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Mr. Francis R. Olds  
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Klamath Falls, Oregon

Dear Mr. Olds:

I have looked up the subject of pumice and would suggest that you write to the United States Bureau of Mines, Section of Publications, Washington D. C. and request a free copy of Information Circular No. 6560 entitled Pumice and Pumicite. While this publication was released in 1932, it gives rather complete information and also a list of the buyers. Other publications that would have interesting information are the book, Industrial Minerals and Rocks, pages 601 to 608, and the Minerals Year Book 1940, pages 1280 to 1281. I believe that you could obtain these from the State Librarian at Salem, Oregon.

The value of pumice during 1939 was \$65,684 and domestic production amounted to \$424,780. Production of pumice in 1939 was reported in California, Kansas, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, and Oregon, and pumicite in Kansas, Nebraska, Nevada, and Oklahoma.

A publication of the United State Geological Survey entitled The Non-Metallic Minerals Resources of Eastern Oregon, Bulletin 875 has quite a section on the pumice deposits of Eastern Oregon, particularly of the Bend-Klamath Falls area. Copies of this publications can be secured from the Superintendent of Documents, Washington D. C. for thirty cents.

I believe these publications will give you an excellent background for your investigation of pumice and would be extremely valuable to you.

Under separate cover I am sending you with our compliments a copy of our Bulletin on Mine Laws which lists the duties of the department: our Bulletin No. 10 which deals with the effect of mine mud on fish life and our Bulletin No. 19, Dredging of Farm Land in Oregon. You may find these

bulletins of use to you in your task of becoming familiar with the relationship of mining and conservation.

I wish to express my appreciation of the many courtesies you extended to me on my recent visit to Klamath Falls and hope that we will be able to continue this pleasant relationship.

Yours very truly,

Ray C. Treasher,  
Field Geologist

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