

MINING NEWS

Edited by Southwestern Oregon Mining Bureau

ITS YOUR BUREAU

The Southwestern Oregon Mining Bureau, now going on three years of service, was organized solely for the purpose of aiding the mining industry of this section of the state, including Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine and Lane counties, an area of 17247 square miles. Ninety per cent of this area is mountainous, and the major portion of the mountains are heavily mineralized. Much of the land is in the Forest Reserve and the only way that the community can benefit from it is through the opening up of the vast mineral resources, making new sources of taxable wealth, and causing such lands to add to the prosperity of the state; otherwise these lands lie idle and furnish nothing of value to the community.

To aid in securing the development of the vast mineral resources of Southwestern Oregon, the Bureau has carried on a systematic publicity campaign during the past two years in the local papers of the Rogue River valley, in Mining Truth, published twice a month at Spokane, in Mining Review, published twice a month at Salt Lake, in Mining Topics, published monthly at San Francisco, and in the Daily Journal of Commerce, the Portland's business-man's paper. This publicity has been reliable and free from promotion schemes of all kinds, and the mining public have learned to rely on the information thus disseminated. The results of this work are now being realized. Many engineers have been in the field during the past year, many properties have changed hands, and already financial people are making a survey of the district with view to the location of a custom smelter. Many deals are now pending and the Bureau is advised that many other financial interests have signified their intention of investigating our resources.

In the sale of any kind of a commodity advertising is necessary to bring the buyer in touch with the commodity, and this especially holds true with mining in districts, such as ours, where the experienced mining capital lives at a distance. Fundamentally the Bureau is doing the one thing necessary to bring about the full development of our mines through the medium of printers ink. This work is made possible through the organization of the miners themselves under the name of the Southwestern Oregon Mining Bureau. No one individual is in position to do it without the expenditure of a large sum of money, and even then the results would be questionable. It is, therefore, your work and on you rests the burden of whether it shall continue to be productive of results or not.

The Bureau depends wholly on its membership dues of \$2.00 a year to carry on its work; its officers serve without compensation; it has not rent, light or heat bills to pay; but it must pay its postage and printing bills. The small dues will enable it to do that provided its members keep their dues paid up. At this time the Bureau has some \$700 unpaid dues, past due and payable, and it is to these members that the Bureau must look to meet its obligations until the end of the current fiscal year, June 1st. Will you permit the Bureau to carry on by promptly paying up. Its your work and its your Bureau, and on you rests the success or failure of bringing about the results desired. Pay up your back dues and watch the results the Bureau will obtain.

TO BUSINESS MEN OF SOUTHWESTERN OREGON

With going on three years work to its credit, the Southwestern Oregon Mining Bureau has demonstrated its worth to the business interests of this portion of the state. The results enure to the businessman, the professional man, and the laboring man directly, as it is those interests that receive the large sums of money that must be expended in the development of any mining district before those who make the expenditures can receive any profit?

The work of the Bureau is, therefore, directly in your interest, Mr. Businessman, and the Bureau therefore feels free to ask you to join in carrying on the work. The annual membership dues are but \$2.00 a year and the results being obtained are worth a great many times that amount to every man, woman and child in the whole of Southwestern Oregon. May we therefore ask that you assist in this work by sending in your \$2.00, either as membership dues or a direct contribution to the work?

LOCAL MINING NEWS

J. M. Meeker, representative of the Mace Smelter company, Denver, who has been in Southwestern Oregon during the past two weeks, making a survey of the mineral resources of the district with view to the location of a custom smelter, left Wednesday morning for San Francisco. While here Mr. Meeker visited the various districts and before leaving expressed surprise at the vast mineral wealth of Southwestern Oregon. If you have not filled out the

questionnaire on the smelter proposition do so promptly and send same to the Secretary at Grants Pass so that the data may be compiled and forwarded to Mr. Meeker not later than Saturday.

M. D. Jackson and James Hayes, mining men of Gold Hill, visited Grants Pass Tuesday in connection with mining matters relating to the proposed smelter.

Work continues at the Wedge under the direction of Charles DeWachter who recently took the property for himself and Seattle associates.

J. O. Edwards of the Ida mine was in town Tuesday. Development work under contract is being carried on at the Ida, which is located on Louse creek in Josephine county.

At the Mount Reuben mine on Mount Reuben the work of driving the long tunnel ahead continues with two shifts under the management of Engineer Bailey. The tunnel is now in approximately 4500 feet, with a depth of around 2000 feet, and from 8 to 9 feet per day is being made. An oxidized zone has been encountered with plenty of water and it is believed the big Utica vein is close by. Mr. Ted Wheeler, of Tacoma, owner of the property is now at the mine inspecting the work.

