

portion. These join each other at the town of Dorris Bridge, in Hot Spring Valley, where is located the County seat of Modoc. The whole plateau seems created by the great volcanic outpour of a former period, and the term "Lava Beds" became very familiar during the late Modoc war, though that desolate and unfortunate region was north of the California line. These volcanic ridges divide the plateau into numerous sections, as Big Valley, Fall River Valley, Caton Valley, Berney Valley, Hot Spring Valley, Goose Lake Valley, Surprise Valley, Ash and Butte Creek Valleys, and others. The high elevation of the country limits cultivation, as frosts occur in nearly every month of the year. Deep snows fall in the Winter, or at least in extreme Winters, but during Summer pasturage is excellent in the valleys, and the water is pure, cold and plentiful. Big Valley embraces the upper Pitt River region, with Ash and Butte creeks as tributaries, and is about 45 miles in length by 20 in width, parts of it, however, being in Lassen County. Adinville is the principal town of this section. Twenty miles north is Hot Spring Valley, taking its name from a remarkable boiling spring, which rises in a column of seven inches in diameter for several feet in height, the water being four degrees above that of water boiled in the open air. This valley is about 30 miles in length by 10 in breadth, is of very fertile soil, but like the others of the county is subject to frost in summer. In the lower part of this valley is the town of Canby, named in honor of the gallant soldier who was so treacherously murdered by the Modoc Indians, while acting as Peace Commissioner. In the center, or farther eastward, is the town of Centerville, and at the eastern extreme, at the junction of the north and south forks of Pitt River is the town of Dorris Bridge. The country is new and sparsely settled by a rude, pastoral class, and is off from the usual lines of travel. As a butter and cheese making region, it could not be surpassed, and were a railroad to cross it, as it might easily, this great resource could be fully developed, with many others the region undoubtedly possesses.

**Officers:** Junius Holleman, County Judge; N. Fitzgerald, Clerk, Recorder and Auditor; Gamaliel F. Harris, District Attorney; Joseph Mark, Sheriff and Tax Collector; Nathaniel B. Rine, Treasurer; Lewis W. Harris, Assessor; James M. Howard, Surveyor; John J. Lane, Coroner and Public Administrator; Harry G. Hill, Superintendent Public Schools.

**Mohawk Valley, Plumas Co, P O 25**  
miles e of Quincy

Day W S, brick and lime manufactory  
Knott William, postmaster  
Sutton John B, butcher

**Mokelumne Hill, Calaveras Co, P O 9**  
miles north of San Andreas, was one of the earliest settled places in the mining regions of the State, and for a number of years maintained a high degree of prosperity. This was formerly the county seat, but it was removed to San Andreas in 1867, thus depriving the town of a considerable resource of support. For some years the mining interest was allowed to decay, the active and enterprising miners having withdrawn to other fields, and invested their gains in the farms and cities of the valleys; but recently, intelligent engineering and economical business has demonstrated that the deep gravel beds and gold-bearing quartz veins are among the surest sources of great wealth, and slowly capital is investing in the revival of mining, with the prospect of restoring it to the leading interest in the State. Near Mokelumne Hill is the Gwin mine, which, at a depth of 800 feet, has a ledge 22 feet thick, and returned \$6,000 weekly, and others working successfully, employing large numbers of workmen, and creating a lively business. On the 4th of September, 1874, the town was almost entirely destroyed by fire, the loss exceeding \$170,000, but rebuilding was at once commenced. Many tourists visit the place during the summer months, en route to the "Big Trees," which are about 30 miles distant. It is reached by stage from Stockton via San Andreas, also from Sacramento via the Central Pacific Railroad to Galt, thence by stage through Lone, Sutter Creek and Jackson. One weekly newspaper, the *Chronicle*, is published here.

