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LEGISLATION ASKED BY OREGON MINERS' ASS'N

To Give Oregon Miners the Same Friendly Recognition and Encouragement Conspicuous in all Rival Mineral Regions.

EDDY LAW WILL NOT PREVENT FRAUD

It Retards Development of the Mines, Drives Investment Capital From the State and Should be Amended This Session of the Legislature.

W. D. B. DODSON, president of the Oregon Miners' association, at the behest of the executive committee, has prepared a statement showing the effect of the Eddy corporation law on mining...

Secretary of State Dunbar reports that in two years of the Eddy corporation law above \$191,000 has been collected in initial fees and annual licenses...

These figures alone show the glaring inequity against mining of accepting a capitalization basis for a tax...

I especially desire to compare results. The theory of the corporation tax has been said to reach companies doing business in the state through the bounty of and Oregon franchise...

getting a cent of income, and soon as it erects a building, puts in machinery or patents a claim, must pay as high a rate of property tax as any other interest of the state.

High Capitalization Needed. "If it is argued that mining companies can lower capitalization, we only have to say that mining companies everywhere, in Oregon, the northwest, the entire west and the whole world do not do it."

Other States and Mining. "Oregon's sister states have no such measure as the Eddy law for mining companies or others. None impose such a tax, and nearly every mining state contributes large sums annually to help the mineral industry."

Everywhere except in Oregon is pronounced encouragement, and only here is the industry grievously handicapped in its struggling stage.

KING SOLOMON'S MINES.

The mines of King Solomon, mining and told of in psalm and story, have been found at last. The country mentioned in the Bible as the land of Ophir, where the gold was so plentiful that Solomon, when the imperial treasury ran low or there was a new temple to be decorated, had to but order the captain of the palace guards to take an army of slaves and bring back such wealth to the temple as never a Rockefeller or Morgan dreamed of...

city of Ophir of Biblical times. His researches have settled to the satisfaction of all scientific men the mines of King Solomon and the wealth of the kingdom over which ruled the beautiful queen of Sheba.

The existence of this wonderful city of ruins in the heart of Africa was first known in 1510. In that year Arab gold, ivory and slaves traders found their way into this region and brought back tales which the early Portuguese heard of and gave to the world.

Newton Coming. Through the efforts of the Cottage Grove Commercial club, the famous humorist, Prof. C. B. Newton has been induced to visit this city on the evening of February 11, when he will give one of his interesting, instructive and laugh-provoking lectures.

CONFIDENCE REWEAVED.

It is becoming more apparent each succeeding day that Goldfield and Tonopah have not a monopoly of Nevada's gold. Searchlight, in the southern portion of the state, is easily dividing the honors with those two other camps.

BETTER PROCESSES.

An exchange in an article has the following to say about the investment of money and the steady price of gold: "The bank statements show results never as yet experienced in our financial history. The millions that are piled up in the banks and trust companies must sooner or later overflow into some kind of activity."

BOHEMIA SCENES



KNOWLES & GETTY'S STORE, BOHEMIA

production is lessened 50 per cent, or its amount increased 50 per cent at the same cost."

Chiefly Ironic, Though Partly Zinzical.

In a few days the mining and metal worlds will be gravely informed—quite probably—that the "spelter" production of the western states has aggregated millions of pounds. Western statisticians have a habit of figuring metallic content of the less valuable minerals at the top price or the average price paid for that metal in the New York market...

Oregon Securities.

GENERAL Manager Wood of the Oregon Securities Mining company recently returned to the city from a visit to the property. When asked as to the progress being made, he stated that levels were being driven on the Champion ledge in either direction from the main tunnel, and that everything was moving along smoothly and the values in the ore were very satisfactory.

George W. Lloyd, of the Crystal Consolidated arrived from Seattle on Tuesday. He has gone to the property to investigate and see for himself the recent strike of ore made in the upper tunnel.

Al Johnson and A. W. Zinker came to the Grove after doing quite an amount of work on the Big Rock group of claims recently purchased from F. S. Day et al by W. A. Wann.

Ed Jenks, superintendent of the Vesuvius mine at Bohemia, spent several days in the city on business matters. He reports everything all right.

Albert Zinker reports a good seasons work on his Mineral King group in Horse Heaven Canyon, close to the Riverside property.

Some months since Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Lauder left this place for Tonopah. A letter just received from Mrs. Lauder asking that the address of the Nugget be changed from Tonopah to Gold Field. She states they have been there about four months and have seen the town grow from about 2,000 inhabitants to something over 7,500, and adds they are well and prosperous. They send kind regards to their many friends here.

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