

PERCY BELL SUES MINING COMPANY ASKS RECEIVER

Percy H. Bell, former cashier of the 60 Hill bank of Gold Hill, who was recently granted a parole and commutation of a ten-year sentence, by Governor Pierce, Friday filed suit in the circuit court, for the appointment of receiver for the Ancient River Gold Mining Corporation, whose diggings it plans to be located on Toogue river, the northern part of this county, C. E. Bach, A. State Erlking, Frank Strain and O. E. Dingler are also named defendants.

The complaint sets forth that the property was purchased in June, 1920, an option of \$100,000 on which a lance of \$40,000 is upon due, and it unless it is paid "at an early date" the property and equipment will be lost. Judgment for \$20,000 with cost at 7 per cent is asked, along with \$1,000 attorney's fees. It is also requested that receiver be appointed, to protect creditors.

The complaint sets forth that the mining company in August, 1923, for a purpose of making payments on rotatable bonds, gave a deed of trust to the Gold Hill bank, for 200 shares of stock at the par value of \$100 each, and sold and delivered them to Mrs. Alice "neglecting and refusing" it is alleged to pay either the principal or interest thereon.

Purchasers of the stock are listed: H. D. Page, to the amount of \$13,000; Hank Curry, \$11,000; W. Sadners, \$6,000; and P. H. Stephenson \$1,000, of whom the latter counter claims of \$500 for labor services. Other purchasers of the stock are unknown.

The reason for the action, the complaint alleges, is to protect the stockholders, after the trustee bank (Gold Hill) became insolvent in March, 1924. The property involved consists of a cer mining claim, and valuable mining machinery and equipment.

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Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass. Services are held every Sunday at 11 o'clock, church edifice, 212 North Okladale. Subject for Sunday, December 13: "Go, the Preserver of Man." Sunday school at 9:45. Applicants under the age of twenty may be admitted. Wednesday evening meetings, which include testimonials of Christian Science healings, at 8 o'clock. The reading room, which is in the Medford building, is open daily from 12 to 4, except Sundays and holidays. The Bible and all authorized Christian Science literature may be read, borrowed or purchased. The public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the reading room.

The English Lutheran Church. Rev. Edwin J. Johnson, pastor. Services for Sunday, December 13: Sunday school, 10 a. m. Morning service, 11 a. m. Subject: "Preparing for Christmas." Luther League, 6:30 p. m. Subject: "Bible Principles of Giving." Evening service, 7:30 p. m. Subject: "How May We Attain World Peace." Monday evening, December 14, the Luther League will meet at the parlors for their monthly business meeting, with a social hour following. The mid-week service Wednesday evening, 7:30 p. m. Subject: "The Fifth Chapter of Acts." The Catechetical class meets every Saturday morning at 10:30.

Next Sunday, December 20th, The Rev. George Hillerman, D. D. of Berkeley, California, will preach morning and evening. His morning subject will be: "Is the Church Worth While?" He will answer many pertinent questions. The evening service will be a stereotypical lecture on "The Pathos and Humor of Church Building." A most cordial invitation is extended to every one to attend all of these services.

Presbyterian Church. Main and Holly. 9:45. Bible school. The perfect attendance for securing of Testaments and Bibles has begun. Be present and be on time every Sunday, with a studied lesson and your offering. Verl G. Walker, superintendent. 11 a. m. Message by Dr. L. A. E. Smith, medical missionary from Benito, Africa, the Presbyterian mission on the west coast. He has a remarkable story to tell and knows how to tell it. No special offering will be taken for foreign missions. The quartet will sing as special numbers, two anthems entitled, "One Sweetly Solemn Thought," by Ambrose, and "Oh That I Had Wings Like a Dove." 7:30 p. m. This evening, three reels of moving pictures will be shown, portraying the disease of leprosy that was so prevalent in Christ's time, and the efforts of the gospel and medical missionaries to give them cheer and relief from their awful disease. Bring the children. A special offering will be taken at the close of the services for the work among the lepers. This work is supported jointly by all the denominations. 6:15 p. m. Christian Endeavor meeting. Topic, "Bible Principles of Giving." Leviticus 27:30. 7 p. m. Wednesday. Teacher training class. 7:40 p. m. Bible study and prayer. Read Revelations 20.

