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BOHEMIA MINING DIST.

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

Prof Briggs returned to Bohemia Monday.

F. M. Root went up to Bohemia today.

John Nokes went up to Bohemia on Wednesday to look after his mining properties.

Al Johnson, president of the Hiawatha mining company, has gone up to start some new work on the company's property.

Messes Ely and Welch this week put some miners to work on the Mayflower property in Bohemia. The middle tunnel will be continued. It is expected by the management to increase the force about the 1st of September.

El Paso, Texas has announced its intention to secure the American Mining Congress for 1905. They expect the support of the Portland delegates, in return for which they will use their influence to send the Irrigation Congress to Portland in 1905.

E. L. Hall the mining engineer came down from Bohemia on Saturday. He reports doing a great amount of work this season in surveying claims for patent, and says things are prosperous in the hills. He left for Portland by night train, and will go to Blue River before returning to Bohemia.

F. J. Hard came from Bohemia on Monday and took the night train for Portland. He reports work at the Vesuvius progressing and the 10-stamp mill being installed as fast as the machinery arrives. The road to the Oregon-Colorado is nearing completion and the Frankie vein on that property on which a tunnel is being driven is showing up another strong vein of ore, not heretofore opened to any extent.

At the Riverside, he said, the vein is at times so wide that neither wall is exposed and the full width of the tunnel contains a good grade of milling ore.

Mr. Hard will return to camp by Saturday.

J. W. Cox came down from Bohemia on Saturday where he has been working with other on the Oregon-Pacific mining company's property. He reports the principal work has been done on the lower tunnel. The vein they have been following is 15 feet in width, and milling ore. At other points on the property good ore has been found which pans well in gold. He reports a lot of quiet work being done on properties throughout the district of which but little is said or known except by those engaged in it. Mr. Cox is an old time miner of Colorado and says when the facilities for treatment of ores have been secured, Bohemia will be one of the great camps of the country.

Coal was once wood and vegetable matter. Through millions of years the earth's crusts have been subject to gradual and slow upheaval and subsidence, making contortions in the strata that were originally horizontal. In certain places plant life has been buried, and age after age has covered it with additional deposits of earth's material, until it has been subjected to a slow distillation by the heat from the earth's interior. Millions of years have doubtless been consumed in changing wood to coal by the action of heat, pressure and percolating waters. The process is merely the destructive distillation of vegetable matter on an enormous scale for an unlimited time. If the distillation was complete, the product was graphite that being nearly 100 per cent carbon. If less complete, the product was anthracite or hard coal, about 90 per cent carbon. If still perfect, bituminous, or soft coal, with 60 per cent carbon, was the outcome, and lower down would be peat, etc., with less than 40 per cent carbon.—The Mining World.

FALL CREEK.

There is an exhibition in the window of Svarverud & Calkins' real estate office at Seventh and Willamette streets, some samples of rich gold ore taken from the "Oregon" claim by George Breeding, on the Fall Creek district.

This ore is pronounced by experts to be very rich with the yellow metal, and the owners of the claim says there is a large, well defined ledge of it on the "Oregon." No assays have yet been made from the ore, but those who are familiar with such things say that the test will run high in gold.

It has not been very long since attention was first attracted to the Fall Creek gold region. Quite a number of claims have been staked out and every indication points to rich values, but as yet scarcely any development work has been done.

This district is about half way between the Blue River and Bohemia districts. The Guard predicts that before many years have passed mining operations will have spread all over the region between the two districts, making one huge camp from which millions of dollars will be turned out annually.—Eugene Guard.

RADIUM AND DIAMONDS.

