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STEPS TO GET GOLD

CLAIM HOLDERS ON CLINE BUTTES ORGANIZE FOR WORK.

Amount Fee Paid and Committee appointed to Prepare a Plan for developing the Ledge--Report to be made next Monday Night--Twenty-eight Claims are in the Deal.

More than 50 mining claims were staked on Cline butte last week after the gold discovery there had become known. Most of the available ground has been staked off, though there is said to be a very promising ridge extending over to the westward. There was a distinct stampede for claims the latter part of last week. Now steps are being taken to organize for development.

A score of claimholders met at the office of J. M. Lawrence Monday evening and appointed the following committee to prepare a plan of organization for development of the Cline buttes property: Joseph Taggart, J. N. Hunter, J. M. Lawrence, George E. Robbins and L. Brock. It is expected to form a corporation that will take over the claims and prosecute systematic work to prove their value. The committee is instructed to report at another meeting to be held at the same place next Monday night. J. M. Lawrence is chairman and Nick Weider secretary. It was agreed at the claimholders should put \$5 each as a location fee and that of it was paid on the spot.

So far as the record is available the following have located claims:

Allen	Oliver Johnson
Ag Assen	J. G. Kelley
Anderson	Richard King
Barker	J. M. Lawrence
Becker	Maxim LePage
Bundy	Edmund Luck
Brock	K. B. Moring
Caldwell	F. A. McCann
Cook	Mrs. L. H. McCann
Cook	Wm. McCarty
C. Dudley	J. W. Overton
Est Debing	Otto Retzlaff
Edwards	G. H. Robbins
Jackson	E. W. Roberts
Fickel	M. J. Roberts
Fryrear	F. C. Rowlee
George	Mrs. F. C. Rowlee
Griffin	T. H. Michel
Griffin	J. W. Shaw
Hunter	W. H. Stearns
Hunter	D. Smith
J. Hunter	J. F. Taggart
Hunter	N. P. Weider
Johnson	L. D. West

For a number of years the impression has been strong that there was gold in Cline buttes. Fifteen years ago a little prospecting was done there but the results were not enough to satisfy the miners of that day. About six years ago prospectors made a brief examination and sent specimens to assayers at Portland and San Francisco, but the assay reports varied so greatly that no development was undertaken. Two or three times since attention has been drawn to the locality as promising gold, but there was no move to organize for systematic work. M. C. Awbrey and the Edwardses were among the people who thought well of the old prospects there. Mr. Awbrey says the rock is exactly like the gold quartz on the California side of the Siskiyou and he was convinced there was gold in it.

Since the gold was discovered it has been ascertained that there is a quantity of limestone in the buttes and it is probable that steps will be taken to demonstrate its commercial value. The building needs of Bend and the heavy cost of lime

here will warrant efforts to get a supply near home. It would not take a great capital to put lime kilns in operation if the rock is found to be suitable.

The Cline falls power is only about a mile and a half from the buttes where the mineral has been found and that power could be utilized to advantage in developing and working the mines or quarries.

The lode that outcrops in Cline buttes is supposed to be the same as that at Ashwood on which the rich Oregon King mine is located. The rock is of the same character and appearance. It is said that lode strikes southwestward across the country, outcropping at Smith rock and also at Cline buttes. If so it gives great promise to the Cline buttes discovery.

M. C. Awbrey regrets that the locality of the new gold discovery is given the name of Cline buttes. He says the land mark is properly Carmichael buttes, named after the pioneer settler, Robert Carmichael. Cline came into the country comparatively recently and Mr. Awbrey thinks preference should be given to the pioneer when it comes to naming geographical features of the country.

A meeting of the miners committee was held Wednesday evening and inquires were set on foot as to the best method of ascertaining the worth of the newly found ledge. A definite plan of operations will be outlined for the general meeting next Monday evening. It is probable this will include a temporary organization for prospect work with a permanent organization later.

ALL LIKE "DITCH" LAND.

Applicants Take Columbia Southern Tracts and Will Improve Them.

Last Saturday was Land Agent Cook's busy day down on the Columbia Southern segregation. He disposed of 1200 acres of land to seven men from Portland, Kalama and Kelso, all of whom will start improvements immediately.

The party was composed of J. W. Wharton, treasurer of the Kellogg Transportation Company, Portland; R. H. Bayley and S. S. Strain, of Kelso, Wash., and C. Peterson, John White, Jens Hassalberg and Peter McKinnon, of Kalama, Wash. They drove in from Shaniko by way of Heisler's, Trail crossing and Tetherow's bridge. When they left Webfoot it was wet, very wet, but when they reached the Columbia Southern camp they piled umbrellas, gum coats and goloshes in a heap and went forth to enjoy the clear, warm weather and examine the country. It did not take them long to make selections.

