

A RICKET MOUNTAIN

Great Mineral Discovery in Baker City District.

VEIN HAS BEEN TRACED 5000 FEET

Chief Owner of Golconda Mine Made the Find—Claims Located—To Be Developed.

BAKER CITY, March 13.—Probably the most important strike ever made in Eastern Oregon was known in this city today by the return of John T. English, of Illinois, manager of the Golconda mine, and Frank Nelson, of this city, who stated they had found a solid mountain of nickel lying in Rye Valley, about 20 miles south-east of Baker City, on the line of the O. R. & N. Railroad. It is a wonderful discovery, according to their statements. For more than 500 feet the ore is traceable on the surface, and the ore bed extends up a distance of 20 feet, and is 1000 feet wide. The nickel is free milling, and runs about 30 to the ton. Each stake out two claims adjoining each other. They will at once commence the sinking of a 30-foot tunnel under the mountain to test the richness of the discovery.

The Red Cliff group of mines, consisting of six claims, in the Cascade district, near the Golconda, the big property of the Englishes, of Danville, Ill., was bought by the owner, Martin Gibbons, was sold to Wesley Warren and H. A. Mitchell, of this city. The price paid was not made public, but it is believed to be about \$30,000. There are two distinct veins traceable, two to three and one-half feet wide, and the ore sampled was 25 to 30 tons. Development work will commence in about 30 days, or as soon as the snow disappears on the mountain.

A new strike was made yesterday about 14 miles north of this city, which gives promise of great richness. The strike was made by Jasper Mitchell and several companions. They found a 30-foot ledge of ore sampled was 25 to 30 tons. A large body of copper was also located, which is thought to be an extension of the Imnaha belt.

Quotations of Mining Stocks.

SPOKANE, March 14.—The closing bids for mining stocks today were:

Blackfoot	100	0.05	Morison	100	0.02
Battle Mountain	100	0.05	North Star	100	0.02
Butte	100	0.05	Placer	100	0.02
Challis	100	0.05	Red Cliff	100	0.02
Chico	100	0.05	St. Lawrence	100	0.02
Chukar	100	0.05	Union	100	0.02
Chukar	100	0.05	Winnipeg	100	0.02
Chukar	100	0.05	Yukon	100	0.02
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SAN FRANCISCO, March 14.—The official closing quotations for mining stocks today were:

Alma	100	0.05	Kentucky	100	0.02
Alma	100	0.05	Lafayette	100	0.02
Alma	100	0.05	North Star	100	0.02
Alma	100	0.05	Placer	100	0.02
Alma	100	0.05	Red Cliff	100	0.02
Alma	100	0.05	St. Lawrence	100	0.02
Alma	100	0.05	Union	100	0.02
Alma	100	0.05	Winnipeg	100	0.02
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NEW YORK, March 14.—Mining stocks today closed as follows:

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Challis	100	0.05	Yukon	100	0.02
Challis	100	0.05			

BOSTON, March 14.—Closing quotations:

Butte	100	0.05	Placer	100	0.02
Butte	100	0.05	Red Cliff	100	0.02
Butte	100	0.05	St. Lawrence	100	0.02
Butte	100	0.05	Union	100	0.02
Butte	100	0.05	Winnipeg	100	0.02
Butte	100	0.05	Yukon	100	0.02
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SMALLPOX AT GRANT'S PASS.

Many Exposures to Infection—Schools Closed Till September.

GRANT'S PASS, Or., March 14.—Smallpox of a mild type has again shown itself, and two families are now quarantined and under doctor's care.

A family named Cooper, living nine miles from town, received a visit from a friend from California, who said he was suffering from chicken-pox.

The Cooper family excepting the father all had the so-called chicken-pox. The Coopers were visited by Mrs. Fleeter and her children, who live in town, and two children were taken sick and are now seriously ill, have not been kept at home, one child attending school, but being sent home by the teacher on account of her apparent sickness.

The children have already communicated the disease to two other families, each of which has one member sick with smallpox, the disease being diagnosed by Dr. F. W. Van Dyke.

At a meeting of the School Board held today it was decided to close the schools for the three months remaining of this year.

There has been an extensive exposure of children to the disease, and smallpox, and, on the advice of the physicians, it was decided best to close until September. Satisfactory arrangements were made with the principal and teachers, and all of the children of the school were sent home, and the school will be closed for the year.

The school election yesterday resulted in the election of James A. Slover Director for three years, T. F. Cramer Director for one year, and J. A. Jennings Clerk. A light vote was polled, there being no contest.

LOOSE COUNTY RECORDS.

Experts Employed to Examine Books of Lake County Officers.

