Southwestern Oregon Mining News

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town of Rogue River, is the placer mast, a hopper with grizzley, two was encountered, a cemented grav- above it. known as the Ancient River. This Neill jigs, a Sefin pan amalgamator el, peculiar to the Rogue, which Both in the overburden and in the mine is unique in that it is the most and a Wilfley table for the final had to be blown in many cases be- gravel, relics are found of the Indian conspicuous attempt to follow what separation. From the grizzley to fore it was possible to get down to occupancy of the valley. Bullets, is generally regarded as good prac- the jigs were Hungarian riffles, in the real position of the heaviest household utensils, bits of weapons tice-the location of an ancient which the coarser gold was caught, gold deposits. A visitor is struck and even bones preserved in the damp river bed, and mining down to bed the jigs threw out some of the light- with the fact that a great deal of sand are encountered. Agates, bits rock therein. Some five years ago, er sands, the pan smalgamator the excavation is even now covered of jasper, calcite, rose quartz and Mr. J. S. Taylor on a trip from caught the free fines and the Wil- with water, and that these water- many other unnamed and unnamable Australia to this side of the Pacific, fley saved what otherwise would covered cuts are doubtless very rich geologic curiosities are picked up. met on shipboard a miner from this have escaped. After a trial run of in concentrates. district who so interested him in some six or eight weeks, the jigs From four to seven carloads of is within a half hours' ride on a perthe placers of Josephine and Jack- and the pan amalgamator were railroad ballast are produced daily, fect road at any time of the year, son counties, that he made a spec- thrown out, and the recovery was and while the recovery varies ac- from the City of Grants Pass. The ial trip here to examine them. Cur- made by the riffles, which had been cording to the irregularities of the manager, Mr. Reed, the superintenlosity led to interest, that to de- increased to some two hundred feet old river bed, so far as the writer dent, Mr. Dull, and the representaduction, and as a result Mr. Taylor in length, and partially equipped has been able to observe the values tive of the English interests, Mr. Alspent one summer in running test with screens and burlap, and the were always satisfactory. At the astair Erskine, are always courteous was spent in the working out of a veyor was an ore car, which has stalled. exposing the gravel.

ing."

Supplies,

Mine and Mill

Machinery and

Heavy Hardware

P. S. Woodin

But a short distance east of the half yard bucket, and a 99-foot een feet. Further, a false bed rock money beneath the surface, than

holes to determine the course of the table. Still later, the officials of time of his last visit about 300 and obliging to visitors, and the Rogue below the mouth of Foots the Southern Pacific, on a search yards had been run over the grizz- mine, both in its history and its prescreek, the records of which show for ballast to take the place of the ley, and there appeared to be about ent development well repays any an unusually large gold recovery, granite theretofore used, were at- six ounces then in the riffles, While time spent on a trip there. Having determined the course of the tracted by the piles of clean river this would be unusually high recov- Note.—The Little Journey to the old channel, he next organized a gravel, the tailings pile, and solved ery from an ordinary placer mipe. Llano del Oro, at Waldo, has been corporation composed of his British one of the trying problems of any where thousands of yards of gravel postponed by the request of Mr. Esfriends who depended on his judg- placer, by offering to purchase the are moved duty by the use of gi- terly the proprietor, as there has ment and of American friends most gravel, if crushed to a size which ants, here where every pound of been an installation of new machinof whom lived in the vicinity of they could utilike. This necessi- gravel must be elevated, conveyed ery there since the writer had the Mason City, Iowa. Funds were tated the installation of still more and crushed, the yardage is so pleasure of enjoying his hospitality. raised for the purchase outright of equipment, in the shape of a large small, that the recovery is still sub- It is hoped that we will be able to the greater part of the old chan- Telsmith crusher, gravel bins, ordinate to the ballast production, print it next week. nel, the gravel of which was cov- Trommel screens and conveyors, to- With the large acreage, there are ered with an overburden of very gether with motors and various several decades of work ahead for good farming soil. Another year smaller accessories. The first con- a plant like the one at present in-

system for recovery, which resulted been superseded by a conveyor belt. Some difficulty was experienced in Mining Bureau held last Saturday. in the installation of electric pow- in the interest of efficiency and disposing of the overburden, which was fairly well attended, by members er, and high lift centrifugal pumps economy. The plant has been run- being light silt threatened during from Jackson and Josephine counfor washing off the overburden and ning for some time in two and three low water to interfere with the sport ties. The question of affiliating shifts, and the sight of two all night of fishing in the river. However with the newly organized Pacific The final installation consisted plants between Gold Hill and Grants that has been overcome, and the re- Coast Chamber of Mines and Miner-Lately the gold has run much coarser such action was advisable. fine, and carries a considerable differences in assay reports of ores amount of quartz, justifying the the- from this section between outside ory of the original conclusion, that and local assayers was thoroughly the deposits from flood waters in discussed, and Ira Foreman was apold channel of the Rogue. While charge of the movement to attempt the Rogue valley is a narrow one, to solve the question by bringing Mr. materially in the not too distant of Los Angeles, to Southern Oregon past, and there are doubtless many to work with E. Derwent of Gold other stretches of the old channel Hill in connection with the matter. which will in the future be mined to enough to take a chance. No man can say what was the extent of the primary erosions here, but what ver in town today.

from the passing tourist.

