

BIG DIVIDENDS PAID BY COPPER MINES DURING PAST YEAR

By W. W. WATSON

As evidence of the profits made in real mining operations, I have been asked to give data concerning the results of development in some of the mining properties operated during 1915. For that purpose the following official figures are interesting and instructive:

The Alaska Gold Mining company mined 107,000 tons of ore in November, which averaged \$1.13 a ton.

The United Verde Copper company during the year paid \$4,050,000 in dividends on its \$3,000,000 capital.

The Champion Copper company paid \$87.20 a share as dividends since February, 1915.

The profits of the Miami Copper company in November alone were \$299,396.

The Bunker Hill and Sullivan Mining company of Wardner-Kellogg, Idaho, paid \$1,716,750 in dividends last year, making the total so far paid \$18,489,750.

Compare 1.32 Per Cent With 25.

During the quarter ending June 30 last, the Utah Copper company's two plants handled 2,215,159 tons of ore that averaged 1.32 per cent copper. The company is making big money. Compare 1.32 per cent copper ore with the 10 to 25 per cent copper own mine yields and deduce your own conclusions. The Utah Copper company has lately been earning better than \$1,000,000 a week.

The Nevada Douglas Copper company is earning about \$20,000 a week.

The total earnings of the Calmet & Hecla Mining company, including incomes from holdings in subsidiaries, are between \$140 and \$150 a share in 1916. The par value of the share is \$25.

The East Butte Mining company of Butte, Mont., looks into the dividend-paying column and at the close of 1916 it had quick assets of \$2,000,000.

A car of ore at Dugway, Utah, brought \$1590. A car of ore of similar tonnage from the Blue Ledge mine brought \$3519.

The Dome Mines, Ltd., produced \$177,000 in November.

The United Verde Extension Mining company now earns \$1,000,000 a month.

Superior Advantages Locally.

The above are only a few items from mining properties being actively operated. In many instances these operations proceed under marked disadvantages compared with the advantages under which southern Oregon mines may be operated. Naturally we are favored by an abundance of timber in all of the local districts. In most of them there is abundant water and in others not so favored the water may be easily developed. Our most distant group is only fifty miles from the Southern Pacific railroad at Medford. A patented smelter site is located centrally in this mining region. Most of the mines, already demonstrated to possess rich ores in gold, copper and simular, are linnel propositions. In no case will a road to any of the groups or camps be a difficult engineering proposition.

With all of these advantages, many of them of prime importance in the economy of mining operations, development of our vast mineral resources in this region could proceed rapidly and at nominal cost.

Fortunes Paid in Operations.

These comparisons, given in skeleton form, strongly urge the concentration of all our forces of enterprise and progression upon the one project of attracting capital to this rich field of mineral deposits in great areas and thus secure their development in the earliest possible period.

Capital paid out as the expense of operating these mines would amount to fortunes each month. A mine earning \$1,000,000 a month pays out approximately \$250,000 a month as local expense. A mine or two of each of three principal groups in this vicinity would, if in full operation, pay out locally not less than \$2,000,000 a month. An overdraft on your imagination is not necessary in figuring out the stupendous benefit such operations would be to every business center in southern Oregon and northern California. The common and natural converging point for extensive commercial transactions in all of this immense district is Medford.

ROSEBURG BEATS ASHLAND ARTILLERY TEAM EASILY

The Roseburg high school basketball team defeated the Ashland Army team at Ashland Saturday night by the score of 30 to 11, before a large crowd. The Army team was outclassed from start to finish, and the visitors did not exert themselves at any stage, protecting themselves for the championship game in this city Monday night. A large number of local fans attended.

News From Our Neighbors

EAGLE POINT EAGLETS

By A. C. Howlett

C. D. Hurt and J. C. Clarkson, two of the forest rangers, who have been employed making a wagon road this side of the Dead Indian springs, stayed here Wednesday night. They report that owing to the extraordinary cold weather and deep snow that they have not accomplished as much as would be desired. They were on their way out to Medford.

Ed Watson and wife, Mrs. Cowden, Mr. and Mrs. Hildreth, Ira Dodge and J. T. Summerville were passengers on the P. & E. for points east of here. Mr. Summerville was formerly a resident of Medford, but now his home is in Portland. He is traveling in the interest of the Mishanaka Mfg. Co., of Indiana.