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The Sky Pilots' Forum

EDITED BY THE MEDFORD MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION "I Have Set Watchmen Upon Thy Walls, O Jerusalem." Isa. 62:1.

Coolidge, the Christian. America may well be proud of the fact that its president, following in the line of illustrious predecessors, is an outstanding and outspoken Christian. At the time of his election to the chief office of the republic Mr. Coolidge was not a member of any church, but being a man of vision and feeling deeply his new obligations to God and his country, he at once united with the Congregational branch of the great Church of Christ in the world. We said Mr. Coolidge had vision; we repeat it, and more than that it is the vision of the prophet. Very keenly he senses that what the world needs and especially what America needs in the present hour, is Jesus Christ in its heart-life. This he has asserted time and again and it is, indeed, one of his greatest contributions to his generation. His words spoken beside the grave of the Unknown Soldier, as reported in the Presbyterian Magazine, are prophetic and worthy of serious thought and consideration: "We do not need more national development; we need more spiritual development. We do not need more intellectual power; we need more spiritual power. We do not need more knowledge; we need more character. We do not need more government; we need more culture. We do not need more law; we need more religion. We do not need more things that are seen; we need more things that are unseen." —R. W. Nelson.

"Do material things affect your husband's work?" asked a neighbor of the minister's wife. "Yes, indeed," she replied. "When we are invited out to dinner his sermon is likely to be considerably shorter." Judge Jacob Kanser, Judge of the court of domestic relations in Portland and Oregon's Ben Lindsey by the way spoke a few weeks ago interested audiences attending the annual Crater Lake Union Christian Endeavor convention at Phoenix. Among the many striking facts he presented were the following: "Ninety-five out of every hundred children who pass through the domestic relations and juvenile courts of Portland, do so because of delinquent parents. We have more delinquent parents than delinquent children, by far. I ask every child who comes before me if they attend Sunday school or church and the records show that they either never have attended or have quit long ago. When youth fails it is because parents, fathers and mothers, have betrayed their trust. Seventy-five out of every hundred children and youths who come into court come because of broken homes. Boys and girls do not want to grow up to become bad men and bad women. Broken homes and wayward youth have all come about by a departure from Christ and the Bible. That follows as closely as A B C. A law that cannot be evaded even in this age of progress and invention, is the one written in the Bible, that 'as a man soweth so shall he also reap.' But it is too bad to make the youth of our day pay such an awful price for our misdeeds."

