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702 Woodlark Building
Portland, Oregon
Umpqua Unclassified area.

COMSTOCK COAL CO.

Owner: F. B. Baird, Ashland, Oregon.

Location: S $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 16, T. 21S., R. 4W., northwest of station
of Comstock in extreme northern Douglas County.

History: Reported as a "beautiful coal and an excellent blacksmith-
ing coal". The Comstock Coal Company is now defunct and the
property reverted to the present owner who lives in Ashland.

Informant: J. E. McClintock

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Report By: R. C. T.

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Report by: Ray C. Treasurer.

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COMSTOCK COAL MINE (coal)

Summary: Lignite was mined here several years ago for local consumption. Only a small tonnage was removed and the property is inactive.

Owner: F. B. Baird, 333 Haven St., Medford, Oregon.

Area: 80 acres of deeded land.

Location: N $\frac{1}{2}$ NW $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 16, T. 21 S., R. 4 W. Three quarters of a mile northeast of Comstock station where the R.R. crosses Pass creek, leave the R.R. and cross to small gulch immediately to the west. Caved adits are at the mouth of the gulch and are visible from Pacific Hwy. #99.

History: The Comstock Coal Mining Company was incorporated August 16, 1922. In 1929 the land reverted back to F. B. Baird.

Development: All workings are caved and inaccessible. One long cut about 100 feet, probably represents an old caved tunnel. 50 feet farther up the gulch to the west, is the remnant of a small dump. A small ore car, forge and crude windlass lie in the creek. On the ~~eth~~ another hill side are three caved adits at creek level. The size of the dump indicates that the adits are small.

Geology: The country rock is Eocene sediment, the age of which is indicated by the flora at the Comstock leaf locality about a quarter of a mile to the southwest. The sediment is somewhat tuffaceous. The coal exposure is covered by a slide so that the total

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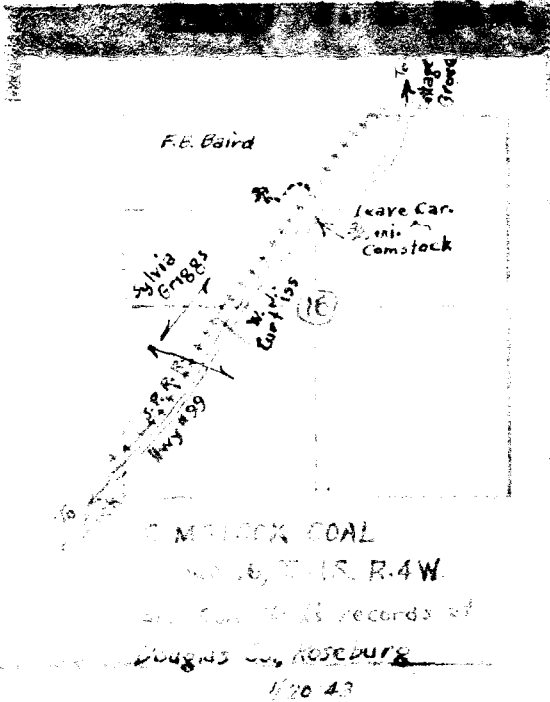
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thickness cannot be seen. Narrow (1" to 2") seams of lignite are separated by bone and shale. All are badly weathered. The exposed portion represents the top of the coal zone. The coal is lignitic, is heavily iron stained, and slacks into small chunks. One specimen was taken, No.43T1, notebook page 60.

Informant: JEA and RCT

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An effort was made to determine how the Cottage Grove Adjustment Bureau secured the property but this search became so involved it was abandoned. At present the property is owned by F. B. Baird, 333 Haven Street, Medford, Oregon.

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Field Geologist
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