

# LOCAL COAL SOON READY FOR STOVES

Black Bear Coal Co., Hastens Work at Mine Near Roxy Ann—Will Turn Out 300 Tons Daily—Good Vein Tapped by Tunnel.

Going ahead with work begun last September, the Black Bear coal company, a subsidiary of the Allied Industries, Inc., is rapidly reaching that point when it will begin actual production of coal at its mine near Roxy Ann, six miles from Medford. A visit there yesterday indicated that development has progressed so far as to indicate that production will be underway by January 15. Approximately 300 tons of bituminous coal is expected to be mined daily to fill present contracts.

The company was organized last February by J. Madison Lively, Gold Hill, president and chief engineer; L. L. Lamb, secretary and superintendent; William H. Lydiard, treasurer. It is capitalized at \$150,000, divided into 1,000 preferred shares and 2,000 common stock shares. No sale of stock is solicited.

**Near Production.**  
The development is located on what is known as the Pat O'Reilly mountain on the Vawter estate, and was started September 1. The work has been completed with the exception of constructing a coal bunkers and driving short entries into rooms.

The company has driven a 250-foot tunnel of sufficient proportions to permit, if required, electric locomotives for drawing trains of mine cars. The tunnel taps a 12 to 15-foot vein of good coal sufficient to fill all requirements of the present market for many years. There are millions of tons of A-1 hard coal available in the field. At present there are 300,000 tons in that condition which western miners term "blocked out," or ready for removal. There is good gravity haul and water drainage.

**See Bituminous Vein.**  
The tunnel, cuts into the coal strata in this field, designated as vein number 2, which lies in a blanket formation inclined northward about ten degrees. The strata shows from five to six feet of hard, bright bituminous, six to seven feet of shaley bituminous and from 12 to 15 feet of coal rich in by-products and carbon fuel.

The company owns coal leases in other fields near the one now being operated. They will be developed later. The company has contracts for the daily delivery of 200 to 250 tons of coal for manufacturing purposes, and other contracts are under negotiation. Nearly two miles of new road have been constructed to the scene of operations from the Hillcrest-Ashland county road, east of Medford.

When the mine is in active operation next January, in the neighborhood of 50 men are expected to be employed.

## PROBE OF BREAD PRICE IS SOUGHT BY SENATOR

FASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—(AP)—A senate investigation whether existing bread prices are the result of a combination in restraint of trade was asked in a resolution today by Senator Wagner, Democrat, New York.

## THE SENSIBLE SORT OF BOYS' GIFTS

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See Us for Boys Wear  
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## Lindsey Antagonist



Associated Press Photo  
Bishop Manning T. Manning's attacks from the pulpit on the companionate marriage theories of former Judge Ben Lindsey aroused immediate protests from the latter, resulting in his being forcibly ejected from the church.

## FOODSTUFF TAKES PLACE OF TICKET AT G. PASS SHOW

Under the auspices of the Red Cross of Grants Pass and Josephine county, there will be a unique outpouring of charity for the benefit of the poor of that section tonight at the Riviera theater, which is operated by Dad Dunlap, the former well-known Medford man, and at which the price of admission will be staple groceries, potatoes, beans, rice, apples, oatmeal, flour, bacon and the like.

Of course, all the grocers can not get into the theater, but they are giving just the same, which altogether promises an abundance of food and other eatables for the worthy poor.

## CHRISTMAS STORY IN SONG PLANNED AT PRESBYTERIAN

An unusual Christmas program will be presented at the Presbyterian church Sunday evening, December 21. "The Christmas Story in Scripture and Song" will be the first half of the program, during which the audience and choir will engage in antiphonal singing.

This kind of singing dates back to early Jewish days, even perhaps before the time of David. The church quartet will assist, and the Junior Intermediate Carolers will sing some Christmas carols.

## THREE INJURED WHEN BLOW TORCH EXPLODES

TALENT, Ore., Dec. 15.—(Spl.) James McDowell and children, Margaret and Jimmie, were painfully burned at their Anderson creek home by the explosion of a blowtorch Sunday.  
Mrs. McDowell was mending a bicycle for the children when the torch exploded, hurling gasoline over all of them, burning them seriously.  
Mrs. McDowell took them to the hospital where they were able to return home.

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# MISSING PILOT AND MECHANIC MUSH TO FORT

Pair Stranded in North Country for Weeks Reach Fort St. James After 175 Mile Hike.

