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SPLendid CLASS OF MINERAL RISING INTO SOUTHWEST

Many of Prospectors Attracted by Josephine Strikes Are Sent By Big Operators; What District Is Like.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Kerby, Or., June 7.—Like some fabled goddess has this district sprung full-armed into public view and it is fast demonstrating to the world at large that it is the center of a vast mineral zone.

The recent strikes have operated as the immediate magnet to attract miners from all quarters, but other discoveries equally important have been made hereabouts in the past, and still richer ones will be uncovered in the future beyond doubt.

Excitement incident to the recent gold discoveries has brought in a splendid class of prospectors and others interested in mining, a majority of whom are familiar with all phases of the game.

This country, heralded as it has been lately by reports of big strikes, as a matter of fact is in the embryo stage of development and there is no telling what the future may bring.

One of the best signs of the times in this connection exists in the fact that nearly all the newcomers seem enthused over the prospects and are yet to be heard dissenting voice on the subject of the value and permanency of the mineral wealth of this region.

Antics of a Tenderfoot. A tenderfoot drifted into camp the other day with visions of suddenly acquired wealth controlling the balance wheel of his mentality.

Two Railways Seem Anxious. Another obstacle that must be considered in connection with the attraction of capital here relates to the present lack of railway transportation facilities.

Character of the Formations. The formation throughout the territory affected by mineral discoveries varies in character somewhat, porphyry, diorite, slate and serpentine prevailing to a large extent.

Ten Homesteads Are Still Available on Umatilla Project



Type of ten acre homes rising on the Umatilla government project.

(Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Hermiston, Or., June 7.—The homestead of Mr. and Mrs. Richard S. Tucker, which lies in the third unit of the Umatilla government project, and which consists of 20 acres, was filed on in March, 1910, and is one of over 60 homesteads in the third unit of this project, all of which have fine homes built and work in progress.

The fourth unit of the project, which adjoins the third unit, consists of about 15 homesteads, all of which were taken on the date of entry, and all now being put into cultivation by the people who filed.

The third and fourth units will be the finest part of the project in a short time, as the tracts are small, and every man who has filed on a homestead is putting it into cultivation.

Important development. In practically every instance the "gopher" system of exploration has prevailed, and every western miner knows what that amounts to in achieving results.

Extent of the Copper Belt. This copper belt is definable for a distance in a southerly course of more than 30 miles below the boundary line between Oregon and California.

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residence, but have gone on the land at once to make their homes.

All these homesteaders are buying cows, pigs, etc., and are putting in alfalfa and garden truck, very few putting in many fruit trees at this time.

There are at the present time about 10 homesteads available on this project, in the second unit. This is where some of the large desert land holders have had to relinquish down to 160 acres, which leaves some land for homestead entry.

capacity of 100 tons of ore daily, which carried on operations for quite awhile with gratifying results, the ore running about 10 per cent in copper, and from \$3 to \$8 per ton in gold on the average, or sufficient to meet all milling expenses of the output.

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Marster's Block, Just Completed in Roseburg. The first floor is occupied by three business houses; the two upper stories are taken up by the Grand hotel.

will be assessed by the Umatilla River Water Users' association this month, but will not have to be paid until March, 1913.

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the Mecca that brought pilgrims here in droves in those olden days when gold dust was common as dirt.

Capital Behind Prospectors. A summing of the situation indicates that many of the prospectors drawn to this region by the reports of rich gold strikes were sent here by moneyed investors.

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BAKER COUNTY HAS GREAT PROSPECTS

New Flouring Mill Acts as a Spur to Production of Cereal Crops.

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KENNEWICK LANDS FOR DAIRY HERDS

Irrigation Companies Plan to Seed Large Areas to Alfalfa for Forage.

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ment plan before any payment on his land is required. The marketing feature of the industry will be taken care of by the erection of a cooperative creamery and the establishment of numerous skimming stations, and possibly the organization of a milk condensing company.

Building Sawmills. (Special Dispatch to The Journal.) Medford, Or., June 7.—The Pollock Bay Lumber Company is erecting saw mills to handle the 100,000,000 feet of timber in that section.

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