The influence of radio-emissions on the constitution of matter is very curiously illustrated in some recent experiments made by Sir Williams Crookes. According to the results, if radium comes to be a common commodity amongst us some dismay may be caused to those who wear diamonds on finding that the carbon crystal under the influence of radium threatens to return to its less attractive form of graphite or crystalline black carbon. On the other hand, radium may turn out to be a "diamond improver." It is well known that radium emanations possess the property of darkening transparent bodies upon which they impinge, and now Sir Williams Crookes has shown that this also holds good in the case of diamonds. The emanations convert not only the surface into graphite, but alter also the color of the body of the stone. It is therefore suggested that this observation

may prove to be of commercial importance. For example, "if off-color stones can be lightened, their value will increase, while if the prolonged action of radium is to communicate to them a decided color they would be worth much more as fancy stones." This may add considerably to the business of the jeweler, who, for a consideration, might undertake to submit "off-jewels" to burial in radium for a season.—The Lancet.

A THING OF THE PAST.

The recalling of the military from Cripple Creek practically ends the train of events which have given Colorado so much unfortunate notoriety through the East within the past year says the Daily Mining Record. This final act upon the part of the state authorities is therefore a matter of congratulation to those who have invested capital in the mines of this state not because there has ever been any danger to the vested interests of any stockholder or mine owner, but because of the fact that disturbed conditions such as the state has passed through have a tendency to hamper the normal movement of business and capital and to clog industrial advancement. The great number of Easterners who are interested in Colorado mining companies will surely feel easier now that the strained conditions are at an end, and local mining men can derive satisfaction from the fact that the industry has been relieved of an unnecessary and wasteful burden. As the Record recently remarked, those who so far misinterpret conditions in Colorado as to withhold themselves from profitable investments in this state are merely cutting off their own noses. The labor situation has never been as serious as painted, and it has been far from approaching in importance the recent meat strike, which has directed the attention of the country to other centers of business. But, granted that the conditions here have been a deterrent to industry and to the investment of capital the matter is now at an end and those who have pleaded the late strike as an argument against the mines and investment opportunities of Colorado must, if they are logical, change their tune and begin to argue in another strain. Let those who have assisted in hurrying the state by spreading damaging information now do as much toward repairing the evil that has been done.

Perhaps it may be said that the packers' strike in Chicago and elsewhere has proven the ill wind to blow Colorado a little good in the way of shifting the weather-vane of attention to another quarter. It will, in any event, assist the public to forget a bit of recent unwelcome history which is now at an end and may just as well be forgotten for the better reason that it is dead and buried. The miners of Colorado are doing better than ever, so let us reflect upon pleasant things for awhile.

Ed G. Reinert of Denver, the head and front of the only daily mining paper on earth, arrived in Portland on Tuesday and is expected in Cottage Grove today. Mr. Reinert will visit, examine and no doubt write something about Bohemia.

Each location must exploit its own interests. Without this aid and the assistance of auxiliary bodies, allied with the state organization, the best results cannot be obtained. In this connection each allied branch of the state organization must take active measures to promote the interests of each individual community. Much is this order being accomplished now. I am at this time surprised to note the amount of good encompassed by the several individual industrial institutions throughout the state.

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OREGON STATE LEAGUE

Oregon Development League Holds Great Session in Portland.

Tuesday morning some three hundred delegates to the Oregon Development League meeting from all parts of the state met in the Marquam Theater in Portland.

These delegates are the representative business men of the state and the gathering at Portland and the discussion of the proper methods of advancing and properly advertising the resources of the whole state should be of great benefit to all. H. M. Cake, president of the Portland Chamber of Commerce was made permanent chairman and Col Harry Hanes of Forest Grove was chosen secretary.

PURPOSES OF LEAGUE OUTLINED.

Chairman Cake was the first speaker. He outlined the purposes of the Oregon League and told of the benefits that would accrue. Mr. Cake said: "This is the most important representative gathering in the history of Oregon. Each individual here is present for the purpose of working for the upbuilding of the state of Oregon. It is an important mission which calls you here, and to the end that there be harmony all through the convention, I will briefly state the object of this movement. The objects are to bring all portions of the state together in a co-operative movement for the advancement of the state. Heretofore the Inland Empire has been working by itself. The Willamette Valley has been doing the same. Portland has done the same. Hence, the object of the enterprise which is about to be launched here today is to bind together all the individual resources of the state by collecting facts and statistics of all these resources, and thus, through a central body, exploit to the world at large the greatness of Oregon, her climate and her soil."

