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MINING NOTES.

Trout Creek Mines Are Showing Up Well.

Rock Assays \$250 a Ton

Development Work Progressing Rapidly on North Star and Other Claims.

The most promising group of claims in the district, outside of the King, is probably the Wood Group, owned by W. T. Wood and his three sons, James, Lee and Milo. The North Star owned by W. T. Wood has two shafts on top of the hill, one being 13 feet deep the other 17 feet deep. A tunnel into the side of the hill 36 feet shows some of the finest ore that has been found in the camp. There are numerous other prospect holes on the claim, all showing ore of fine quality. This is probably the only claim so far prospected that will show good returns at almost any spot which has been opened up. The assays taken from the shafts, tunnel and prospect holes have run from \$10 to \$156 and this not from selected rock. This is truly a wonderful claim and with the development which will be done this season, will be one of the best producers in the district.

The "Dexter" owned by James Wood is a parallel claim to the "North Star," and has also shown up splendidly from the very first prospecting. A shaft on the top of the hill 13 feet deep shows ore from which assays have been made giving \$70 returns. A tunnel, close to the North Star tunnel, has been run to a length of 70 feet and picked rock has assayed \$250 to the ton. The general average of the ore taken from the tunnel so far has been \$12. It is impossible to determine the size of the ledge in the tunnel as the whole face is covered with a fine quality of ore. This will also be a rich proposition with more development.

The "Dixby," owned by Milo Wood, is an extension of the "Dexter" upon which a shaft 20 feet deep has been sunk showing some very fine quartz and ore but no assays have been made on the rock taken from it. The "Lone Star" owned by Lee Wood, is an extension of the North Star, upon which a shaft has been sunk to a depth of 25 feet, also showing good quartz and ore. No assays have been made on this claim either but indications are that it will be a good producer. The North Star and the Lone Star are parallel claims with the King claims and adjoining them on the North.—Ashwood Prospector.

A Growing Community.

W. S. Hale was in from Culver Tuesday morning and reports everybody busy out that way.

Culver post office is located at the new townsite of Perryville and is one of the distributing points for mail matter in a thrifty and prosperous community where not many years ago only sage brush and bunch grass were seen and where no one gave a thought to its ever being settled. In fact when the first settlers located

there one of the prominent stockmen of this county said they would soon starve out as it was "dry as a powder horn" and for some time thereafter a part of that country was known as "Powder horn flat." Now however no one denies but it is a great grain producer and it will not be many years before it will be producing fine fruit, as nearly all kinds of vegetables do well including corn, and all this without irrigation. The only drawback to the community is the "lack of wells and no doubt there will soon be a system of artesian wells established that will furnish an ample supply for all purposes.

More than forty filings have been made on land in that part of Crook county this spring and the precinct polls more votes than any other in the county outside of Prineville. The precinct includes the post offices of Haystack and Lamonta besides Culver. It also embraces five school districts.

An effort will be made to have rural free delivery established in this district which would be a great benefit to the people besides it could be furnished at less expense to the government than the service costs at present. No doubt a thrifty little town will be built up in that locality in the near future. There is still plenty of room for more settlers in that section.

Mrs. Cary's Musicals

Last Tuesday evening a number of invited guests gathered in the spacious dining room of the Hotel Prineville to listen to a few selections by Mrs. Cary's class in music. Although the exercises were not long they were very pleasing; the more so as a large number of the performers were mere little tots who had but lately outgrown their baby clothes. However the selections were rendered in a manner to prove that Prineville can boast of more musical talent among its little ones than any town in the state of equal population. The older participants did well and it is to be hoped that we will be favored with another musical treat in the near future.

The volunteer performers did equally well, especially the Juvenile orchestra.