Adams A C, attorney at law, Centre  
Ankeney Jacob, liquor saloon, Centre  
Bach F, barber, and books and stationery, Centre  
Boucher W K, attorney at law and notary public, Centre  
Bryant C A, carpenter, Centre  
Burge E P, shoe maker, Main  
CALAVERAS CHRONICLE, C B Higby, proprietor, Centre

Costa M, general merchandise, Centre  
Davidson & Peck, general merchandis, Main  
Day Frank, teacher, Church  
De Chesne H A M, physician, Main  
Disbrow & Newton, brewery, Main  
Ferguson Mrs, proprietress Washington Hotel, Main  
Gardella Carlo, carriage maker, Centre  
Gradwohl & Jacob, dry goods, clothing and general merchandise, Main  
Gregoire J, liquor saloon, Main  
HEXTER K, butcher and general merchandis, Centre  
Hexter Lena Miss, teacher, Washington  
HIGBY C B, proprietor Calaveras Chronicle, Centre  
HIMMIGHOFEN & SUESSDORF, brewery, Church  
HOERCHNER CHARLES, drugs, stationery, cigars, etc, Centre  
Hutchinson William, tinsmith, Main  
INNES WILLIAM, postmaster and agent Wells, Fargo & Co, Centre  
Kean & Faure, proprietors United States Hotel and billiard saloon, Centre  
Leavitt William H, attorney at law, Lafayette  
LEGER G W, proprietor Leger's Hotel, Main  
Louttit Belle Miss, teacher, Lafayette  
LOUTTIT THOMAS S, blacksmith, Lafayette  
Martell & Cottiell, blacksmiths, Centre  
Maxwell John, carpenter and builder, Main  
McLean John, baker, Main  
Meyer Frederick, proprietor Monitor Hotel, Centre  
Morrill D L, carpenter and builder, Main  
Muths George, shoe maker, Main  
Niner Charles, photographer and barber, Main  
Nuner William, forwarding merchant and feed stable, Main  
Palmer T B, clergyman, (Meth), Lafayette  
Peck, House & Co, proprietors Mokelumne Hill and Lodi Stage Line, Centre  
PEEK & WELLS, livery stable, Centre  
Pellaton A, general merchandise, Lafayette  
Ray Horace, tinsmith, Main  
SCHLUND C, banker, assayer, gold dust buyer and jeweler, Centre  
Strange, Job & Son, carpenters and builders, High  
Terry H F, U S deputy mineral surveyor and civil engineer, Court  
Terry H Z, liquor saloon, Main  
Tibbitts O F, attorney at law and notary public, Centre  
Unger Charles, harness and saddlery, Main  
Wesson G F, liquor saloon Main  
Wise Raphael, general merchandise, Centre

**Mokelumne River, Calaveras Co, P O address, Camanche, 17 miles n w of San Andreas**  
Bamert Charles, general merchandise.

**Mokelumne Station, San Joaquin Co.**  
(See Lodi)

**Monitor, Alpine Co, P O 8 miles n e of Silver Mountain**, was built up in 1864 and '65, in a time of mining excitement, founded upon the discovery of silver-bearing quartz lodes; but these have not been developed to any great extent, and the town has consequently declined. Its intercourse with the world is usually via Carson Valley, in the State of Nevada, and the Central Pacific Railroad.

Christenson C, liquor saloon  
Degelman John, shoe maker  
Dunlap & Rutter, butchers  
Emery C H, livery stable  
Hunter E B, assayer and millman  
Larson Joseph, postmaster and hotel  
Maxwell M, tinsmith  
McBeth D N, proprietor Exchange Hotel  
Mercer William, engineer  
Orr Alexander, blacksmith  
Piquet N, brewery  
Pratt A C, teacher  
Reinstun & Gibson, general merchandise  
Stalker & Stephenson, liquor saloon  
White William, assayer and millman

**Mono County.** Organized in 1861. Bounded northeast by the State of Nevada, south by Inyo, southwest by Fresno, and west by Tuolumne and Alpine. Area, 4,176 square miles. Assessed valuation of property for 1874, \$345,892. County seat, Bridgeport. Principal town, Benton; and mining districts, Blind Springs, Bodie, and Castle Peak.