If you tell to the world the extensiveness of our mining, agricultural and horticultural and timber advantages, you will draw to this state large investments of capital that will develop the state into a condition of unprecedented prosperity. We cannot unaided and alone press Congress to give us what we must have. We must organize and thus bring to bear pressure on the Congress of the United States and enforce recognition of the needs of our great state. We must advertise, through this organization, and thus, bring to Oregon the desirable and representative classes of other states, and this cannot be done except through organization stationed throughout the state.

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SECOND DAY.

It was just 10:30 when Chairman H. M. Cake called the convention to order and read a telegram from Governor George E. Chamberlain, expressing regret at his inability to attend the convention and asking that the delegates be assured that he stands for any movement having as its object the upbuilding of Oregon.

Chairman Cake then announced the next order of business as that of permanent organization and called for the report of the committee appointed to prepare a plan of permanent organization. Secretary Harry Haynes then read the report of the committee, as follows: OREGON DEVELOPMENT LEAGUE. "Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the First Convention of the Oregon Development League—Your committee on permanent organization begs to report as follows: "Resolved, that the officers of this League be a president, four vice-presidents, from as many sections of the state, and a secretary and treasurer. "Resolved, that the following be the first board of officers of this League, to hold office for one year, or until their successors are duly elected: President, E. L. Smith, Hood River; vice-presidents, F. J. Blakely, Roseburg; J. G. Graham Salem; A. Bennett, Irigoin; J. H. Atkin, Huntington; secretary and treasurer, Tom Richardson, Portland. "Resolved, that annual meetings of this League shall be held the second Tuesday in September of each year; that meetings may be called at any time by the president and secretary and that it is recommended a special meeting to be held in Portland, Or., in March, 1905. "Resolved, that each city, town and community organize its own local league, business club or other similar organization, or select one of its existing clubs or organizations, which shall become a member of the State League upon the payment of \$5, in return for which membership fee each local organization shall receive from the secretary 1000 handsome letterheads and envelopes, the same design to be used by the State League and all of its members. "Resolved, that it be 'Greater Oregon' with one voice throughout the state. "Dr. James Withycome, chairman. "W. C. Cowgill, secretary." The report was adopted. A large number of addresses were made. Among them being President Smith, J. W. Bailey, and Col Irwin Mahon. The League adjourned at 4:30 p. m.

HOLY ROLLER.

Concerning Edmund Creffield who was recently found under a house in Corvallis in a perfectly unde state and nearly starved condition and taken to Portland for trial, the Evening Telegram has the following:

Those who have seen Edmund Creffield, Holy Roller chieftain, since his arrest, wonder wherein lies his power to attract. They cannot understand why a religion invented by him and said to teach many things not usually considered orthodox, should be accepted, even by a very few, for the man does not appear to be of striking mind or personality. Creffield, self-styled "Joshua the Prophet," is decidedly a peculiar human being. Although he is gaining strength, both mentally and physically, at the County Jail, it is not likely that he will be sufficiently strong to face a preliminary hearing at Police Court on Thursday morning on the charge of adultery. If he has not gained sufficient strength by that time his case will again be continued.

Today, though better he is still little more than a wildman. Awakening from a three months fasting in sackcloth and ashes, and dragged into the limelight of publicity in a big city, after solitude and brooding had caused him to forget almost everything he ever knew, he was apparently stricken with bewilderment and knew not what he did. He knew fear and apparently that alone, as he moved about as might a child.

Creffield has now a strong desire to get well. At the County Jail, where he is confined, he lies on his cot nearly all of the time. During the day he sleeps a great deal. At his request he has been furnished a Bible, out of which he reads during the time he is awake. He does not walk about the corridors, as do the other prisoners, probably afraid of the other inmates, or possibly because of his great weakness. He does not talk to the other prisoners although they rail at him.

