

## Records about gold mining

### COMPANY RECORDS

The Noel Butlin Archives Centre holds records of a number of companies involved in gold mining. Some examples of company records are:

#### **Adelaide Steamship Company Ltd**

Outwards correspondence relating to private freighting accounts & syndicates of J Turnbull (Secretary and General Manager), 1888-1892 (N46/566)

#### **Australian Agricultural Company**

Letters to General Superintendent regarding potential gold deposits, 1853-1856 (1/46/1)

Mineral prospecting papers including letters, tracings and reports in connection with prospecting in the Port Stephens district, 1855-1904 (1/64/4)

#### **Clarke and Co (Melbourne)**

Series of maps and plans of various goldfields including Bendigo, Chewton, Daylesford, Kalgoorlie, Milano and Post Office Hill, 1910-1940 (19/2-29)

#### **Elder Smith and Company**

Correspondence and related papers between Elder, Smith and Company and Wallaroo Mining Company, BHP Limited, Hercules Gold and Silver Mining Company, Beer Sondheimer and Co Ltd, and Wallaroo Phosphate Company relating to the sale and shipment of concentrates of gold, silver and lead, 1888-1917 (8/66)

#### **Lake George Mines**

Correspondence of TM Owen and other material regarding Balabula Gold Mining

Company, 1932 (67/72)

Correspondence of TM Owen regarding Wiluna Gold Mines Ltd, WA, 1927-1932 (67/71)

Correspondence of TM Owen regarding Big Reef Gold Mine, Gundagai, 1932 (67/66)

Correspondence of TM Owen regarding Occidental Gold Mines NL, 1932-1933 (67/62)

Correspondence of TM Owen regarding Main Ridge Gold Mine, 1932 (67/58)

#### **Peel River Land and Mineral Company**

Despatches from the early years of the company documenting initial success in the search for gold followed by the decline in its value to the company. They include monthly reports of gold licences issued. 1853- 1870 (78/15/1 to 9)

Return books for Peel River Estate, Avon Downs, Currawillinghi and Moorlands stations consisting of half yearly accounts including licenses issued at gold fields, 1914-1925 (115/9)

Return books for Peel River Estate, Currawillinghi and Mt Alfred. Includes half yearly accounts and licenses issued, 1911-1928 (115/10)

Leases, conveyances and contracts; with covering letters and reports Includes the prospectus and other material relating to the formation of the Hanging Rock Gold Mining Company, 1887-1888 (121/29)

### UNION RECORDS

The records of many unions include files about gold miners. The items listed below are just a sample.

#### **Australian Workers Union (Head Office)**

Industrial Court Transcripts Gold and Metalliferous Mining Industry, 1917 (N117/622-624)

Minutes of the Amalgamated Miners Association, Wrightville, Ganbelego Branch. Includes minutes of the Truckers & Boodlers of Mt Boppy Goldmine, 1910 (N117/1467)

#### **Federated Engine Drivers' and Fireman's Association of Australia (Federal Council)**

Tasmanian Goldmines, transcript of proceedings in the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Court, 1913 (T56/3/4-5)

#### **Federated Engine Drivers' and Fireman's Association of Australia (NSW Branch)**

Demarcation dispute with AWU over gold mining, 1983-1989 (N129/528-530)

Holdway-McMahon - Mt Carrington Goldmines (Drake Operation), 1988 (N129/1182)

### **Plumbers & Gasfitters Employees' Union of Australia**

Industrial Files Gold & Metalliferous Mining Award, 1966-1974 (N133/952-954)

## **PERSONAL PAPERS**

### **ER Barker Collection (Company Director)**

Samples of share certificates, receipts, agreements and correspondence of gold, silver and copper mining companies in Australia, New Guinea and South East Asia, 1886-1956 (P116)

## **PRINTED MATERIAL**

### **Harry Holland Collection**

Pease, Edward R *Gold and State Banking, a study in the economics of monopoly* London, the Fabian Society, 1912 (P5/1/990)

Fitzherbert, PB, *The crisis: New Zealand's future depends upon your vote* Wellington, New Zealand, 1931 (Gold Standard) (P5/1/375)

Fitzherbert, PS, *The dawn of the new outlook* Wellington, NZ, 1931 (P5/1/376)

Mining Act, also amending Acts with Regulations thereunder, 9th edition, Sydney Government Printer, 1894 (P5/1/887)

Moloney, Dan, *The history of Addson's Flat goldfields*, Westport, New Zealand, Westport News, 1923 (P5/1/818)

### **Miscellaneous pamphlet collection**

*From Tent to Parliament: the life of Peter Lalor and his coadjutors, and history of the Eureka Stockade Ballarat*, 1934 (P56/253/22)

Lenin, VI *The Importance of Gold Now and After the Victory of Socialism*, Sydney, Modern Publishers Pty Ltd, first published in USSR Nov 1921 (P56/250/54)

### **Australian Agricultural Company**

*Guide to the Northern Gold Fields by an Old Bushman*, Sydney, Woolcott & Clarke, 1856 (78/1/25)

### **Graziers Association of New South Wales**

Malcolmson, VA, *The world's economic conference - what next?* London, Argus Press, 1933 (P104/7)

### **Elder, Smith and Company**

*Report on the Phillips River goldfield*, Perth, Government Printer, 1903 (8/202/33)

### **Les Heathcote Collection**

Sydney, Intercolonial Investment Co, 1898 (the Kalgoorlie Field) (P23/47/15)

### **Amalgamated Postal Workers Union of Australia, Victorian Branch**

Russell, FAA, *History of the gold standard*, Sydney, FH Booth & Son, 1930 (T16/40/99)

### **Banking - A Collection of Printed Material**

Davidson, AC, *The Gold Standard in Australia*, Sydney, Dec 1929 (N83/52)

## **More information**

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