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OREGON'S MINING FUTURE

THE recent strike of rich placer ore near Canyonville, in the Blue Mountain Mining District of Eastern Oregon, will again stimulate interest in metal mining in this state and arouse discussion of that long-drawn-out riddle of "what's the matter with mining in Oregon?"

That the mineral wealth of Oregon is tremendous and that for lack of development, or rather, the lack of scientific development, the metal, clay and clay products resources of Oregon remain today practically as though they did not exist, is very evident.

Probably the greatest drawback to the development of mines and mining has been, indirectly, the result of the state's laxity in regulation of the mines themselves and competent supervision of the means whereby capital was sought for development purposes. This is most clearly proven in the Eastern Oregon gold and silver producing region, where rascality, and sincere ignorance, equal criminals, inflated, then punctured, a mining bubble that in its splash wrecked the industry of an empire.

Government surveys and reports disclosed the Baker and Sumpter Quadrangles to be a region abounding in gold and silver, far greater than any similar areas in California, and far richer than the low-grade ore of the famous Treadwell mines of Alaska. Placer diggings also demonstrated the wealth of the Blue Mountains and many fortunes were taken out in the pans of prospectors. But when capital was needed for the development of the quartz mines, wherein the real wealth was contained, unscrupulous wild-catners were first on the scene. Through a nation-wide campaign of solicitation, immense funds were readily secured for development processes, which was never used, nor pretended to be used, for any legitimate purpose. When legitimate investors found themselves, in most cases, possessed of only holes in the sides of precipitous mountains, a hue and cry immediately arose over the country that the Eastern Oregon mining district was all a fraud, and the echo was as reverberating that until this day the mention of the possibilities of Oregon to an outside mining investor stimulates a shrug of the shoulders that all the argument in the world could not overcome.

Fortunately, however, certain steady producers were at that time developed in which the spirit of speculation has never been manifest. The Rainbow, Ben Harrison, Humboldt, the Highland mines and later the recently completed hydraulic dredge placed in operation near Sumpter, have served to keep the faith of a few close followers of the mine's cause in that district. The continued production of these few legitimately-developed properties is gradually weakening the contempt of outside investors in things Oregon, and remain the one factor for again rearing an industry that will, if provided with solid foundation, give assistance to the northeast corner of our state, and several counties in the southern part.

That the state is at last awakening to its responsibilities in the matter of this, its second greatest natural resource, augurs well for its future. With the establishment by statute in the last Legislature of the Oregon Bureau of Mines and Geology, the greatest step has been taken toward giving priority to the much-abused mining industry. Not only will their endeavors extend to the mining of precious metals, ceramic and geologic products, building materials, coal, gas and oil will each receive expert attention from the Bureau, which will, by field work, surveys and close investigation, reach the truth of whatever possibilities may exist in this work, and exert an influence for good in their results.

The Bureau has just published the first of a series of monthly bulletins, which relate to work already done since the act went into effect early last summer, and the work laid out for the future.

In the current number an article by Ira A. Williams, of the occurrence of coal deposits in Coos County, deals extensively with coal fields along the Coquille river and in Sassy Creek Basin. An unusual feature of the reports are their artistic and freedom from technical verbiage, being intended for general use by persons whose training has not been along the lines of geological science. Statistics and information are so clearly and interestingly expressed that their points are driven home without laborious study. This is the purpose of the Bureau—to present the public with reliable, readable and there can be no doubt that a new era in mine development will soon be brought about through the work of the Bureau.

WITH THE TOAST AND THE TEA

GOOD EVENING.

"And there comes, too, a period of life when we have more joy in saying the thing that is true than in saying the thing that merely is wonderful."—Maurice Maeterlinck.

THE GULL.

Gray of the morning sky, White of the foaming sea, Birds in the crystal air, Buoyant and free— Out of the sea drift and up from the rill, Shining wings still in the leagues of endless blue, Swinging, dropping low to the little ships that go As the white-winged moths that flutter in the dew. Breasted in the sea-lave, riding on the green wave, Dreaming in the south wind till the sun stands west; Then up, up and back, down on the golden track— The sea is good in day, but at night the land is best, White of the evening sky, Gray of the nearing sand,— Home to the heaved cliff, Home to the land. —George Speer.

People get wrong ideas as to why a bride blushes. Maybe she is ashamed of what she is marrying.

