

HALEY, IDAHO

A WELL-KNOWN MINING TOWN OF PROMISE THAT IS ALSO NOTED FOR ITS STOCK INDUSTRY.

HALEY, Idaho, July 8.—(Special.)—When a stranger arrives in Haley, Idaho, and is told, as invariably he is, that it is one of the most promising localities in the state for mining, he accepts it as truth. In all probability he has heard that statement on previous occasions, for the place has a wide reputation for its mineral output. But when he is told that one mine within a short distance of the town has increased the wealth of the world more than \$7,000,000, he is inclined to think the statement a little overdrawn. When, however, the figures are verified by unquestionable authority, he looks at the steep grass-covered mountain sides and wonders how much more wealth lies hidden beneath.

When he is told of the wealth of various other mines in the vicinity, he thinks of Haley only as a mineral-producing locality, but later he is also informed that during 1902 between 1200 and 1300 cars of sheep were shipped from that station, and he begins to wonder if Haley has other remarkable sources of wealth.

Indeed, Haley has not only been the center for a very long time of a wealthy country, but it is giving promise of continuing indefinitely in importance. Its resources are still largely undeveloped, and capital, enterprise and ability can find here opportunities in a variety of lines.

Haley's Mining Resources.—There are about 100 mines in the country tributary to Haley. These vary in quality, but among them are a large number that have produced fortunes, and give promise of adding much more to the wealth of their owners. This locality marks the southern end of the great mineral belt that includes Thunder Mountain and other well-known districts.

Many of the best mines have shut down when silver dropped in value, but now they are being reopened, and many new claims are being developed. There are more silver and lead mines than there are of gold. There are also several mines that have some profitable claims. The most important of these was at one time bonded for \$2,000,000. This mine is known as the Camas No. 2, and its output has amounted to very nearly 600,000 tons of ore. Among the other gold producers are the Croesus and the Tiptop. These have both produced fortunes.

The following mines are some of them: gold producers, but in argentiferous galena ores have given valuable yields. While some of the figures are simply estimates, they are obtained from reliable sources, and give the reader an idea of the wealth of the mines tributary to Haley:

Table with columns: Mine Name, Average Production, Yield. Lists various mines like Minnie Moore, Bullion, Queen of the Hills, etc.

In addition to the above output, there are large amounts of ores at each of them that have not been mined, and the value of which would enlarge the figures considerably.

At present there is some excitement here over important developments at Rosetta, a new mining camp about 35 miles from Haley. Experienced men have recently examined the Rosetta region, and they pronounce them of exceedingly good value.

Undoubtedly there are many rich veins of ore yet hidden in these mountains, and they are waiting to be discovered by those who are fortunate enough to discover them. Many of those now being worked at a great profit were discovered by men who turned but a meager supply of food and clothing, but who have been made independently rich by their fortunate finds.

One of the several promising mining camps that are associated with Haley is Stanley Basin, which is about 40 miles from the former place. It is a comparatively new camp, and it is expected to develop into a locality of more than ordinary mineral importance.

Stockraising.—According to official reports from Washington, Idaho ranks third among the states of the Union in the production of sheep and wool. From the same source it is learned that during the year 1902 the state had 4,541,815 head of sheep, at an average value of \$2.56 a head, making a total value of \$11,626,846.40.

In the same year there were 34,200 pounds of wool produced in the state. According to the books of the Oregon Short Line, Haley and vicinity ranks second in the state for the shipment of sheep. It is claimed by local producers that if cars had been available here during last year, more sheep would have been sent from this point during that time than from any other place in Idaho.

As before stated there were shipped from here last year about 1200 cars of sheep. The net value of these averaged about \$1000 a car, making a total net value of more than \$1,200,000.

In regard to the amount of wool shipped from here last year, it is not possible for the writer to give the exact figures, but it is less in proportion than the shipment of sheep. Some idea of the amount shipped, however, may be obtained from the fact that in May of last year 430,000 pounds were shipped. May being the chief month for the transportation of wool.

Owing to the early growth of grass in the hills surrounding Haley, it is an ideal Spring range for sheep. It is in fact on this fact also, it is claimed, that Haley mutton always brings the highest price in the market.

Horse raising is not one of the industries of this section, but the production of beef cattle is a profitable vocation for many. Actual figures concerning the amount of cattle on the range adjacent to Haley could not be obtained, but it is estimated that 200 cars of beef were shipped from this station last year.

Opening for Woolen Mills.—It is a strange thing that in spite of the fact that so much wool is produced here there are no woolen mills in the state, or country for converting it into cloth. From the fact, too, that there is unlimited water power available for manufacturing purposes, the necessity for transporting the wool to distant states for that purpose seems doubly strange. The only explanation for this seems to be the ignorance of manufacturers concerning the promising conditions that exist here. When the wool grower understands the opportunities for profitable investment in those lines here, the noise of busy looms will undoubtedly be added to the number of overcrushers.