A Near East worker made the following statement in a private conversation some time ago: "The churches are furnishing by far the greatest share of the monies raised for relief work in the Near East. Only a small per cent comes from non-church people." A similar statement could be made by any or all of the agencies that are at work for the world's moral and cultural welfare. The churches are the backbone of our civilization and there are no two ways about it. In these days it is well to recall these words of Charles Darwin's: "If we consider the whole universe, the mind refuses to look at it as the outcome of chance." The Medford Ministerial association has gone on record as favoring the ratification of the World Court by the present congress. Ministers as a body throughout the United States are in favor of the League of Nations feeling that regardless of politics, a start toward an international tribunal is a step in the right direction. Ministers by their very ultimate touch with humankind have long since come to the conclusion that if a man or a movement waits until it is perfect before it takes a forward step, that step will never be taken. The Democratic version of the international tribunal not having found favor with the majority of politicians in and out of congress, the sky-pilots are perfectly willing to give the Republican version its airing. And not all of them are Republicans, either. Is the Bible Fiction? It is a long time since we met the fellow who asked, "How do you know that the Bible isn't mere fiction?" They were very common a generation or two ago, but they passed out very quietly with the coming of the new day. Their going was unattended, unhonored and unsung. Every epode turned in the Holy Land, Egypt and ancient Babylonia has made the grave of the infidel a bit deeper. Never again will the question, "How do you know the Bible isn't mere fiction?" for historically the book has been forever vindicated in the eyes of the world. One of the latest finds to be uncovered in the Holy Land is the Temple of Asharoth, the renowned sanctuary of the Philistines in which they hung King Saul's armor after his disastrous defeat at Gilboa. In the temple was discovered an image of the goddess Asharoth, deity of the Philistines, together with a shrine and other bronze objects connected with her worship. King David Beth-shan and brought back the bones of Saul and Jonathan (2 Sam. 21). And so out of the ancient mounds arise witnesses to confirm the records of events that are involved in our Christian faith. Appropriate, Surely. The Salvation Army lass had approached a group of young idlers standing on a corner and one of them, as she held out her tabouretine, took a nickel from his pocket and said freshly: "If I give you this nickel, will you say a prayer for me this evening when your pretty head touches the pillow?" "I'll say it now," she replied. As he dropped the nickel she lifted her face and said: "O Lord, make this young man's heart as soft as his head." When I build a house. When I build a house I'm going to build. A large rambling manse in a garden well tiled; There'll be great spreading trees surrounding the place, And inside a dash of perfume and lace— When I build a house. When I build a house I'm going to mark The door with a welcome like stars in the dark; The fire on the hearth shall never grow cold, Nor life lose its zest e'en though I grow old, When I build a house. When I build a house I'm going to paint. It inside and out like the life of a saint; I'll carpet its floors with love quite knee deep, And laugh as I watch dimpled babes learn to creep— When I build a house. When I build a house the attic I'll fill With bits of the ones as holy as still; I'll build and I'll build till some day I'll find, That I am the house that I've had in mind— When I build a house. —Sky Pilot.

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GRANTS PASS, Dec. 12.—The following report of the Northwest Mining convention is given by P. S. Woodin, who attended as delegate from Grants Pass: "The Northwest Mining convention held at Spokane, November 30th to December 5th, was in the opinion of those who had attended previous conventions, more successful than any with the exception of that in 1919, which was held during the heyday of war prices. The first floor of the business block in the center of the city was secured for exhibition purposes and was fairly well filled with exhibits from British Columbia, Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon. Alaska sent no exhibit, although here representatives were much in evidence, due to the fact that the governmental policy of conservation has practically strangled development, there and reduced the white population from 75,000 in 1910 to less than 9,000 in 1925. The Alaska Juneau and Treadwell mines are the most remarkable of their kind in the world, and although the gold production of the territory has been over \$300,000,000, and the chief representative of the territory, Falcon Joslyn, made the unchallenged statement that you could get not more than 20 miles in any direction without encountering gold bearing gravel or rock. H. A. Garfield, the other representative of Alaska, made an appeal to the association to take action recommending the modification of the conservation policy so that it would not act as a strangulation of the development of the territory.

Each locality was given a day or a part of a day in which to discuss the problems relative to that district. That session given to the discussion of Washington matters was taken up largely by consideration of the Washington bluesky law and the legislation affecting mining interests in that state. The Spokane mineral territory includes all sections which tap into the Columbia basin and therefore spreads out over parts of Idaho and Idaho to the interests of these territories center very largely in Spokane, and at the present moment are concerned chiefly with development of silver-lead properties. At the session devoted to British Columbia A. G. Langley of Revelatoke, B. C., described the extremely liberal policy followed by the Canadian government toward the development of mining, and Dr. Victor Dolmage followed with a description of the work done by the geological survey of the province and its enormous benefit in prospecting and development work. British Columbia exhibits was assembled by the team and snow packing, in some cases taking two men a week to bring out a sample. Mr. Mullholand, who had charge of the exhibit, estimated that the cost of assembling alone was over \$10,000. Probably the richest piece of rock was a silver ore gunning over 15,000 ounces of silver to the ton. The Idaho session was given over very largely to a discussion of the Coner 'Alene district, where silver-lead mines are now running blast and paying enormous profits. Three mines whose yearly profits run into the millions were in such case persistently turned by mining engineers, but have justified the persistence of their developers and have an estimated future of from 30 to 50 years of profit making. Montana, with its enormous copper deposits, is in a development stage over most of the state, somewhat like our own state. Here coal, gold and silver-lead are as yet undeveloped. The history of the great copper mines of Butte is normal in that the first mining there was in the silver bearing cropping of the great copper lode, and for many years, as soon as copper was struck, mining was promptly abandoned. It remained for a man against the judgment of the best engineers and miners experts to develop the largest copper properties in the west and the most profitable.