A woman always has great faith in a man's judgment before she marries him and after she plants him.

You can't please them. If your whiskers are three days old they say you haven't the price of a shave, and if you shave every day they say you are stuck on yourself.

When a man is his own worst enemy his other enemies can stand pat and wait for the finish.

Kissing may be unhealthy, but that's what they say about everything we like to do. So if the girls ain't scared why should we be?

The birdman naturally considers himself a dead duck when his biplane turns turtle.

A brave man will take a lot of chances. But you couldn't get him to put a corset on and then try to sit down.

A gentleman will always tell a lie when the truth would be unkind and the lie would harm nobody.

A wealthy man may be innocent, but if he is acquitted in any court the Common People know the scales of justice were tampered with.

OH, SHUX!

Sweet, Mabel thinks the selfish men Try to hold women back; She tries to drive an auto when She couldn't drive a tack.

A POULTRY HINT.

Never permit hens to get at wood ashes; this will hurt the feet. The lye is as hard on poultry feet and skin as on human skin.

DON'T MISS THIS.

If a woman has one daughter, who goes away, the Mrs. misses the Miss and the Miss misses the Mrs. If it be two daughters and both are away, the Mrs. misses the Misses and the Misses miss the Mrs. If she has three daughters and two are at one place and one at another, the Mrs. misses the Misses and the Misses miss the Mrs. and the Misses. If she has four daughters and two are at one place while the other two are away from home, and separate, the Mrs. misses the Miss and the Misses and the Miss, the Miss and the Misses miss the Mrs. and the Miss misses the Miss and the Misses and the Mrs.—Ladies Home Journal.

Can YOU tell what three pieces of American money make One Dollar

This is a very subtle mathematical problem, requiring a sustained mental effort.

If you solve it, and will bring to the Fixup with your answer TWO QUARTERS AND A HALF, or their equivalent in flat money, you will receive the best \$1.00 suit of underwear on Coos Bay.

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PARKER LOSES IN HIGH COURT

Oregon Supreme Judges Sustain Lower Court's Verdict in Wood Pile Case

The Oregon Supreme Court in an opinion just handed down sustained the verdict in the case of John L. Parker, as administrator for the estate of Geo. H. Parker, vs. the C. A. Smith Company and the City of Marshfield. Parker sued for \$10,000 damages because his brother was killed when his motorcycle collided with a pile of stave-wood which the C. A. Smith Company's delivery wagon had dumped on South Broadway. The city was made a joint defendant. John D. Goss represented both the defendants in the case and secured a complete victory in the lower courts, which the Supreme Court sustained. Mr. Goss also received word this morning that he had secured another victory in the Supreme Court, the higher tribunal sustaining the verdict he obtained in the case of Coach vs. Gage, involving the Oregon bulk sales law, the validity of which was attacked.

USUAL GRIST IN POLICE COURT

J. C. Jones, Axel Carlson and Edward Carlson in Jail For Over Indulgence

J. C. Jones was arrested by Officers Shoupe and Smith last night on a charge of drunkenness. He pleaded guilty before Recorder Butler today and was fined \$5.00. He paid the fine.

Axel Carlson was arrested at 9:30 last evening and lodged in the city bastle for the night on a charge of over indulgence. He pleaded guilty before Recorder Butler today and was fined \$5.00. He had no money, but Chief Carter allowed him his liberty on the deposit of a gold chain which he agreed to leave until he earns his fine.

Edward Carlson woke up early this morning in the city prison. He had been escorted there last night by Officer Smith on a charge of drunkenness. He had no money, but was fined \$5.00 which he agreed to pay in the future.

LOCAL OVERFLOW

Funeral Tomorrow.—The funeral of Samuel Frye, the logger who was killed in the accident at Gould's camp at Allegany yesterday, will be held tomorrow afternoon from Wilson's chapel, Rev. Gray of Allegany, officiating.

Gets Office.—A. D. Loud, the new court reporter in Judge Coke's court, has taken office room with T. B. James in the Chandler Hotel and will engage in public stenography when not busy with court work. The office will be a convenient one and he will be advantageous to the hotel.

Will Give Smoker.—The Coos Bay Labor Council will give a smoker and banquet at Odd Fellows' Hall Sunday Feb. 22, to which all union men with paid up cards will be admitted. Hon. I. S. Smith will address the meeting on the objects of organized labor.