Other Resources.—But mining and stock raising are not the only resources that Haley enjoys. There are good agricultural opportunities here, and from a commercial standpoint also the place is of considerable importance. Small fruits and vegetables are grown with success, and grain and hay yield good crops. Every pound of grain and stock that can be produced can be sold to stockmen at a good figure for cash. There is not enough of these products to satisfy the home demand, and therefore the farmers are paid for their products the price in distant localities, plus the cost of transportation.

A ditch is being constructed from Wood River that will carry 6000 inches of water and will irrigate 8000 acres of ground. The land that it will cover is all in the vicinity of Haley, and is level and easy to irrigate.

A Gateway to Thunder Mountain.—By men who have been over the various routes to Thunder Mountain I have been

told that the Wood River route, by way of Haley, is the most practicable and shortest. There are not so many high mountains to cross, and the roadway is less broken. As Haley has a number of large stores, stocked with everything required in a prospecting trip, from every kind of food supply to clothing and horse feed, there is no reason why this should not be the main road in the future to that Eldorado of the mountains.

Fish and Game.—People who are fond of fishing and hunting will find Haley very much to their taste. The sparkling water of the Wood River, which flows by the town, is

filled with mountain trout. It is one of the few places where fishing has not been overdone, and where large speckled beauties may be caught by the dozen by any one who cares to take the time to seek them. It is not often that travelers are given the chance to have trout served them at hotels, and yet this is not uncommon at Haley. When I was asked if I would have fresh trout for breakfast, I was surprised. I asked the waiter how they were obtained, and he said that they had been caught in the river near the town, and that they could obtain more than they needed. The fresh, invigorating mountain air, the steep hills and the clear current of water that flows by the rocks give an ideal charm to the sport that is not always obtainable.

Various kinds of wild fowl and other game are also found here, and may be enjoyed during the hunting season.

An Entertaining Town.—There are many things that give sufficient proof to the stranger that Haley is an entertaining town. One of these is the fact that the majority of the buildings are fireproof, being built generally of brick. The town is provided with an electric light system and other modern improvements. Haley is the county seat of Blaine County, and it boasts a fine brick courthouse that would do credit to any county in the state. A first-class high school is another thing of which the town can well be proud. That it is a place of prosperity may be seen from the fact that it supports two daily and two weekly newspapers. Indeed, there is a general atmosphere of contentment and industry, and I am sure that a majority of the home seekers who have taken an interest in LIONEL A. JOHNSON.

MAN AND WOMAN IN CASE

Hints at Story Behind Removal of Superintendent Westendorf.

CHEHALIS, Wash., July 8.—(Critical.)—The action of Governor McBride in removing Superintendent Westendorf of the State Reform School, continues as active as ever. It is set forth on the one hand that Mr. Westendorf has a natural talent for handling boys, and that he has made a wonderful success of this particular line of work for a period of 34 years. He is an accomplished musician and composer of many songs, and has the knack of getting the boys interested in song service, and in that way draws them to him and enables him to manage them with greater success than is the case with almost any educator in the country. On the other hand, there are those who have criticized Mr. Westendorf because of his lack of consideration of the wishes and desires of his subordinates; but in no case has his ability to perform his duties in connection with the State Reform School been criticized or minimized, except by those who are prejudiced in favor of the Governor and his political methods.

It is held, on behalf of the Governor, that he was warranted in this removal, and that if the public were fully posted regarding the state of affairs existing at the Reform School under him it would not only approve of the executive's drastic course, but would applaud and congratulate him for having the courage to remove such a prominent state officer as Superintendent Westendorf has always been.

Now what is hinted at regarding the state of affairs existing at the Reform School is probably a set of affidavits, which, it is understood, was shown after the close of the session of the Legislature, and after a number of the employees under Superintendent Westendorf found it more comfortable for them to resign and leave the institution than to remain. These affidavits, of course, are supposed to reflect upon the management of the school in failing to prevent certain abuses, which educators in charge of reform schools throughout the country feel are bound to exist and creep in, and which call for the closest scrutiny and discipline to prevent and to check.

At the bottom of the disturbance and agitation against Superintendent Westendorf—laying aside the political tinks of the state executive—there may be found upon close examination a man who served at the Reform School for a number of years and whose immediate charge was the boys against whose abuses are alleged have always been. It is held that if anyone were to blame regarding the alleged abuses the Westendorf called to Westendorf should have been censured.

