Recent Publications on the History of Mining

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The following bibliography contains books, dissertations and theses, articles, and other media that relate to the history of all types of mining in North America. It does not include book review articles. We have divided the list into four sections: books; dissertations and theses; articles; and other media. We welcome suggestions for our next compilation.

Books:


Burney, Michael S., Carrie A. Leven, and Anna Marie Frésquez. *Archaeological Photography, Salvage Excavations, and Monitoring Undertaken for the Deldosso, Denmark, and Oro Fino /


**Dissertations and Theses:**


Dean, Robert M. “The Mining Landscape from a Diachronic Perspective: Examining the Kenai Star Mining District, South-central Alaska.” M.A. thesis, University of Alaska, Anchorage, 2010. [The author devised a classification system based on changes to the mining landscape to use in preservation of mining landscapes in federal projects.]


Articles and Book Chapters:


Argo, Luis. “Asturian West Virginia.” Goldenseal 35, no. 3 (Fall 2009): 14-8. [Immigrants from the Asturias region of Spain.]


Brandimarte, Cynthia A. “‘We have Fingers Crossed’: Mining in Big Bend’s Fresno Canyon.” *Journal of Big Bend Studies* 22 (Dec. 2010): 43-80. [The Harris S. Smith and Homer M. Wilson 1935-1945 business partnership operating a cinnabar (mercury) mine in Texas.]


Cater, Ben. “Grassroots Healing: The Park City Miners’ Hospital.” *Utah Historical Quarterly* 78, no. 4 (Fall 2010): 304-25.


Fell, James E., Jr. “‘To the Task, Metallurgists!’: Technological Advances in Ore Processing in Colorado, 1858-1914.” *Journal of the West* 49, no. 2 (Spr. 2010): 50-9.


“‘The Flames Caught Us.’” *Illinois Heritage* 12, no. 6 (Nov. 2009): 6. [Museum exhibit about the Cherry mine disaster.]


Hammond, Andy. “A Mining-Camp Hanging (Two Versions).” *Overland Journal* 27, no. 3 (Fall 2009): 47.

Hawk, Angela. “Going ‘Mad’ in Gold Country: Migrant Populations and the Problem of Containment in Pacific Mining Boom Regions.” Pacific Historical Review 80, no. 1 (Feb. 2011): 64-96. [Individuals committed or arrested for insanity.]

Herbert, Christopher. “‘Life’s Prizes are by Labor Got’: Risk, Reward, and White Manliness in the California Gold Rush.” Pacific Historical Review 80, no. 3 (Aug. 2011): 339-68.

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Johnson, Bob. “An Upthrust into Barbarism: Coal, Trauma, and Origins of the Modern Self, 1885-1951.” Journal of American Culture 33, no. 4 (Dec. 2010): 265-79. [Coal in the American psyche and culture during the time when it was the main U.S. energy resource.]


Nordberg, Erik. “Erik Nordberg.” Michigan History Magazine 95, no. 3 (May 2011): 10-1. [Interview with archivist about Michigan Technological University’s records on Michigan’s copper mining.]


Peterson, Bill. “A Treasure in Big Sky Country.” History News 64, no. 3 (Sum. 2009): 21-5. [Virginia City and Nevada City historic sites managed by the Montana Heritage Commission.]


Robinson, John W. “Kenworthy: ‘A Fraud so Audacious.’” *California Territorial Quarterly*, no. 83 (Fall 2010): 4-13. [Riverside County’s San Jacinto Mountains.]

Robinson, John W. “Pegleg Smith and His Lost Gold Mine: Fact or Fable?” *California Territorial Quarterly*, no. 79 (Fall 2009): 14-21.


Simmons, Beth. “Brown’s Canyon’s Fabulous Fluorite Fling.” *Mining History Journal* 17 (2010): 44-61. [Chaffee County, Colorado.]


Solorzano, Armando, Lisa M. Ralph, and J. Lynn England. “Community and Ethnicity: Hispanic Women in Utah’s Carbon County.” *Utah Historical Quarterly* 78, no. 1 (Win. 2010): 58-75. [Ethnic conflicts due to the influx of immigrants, including Mexican Americans, into the county to work in the mining industry.]


Stern, Norton B. “Reminiscences of Marcus Katz of San Bernardino, California, September 20, 1820 to November 2, 1899.” *Western States Jewish History* 41, no. 3 (Spr. 2009): 495-96.


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