

in the centrally located building. The work was partly finished. The promoters quietly stole away. The local people carried to their farms the abandoned materials. The abutments now stand boldly silhouetted against the sky to confuse visitors and as monuments to those credulous investors who hoped to reap great profits from the sale of cheap power to the towns of the nearby region.

Continuing northerly around the rim of the cone we reached over difficult terrain, the summit of the north rim. Below us and near the talus slope an eagle was seen to alight on a volcanic mass which we later found to be a continuation of the west volcanic ledges immediately above the talus. A glance at the immediate area decided us not to be in eagle country and far below was the likely nesting site. Descending to the area where we observed the eagle to alight, we began a systematic search of the masses. So numerous were the holes and niches ^{thought} that suitable for an eagle's nest, it was with difficulty we made the examination.

Leaving the upper area of the ledges a descent was effected to the talus slope. Scanning the face of the largest mass, probably 350 feet in height, G.O. discovered two eagle nests. The eagles had not used the many favorable holes but had placed their nests on shelves in a more exposed situation, probably on account of their difficulty in landing and taking off from constricted niches or pockets. The lower nest was approx. 200 feet up and showed disuse while the upper nest some 100 feet higher in the ledge showed a new capping of tumble-weed and rabbit brush. We did not attempt to reach a position to gain a view into the nests and we doubted if it were possible, overhanging and difficult approach were the obstacles. We were quite sure the upper nest was in use. Its recent repair would indicate this point. The golden eagle flew over to reconnoiter later as we were photographing the nesting cliff, showing concern of the area. This determination and lack of any evidence dispelled our hopes of finding a bald eagle on the cone.