineral water, added to a moderate climate, free of fog although only eight miles from the Pacific, combine to attract vacationers and health seekers.

The mountains along the creek are covered with trees—maples, oaks, and sycamores. Near by are well-stocked trout streams; the en-

circling mountains abound in wild life. The ride up the Carmel Valley across the mountains and down into the canyon provides a beautiful approach to adequate accommodations and health-giving waters.

Over the years, names associated with Tassajara Hot Springs as owners or managers, are C. W. Quilty, James and William Jeffery, Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan, and, currently, Frank B. Sappok.

The location in the Los Padres National Forest, the comfortable hotel and cottages, continue to make the Springs an excellent vacation resort from May until October.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1957:

PENINSULA DIARY

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS**

By Mayo Hayes O'Donnell

The Book Club of California has just delivered to the membership the third group in the series of Keepsakes for 1957 which consists of four folders each containing a reproduction of an early California resort. Two resorts of early Monterey County are pictured and discussed in this series: Tassajara Hot Springs and Del Monte Hotel. Professor Edith M. Coulter, retired reference librarian and lecturer in the School of Librarianship, University of California, author of several books and editor of numerous manuscripts relating to California history, is the writer of the Tassajara Springs comments. The Black Vine Press printed the series as designated by the owners, Harold Seeger and Albert Sperisen. Mrs. William J. Hippeli is credited with the courtesy of loaning the old-time photograph of the original Springs hotel.

Miss Coulter writes the following description of Monterey County's most famous springs:

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Writing in 1876, Jack Swan, the builder of California's First Theater, "I first heard of Tassajara Springs in the early part of 1843 while bunting in the Carmel Valley. I met a large band of Indians coming up the valley, some being on horseback and others on foot. The leader, who had been educated at the Missions, spoke good Spanish. He stated that he and his tribe were bound for Tassajara Springs to take the waters for a rash or skin disease that had broken out among them. They would build a sweat hut of mud and branches over the place here the hot water flowed from the ground and then remain there until they got so weak the medicine men would have to carry them out. After which they would scrape their bodies with the ribs of a deer or some other animal."

Further describing the Springs, Swan wrote: "Frequently there would be several tribes in there at one time, but because of the great abundance of wild game of all kinds, and fish, they had no trouble living. In fact there was so much game there, in addition to its being an ideal spot to dry the meat, that the Indians gave it the name of Tassajara, meaning a place to dry meat. It is pronounced "tass-a-har-a" and has been repeatedly used as a place name in California. It is a Spanish-American word.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>, 1957:

PENINSULA DIARY

**THE NAMING OF TASSAJARA**

By Mayo Hayes O'Donnell

There is a delightful story concerning the Carmel Indians and the origin of the name of the hot springs at Tassajara. It goes something like this, according to legend:

There was once an Indian chief who was all powerful. He was the favorite of the Sun God that ruled the universe and from this deity received his powers. So supernatural was he that he could hear the grass grow and see his enemies and game a day's travel away. The chief had a young sister who was very dear to

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The news of the miracle spread among the Indian tribes of California and, it is said, that after that, every year the lame, the halt and the blind wended their weary way to bathe in the hot waters which poured from the rock where the chief had died.

Another supposedly true story concerning Tassajara Springs of later years is that the grizzly and the cinnamon bears that lived in the vicinity of the Springs were much lighter in color than those found elsewhere. It has been said that W. E. F. Hartnell sent a pelt of what he thought was silver bear to the museum in London, but it turned out to be only a cinnamon bear of extreme size and with much lighter coat than that type of bear usually would have.

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*Salinas Californian*, Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

**INTENT TO WED**

ZOLLNA-HILDRETH—Gottfried Zollna, 24, of Tassajara Hot Springs, and Bonnie Hildreth, 18, of Pacific Grove.

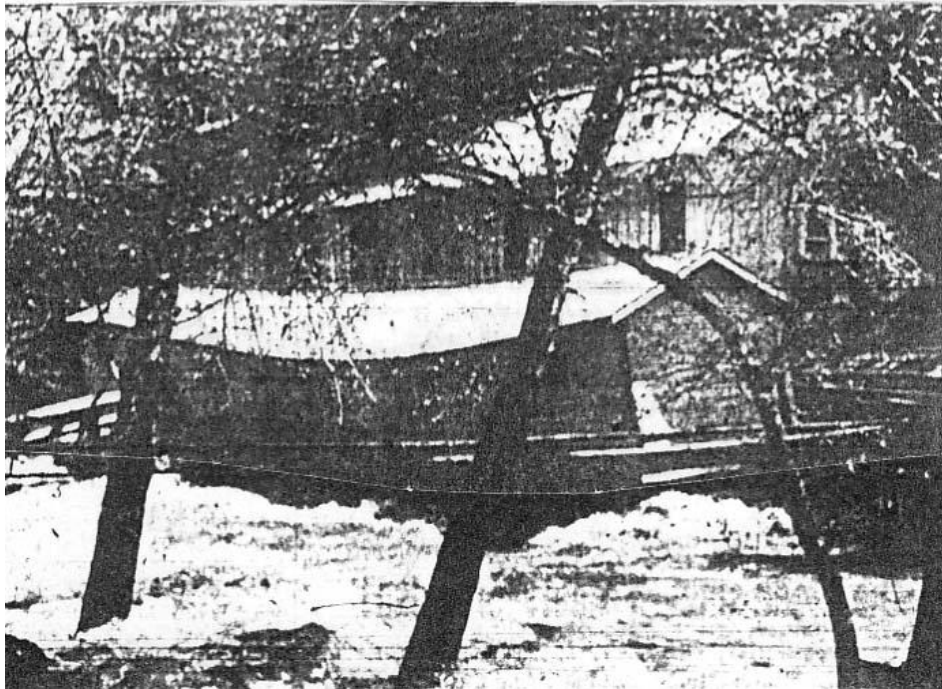
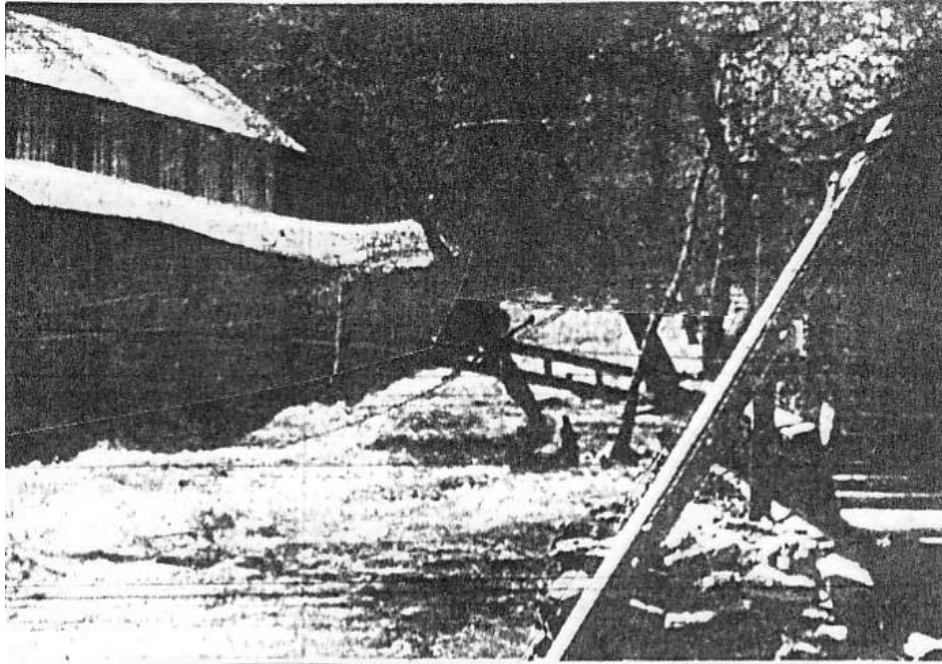
From 'Sodden Peninsula Due For Additional Rain,' *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

Sheriff deputies reported Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok are isolated at the resort they operate at Tassajara Springs. Capt. Trenner said he is going to try to get an Army helicopter to fly there to see what aid could be given the Sappoks. A helicopter had taken off from Fort Ord about 10:30 this morning, bound for Carmel Valley, it was reported.

The Sappoks told *The Herald* by phone today that the main lodge building is endangered by a bathhouse breaking up at a location along Tassajara Creek above the lodge. Sappok said the bathhouse is badly damaged and may be swept downstream into the main lodge if more rains come.

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Monterey Peninsula Herald, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1958:



The Tassajara Creek rips by the famed bathhouse at Tassajara Hot Springs, knocking it off its foundations. The resort was hard hit by flooding and emergency supplies were taken to the stranded owners Saturday by Army helicopter. These pictures were taken by Deputy Sheriff John Johanson who made the flight.

He said the foundation of the bathhouse has been pounded to pieces by logs and now is held only by two beams.

Sappok said they have a freezer full of food, but no electricity. All the water lines also are broken, he said. A bulldozer made a try to get in to clear out a log jam upstream but a washout in the road three miles away kept the dozer out.

Sappok said a small stream in front of the lodge overflowed and debris it carried against

the lodge broke windows in the dining room.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

### ARMY FLIES SUPPLIES TO TASSAJARA

Two Army helicopters Saturday flew supplies to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok, operators of Tassajara Hot Springs, stranded at the Santa Lucia Mountains resort by impassable roads. Three men who went along on the mission re-

mained at Tassajara to render assistance. They were Jay Lewis of Pacific Grove and Jack Sullivan of Castroville, friends of the Sappoks, and Uwe Reimer of El Toro Marine Base, a relative.

The helicopters took in food, plumbing equipment and a chain saw. The Sappoks had reported their electricity was off and their water pipes broken. A freezer full of food was endangered by the power failure.

Flooded Tassajara Creek broke up a bath

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house and was threatening Saturday to wash the wreckage into the main lodge. The friends who stayed at the lodge were to help repair the pipes and wiring and remove the bath house debris.

Sheriff Victor Tibbs, Deputy Johnny Johansen and the Army helicopters crews helped take in the supplies.

They reported the Sappoks were in no immediate danger, although completely isolated.

From 'Rain,' *Salinas Californian*, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

### TROUBLE IN TASSAJARA

High water in the Tassajara Springs watershed caused Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Sappok, owners of the resort, concern this weekend when their water reservoir line was broken and a generator failed.

In addition to a threatened shortage of drinking water, the frozen food in their refrigerator and freezer was spoiling.

W. G. Lambert of Jamesburg drove a bulldozer up over Chew's Ridge and got within a mile of Tassajara before being forced back.

He said the culverts and approaches to bridges were washed out, making the road virtually impassable.

Later Saturday, an Army helicopter brought three repairmen into Tassajara to assist Mr. Sappok in fixing his equipment.

Yesterday, the repairmen waded creeks and walked toward Chew's Ridge where Mr. Lambert met them in a jeep.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

### DAMAGE AT TASSAJARA RESORT NEAR \$20,000

A former Watsonville couple, now operators of Tassajara Hot Springs, were stranded Saturday at the Santa Lucia Mountains resort by washed out roads and had supplies flown to them by two army helicopters.

They are Mr. and Mrs. Frank Sappok. Three men went along on the mission and stayed behind at Tassajara to help. They are Jay Lewis of Pacific Grove, Jack Sullivan of Castroville and Ewe Reimer of the El Toro Marine Base, all friends of the Sappoks.

The helicopters took in food, plumbing equipment and a chain saw. Electricity was off and water pipes were broken. A freezer full of food was endangered, but saved.

Flooded Tassajara Creek broke up a bathhouse and was threatening to wash the wreckage into the main lodge, but Mr. and Mrs. Sappok were in no immediate danger.

Sappok said work is going on now to rebuild the three-mile stretch of road to the lodge, washed out by the flood. He estimated damage to the resort at \$15,000 to \$20,000.

Mr. and Mrs. Sappok operated the Franco Hotel in Castroville from 1941 to 1949, and the Little Brown Jug liquor store on Main Street in Watsonville from 1949 to 1951. They have operated the Tassajara Hot Springs resort since 1951 and are well known in Watsonville.

From 'Letter Box: What's Your Opinion,' *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1958:

### TASSAJARA

Editor, *The Herald*:

We would like to take this method of attempting to express our deep gratitude to the officials of Monterey County and to the armed services for the help given to us after the flood of April 2 which completely washed out the last two miles of the road to Tassajara, thereby cutting us off from the outside world. The helicopter sent in brought much needed supplies and help so that our water line could be repaired.

Further, we especially want to thank Supervisor Tom Hudson and the county highway department for the fast and efficient manner in which the road has been repaired. As a result, we have been able to bring in necessary supplies, and workmen have been able to come in to repair the extensive storm damage to our resort.

Tassajara Hot Springs will be open beginning May 3.

Gela and Frank Sappok,  
Tassajara Hot Springs.

From 'Public Forum,' *Salinas Californian*, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1958:

### TASSAJARA SAYS THANKS FOR FLOOD AID

To the Editor:

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We are very happy and most grateful to announce that Tassajara Hot Springs will be open for business as usual beginning May 3. We will be looking forward to being able to thank personally those responsible for this excellent service.

Gela and Frank Sappok,  
Tassajara Hot Springs.

*Salinas Californian*, May 6<sup>th</sup> to June 13<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

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*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

### DEATHS

### B. F. SAPPOK

Bruno Franz (Frank) Sappok, owner and operator of the Tassajara Hot Springs resort, died unexpectedly yesterday, apparently of a heart attack.

He was returning from a hunting trip to the resort in his jeep, when he lost control of the vehicle and it overturned about 4:15 p. m. on the Tassajara Road 1.1 miles north of Tassajara.

Coroner Christopher Hill Jr. said it appeared that Mr. Sappok had suffered first attack while driving, causing him to lose control of the jeep. The vehicle turned over on its side in the roadway but apparently Mr. Sappok was not injured.

He started walking toward the resort but had gone only .3 of a mile when he collapsed and died in the roadway, apparently as the result of a second attack. He was found a short time later by Guy Stephenson, a cook at the resort.

Mr. Sappok was born Oct. 5, 1900, in Germany. He first came to the Monterey Peninsula from his home country in 1928, starting work here as a busboy at the Del Monte Lodge. Within three years he had saved enough money to send for his wife, Angela, and their son, Hans, who was 1 year old when his father left for the United States.

In 1935 the Sappoks bought the Carmel Inn which Mrs. Sappok operated while Mr. Sappok continued at the Lodge, where he had risen to be head waiter. By this time the couple were the parents of a daughter, Dorothea.

Four years later Mr. Sappok bought the Franco Hotel in Castroville, a venture whose success was assured by the wartime activation of Fort Ord. Shortly after the war he sold the hotel and bought a place in the Santa Cruz Mountains. He acquired Tassajara five years ago. He was a past president of the Castroville Rotary Club.

Mr. Sappok is survived by his wife, Angela, of Tassajara; his son, Hans, of Salinas; his daughter, Mrs. Dorothea Reimers of Monterey; and four grandchildren.

Solemn Requiem High Mass will be celebrated Monday at 10 a. m. at Sacred Heart Church, Salinas, following brief funeral rites at 9:30 a. m. at the Muller Mortuary. Burial will be in the Garden of Memories. Holy Rosary will be recited Sunday at 8 p. m. at the mortuary chapel.

Salinas Californian, Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

**TASSAJARA OWNER  
DIES SUDDENLY**

Bruno Sappok, 58, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs resort, collapsed and died while walking on the resort after his jeep tipped over onto its side yesterday afternoon, Coroner Chris Hill, Jr., reported today.

He is believed to have died of a heart attack although an autopsy is being performed today to determine the cause of death, the coroner said.

According to California highway patrolmen, Sappok was driving his jeep toward the resort on the Tassajara Road when the vehicle ran partly up an embankment on the right side and overturned onto its left side. Sappok apparently started walking toward the resort when he collapsed about .3 of a mile from where the mishap took place, 1.1 miles north of the resort at 4:15 p. m.

Sappok's body was found on the road by Guy Stevenson who also was driving toward the resort where he works as a cook. The coroner and sheriff's office were notified and Sappok was pronounced dead at the scene.

Mr. Sappok was a native of Germany and had made his home in Monterey County for the last 30 years. For many years he operated the Carmel Inn, then Franco's Hotel in Castroville. For the last five years he has been at Tassajara Springs.

Surviving are his widow, Mrs. Angela Sappok, one son, Hans Sappok, Salinas; a daughter, Mrs. Dorothea Reimers, Monterey, and four grandchildren.

He was a past president and member of Castroville Rotary Club.

Funeral services will be held in Muller's Mortuary chapel Monday at 9:30 a. m., thence to Sacred Heart Catholic Church for a solemn requiem high mass at 10 a. m., and interment in the Garden of Memories. Rosary will be recited in the mortuary chapel Sunday at 8 p. m.

Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

**SEIZURE FATAL TO  
TASSAJARA  
RESORT OWNER**

Frank Sappok, 58, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs resort, died of an apparent seizure about 4:15 p. m. Thursday.

Sappok was driving his jeep along the Hot Springs road when he apparently first suffered a seizure. He ran his jeep off the road into an

embankment.

Sappok got out of the jeep and started walking toward the resort. After walking about 3/10 of a mile, he collapsed and died.

His body was discovered about 4:30 p.m. by Guy Stevenson of Watsonville, a cook at the camp, a mile from the camp.

Sappok, a native of Germany, had been a resident of Monterey County for the last 30 years.

He had operated the hot springs for the last five years. Previous to that, he had owned and operated the Brown Jug liquor store in Watsonville, the Carmel Inn in Carmel and the Franco Hotel in Castroville.

Sappok was a past president of the Castroville Rotary Club.

Sappok leaves his wife, Mrs. Angela Sappok; a son, Hans Sappok of Salinas; a daughter, Mrs. Dorothea Reimers of Monterey; and four grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held at 9:30 a. m. Monday at Muller's Mortuary. A requiem high mass will be said at 10 a. m. in the Sacred Heart Church and entombment will follow in the Garden of Memories Cemetery. Rosary will be recited at 8 p. m. Sunday in the mortuary chapel.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

**FRANK SAPPOK'S DEATH  
ATTRIBUTED TO HEAD  
INJURY**

Bruno Franz (Frank) Sappok, 58-year-old owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, who was found dead after his jeep overturned Thursday, died of head injuries, an autopsy revealed yesterday.

Monterey County Coroner Christopher J. Hill, Jr., said Sappok apparently lost control of the jeep when he was stricken with a heart attack. The jeep, headed downhill on the twisting Tassajara Hot Springs road, crashed into an embankment and overturned.

Sappok apparently suffered a fractured skull when thrown from the jeep. He walked nearly .3 of a mile down the road before collapsing of cerebral hemorrhage, Hill said.

Salinas Californian, Nov. 8<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

**CORONER SAYS BRUNO  
SAPPOK WAS 'KILLED'**

The death of Bruno Sappok, 58, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, has been attributed to cerebral hemorrhage, according to Coroner Chris Hill, Jr.

Hill said Mr. Sappok apparently hit his head, causing internal bleeding when the jeep he was driving toward the resort on the Tassajara Road ran partly up an embankment and overturned on its left side Thursday afternoon.

Mr. Sappok collapsed while walking on the resort after the accident. The accident itself was believed caused from a heart seizure, Hill said.

Funeral services will be held from the Muller Mortuary at 9:30 a. m.

Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, Oct. 11<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

**HEAD BLOW BLAMED  
IN SAPPOK'S DEATH**

The death last Thursday of Bruno Sappok, 58, owner of Tassajara Hot Springs, was due to a cerebral hemorrhage, Monterey County Coroner Chris Hill Jr. reported Monday.

Sappok suffered an apparent heart seizure while driving toward the resort on Tassajara Road Thursday afternoon. The jeep went up on an embankment and, said Hill, Sappok apparently hit his head, causing internal bleeding.