The program rendered was as follows:

Address of Welcome	Agnes Elliott
Electric Galop	Alice Cary and
Iva Booth	
Duet	Beulah Crooks and Ruby Cadio
Waltz	Ruby Cadio
Recitation	Lorene Winnik and
Willa Combs	
Clover bloom	Lorene Winnek
Waltz	Willa Combs
Recitation	Agnes Elliott
Selection	Juvenile Orchestra
Gertie Sharp, Iva West, Georgie Hodge,	
Winnie Cline and Berna Poindexter.	
Capp Street Polka	Beulah Crook and
Edna Estes	
Instrumental Selection	Emerine Young
and Dolly Hodges	
Recitation	Lorene Winnek
Instrumental Selection	Agnes Elliott
Gaiety solo	Agnes Elliott, Edna Estes
Vocal solo	Mrs. Minnie Whitcomb
Shepherd song	Una Stewart and
Alice Cary	
Vocal duet	Maggie Glaze and
Grace Belknap	
A Roverie	Alice Cary
Charge of Light Brigade	Una Stewart
The sleigh Ride	Myrtle Swearingen
Alice Cary, Fay Hodges, Gertie Hodges,	
Ralph Poindexter.	

Edna Estes, Iva West, Georgie Hodge, Winnie Cline, Berna Poindexter, Capp Street Polka, Beulah Crook and Edna Estes.

OREGON'S EXHIBIT.

Will be Ready by Time Exposition Opens.

Fine Grains and Grasses.

Cereal Products—Agriculture and Livestock—Minerals.

Oregon's exhibit at the Pan-American exposition is being prepared by H. E. Doech, who will have charge of it while at Buffalo. He is having the shelving and various partitions needed manufactured in Portland, as this can be done better and cheaper here than in New York state. The exposition opens May 1, and Mr. Doech hopes to have Oregon's exhibit in readiness by that time, so that the very first visitors to the building will be enabled to judge of Oregon's varied and extensive resources.

"There will be grains and grasses from Oregon in the highest perfection," Mr. Doech said, "and there will be an immense display of fruits in preserve jars, showing its original size and color, but not the taste, as the fruit will be put up in fluid that destroys its nourishing qualities, and renders its use dangerous for the stomach.

"There will be grains in all their plumpness, and flour made by the vari-processes and them any varieties of breakfast foods, meal, etc., will have a conspicuous place.

"There will be ore from Eastern and Southern Oregon, to show that this is a mineral as well as an agricultural and live stock and fishery state, and the lumber exhibit will be extensive and unique, as the big sawmills of Portland will vie with each other in showing Eastern people how large the trees grow and how many varieties of useful woods there are growing wild out here.

"Woolen goods, blankets and fabrics will also be in the collection from the woolen mills of the interior, where products already find extensive sale in every state east of the Mississippi river. Wool will be exhibited in all stages, from the greasy fleece to the finished cloth.

"The forestry exhibit will contain Oregon trees and undergrowth in their natural state, and the evergreen nature of the forest of the Pacific coast will thereby be shown.

"We have over 10,000 square feet of floor space, distributed among the buildings devoted to agriculture, horticulture, forestry, minings and the fine arts, and the collection in the last mentioned building prove that Oregon people are not unmindful of the arts and sciences, while reveling in the plenty of never failing crops, pleasant summers and mild winters. I am confident that the state will more than get its \$25,000 appropriation back within a short time, as a result of advertising its peerless resources at Buffalo this summer."

Chris Cohrs, a Prineville livery man, was in Burns Sunday night enroute to his home from Ontario, where he had been to get one of his teams, left there by the Sioux City, Iowa, parties who were recently in Burns looking for a stock ranch location.—Sawyer.

A Crook County Pioneer.

Collett Belien came down from the Upper Ochoco Friday on business at the court house. Mr. Belien grew reminiscent and told many incidents of Crook county—of the early settlers of the later part of '60s among whom were the late Wayne Claypool and uncle "Billy" Smith, of Mill creek who still survives the attacks of times relentless scythe. The first settlement in this county was made on Mill Creek in the fall of '67 and Mr. Smith located the next spring on the place he now lives on. These sturdy pioneers endured many hardships and are entitled to great honor for the work they did.

Two Years in the Pen.

Robert Oglesby, stage driver, indicted for embezzling and secreting a registered package containing some \$60, and for having the stolen package in his possession, was arraigned in the United States Court yesterday and entered a plea of guilty on on both counts. Judge Bellinger sentenced him to serve one year in the penitentiary on each count, the sentence to run concurrently.