All these investors will clear and improve their holdings this season and Messrs Peterson, White and Hassalberg will settle upon their land. The others will not occupy their lands until a little later. All were greatly pleased with the outlook here and their representations are likely to bring other land seekers this way.

F. E. Dayton, J. C. Hurstpool and Earl Eastman have taken 240 acres of the Columbia Southern lands and G. W. Fickel has the contract for grubbing and clearing them of sagebrush.

George Brosterhous has just got three acres cleared on his homestead on the west side of the river and is preparing it for crop.

WORK ON THE CANAL

TELEPHONE LINE AND ROAD ON THE BANK.

Four Bridges Have Been Completed --New Engineer Crew Going to the Front--Thirty Men Added to Construction Force--Break in the Bottom of the Ditch.

Telephone poles have been set along about two and a half miles of the Pilot Butte canal, and the wagon road on the canal right of way has been completed for the same distance. A good wagon road and telephone line will accompany the canal its entire length.

Four bridges where the county road crosses the canal have been completed and timbers are on the ground for others.

About thirty men have been added to the construction force in the past week. The ditch excavation from the flume down to Wiest's homestead is nearly completed, with the exception of the work to be done by the road machine. This leaves but a small gap between the two sections of completed work.

Purchasing Agent Lovell is out at Prineville with instructions to buy several more teams and outfits for the company.

Another survey crew of 14 men will be put in the field in a few days, away in advance of the canal construction. Its work will be to contour the country so as to know where to locate laterals and service ditches.

The company's stable has been completed and a lane fenced off in which the horses can exercise and reach the river. The blacksmith shop has also been finished and fitted out for work and Mr. Circle is as much at home as if he had been there always. The company's stone vault is about half done and work is progressing on the adjoining office building.

Yesterday noon a peculiar break occurred near the foot of the flume, where the canal descends over a rim of lava just above the wasteway. A little water had been running through the flume to test the ditch. At noon everything was safe but at 1 o'clock the bottom had dropped out of the ditch just below the lava and there was no telling how far down it had gone, probably many feet. Of course when the bottom dropped the banks caved in, leaving a large and ugly chasm which may require a short section of flume to repair. The damage is not great.

PROGRESS OF IMPROVEMENTS

Making a Model Lawn - Building Lots Taken - New Structures.

A. M. Drake is devoting a good deal of attention to the improvement of the 3 1/2-acre lot in which his residence is situated. It has been plowed and harrowed and rolled and planked and scraped to perfect smoothness and given a sufficient slope for convenient irrigation. It will be converted into a model lawn.

Foundations for the additions to the Drake residence are under way.

Work on the cottage of Hugh O'Kane, about two blocks southeasterly from the B. M. Co's store, was begun Wednesday. The house is to be 30x32 feet and will contain six rooms. All the lumber is on

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the ground but more carpenters could be used. Mr. O'Kane has 8000 pounds of household effects at Shaniko, which will be brought in as soon as there is a place for them. Mrs. O'Kane will also arrive soon.

Milson J. and Elwood W. Roberts have taken a lot in Bend and will build a substantial dwelling when lumber can be had. For the present a small cottage for their own accommodation will be put up.

Creed and Carlyle Triplett are to go partnership in a building to be erected on the west side of Wall street, which will be occupied partly as a barber shop and bath house.

The appearance of Wall street is greatly changed by taking out the umbrageous pines and junipers that formerly flourished therein.

The new Pilot Butte Inn has received its first coat of white paint and stands forth quite proud of its new garb. The interior work is going forward as fast as materials come to hand.

Change in City Market.

A change in the City Market of Bend will go into effect May 1. Ralph H. Caldwell takes in three partners--his brother Hubert G. and the Mayfield brothers, Michael and William, of Rosland. This will be a co-partnership for the conduct of a butchering and general market business. The new arrangement brings an abundance of

ready capital for the rapidly expanding trade and it also brings in men who have a thorough knowledge of every branch of the business and who are acquainted with the country and know all the sources of supply. They are also men of good business standing, are hustlers and are square. The Caldwell ranches on Paulina prairie and the Mayfield cattle will be utilized in the new arrangement. A lease of the Drake garden on the river front has also been taken and that will be run in connection with the market. There will be a delivery rig and everything for the convenience of the trade.

After Bend Trade.

Commercial travelers have come to the conclusion that Bend is a field not to be neglected. Half a dozen of them have been here in the past week. First came A. C. Stubling, the wholesale liquor man of The Dalles and chief of good fellows, with E. Jacobson, representing the J. K. Gill Company, of Portland. They came in Friday and got away Saturday. Tuesday came four more of the drummers--C. R. Dawson, representing Lang & Co., W. F. Marshall, of Zan Bros. & Co., and W. P. Fuller & Co., Fred Closset, of Closset & Devers, W. A. Johnson, of the Pacific Coast Vinegar & Pickle Works, all of Portland. They did a good business for a first visit and left out Wednesday.