Funeral services were held Monday morning at the Muller Mortuary.

Monterey Peninsula Herald and Salinas Californian, starting on Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 1958:

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## 1959, THE TENURE OF MARGARET AND LESTER HUDSON; p. 329.

The tenure of Lester and Margaret Hudson lasted only ten months. The Hudsons were an elderly couple from Point Lobos who had no idea what it would take to run a resort, especially such an old resort with an aging infrastructure. They employed others to do the work, and the turnover of the work force was great. The Hudsons are said to have

never spent a night at Tassajara.

Margaret Allan Hudson was one of the heirs of Alexander Allen, who purchased Point Lobos in 1898 in order to prevent the land from being developed. Margaret and her siblings sold the land to the California State Parks Department in 1932.

From 'News Notes from Carmel Valley, *Salinas Californian*, April 1<sup>st</sup>, 1959:

Last but not least is Tassajara Hot Springs, above Jamesburg. Cabins, cocktails, meals, hunting, fishing and swimming and relaxing mineral baths are all offered.

Monterey County Official Records vol. 1948-373-374, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF ANGELA SAPPOK TO ESTABLISH THE FACT OF DEATH OF B. FRANK SAPPOK

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF MONTEREY

No. 15908, DECREE ESTABLISHING DEATH OF JOINT TENANT

The petition of Angela Sappok to establish the fact of death of B. Frank Sappok, coming on regularly to be heard this 10th day of April, 1959, and it being proved to the satisfaction of the court, and the court finds that notice of said petition and of the time set for the hearing thereof has been given in the form and manner and for the period required by law, and the court after hearing the evidence and examining the petition, finds the facts alleged in said petition to be true, and that B. Frank Sappok died on the 6th day of November, 1958, in the County of Monterey, State of California, and that at the time of his death, said B. Frank Sappok, deceased, and said petitioner, Angela Sappok, were the owners of record of the hereinafter described real property in the County of Monterey, State of California, as joint tenants, with the right of survivorship, and that by reason of such death, all interest of said decedent in the joint tenancy of said property terminated.

And it further appears from the report of John O. Breschini, the inheritance tax appraiser appointed by the court, and a certificate of no tax on file herein, that no inheritance tax has become payable by reason of the vesting of title to the survivor as to the property described in the petition on file herein by reason of the death of the above named decedent, or of a lien upon said property, or any interest thereon.

It is therefore ordered, adjudged and decreed by the court that said B. Frank Sappok is dead, that he died on or about 6th day of November, 1958, and that joint tenancy under which the said deceased and the said petitioner, Angela Sappok, held the property hereinafter described, has by reason of the death of said B. Frank Sappok absolutely terminated; that by reason of the death of the said B. Frank Sappok, there is vested in the said Angela Sappok title in fee to the following property situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, particularly described as follows, to wit:

Southeast quarter of Northwest quarter (SE ¼ of NW ¼), North half of Southwest quarter (N ½ of SW ¼), and Southeast quarter of Southwest quarter (SE ¼ of SW ¼) of Section 28;

East half of Northeast quarter (E ½ of NE ¼). Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter (NW ¼ of NE ¼), and Northeast quarter of Northwest quarter (NE ¼ of NW ¼) of Section 29;

Northeast quarter (NE ¼) of Section 32;

All in Township 19 South, Range 4 East of Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 480 acres of land, more or less, according to United States Government Survey thereof.

It is further ordered, adjudged and decreed that no inheritance tax became payable by reason of the vesting of title in the survivor as to the property described above by reason of the death of the above named decedent.

Done in open court this 10th day of April, 1959.

Monterey County Official Records vol. 1969: 95, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 1959:

### Angela Sappok to Margaret and Lester Hudson, the Tassajara Hot Springs, the Horse Pasture and The Pines properties:

#### GRANT DEED

For value received Angela Sappok, a widow, Grants to Margaret Allan Hudson and Lester J. Hudson, her husband, all that real property situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, described as follows:

Southeast quarter of Northwest quarter (SE ¼ of NW ¼), North half of Southwest quarter (N ½ of SW ¼) and Southeast quarter of Southwest quarter (SE ¼ of S ¼) of Section 28;

East half of Northeast quarter (E ½ of NE ¼), Northwest quarter of Northeast quarter (NW ¼ of NE ¼) and Northeast quarter of Northwest quarter (NE ¼ of NW ¼) of Section 29;

Northeast quarter (NE ¼) of Section 32.

All in Township 19 South, Range 4 East of Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 480 acres of land, more or less, according to United States Government Survey thereof.

Dated April 21, 1959.

Angela Sappok [handwritten signature]

State of California, County of Monterey (ss).

On 21st April, 1959, before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public, in and for the County of Monterey, personally appeared Angela Sappok, a widow, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the within

instrument, and acknowledged to me that she executed the same.

[notary's handwritten signature]

Monterey Peninsula Herald, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1959:

#### L. J. HUDSONS NEW OWNERS

#### BUY TASSAJARA

Purchase of Tassajara Hot Springs resort, deep in the Santa Lucia Mountains south of Carmel Valley, by Rear Adm. L. J. Hudson (USN ret) and Mrs. Hudson of Point Lobos was announced today.

The transaction involved approximately \$60,000, according to Supervisor Tom Hudson, son of the purchasers.

Included are the hot springs and bathing facilities, 34 cabins, dining hall, bar, nine suites and auxiliary facilities located on 480 acres of property.

The Hudsons said they would operate the historic resort this summer, opening May 1 for fishing season. They are now in the process of employing a manager.

The resort was purchased from Mrs. Frank Sappok, who, with her late husband, had operated Tassajara since 1951.

Located deep in the mountains 45 miles from the Monterey Peninsula, Tassajara has been a popular resort since 1904, when the old sandstone hotel building was constructed. Earlier, a few venturesome people annually rode horse-back over a difficult trail to bathe in the sulphur springs.

Throughout the years improvements have been made on the winding mountain road into the Springs and additions have been made to the plant, including cabins.

The main hotel building burned in 1949 in a fire which spread from one of the cabins and into the surrounding mountains, temporarily trapping 62 guests and employees.

Some of the bathing facilities were damaged last year by high water in the Tassajara Creek, but the damage has since been repaired, according to Hudson.

The name Tassajara comes from a Spanish-American word meaning "a place where meat is cut in strips and hung in the sun to dry."

Salinas Californian, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1959:

#### HUDSONS PURCHASE TASSAJARA RESORT FROM MRS. SAPPOK

Purchase of Tassajara Hot Springs, well-known summer resort in the Santa Lucia Mountains, was announced today by Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hudson of Point Lobos. They are buying the resort from Mrs. Frank Sappok for a reported \$60,000.

The Hudsons said that Tassajara will open May 1 under new management and will remain open throughout the summer season.



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Once used as a bathing ground by Indians, Tassajara has been developed into a 38 unit resort with a swimming pool, hot springs and other facilities. It is 14 miles southwest of Jamesburg.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, April 24<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

### **ADMIRAL PURCHASES TASSAJARA RESORT**

Tassajara Hot Springs resort in the Santa Lucia Mountains, a vacation spot for many years, has been bought by a retired admiral who will operate it.

Buyer is Rear Admiral L. J. Hudson (USN ret.), who paid about \$60,000 for the place. Seller was Mrs. Frank Sappok, former Watsonville resident who with her late husband had operated Tassajara since 1951. Included in the transaction are hot springs and bathing facilities, 34 cabins, dining hall, bar, nine suites and auxiliary facilities on 480 acres of property.

Adm. Hudson said he will open the resort May 1.

From the 'Help Wanted' column, *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, May 9<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

**MANAGING COUPLE NEEDED, TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS. PHONE MA 4-1010.**

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

### **HUDSON TAKES AIM AT CRITICS**

SALINAS—Peninsula supervisor Tom Hudson yesterday decided he had borne the slings and arrows of outrageous fortune long enough and lashed back at critics of the Tassajara Road project.

Hudson said he was sick and tired of innuendoes and taunts about him having an interest in a business on the road, thus using influence to have the road improved.

"I have no interest in Tassajara Hot Springs, financial or otherwise," Hudson said. "It is a sorry situation when a member of the board has his integrity questioned on a matter like this. In the future, in order to quiet my critics whenever a budget matter pertaining to Tassajara comes before the board, I will abstain

from voting" (Hudson's parents, the L. J. Hudsons of Point Lobos, own Tassajara).

Supervisors no longer have any control over the road department as they did in the past. If they deem a project worthy, they submit it to the road commissioner's office, where it is evaluated.

From 'Supervisors Endorse Recommendations on Road Development,' *Salinas Californian*, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

In other actions on roads and highways yesterday the board:

Heard a statement by Supervisor Tom Hudson of Monterey that he had "no interest, financially or otherwise" in Tassajara Springs, where road improvement work is nearing completion. The work was started before the purchase of Tassajara by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Hudson. The peninsula supervisor made the statement in answer to what he said were thinly veiled hints by some people that he was pushing the work for selfish reasons.

From the 'Help Wanted' column, *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

**TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS** needs maintenance man for buildings and grounds. Must be able to make minor repairs to plumbing, wiring and buildings. MA-1010.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, July 16<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

### **TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

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*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, *Salinas Californian* and *Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, guest season of 1959:

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*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

### **TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS INTRODUCES THEIR NEW CHEF**

Mr. William Hendricks Young, formerly of the Oroville Inn, Santa Rosa Hotel, and the Miramar in Santa Barbara.

Telephone: Tassajara Springs No. 1.  
or

Write: P. O. Box 68, Carmel Valley.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Sept. 7<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

Goodbye cares & woe.

Here I Go!

### **TASSAJARA**

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1959:

### **MANAGER OF TASSAJARA**

Fritz Hartung has been employed as manager of Tassajara, Carmel Valley resort, owner Adm. L. J. Hudson (USN ret.) announced today.

Hartung previously held the same position at Highlands Inn.

## 1960 to 1966, ROBERT AND ANNA BECK'S TENURE; p. 331.

The Becks first became aware of Tassajara from Frederick Roscoe, a Tassajara enthusiast who began vacationing there in about 1956. In 1959 Frederick and his wife Nancy took the Becks to Tassajara, and the Becks also became very enthusiastic about the place. Frederick came up with the idea that the Becks and the Roscoes should buy the resort, and so they did.

At that time the Becks were living on Telegraph Hill in San Francisco; Robert was teaching third grade at the Commodore Stockton School in Chinatown, while Anna had an antique shop in the Fisherman's Warf district. Frederick Roscoe was the owner of the Discovery Book Shop in San Francisco, on Columbus Avenue in North Beach (next to the famous City Lights Book Store), and his wife Nancy had a coffee shop across the street in the triangular building at the corner of Kearny Street and Columbus Avenue.

Bob quit his job, Anna sold her antique shop, and Nancy sold her coffee shop, but Frederick could not find a buyer for his book shop. Then Nancy discovered that she was pregnant and the Roscoes backed out. According to Bob, "And so there we were, back in the woods, getting ready for the opening of the season, and they were gone. We had no experience with that sort of thing."

In the first year of their ownership the Becks kept the resort open all year, and according to Anna, this was "Because we were desperate for money." Throughout their ownership of Tassajara the Becks just barely got by, and eventually, in order to help make ends meet, Bob started teaching school in Monterey. He would return to Tassajara on weekends.

One of the Beck's major expenses was the upkeep of the infrastructure at Tassajara. In order reduce costs, Bob purchased many 'how to do it yourself' books. According to Bob, maintaining Tassajara was "Like running a small city, you've got to look out for your own electrical system, water system, refrigeration, irrigation. It costs \$50 just get to get a plumber in here, with the bill on top of that.

You'd be dead if you didn't do it yourself."

In an effort to hold on to Tassajara, the Becks established the Tassajara Wilderness Trust, a non-profit organization to encourage conservation and cultural arts, and during the summer of 1966 a pilot program of educational art and craft seminars and conferences was conducted at Tassajara.

When Anna got pregnant with their second child in the fall of 1966 it became apparent to the Becks that they should sell the place. At that time they still owed the Hudsons \$100,000.



Anna and Robert Beck

From 'Storm Ends, More Rain Next Week,' *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Jan. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

### HEAVY SNOW

Tassajara Springs was all but snowed in. Tim Smith of Carmel, who walked into the mountain resort yesterday afternoon, estimated that there was 14 inches of snow on the ground at the highest point on the road above Jamesburg at that time. He said rain may have melted some of it later in the day, but there was another heavy snowfall last night.

Smith said he didn't think a car, even with tire chains, could make it through to Tassajara, although a four wheel drive vehicle probably could. He said a car with chains could make it up the Jamesburg road about as far as White Oak Camp.

Monterey County Official Records 2031: 556,  
Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

## Margaret and Lester Hudson to Frederick and Nancy Roscoe and Robert and Anna Beck, the Tassajara Hot Springs, the Horse Pasture and The Pines properties:

### GRANT DEED

For value received Margaret Allan Hudson and Lester J. Hudson, her husband, Grant to Frederick Roscoe and Nancy T. Roscoe, his

wife, as joint tenants, as to an undivided 1/2 interest; [and to] Robert G. Beck and Anna W. Beck, his wife, as joint tenants, as to an undivided 1/2 interest, in and to all that real property situate in the County of Monterey, State of California, described as follows:

The southeast quarter of the northwest quarter, north half of southwest quarter and southeast quarter of the southwest quarter of section 28;

The east half of the northeast quarter, northwest quarter of northeast quarter, northeast quarter of northwest quarter of section 29;

The northeast quarter of section 32;

All in Township 19 South, Range 4 East of Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 480 acres of land, more or less, according to United States Government Survey thereof.

Dated February 29, 1960 [signatures of Margaret and Lester Hudson].

State of California, County of Monterey. On February 29, 1960, before me, E. J. Drussel, a Notary Public, in and for the said County and State, personally appeared Margaret Allan Hudson and Lester J. Hudson, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

[signature of notary, etc.]

*Salinas Californian*, April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

### DO TROUT DRINK HOT MINERAL WATER?

There is a rumor that at Tassajara they do—and this accounts for their great size.

But even if trout don't, people do drink the hot water here and find it very healthful. Fish-

ing season opens on April 30<sup>th</sup> and reservations are now being made for opening day. Baths, vapors, cabins, and meals are ready for the tourist who wishes to stay one or more days and our dining room is always open to the visitor of the day.

For a pre-season look at a trout drinking mineral water—or just to relax during Easter vacation—call Tassajara Springs No. 1, or write to Tassajara Hot Springs, P. O. Box 68, Carmel Valley, California.

Monterey County Official Records 2045: 28,  
April 13<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

## Frederick and Nancy Roscoe to Robert and Anna Beck, the Tassajara Hot Springs, the Horse Pasture and The Pines properties:

### QUIT CLAIM DEED

Frederick Roscoe and Nancy T. Roscoe, his wife, do hereby remiss, release and quit claim unto Robert G. Beck and Anna W. Beck, his wife, as joint tenants, the real property situated in the County of Monterey, State of California, described as follows:

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The east half of the northeast quarter, north-

1960; p 332.

west quarter of northeast quarter, northeast quarter of northwest quarter of section 29;

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Dated April 13, 1960. [signatures of Frederick and Nancy Roscoe]

State of California, City and County of San Francisco. On April 13, 1960, before me, Ada Harris, a Notary Public, in and for the said City and County and State, personally appeared Frederick Roscoe and Nancy T. Roscoe, known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within instrument, and acknowledged to me that they executed the same. [signature of notary, etc.]

From 'News Brief Roundup,' *Salinas Californian*, June 8<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

The opening of Tassajara Hot Springs attracted a number of Salinas and Monterey Peninsula residents.

Among recent (Salinas) visitors there were Judge and Mrs. Anthony Brazil, Judge and Mrs. Elmer Machado, whose son John will work at the resort this summer; Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Storm, the Bert Youngs, Mr. and Mrs. Gene Drussell and the Orin Books.

Vacationing at the Springs from the peninsula were Mr. and Mrs. Tom Hudson and their children, Sally and Danny. Tim, their eldest, also will work at the Springs this summer.

Other Carmel residents there included Dr. and Mrs. David Thorngate and two children; the Bob Rosses and their son; the Charles Strosnider family; the B. K. Henrys, and Mr. and Mrs. Bob Kieffer.

Visitors from Carmel Valley were Mr. and Mrs. Paul Porter and family and Mrs. Mary Jane Wolter and children.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

AN OUT OF THE WAY RESORT IN THE MOUNTAINS BETWEEN CARMEL VALLEY AND BIG SUR

Strolling, angling, sun bathing, shove ha' penny, horseshoe pitching and other minor exertions.

Better than usual food and drink. Practically no TV and radio reception.

It's likely the vacation spot you've been looking for.

Write—Tassajara Springs, P. O. Box 68  
Carmel Valley, California  
Phone—Tassajara Springs No. 1

*San Francisco Examiner*, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1960:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

80 YEARS, NEW OWNERSHIP

A remote and tranquil resort in the Santa Lucia Mountains between Carmel Valley and Big Sur.

Enjoy our gentile recreations . . . sunning, swimming, wading, strolling, angling, shove ha' penny & horseshoes among others. Un-

wind . . . we have no radios or TV sets, but an abundance of fresh air, sunshine and excellent food. Browse in our antique shop. Relax in our bar.

#### AMERICAN PLAN

Enticing Mid Week and Week End Rates  
Write TASSAJARA SPRINGS, P. O. Box 68,  
Carmel Valley, Calif.  
Phone Tassajara Springs No. 1

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, June 30<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

In Its 80<sup>th</sup> Year

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A resort in the early California tradition.  
Remote, restful, relaxing.

For wonderful food, hot mineral plunges and steam baths, for swimming and the gentile recreations that make for complete relaxation, vacation at one of California's oldest resorts.

#### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

In the Santa Lucia Mountains between Carmel Valley and Big Sur  
American Plan

Weekly and monthly rates on request  
P. O. Box 68  
Carmel Valley, Calif.  
Phone Tassajara Springs No. 1

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, July 7<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

IN ITS 80TH YEAR  
UNDER NEW OWNERSHIP

Abundant sunshine, wonderful food, hot mineral plunges and steam baths, swimming and all the gentile recreations—vacation at one of California's oldest resorts . . .

#### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

In the Santa Lucia Mountains between Carmel Valley and Big Sur  
AMERICAN PLAN  
Weekly and monthly rates on request.  
WRITE: P. O. Box 68, Carmel Valley, Calif.  
PHONE: Tassajara Springs No. 1

*Salinas Californian*, Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

ONE OF CALIFORNIA'S OLDEST RESORTS . . . UNDER NEW OWNER-MANAGEMENT

SUNSHINE EVERY DAY

. . . plus wonderful food, better than usual drinks and gentile recreations that bring complete relaxation. And, as always, our venerable mineral baths and steam rooms. Close-to-home Shangri-La for your late summer weekends or vacation.

STATION WAGON SERVICE FROM SALINAS AVAILABLE ON REQUEST  
P. O. Box 68, Carmel Valley, Calif. Phone:  
Tassajara No. 1

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, Sept. 29<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

For sunny, tranquil Autumn days . . .

Station wagon service available from Monterey and Salinas.  
P. O. Box 68  
Carmel Valley, Calif.

*Salinas Californian*, Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Now open all year to accommodate small parties and individuals

Featuring off-season sports:

Pine Cone Gathering, Shove ha' penny, Darts, Leaf kicking, Yucca stalking, Bathing, Wild boar talking

NOTE: if due to storminess in our mountains you are unable to return to your duties on time, we will write excuses.

TASSAJARA SPRINGS  
Box 68, Carmel Valley  
Phone: Tassajara No. 1

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 1960:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A SUMMERIG PLACE FOR OVER 80 YEARS

NOW OPEN THROUGH THE WINTER\*

A remote spa for city dwellers to disappear to when the situation en ville starts to fall apart.