A. C. Eklund of L. C. was here for dinner Thursday. His home is up the north fork of Little Butte creek near the McAlister soda springs and he reports that the snow there was about three feet deep and still snowing; that his brother Charles, while feeding his cattle, having his dogs with him, said that his dogs found the carcasses of three deer that had been killed by the coyotes; that they were killing quantities of deer now since the snow was so deep that they could run on top of the frozen snow while the deer would break thru. If our county court would spend more of the proceeds from our taxes trying to exterminate the coyote instead of paying men to go around among the people who live in the backwoods to watch them to keep them from killing a deer occasionally for food for their families it would be a saving proposition, for the coyotes kill enough young stock including pigs every year, to have a nice fund brought in, in the way of taxes on the stock that they kill.

Allen Abbit of Wagner Creek was a business caller Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. King of Anderson Creek, were shopping in Talent Wednesday afternoon. Dr. McFadden arrived Thursday morning from Duluth, Minn., to look after the affairs of his ranch. J. D. Brown was in Ashland Thursday, attending to business. C. L. Chapman of Talent was called to Ashland, by phone, Thursday on account of sickness. Major Carter of Ashland was in Talent Thursday. Dr. Hart of Medford and Dr. Malgram of Phoenix were in Talent Thursday on professional business. John Burgan from Minnesota is in Talent visiting with friends. James Briner of Wagner Creek was a Talent caller Friday. William Kerby of Wagner Creek was in town Friday. J. M. Birkland, salesman for Failing & McCallman of Portland, was in town Friday. Mrs. Henry Barnett was in town Friday. George Alford of Fern Hill, who has been very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Ling come in Friday for early dinner for they said they wanted to take the E. P. L. C. stage at 12 o'clock noon. They were on their way up above Brownsboro to visit Mrs. Ling's mother, Mrs. H. L. Young, and in the afternoon Mrs. L's brother, Ray Burris, came in and took the P. & E. for Medford. Just as Mr. and Mrs. L. were eating their lunch Miss Margaret Hudson of Ashland, who is teaching school in the Debinger Gap school house and Miss Mamie T. Clark of Medford, who is teaching in the Central school house four miles below Trail, came in for early dinner. Also they were to take a rig at noon for their several destinations. So by noon S. H. Harnish's team was at the door ready to start with them and he started but none too soon, for the next morning I asked the driver, Graden Childreth what time he got back and he replied 10:30 p. m., 19 and a half hours going a distance of 11 miles and back. He said the road was under any bottom in many places and the snow was about a foot deep most of the way.

D. L. McNary of Brownsboro who has disposed of his place to J. H. Rysby, moved his household goods to our depot Friday to be shipped to Medford, and Mr. Rysby moved his goods from here into the McNary home today (Saturday).

John Ashpole of Medford come out to visit his son, William R. Ashpole and family. His son is one of our hardware merchants. Saturday morning the P. & E. after unloading a lot of freight for our three leading merchants, Geo. Brown & Sons, Von der Hellen Hardware Co. and T. E. Nichols, went on up the road with a part of a car load of hay for Mr. Hill and Mr. Davis of Derby and a full car for Benj. Fredenburg of Butte Falls.

Mr. Burkhart who is traveling for the McCulloch-Falling Co., Portland, came out on the P. & E., took dinner at the S. S. and returned to Medford the same day. Fred Pelouze had goods come out on the P. & E. and among them was a cable for his stump puller. Since my last Plenny Leabo has renewed his sub to the Daily Mail Tribune. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Anderson Feb. 24, in Eagle Point; twins, sex not known.

TALENT TALK

Charles Lacy is at home from the Brenner saw mill this week the snow lying too deep for work at the mill. Fred Brand of North Talent was an Ashland business caller on Wednesday.

J. W. Bailey and William Schreir of Anderson Creek were in Talent Thursday.

Waldo Hell and Jonah Barrett, who have been working at the Opp mill above Jacksonville, returned to Talent Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. George Hesselgrave of Central Point were the guests of their son, Fred, recently.

E. B. Adamson, cashier of the Talent State Bank was an Ashland caller recently.

Joe Pace and Frank Holdridge were Ashland visitors last Saturday. Dr. Griffin has moved into the Rhoades house, on the Pacific Highway.

Mr. George Irwin was in from his ranch, south of town Wednesday. Seven and a half inches of snow fell Tuesday night and Wednesday morning, with snow still falling on Thursday and Friday, making approximately twenty inches of snow at Talent.