The next regular meeting of the Bureau comes on Saturday, February 6th at 2 p. m. at 511 H street, Grants Pass. In view of the optimistic outlook for mining this spring, it is suggested that every mine owner in Southwestern Oregon arrange to attend.

P. X. Johnson of the Apex mine in the Gold Hill district has purchased the Chas. Wade mine on Baldy mountain near the Jewett mine in the Grants Pass district.

Applegate Mining District
Arrangements are being made for a general write-up of the Applegate Mining district in the February 15th issue of Mining Truth. Mine owners are requested to see John R. Bailey and furnish him details regarding their properties.

C. M. Huddle, secretary of the Alameda Mining company, Portland, has been visiting the Alameda mine at Galice in company with Harry Sordy on a tour of inspection.

SMELTER MEETING A SUCCESS

Nearly 100 mining men attending the meeting of the Southwestern Oregon Mining Bureau at Grants Pass last Friday for the purpose of discussing the question of the possible location of a smelter in Southwestern Oregon. Mr. J. M. Meeker, representative of the Mace Smelting company, was present and stated that he had been coming to Southwestern Oregon during the past year on different occasions in connection with such a project; that the field looked promising to him; and that in the event he could be assured of the required minimum tonnage the possibility of securing a 100-ton smelter was good. He discussed with the mine owners the questions of smelter charges, transportation costs, tonnage, and various matters that relate to the operation of a smelter. A poll of the owners present resulted in the assurance of over 100 tons per day. In order to canvass the whole field thoroughly it was decided that the Bureau send out a questionnaire to the various owners asking for detailed statement of their properties and what tonnage they would agree to furnish. In this way the data will be obtained and compiled in a systematic manner for the use of Mr. Meeker and his associates.

A smelter will solve many of the problems confronting the industry in Southwestern Oregon, as it will provide a cash market for ores, permitting the small owner to continue work on his property with the assurance that he will eventually bring the prospect to the mine stage.

At this meeting a resolution was adopted opposing the so-called Federal Blue Sky Bill presented to Congress by Representative Denison of New York; also resolution favoring the repeal of the present stamp tax on stock certificates. Copies of each resolution were forwarded to the Oregon delegation in Congress.

W. G. Trill wishes his clients to know that his work at Jacksonville will not interfere with his law practice here in Central Point, as was reported. His residence here will be maintained and he may be seen at his usual place of business in the office with G. W. Fox.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Taylor, of Chico, California, were week-end visitors here with old friends. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor formerly lived here when their son Raymond was a little boy. Raymond was the victim of meningitis last summer.

Miss Mildred Burger, who was ill last week and missed a short time from her work in Medford, is able to again be at her usual duties.

SMOKING ON THE JOB

By THOMAS ARKLE CLARK
Dean of Men, University of Illinois.

HUNTINGTON was president of a large corporation which employed a considerable number of men. I was visiting him in Birmingham when he said to me one evening:

"You'll have to excuse me tonight, for I'm invited to a meeting of some of our employees, and I want to go."

Then he explained to me that a number of the men in the various departments of the business had gotten together for mutual improvement. Only those men were asked to join the group who had a real interest in the development and the welfare of the business and who were putting their best licks into the work. The thing that interested me most was the method of choosing the men. Only those men who never "smoked on the job" were taken in.

It was not that the members were opposed to smoking or that they did not themselves smoke—most of them, if the truth were told, liked their pipe or a good cigar. They had come to realize that there is a time and place for everything, and that the man who had to stop in the midst of his work to fill his pipe, or to light his cigar, or to roll a cigarette was hardly likely to be entering into his work wholeheartedly. His own personal comfort and pleasure were, for the time being, placed ahead of his work. They did not want him in their energetic circle.

I've noticed a good deal of smoking on the job since Huntington told me the story of his organization.

Nancy and I were invited out to dinner a few days ago—a dinner where all the people there excepting ourselves were young people under twenty-four. The rooms were full of smoke when we arrived. Almost every man there was giving quite as much attention to his cigarette as he was to the young woman who was his guest, and though many of the young women were, perhaps, not especially annoyed by the smoke-infested air, the general smoking in no way contributed to their comfort, or pleasure, or entertainment.

It seemed to me a case of thoughtless discourteous smoking on the job, for when a young fellow invites a girl to be his guest, he is under more than ordinary obligations to devote himself to giving her the pleasantest evening possible. His job is to entertain her, to contribute to her pleasure, and to exhibit some finess in doing so. When he smokes, he is for the time being diverted from his real job, he is selfishly giving attention to his own personal pleasure, and is not considering her. They were just a little crude.

This is not an argument against smoking. We might, in point of fact, eliminate the smoking of tobacco from the discussion entirely and the text would still apply. When a man has a job, whether it is making fence rails or entertaining a girl or preaching a sermon, he should devote himself to it. When he steps in the midst of his work for his own personal pleasure, he's "smoking on the job."