Featuring off-season sports: Shove ha' penny, pine cone gathering, leaf kicking, yucca hunting, bathing.

Box 68, Carmel Valley, Calif.  
Phone: Tassajara Springs No. 1  
In San Francisco: EX 2-7277

\*If the Tassajara phone doesn't answer, it's possible that a storm in the mountains has undone everything.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>, 1960:

**A limited\* number of reservations are now being accepted for . . .**



## Thanksgiving at Tassajara

\*Limited by the amount of firewood we can cut between now and Thanksgiving.

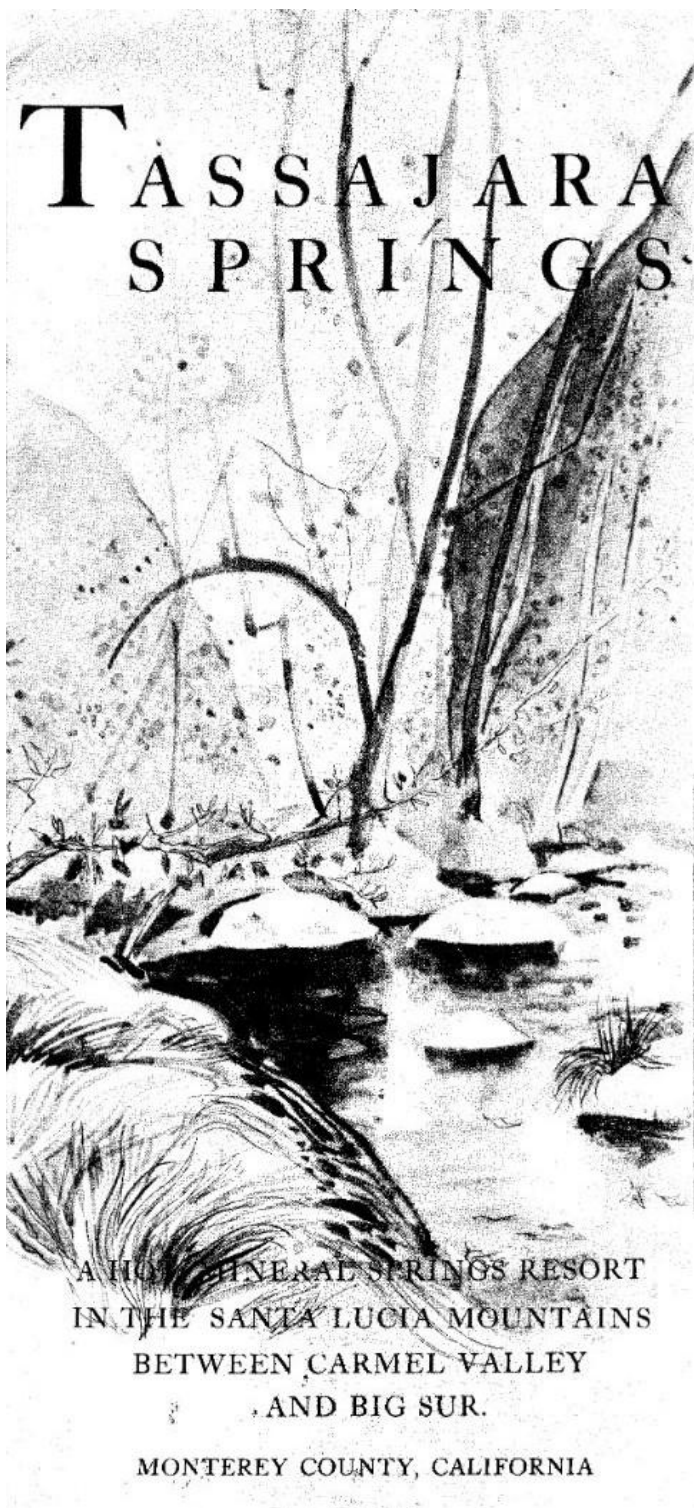
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Box 68, Carmel Valley

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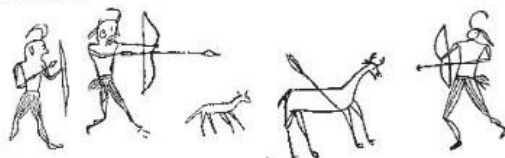
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A folder that was probably first printed in 1960:



## FOR THE VACATIONER, TASSAJARA IS AN EXCITING DISCOVERY

This lovely spot was first discovered many centuries ago by California Indians and used by them for the health giving qualities of its waters. Folklore has it that early Spanish colonists also visited the springs, possibly still in search of the Fountain of Youth. Then in the 1880's California settlers rediscovered Tassajara and a fashionable spa soon developed.



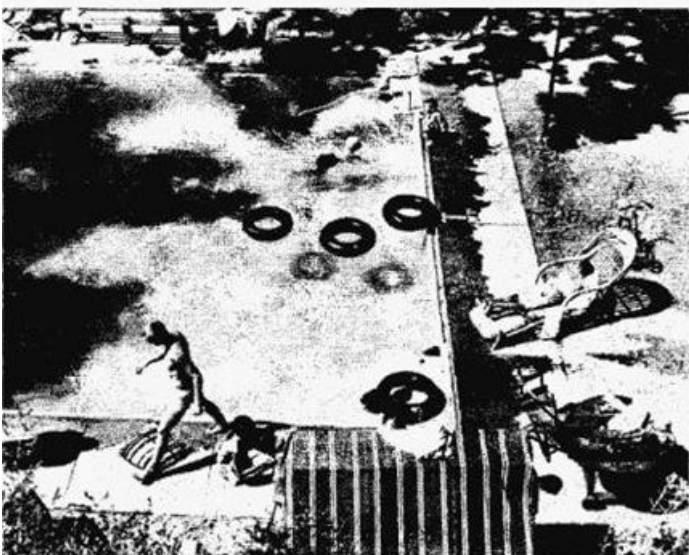
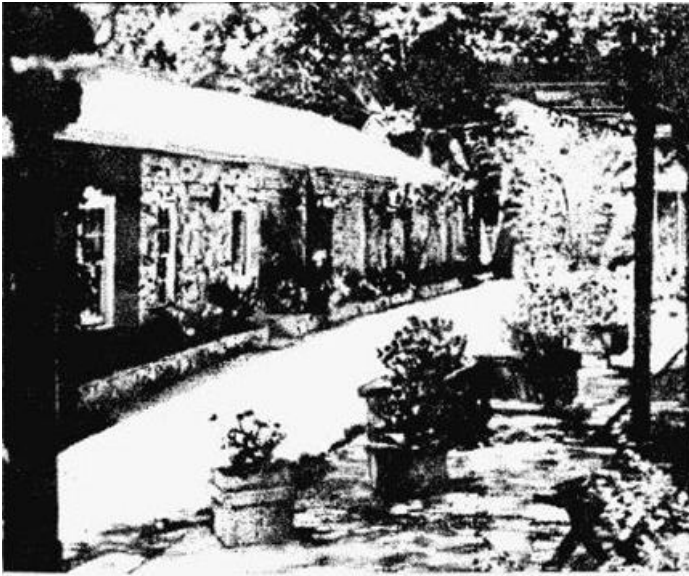
Today Californians, as well as vacationers from all the States, are still delighted to find that such a place exists. The setting is completely remote from the confusion of cities, yet only a few miles from historic Monterey and the lovely village of Carmel.



The hot mineral waters spring from a solid rock outcropping at the foot of a mountain shaded by sycamores and maples. These waters are channeled into large plunges and baths where bathers may enjoy one of the most luxurious experiences of a lifetime.

The waters contain sulphur, iron, soda, magnesia and the rare mineral lithia . . . components that enhance not only one's natural health, but act as a curative for the tired body and relax the tensions of modern-day life.

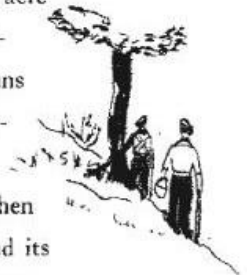
These same hot mineral waters flow constantly into our large pool to temper the crystal clear spring water for ideal swimming conditions. By day or under the stars, swimming at Tassajara is equally delightful.



The spirit of Tassajara is informality. Here you can luxuriate in hot mineral plunges and steam rooms or dream under a sycamore tree, sun bathe at the pool or wade in the sandy mountain creeks. We invite you, too, to enjoy the hospitality of our bar where you'll find a fine selection of liquors and imported and domestic beers. And at night you can dance on our open terrace, play cards or read by the fire in our lounge. Tassajara's 1500 foot altitude assures you of bright sunny days for playing and balmy nights "just right" for sleeping.

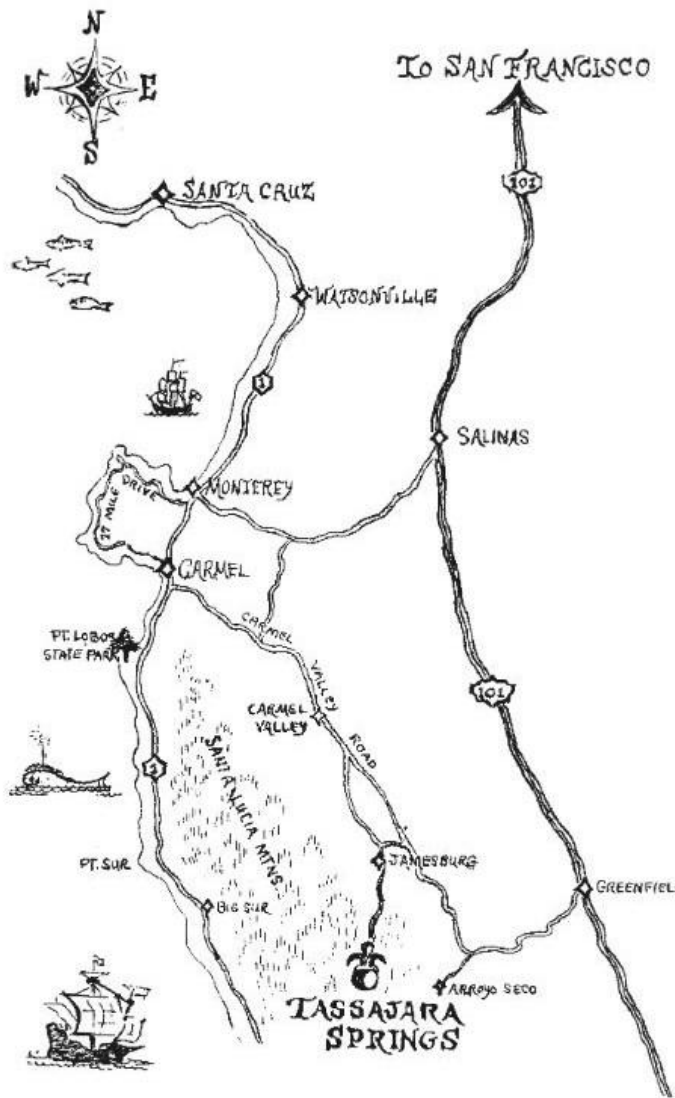


You will also enjoy badminton, ping pong, croquet and many other outdoor sports. There is hiking and exploring over miles of well-kept trails that wind along the two creeks on Tassajara's 480-acre property and through the beautiful tree-clad Santa Lucias. Tassajara Creek runs through our grounds over smooth, water-washed boulders, gathers in sandy bottomed pools where one may swim, then descends over gentle waterfalls to wend its way through the quiet beauty of the valley.



For the hunter there are miles of forest trails through the game rich Santa Lucias . . . deer, wild Russian boar, quail and wild pigeon abound in season. Fishermen find our trout-filled creeks irresistible.





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Tassajara lies in a secluded valley of the Santa Lucia Mountains, nine miles from the Pacific Ocean. Its fog-and-smog-free climate seems magical to the city dweller. The sunshine and mountain air bring a restfulness you'll never forget.

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Our food is imaginative — yet hearty enough to satisfy appetites whetted by clear mountain air. We have available for our guests a carefully selected stock of fine American and European wines. And for a day of hiking or hunting, our chef will pack an appetizing lunch “to go.”



Dress for comfort at Tassajara. Sportswear and light summer clothes are the thing. Bring levis and brogans if you plan to hike, and don't forget your swimsuits or shorts for sunning. For long, pleasant outdoor evenings of dancing or strolling, better have sweaters or a light wrap.



Accommodations at Tassajara are comfortable and informal. There are 25 cabins housing from two to ten guests each, depending on the number in your party. There are also charming stone quarters with fireplaces and private terraces overlooking Tassajara Creek.

Tassajara operates on the American plan. This includes all meals, use of the mineral plunges, vapors and recreation facilities.

TO REACH US: Ask operator for Tassajara Springs No. 1 (through Salinas) or write to:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**  
P. O. Box 68  
CARMEL VALLEY,  
CALIFORNIA

A typescript letter in the Tassajara Hot Springs folder in the California Room of the Monterey Public Library:

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS  
POST OFFICE BOX 68  
CARMEL VALLEY, CALIFORNIA  
TELEPHONE TASSAJARA NO. 1

February 8, 1961

Mrs. Mayo O'Donnell  
Monterey Peninsula Herald  
Monterey, California

Dear Mrs. O'Donnell,

At last summer's Merienda, while speaking with you and Margaret Hudson, I promised to send you the enclosed article concerning a trip to Tassajara from Santa Cruz in 1901.

I fear this photostat is not the most legible ever printed, but we find a magnifying glass helps greatly! At any rate, as it describes local routes, scenery and mores of that day 61 years ago. I felt you would enjoy reading it. The continuity seems rather jumbled and the condition of this print makes it not the perfect record I should like to give you. But if you like, it is yours to keep for your own files, or for any that you deem appropriate.

This photostat was given to us by Mr. & Mrs. Lawton Hughes of San Francisco—frequent guests and good friends of Tassajara. We have another which we finally framed late last season and all who read it enjoyed it tremendously—especially the part about “the men with claw hammer coats and whisky,” which undoubtedly is a misprint that should have read “whiskers.” Mr. and Mrs. Hughes have the original article from the Santa Cruz Sentinel, the letters having been written by Mr. Hughes grandfather.

I hope you will find all this of interest, and perhaps be able to put it to some good use. My husband and I both feel that such anecdotes of Monterey County history should be preserved, and I know of no one more qualified to do this than Mayo O'Donnell.

We would be very happy to have you visit Tassajara again . . . as our guest. I shall get in touch with you this summer to arrange it. Or, if you happen upon a convenient time, just call us and we will arrange to bring you up.

Cordially,  
Anna Beck (hand written signature)  
Mrs. Robert Beck

P. S. (hand written) Since 9:30 last night and 8 a. m. this morning we have had 4.4” of rain. This may have to come out via boat!!

*Salinas Californian*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1961:

### THE TRUTH ABOUT TROUT (and hot mineral springs)

Last year, some people, properly skeptical, came to Tassajara to watch “giant trout drinking hot mineral water.” To our astonishment, the event actually came off as advertised.

So leave well enough alone. And, frankly, this year we've been too busy fixing up the old place to know what the trout are drinking. They are assembling however, to be ready for their moment of truth on the 29th . . . that is to say, as entrants in the annual Tassajara big fish

contest.\*

Also, on the subject of trout and truth, we're hoping desperately that some agile angler will settle definitely the question of whether or not there are German Browns above the falls. Such heated arguments we hear! To perpetuate the final decision, we will mount the largest Brown brought in.\*\*

Fishermen and their followers are now welcome to make reservations for the opening weekend. We think all will enjoy the improvements we've made.

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Box 68, Carmel Valley

Phone (persistently): Tassajara Springs No. 1

\*Surprisingly, despite the drought, the water level in Tassajara Creek is about normal.

\*\*As a matter of fact, we will mount any German Brown brought in.

*Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, April 25<sup>th</sup>, 1961:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

Begins its 81st Summer Season on April 29

For reservations,

PHONE

TASSAJARA  
SPRINGS No. 1

Write P. O. Box 68  
Carmel Valley

Under 'Travel News' on page 23, *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 9<sup>th</sup>, 1961:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

### AN OLD SPA GETS BRIGHT NEW LIFE

By Polly Noyes

A couple of week-ends ago we spent a few days at a resort with the musical name of Tassajara Springs in wild Los Padres National Forest, 30 up-and down miles below Carmel Valley Village.

Tassajara sits in a warm, green canyon among sycamores and maples, and the sound of water is always there, for Tassajara Creek sings through the rocky draw even in dry years.

The rugged peaks of the Santa Lucias roll away endlessly. The Pacific plunges against the Big Sur shore along Highway One only nine miles to the west, but it might as well be 90—unless you are a first-class mountain climber.

This is no country to get lost in, as a few people do every year. Soft and rounded as they may look from the road, these mountains can be churlish to the careless, more inhospitable than the wild boars that call them home.

Tassajara is one of California's old time resorts, dating from the 1880s. Chinese labor built the road, stayed on to build a big stone hotel and other buildings, for those were the days of the spa, when it was fashionable to “take the waters” for your health, and Tassajara was rich with mineral springs.

Then as now, from rock outcropping alongside the cold waters that sluice through the

canyon, hot streams gurgled out from some mysterious caldron deep inside the earth.

Across a bridge over the creek, left over from those days but newly painted, there's still an enclosed hot pool for men, another for women, and vapor-steam cubicles.

Stage Coach

At the turn of the century a four-horse stage coach was leaving Salinas for Tassajara every other day at 6 a. m., arriving at the spa at 6 p. m. Horses were changed twice, once at a spot just above the present site of the Carmel Valley Inn, and again at the now infinitesimal center of Jamesburg.

In a Salinas paper of that day a resident of the town describes his vacation at Tassajara:

“The ladies wear no extra layers of clothing,” he writes.

“There is no extra or useless dressing... some wear short skirts, bloomers and leggings like the soldiers.

“At moonlight dances we dress in the same comfortable style, with some gentlemen even in red flannel shirts... I observe that the ladies receive the same respect as if they were in silks and satins.”

More popular now than the spa treatment is a big modern swimming pool—no chlorine, just cool spring water constantly bubbling in at one end, out the other and tempered by the flow from the hot pools.

Tassajara has had a number of operators in its 80 years. In 1949 the big main building burned and The *Chronicle* sent two of its top reporters, Jack Foisie and Dick Hemp, down to report on the battle 50 guests and employees put up to save the resort and themselves when fire swept through the canyon (a bright red Porsche fire engine, antique but in excellent shape, is parked now in the courtyard to guard against fire.)

Old Cabins

Guests are housed in some two dozen 50-year-old cabins, each able to accommodate two to ten people. No wall-to-wall carpeting here. The accommodations are simple but the plumbing is inside, the sheets are spotless and the meals are good.

Rates are various—midweek, weekly, family, etc.—but they average about \$12 a day per person. That's with all meals.

Present owners are Bob and Anna Beck, with an unlikely background for running a resort, particularly running it so well. Bob, a post-World War II Annapolis graduate, traveled the world on Navy ships, married Anna in Paris in 1954 (where they lived for several years), and resigned as personnel officer at Treasure Island to teach third-grade children in Chinatown for three years.

Meanwhile, wife Anna was first serving as publicity assistant for Guide Dogs to the Blind, later making a success of the Anna Beck Antique Shop, stocked largely with antiques they had collected in Europe.

“We found Tassajara and began coming down for weekends,” says Anna. “Then we began saying to each other ‘If we had this, we'd do this or we'd do that.’ Next thing we knew, we'd bought it.”

Scenic Road

You could not write a story about Tassajara without a respectful bow to the scenic road that takes you there. Anna picked us up at the Casa Munras in Monterey.