But still further back of this stand the man and the woman in the case. If all the facts were made public, it probably would be found that Westendorf had one of his chief male assistants to account.

and that if his intervention had resulted in marriage and not in the resignation of the female assistant, the trade against the late superintendent might never have been started.

In any event, the man remained in the service of the state, while the woman in question resigned, and subsequently the agitation against Superintendent Westendorf began. Still later on, after the Legislature failed to hold an investigation, a number of the employees of the Reform School resigned, and the affidavits referred to, and which are supposed to contain the information upon which Governor McBride acted, were forthcoming and were presumably in the hands of a Seattle newspaper before the Governor deposed the Superintendent of the Reform School.

At any rate, Mr. Westendorf has a large circle of influential friends in the State of Washington, and it is understood that he proposes to locate at Olympia and no doubt take a hand in the future political scuffles, not only at the state capital but throughout the state, particularly where the hard-headed, hard-fisted and hard-fighting statesman and Governor from Skagit County is concerned.

DAILY CITY STATISTICS.

Marriage Licenses.—Walter B. Matheson, 23; Mamie Williams, 23; Matt Platland, 24; Clara A. Solid, 22; J. H. Dickson, 21; Mahala J. Kilmer, 21; Lisle C. Myers, 24; Virginia L. Jodon, 22.

Building Permits.—W. D. Hamel, Fourteenth and Pettigrove, repairs, \$500; Crystal Ice Company, East Sixth and East Salmon, alterations, \$500; C. Bircher, East Irving and Grand avenues, two-story cottage, \$500; J. Young, Twelfth and Johnson, alterations, \$300; F. M. Hawes, Hoyt, between Twenty-first and Twenty-second, two-story dwelling, \$3500; Tribble & Co., Third and Couch, repairs, \$2500.

Deaths.—July 1, Michael D. Lockwood, 39 years, 773 Benton, exhaustion from inanition.

July 2, Rosa Coughlin, 19 years, 326 Front, wound of knee joint.

July 4, Adam Andre, 74 years, Good Samaritan Hospital, valvular heart disease.

Births.—July 2, girl, to the wife of James Van Groen, East Fort-sixth and East Yamhill.

July 4, girl, to the wife of Thomas W. Heister, 246 East Thirty-sixth.

July 5, girl, to the wife of Charles Lind, 396 Knott.

July 5, boy, to the wife of Carl Nordstrom, 294 Williams avenue.

July 6, boy, to the wife of Carl Johnson, 549 1/2 Belmont.

July 6, girl, to the wife of John D. Dickinson, 14 Seventh.

July 24, boy, to the wife of W. O. Van Schuyver, 533 Hoyt.

Contagious Diseases.—July 7, Harry Mountain, 86 North Ninth, scarlet fever.

July 6, Mrs. Haediger, 191 Seventh, diphtheria.

July 7, Charlotte H. Robins, 408 Fifth, measles.

Real Estate Transfers.—W. J. Zimmerman and wife to Dwight P. Kinair, lot 9 and 10, block 2, Dumm's Addition, \$4,570.

R. L. Cate and wife to D. H. McBride, lot 12 west half lot 7 and 8, block 291, Hawthorne Park, \$4,831.

Barbara A. Haley to John Gates, lot 3 to 8, block 229, East Portland, \$600.

E. A. Spooly and wife to Andrew G. Oja, lot 2 and wife, lot 12, block 1, North Irvington, \$1,150.

Robert A. Sharple to Abram Dilley, lot 5, in block 10, between Adams and Oatman's Little Homes, subdivision 3, \$1.

Henry Kloterman and wife to J. H. Carr, sec. 10 7 and 8, block 17, Hubbard, \$1,700.

C. A. Gardner to Charles Olson and wife, lots 12 and 13, block 15, Lincoln Park, \$100.

W. L. Farrell and wife to John H. Williams and wife, lots 10 and 11, block 4, Farwell's Second Addition, \$250.

Sheriff to M. Rykko, to R. Lea Barnes, tracts, lot 12 west half lot 7 and 8, block 291, Hawthorne Park, \$4,831.

E. P. and S. J. Chadwick to Sarah E. Coy, lot 9 and 10, block 10, Troutdale, \$175.

H. Keyserling and wife to Mrs. H. Keyserling, lot 12, block 10, Troutdale, \$175.

L. M. and M. M. Davis to Mrs. Christina Watersten, lot 8, block 7, Central Alberta, \$500.

The Westport Ticket Company to E. J. Johnson, lot 43, block 22, \$225.

Joseph Hirsch et al. to John H. Hirsch et al., lots 7 and 8, block 215, city, \$3,700.

John Langford et al. to Mrs. E. S. Jones, lots 7 and 8, block 281, East Portland, \$1,000.

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