SEATTLE, ash, Dec. 15.—(AP)—Stranded for several weeks at Thutade lake, Central British Columbia, Pilot Lt. L. Van Der By and T. H. Cressy, mechanic, have arrived at Fort St. James, after a 175-mile trip on snowshoes. With W. A. Joers, en route to search for, Burke, they landed at Thutade lake November 11 during a storm. Their plane was frozen in and when they chopped it free, it refused to lift the three men.

Joers was ordered to return to Vancouver, B. C., alone, where he was "grounded" for flying under suspension. His two companions had not been heard from for several weeks.

Word was still awaited from the Canadian government whether it would comply with Mrs. Robin Renahan's request that planes be returned to the coast to search for her husband, and two companions, lost since October 28. The air search for Renahan was abandoned by five American and Canadian planes after several weeks of flying.

## DOLL DANCE SUCCESS AT ORIENTAL GARDENS

The doll dance held at the Oriental Gardens Saturday night attracted one of the best dance crowds of the season and was such a success that it may be repeated during the winter season. Quite a number of dolls were given to those dancers who were rapid on their feet and quick with their hands. Music was furnished by Don Provost's Oriental Gardens orchestra, which has done much to restore the pavilion to popularity, attracting dancers from all sections of the county.

## Brisbane's Today (Continued from Page One)

ter, space and time seem temporarily real. Of course, he can prove that there is nothing there except deceptive aggregations of electrons and protons, negatively and positively charged, the electrons going around the protons trillions of times in a second.

Nevertheless, the very solid looking locks and guts are sufficiently real to satisfy the ordinary mortal.

When you go to the Pacific Coast, don't forget to see the Panama Canal, going or coming.

There are cheerful spots in the news. The Chevrolet Automobile company, adding a night shift to its working force, is now carrying 40,000 men on the payroll, and expects to increase that number.  
Mr. Cutter, president of the United Fruit company, says that he did a business last year with Latin America of more than two thou-

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A skin comes from within  
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sand million dollars, whereas we ought to be doing a business of ten thousand million dollars.  
In the Caribbean countries, says Mr. Cutter, we reach lower than 20 per cent of the possible customers. American business men, with the department of commerce leading, should look into that ten billion possibility. We need the business.  
Fear, in the mind of man, works strangely. One suicide, told by a policeman yesterday, shows that some of us no longer take seriously the theory that a Divine Ruler is always watching us.  
Joseph Vallera climbed a telegraph pole, carrying a rope, and

was fastening a noose around his neck when Policeman Bernard White saw him. Vallera knew that the supreme power forbids suicide but that didn't deter him.  
But when Policeman White said: "Come down or I will lock you up," Mr. Vallera humbly dropped his rope, climbed down the telegraph pole and submitted.  
The man could have hanged himself. The policeman could not have prevented it.  
The death of a murderer with many years in prison ahead of him in Sing Sing prison is made more interesting by the fact that he was an editor. You rarely read of edi-

tors committing murder. The usual thing has been for somebody to shoot the editor.  
The dead editor murdered his wife, and by way of anti-climax his body goes to Washington to be buried beside her. If they arise at the same moment in obedience to Gabriel's trumpet, "in the flesh," to meet their Maker, what will the wife say to the husband who killed her and then insisted on being buried by her side?  
Science says the world will not end for at least a million million years. Perhaps she will have forgotten about it by that time.  
Mention of the Angel Gabriel recalls the curious fact that Charles

Wesley Hill, a negro who took the part of the Angel Gabriel in a play, "The Green Pastures," titled by a taxicab last Wednesday, was buried yesterday. Two thousand negroes attended his funeral and sang "I've Heard of a City Called Heaven," Mr. Hill's favorite hymn.  
The coffin was decorated with a gigantic golden trumpet made of flowers, bigger than the coffin itself. The dead man was one of the most popular actors in a play in which every night another colored actor said: "Gangway for the Lord Jehovah," while the Angel Gabriel offered to Jehovah in the play "a ten cent cigar."  
The tremendous success of the

play tells how much of real reverence the Christian religion has lost in modern times.  
Admiral Pratt, chief of our naval operations, says it is ridiculous to hope that the United States navy will ever equal that of Great Britain without a development of our merchant marine.  
We arrange to have only as many warships as the British, carrying out British orders in that respect most humbly. And we forge that Britain has a fleet of gigantic passenger carrying ships that can be used for transporting troops, munitions, all ready for mounting high-powered guns. Each merchant ship is a warship in itself.

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