March 23, 1939.

Chamber of Commerce Marshfield, Oregon.

Gentlemen:

It has come to my attention, quite by accident, through an article in the Oregonian Newspaper that the Marshfield Chamber of Commerce is contemplating sending one a half tons of local Coal to Pennsylvania for testing. It is in connection with this that I am writing.

I recently opened on a small scale, a Coal Mine, located about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles from Coquille on the Fat Elk Road (2 miles south of Coquille across the Coquille-Bandon Dyke and a $\frac{1}{2}$ miles on the Fat Elk Road, next the Fat Elk Grade School) and I am quite certain in my own mind that the vein I have contains a high-testing grade of Coal. However, a test would soon ascertain the true value of it.

As I am interested in knowing the results of the test and you desire to procure samples of local coal, I would be glad to donate a smaple of my coal and hope that it will be of use.

Hoping to hear from you soon in regard to this matter, I beg to remain

Most sincerely yours,

Mr. G. E. Gilbert General Delivery Riverton, Oregon.

GEG: GB