LAKEVIEW, Or., March 13.—The County Court yesterday appointed T. T. Boyd, telegraph agent here, and ex-City Clerk, and George P. Lovegrove to examine the books of all the officers of Lake County. The sudden resignation of M. B. Bachevalier as County Clerk, at the present term of court, and the appointment of Judge W. A. Wilshire, his principal bondsman, to fill the unexpired term, led to all kinds of rumors about a shortage when it was learned that the experts had been appointed. Judge Wilshire, the present clerk, says that the order to have the books examined was not made out of any suspicion of shortage in accounts, but from necessity. Since 1890, when the books were last examined, he says there has been no record kept among the officers by which a definite statement can be had of the situation of the county's affairs; that the officers have had settlements among themselves; but that it cannot be ascertained from the books how the county's affairs stand to any degree of certainty. Lake County officers have been regarded as honest, but the lax way of running things has led to a muddling of the books, so that an expert examination was necessary to have an expert examination of them.

FOREST GROVE IMPROVEMENTS.

About \$2000 to Be Spent on the Streets of the Town.

FOREST GROVE, Or., March 14.—A special meeting of the City Council was held last night to decide how to improve Main street, the most important street in the city, and to repair other streets.

The city to be improved, it was voted to pass next Thursday night an ordinance requiring the property-owners on the west half of Main street, extending one block, to place crushed rock eight inches deep on the street and a gutter one foot wide and four inches deep on either side for drainage. The east half of the

improvement, which will cost about \$500, will be for the east half of Main street. The remaining \$1000 will be expended in improving certain streets, using crushed rock where necessary.

The council re-elected Gus Hartmann, engineer of the town, at a salary of \$750 a year, and re-elected Joseph Bailey superintendent of the water and light plant at a salary of \$40 per month. In addition to furnishing him with light and water, Charles La Chapelle was chosen marshal in the place of Ed Crang, who has gone away.

Blow Open Safe or Tear Wall Paper.

The troubles with the city with the Miller liquor prosecution seem endless. Now it is original of ordinances that are wanted as evidence in the Circuit Court appeal, but they are in the city safe, and the safe is locked. The city clerk, J. A. Jennings, predecessor, wrote the combination on the council chamber walls, and the room has been paper over since then. The authorities are now trying to blow open the safe or tear the paper off the wall.

RODE AN AVALANCHE.

Experience of a Portland Man at Chilkoot Pass, Alaska.

SKAGWAY, March 7.—W. A. Kirtz, who left Portland a year ago for Alaska, had a hazardous experience on February 26, in riding a horse over the crest of a great avalanche. He, in company with three other men of Skagway, was going over the Chilkoot summit, when suddenly the snow on which they were walking started, and by the time their fright had lifted their hats off, they had landed at Stone House, over 1000 feet below. They were considerably bruised, but not seriously hurt.

Douglas County Coroner Badly Hurt.

ROSEBURG, March 14.—Dr. E. V. Hoover, County Coroner, was seriously injured in a fall from his horse, which became frightened at a passing train. He was thrown violently to the ground, striking on the left side of his face, and so badly bruising it that the extent of his injuries cannot be determined yet.

Idaho Republican Dates.

BOISE, Idaho, March 14.—The Republican Central Committee met in session and fixed the times and places for holding the state conventions. The convention to select delegates to the National Convention will be held at Lewiston on May 10, and the primary election will be held on June 12.

J. B. Nesmith Criticized.

DALLAS, March 14.—J. B. Nesmith, now senator of Oregon, is now in Dallas, Texas, where he is being criticized for his conduct in office.

The latest news from the sick man seems to give more hope of his recovery.

Oregon Notes.

Athena has closed her saloons on Sundays.

Oregon newspapers keep admonishing voters to register.

Dr. J. H. Hays returned to Albany from his Eastern trip.

A Seattle man is buying cows and calves in Linn County.

Edmundson Bros., of Eugene, have sold their horse, 800, at 5 cents.

Scotchmen have been shipped to 30 per cent in some parts of the state.

A Coos Bay man is reported to be getting together a raft of logs to take to Cape Nome.

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THE WORK OF FIRE BUGS

FLAMES KINDLED IN TWO MORE ASHLAND BUILDINGS.

One of Them Was Destroyed, an Uninsured Barn, Worth \$600—Citizens Are Excited.

ASHLAND, Or., March 14.—The firebugs who have been operating here the past few weeks are still at work, there having been two fires early this morning caused by the firebugs.

The first fire broke out in the morning in the Messenger Planing Mill, which was set on fire early Sunday morning.

The second fire broke out in the morning in the Messenger Planing Mill, which was set on fire early Sunday morning.

The third fire broke out in the morning in the Messenger Planing Mill, which was set on fire early Sunday morning.

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