Recent Publications on the History of Mining

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The following list contains articles and dissertations that relate to the history of all types of mining in North America. It does not include books, since they are covered in the book review section of the journal and in book notices in the newsletter, nor does it include book review articles. Thanks to those who sent in suggestions for this installment. We welcome citations for inclusion in the next update.


Anderson, Harry H. “Wake Up, Yankton! Community Efforts to Promote Travel to the Black Hills Gold Fields.” South Dakota History 31, no. 3-4 (2001): 211-238. [Includes reprint of 1876-77 journal of survey party member George Henchel.]


Baumhofer, J. A. “A Queen Visits the Twin Ports.” Inland Seas 2002 58(2): 134-139. [Innovative design of ore-carrying Wilfred Sykes.]


Johnsson, Johnny. “South Strafford’s Elizabeth Copper Mine: The Tyson Years, 1880-1902.” *Vermont History* 70 (Summer-Fall 2002): 130-152.


LeMassena, Robert A. “Biggest of the Big.” *Railroad History* 184 (2001): 96-103. [Technical chronicle of the immense engines used to haul West Virginia coal on the Virginian Railway from 1907 to 1959.]


Liss, Jennifer. “Your Town: Behold the View.” *California History* 80, no. 4 (2001-02): 176-185, 240. [Reproduces fifteen lithographs showing “bird’s-eye” views of northern and central California towns, including mining camps French Bar, Angel’s, and Yankee Jim’s.]

Lorence, James J. “Mining Salt of the Earth.” *Wisconsin Magazine of History* 85, no. 2 (2001-02): 28-43. [Suppression of the 1953 film depicting the plight of Mexican-American miners during the Empire Zinc strike of 1950-52 in Grant County, New Mexico.]


Rakes, Paul Hellmut. “Acceptable Casualties: Power, Culture, and History in the West Virginia Coalfields, 1900-1945,” Ph.D. diss., West Virginia University, 2002. [Cultural, political, and technological factors that contributed to the hazardous nature of mining and prevented significant improvements in mine safety.]


Taylor, Lawrence D. “The Mining Boom in Baja California from 1850 to 1890 and the Emergence of Tijuana as a Border Community.” *Journal of the Southwest* 43, no. 4 (Win. 2001): 463.


Van Exan, Sarah Christine. “The Cost and Consequences of Subsidy Policies: The Case of the Cape Breton Development Corporation [Nova Scotia].” MDE, Dalhousie University, 2002. [The Canadian federal government created CBDC in 1967 when it took over Cape Breton’s coal industry in order to protect the jobs of miners.]


Wood, Margaret C. “‘Fighting for Our Homes’: An Archaeology of Women’s Domestic Labor and Social Change in a Working-Class, Coal Mining Community, 1900-1930.” Ph.D. diss., Syracuse University, 2002. [Berwind, Colorado.]

Woof, Mike. “From Old to New.” *World Mining Equipment* 25, no. 4 (May 2001): 44. [History of the Oddball dragline.]