Oglesby robbed the Lakeview stage while he was driving it, for the purpose it is said of obtaining funds to get married.

Correspondents Wanted.

We want a correspondent in every school district in Crook County and to those who will contribute the neighborhood news we will furnish stationery postage, etc. and give them a subscription to the JOURNAL so long as they continue a correspondent of the same.

An Eastern Oregon Pioneer

The many readers of the Eagle will be pleased to hear that Major Joseph Magone, who is known to every pioneer in Eastern Oregon, is still alive at the home of his daughter at Ogdenburg, New York, where he went several years ago after an absence on the Pacific coast for over half a century. The major is well known in Grant county, where he resided for years. His lake, on the headwaters of Beech creek, which has furnished so much sport for pot fishermen several years, was the scene of many a pleasant hour for the aged pioneer. The many trout that have been captured there in recent years were carried there by Mr. Magone from the John Day river in oil cans. Could he realize the manner in which the product of many hard days of labor he would at once polish up his needle gun and return to Oregon.

It will be remembered that Mr. Magone walked from the court house steps in Canyon City to the world's fair at Chicago in 1893, leaving here on July 4th, and making an average of about thirty miles per day during the entire trip. He was to publish a book on this trip, but it is not known whether such has yet gone to the press.

Mr. Magone is nearing the century mile stone, and even at this advanced age his mind was yet in its prime when he left here a few years ago.—Blue Mountain Eagle.

Hugh Cosgrove, the first judge of Marion county and its oldest pioneer, died at his Butteville home Wednesday, at the age of 92 years.

During the quarter ending March 31st, the land office at The Dalles received 131 homestead filings. The receipts of the office amounted to \$14,283.31.

GENERAL NEWS.

Items of Interest Gathered Here and There.

Some Stolen, Others Not.

Cullings From Our Exchanges, News Notes of the Week, Timely Topics.

Oil has been struck at a depth of 90 feet in a well being sunk on the Hicklin farm near Troutdale.

California capitalists have bonded 4000 acres of land near The Dalles and will prospect for oil.

There are 295 convicts in the state penitentiary. During the past three months, 46 new ones were received, and 29 discharged.

C. C. Newman, sentenced to one-year imprisonment, from Grant county, was pardoned April 17 by Gov. Geer.

Perry Maupin sold his mining claim, the "Red Jacket" in the Trout Creek District, for \$250 to Ashwood Gold and Silver Mining Co., in which Mr. Maupin also received 1-6 interest.—Antelope Republican.

Lebanon Odd Fellows are preparing to observe the 82nd anniversary of the order, on the 26th of this month, in good shape. Judge M. C. George is expected to deliver the principal address.

The Union Iron Works, of San Francisco, has signed a contract with the Navy Department for the construction of the protected cruiser Milwaukee. She is to have 22 knots speed, to be finished in three years, and to cost \$2,825,000.

A postoffice has been established in Gilliam county, Or., to be known as Alville. Allen McConnell has been appointed postmaster. The new office will be supplied from Condon, 12 miles to the southwest.

Capt. Jason Wheeler is out after being confined to his home for a week or two. Next Saturday he will leave on a trip to Eastern Oregon for the benefit of his health, accompanied by his daughter Mrs. Dr. Kitchen of Slayton. They will go to Athana and other places. While gone Capt. Wheeler will visit several of his Indian war-veteran friends.—Albany Demo-

Wool Rate.

The following wool rates for the present season, taking effect at once have been established:

Wool compressed in bales, earloads, minimum weight 24,000, from Shaniko to New York, Chicago, Boston, Hartford, Philadelphia, Baltimore, and points therewith, \$1.40 per 100 pounds.

Wool in sacks, or bales, any quantity, from Shaniko to The Dalles, 30 cents per 100 pounds.

Wool in sacks, any quantity, from all stations on the Columbia Southern Railway to Shaniko 5 cents per 100 pounds.

C. E. Lytle, G. F. A.

Methodist quarterly meeting will be held in Prineville on the 4th and 5th of May.

Mrs. Win Prince has been quite ill for the past week, but is rapidly recovering.