We followed the Carmel Valley Road, then turning south, began to climb. And climb. And climb some more, some 5000 feet from ocean-side Carmel to Tassajara summit beyond Chew's Ridge Ranger Station. From Tassajara summit the road drops down—and I do mean drops—3500 feet.

The pine-treed countryside rolled away in a magnificent panorama. We saw plump quail and flying gray squirrels. A spotted fawn raced for 50 yards beside the station wagon before following its wiser mother into the forest. There was an occasional Forestry Service sign marking a trail.

Bundles of fresh asparagus, crates of lettuce, boxes of fat red strawberries filled the back of the station wagon, which Anna piloted expertly around the S-curves.

"As you can see, you don't just run into town for a loaf of bread," she said cheerfully. We wanted a place remote from the confusion of cities, and we have it.

#### Experience

"A year ago in March, when we bought Tassajara, I'd never bought more than one head of lettuce at a time. Now dinner for 40 is—well not exactly a breeze—but it's no real problem" (there's a Chinese cook in the kitchen, but the planning, supervision and imagination that go into meals at Tassajara are Anna's).

From behind the bar in the lounge, which is in one of the original stone buildings, Bob Beck brought out a stack of "do-it-yourself" books.

"It's like running a small city," he said. "You've got to look out for your own electrical system, water system, refrigeration, irrigation. It costs \$50 just get to get a plumber in here, with the bill on top of that. You'd be dead if you didn't do it yourself."

From the 'Vacation—Resort Rentals' column, *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1961:

SEE OUR AD in Society Section today!—  
TASSAJARA SPRINGS.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 1961 (the advertisement mentioned above):

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A VERY OLD AND REMOTE SPA IN THE SANTA LUCIA MOUNTAINS BETWEEN CARMEL VALLEY AND BIG SUR

Tassajara began as a resort in 1880. Its character has not changed a great deal since that time.\* It offers a comfortable retreat into a vast and spectacular wilderness area. Imaginative food and drink, bathing, swimming, sunshine and serenity. Available also are other recreations as gentle as croquet of strenuous as hunting the Russian wild boar. It's a wonderful place to unwind.

Write Box 68, Carmel Valley  
Phone Tassajara No. 1

\*Even the road is in somewhat original and

occasionally provides a nice test for motor and motorist.

From the 'Vacation Resort Rentals' column, *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 15<sup>th</sup>, 1961:

### THE THINKING MAN'S SPA TASSAJARA SPRINGS

From the 'Vacation-Resort Rentals' column, *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 18<sup>th</sup>, 1961:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS A wonderful place to unwind!

From the 'Vacation-Resort Rentals' column, *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 21<sup>st</sup>, 1961:

### BATHING is becoming fashionable again! TASSAJARA SPRINGS.

From the 'Vacation-Resort Rentals' column, *San Francisco Chronicle*, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 1961:

### NATIVE CALIFORNIANS have relaxed at TASSAJARA SPRINGS for over 1,000 years!

From 'Inside Society: Away From It All,' *San Francisco Examiner*, Nov. 12<sup>th</sup>, 1961:

### AH, WILDERNESS

Your really don't have to go to a remote island in the Bahamas to get away from it all—as a hardy group demonstrated recently in the Big Sur area.

Under the leadership of Bill Fassett, owner of Nepenthe, the restaurant on the coast below Carmel, they spent four days WALKING in the rugged Santa Lucia Mountains. Pack horses carried their sleeping bags, gear and food.

Starting from the Post Ranch above Nepenthe, they walked for two days through wilderness to Tassajara Hot Springs, where a hot bath, dinner and real beds awaited them on an overnight stay.

Tassajara Hot Springs is accessible by road, so some decided to call it quits and return by car. But others had driven to join them, so the party actually gathered strength. Eleven walked in and 16 walked out.

The group, which is talking about making the trek an annual event, included writer Hillary Belloc of Marin and the Charles O'Garas of Monterey.

In the four days hiking they saw, aside from their own group, only one other person—a lone hunter.

## 1962

From 'More Storms For Peninsula,' *Monterey Peninsula Herald*, Feb. 13, 1962:

The fattest rainfall figures, however, belong to Tassajara Springs at an elevation of 1,538 feet in the Santa Lucia Mountains. Bob Beck reported that 13.50 inches of rain have fallen there since last Tuesday. Exactly 7.7 inches fell in one 24 hour period, he said. To date 30.5 inches have fallen at Tassajara.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, April 4<sup>th</sup>, 1962:

### PENINSULA DIARY

## A TRIP TO TASSAJARA

By Mayo Hayes O'Donnell

During the summer of 1901 John Morrow of Santa Cruz and his wife started out from that city at 6:30 a.m., with Dolly Horse pulling the surrey, to drive to Tassajara Springs for a vacation of a couple of weeks. He wrote back to The Sentinel telling the editor of their safe arrival, and giving an interesting description of the road, the scenery, the flowers, wild life and the streams they crossed and re-crossed as well as the menus for numerous breakfasts, luncheons, dinners and camps along the way.

The original letters now are in the possession of Mr. and Mrs. Lawton Hughes of San Francisco as they appeared in the Santa Cruz Sentinel. The letters were written by Mr. Hughes' grandfather 61 years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beck of Tassajara Springs have kindly sent me photostat copies of the original letters.

The first day out, Mr. and Mrs. Morrow stopped to eat lunch and rest an hour a few miles south of Watsonville. The entire distance traveled that day was one continual hay crop and fruit orchard, with once in awhile a thrifty field of beets. After entering the Saunas Valley they found steam threshers at work on both sides of the road.

After spending the night with Mrs. Jeffery Granger in Salinas, the travelers crossed the Salinas River on the big Iron bridge and followed up Toro Creek about eight miles over level, but slightly sandy road. The scattering timber here Morrow described as mostly sycamore and buckeye and some large oaks. They finally reached the point where the road to Tassajara leaves the road to Monterey, which is 10 miles distant and nearly due south.

After winding around the mountain road they finally reached the summit between Toro Valley and the Carmel River. At this point, Morrow wrote that they had a fine view of the Salinas Valley and Toro Creek clear up to Mt. Galespa. In this valley they could see a number of ranches and a neat white school house nestling among large, spreading oaks. On reaching the summit they had a fine view of the famous and almost sacred Carmel Valley.

"The old padres had a happy way of giving Bible names to all beautiful places," noted Morrow, "and how appropriate it was that they should give this historically beautiful, if not hallowed, name to this lovely river and valley, for who has not heard of Mt. Carmel as mentioned in the holy writ?"

Continuing, the travelers came to the Carmel River after descending the grade and traveled many miles before they reached Jamesburg. "This burg consists of a house and barn, with a post office attachment. All along this road are stock ranches with plenty of cattle and horses. Some hay is raised here, but not much else."

They camped that night on the Lewis ranch, a lovely, romantic, out-of-the-way place. They had traveled that day 38 miles over a most beautiful and interesting country, which is well



worth the trip to see, was the opinion of Mr. Morrow.

Remember, dear reader, these early vacationers were moving slowly along by horse and carriage and taking their time to really appreciate the beauty of the country. Today the speed of the automobile does not allow for the observation of the beauty of the scenery which is free before the motorist, but they get to their destination a bit sooner than the traveler of 1901 got to the famous Tassajara Springs.

"The next morning we were up at 5 o'clock feeding the horse and cooking breakfast and getting ready for a start, for we now had a seven-mile mountain to go up and quite a steep grade, too, but this was only a beginning to 15 miles of about as wild and rough a piece of grand old mountain scenery as I have ever had the pleasure to see. Last summer I was in the heart of the Sierras, but now I am in the heart of the Monterey mountains and I find much here that is grand, beautiful, and wonderful, as well as in the Sierra.

"We left camp at 6:30 and began to climb the seven-mile grade to the summit of the mountain, which divides the headwaters of the Carmel River from the headwaters of the Arroyo Seco River, which runs east and empties in to the Salinas River near Soledad.

"I will leave ourselves climbing this mountain, the summit of which is 4,960 feet above sea level, and after we have gained the summit and rested, I may write some more and try to describe still more the wonders and grandeur of these majestic old mountains."

(Signed) John Morrow,  
July-25<sup>th</sup>, 1901

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, April 6<sup>th</sup>, 1962:

PENINSULA DIARY

**TASSAJARA BY MOONLIGHT**

By Mayo Hayes O'Donnell

"We had the road, the rugged mountain peaks, the deep canyons and the rocky gorges and all this grand panorama of majestic scenery all to ourselves, with no one to dispute our rights. All nature was quiet, grand and beautiful," so wrote John Morrow in his letter to the homefolk in Santa Cruz in 1901, as he and Mrs. Morrow made their slow ride to Tassajara Springs via horse and carriage.

The last 30 miles of their trip they did not meet anyone on the road either afoot or on horseback, or in any other way. As we wrote in a previous article, Mr. Morrow appreciated the scenery, the trees and flowers that he saw and wrote about them. The altitude at the summit is 4,960 feet, but at that height he listed as being in full bloom what is commonly known as the Spanish dagger, which grew in summer to 8, 12, or 15 feet tall, with white flowers which may be seen at least a half mile away.

"And what is most strange," Morrow wrote, "They do all this without a drop of rain and apparently without moisture of any kind. The Sharp ridges and rocky peaks, add much to the beauty and grandeur of scene before us" . . .

"At the southeast end of the ridge there is a deep canyon where runs the north fork of the

Arroyo Seco, which is quite a large stream. Here on its banks are located the Tassajara Springs.

"One would almost believe he was looking down into a gorge below the level of the sea. And now to get down to the hotel and springs we make a descent of 3,260 feet over a wonderfully picturesque piece of road. It is an interesting ride and rather exciting. About half way down this grade we halted for an hour or so at a clear, cool spring by the side of the road for dinner. Here we boiled potatoes, fried bacon, and eggs, made coffee and ate with good appetites and Dolly horse also had a good appetite for hay and rolled barley. Now only three miles to go and all down grade!"

Mr. and Mrs. Morrow pitched camp in the early afternoon at the Springs. The next day he noted to the Santa Cruz newspaper: "The moonlight here is grandeur and more beautiful than any place I have ever been. It is a more yellowish, golden color, and when it glides the tops of these rugged mountain peaks and slowly creeps down their rock-ribbed sides and casts its golden mellow light over all the valley and among the trees, it is indeed grand, and far beyond my power to appreciate or describe."

"I leave here tomorrow for Salinas, San Juan, Hollister, San Jose and other places. When I write the word me, I mean my wife, myself and Dolly horse. Our work is about equally divided while on our trips. My wife is boss of the commissary department. I am chief quartermaster, while Dolly horse is superintendent of locomotion and transportation, and we all attend to our duties faithfully and successfully."

The Morrrows had stayed for one month to the day at Tassajara Springs.

Tassajara . . . Tas-sah-hah-rah . . . a place where strings of meat or venison (jerky) are hung in the sun to dry. From early records and folklore it appears that Tassajara has long been a gathering place for many peoples: the Indians, who made annual pilgrimage thither to receive the benefits of its waters; later, pioneer white men, who built rough log cabins and baths; and today, the modern vacationists, who seek the Tassajara Springs for vacation outings. The Springs are in the heart of the national forest, about 45 miles south of Monterey.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald*, April 9<sup>th</sup>, 1962:

PENINSULA DIARY

**LONG STANDING FAME**

By Mayo Hayes O'Donnell

For several hundred years before Americans came to Monterey or California, the Tassajara Springs were famous, according to an article written by Jack Swan, who arrived in Monterey in 1843 and built the adobe building known as "The First Theater." Writing in 1876, he said:

"I first heard of Tassajara Springs in the spring of 1843 while hunting in the Carmel Valley. I met a large band of Indians coming up the valley, some being on horseback and others on foot. The leader, who had been educated at the Mission, spoke good Spanish.

He stated that he and his bride were bound for Tassajara Springs to take the waters for a rash or skin disease that had broken out among them.

"They would build a sweat hut of mud and branches over the place where the hot water flowed from the ground and then remain there until they got so weak the medicine man would have to carry them out. After which they would scrape their bodies with the ribs of a deer or some other animal."

Frequently there would be several tribes in there at one time but because of the great abundance of wild game of all kinds, and fish, they had no trouble living. In fact there was so much game there, according to Swan, and it was such an ideal place to dry the meat, that the Indians gave it the name of Tassajara—meaning a place to dry meat. It is pronounced "tass-a-hara" and has been repeatedly used as a place name in California. It is a Spanish-American word.

There is another delightful tale concerning the Carmel Indians and the origin of the name of the hot springs at Tassajara. It goes something like this, according to legend:

There once was an Indian chief, who was all powerful. He was the favorite of the Sun God that ruled the universe and from this deity received his powers. So supernatural was he that he could hear the grass grow and see his enemies and game a day's travel away. The chief had a young sister who was very dear to his heart and when she became stricken with a strange malady, the hills and dales were ransacked for herbs by the medicine man for a cure.

Everything failing, the brother started her on a trip to the big water, hoping that the ocean would benefit her. By the time the stream now known as Tassajara Creek was reached, the sister had failed so rapidly that it was not possible to proceed further. All the powers of the chief had failed and her life was ebbing away.

Finally, in desperation, he supplicated his Sun God, offering his own body as a sacrifice. He fell prone on the ground. Although it was mid-day the sun was soon obscured and the earth became dark. The body of the chief stiffened and he grew ridged and was turned to stone. As he dissolved into a mass of rock, hot tears poured from it. The sister fell prostrate over the place where he made the sacrifice, and was soon covered with hot tears of her sorrowing brother. When she arose, she was completely cured.

The news of the miracle spread among the Indian tribes of California, and, it is said, that after that, every year the lame, the halt and the blind wended their weary way to bathe in the hot waters which poured from the rock where the chief had died.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald and Watsonville Register-Pajaronian*, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 1962:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

A VERY OLD AND REMOTE SPA IN THE MOUNTAINS BETWEEN CARMEL VALLEY AND BIG SUR.

Tassajara has been a resort since 1861 or 1880, depending on your source of information. In any event, it's a mature place with considerable integrity. It has weathered well and for nearly 100 years eased the tensions of urban folk. It is still serving seasoned food, simple serenity and fogless sunshine in one California's last great wilderness areas.

It has not and has never been Everyman's resort. But it pleases a great variety of interesting people. It could be the place in the country you've been hoping to find.

Write Box 68, Carmel Valley. Phone Tassajara Springs No. 1. Daily Station Wagon Service. Check with us for details.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, June 15<sup>th</sup>, 1962:

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS

A VERY OLD AND REMOTE SPA  
IN THE MOUNTAINS BETWEEN  
CARMEL VALLEY AND BIG SUR.

Tassajara is likely Monterey County's oldest resort. It has, along with its age, a natural dignity not frequently found in these days of man-made atmosphere. It is also a friendly place, and the quality of its moonlight is widely serene. It is reached by a Miserable Mountain Road.\*

Gentle recreations of many sorts are encouraged. More strenuous ones are available. The food is seasoned and planned with imagination.

The owners feel that Tassajara is entering its Golden Age. Help vindicate the owners' judgment. Bring your gold and come relax in the wilderness.

For particulars, write or phone

Box 68, Carmel Valley

Phone: Tassajara Springs 1

\*If you're shy of driving MMRs our bus will fetch you. Check with us for details.

*San Francisco Chronicle*, Oct. 31<sup>st</sup>, 1962:

### THE FEARLESS SPECTATOR STAND STILL AND GET HEALTHY

Charles McCabe

Tassajara Hot Springs, Monterey County.

I took this battered body and tousled psyche down here for a spell to throw off the miasma created by the World Serious, the elfin play of the 49ers and Mr. Tittle of New York, and such strange eruptions in our State as those Brobbingnagians who now appear to be playing basketball for us.

This is a land of hot waters and cold airs guaranteed to irrigate the most sluggish of souls. It's only about two hours' drive from Monterey, but once here you're on a nepenthe jag.

As you perhaps know, I take a murky view of muscle-flexing, President Kennedy's fitness program (or anybody else's) and biceps nuts in general. I have no objection to feeling fit, but I hate working at it. If you're one of those peo-

ple who want to feel like a tiger while doing nothing more strenuous than standing up, then Tassajara Hot Springs is your dish of tea.

"A spa for schemers and thinkers," is the way Bob and Anna Beck bill their Baden for battered psyches and physiques.

The general public is admitted, if they have Bohemian references. Athletics supporters are encouraged to take their custom elsewhere, like the nearest locker room.

"What we try to offer is an incomparable opportunity to get the city out of your system," says Bob. "The mellow atmosphere has been an honest 80 years in the making."

The Becks offer wood stoves, a mahogany bar, wine with meals, sycamore trees, badminton, cold nights, good conversation, hunting for deer, wild Russian boar, quail and wild pigeon in season. Also fishing for trout, and carrier pigeons to keep in contact with civilization when the road goes out or when everybody is snowed in.

Tassajara, a true cul-de-sac, is at the end of what must be the worst passable auto road in California or maybe in the world. I drove in with an expert on lousy roads on several continents.

"This," she pronounced in the middle of the journey from Carmel Valley, "Is the cake-taker."

The real point of the thing is the mineral waters, in which you simply stand erect and become ten feet tall. The waters—plunges, vapor baths and chilling creek—contain sulphur, iron, soda, magnesium and the rare mineral lithium. These cure the tired body and, as they say, relax the tensions of modern-day living. The ladies say four minutes in the local sulphur is worth a day at Helena Rubinstein's.

Career drinkers say the waters are the greatest known cure for a hangover, whether remote or proximate. That is, whether the indulgence was last night, or six months in a barroom. These experts further state the waters are even better than an ice-cold Coke before breakfast, a nostrum favored by Toots Shor and other ace tosspots.

Like all good spas, the spa for schemers has its own legend:

There once was an Indian chief, who was all powerful. He was the favorite of the Sun God that ruled the universe and from this deity received his powers. So supernatural was he that he could hear the grass grow and see his enemies and game a day's travel away. The chief had a young sister who was very dear to his heart and when she became stricken with a strange malady, the hills and dales were ransacked for herbs by the medicine man for a cure. Everything failing, the brother started her on a trip to the big water, hoping that the ocean would help her. By the time Tassajara Creek was reached the sister had failed so much that she could not go further. All powers of the chief had failed and her life was ebbing slowly. Finally in desperation he prayed to his Sun God, offering his own body as a sacrifice. He fell prone on the ground. Although it was mid-day the sun was soon obscured and the earth became dark. The body of the chief stiffened and he grew ridged and was turned to

stone. As he dissolved into a mass of rock, hot tears poured forth. The sister fell prostrate over the sacrifice, and was soon covered with hot tears of her sorrowing brother. When she rose she was completely cured. The news of the miracle spread among the Indian tribes of California, and every year the lame, the halt and the blind wended their weary way to bathe in the hot waters which poured from the rock where the chief had died.

This is such a good legend that Anna and Bob are thinking of getting a committee of three thinkers or so to authenticate it. Actually the legend sprang full-blown, like Minerva from the brow of Jupiter, from the inventive brain of a waitress in 1958. She suitably inscribed it above a painting outside the men's plunge.

I, for one, hope this legend makes it.

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*Salinas Californian*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1963:

### TODAY'S COVER

Tassajara Hot Springs is a quite place. It's a place to reflect, to be alone and live with nature.

On today's cover [of the Western Ranch & Home Magazine section] is one of the quite hiking trails lined with oak, sycamores and maples, with a brook gurgling at one side.

The Springs are located in a bowl surrounded by mountains rising some 5,000 feet in any direction. A well-graded dirt road leads into Tassajara Springs, but once there, it is the end of the trail.

There is only one way in and one way out. It is so remote in the winter that its owners Bob and Anna Beck are often snowed in, or isolated because of washed-out roads. Even the telephone line is often impaired by foul weather.