Allen Abbit of Wagner Creek was a business caller Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. J. J. King of Anderson Creek, were shopping in Talent Wednesday afternoon. Dr. McFadden arrived Thursday morning from Duluth, Minn., to look after the affairs of his ranch. J. D. Brown was in Ashland Thursday, attending to business. C. L. Chapman of Talent was called to Ashland, by phone, Thursday on account of sickness. Major Carter of Ashland was in Talent Thursday. Dr. Hart of Medford and Dr. Malgram of Phoenix were in Talent Thursday on professional business. John Burgan from Minnesota is in Talent visiting with friends. James Briner of Wagner Creek was a Talent caller Friday. William Kerby of Wagner Creek was in town Friday. J. M. Birkland, salesman for Failing & McCallman of Portland, was in town Friday. Mrs. Henry Barnett was in town Friday. George Alford of Fern Hill, who has been very sick.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Ling come in Friday for early dinner for they said they wanted to take the E. P. L. C. stage at 12 o'clock noon. They were on their way up above Brownsboro to visit Mrs. Ling's mother, Mrs. H. L. Young, and in the afternoon Mrs. L's brother, Ray Burris, came in and took the P. & E. for Medford. Just as Mr. and Mrs. L. were eating their lunch Miss Margaret Hudson of Ashland, who is teaching school in the Debinger Gap school house and Miss Mamie T. Clark of Medford, who is teaching in the Central school house four miles below Trail, came in for early dinner. Also they were to take a rig at noon for their several destinations. So by noon S. H. Harnish's team was at the door ready to start with them and he started but none too soon, for the next morning I asked the driver, Graden Childreth what time he got back and he replied 10:30 p. m., 19 and a half hours going a distance of 11 miles and back. He said the road was under any bottom in many places and the snow was about a foot deep most of the way.

D. L. McNary of Brownsboro who has disposed of his place to J. H. Rysby, moved his household goods to our depot Friday to be shipped to Medford, and Mr. Rysby moved his goods from here into the McNary home today (Saturday).

John Ashpole of Medford come out to visit his son, William R. Ashpole and family. His son is one of our hardware merchants. Saturday morning the P. & E. after unloading a lot of freight for our three leading merchants, Geo. Brown & Sons, Von der Hellen Hardware Co. and T. E. Nichols, went on up the road with a part of a car load of hay for Mr. Hill and Mr. Davis of Derby and a full car for Benj. Fredenburg of Butte Falls.

Mr. Burkhart who is traveling for the McCulloch-Falling Co., Portland, came out on the P. & E., took dinner at the S. S. and returned to Medford the same day. Fred Pelouze had goods come out on the P. & E. and among them was a cable for his stump puller. Since my last Plenny Leabo has renewed his sub to the Daily Mail Tribune. Born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Anderson Feb. 24, in Eagle Point; twins, sex not known.

JACKSONVILLE

William M. Colvig, tax adjuster for the Southern Pacific, was a business caller at the court house this week.

Mrs. Fred Lacy of Wellen has been spending the week in town visiting relatives. Attorneys Newbury and Phipps were at the county seat on business Friday.

Rev. R. A. Hutchison held his farewell services at the Methodist church Sunday. Mr. Hutchison will leave for Gold Hill soon to take charge of the church in that vicinity. Judge Calkins attended circuit court Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. George von der Helten, accompanied by the latter's sister, spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Nunan last Sunday. Mrs. Ella Cook is spending the week with Medford friends.

A. B. McFadden of San Francisco was a business visitor Wednesday. Fred J. Fick transacted business in Medford Friday morning.

Dr. W. L. Cameron motored to town Wednesday, finding travel quite difficult on account of the deep snow. Mrs. Harry Lay, Mrs. Chris Ulrich and Mrs. Lewis Ulrich were dinner guests of Mrs. Blaine Klum of Medford Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Rowell D. Hines have moved into the Collins house opposite the post office. District Attorney George Roberts was at the county seat several days this week on professional business.

Mrs. Ed Wendt, who recently underwent an operation, is steadily improving. Mr. and Mrs. Robert Peachey accompanied the basket ball teams to Central Point Saturday evening. Miles Conrath was a Jacksonville caller from Ruch Saturday.

FOOTS CREEK ITEMS

On the 15th, 20th and 21st the fall of snow totaled 25 inches, putting an end to farming, and also putting the telephone lines out of commission.

Will Coverdale of Birdseye creek recently purchased a taxidermist license. He solicits the patronage of the public. Mrs. Bolling and Mrs. Anderson

GERMANY WELL SATISFIED WITH U-BOAT RESULTS

AMSTERDAM, Feb. 26.—In an interview in the Tagelische Rundschau, Albert Ballin, director general of the Hamburg-American line, says that Germany can be most highly satisfied with the success, so far, of unrestricted submarine warfare. Herr Ballin says that the object of the campaign was not to sink ships, but to stop commerce with England that this had been fully attained as neutral traffic was stagnating.

Referring to the German ships lying in United States harbors, Herr Ballin said that a treaty existed between Germany and America, which did not allow confiscation and that he had no ground to assume that the United States would not observe this treaty. President Wilson, he added, had based the rupture of diplomatic relations on international law and therefore he considered it quite impossible that the president would himself disregard international relations.