SEEMS VERY HUNGRY.

The jail meals are relished by Creffield as though he had been starved for months. He cleans the dishes even to the last scrap of meat and the last crumb of bread.

If he prays or follows his religion other than to read his Bible, it is not known to the officials of the jail or the inmates. If he prays, it is to himself, for he does not speak aloud, and makes no demonstration.

Creffield in his present condition is a subject more fit for the hospital than for a jail. He is harmless, and it does not require strong iron bars to keep him a captive. Three months of what was practically starvation worked wonders in weakening his system and skeletonizing his form.

Creffield has a well-developed head, but has not a magnetic eye. He does not appear like an attractive person, although when he speaks his voice has a low and not unpleasant sound. He speaks slowly but distinctly, and what he says seems to be emphatically impressed upon the listeners. For this reason, probably, people followed his "Holy Rollerism."

FOR YEARS A PRAECHEER. Creffield has for many years been a teacher of the works of God. He was born in Germany 31 years ago. He came to America nearly five years ago. For the past four years and up to the time he organized his camp at Corvallis, he preached in a number of the missions of Portland. He assisted the Salvation Army and other denominations in their missionary work of the slums of the city. There are many people in Portland who remember him and who say he was a strong and convincing speaker."

KILLED AT SAGINAW

Young Parazoo Hit on Head by Falling Snag.

Lafe J. Parazoo who has been in the employ of the Booth-Kelley Lumber Company at their mill near Saginaw, was killed on Tuesday afternoon by the breaking off of the top of a snag which he was cutting down.

After lunch Lafe was sent to cut a dead snag which was desired to have removed. While at work the top broke off and struck him on the head crushing his skull, after which he never gained consciousness and died in a few hours.

He was signalman when working at the mill.

He was about 25 years of age and leaves a father, mother, sister and brother and was quite well known in Cottage Grove. On Wednesday his remains were taken to Roseburg, his former home, for burial.

GET THE HABIT RIGHT AWAY.

An exchange gives the people the following bit of advice which is good solid wisdom for citizens of every town:

"If you are not standing up for your home town form the habit. Look around at the home industries and home dealers before going away from home for a single article. By this practice your town will be made to prosper and you will make a better citizen for the town. We must have home pride to cope with your neighbors, and without a local pride which encourages and supports home enterprise they must of necessity fail. Show an interest in your home town to the greatest extent possible and the result will be a continued growth and prosperity."—Roseburg Review.

VISITED ST. LOUIS EXPOSITION.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Brand arrived in Cottage Grove from an extended trip throughout the East of some two months. Their visit included Chicago and other large cities; also three weeks spent in St. Louis, where the most of the time was spent in viewing the many wonderful things of the exposition. They say that three weeks is too short a time to see and study the exhibits presented by the various states and nations.

Mr. Brand also says: That the Oregon building and exhibits attracts considerable attention and will be of advantage to the state. He predicts a large attendance at the Lewis and Clark Exposition next year.

Mr. Brand is the president of the Bohemia Mine Owners Association and will assist in procuring an exhibit of ores from Bohemia to be sent to Portland at the meeting of the American Mining Congress to be held this month. They left this city Monday for camp, where they will remain some time.

ARE ALL RIGHT.

Mr. I. B. Hammond, president of the Hammond Manufacturing Company of Portland, last week went to Blue River in the interests of his company, returning to Eugene. He went to Bohemia and spent several days at the Vesuvius where he was putting up a mill for that property; also went to the Champion Basin to look over the situation at that point. He returned to Cottage Grove Monday and says Blue River and Bohemia will prove to be great mining camps when ample arrangements have been made for the handling of the ores. Mr. Hammond has had a long and varied experience on the plains, in the mountains and in Alaska and has written a book entitled Reminiscences of Frontier Life, a copy of which he presented to the Nugget office.

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