During the winter months the Becks bring in carrier pigeons from Monterey, to use in case of emergency. The pigeons have been used a number of times to notify authorities of faulty communications which need repairing, or rock slide that which is blocking the way to civilization. Mail is picked up in Carmel Valley two times a week, when conditions permit.

Tassajara is probably one of those spots as near untouched by modernization as one will find in the county.

*Salinas Californian*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1963:

### TRIP TO TASSAJARA AT THE END OF THE ROAD

By Alton Pryor, Editor

Warnings that "you'll be sorry," and that "the road is treacherous," proved to be unfounded nonsense.

The road to Tassajara Springs, whose waters are reputed to cure anything from a nosebleed to broken water pipes, should, instead, be a necessary experience.

Whether the hot springs, which bubble from a steep cliff at 17 different places, will have much effect on a nosebleed or numerous other

ailments, is open to dispute. But it's a tried and true fact that it will cure ailing water pipes.

By tying a rag around a break in a water pipe, the high mineral content of the water will, in a few days, seal the leak.

For those wanting to see Monterey County, unadulterated by human whim, steel or concrete, the drive to Tassajara Springs could be the answer, and is certainly unique.

Two hours, more or less, from downtown Salinas, depending on your sight-seeing mood, the traveler to Tassajara Springs will pass through rugged terrain, generously endowed with rugged oaks, manzanita and greasewood, rising above acres of ferns forming a lush ground cover.

The road, originally, was the work of Chinese coolies, built to allow stage coaches to bring ailing travelers and rich vacationers to the famous spa for treatment in the "healing waters." The trip by stage was a 10 to 12 hour ride, calling for a change of horses at least three times along the way.

Today, the road has been considerably widened, and while careless drivers have no right to attempt it, it is far more scenic than dangerous. Turning off the Salinas-Monterey highway at the Los Laureles grade, the Tassajara Springs traveler passes through the rustic village of Carmel Valley, winding his way over the blacktop paving to historic Jamesburg.

Here, both the road and terrain change. The road is a dirt one, well-graded and easily passable, and the countryside becomes more rugged, but nonetheless scenic. Spires of blossoming yucca stretch high on the mountainsides to scan the seemingly bottomless canyons.

Soon, a neat, hand-lettered sign announces: "End of the road—five miles." Determinedly, though doubtful, you drive on descending from 5,000 to 1,538 feet, where the hot springs nestle in the nature-carved bowl, rimmed by Black Cone peak and the ominous Ventanas in the west, Black Butte and Chew's Ridge in the north, and Pinyon and Junipero Serra peaks in the south.

At the end of the road is Tassajara Springs, owned by Bob and Anna Beck, who make no claim to offering guests anything fancy. Instead, Anna said, the Springs are a place to "get away from it all."

Interesting stone buildings, fashioned from rock blasted out of the mountainsides themselves, rest on the banks of a swift stream.

Those wanting the mineral baths will cross a foot-bridge over the stream to the bath houses, where the hot mineral water is piped into plunges and vapor rooms. For the more athletic, a swimming pool is filled with water, tempered by the same mineral springs which gurgle out of the solid rock outcropping at the foot of the mountain.

Tests of the water show it contains sulphur, iron, soda, magnesia, and the more rare mineral, lithia.

Famous Indian caves, rich in history, are a hike away, and the stream offers good fishing (one Salinas man has journeyed to Tassajara

Springs on the first day of fishing season every year for the past 54 years).

Either a hot lunch, or sandwiches, will be provided, but Mrs. Beck advises that reservations be made in advance, especially on holiday week-ends. Other facilities are also available on a reservation basis.

There is only one way in to Tassajara Hot Springs; consequently there is only one way out. It is on the way out that you may want to stop at one of the roadside parks provided and maintained by Los Padres National Forest.

But, whether the trip is a one-day trek, or an overnight camping trip or for a week's stay, a trip to Tassajara will do one thing: it will make you feel that you've seen a part of Old California, much as it was before man began tampering with nature.

The following article contains some historically incorrect information. The hot springs were never sold for the sum of \$700 dollars, and they were never in the possession of the Church family. "Frank" Rust was actually John E. Rust, and there are no known historical documents stating that a Doc Chambers was associated with the area during homesteading period. There is, however, historical information about a Dr. James Rice Hadsell, who in 1869 purchased an undivided one-half interest in John E. Rust's preemptive claim to the hot springs in "Aqua Caliente Canyon."

*Salinas Californian*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1963:

#### HISTORY AND HERITAGE

### TASSAJARA SPRINGS—ONCE SOLD FOR \$700, IT GREW TO BE A WORLD FAMOUS HEALTH SPA

By Dorothy Vera

Once upon a time, long before the white man trespassed into their sacred grounds, the Indians had a name for it... "Tassajara, the place where dried meat is hung." Their musical words were given to other sectors of the wild country in the Coast Range... "Cachagua" (laughing water)—Tularcitos (little tules), or the Creek Chupines, which to them designated "muddy waters."

This was the Tassajara of long ago, the place of hot springs and curative waters deep in a canyon all of its own, some 50 miles from Salinas. For several hundreds of years the aborigines had it all for themselves. It was one of their favorite haunts. On their trek from the coastline, they were known to have stopped in caves (some on the Church ranch near Tassajara). These still bear their hieroglyphic messages. Shells, too, attest the fact that they carried their sea foods high into the mountains.

At Tassajara they rested, bathed in the curative waters for their particular diseases of the skin and the bone, and "jerked" their deer meat in the dry, hot atmosphere.

'Agua Caliente'

First mention that the Tassajara Hot Springs were occupied other than by natives is of the Spaniards who hunted and fished in the paradise they paraphrased "Agua Caliente,"

for the hot waters that came from the rocks. First white man actually to settle there was one "Doc" Chambers. He squatted in the caves in 1870, selling his "squatters" rights a decade later to Ben Marks.

Marks had a misfortune, one that was to place the Springs in the hands of the Church family. He broke a leg in 1884 and in order to meet his expenses, sold his interests for \$700 to Thomas Church.

That summer the five Churches moved into the rugged country five miles from Tassajara; the property, "The Caves," now is owned by heirs of Bruce Church.

As early as 1868 one Frank Rust opened a campsite at the Springs themselves, but stayed only a short while. Others came and went until ultimately Jack Borden, recognizing the curative value of the waters, used the Indian name "Tassajara" and started his health resort.

Visitors were accommodated with "al fresco" lodgings, carrying their own necessities, sans provisions, to the mountain resort. The hotel at that time consisted of a tiny one-room, log cabin. Provisions were for sale, and campsites were everywhere.

This was prior to 1875. In that year William Hart built a more substantial hotel, a few small cabins, a shale rock dining room and a rock bath house with a plunge and individual wooden tubs.

Actually, Tassajara Hot Springs never gained real popularity until the Quilty family came into possession in 1884. Charles Quilty, a San Jose businessman, bought it as a summer resort for his wife and seven daughters. He had plans, too, for a hotel, a 40-room sandstone edifice made of blocks of stone blasted from the hills nearby. It was finished in 1893.

Mrs. Helen Quilty Holohan, mother-in-law of hotelman Bill Jeffery, added the swimming pool, riding stables, bath houses and plunges, with private bath rooms and tubs to facilities started by her husband. She sold the Springs for the then magnificent sum of \$100,000.

Great stories are told of Tassajara Hot Springs, the many distinguished guests from all parts of the world who have "taken the waters"... the road that seemed to lead to nowhere, and that was built with Quilty's personal funds for \$15,000.

Prior to this road, which was finished in 1888, supplies were taken in on horseback, either up the Arroyo Seco, or over the road from Salinas to the James ranch (now Lambert's). They were left in the dairy house and packed in bit by bit over Chew's Ridge trail.

Hill's Trip

One of the most graphic accounts of the trip into the Springs was narrated by the late W. J. Hill, one-time owner of the old *Salinas Index* ... now the *Californian*.

One beautiful September morning back in '88 he stepped into the new spring passenger "wagon and four" belonging to J. W. Lewis. Lewis carried the mail and passengers up the grade to Tassajara-way, over a tortuous trail that had been practically hand-hewn. For years he drove a buckboard, but replaced it with his spring wagon.

Hill and Lewis, the horses trotting briskly in the fall air—traveled across the Salinas river, then Toro creek, and finally approached the steep Carmel grade. At Laureles rancho they watered the horses, stopping briefly for lunch. Through the Tularcitos grant they drove, into the Carmel country, crossing the Chupines.

Finally they reached the Tularcitos, controlled principally by Carr S. Abbott, then drove through the Shipley tract and on up to the Blomquist ranch.

By three in the afternoon the two men reached Lewis' home two miles from Jamesburg and 35 miles from Salinas.

#### Call It 'Yucca'

The air along the trails was fragrant with mescal (yucca), huge-cactus-like plants 10 to 15 feet high having creamy white flowers in abundance. Madrones, cedar, pine and Valparaiso oaks clustered on the hills. They were the natural habitat of deer, mountain quail and thousands of wild pigeons.

Altitudes were bracing and surprising, varying quickly as the men traveled up hill and down canyon. At the Tularcitos they were at 1030 feet, nearly 1000 feet higher than Salinas. Gordon's at Tularcitos, was 1719 feet, while the Lewis house nestled at a snug 1533.

#### Danced All Night

Unplanned, Hill's visit coincided with a Democratic gathering being held at Jamesburg. That night there was a dance in the James' living room. Couples... Republicans, too...came from miles around and danced till dawn. Old Tom Hunter, a "fixtured" on the Blomquist ranch, fiddled, stopping only for a midnight supper.

There were the Masons, the Souzas, the Finches, the Cahoons, the Drakes and the Reeds . . . the Tashes, the Churches and the Bruces. . . the Hunters, the Landers and the Andersons, not to forget the James, the Lewis families . . . and Mr. Hill, all names that still live on.

Figuring that time was a 'wastin,' the men were up and on their way by seven o'clock Sunday morning, with 15 miles to go before they reached Tassajara Hot Springs. The heavy grade of the new roads started at Wheeler's cabin (now Bruce's) where they passed barley fields, proceeding on to the divide at the head of Miller Canyon.

Out of the canyon, they were on a road blasted out of solid rock. Long distances on the road side were supported by a perpendicular walls of loose stones.

This was the contribution of Charles Quilty and his partner, J. R. McPhail. Anthony Dourond, surveyor and superintendent of construction, stayed on at the Springs when the road was complete.

Hill and Lewis drove in just at noon, halted briefly before they entered the hotel area to receive a salute of welcome . . . a dozen blasts fired to mark the first passenger to travel all the way from Salinas to Tassajara Hot Springs by wagon!

They were 1,650 feet above sea level, surrounded by a dozen or more mineral springs in a wooded canyon through which flowed the main fork and middle branch of the Arroyo

Seco River. Out of the rocky mountain on the south bank of the creek were springs ranging from icy coldness to 150 degrees Fahrenheit.

Certain that the waters were unusual in nature, samples were sent to the Smithsonian Institute. A report came back indicating these contained 32 ingredients, the "richest mineral springs known in the United States" . . . and having sulphur, iron, magnesium, soda, potassium, as well as others.

For \$3 per day persons could camp and bathe in these waters. For \$1 per day they could eat in the "hotel."

Hill was impressed with plans for the new stone hotel at the canyon's junction with the road at the creek. Cottages were to be built at the base of the hill, sitting each in its carved-out niche. North of the stream on the flat were stables.

Grounds, said the Quilts, would be well-lighted, as well as the hotel, with electricity generated by water power.

Dourond was a provider, as well as a superintendent. Each morning before guests arose he strayed into the nearby forest, stopped at the streams, and returned with a deer or two and a basket of trout before anyone else thought of breakfast.

Publisher Hill has the distinction of conducting the first literary event at Tassajara Hot Springs—on Sept. 19. As all gathered around . . . there were campers there before him . . . Hill told of his recent trip to Mt. Vernon. He recited with much feeling, "Pearls at Random Strung," and the guests applauded.

A dash of salt and pepper and a bit of butter added to water from another spring "tasted just I like chicken soup," said Niles.

Produce came from a 30x100 garden (shielded carefully from the deer). It was planted with corn, melons; onions, carrots, red peppers and tomatoes. Irrigated with hot water, the melons produced ripe fruit long before their scheduled span of time.

In addition to the native animals and fowl, were wild goats taken into the rough country by William Hart in 1879.

Henry Cosseboom walked to the summit of the mountain northeast of the Springs soon after Admission day in 1888 and planted the stars and stripes on the rock-crested summit. It was a hard haul, and he swore he "would not do it again for \$200." This sounded a bit "chicken" for a man of his brawn. Nine years earlier Mrs. J. M. McDougall, Salinas pioneer, planted an American flag on the same spot.

Life at Tassajara was long days and star-studded evenings of informality, relaxing in the hammocks provided everywhere by Mr. Quilty. One ate the delicious foods prepared in the kitchen, or snacks in the camps. Women beautified themselves at the spring full of arsenic water; they were assured if they rubbed their skins well, this was an aid to loveliness.

More nebulous in nature, but believed by many, is the 1877 legend of ghosts on the banks of the Chupines. An old cabin situated there supposedly was inhabited with these denizens of the outer world—especially by the spirit of one Dutch John, a shepherd who had been murdered many years before.

#### Bill Takes Over

Tassajara, since the 1900s, has continued to grow in popularity. For some time Bill Jeffery, then a young unmarried man, ran it. Like his father before him, he was enterprising. Feeling the "itch" to get into a business of his own, 20-year-old Bill leased Tassajara Hot Springs and bought its stage and horses. Full of confidence, he was ready for anything that might happen.

Before opening, he haunted doctors, dentists and blacksmiths. He was jack of all trades. The nearest doctor was miles and hours away, and there were no telephones. Jeffery decided that heart stimulants and instant attention to broken bones could be mighty important at the resort. He was to find many times over that his first aid "studies" were worthwhile.

With the late Mrs. Dennis Lynn (Lizzie McCormich) as his housekeeper, he ran the resort four years. And a pleasant four years it turned out to be. It was there he courted his wife, the former Mary Josephine Quilty. Her father was the San Jose merchant, Charles Quilty, who bought the Springs for his seven lovely daughters.

The Jeffery touch was a magic one. Tassajara became world-known as a health spa, and the first home of Mary and Bill Jeffery, who were wed Aug. 6, 1901.

*Salinas Californian*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1963:

#### IT WAS BEAR COUNTRY

Grizzly and cinnamon bear once populated the Tassajara Springs area. But they were much lighter in color than those found elsewhere. W. E. P. Hartnell is said to have sent a pelt of what he thought was a silver bear to a London museum, but it turned out to be only a cinnamon bear of extreme size and with a much lighter coat than that type of bear usually would have.

*Salinas Californian*, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1963:

#### THE LEGEND OF TASSAJARA

There are legends galore about Tassajara . . . many of them originating with the Indians.

One goes back to the naming of Tassajara by the Carmel Indians on one of their peripatetic excursions.

A powerful Indian chief, favorite of the Sun God that rules the universe, and a young sister . . . his pet. She became stricken with a strange malady that neither herbs nor medicine man could cure. All else failing, her brother started her on a trip to the ocean, hoping the Big Water air would cure her. By the time they reached the stream now known as Tassajara, she was too ill to continue.

In desperation, her brother sought the Sun God and offered his body as a sacrifice for her cures. He fell to the ground, the midday sun was obscured, and the earth darkened. His body grew rigid, turning to stone. As he dissolved into a mass of rock, tears poured from it. The young sister fell over the place her chief brother had made his sacrifice. As her body became covered with the hot tears of her sorrowing brother, she grew stronger, finally arising completely cured.

It was this miracle that spread among the tribesmen and prompted Indians to seek the healing waters of Tassajara for their ill and lame and halt and blind.

Salinas Californian, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1963:

AFTER THE 'OSO'

**ROCKY BEASLEY—SUPER HUNTER**

Absolom "Rocky" Beasley is one real-life Tassajara legend whose tall tales have come down with time, some of them from his friend Bill Jeffery, of Salinas.

Rocky joined "Doc" Chambers at the Caves in the 70s, where he hunted bear and deer for the hides. He traveled through the hills most of the time with his saddle horses, "Apache" and "Lightning Striker."

According to Jeffery, Rocky never went inside a house when he could do otherwise. He never married, and when he "retired" from Tassajara country, he went south to Jolon.

Standing more than 6 feet 4 inches tall, the old oso (bear) hunter was a powerful man. He boasted he had killed 132 grizzlies in his lifetime.

He could shoot and erect bear under the "chin" where a small horseshoe of white hair marks a vital spot, by standing within inches of the vicious beast.

A newspaper report on Dec. 21, 1876, read: "Information reached us that the famous pioneer named Beasley, better known as Old Rock, had a terrific hand-to-hand fight with a grizzly bear near Jolon in this county a few days ago. He sustained injuries from which he is not expected to recover."

Recover he did, to go back to his b'ar hunting.

Beasley's hunting ability was of the native variety, too. He could catch a rabbit with a forked stick tied with buckskin as fast as you could say "Jack Rabbit."

Rocky Beasley's partner was Joe Logwood, a mite of a man compared to his friend. Like his friend, he never married.

Salinas Californian, June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1963:

**TASSAJARA GETS A NAME**

Tassajara Springs were famous long before Americans came to California, at least according to one report, written in 1876 by Jack Swan. Swan arrived in Monterey in 1843 and built the adobe building that is now known as "The First Theatre." He wrote:

"I first heard of Tassajara Springs in the spring of 1843 while hunting in the Carmel Valley. I met a large band of Indians coming up the valley, some being on horseback and others on foot. The leader, who had been educated at the Missions, spoke good Spanish. He stated that he and his tribe were bound for Tassajara Springs to take the waters for a rash or skin disease that had broken out among them. They would build a sweat hut of mud and branches over the place where the hot water flowed from the ground and then remain there until they got so weak the medicine man would have to carry them out, after which they would scape their bodies with the ribs of deer

or some other animal."

Swan reported that frequently there would be several tribes in there at one time but because of the great abundance of wild game of all kinds, and fish, they had no trouble living. In fact there was so much game there, he said, that it was such an ideal place to dry the meat, the Indians gave it the name of Tassajara, meaning a place to dry meat. Tassajara is a Spanish-American word.

**1964**

From 'State Group to Ask Route 1 as Scenic Road,' Monterey Peninsula Herald, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 1964:

In other business yesterday pertaining to scenic highways, the [Monterey County] board [of supervisors] appointed the first three members of a scenic advisory committee for the Monterey-Salinas freeway.

They are Carmel civil engineer George Bestor, Monterey architect Francis Whisler, and Robert Beck, owner of Tassajara Springs.

The names were submitted by Peninsula Supervisor Tom Hudson and will represent the 5th Supervisorial District.

From "Delinquent Tax List,' Salinas Californian, June 8, 1964:

CODE AREA 78-05

Beck, Robert G. & Anna W., E 1/2 of NE 1/4, NE 1/4 of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4, NE 1/4 of NW 1/4, Sec. 29; E 1/2 of SW 1/4, NW 1/4 of SW 1/4, SE 1/4 of NW 1/4, Sec. 28 Twp 19 R4, 320 Ac. . . . . 49.32  
Tassajara Hot Springs, Ltd., NE 1/4 Sec. 32 T19 R4, 160 Ac. . . . . 1,305.91

Salinas Californian and Watsonville Register-Pajaronian, Sept. 1964:

**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

AUTUMN COLOR and SUNSHINE DAILY

Imaginative food and drink  
Therapeutic mineral waters and steam baths  
Recreations as gentle or strenuous as you like  
Comfortable remoteness in a secluded wilderness

**Marion and Joe Ojeda, Managers**

Box 68, Carmel Valley  
Ph.: Tassajara No. 1

**1965**

Watsonville Register Pajaronian, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 1965:

May 1st  
**FISHING**

at  
**TASSAJARA SPRINGS**

NEW THIS YEAR,  
WILDERNESS CAMPING  
SPACE LIMITED  
PHONE (PERSISTENTLY): TASSAJARA SPRINGS No. 1, Box 408, CARMEL VALLEY

From 'Panorama of Fishin'—Huntin,' Salinas Californian May 5<sup>th</sup>, 1965:

Tassajara Springs in the upper Carmel Valley was a beehive of activity on opening day and many will return for another session this weekend. Bill Rhyner opened the season in that sector last week. It was the 55th year he has been at Tassajara on opening day.

