

M O O S E P A S S M I N E R

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By M. R. S.

Have you walked in the night when the air
is clear,
When the mountains stand high, with a
profile sharp,
Extending their spires into the sky;
A background of pure, unbroken blue?

Have you watched the moon where it hangs
In its frame of bright colors; a band
Of pure gold, blending to shades of light
Orange and green, edging into the clear
blue of the sky?

The lights of the settlement add to the
scene,
Lending a softer, a warm human touch
To the cold tones of winter; breaking
The classic, firm-chiseled, conventional
Heights, to a friendliness found in the
tenants of men.

TIME says that real poetry is that in
which the poet "makes words make sense."
That is just what our Moose Pass poet does.
She writes lovely rhythmical songs of our
life in the settlement and her poems are
worthy of being published in much more
widely-read publications than the Moose
Pass Miner.

For two hours of interesting - thrill-
ing reading about Alaska and Alaskans, we
recommend THE ALASKA MINER. Its stories
of miners and the mining industry in Alas-
ka - true stories - are as romantic as
fiction to read.

After much discussion in the legisla-
ture a bill requesting removal of the Ea-
gle bounty was indefinitely postponed
which means that the bill will not come up
again during the 1939 session.

The old bounty of one dollar per claw
remains for another two years.

There was a new peak established in
1938 for output of gold in Alaska. Figures
on mine production of gold in Alaska dur-
ing 1938, issued January 18 by Commission-
er of Mines B. D. Stewart in Juneau show
the output was \$23,345,000, representing
a 6 per cent increase over 1937.

Preliminary figures issued January 1 by
the Geological Survey gave \$21,917,000 as
last year's production.

Spring is en route. 50 above today!

ENJOYABLE BINGO PARTY

There was excellent attendance at the
Bingo party held Saturday night at Hielo's
roadhouse. Mrs. Ebing was hostess and
50% of the pot was given to Moose Pass Li-
brary - netting the goodly sum of \$11.10.
Everybody enjoyed the affair and Bob Estes
won the one and only prize. Mrs. Ebing
served doughnuts and coffee. Those in
attendance were Mr. and Mrs. E.L. Robbins,
Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thurston, Mr. and Mrs.
Harry L. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Antoine Ve-
lanis, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Estes, Frank Hielo,
Harry Conkey, Lyman Graves, Bob Estes, James
Pierce, Charles Flynn, Roland Paul, Fred
Holley, Lewis Tulare, Roy Luckie, Jr., and
the hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Glen Collins and Mrs. James
Pierce went to Anchorage last Saturday
morning. They will probably remain in
Anchorage for the Fur Rendezvous which opens
this Saturday.

Antoine Velanis has purchased Frank
Wilson's Ford four-deer sedan. Mr. Velan-
is and Clarence Scheiber drove to Seward
Monday.

Roy Mitchell and Robert De France were
in Moose Pass Sunday from Hepe. They
worked over some Bureau of Public Roads'
equipment.

Leo Ohnhausen of Mile 27 was in Moose
Pass Tuesday. He says that the men work-
ing at the Skein-Lechner mine above his
place, have 75 feet of tunneling already
in with 75 feet more to go. The mine is
on Forest Creek. With Wyman Anderson are
Mel Horner, Clarence and Leo Miller and a
nephew of Mr. Horner.

Lyman Graves and Charles Clements are
leaving Saturday for Anchorage to attend
the Fur Rendezvous.

Harry Conkey will work with the Estes
Brothers at Sunrise, getting out ties.

Ed. Estes is building a rotary snow
plow in Seward.

Mrs. John L. Nelson is learning to drive
their new Studebaker. Frank Wilson is
her instructor.

The CCG boys at Lawing have scraped snow
off a large area on Lake Kenai and young
Sewardites and Moose Passers are joining
them in skating parties.

Roof snowslides swept stovepipes off the
roofs of the Moose Pass Store and the Moose
Pass Miner cabin Saturday. Russell Wil-
liams to the rescue!