Breaks Ribs.—W. H. Russell of Catching Inlet sustained some broken ribs when he stepped through a hidden hole in his haymow on his ranch today. He came to Marshfield and the injury was attended by Dr. Hennesworth, who said that nothing serious was likely to develop from the injury.

North Bend Hotel.—H. C. Diers was in Marshfield today and bet the cigars that the opening dinner would be served in the new North Bend hotel before August. He says it will be built on the Simpson property on Union avenue, where four houses have already been moved off, but he doesn't know who is going to furnish the cash. Rumor has it that L. J. Simpson will furnish the site, the Simpson Lumber company the material and the \$18,000 raised in North Bend towards the Kearney project and Chas. Thom will furnish the balance of the money needed to make the proposition go through. Capt. A. M. Simpson and Edgar Simpson are now said to favor it.

PERSONAL OVERFLOW

JOHN C. KENDALL arrived today on the noon train from Coquille. He will leave shortly for Curry county to look after business before the county court there.

WILLIE REICHERS jumped from the noon train today with an array of suitcases and catalogues that made him look like Mars' all-Wells company's busy day.

NORTH BEND NEWS

The K. of P. lodge of North Bend will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the order tonight at Loggie's Hall, beginning at 8 o'clock. A program will be given and refreshments served. All members of the order and their families and friends will attend.

MANY CASES IN JUSTICE COURT

T. Howard Garnishes Lynn Lambeth's Bank Account for Judgment

An order was issued from Justice Pennock's court today garnishing the bank account of Lynn Lambeth at the Flanagan & Bennett bank, amounting to \$8.75. The money was attached in favor of T. Howard on a judgment he secured against Lambeth for goods purchased prior to July 12, 1913.

Ben Wright, a blacksmith, filed a complaint against L. H. Heisler for \$53 for horseshoeing and other work alleged to have been performed.

The Burlington Watch Company also filed action against James F. O'Donnell of North Bend for payment of \$22.50 for a watch that he purchased recently.

Times Want ads bring results

OPEN PANAMA CANAL LATE THIS YEAR

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.—President Wilson expects ships to be passing through Panama Canal this coming fall and much before the formal opening in January. He said that for certain reasons he believed Congress would repeal the exemption clause of the Panama law. He said it seemed to be the universal opinion in Europe that the United States was breaking the Hay-Panama-foro treaty by the exemption in the canal act.

THURSDAY Young Matrons with Mrs. P. L. Grannis. Thursday Club with Mrs. R. N. Fenton. A. N. W. with Mrs. Eugene O'Connell. FRIDAY Minnie-Wis with Mrs. Davis. Thimble Club with Mrs. M. G. Coleman. Skenna Club Ladies Art Club with Mrs. Tolander. Jolly Workers with Misses Gladys and Alice Burrows. Excelsior Club with Ernest Drews.

PRICES ARE ADVANDED

We have just received notice of the advance in price on all of the unsold portion of Cooston, but this does not mean that the best opportunities are exhausted. On the contrary, the very best buys remain. Most of the out-lying property has been sold, and in view of development for 1914, already planned, this inside property is worth all, and more, than present prices.

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We will be ready Saturday, February 21st, to make the Quatermass quality photos in our new studio.

Watch for Opening Announcement

Shopping At Home

The Up-To-Date Woman shops at home by her own fireside. She takes her paper and reads the advertisements carefully before she goes to the store.

Experience has taught her that the merchant who is up-to-date in his methods finds it cheaper to buy space in the paper than waste the time of high-priced clerks showing all the goods on his shelves to his customers.

High-priced salesmen are not needed by merchants who advertise. Inexperienced girls can sell advertised goods while the back-number merchant is forced to employ high-priced salesmen.

Only those who are dull of apprehension choose to wander around in different stores taking up the time of clerks hunting for attractive articles and asking questions.

The modern woman has learned that the up-to-date merchant who makes his influence felt through advertising is the one who has the most desirable bargains and can afford to sell cheaper.

He can turn over his stock quickly without loss of time of salesmen at the counters and therefore keep down his expenses.

If he did not advertise he would not be an up-to-date merchant. Shopping at home, looking through the newspapers for bargains before you start out, saves time and annoyance and is sure to result in economy and satisfaction both for the store and the customer.