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MINING NEWS

Gathered From Bohemia Mining District and the Various Mining Camps of Oregon and Other States.

MINING DISTRICTS OF GREAT PROMISE AND PROVEN PERMANENCE.

Mineral wealth has been uncovered in Lane county which promises that it will become one of the prominent mining regions of the country with proper development. Last year more than 1000 men were employed in the mines and engaged in prospecting in the camps of Bohemia, Blue River, Fall Creek and the Blackblutte circular mines, all of which are still only slightly developed, but are the scenes of active work that will soon reveal more concerning the extent and value of the rich deposits of gold and other metals.

BOHEMIA.

The oldest of the mining districts of the county that has received attention of mining men and prospectors, is that known as Bohemia, located 50 miles southeast of Eugene, about 30 miles from Cottage Grove, where the Oregon & Southeastern railroad connects with the Southern Pacific main line, extending a distance of 21 miles, from the junction of which a good wagon road, built on railroad grade, forms the connecting link into the camp. The altitude of Bohemia is about 5500 feet, the surrounding mountains being covered with timber that can be used for mining purposes, and climatic conditions are such that it is a most desirable summer camp. Snowfall is heavy in the winter season, but does not interfere with the operation of developed properties.

Antiseptic walls are the prevailing formation, with fissure veins, and a great variety of country rock. It is not an expensive formation in which to work, and wide, open veins denote to the mining engineer permanence and continuous richness of the ore bodies as depth is gained.

A brief review will give an idea of the extent to which the district is opened up by telling of the principal properties.

The Oregon Securities Co. owns and controls claims aggregating almost 1000 acres, and including some of the splendid properties of the camp. A plant of modern machinery includes a 500 horse power electric plant that furnishes power for an air compressor, Leyner power drills, a 30-stamp mill and a tramway connecting mill and mines.

The Crystal Consolidated Mining Co. has several groups of claims, about 20 in all, and has in addition to the usual necessary buildings and surface improvements a five-stamp mill.

The Oregon-Colorado Mining Co. Frank J. Hard, manager, owns the Vesuvius group, Oregon-Colorado group and Riverside group and has a five stamp mill.

The Noonday group is fortunate in having a mill of good capacity that will handle 20 tons per day with excellent equipment throughout for effective operation.

The Star Consolidated has a five-stamp mill; the Leroy an air compressor plant and Leyner drills; the Johnson & Lang group a two-stamp mill, and the Baltimore Mining Company an excellent water-power, ample for development purposes.

Other properties of the camp and companies operating are: The Hiawatha Mining Company, Bohemia Gold Mining Company, United States Gold Mining Company, Golden Slipper, Grizzly, Champion Basin, Golden Rule, Great Eastern, Adams Mountain, Royal Flush, White Swan, Judson Rock, Anacanda, Montana, Golconda and others.

Note—The three properties mentioned above as belonging to the

Oregon-Colorado are separate and distinct, namely, Oregon-Colorado, Vesuvius Company and Riverside Company—Ed.

BOHEMIA MINE OWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Bohemia, Ore., April 14, 1904. Editor Nugget:

Dear Sir—A meeting of the directors of "The Bohemia Mine Owners' Association" will be held at the Vesuvius mine May 4th.

Very important business will be transacted and all the directors should be present.

Further notice of the meeting will be given later.

The following resolutions will be laid before the directors and if approved the association will be governed accordingly:

1. That the Bohemia Mine Owners' Association use every laudable effort to have the state tax now on producing incorporations removed.

2. That the directors of said association act as an arbitration committee in case of boundary line disputes should the disputants so desire and to mediate all grievances that may arise between its members.

3. That a committee be appointed to mediate between labor and capital in labor strikes should any arise, and other causes of sufficient magnitude to warrant mediation.

4. That we use our best efforts, as an association, to legitimately advertise Bohemia and bring the wonderful resources of the camp, in a true light, before the mining world.

5. That one of our great aims shall be, by practice as well as by precept, to harmonize the camp, and our motto shall be "Speak well of one another or not at all."

All miners as well as mine owners are cordially invited to join the association and help to make it an association worthy of our camp.

The citizens of Cottage Grove and other valley towns are earnestly requested to help us advertise Bohemia and to join us in our motto.

Respectfully submitted, ANDREW BRUND, President Bohemia Mine Owners' Association.

GREAT IS BLUE RIVER

Bohemia Times

The Blue River Mining District is just now attracting a considerable amount of attention and investigation from practical expert mining men from all the mining centers of the whole country.

After a thorough examination in every instance have these men declared that the district surely has a great future before it. The latest visitor to that district is W. J. Morris, formerly of Cripple Creek, and he speaks in no uncertain tones of the rich deposits of free milling, gold bearing ores found there.

To the Portland Telegram he made the following statement: "I have seen the camp of Cripple Creek in its infancy and also at the zenith of its production, but I am firmly convinced that Blue River will equal if not surpass that camp in the production of gold in the very near future, when it is taken into consideration that practically every opening in that section shows good values of free milling ore.

Within a very few years the people of Portland will see an influx of mining men and investors that will rival the rush to Cripple Creek in 1890. I think, from my investigation of the camp, that it has the greatest future of any district known in the west.

"Nor is the Blue River district the only one of great promise in the southern section of the state. All that country through Josephine, Jackson and Douglas counties has great promise. Oregon's future is great, and the state will be heard from in mining matters in no uncertain tones in the next two years."

