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New Stone Quarry

Mr. Melvin W. Parker of Grants Pass has started a quarrying operation on a deposit of bedded, fine-grained, grayish-green sandstone (flagstone) located 5 miles southwest of Riddle on Cow Creek in sec. 32, T. 30 S., R. 6 W. The deposit is being leased from the owner Darrel Carter, Riddle. The stone parts along parallel bedding planes into large slabs \times from 2 to 10 inches in thickness. Overburden was stripped from the surface of the flat-lying formation the first of September. Parker reported shipment of 35 tons of slabs has been made and about 50 tons more have been quarried. A large hydraulic clipping machine is planned for use in cutting the stone to standard widths.

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