Recent Publications on the History of Mining

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The following list contains articles, dissertations, chapters, and videos 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.

A compilation of the "Recent Publications" lists, covering approximately 1991 to 2003, may be found on the Mining History Association's web site at www.mininghistoryassociation.org.

Alderson, Victor C. "Mining Engineering Education in the United States." *Colorado School of Mines Quarterly* 100, no. 1 (2000): 39-45. [Originally an address to the American Mining Congress in 1907, published in the *Quarterly of the Colorado School of Mines* 2, no. 4 (Apr. 1908).]

Alisau, Patricia. "Spratling's Silver City." *Business Mexico* 11, no. 9 (Sept. 2001): 58. [Architect William Spratling's contributions to the success of Taxco, Mexico.]

Allen, Frederick E. "From Boom to Boom: Today's Olympic Ski Center [Park City, Utah] is Yesterday's Rugged and Ragged Silver-Mining Capital." *American Heritage* 53, no. 1 (Feb.-Mar. 2002): 33+.

Andrews, Thomas George. "The Road to Ludlow: Work, Environment, and Industrialization, 1870-1915." Ph.D. diss., University of Wisconsin, Madison, 2003.

Arnesen, Eric. "Specter of the Black Strikebreaker: Race, Employment, and Labor Activism in the Industrial Era." *Labor History* 44, no. 3 (2003): 319-35. [Examines "The Mills of God," a fictionalized labor dispute between white workers and a coal company.]

Arnold, Andrew B. "Between the Laws: Informal Definitions of Job and Property Rights in Central Pennsylvania, 1870-1884." *Pennsylvania History* 70, no. 1 (2003): 28-54. [Miners' unions.]

Ballard, Ross, II. "Doing Fine at 99: A Visit with Melvin Harris." *Goldenseal* 28, no. 1 (2002): 30-35. [Recollections of a black West Virginia coal miner.]

Barnett, LeRoy. "What the Sam Hill!" *Michigan History* 88 (May-June 2004): 14-19. [Mining consultant on the Keweenaw Peninsula, 1845-1889.]

Bergman, Brian "The Day the Mountain Moved." *Maclean's* 116, no. 17 (28 Apr. 2003): 58. [1903 slide at the coal mining town of Frank, at the base of Crowsnest Pass, Alberta.]

Bodle, Wayne. "Such a Noise in the World': Copper Mines and an American Colonial Echo to the South Sea Bubble." *Pennsylvania Magazine of History and Biography* 127, no. 2 (2003): 131-65. [New Jersey's copper schemes, 1719-1725.]

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Burnham, Ronald Eugene. "Surprising Survival: The Preservation of Dawson City's Architectural Heritage." M.A. thesis, University of Victoria, 2003. [Yukon.]

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Cermak, Robert W. "Through the Eyes of the Emigrants and Miners: The Look of the Sierra Nevada, 1841-1860." *Overland Journal* 19 (Win. 2001-2): 137-45.

Chadwick, John, and Chris Hinde. "A Century of Mining." *Mining Magazine* 189, no. 3 (Sep. 2003): 94+.

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Clauson-Wicker, Su. "Riding Route 52: The Old Coal Road." *Goldenseal* 28, no.1 (2002): 10-19. [Historic sites.]

Coull, Cheryl. "Shot Down Again: Ginger Goodwin is Erased from B.C.'s Lexicon of Highway Names." *Beautiful British Columbia* 44, no. 1 (Spr. 2002): 46. [The 1918 murder of the labor champion who opposed coal profiteering led to Canada's first general strike.]

Crowley, Rita. "Eyewitness to History: The Promise of Arthurdale." *Weekly Reader, Senior Edition* 80, no. 24 (26 Apr. 2002): 2. [Creation of a New Deal community in a West Virginia coal mining area.]

Cruden, D. M. "Report on the Great Landslide at Frank." *Alberta History* 50, no. 2 (2002): 16-21. [Mining operations exonerated in a 1903 disaster.]

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Day, James M. "The Chihuahua Foreign Club." *Password* 47, no. 3 (2002): 106-19. [The impact of mining investors on El Paso, Texas, and Chihuahua, Mexico.]

Dilworth, Paul B. "A Year In The Bush." *C.A.H.S.: The Journal of the Canadian Aviation Historical Society* 40, no. 3 (2002): 100-05. [Working at the remote Argosy Gold Mine, Ontario, in the 1930's.]

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Goodman, David. "The El Dorados." *Journal of the West* 43, no. 1 (Win. 2004): 14-20. [Compares the Australian and Californian gold rushes.]

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