

LACK OF INCENTIVE CHOKES OFF PRODUCTION OF METALS IN STATE; COUNTY MINE DEVELOPMENT CITED

Production of non-metallics characterized the mining industry in Oregon in 1949, according to the latest edition of The Oregonian, a publication of the state department of geology and mineral industries.

In an article called "A Review of Oregon Mining in 1949," F. W. Libbey, director of the department, says metal mining continues to decline because the profit incentive required to find and develop mines is almost completely lacking. Last year there was a further falling off in metal mining in the state when the Bonanza quicksilver mine in Douglas county closed down late in the year.

Local Plant Operates

The relatively high rate of production of non-metallics in 1948 was continued, Libbey wrote, with the three Portland cement plants at Oswego, Lime in Baker county, and at Gold Hill operating at capacity throughout the year. Quartz and granite were

quarried steadily during 1949 by the Bristol Silica company of Rogue River. The output was used for poultry grit and foundry furnace linings.

Reporting on exploratory operations, in this part of the state Libbey said development work was undertaken in the area of the historic Gold Hill "pocket" where a lenticular body of molybdenite was uncovered in bulldozing. A nickel deposit at the Shamrock mine in northern Jackson county was explored on the surface and by underground work by the United States bureau of mines. The bureau's work at this property was a continuation of work started in 1948 following an investigation by the state department of geology and mineral industries. Ore there is said to consist of pyrrhotite carrying nickel, copper and a small quantity of cobalt.

Early in 1949 scheelite was found in the granite area near Ashland. Two shipments of the ore were made to a tungsten concentrating mill in California, Libbey said his department is making an investigation of the area including topographic and geologic mapping designed to obtain a structural pattern of the occurrences in order to assist prospecting.

Oil prospecting was carried on during 1949 in the Harney valley near Burns where Weed and Potet No. 1 was drilled by the United Company of Oregon, a Medford firm, to a depth of 6,480 feet and abandoned. A fire destroyed equipment at this test early in December, 1949. Previously the United company had drilled to a depth of 4,500 feet in Fay No. 1 and suspended drilling in favor of the Weed and Potet No. 1.

Commenting on Oregon's waning gold mining industry, Libbey says there are only a few remnants of what was once the backbone of the state's metal production. He said the decline was caused partly by the ill effects of the war production board order which closed gold operations down without recourse in 1942, and partly by the fixed price of gold in relation to the low value of the dollar measured by what it will buy in labor and supplies.

New City Park To Be Named By Ballots Sent In By Residents; Completion Near

Residents of Medford and vicinity will be polled to determine a name for the new city park just east of Bear creek. The name selection method has been announced by the park advisory committee appointed last week by Mayor Diamond Flynn.

L. J. Cox, chairman of the advisory group, said yesterday that voting will commence on Monday.

Sunday, June 4, is the tentative day set. Mayor Flynn has set May 1 as deadline for completion of a number of park projects.

A 17-acre area, the new park stretching between Jackson and Main streets is the former Olds tract. Before it was acquired by the city, it occasionally served as a circus and carnival grounds.

New City Park Name Ballot

(Note: Voting open to residents of Medford and vicinity. Submit ballot between April 3 and midnight, April 12 to Park Name Poll, City Hall, Medford, Ore. Winning name to be selected by park advisory committee and approved by city council.)

My choice..... Park
Name.....
Address.....

day, April 3, and continue until midnight Wednesday, April 12. Suggestions will be judged and the winning name picked by the committee with their choice to be approved by the city council.

Not A Contest

Cox pointed out that the park name poll is not a contest. No prizes are planned. However, some sort of recognition, yet to be decided, will be made for the winning choice. It is probable that a number of people will suggest the name judged best by the committee, Cox stated.

Ballot forms are being published in Medford newspapers, the first appearing in the Mail Tribune today. Ballots are to be mailed to Park Name Poll, City Hall, Medford, Ore.

With the completion of most facilities, particularly the swimming pool, this spring, Medford's newest park is expected to become a center of recreation and celebration activities of the community. To celebrate this latest public recreational development, city officials are contemplating a dedication ceremony.

Celebration Planned

The task of planning the dedication has been placed in the hands of the advisory committee, Cox, Mrs. Richard Payne, Victor Milnes, James Dunlevy and Darrell Huan. Actual date of the ceremonies probably will depend on advance weather fore-

The old P and E railroad depot once stood on the property.