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Tassajara Hot Springs, Ltd., NE 1/4 Sec. 32 T19 R4, 160 Ac. . . . . 361.11

**1966**

April 1966:

Proposal to Establish:

**PRIMITIVE AREA WORKSHOPS AND SEMINARS IN ARTS, CRAFTS AND ENVIRONMENTAL STUDY**

AT TASSAJARA SPRINGS MONTEREY COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

Presented by the Tassajara Wilderness Trust, a non-profit organization to encourage conservation and cultural arts.

**BACKGROUND**

Tassajara Springs is a European-type spa located in a secluded valley of the Los Padres National Forest, between Carmel Valley and Big Sur in Monterey County, California. It is reached by a county road over the mountains from Carmel Valley. Accommodations are available on 160 acres for 60 guests during the season, which runs from May through October. It is primarily a place for rest and gentle recreation in a natural, secluded environment. Tassajara Creek, a year-round trout stream, runs for two miles through the property, and abundant hot mineral water flows from numerous springs at the foot of a mountain shaded by maples and sycamores. Plentiful drinking water comes from five fresh water springs.

Tassajara has been operating as a resort for nearly 100 years. Development of the spa began in 1868 when a campsite was established for the use of Monterey County citizens who came to bathe in the hot waters. Ten to fifteen centuries before that, however, traveling tribes of Indians had sought out the waters and the warm, dry summer climate both for their health and livelihood. They hunted the game-rich area around the Springs and used the hot waters, which they considered magical, to cure many of their ailments. Numerous caves in the area contain pictographic and archeological records of the life of these tribes in the Tassajara region.

Between 1870 and 1880, work was commenced on three large stone buildings which

still exist and which figure importantly in the current operation of the establishment. These buildings were constructed entirely of local materials by Chinese workmen who also cut the road through the mountains during the same period. About 1915 the present redwood cottages were built and the beautifully situated swimming pool was added about 1920.

During all this time people from the Monterey Bay Area and from the length and breadth of California vacationed at Tassajara, "taking the waters." In this era Tassajara Springs, along with the old Del Monte Hotel in Monterey, was considered one of the most fashionable summering places in the county. It consequently enjoyed great prosperity and the Tassajara stage was a traditional and familiar sight along the road to the Springs. The coach left Salinas or Monterey early in the morning, and, after three changes of the four horse teams, arrived full of guests at Tassajara late in the afternoon. Guests stayed from two weeks to two months, and accommodations were generally booked six months in advance. With the advent of the motor car, Pierce-Arrow automobiles supplanted the horses and provided reliable transportation until the day when every American family owned at least one car.

As Americans on wheels became more mobile and as spas became less fashionable, guest activity at Tassajara declined and the resort business became more weekend and holiday oriented. The place, however, retained its particular 19th century quality and atmosphere and has continued to attract a large number of persons who respect its special charm. An interesting file on the history of Tassajara Springs is available in the historical section, California Room of the Monterey Public Library.

Now, however, as public taste continues to change and operating problems require solutions, the present owners (who purchased the property six years ago) have the choice of either turning the spa into a modern commercial resort by adding new and expanded facilities, or operating it as a non-profit "retreat" for special uses, retaining the historical and almost primitive natural charm of the surroundings.

Their decision, after consulting at length with economic planning consultants, friends of Tassajara, attorneys, conservationists, and persons active in the field of arts and humanities is to utilize the property for non-commercial ends and, hopefully, contribute to man's greater appreciation and more effective use of the world in which he lives.

#### STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

A project and plan has been formulated which will focus primarily on a program of education in the arts and humanities. Such approach will of necessity require outside financial assistance, and has dictated that a non-profit organizational structure be chosen. The resulting Tassajara Wilderness Trust is able now to accept tax exempt contributions toward realization of the purposes outlined below:

1. To provide for the use of the Tassajara property as a center for the practice and study

of the arts and for the study of the humanities as related to man's proper use, conservation and control of his natural environment.

2. To preserve Tassajara Springs as an historical place and to preserve its particular atmosphere through retention and restoration of existing 19th century buildings and by permitting only such additional development as will be compatible with existing facilities.

3. To provide a residential retreat where, for a nominal fee, individuals with a recognized commitment to the cultural arts may perform serious work or simply relax and refresh themselves. Facilities should also be available to the general public on a space available basis.

#### IMPLEMENTATION AND PROGRAMS

The program to achieve the purposes set forth above will be administered by the Directors of the Tassajara Wilderness Trust. They will determine policy for operations to be carried out, will set up a fund raising program, will establish an appropriate organization and hire key staff members. A first order of business for the nonprofit organization will be to negotiate a long-term lease for the use of the Tassajara property in accordance with the purposes outlined in this proposal. The present owners of Tassajara Springs have agreed to this contract, which would be related to a fair market valuation of the property.

In the beginning the Tassajara project will principally provide for the use of the historic spa as a host facility where existing educational institutions and/or individual instructors in the arts and crafts may carry out programs of education and instruction in photography, ceramics, weaving, graphics, painting, glass and other arts. Seminars and conferences on subjects pertinent to conservation, community planning, environmental design, communications or related fields will also be hosted.

After the program of hosting educational workshops, seminars and conferences is underway, it is anticipated that the directors of the Tassajara Trust will recognize needs for other programs not currently existing. The organization will then undertake to arrange, promote, and possibly sponsor these activities if a sponsor cannot be found in an existing educational institution or in the business world. From the inception of an active program at Tassajara it is expected that the Tassajara Wilderness Trust will offer scholarships to worthy persons interested in attending any of the activities being conducted.

To achieve the second purpose and to provide an adequate physical plant for the educational activities, it is proposed that a program for the restoration of the three existing main stone buildings be undertaken and completed during the next three years. These buildings were constructed by Chinese coolie labor and represent excellent examples of the stone masonry done by them.

Additionally it is planned to reconstruct other buildings which have been destroyed by fire and demolition. Much of the cut stone from these former buildings is still available on the property, and old photographs of the original buildings are available as guides for reconstruction. Strict architectural controls

should be imposed on any further development or expansion of facilities to insure compatibility with the existing style and feeling of the place.

It is also considered important to make the facilities available to persons described in the third purpose above. It is planned that this community of artists, philosophers, educators and interested representatives of business and industry might be in residence both in the Spring and the Fall on either side of the 12-week summer workshop and seminar period. As additional facilities are developed this community could be continuously in residence from May through October or longer.

#### 1966 SUMMER PLANS

During the summer of 1966 a pilot program of educational art and craft seminars and conferences will be conducted at Tassajara Springs using several noted artists and craftsmen as program leaders. (see the enclosed 1966 Summer Season Announcement.) This preliminary phase is being carried out because of an immediate and enthusiastic response by a considerable number of teachers and students to the proposed program offerings, and as a means of gaining experience for the future.

#### FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

In order to meet the requirements for facilities demanded by the programs outlined above, a program of capital improvements must be carried out over the next five years. The Tassajara Wilderness Trust will bear the cost of the improvements but by contractual agreement will have a first right of refusal to purchase the property in event of its being offered for sale. The price would be based on fair market valuation at the time the contract is made, plus an increase based on an agreed index of appreciation. This stipulation is offered to preclude the possibility of any undue financial gain on the part of the present owners as a result of improvements financed by the Tassajara Trust.

Principal features of the capital improvement program, including estimated costs, are outlined in Appendix I. Costs are based on estimates by Chan-Rader Associates, Architects, by building contractors in Monterey County, and on actual figures from Tassajara Springs records.

Of the total \$150,000 required for capital improvements and initial operating deficits, \$91,100 needs to be available before the 1967 season begins. Thereafter about \$30,000 will be needed by 1968, \$20,000 by 1969, and another \$27,000 by 1970, as shown on Appendix I. These figures are considered reasonable estimates of requirements, but are the subject of possible revision by the Board of Directors of the Trust.

Appendix II is an estimated operating budget for the Tassajara Programs during the next five years. This projection is based principally upon costs of a similar and well-known institution, the Haystack Mountain School of Crafts in Maine, and on known costs of operation at Tassajara Springs.

*Carmel Valley Outlook, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1966:*

## 'TASSAJARA ENCOUNTER'— A RICH SUMMER PROGRAM WITH ARTISTS AND CRAFTSMEN

There is an old Indian legend about the formation of the warm waters at Tassajara Hot Springs. There was once a powerful Indian chief who was so endowed with supernatural powers that he could hear the grass grow. He had a young sister, dear to his heart who became ill and nothing within his many powers was able to cure. He started to take her to the ocean, but as he reached Tassajara Creek she had failed so that she could travel no further. Offering himself as a sacrifice to the Sun God, the chief prayed ... the sky became dark and he was turned to stone. As this occurred hot tears poured forth from the rock, covering the stricken girl. She arose, completely cured. News of the miracle spread and Tassajara Hot Springs became the mecca for the soothing of ills.

Whether fact or fancy, we do know that Tassajara has been a health spa for about 100 years, with its old stone buildings having been constructed about 1879.

This summer, however, a new identity is being added at the Springs, which are reached by the Chews Ridge Road into the Los Padres National Forest.

Bob and Anna Beck, who have owned Tassajara for seven years, have inaugurated a 10 week summer crafts workshop fashioned in the manner of Haystack Mountain School of Crafts in Maine. Termed "Tassajara Encounter," the unusual approach stresses using the natural surroundings for materials and the construction of equipment and tools, in addition to inspiration.

The workshops are limited to fifteen persons and the inn will continue to serve its regular vacationers, although the number of accommodations will be somewhat limited.

Two weeks of ceramics and kiln building under Joe Soldate will start the series in from June 20 to July 1. This will include construction of a wood burning kiln and basic primitive ceramic techniques.

At the same time, Cliff Robinson, one of the few masters of the art of batik, will guide students through the history and application of this wax-resist, cold water dye, technique.

Hal Painter will instruct in weaving, including primitive loom construction during the same time. He plans working with native grasses, ferns, and will provide yarns, if students wish.

A photography workshop under the auspices of San Francisco Art Institute will bring together a wealth of talent. Ansel Adams, Morley Baer, Wynn Bullock, Brett Weston and Blair Stapp will work two days each with students of both advanced and beginning experience. No formal classes are envisioned in any of the groups.

In July, Stan Bitters will exploit clay sculpture using native materials and hand mixing. There will be no glazing but emphasis on richness of surface design.

At the same time Jean Ray Laury, a stitchery designer who has exhibited at the De Young Museum will draw on the natural beauty of Tassajara for design inspiration and work with a variety of materials.

Trevor Long, a Royal Scholar of the Royal College of Art in London, will work with beginning and advanced students in mosaic and glass sculpture and stress architectural and decorative stain glass techniques.

Hal Riegger, well known in California for his primitive pottery techniques, will take his students on "pottrips," where they will dig, design and fire on the spot. Riegger has taught at the Haystack Mountain School.

The jewelry workshop in lost wax casting will be directed by Bob Winston of Arizona who will use native stones in addition to metals.

Winding up the summer will be a Perception Workshop for Families designed to heighten family unity through the use of group creativity. This will be developed by Gloria Churchman and Kenny Leek, both of whom have had exciting results in working with family groups.

The natural primitive quality of Tassajara has long been known as a solace for mind and body. This year it will offer creative stimulation but still within the bounds of its quiet natural isolation.

## TASSAJARA ENCOUNTER

### SUMMER 1966 FACT SHEET

This summer, after 100 years as a resort, Tassajara will add a new identity to itself by a ten-week series of craft workshops. A brief description of courses offered is presented below but no commitment is made that any workshop will follow an exact pattern. Beginners and advanced students will work together and instruction may range from basic to professional level. Self direction will be encouraged. Workshop leaders have been carefully chosen for their capabilities in handling their crafts in the unfamiliar and primitive environment of Tassajara.

JUNE 20 – JULY 1

### CERAMIC KILN BUILDING

JOE SOLDATE

Long Beach State College

Joe Soldate, a native Californian, is an instructor of art at Calif. State College in Long Beach. He earned his M.F.A. at Claremont College in 1964. Before that he attended Riverside City College and Chaffee Junior College. He has directed several kiln-building workshops and worked with Paul Soldner on the production of potters' wheels. He has been a teaching assistant in ceramics at Scripps, Pomona and Long Beach State Colleges. His work has been included in a long list of

exhibitions.

This class will deal with the building of a wood-burning kiln, using butane as a backup if needed. The first week will be devoted to kiln construction and the second to making and firing pottery and clay sculpture. Students will need heavy gloves, sturdy shoes and old work clothes. No other materials required.

JUNE 20 – JULY 1

### BATIK

CLIFF ROBINSON

Vancouver, B.C.

Cliff Robinson received his art education at Calgary Institute of Technology and Art and won fellowships to study in this country and England. He has travelled and studied in Italy, Turkey, Yugoslavia, and Lebanon and has lived and worked in Greece. He was instructor at the University of British Columbia and while there established provincial travelling art courses. He also set up a TV design department for the Canadian Broadcasting System. Mr. Robinson has worked in the field of batik for the past 25 years.

The technique of batik is wax-resistant using cold water dyes. Mr. Robinson will guide the students through this technique, leaving wide range for their creative impulses. They will learn the history of batik and some thoughts on color and general design.

The medium of batik is of particular interest and challenge to other artists for it provides a craft-like medium for painterly expression. Each student will need 4 yards of white or natural cotton and one yard of pure raw silk, three paint brushes (1/2", 1" and 2"), two fine Japanese brushes and, lastly, drawing equipment. Other needs such as dyes and waxes will be available at cost as needed.

JUNE 20 – JULY 1

### WEAVING

HAL PAINTER

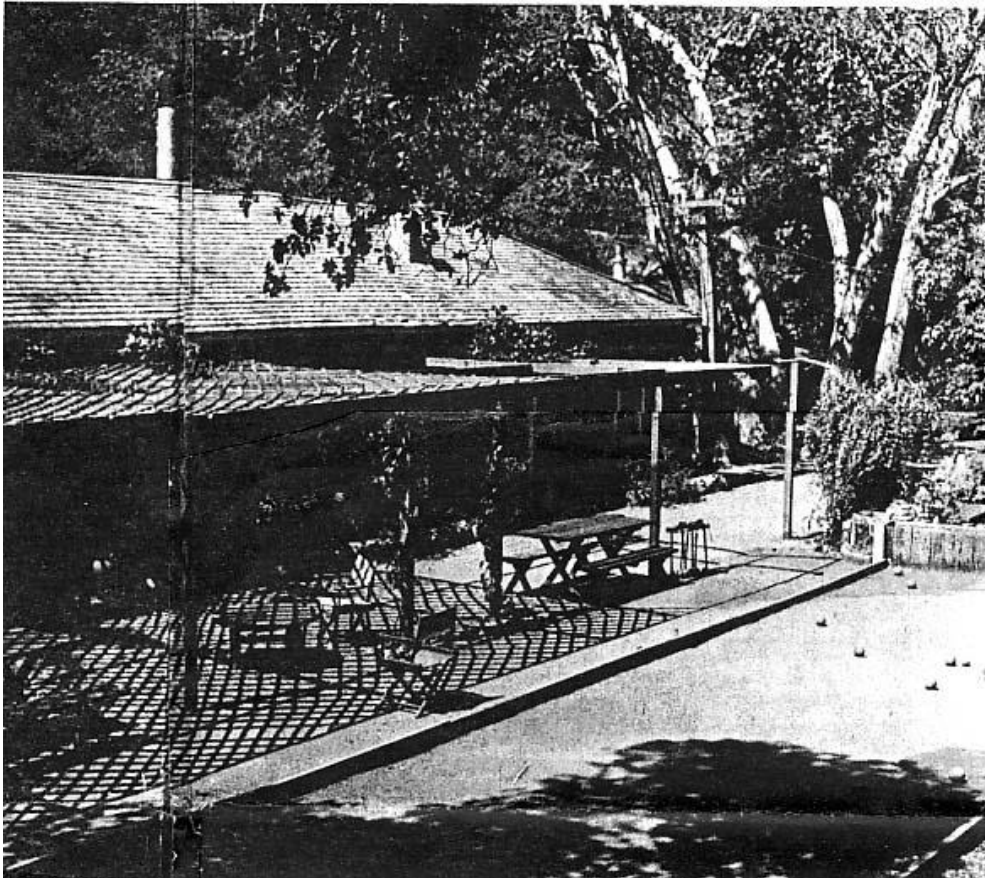
Sonoma State College

Hal Painter has taught at the Univ. of British Columbia, the Mendocino Art School and Santa Rosa Jr. College. Tapestries by Painter are owned by the City of San Francisco and a large bank. He has been represented in museum exhibitions across the country since 1948.

"My class should be somewhat basic—some primitive loom construction where we all construct from trees or simple wood forms—a class for beginners or advanced but with an eye to inventiveness. Using the setting at the Springs for inspiration and materials—local grasses, ferns and plants. I visualize hangings of all sorts, possibly tapestries and rugs, too, but a heavy emphasis on creativeness. So students need not bring any equipment or materials with them unless they especially wish to. I will have some yarns which they may purchase if they wish."

1966; p. 345.

*Carmel Valley Outlook*, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1966:



Accommodations at Tassajara Hot Springs are in rustic stone and wooden buildings which fit into the wilderness surroundings. Streams run close by with access to some cottages over wooden bridges. During the winter months the Springs are completely isolated and owners Bob and Anna Beck live in town, where he teaches fifth grade at Bayview School.

*Carmel Valley Outlook*, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1966:



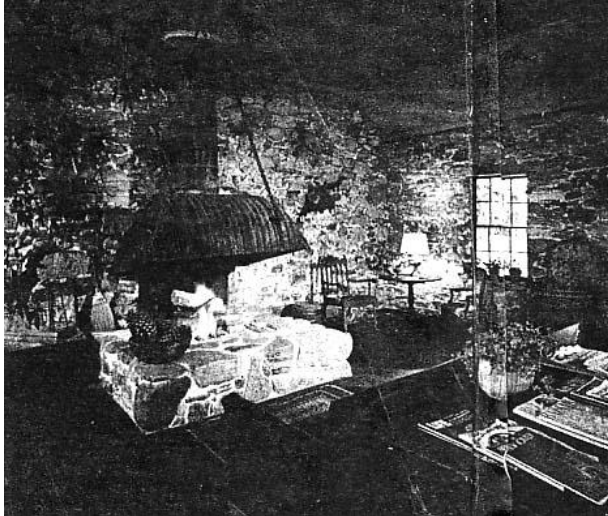
A feature of all the craft workshops will be field trips for materials, inspiration and work. Three major trails come into Tassajara from Church Creek, Arroyo Seco and Big Sur.

*Carmel Valley Outlook*, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 1966:



The original old stone buildings were built around 1879 although the resort had been functioning for over ten years before that.





The rustic atmosphere in the main lounge will provide a background for evening discussions between the various related crafts in the summer workshop.



No formal classrooms will be maintained. The deck overlooking Tassajara Creek is planned as work area in weaving, and much of the instruction will take place out-of-doors.