The Oregon session was presided over by H. E. Hendrix of Baker and the principal address was delivered by Prof. D. C. Livingston of Corvallis who has spent several years in a study of geology of the Snake river country and who was lead to an exploration of the copper deposits of southwestern Oregon and northern California by the discovery that the mineral of the two sections is practically identical. His theory is that the enormous copper belt extends from Idaho through to the coast, but that that part of it which lies in central Oregon has been overlaid by lava and tuff. He spoke of the ore at the Alameda and the ore from the Mineral mine being absolutely identical, though the mines are over 450 miles apart in an air line. H. E. Williams, a field man for capitalists of Seattle, spoke at some length on the difficulties of his work. Of fifty-one mines in southwestern Oregon and northern California, which he had examined in the past two years, there was not one which under proper conditions could not be made a business possibility, but out of that number only four were available because of conditions imposed by owners or locators of the mines or prospects. In almost every case he was asked to pay a mine price for a prospect, to buy a lawsuit, to enter into an unfair partnership arrangement, or to ignore physical difficulties which would make it impossible to work the mine at a profit. He stated that, however, due to the work of the Southwestern Oregon Bureau those conditions were fast disappearing in southwestern Oregon, although they remain as bad as ever in northwestern California, and as a consequence he, together with several others, planned to continue their work in southwestern Oregon, but to pass up the very attractive prospects in northern California until some agency could do the same for that district as the Southwestern Oregon Mining Bureau has done for this district.

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self as to be favorably known throughout the west. Southwestern Oregon furnished the only exhibit of high grade gold ore and pieces in charge were kept busy answering questions and giving explanations from 8 o'clock in the morning to 10 o'clock at night. This was pretty hard on the one delegate sent, but on Thursday morning P. B. Wickham arrived with some additional high grade and a couple of gold bricks and remained for the rest of the session, relieving the delegate sent to a very great degree. The Oregon delegation was given a place on practically every program, at the various dinners and the banquet. 500 was received very kindly at all times. The estimated attendance at the exhibit was about 13,000 per day and the average number of delegates at the convention meeting was about 300. The invitation extended to the convention to meet in southwestern Oregon was courteously received and if your representatives had felt that it was the proper thing might have been pushed to a more or less favorable consideration, but the hospitality of the City of Spokane and its capacity and ability for entertaining such conventions as this was so great as to make us limit about insisting too strongly on an acceptance of our own invitation. The City of Spokane spent between two and three thousand dollars in entertaining the convention, and as far as southwestern Oregon went the motto appeared to be "Give them everything they want and don't allow them to spend a cent."

Arrangements are being made at the Greenback by the lessee of the dump to place five additional stamps in operation within the next few days. The tests made with five stamps having fully demonstrated the practicability of the move. P. S. Woodin, delegate to the Spokane convention, returned home Monday morning. Mr. P. B. Wickham remained in Spokane where the mineral exhibit will be returned here the first of the coming week. Arrangements are being perfected for a writup of the Greenback district in the January 1st issue of Mining Truth. Following closely on the heels of the northwest Mining Convention, where areas of the district were an exhibition, such an article will be of great value in keeping the district before the minds of the large number of mining operators who have their eye on southwestern Oregon. Over 50 men indicated to Delegate Woodin that they intended coming to this district to investigate, and already two have put in an appearance. After six years of patient effort trying to locate the ledge feeding his placer mine in the Greenback district, N. P. Inman Wednesday was rewarded by the discovery of an 18 inch vein of high grade gold ore. The gold being well speckled throughout the quartz. Mr. Inman's property adjoins the famous old Greenback on the west, and he and his boys have worked it as a placer mine for several years. In his cleanup he found pieces of quartz containing gold that led him to believe the source must be on his own property and he and the boys have consistently prospected for the ledge, finally achieving the desired result.

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