"Germany's aim," he said, "is to issue from the war victorious. With victory she will have won all, without it she will have lost all."

OLYMPIA, Wn., Feb. 26.—The bank depositors guarantee act was practically completed tonight and will be ready for consideration at a joint meeting of the house and senate committees on banks and banking Monday.

BUTTE FALLS

Mrs. Doubleday returned home from the valley Saturday.

H. D. Mills and family and Mrs. James returned from Medford Saturday.

Mrs. Ed Cowden took her little daughter Gladys out to the little Saturday. She was taken very sick suddenly and every one feared for her, but she improved rapidly under the doctor's care and was able to be brought home Thursday.

Ed Watson went out to Medford Saturday to help Mrs. Cowden with her sick child, returning Thursday.

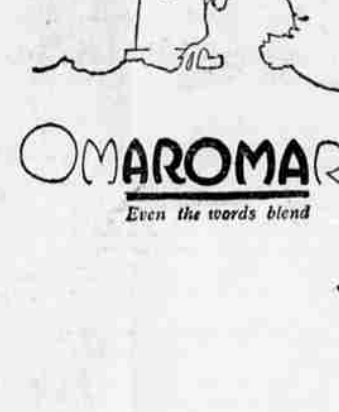
Frank Morgan returned from Klamath Falls Tuesday.

Murrell Brainard and James O'Brien went up to the Parker ranch Wednesday to shovel the snow off the barns, returning Friday evening.

E. A. Hildreth and wife returned from Oakland, Calif., Thursday, where they have been visiting a son. Mr. Hildreth says he "came home to get warm."

G. W. Barker gave a dance at his home Friday evening. The young people report a good time.

OMAROMAR

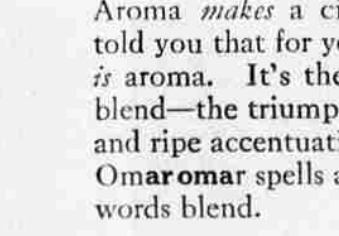


Even the words blend

Couldn't be clearer! That Omar yields pure aroma, cheery and happy, rich and ripe.

Aroma makes a cigarette—they've told you that for years. And Omar is aroma. It's the perfect Turkish blend—the triumph of rich Turkish and ripe accentuating leaves. Then Omaromar spells aroma. Even the words blend.

20 for 15 Cents



GUARANTEED BY The American Tobacco Co. INCORPORATED

"Kondon's" Helps to Clear Baby's Head.

Modern mothers don't let their children snifle. They know that a tube of genuine Kondon's Catarrhal Jelly will make the child breathe more comfortably. Since 1868, 20 million intelligent American mothers have used Kondon's for cold-in-head or nasal catarrh. Some druggists offer you complimentary trial cans. All druggists offer 25 cent tubes with the understanding that if the first tube does not do you a dollar's worth of good, you can get your quarter back from Kondon's Catarrhal Jelly, Minneapolis, Minn.

What Kind of Tires

do you use? If you are using a standard tire or any other auto accessory of reputable make, we can supply it to you at prices that will make it worth your while to invest. We are the representatives of many of the large accessory makers. Our service is our boast.

C. E. GATES

ESTABLISHED 1896

REX Spray Materials

Sold by

ROGUE RIVER FRUIT & PRODUCE ASS'N
EARL FRUIT CO. OF NORTHWEST
ROGUE RIVER FRUIT DISTRIBUTORS
BARDWELL FRUIT CO.
GUY W. CONNOR
ASHLAND FRUIT & PRODUCE ASS'N

REX FACTORY AT MEDFORD REX

Insist Upon Home Products

THESE GOODS ARE MADE IN THE ROGUE RIVER VALLEY—KEEP THE MONEY AT HOME

WE REPAIR, REMODEL OR REMAKE.

auto bodies with skill, promptness and artistic appreciation. So, no matter what accident or time has done to your car or how you want the body changed, send it here where work we have done for others can be taken as a guarantee that our services to you will be satisfactory.

We also do all kinds of blacksmithing.

Billings Carriage and Auto Works

If good little pigs you'll be each morn,
 And drink your milk and eat your corn,
 You'll soon grow into that delectable fame
 Of having "ACORN" Hams and Bacon for your name.

INDEPENDENT MARKE
 "Around the Corner"

OUR SERVICE STATION

For Telephone 890

GALVANIZED TANKS
 OIL AND WATER and IRRIGATING PIPE

Go to **J. A. SMITH,**
 128 N. Grape St.

Patronize the Institution that Maintains the Largest Payroll in Medford

The Medford Printing Co.

The Best Equipped Job Plant in Oregon Outside of Portland