JULY 8-18 and JULY 18-28

**PHOTOGRAPHY**

ANSEL ADAMS, MORLEY BAER, WYNN BULLOCK, BRETT WESTON, BLAIR STAPP

Under the Auspices of the San Francisco Art Institute

Each of these nationally known photographers will work with the class for two days during the 10-day session. No formal situation is visualized. Darkroom equipment will be furnished; students must bring their own cameras and shooting equipment. Application must be made for this workshop to the San Francisco Art Institute, 800 Chestnut, San Francisco, California. Further information may also be obtained from the Institute.

JULY 11-22

**CERAMICS**

STAN BITTERS  
Fresno State College

Stan Bitters is a graduate of UCLA with a B.A. in painting. He also attended San Diego State College and Los Angeles County Art Institute. He is presently an instructor in drawing at Fresno State College. Among other exhibits, his work has been shown at the Fresno Art Center, the National Ceramics Invitational Show at Scripps College and the Calif. State A.I.A. Conference. He has been design consultant for the city of Fresno and a designer-craftsman for the Hans Stumpf firm in Fresno with emphasis on the architectural application of ceramics. Many of his articles have been published in art, craft and technological magazines.

"Exploiting clay structures in both pot and sculpture form through the process of coil and pinch methods of hand building. Also investigating possibilities of tile and low relief murals. Working with primitive conditions such as local clay dug from the hillside, hand

mixing of clay and forming the clay with total reliance on the nature of the material—no glazing, but more emphasis on richness of surface through incised line, added elements, and other forms of texture." Students should bring fettling knives, brushes and any of their favorite tools.

JULY 11-22

**STITCHERY**

JEAN RAY LAURY  
Fresno, California

Jean Ray Laury is a "stitchery designer, craftsman, writer, and putter-offer of dull tasks." She has exhibited throughout the U.S. including shows at the DeYoung Museum, San Francisco, and Museum of Contemporary Crafts, New York. She received her B.A. at Iowa State College and her M.A. at Stanford.

Jean Ray Laury says, "Drawing on the natural beauty of Tassajara for design inspiration, students will have an intensive two weeks for experimentation and to develop goals for individual work.

"We will work with yarn, thread, or string to create linear 'drawings' as well as with color in large blocks of fabric applique. At least three or four projects can be created by each student. Emphasis will be on the inventive use of basic stitches. There will be individual assistance on design and color.

"Bring sharp scissors, assorted needles, any yarn, thread or floss you may have and a box or basket for your work. Backing and applique fabrics will be provided for a fee of \$3 to \$5."

AUGUST 1-19

**GLASS**

TREVOR LONG  
Royal College of Art, London, England

An Englishman, Trevor Long is now pursuing a Research Fellowship at the Royal College of Art in London, from which he graduated in 1965. Prior to this, he studied

with John Baker, the noted stained glass artist responsible for restoring the windows of Canterbury Cathedral. He has won travelling scholarships for study in France, Italy and India. In 1964 he spent a summer in this country working with Freda Koblick and at the John Cummings Stained Glass Company in San Francisco. At the R.C.A. his work has concentrated on original and experimental uses of glass applied to architecture and interiors and its possibilities as a three-dimensional sculpture medium. He is now preparing a book on his experiences in India with the aid of Iris Murdock, the noted authoress.

The glass workshop is for anyone interested in the art of glassmaking—whether beginner or advanced student. The first two weeks will consist of instruction in fusing and combining colored glass to create decorative effects, and perhaps some combining of glass and ceramics for wall treatments. There will be experimentation with free-forming glass under heat, decorative treatment of flat glass, mosaic and glass sculpture by means of fabricating techniques. The final week will provide specialized instruction to meet the individual desires of students who have particular interest in projects they wish to pursue.

Participants are asked to bring a class cutter and cotton gloves. Other supplies will be available for a moderate fee. Students may register for two consecutive weeks of the workshop or for the entire three-week session.

AUGUST 8-19

**PRIMITIVE POTTERY TECHNIQUES**

HAL RIEGGER  
Mill Valley, California

Hal Riegger graduated from Alfred Univ. and earned his M.A. in Ceramics at Ohio State Univ. He has taught at the Museum School in Philadelphia, the California School of Fine Arts, the College of Arts and Crafts in Oakland and the Florida Gulf Coast Art Center. During 12 summers he has taught at various summer

1966, p. 347.

KENNY LEEK  
Mendocino, California

art schools, including Haystack Mountain School in Maine. His most unique teaching experiences are the "pottrips" he conducts regularly throughout the West. His contributions to non-remunerative craft activities, exhibits, etc. are too numerous to mention here.

Vacation "pottrips" using clay and fire in a primitive fashion to make pottery have been conducted by Hal Riegger during the past several years. These will set the pattern for his workshop at Tassajara which will be concerned with perception, individual experience, and discovery in art using clay and other materials. Techniques as such will not be emphasized, since these will be acquired in the permissive, probing climate of the workshop. He prefers the non-studio, outdoor environment which is readily available at Tassajara because he feels it will stimulate a fresh, inventive approach to work.

AUGUST 8-19

### JEWELRY

BOB WINSTON  
Arizona State College

Bob Winston is noted as an authority and pioneer in the lost wax process of casting jewelry. While teaching painting and jewelry making at the California College of Arts and Crafts, Winston became interested in lost wax casting. Some 5,000 castings and twenty years of intensive investigation later, Winston is a recognized modern master of this art. Combination of the lost wax method with the other well-known techniques of hammering, cutting and soldering has led to a great expansion of creative possibilities in jewelry making. Winston is still experimenting and practicing these techniques while teaching them at Arizona State College. He will present them at Tassajara this summer.

Among other techniques—hammering and cutting, this workshop will concentrate mainly on the "Cire perdue," or lost wax process. Inventiveness will be stressed, and, where possible, natural stones will be incorporated into the design. Materials will be available for students to purchase for a minimum fee. There is no need to bring anything unless the student has special stones and/or materials he wishes to work with.

AUGUST 22-SEPTEMBER 2

### PERCEPTION WORKSHOP FOR FAMILIES

GLORIA CHURCHMAN  
University of California Extension

Gloria Churchman has a B.A. in the Humanities from Wayne University, attended San Francisco State and did graduate work at Western Reserve University, the California School of Fine Arts and the Schaeffer School of Design. She is currently instructor in Art at the University of California Extension. She had a one-man show in acrylic paintings at the Karamanduca Gallery in 1965, and has participated in shows at the San Francisco Museum, the Richmond Museum, the Clay Street Gallery and the University of California.

Kenny Leek obtained her B.A. in sculpture from the University of Washington, her B.A. in Education from Washington State College, and did advanced work with Ralph Stackpole. She has taught at Washington State Children's Workshop, the Mendocino Art Center, Mendocino, Calif., and had one man shows in ink and acrylic at the Gallery Bookshop and Sanky Gallery, Mendocino.

This workshop is open to families of two or more with a minimum age of five years. It is designed to heighten family unity and understanding through the unique approach of creativity in a group situation. Materials used will be mostly those found at Tassajara for collage, mosaic, sculpture, sand-casting, painting and drawing. As in the other workshops, no set format is anticipated, experience having proven that this helps to eliminate past inhibitive associations. No particular materials are required of participants. Children attending this workshop will be given regular resort discount rates on room and board (see brochure). Tuition is \$65 a week for first two family members; \$15 a week for each additional member of the same family.

ROOM, BOARD AND TUITION: Room and board is charged at the rate of \$10 a day (double occupancy room). This includes all meals and use of all resort facilities. Tuition of \$40 a week includes all shop fees and essential materials used in workshops. All workshops except Photography and Glass are for two weeks (12 days). In event special materials are required for courses total additional charge will not exceed \$10. Single room accommodations, if desired, are available at regular resort rates (see brochure). Applicants for Photography and Family Perception Workshops should note special tuition fees.

TRANSPORTATION; There is regular air, rail and bus service into Monterey. By previous arrangement the Tassajara VW bus can meet guests for the 40-mile trip to the Springs on the afternoon preceding workshop opening. Round trip per person is \$10 for less than four passengers, \$7.50 if more than four. If you come by car follow direction on any gas company road map (also see brochure). ALL WORKSHOPS (EXCEPT PHOTOGRAPHY) ARE LIMITED TO 15 PEOPLE. RESERVE EARLY IF INTERESTED.

Application must be made three weeks in advance of workshop. A minimum 2-week attendance is required. Applicants must be 18 years old or over, except the Perception Workshop for Families where the minimum age is five.

A \$10 fee must accompany the application form. A \$25 deposit is required upon notice of acceptance and this will be applied to your tuition. Full payment of tuition must be made upon arrival. There can be no refund of application fee or deposit in event of cancellation.

Santa Cruz Sentinel, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 1966:

## 'TASSAJARA ENCOUNTER' ARTS SESSIONS NOW OPEN

A 100 year old hot springs resort, Tassajara, is offering for the first time this summer a ten-week series of craft workshops. Beginners and advanced students are invited to work together under instruction which ranges from basic to the professional level.

Opening this week at the historic resort in the Santa Lucia Mountains, were sessions on ceramic kiln building, batik and weaving. These classes will close July 1.

Running July 8-18 and 18-28 are photography classes featuring Ansel Adams, Morley Baer, Wynn Bullock, Brett Weston and Blair Stapp. The photography program is under the auspices of San Francisco Art Institute.

Ceramics and stitchery sessions are slated for July 11-22. Glass for August 1-19; Primitive pottery techniques, August 8-19; Jewelry, August 8-19, and a Perception workshop for families, August 22 to September 2.

Among those conducting courses will be Stan Bitters of Fresno State College, Jean Ray Laury of Fresno, Trevor Long of Royal College of Art in London, England, and Hal Riegger of Mill Valley.

Tassajara Hot Springs was first visited by Indians, later developed as a resort in the Gay Nineties era. It is located between Carmel Valley and Big Sur in Monterey County.

More information may be secured by writing: Tassajara Encounter, Box 408, Carmel Valley, California.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1966:

## TASSAJARA SPRINGS SCENE OF SUMMER WORKSHOPS

By John Woolfenden

After dinner dancing on a bocci court does two things:

It stirs up quite a cloud of dust and it brings into play muscles which if they are not used to it, eventually protest.

Neither is much of a problem at Tassajara Springs, where the dancer can take a shower to wash off the dust and then walk a few steps into a fine deep pool of hot water liberally laced with sulphur, iron, soda, magnesium and lithium.

The result is total relaxation, the bather having just enough will power left to totter off to his cabin and sleep until the bluejays waken him.

The dancing was part of a "perception workshop for families" which concluded the summer's 10-week series of arts and crafts programs known as "Tassajara Encounter."

New Image

For the first time, the resort in the Santa Lucia Mountains owned by Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Beck, had changed its personality somewhat, from an outright vacation spot to a center for seminars in ceramic kiln building, batik techniques, weaving, photography, ceramics, stitchery, glass fusing, primitive pottery techniques and jewelry making.

All the instructors—Joe Soldate of Long

Beach State College; Cliff Robinson, University of British Columbia; Hal Painter, Sonoma State College; photographers Ansel Adams, Morley Baer, Wynn Bullock, Brett Weston and Blair Stapp, instructing under the auspices of the San Francisco Art Institute; Stan Bitters, Fresno State; Jean Ray Laury of Fresno; Trevor Long, Royal College of Art, London; Hal Riegger, Mill Valley, and Bob Winston, Arizona State—had pronounced their classes as “extremely rewarding,” and their pupils had agreed.

The final perception workshop, under the direction of Gloria Churchman, University of California extension division, and Eleanor Leek of Mendocino, was utilizing some of the techniques employed by the earlier classes and adding collage, mosaic, sculpture, sandcasting, painting and drawing.

**Impromptu**

The evening dancing was rather impromptu, with the music on a portable phonograph, consisting of everything from Theodore Bickel's Israeli folk songs to some of the Beatles hits, with a little old-time, Dixieland thrown in. And the steps were whatever you wanted to make them, from variations on the Watusi to Greek chorus effects, which usually broke up in hilarious laughter.

“This workshop,” the brochure had read, “is designed to heighten family unity and understanding through the unique approach of creativity in a group situation.”

Which sounds fairly formidable, but actually meant that children and their parents had a vast variety of recreational forms from which to choose.

The morning after we arrived, an expedition

was setting out with two burros, to dig clay on a nearby hillside and bring it back to the outdoor crafts center, where it would be mixed to the right consistency in an old bathtub and then shaped into various utensils prior to firing in the kiln.

**Various Activities**

Youngsters and adults who were not interested in this kind of activity could paint water colors, make relief prints, the opposite of the intaglio process, experiment with shadow graphs on blueprint paper, or if Blair Stapp fired up the butane connected glass kiln, try their skill at decorative treatments in this medium.

Or they could hike or go swimming.

One of the less serious adults insisted that he was inrolled in “adult reclining.”

Stapp, instructor of photography at the San Francisco Art Institute, had come to Tassajara with the Becks and Hal Riegger in January when the workshop idea was conceived, and had remained to oversee the experiment. Students came from as far away as New York, Delaware, Florida, Texas, Maine and Arizona.

According to Mrs. Jeanne McConnell, who has been at Tassajara for 16 years as desk and reservation clerk, book-keeper, corresponding secretary and publicist, all of this summer's teachers have said they want to return and the students want to know when the 1967 season will open.

It is hoped, Mrs. McConnell explained, that a “Wilderness Trust” will be established that will permit not only the continuance of the seminars, but the setting up of scholarships for deserving and promising students. Six school children from Monterey were to visit the spa

the day after we left. Inasmuch as Robert Beck is a teacher at Monterey's Bayview School, he is especially interested in this phase of the “encounter.”

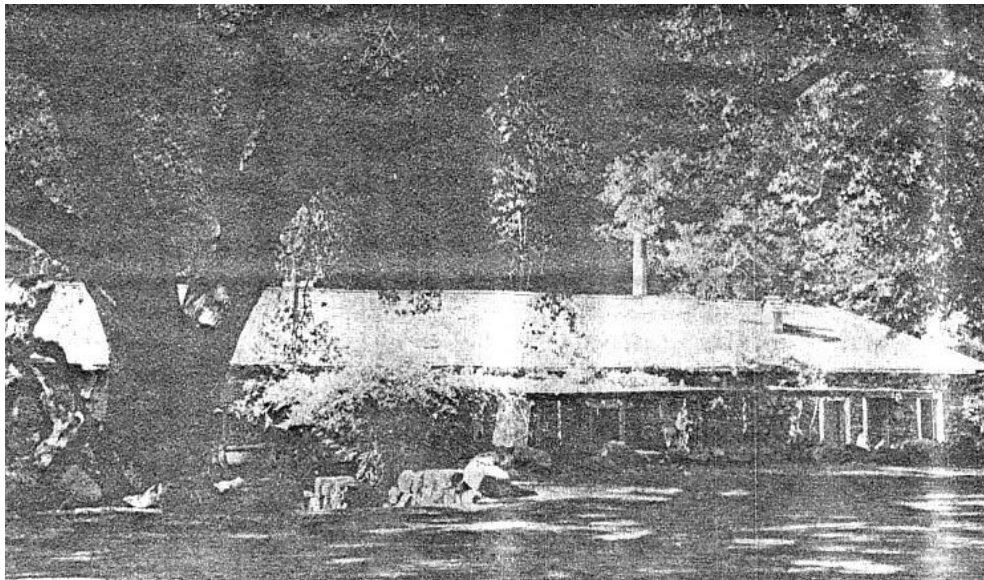
Tassajara, literally “dried meat,” obtained its name from the bear meat which early hunters turned in jerky. Like all points of interest with an Indian background, it has the usual legend about the discovery of its healing waters, a legend which is inscribed at the entrance to the bathhouse and has to do with an Indian maiden's scalding tears.

Actually, the superheated water comes up from thermal depths and emerges from the rocky hill behind the resort, whence it is piped into the baths, enough cold spring water having been added to prevent bathers from scalding themselves.

The road into the 480 acre property, via Carmel Valley and Jamesburg, was built in the 1880s by Chinese labor, which came to this area after working for the Southern Pacific railroad. The Chinese also cut the rocks for the lodge and for a hotel building which was destroyed by fire in 1949. At that time actor Phillip Terry owned the spa. Though some 1,000 acres were burned, all 62 guests escaped injury, but had to wait two days to leave, while wooden bridges were rebuilt.

In the early days, a stagecoach left Salinas at 6 a. m. and arrived at Tassajara, 53 miles distant, at 6:30 p. m., after changing horses twice on the rugged road which climbs to 4,960 feet and drops 3,260 into the secluded valley. Today, a car with gear-shift can make the trip from Carmel Valley Village in an hour and a half. Automatic shift means staying in low gear for most of the trip.

*Monterey Peninsula Herald, Sept. 1st, 1966:*



**MAIN LODGE BUILDING, TASSAJARA**

Set amid massive oaks, sycamores and maples in a valley of the Santa Lucia Mountains, Tassajara Hot Springs has been the scene of a series of workshop seminars in arts and crafts this summer. Stones of the lodge building here pictured were cut by Chinese labor in the 1880s, when the road was also built from Jamesburg. Originally, a stage coach from Salinas made the 53 mile trip in a little over 12 hours, changing horses twice. From Carmel Valley Village, the trip can now be made in an hour and a half by automobile. The County Road Department works over the unpaved road with a bulldozer each spring.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1966:



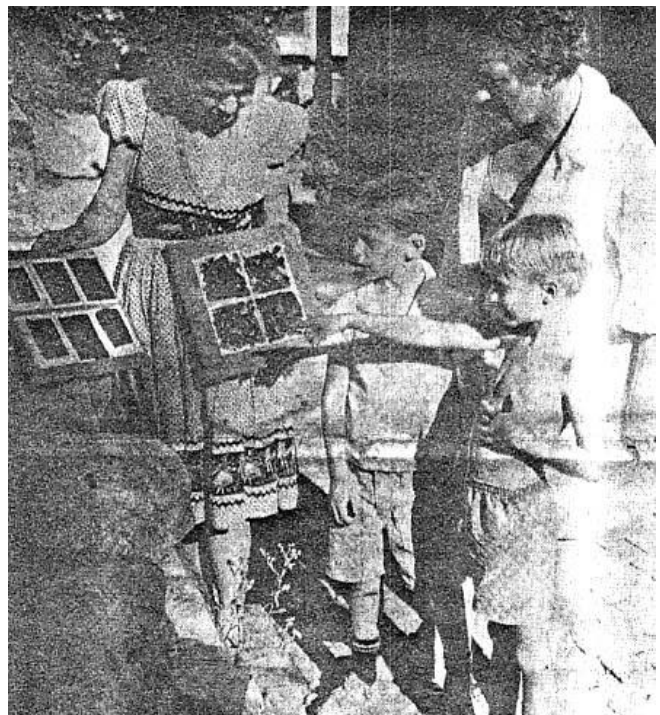
**Print Lesson.** Wendy Parker takes a lesson I making raised designs for printing from Eleanor Leek, who has taught at Washington State Children's Workshop and the Mendocino Art Center, and has had one man shows in ink and acrylic.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1966:



**Dancing on the Court.** Mrs. Jeanne McConnell, for 16 years associated Tassajara as book-keeper-desk clerk-publicist-hostess, and Gloria Churchman, seminar instructor, lead guests in a dance on the bocci court after dinner. Both Adults and youngsters participate in the numbers, which vary from the newest gyrations to the Charleston and various folk dance patterns.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1966:



**Examples of Glassworking.** Mrs. Jeanne McConnell exhibits fused glass patterns made under the instruction of Trevor Long of the Royal College of Art, London, England. Examining them are Gloria Churchman of the University of California extension division, instructor in the perception workshop, and two young students, David and Lars Commins.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1966:



**International Cuisine.** Guests at participants in the "perception workshop for families" which closed the summer's activities, contribute their favorite recipes for dinner. On this occasion, it was barbeque spare ribs, here being tested before they were taken to the dining room. Mrs. Sylvia Costarella passes out a sample.