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TYRANNY OF COMMUNISM

"Much has been heard in this country of the paradise for wage earners which communism has created in Russia," says the Mansfield, Ohio, Journal. "Soviet missionaries to the United States have been singing the praises of this government of, by, and for the workers, with which the Russians are now blessed.

"But how do the Reds reconcile this description of sovietism with the verified report of a strike of dock hands in Leningrad? A group of Russian workers, while loading on a ship, went on strike for higher wages. The government rushed a detachment of Red soldiers to the wharf and drove the strikers back to work. Instead of getting their wage increase the workmen were compelled to labor for seventy-five hours without pay.

"In 'capitalistic' America, labor has established its inalienable right to 'collective bargaining.' The striking wage earner in this country is beyond the reach of government or law, as long as he resorts to no violence. This is the sort of protection labor enjoys under a government which soviet leaders call 'capitalistic'.

"American labor has its grievances, but, at its worst, its lot was better than that of Russian labor under communism. Such tyranny as that at Leningrad was never known in the United States. Than class government or communism, there is no greater tyranny."

Buy your onion sets at Faber's.

ENTERTAINED

On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Tom Pankey entertained by giving one of the many chain parties that are being held for the benefit of the P. T. A.

The afternoon was spent in games and stunts given by the ladies. Then all repaired to the dining room where delicious refreshments were served by the hostess, to which the guests did ample justice. Everyone seemed to have a good time and will long remember the pleasant afternoon.

The following guests were present: Mrs. Victor Bursell, Mrs. E. C. Faber, Mrs. W. Warner, Mrs. E. E. Gleason, Mrs. F. W. Lawrence, Mrs. Robert Kyle, Mrs. R. M. Burnham, Mrs. Guy Tex, Mrs. Florence Stephenson.

—By a Guest.

GET THE "MINING" HABIT

If American investors knew of the actual opportunities for fortune in the mining districts of Western America, the old slogan, "Back to the mines," would be a reality and western mining regions would at once become beehives of activity, says the Denver Mining and Financial Record.

"Metals are in greater demand than ever before, and the fortune-making possibilities of the mining industry make the Florida land boom fade into obscurity, states this journal. Metal and mineral mining has never been more prosperous than now and there has never before been as fertile a field for the intelligent prospector and investor. It is highly important to western states that this condition in the mining industry be not only maintained, but encouraged in every legitimate manner.

THE AGRICULTURAL SITUATION

"Following a long period of extreme depression, American agriculture again finds itself on a basis approaching economic equality with other industries, occupations an professions, as measured by the all-con-

trolling standard of comparative price levels. Our zeal to proceed upon the theory that this readjustment will be permanent is tempered by memories of previous experience, by study of precedents, and by observation of present trends such as have caused agricultural distress in the past. While reaffirming our confidence in the ultimate stability of this basic industry, we consider it proper and timely to call attention to some of these trends."—Opening Statement of Declarations by American Farm Congress Round Table Conference.

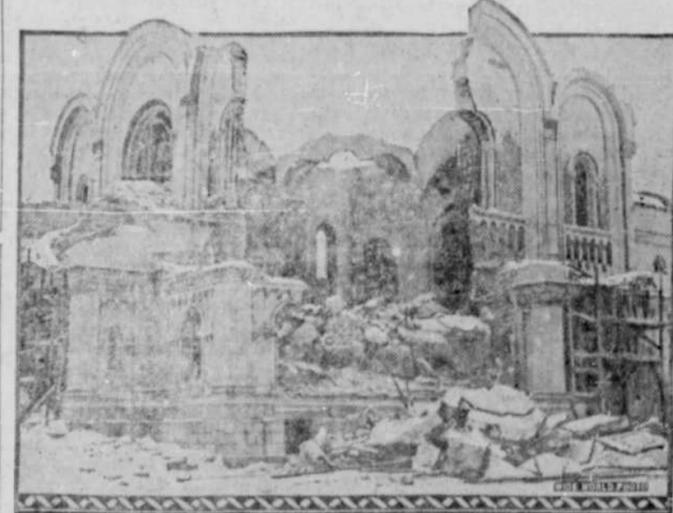
Mrs. H. P. Jewett is recovering from a few days of illness.

To Defend Swimming Title



Miss Martha Norelius, Olympic title holder at 400 meters will defend her laurels in the national championship swimming and diving meet for women at St. Augustine, Fla. Miss Norelius is a native of Stockholm, Sweden.

Bolsheviks Destroy a Cathedral



The Orthodox cathedral in Warsaw, erected by the late czar of Russia, is now being demolished by the Soviets in order that the last sign of imperial Russia may be eliminated.

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