THE TONOPAH BOOMER.

A Tonopah boomer died (no matter what the day or date), and when he reached the portals of St. Peter at the gate. From out beneath his shaggy brows the old saint eyed the coming guest, and with true Chesterfieldian bows his brain was worried with its cares; the struggle was a hard one, so he thought he'd climb the golden stairs. St. Peter asked the man his name, his occupation, his church, his creed, from whence he came, and what credentials he could show; and then, with discretion rank, he'd dreaming of the fruit 'twould bear, he asked the disembodied crank how things in the gold camp were. The question has never failed to start the Tonopahan tongue, and saintly ears were soon assailed with wildest anthems ever sung. He talked of leads and shafts and veins, of tunnels, stopes and fissures true, of mam-

DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION

The Democratic County Convention was held in Eugene last Saturday and was called to order by Chairman J. D. Matlock. The call was read and E. P. Coleman elected temporary chairman with M. S. Wallis secretary and Henry Stewart as assistant.

After a short speech by the chairman the following committees were appointed: Credentials—G. N. Castle, E. P. Williams, Geo. Gilfray, A. J. Pickard, J. R. Hill.

Resolutions—R. M. Veatch, J. J. Walton, C. P. Houston, Ben Lea, Wm Taylor.

Permanent organization and order of business—W. L. Houston, L. M. Travis, J. W. Baker, M. M. Peery, J. M. Kitchin.

At the afternoon session the report of the credentials committee showed Jasper, Blanton, Middle Fork, Wendling, Glentena, Lake Creek, Hegets, Hermann, Gate Creek, Cheshire, Blue River, Bohemia, Mable and Five Rivers not represented.

The report of committee on permanent organization was adopted. Temporary Chairman Coleman did not desire to be permanent chairman and R. M. Veatch was unanimously chosen for that position.

Upon taking the chair Mr. Veatch said: "We have met with no 'slate' prepared, that no corporation had named their ticket beforehand. He hoped to see harmony in the convention and harmony throughout the county. He hoped to see every democrat stand shoulder to shoulder, and hoped that when the work of the convention was done the honest republicans could say that the nominees are better than the other fellows, and was confident that many republicans would vote the ticket put up today.

RESOLUTIONS. The committee on resolutions reported the following, and they were adopted: "The democrats of Lane county, in convention assembled, make the following declaration: 1st. We hereby declare that we are in favor of just and equal taxation of all property.

"2nd. That we favor an economical administration of municipal, state and national affairs. "3rd. That we are in favor of flat salaries of state and county officers.

"4th. That we are in favor of the enactment by the next legislature of a maximum freight rate law that will be just and equitable to both shippers and carriers, and that we instruct our nominees for the legislature when elected to use all honorable and just means to pass such an act at the coming session of the legislature.

"5th. That we are in favor of good roads and heartily endorse the good roads organization, and the efforts now being made by it to secure the improvements and betterment of the public highways of Lane county.

"6th. We heartily endorse the wise, economical and statesmanlike administration of Gov. Geo. E. Chamberlain.

"7th. We heartily endorse the wise, able, economical administration of J. W. Hamilton, the present judge of the second judicial district, and hereby instruct the delegates to the state and district conventions to use all honorable means to secure his nomination.

"R. M. VEATCH, "J. J. WALTON, "C. P. HOUSTON, "W. M. NALOR, "BEN LEA, "Committee."

The chairman appointed tellers as follows: C. P. Houston, H. Tillman, S. E. Wallace, L. Bilyeu.

FOR REPRESENTATIVES. J. W. Baker of Cottage Grove named Edward Jenks. Judge J. E. Barnes of Mapleton was nominated by L. Bilyeu.

Lee M. Travis nominated L. R. Edmanson of Eugene. On motion of L. Bilyeu, the three men named were declared the candidates of the democratic county convention for representative in the legislature.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE. W. P. Cneahire.....141 H. R. Kincaid.....34

COUNTY CLERK. J. C. Parker was nominated by acclamation for county clerk.

FOR SHERIFF. Fred Fisk received the nomination by unanimous vote.

FOR TREASURER. J. E. Stevens.....132 J. M. Kitchin.....38

FOR COMMISSIONER. J. R. Hill the present incumbent was nominated by acclamation.

ASSESSOR. R. O. Brady nominated by unanimous vote. SCHOOL SUPT. E. R. Parker nominated. SURVEYOR. Ralph Hunt nominated. CORONER. R. M. Day was nominated.

OLD RATES RESTORED

Southern Pacific officials Reduce the Rate on Lumber from \$5.00 to \$3.10

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While the people feel that only justice has been accorded them, at the same time they fully appreciate the speedy action of the road in the matter and all hope the reduced rates will prove profitable to all concerned, the road included. It is not anticipated the lumber companies can at once regain the lost business, but it is believed there will be a gradual improvement until hundreds of men will be employed in the mills and timber.

REPUBLICAN STATE NOMINEES. The Republican State Convention held in Portland week made the following nominations: Supreme judge, Hon. F. A. Moore; food and dairy commissioner, J. W. Bailey; joint representative for Josephine and Douglas counties, W. I. Vawter; Coos and Curry counties, I. P. Pierce; Lane, Douglas and Josephine counties, joint senator, Hon. R. A. Booth; circuit judge 2nd judicial dist., Hon. E. O. Potter; and dist. atty. Geo. M. Brown.

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HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT OF OREGON

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