S. Fowler, manager of the Bluebell Mine. Mr. H. M. Lowrie, of the Oregon Bureau of Mines and Geology, Port-Lowrie, of the Oregon Bureau of Mines and Geology, Portland, will speak on "Gold and What May be Done to Stimulate Its Mining in British Columbia," to be followed by Mr. Frederick Bradshaw, general manager of the Belmont-Tonopah Development Company, San Francisco. Following this gold discussion, Mr. A. L. Hershey, manager of the Pacific Iron Company, Port Townsend, Washington, will speak on "The Problem of Blast Furnace Smelting of Coast Magnetite Ores." Mr. Sydney Norman, editor of Northwest Mining Truth, Spokane, will address the convention on "Should a Government Subsidized Smelter and Refinery be Established on the Coast of British Columbia." Refinery be Established on the Coast of British Columbia." At the conclusion of this paper the convention will be the guests at a complimentary luncheon given by the Rotary Club in the Hotel Vancouver.

The afternoon session will be under the chairmanship

of President A. M. Whiteside. The first subject under discussion will be the 'Better Preparation and Utilization of

British Columbia Coals," which will be discussed by Mr. G. W. Evans, of the Northwest Experimental Station, United States Bureau of Mines, Seattle, followed by Mr. Francis W. Glover of the Princeton Coal and Land Company, Princeton. Mr. J. P. McConnell, a well-known Vancouver journalist, will address the convention on "The Prospector, What He Should Re and How to Encourage Prospector—What He Should Be and How to Encourage ' Following this paper the convention will take up the general subject of taxation of mines, which will be discussed by Mr. Valentine Quinn of the Granby Consolidated Company, Vancouver, Mr. T. W. Bingay of the Consolidated Mining Company at Trail, and Mr. Nicol Thompson, chairman of the mining committee of the Vancouver Board of Trade. Following this discussion the convention will take up the question of resolutions under the chairmanship

of Mr. James E. Thompson, M.L.A. of Phoenix.
In the evening a complimentary banquet by the British Columbia Chamber of Mines will be tended to delegates at which Mr. T. A. Rickard, editor of Mining and Scientific Press. San Francisco, will speak on "Mining as an Invest-

The third day of the convention will be taken up with a trip to Britannia Beach, where an inspection of the Britannia Mine and plant will be made by the Chamber and the delegates.

The meetings of the convention will be held in the ballroom of the Hotel Vancouver and exhibits of the minerals will be held in the rotunda of the Hotel. The entire bottom floor of the Vancouver Block will be occu-pied by the convention for exhibition purposes of minerals, mining machinery and methods of operation and treatment of ores.

DIAMOND DRILL CONTRACTOR RESUMES PRACTICE

Mr. Kenneth S. Robertson, diamond drill contractor, Winch Building, Vancouver, has recently been discharged from the United States Engineering Corps and is resuming his business in British Columbia.

FEBRUARY REPORT OF SHINGLES

Mr. George N. West, American Consul General, Vancouver, reports that for the month of February there were shipped to the United States 104,575,990 shingles at a valuation of \$473,229.

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