Monterey Peninsula Herald, Sept. 1<sup>st</sup>, 1966:



**Clay and Fire.** Blair Stapp, instructor in photography at the San Francisco Art Institute, and one of the originators of Tassajara's "summer encounter," shows some of the pottery from clay dug on nearby hill sides and fired in the ceramic kiln seen behind him.

*Wind Bell* vol. 5 (No. 4), Fall 1966:

**NEWS**

**WE NEED MONEY FOR THE MOUNTAIN ZEN CENTER**

We have taken on what seems like an impossible plan to raise \$150,000 in a very (at least for the initial payments) short time. We have paid \$2500 down on the signing of the agreement this month, and must raise \$25,000 by December 15 of this year and another \$25,000 by March 15, 1967. If we pay off the entire amount by March 15, 1967, the purchase price will be reduced \$15,000 to \$135,000. If we do not raise the \$135,000 by then, the remaining payments will be \$25,000 on September 15, and December 15, 1967 and March 15 and September 15, 1968, except that the last payment will be \$22,500 to account for the initial \$2500 down payment. Interest will begin at 3% on March 15, 1967.

We have committed ourselves to purchasing this land [the Horse Pasture] because it is such a beautiful and ideal site for a mountain Zen center or monastery. The site itself is good, but what makes it perfect is that it is in the middle of the wilderness of a 350,000 acre national forest comprising most of the coastal range between Carmel Valley and Santa Barbara. It will never be urbanized or within the sound of traffic. The only access to the land is a 20 mile dirt road cleared by the county once a year. There is a future possibility of an additional 320 acres nearby that include hot springs.

As you know, Shunryu Suzuki Roshi, the Zen Master and Head of Zen Center, came to America about eight years ago for a short stay. A few persons who were looking for someone

to instruct them in meditation came to the old building called the Zen Soto Mission on Bush and Laguna streets. Suzuki Roshi said that he meditated early every morning and that they could join him. Since then, because of the kind and number of persons who have joined him in meditation (he says that he enjoys sitting with Americans and likes their spirit) he has given up his temple in Japan and plans to stay in America permanently. Dainin Katagiri Sensei came to America about three years ago to help Suzuki Roshi and Zen Center. Their way of teaching is based on letting the essentials of Zen be expressed through each person's "great function" and own American way.

At the present time there are about 150 persons who meditate and attend lectures at Zen Center occasionally. About fifty or sixty persons meditate every day, some twice a day. The recent week-long sesshin held in August was attended more than eighty persons. Considering that one or two disciples is a lot for a Zen master, Suzuki Roshi and Katagiri Sensei need more help and a location for a center in the mountains where there can be more extensive contact between teacher and student. It has long been a hope of Suzuki Roshi to have such a place in the mountains to complete or add to the opportunity for Zen practice in this country. And Katagiri Sensei and the membership and the Trustees of Zen center voted unanimously to buy it. Suzuki Roshi himself is particularly pleased with the land.

The land was homesteaded so that it contains 40 relatively flat acres suitable for farming; springs enough to supply water all year around for people, irrigation, and the creation of a small lake; and so that it controls a small valley enclosed by mountains or ridges on all sides, over 4000 feet on one side, nearly 2000 feet above the valley floor. It is a wilderness of animals, birds, mountains, and trees.

A Zen monastery is not what the word monastery implies in English: a place to retire fairly permanently from the world. This Zen mountain center would be a place to practice Zen and meditation intensively for a time in a more universal environment. It would be open to anyone who wants to learn and practice Zen meditation.

In the beginning we would plan to have one, but later two or more, three-month training periods at the mountain center. These training periods, as said, would be open to anyone who wanted to practice Zen meditation. There seems to be a large number of persons in this country who would like to meditate at such a center. The interest we have had from colleges in the east and other places in addition to our own membership would make a first summer training period possible of from 150 to 200 persons.

At first we would probably build simple frame platform tents or buildings, but later we would like to have a Japanese architect and master carpenter help us design buildings appropriate to that mountain area.

Zen Center is a strong meditation group because of its young members, daily morning and evening meditation, and monthly and

yearly sesshins, but it does not have much money. Because of the predominance of younger members (many students and artists, as well as, of course, doctors, lawyers, carpenters, teachers, etc.) our income is limited—sufficient to maintain any ongoing expenses, but not enough to accumulate capital or to make mortgage payments (it is nearly impossible to finance vacant land anyway). So we will have to raise all of the \$150,000 (or possibly only \$135,000) in order to purchase the land and begin the development of the mountain center.

We have to buy the land now, because the owner is under financial pressure to sell in the near future. Because of the manner in which the land was homesteaded in relation to the valley, the flat land, and the springs it is necessary to have the whole of the 160 acres. And of course for this reason the owner would not sell only a portion of it. He has also been negotiating with other parties who can afford to buy the land outright, but he prefers the use we will make of the land which will conserve and preserve its natural character. He has suspended other negotiations to see if we will be able to go through with the purchase.

Zen Center needs money for this purchase: large and small gifts or a substantial long term loan which will allow us to meet the initial payment by December 15, 1966, and ideally the reduced purchase price by March 15, 1967. If you can help with gifts or a loan of any size, please do. If each person reading this issue sent a few dollars we would be well on our way.

This is the first time we have ever really asked you for money like this. Will you please help if you can? You will be contributing to a most important effort to establish Zen in America. If we are successful we will have gone a long way to making Zen and meditation experience available to everyone who desires it in America.

Zen center is a non-profit organization under California state and U.S. federal laws. Contributions are tax deductible. Checks should be made out to Zen Center.

Monterey County Official Records Reel 500: 619 to 630, Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>, 1966:

**Tassajara Hot Springs Ltd. to the Zen Center of San Francisco, the Tassajara Hot Springs property:**

**CONTRACT OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY**

THIS CONTRACT OF SALE OF REAL PROPERTY, made and entered into December 27, 1966 by and between TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, LTD., a corporation, (hereinafter referred to as "Seller"), and THE ZEN CENTER OF SAN FRANCISCO, a non profit corporation, (hereinafter referred to as "Buyer"),

## WITNESSETH:

1. Sale of Property. Seller hereby sells to Buyer, and Buyer hereby purchases from Seller, subject to the terms and conditions hereof, that certain real property and improvements located thereon in the County of Monterey, State of California, and more particularly described as follows:

The Northeast quarter of Section 32; all in Township 19 South, Range 4 East of Mount Diablo Base and Meridian, containing 160 acres of land, more or less, according to United States Government Survey thereof.

2. Purchase Price. The total purchase price to be paid by Buyer to Seller is the sum of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000.00).

3. Manner of Payment of Purchase Price. The total purchase price of \$300,000.00 is to be paid as follows:

- (a) \$32,500.00 upon the execution hereof, receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged;
- (b) \$45,000.00 on or before March 15, 1967;
- (c) \$40,000.00 on or before December 15, 1967;
- (d) \$20,000.00 on or before March 15, 1968;
- (e) \$20,000.00 on or before December 15, 1968;
- (f) \$20,000.00 on or before March 15, 1969;
- (g) \$20,000.00 on or before December 15, 1969;
- (h) \$20,000.00 on or before March 15, 1970;
- (i) \$20,000.00 on or before December 15, 1970;
- (j) \$20,000.00 on or before March 15, 1971;
- (k) \$20,000.00 on or before December 15, 1971;
- (l) \$22,500.00 on or before March 15, 1972.

It is understood that the funds for this purchase are being secured by Buyer through the means of a campaign for contributions from members and people interested in its organization. The schedule of payments has been keyed to the anticipated income to be derived from contributing sources. In the event on any payment date Buyer has received contributions for the acquisition of this property in excess of the payment then due, after deduction of expenses incurred in connection with such collection, then Buyer agrees that such excess contributions shall also be paid over to Seller on said payment date, to the end that the full payment of the purchase price shall be accelerated in the event contributions received so permit. Any excess payment made on any due date shall apply towards the obligation of Buyer for subsequent installments. In the event Buyer is, without such credit, unable to meet the full installment next due. In any and all events, however, the minimum payment schedule provided for herein must be met, by such credit or cash, or both.

4. Application of Purchase Price. Buyer acknowledges that the property subject of this sale is encumbered by the lien of a deed of trust securing a promissory note payable to the order of LESTER J. and MARGARET ALLAN HUDSON, and is further subject to a deed of trust in favor of MONTEREY SAV-

INGS AND LOAN ASSOCIATION. To assure Buyer that these obligations will be paid and the encumbrances removed, it is mutually agreed between the parties that out of each payment due to Seller hereunder, the following sums will be paid in partial and ultimate discharge of such obligations:

(a) Out of the down payment of \$32,500.00, \$20,000.00 shall be paid to the Hudsons.

(b) Out of the payment of \$45,000.00 due March 15, 1967, \$30,000.00 shall be paid to the Hudsons.

(c) Out of the payment due December 15, 1967, \$30,000.00 shall be paid to the Hudsons.

(d) Out of the payment due March 15, 1968, the entire remaining balance due the Hudsons shall be paid and satisfied.

(e) Out of the payment due December 15, 1968, the then balance due Monterey Savings and Loan Association shall be paid in full.

To assure Buyer that such payments are to be so applied, it may deliver to Seller two checks for each installment due, one payable to the lien holder in the amount set forth in the schedule above, and the remainder of said payment to Seller. Seller warrants and represent the above payments schedule is satisfactory to the lien holders.

5. Transfer of Title. Seller agrees to transfer title to Buyer on March 15, 1967, provided Buyer pays the installment of the purchase price due upon said date. If title is so transferred, then Buyer shall deliver to Seller a promissory note for the unpaid balance of the purchase price, which said note shall not bear interest but which shall be secured by a standard form of deed of trust against the property subject of this sale. Buyer may defer the transfer of title if it so desires and secure such transfer at any future time, at its option, provided it is not then in default and provided, further, it issues its promissory note secured by a deed of trust for the then unpaid balance of the purchase price.

6. Condition of Title. At the time of transfer of title, such title shall be free and clear of all liens and encumbrances, save and except those to be discharged pursuant to the terms of this agreement.

7. Escrow. Transfer of title shall be completed through an escrow to be opened at WESTERN TITLE GUARANTEE CO., Monterey County Division, 118 West Gabilan Street, Salinas, California.

8. Escrow Costs. The premium for any title insurance policy requested and recording fees of the deed of trust shall be borne by Buyer. The recording fees of the deed and revenue stamps thereon shall be borne by Seller.

9. Reservation of Life Estate. There is specifically reserved to ROBERT G. BECK and ANNA H. BECK, or the survivor of them, (said parties being the sole stockholders of Seller), a life estate in a parcel of not more than one (1) acre, the exact description of which is not presently available but the location of which has been agreed upon by the parties. The Becks, or the surviving spouse, shall have the right to construct upon said

parcel any improvement suitable for use as a residence. In connection with said life estate, the Becks shall also be granted an easement of ingress and egress, as well as an easement to the use of water from the hot springs and stream located on the property.

10. Taxes and Insurance. Taxes due from and after January 1, 1967, shall be paid by Buyer. Buyer shall also keep in full force and effect, at Buyer's cost, extended coverage fire insurance upon the improvements located upon the parcel, such insurance to be in the amount of their full replacement value.

11. Personal Property. Buyer shall acquire all fixtures and equipment currently used in the operation of the resort on the property, save and except personal tools and personal furniture belonging to the Becks, the water pump belonging to the Hudsons, and excluding the liquor license which shall be retained by Seller. Seller agrees to remove such personal property or store it in an agreeable place upon the premises by December 15, 1967.

12. Maintenance of Property. Until such time as the entire purchase price shall have been paid, Buyer agrees to keep and maintain the improvements upon the property in a good condition of repair. Buyer further agrees to make no alterations in such improvements or place additional improvements upon the property until its obligation is liquidated, without the express written approval of Seller.

13. Additional Consideration. As additional consideration for the execution of this agreement, Buyer agrees to pay to Seller on December 15, 1968, an amount equal to the interest Seller is required to pay on the current outstanding obligations existing against the property, from January 1, 1967 until such obligations are liquidated, as hereinbefore set forth.

14. Authorization for Purchase. Buyer will provide Seller with a certified copy of an appropriate resolution or minutes of a meeting of its Board of Directors authorizing this purchase, or, alternatively, a written opinion of its counsel that such purchase may be made by Buyer without such resolution.

15. Time. Time is strictly of the essence of this agreement and particularly with respect to the payments herein required to be made by Buyer.

16. Benefit and survivorship. This agreement is binding upon the undersigned, their successors transferees and assigns, and the terms hereof shall survive the delivery of any deed to the property.

17. Default. In the event Buyer fails to make the payment required of it on March 15, 1967, in accordance with the terms hereof, then all rights of Buyer shall terminate and Seller shall be entitled to retain the \$32,500.00 paid herewith as compensation for withholding the property from the market and from refraining from preparing the property for its use for the summer season. In this regard Buyer acknowledges that Seller has been conducting a resort operation on the premises and that it is necessary, in connection with such operation,

to do a substantial amount of work to prepare the property for its use during the season of the year in which it is open. By reason of the sale hereby made, Seller will not be in a position to prepare the property for use as a resort, in the event of default, in adequate time to enable it to operate for a substantial portion of its normal season and as a result thereof will be damaged in an amount not susceptible of estimation. In consideration of this provision, Seller waives any further right to require specific performance hereof or the right to assert additional damages by reason of the failure of Buyer to complete the purchase as herein contemplated.

18. Subsequent Default. In the event Buyer makes the payment required of it on March 15, 1967 and thereafter defaults in any payment for a period of thirty (30) days after the due date thereof, then forthwith, upon demand, Buyer will deed back to Seller (if title has been taken) its interest in the property, or, alternatively, will quitclaim any interest it may have under this Contract of Sale. In consideration thereof, Seller agrees that in any subsequent sale of the property it will pay over to Buyer such portion of the purchase price as the amount of principal theretofore paid before default by Buyer bears to the sum of \$300,000.00, but in no event more than the amount of principal so paid nor less than two-thirds (2/3rds) of the principal so paid, i.e. if \$100,000.00 is paid on account of the purchase price and there is a subsequent default, upon ultimate sale of the property Seller shall pay to Buyer one-third (1/3rd) of the selling price of such property, but in no event more than \$100,000.00 nor less than \$66,666.67; provided, however, if such default occurs with respect to the payment due on December 15, 1967, then upon any subsequent resale of the property Seller shall pay to Buyer such portion of the purchase price as the amount of principal theretofore paid, less \$32,500.00, bears to the sum of \$300,000.00, but in no event more than the amount of principal so paid nor less than two-thirds (2/3rds) of the principal so paid, less \$32,500.00, i.e. if \$77,500.00 is paid on account of the purchase price, upon ultimate sale of the property Seller shall pay to Buyer three-twentieths (3/20ths) of the selling price of such property, but in no event more than \$45,000.00 nor less than \$30,000.00. In connection with any such sale, however, Seller shall have full control over the time of such sale and the terms and conditions thereof. In the further event any such subsequent sale is on an installment basis, the amount to be paid to Buyer shall be paid proportionately as the installments are received.

In the event the property is not resold by Seller within ten (10) years of the date of default, then Seller shall pay to Buyer an amount equal to two-thirds (2/3rds) of the principal paid before default.

Anything hereinbefore the contrary notwithstanding, if title has passed, Buyer shall have the right to elect not to deed the property back to Seller pursuant to the foregoing provisions, and if Buyer so elects not to deed the property back to Seller, then the usual default pro-

visions and the law governing defaults under deeds of trust shall apply. If Seller proceeds under the customary default provisions and the default is not rectified, then all rights of the respective parties shall be governed by the law pertaining to defaults under deeds of trust.

If Buyer fails to deed back the property forthwith upon demand and time is strictly of the essence hereof, then such failure shall be conclusively deemed to be an election on the part of Buyer to be governed by its rights under the deed of trust and the laws pertaining thereto.

19. Repurchase and Purchase Options. It is the essence of this agreement that the property is being sold to Buyer for use as a meditation center, a use consistent with the existing and contemplated use of the contiguous property owned by ANNA W. BECK and ROBERT G. BECK. In the event Buyer, having completed the purchase, determines thereafter not to establish such a meditation center but, rather, to sell the property, then Buyer agrees that Seller shall have the right of first refusal to purchase upon the same terms and conditions as the property is offered to others. This right shall continue for a period of fifteen (15) years from the date hereof, and no more.

Buyer desires to purchase the remaining property in the area owned by ANNA W. BECK and ROBERT G. BECK. It is also of the essence of this agreement that the Becks grant to Buyer, as consideration for its entry into this agreement, the absolute right of first refusal of such property owned by the Becks as they may offer for sale in the future upon the same terms and conditions as the property is offered to others.

In the event the repurchase option of the purchase option above set forth come into being, then the optionee shall have fifteen (15) days after notice within which to accept or reject the repurchase or purchase, as the case may be. Failure to accept within such fifteen-day period and to agree upon all terms necessary to consummate the transaction shall be conclusively deemed a waiver of the option to which the same relates.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have set their hands by their officers hereunto duly authorized.

TASSAJARA HOT SPRINGS, LTD.  
By [signature of Robert G. Beck], Pres.

THE ZEN CENTER OF SAN FRANCISCO  
By [signature of Richard D. Baker], President  
Zen Center

State of California, City and County of San Francisco. On April 5, 1967, before me, Denise Kessler, a Notary Public, in and for the City and County of San Francisco, personally appeared RICHARD D. BAKER, known to me to be the President of the corporation that executed the within instrument, and also known to me to be the person who executed it on behalf of such corporation, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same, and further acknowledged to me that such corporation the within instrument pursuant to its by-laws or a resolution of its Board of Directors. [signature of Denise Kessler]

Notary Public.

State of California, County of Monterey. On April 6, 1967, before me, E. J. Drussel, a Notary Public, in and for the said County and State, personally appeared Robert G. Beck, known to me to be the President of the corporation that executed the within instrument, and also known to me to be the person who executed it on behalf of such corporation, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same, and further acknowledged to me that such corporation the within instrument pursuant to its by-laws or a resolution of its Board of Directors.

[signature of E. J. Drussel]

Notary Public.

December 27, 1966

Mr. Haskell Titchell  
Attorney at Law  
600 Mills Building  
San Francisco, California

Re: Beck - Zen Center of San Francisco.

Dear Mr. Titchell;

Pursuant to our telephone conversation of this date, it is agreed by and between Tassajara Hot Springs, Ltd. and The Zen Center of San Francisco that The Zen Center shall not take possession of that certain property more specifically designated in Paragraph 1 of the Contract of Sale of Real Property, dated December 27, 1966, until January 30, 1967, at which time The Zen Center of San Francisco shall provide necessary liability insurance to protect the seller's interest.

It is further agreed that the default provisions in Paragraphs 17 and 18 of the above mentioned contract shall not provide a forfeiture of \$32,500.00 paid herein for any defaults made subsequent to payment of the December 15, 1967 payment.

This letter shall be considered incorporated and made part of the Contract of Sale of Real Property by and between the above mentioned parties and dated December 27, 1966.

Very truly yours,

Richard J. Werthimer

RJW/vm

Approved by:

[signature of Robert G. Beck]  
Robert G. Beck

State of California, County of Monterey. On April 6, 1967, before me, E. J. Drussel, a Notary Public, in and for the said County and State, personally appeared Robert G. Beck, known to me to be the President of the corporation that executed the within instrument, and also known to me to be the person who executed it on behalf of such corporation, and acknowledged to me that such corporation executed the same, and further acknowledged to me that such corporation the within instrument pursuant to its by-laws or a resolution of its Board of Directors.

[signature of E. J. Drussel]

Notary Public.

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