

BLAST OPENS UP IMMENSE CAVERN

One of the biggest blasts that have been exploded in the construction work on the St. Paul road in the canyon was set off in the rocky bluff just above the Prescott ranch, says the Missoula (Mont.) Missoulian. In this blast the new Japanese explosive, linto, was used as an experiment, and it is said that it worked satisfactorily.

The explosion was almost noiseless, and when the electric contact was made that discharged the rock-rending substance, there was an enormous quantity of the bluff broken off.

Opened a Great Cavern. But the interest that was felt in the operation of the linto was forgotten as soon as the powder gang made its investigation of the result of the blast. Hundreds of tons of rock were displaced, and, as the men investigated the great fissure that was formed, they shouted in amazement, for the blast had opened a cavern that loomed dark in the rock wall before them.

It was so dark that they could not well see the extent of the hole, but they sent to their camp for lanterns and proceeded with their exploration. The opening to the cavern was not large, but a man could enter easily enough. Three men went in with lanterns and they found themselves standing in a chamber whose roof sparkled in the light of their lanterns as if it were studded with jewels.

From the ceiling were suspended huge stalactites without number; all were encrusted with crystals that gave back and multiplied the rays of the lanterns to an extent that was bewildering. It presented the phenomenon that is familiar to all who have been in large caves.

Subterranean Stream. There was a small stream found, which seemed to have a subterranean outlet into the river. In places this

stream widened into pools and in these were found some fish, not unlike trout, except that they were blind. A couple of them were captured and were taken in a can to the Shapard hotel, where they were placed on exhibition in a glass jar.

But it was not in the living animals found that the greatest interest centered. Further exploration of the cavern led to the discovery of a second chamber, a little west of south of the first one and connected with it. In this cavern were found the fossil remains of two gigantic creatures. These are evidently, according to the engineers who saw them, the remains of creatures of the saurian type.

All Denied Approach. On account of the lateness of the hour and of the fact that there might be danger in the loosened rock about the entrance, the contractors commanded their men to keep the matter a secret; but through the queer fish that were brought over, the secret became generally known during the night.

Those who went across the river to see the remarkable result of the blast were, however, denied approach to the place. A guard had been placed over it and no one will be allowed to enter the cavern until it is known to be safe.

The discovery is a great thing for Missoula if the cave is anything like what it is represented to be. Scientific investigation will be awaited with great interest. Professor Elrod said he had not been informed as to the extent or the details of the discovery, but that he hoped to be able to see it for himself.

Promise has been made that a few persons at a time will be admitted. In the meantime the blind fish at the Shapard hotel are the center of observation; they are the queerest things ever seen here.

SALEM LICENSES ARE \$600.

Liquor Licenses in Capital City Are Reduced.

The Salem city council this evening sustained Mayor Rodgers' veto of the ordinance reducing the liquor license from \$1000 to \$700 and passed an ordinance reducing the liquor license to \$600. In his veto message Mayor Rodgers insisted that regulation rather than revenue should be the purpose of liquor ordinances. The ordinance was passed by a vote of 13 to 1. Alderman Presnell, who is opposed to license under any conditions, voting "No."

The only question raised when the ordinance was placed on final passage was concerning a section which makes a minor liable to the full penalties of the ordinance if he frequents a place where liquors are sold. Alderman Moores called attention to the fact that this would protect the liquor seller and that Mayor Lane of Portland, vetoed an ordinance having a similar effect. He wanted this feature incorporated in a separate ordinance but voted for the bill.

This ordinance, which has attracted wide attention in the city, provides for a limitation of the number of saloons to one for every 1000 inhabitants. It requires that there must be an open glass front 10 feet wide and having the lower edge of the glass not more than five feet from the sidewalk.

Boxes with open doors connecting with a hallway are allowed in restaurants, but all boxes, private rooms and annexes are prohibited in saloons.

It is made unlawful to permit lewd women in a saloon. Sales of liquor on Sunday, or minors or to intoxicated persons may be punished by forfeiture of the license. The schedule of liquor license fees is as follows:

Saloons, \$600; beer halls, \$400; clubs, \$300; restaurants, \$200; drug stores, \$200; wholesalers, \$100.

The penalty for violation of the ordinance is a fine of \$10 or \$100 or imprisonment 5 to 20 days. Supporters of the anti-saloon movement severely criticized that section making minors liable to fine or imprisonment as they say it will be impossible to convict a saloonkeeper for selling to a minor.

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While the crew is setting the posts, others are at work bringing the lumber to the scene, that everything can be in readiness for the raising bee next Sunday. A grader and roller will be put to work tomorrow, and if the turn-out of loyal fans is big enough on Sunday, the fence and a large part of the grandstand will be complete by Sunday night.

The reason for the haste in the matter is that it is already time to commence training and one week from Sunday is the first game in this city. This contest is to be of a try-out nature. Union will likely be brought over and is to be strengthened by loans from the local squad of candidates.

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Mormons for Local Option.

The Mormon church has declared for local option, according to advice from the Seventy-eighth annual conference in session at Salt Lake this week. President Joseph Smith is quoted as saying: "Hold that every Latter Day Saint will cooperate with the movement, in order that we may control the monster, intemperance."

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