In December 1944 a group of 22 firms and individuals made contributions of \$250 to \$1,500, totaling \$20,000, with which the park was purchased and donated to the city. The deed was recorded in June 1945. With acquisition of the property, the city gained a place to construct the swimming pool for which special levies amounting to \$62,500 were approved by residents in June 1944.

Bonds Issued

A bond issue of \$75,000 was voted last spring for completion of the swimming and wading pools, pool building and other park facilities.

Negotiations and other delays consumed considerable time in the pool project. The first bids asked were too high. Negotiations with another firm did not work out. Construction was then undertaken by the city itself but levy funds were not ample.

The Lions club pitched in with its Sleepy Hour contest and the Junior Service league donated a diving board. Then city officials called for the additional bond issue and N. K. Porter was contracted to erect the pool building. Now city officials and Medford visitors feel that the pool facility will compare with the best on the coast.

Facilities Near Finish

Seeding of the lawn areas is scheduled to be finished by the May 1 deadline with the section at the north end possibly ready for sand lot games. Park lighting and two restrooms are ready. Playground equipment provided by Kiwanians was in use last summer.

Since the planting of the first lawn and installation of playground equipment, the park has had much use. Even greater use is anticipated next summer. Norman Worthley has been appointed to direct the recreation at the park.

Delinquency Problem

Juvenile delinquency was evidently a problem, the too, for three pages are devoted in music and lyrics to "Since Kitty Went Away," telling the story of a wayward daughter who left "the dear old homestead."

A copy of "The Household Companion," published January 1890, includes an article on the history of coffee, stating "this little brown berry was unknown two hundred years ago, or only used by uncivilized Abyssinians—but now all through the East coffee is considered quite as indispensable as the pipe, and throughout Europe and our own country it is classed among the necessities of life, sought for and, as far as possible, used by rich and poor. Literary people and men of business have learned to feel they cannot enter upon their morning labors until they have braced themselves up with a cup of coffee. The whole social life in many nations seems based upon this insignificant bean."

Flowers Banished

Under horticultural hints it states, "Not many years ago window gardening seemed universally popular. Then came all sorts of heaters, furnaces and illuminating gas instead of the good old-fashioned open fires, grates and candles, and the pretty room flowers were banished to houses of those in moderate circumstances."

Several pages are devoted to the ever-popular subject among women, domestic hints and fashions. Of particular interest is a recipe for marrow pudding: Grate a large loaf of bread and pour on the crumbs a pint of rich milk, boiling hot. When cold, add four eggs, a pound of beef marrow sliced thin, with sugar and nutmeg to your taste. Mix well together and bake it. When done, stick slices of citron on the top. You may have a boiled pudding of this if you prefer.

"New Styles" In mid-winter millinery, the toque is described as the newest shape in head-gear. "It is a close cap shape with visor both back and front and may be worn as a bonnet with strings or as a hat. Birds of brilliant plumage and dainty ostrich tips form its handiest garnitures, although elegant ribbons, bugs, Brazilian beetles and insects of various sizes and shapely effects are sometimes observable on them."

A handsome street costume for millinery is labeled "Ladies' demitained toilette," and features drapes with bustle effect and swishing train. Explanation of it includes "by means of a con-

Customs of 'Good Old Days' Revealed In Reading Two 19th Century Papers

War and peace, common subjects of today's newspapers and radio commentators, were no less common in the "good old days." At least so it would seem, in a glance at "Fireside Reviews," published in Rochester, N. Y., June 1894, and described as "devoted to choice home literature and miscellany."

A front-page drawing shows "Three European Rulers, emperors of Russia, Austria and Germany, arbiters of peace or war in Europe." The three rulers appear to be pondering the problem on paper much the same as in photographs of today's "arbiters."

Near-Blind Offered New Reading Help

Philadelphia, (U.P.)—The Franklin institute's research and development laboratories have perfected a "magic lantern" device for the near-blind.

Known as a projection magnifier, the machine picks up the print in magazines, newspapers, and books, enlarges it five times and throws it on a group glass screen. It is said to open up new reading horizons for those whose vision is so impaired they cannot read even with strong glasses.

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By Paul F. Ellis
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