

News, Gossip and Speculation From the National Capital

(Washington Bureau of The Journal.) Washington, D. C., March 7.—Interest in the Smoot hearing exceeds that of any other public event. The hearing is open to the public, but as it is conducted in a small committee room scarcely more than 30x60 feet in dimensions, the attendance is necessarily limited to the members of the committee, the witnesses and counsel, newspaper reporters and a score or so of the public or of curious members of the senate and house, who squeeze in and catch what they can of the interesting proceedings. The members of the committee and the witnesses are limited to 13 in number, eight Republicans and five Democrats, sit around the head and sides of a long table. Chairman Burrows presiding, and occupying the head table, on one side, sit Senator Smoot, with his counsel, Messrs. Worthington of this city, and Van Cott of Salt Lake City. Grouped back of Senator Smoot are the witnesses, the Mormon apostles and elders, and the president of the church, testifying against their own faith and their own manner of life. Across the table sit the counsel of those who have protested against Smoot's retention in the senate. Former Secretary of the committee, the late Senator Charles McNamara, is the counsel for the prosecution, but he has not attended any of the hearings excepting on the opening day. The case against Smoot has been conducted solely by Attorney Robert W. Taylor, formerly a member of congress from Oregon. He conducted the fight against Brigham H. Roberts, which prevented Roberts from occupying a seat in congress, to which he had been elected by the people of Utah. At Mr. Taylor's elbow sit E. E. Fritchlow and Robert M. O'Connell of Salt Lake City, both fully conversant with Mormon practices, and both ready throughout the examination to prompt Mr. Taylor with his own knowledge of the situation is deficient. Back of Taylor and his counsel sit a half-dozen of women who are officers in the various women's organizations which have been, and are, making such a persistent fight against Smoot and Mormonism, and which is having its culmination in the present hearing. At the extreme end of the long table and facing Chairman Burrows, President Joseph F. Smith has occupied the witness chair for the past week. Crowds of curious people, many of them women, have gathered outside every day to get a glimpse of the president of the Mormon church, and they peer at him curiously through open committee-room doorways, and wait in the corridors to see him as he leaves and enters the committee room. President Smith has an admirable wit. He has been subjected to cross-examinations by some of the sharpest legal minds in the United States senate—Senators Hoar, Bailey, Frazier, Dubois and Beveridge—who have each taken turns in probing him in the search for the secrets of the Mormon church. With few exceptions President Smith has maintained a calm composure, never allowing himself to be carried away by the heated questions. He talks in a deliberate, methodical manner, weighing every word, and giving it proper consideration before speaking. He is scrupulously polite, and shows much respect to the senators who are his questioners. He talks in a deliberate, methodical manner, weighing every word, and giving it proper consideration before speaking. He is scrupulously polite, and shows much respect to the senators who are his questioners. He talks in a deliberate, methodical manner, weighing every word, and giving it proper consideration before speaking. He is scrupulously polite, and shows much respect to the senators who are his questioners.

BITS OF MINING NEWS

A cyanide plant is to be installed in connection with the recently-completed Alamo mill. Tests that have been made assure the owners that an excellent extraction is possible at a very low cost and they believe better results are possible by this process than the usual amalgamation and concentration process. L. T. Baker of South Dakota, who has been visiting the Gold Bug quartz property, is well satisfied. Some assays ran \$85 to the ton, others \$51. The values secured from the new vein recently opened in the crosscut did not run very high, but a quantity of ore taken from the bins and property, and concentrated down thoroughly, ran up to the high figure of \$1,839.70. The New York-Oregon management hope to have the new hoisting plant erected very soon, when development will proceed with great dispatch. The shaft is down to the 100 level, and a drift of 125 feet has been made on the vein, which the management states is opening good ore the entire length. There are five to seven veins crossing the property, but the principal work being done is on the central one. The Homestake Mining company is now operating six shafts—the Ellison, B. & M., Golden Star, Golden Prospect, Old Brig and Golden Gate. Three of these, the Golden Gate, Old Brig and Golden Prospect, have reached the 800-foot level, while the Ellison, B. & M., and Golden Star have reached the 1,100-foot level. Four of these shafts are located on the hanging wall side of the ledge, one on the foot wall side and one sunk in the ledge. All are connected by permanent drifts driven in the country rock. These shafts are very large affairs and are connected underground, and through them 4,000 tons a day are mined. The second furnace of the Mineral City plant is expected to be ready for blowing in about March 15. It is to have 100 tons capacity, and is to be of the improved pattern that has been adopted by the management of the Ladd Metals company. The old furnace, having a capacity of 60 tons, is said to be reducing ore daily, with satisfactory results. When the new furnace is ready for work the Mineral City smelter will have a capacity sufficient to handle all of the ore that may be produced in the camp from present development. This new furnace is the process said to utilize coal in raw state, rather than coke, the gases generated thereby being used to actuate the engine of the plant. The Victor six-wood compressor plant will be operating soon. Construction work has progressed in a very satisfactory manner, and the plant, which is the first of the district to actuate a compressor by gasoline, is pronounced very neat, compact, and has the appearance of a fine piece of machinery. The process said to utilize coal in raw state, rather than coke, the gases generated thereby being used to actuate the engine of the plant. The Victor six-wood compressor plant will be operating soon. Construction work has progressed in a very satisfactory manner, and the plant, which is the first of the district to actuate a compressor by gasoline, is pronounced very neat, compact, and has the appearance of a fine piece of machinery. The process said to utilize coal in raw state, rather than coke, the gases generated thereby being used to actuate the engine of the plant.

There is a big demand for houses in Portland. If you want your houses to bring you more revenue, advertise them for rent in THE JOURNAL.

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