

Since 1899 over 60 mining companies have operated in the bauxite region. These mining companies, the Federal Geological Survey, the Federal Bureau of Mines and the Arkansas Geological Survey have all done extensive work in mapping and drilling these deposits.

Open-pit mining is the most satisfactory method of mining these deposits and was used exclusively until the late 1920's. Now both open-pit and underground methods of mining are employed.

In 1958 production of bauxite from Arkansas mines amounted to 96 percent of the United States total. Approximately 92 percent of the bauxite was mined in Saline County and the remainder in Pulaski County.

Mining in Pulaski County has not only rewarded the county monetarily (the value of minerals produced in the county is close to eight million dollars annually) but it has provided a rich and colorful chapter in the county's history.

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#### 1908--A YEAR OF MANY DEATHS IN LITTLE ROCK

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At least 35 persons, either old citizens or prominent and well-known residents have passed away during 1908. The following is a list of the most important deaths in Little Rock in the year.

George Williams died February 29 at St. Vincents Infirmary. He was one of the most prominent attorneys in Arkansas.

Frank Bell Yates died February 11, at the age of 44, at his home, 216 Summitt Avenue. Mr. Yates was a prominent real estate dealer and for years was superintendent of the Deaf-Mute Institute, being largely responsible for the rapid growth and improvement of that institution.

Judge William S. McCain died on the same day at his home, 317 Gaines Street, at the age of 59 years. He was one of the most prominent men in Little Rock and known throughout the state.

Arthur Anderson Mandlebaum died on the same day at his home, 920 Scott Street, at the age of 49 years. He was a wealthy and prominent business man, connected with many business enterprises in the city.

Miss Elizabeth S. Shall died March 23 at her home, 602 Scott Street, at the age of 83 years. She was one of the oldest residents of Little Rock.

Katherine Campbell Cunningham died March 1 at her home, 319 North State Street, at the age of 58 years, also a long resident of this city and for many years a prominent school teacher here.

Mrs. Oscar Davis, daughter of the late Zeb Ward, died April 4 at her home, 805 West Second Street, at the age of 50 years. Another old resident and well known, a member of one of the best-known families in Little Rock.

Mrs. M. E. Haynie died April 19 at her home, 402 Center Street, at the age of 85. She came to Little Rock when the city was the smallest village on the river for hundreds of miles; when the business district was