Pass has provoked much comment uniformly rich. In the Illinois, the old channels are often found hun-For some time after the erection dreds of feet on the mountain sides, of the gravel bunkers, the gold re- but in the Rogue the basins are so covery was incidental to the pro- narrow that the old channels are usduction of gravel. The bed, after ually found crossing and recrossing removal of the overburden, proved, the present one. It may eventually as was expected, to be irregular in be said of Grants Pass, as it is now THE ANCIENT RIVER MINE of a Sauerman drag line, with a depth, running from eight to eight of Jacksonville, that there is more

It seems hardly possible that all this

MEETING OF MINING BUREAU

last provides plenty of room for the the coast from Alaska to Mexico, was deposit of wasteage in the future discussed and decision reached that

Foots creek would be found in the pointed a committee of one to take the course of the stream has changed Beverstock of Beverstock & Paine

LOCAL MINING NEWS

W. H. Giles, of Greens creek, is

they were the deposit of metal was Officials of the Metals Extraction large, and all virgin spots are almost Company, of Salt Lake City, Utah, a concern manufacturing a machine o save gold and other values from the black sands and ores by the centrifugal process, are in the city this week in the interest of their process.

Mr. Hegburg, of Idaho, is in Southern Oregon investigating the mining situation.

Happy Camp District and reports greater activity in that district than there has been for years.

J. R: Farleigh, of the Coyote Creek District, visited Grants Pass this week, and reported that Dean Newton, with a body of 'students from the O. A. C., visited his property recently and sampled same.

Paul Wright is in town from the Applegate district where he is developing a property.

Officials of the Silver King mine near Riddle visited Grants Pass this week in connection with their mine. Austin Wilson of the Layton placer in the Applegate district was in

town the fore part of the week. With all the placer mines of Southern Oregon in operation, and with, several quartz mines now producing with prospects of several others being placed in commission after the first of the year, the mining situation in this district is more active than it has been for several years.

MARKET QUOTATIONS New York Market, December 6th,

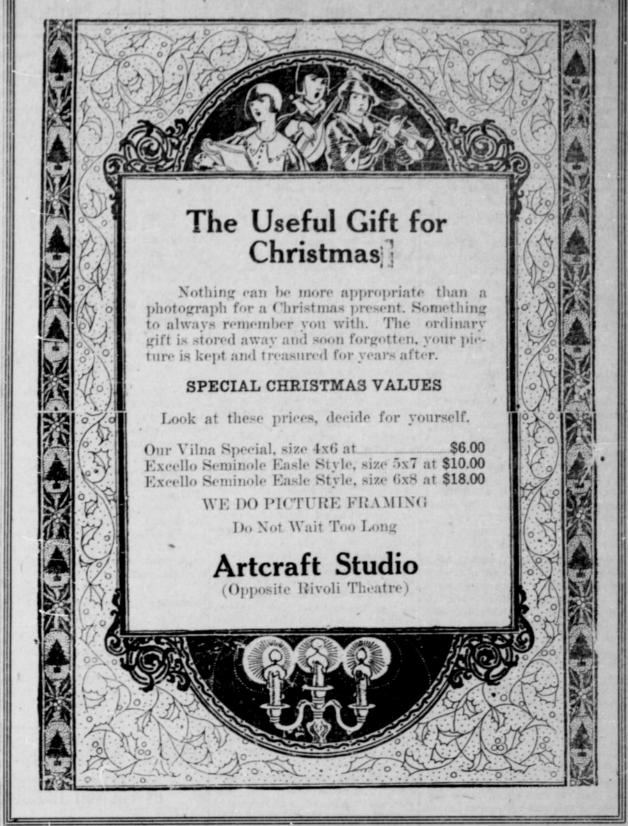
1924, by the E. & M. J. Press Silver, ounce .. Copper, pound .1387 .5452 .0866 Lead, pound .0705 Zinc, pound \$2.50 to \$3.00 Cobalt, pound Bismuth, pound \$1.50 to \$1.55 .17 Antimony, pound \$117.00 Platinum, ounce .\$79 to \$83 Palladium, ounce

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Cockaigne was a fabled land invented as a satire on Avalon. It was a place of joy and luxury. The houses were bullt of things to eat, the rivers ran wine, roasted geese paraded the

AMUSEMENTS Border Legion Is Show at Rivol Theater Tonight

The Border Legion," a



mount picturization of Zone Grey's directed the production, his first Wasteland," shown at the Rivo immensely popular povel with An- for Paramount. some time ago. tonio Moreno and Helen Chadwick The story is the second of Parain the principal roles, is the feature mount's widely-advertised "Famous and of comparison, one would think at the Rivoli theater all this week. 40" by this author to reach the that "The Border Legion" would The story was adapted to the screen screen. The other was the natural- suffer. To the contrary, it's better,

by George Hull. William Howard color picture, "Warderer of the if anything.



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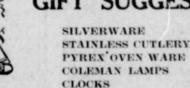
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"Say, have you ever been out on a trip and had a jolly good

time, and start home and get about half way there, and have the

old car go dead?" "Ain't it fun though, especially if it is raining

like the dickens and cold, (Oh! Boy). and have two or three of

your friends along cussing you for not having her looked over by

a first class mechanic before starting out." "Then have to walk

in four or five miles to phone in for a service car, and go back to

the bunch where they are trying to build a fire out of wet wood to

keep from freezing?" "Sure is fun, isn't it?" "Of course if you

don't enjoy this kind of sport, we can prevent it for you by giving

the old wagon the once over and doing whatever repairs are neces-

sary, but we also have a service car, as we do night and day tow-

ders rebored or something of the sort. Reboring cylinders, or

honing to a gun barrel finish is also one of our many specialties.

Anyway just phone—Day 113-J, night 252-R.

We suggest though, that it might be best to have your cylin-