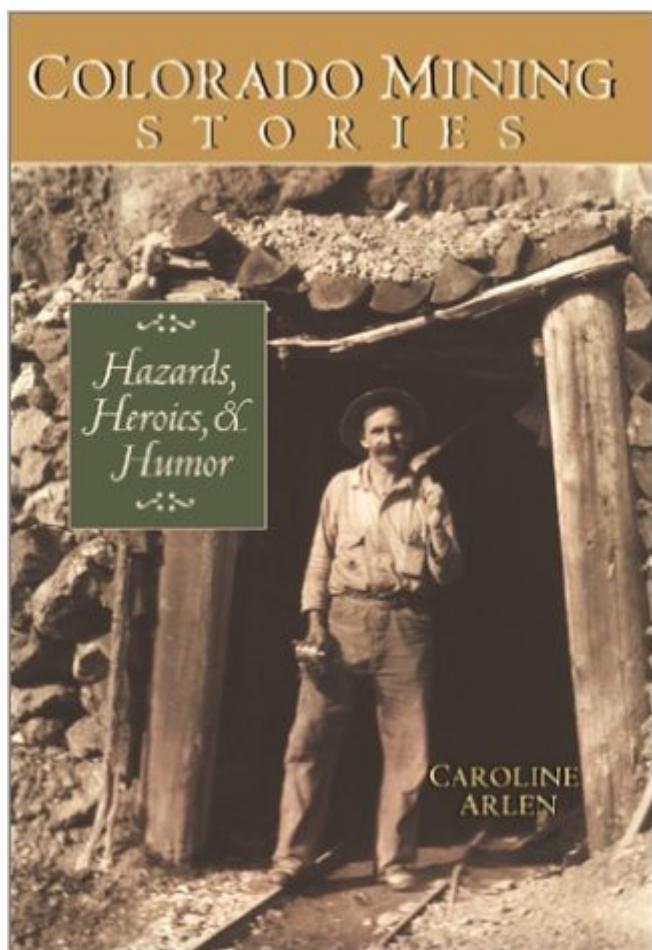


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Colorado Mining Stories



Synopsis

Colorado Mining Stories is a collection of tales depicting the hazards, heroics and humor of hardrock mining in Colorado. While collecting the stories for her book, Caroline Arlen would hear the same type of contradictions. Most men and the few women who worked the mines would talk about how they loved mining and in their next breath would tell about horrific accidents that happened daily. These miners put their lives on the line, hoping they would not be the next one to die or be maimed in a cave-in, premature explosion or by a falling slab. But mining was a way of life that paid well and created a close community where folks found it necessary and important to look after each other.

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A good bathroom reader, though most of the narrative has to do with how it was, by some miner that cannot quite recall all of it. The book was prepared from recordings by an intern, interviewing old miners that had a hand in Colorado Mining- mostly in the San Juans. A lot of anecdotal information, horseplay, and the drudgery of working in an ice cold, high-altitude, hole. Of course, one that is not a miner, cannot fully grasp the experience, danger, lore, haunted galleries, and minerals as found underground, in mostly a dark, dank, noisy, stinking work environment. The narrative here would be the same if one were to have been sitting on a barstool in a tavern in Silverton or..., and listening in. interesting but not enough meat.

This is a good book for those who know little about mining in Colorado. It reads easily and renders some details not usually found in the study of Colorado history. I enjoyed it.

As a miner myself, I enjoyed the stories immensely. Obviously a mining virgin, the author did an excellent job with the jargon and edited the miners' stories only enough to make them interesting. The book was in excellent condition and arrived at my door a week after I placed the order. What more could I ask?

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