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MINING NOTES OF MULE CREEK DISTRICT

Three Big Placer Mines in That District and a Quartz Mill—Is a Rich District.

A. E. Frye came up from Mule creek district last week where he has been for several weeks working on a mine that he and Jacob Frye and E. A. Ruth are opening up on Rogue river three miles below the mouth of Mule creek. They have their property sold to Philadelphia parties and Mr. Frye is spending the time here with his family until their return from the East, which will be next week, when he will accompany them to the mine and assist in installing the hydraulic plant that will be put in.

This property consists of 230 acres of gravel land through which runs three old channels of Rogue river. The gravel deposit is from 20 to 40 feet deep and the thorough prospecting that has been done has proven it all to be quite rich. The conditions are perfect for disposing of the tailings for there is a dump of 40 feet to Rogue river, which at this point is narrow and has a current swift enough to keep the dump clear.

The equipment is to be two No. 4 giants, and each will have a head of 310 feet to the pipe, which will give a terrific pressure and be heavy enough to make the gravel fly like chaff in a Kansas tornado. The water for the giants will be brought in a 26-inch steel pipe from Tom East creek, where an ample supply, by the aid of a large reservoir which will be put in, can be had for the full 12 months of the year. This pipe will be 1 1/2 miles long. No flume or ditch could be used as the country is so rough as to be too expensive to put in a flume and too rocky for a ditch. The pipe line will be carried around a mountain side and over spurs. Water for bywash can be had from nearby streams at small expense.

Messrs. Frye & Ruth closed their work at the mine the first of July. Jacob Frye returned to his home at Big Bend, eight miles below, while Mr. Ruth and his wife remain at the mine and Mr. Ruth will work for the new company. They erected a dwelling house this spring 22x35 feet, splitting the lumber out of logs.

So soon as the new owners arrive they will put a force of men at work to install the pipe line and get the mine ready for panning this winter.

The Mule creek district is connected with the outside world by a trail to West Fork on the Southern Pacific, a distance of 32 miles and to Gold Beach, on the coast, 48 miles distant. A tri-weekly mail, by horseback, passes over this route, the postoffice for this district being Marial located at the mouth of Mule creek. All light freight is packed in from West Fork, but heavy freight is brought from Wedderburn at the mouth of Rogue river, up that stream by gasoline launches to the mouth of the Illinois river. From there to Mule creek the river is too swift and shoal in places for launches and the freight is brought up that 16 mile section on small boats that are towed over the rapids by men on the bank and by others in the boat pushing with poles. The trade of this district is becoming quite large and to secure it the business men of Glendale have joined with the miners to build a wagon road from Glendale to Mule creek. The road is now opened to a point beyond Mt. Reuben and Glendale has a force of men at work on it and will complete the road to Dutch Henry's corral, on Little Meadows. From that point the miners will extend it to Mule creek, a distance of 34 miles, while it is 14 miles from Little Meadows to Glendale. The route from Little Meadows to Mule creek will be on the divide between Rogue river and west fork of Cow creek, and being through the open woods and no canyons or streams to cross will be easily opened and at small expense, as compared with other Southern Oregon roads. The larger part of the expense for opening this road will be borne by Mendenhall & Company, of Gold Hill, who are developing a quartz mine on Mule creek.

The Mendenhall mine is located on the west fork of Mule creek 2 1/2 miles from Rogue river. The Company has a force of men at work and have 300 feet of tunneling that has opened up a four foot vein of rich rock. The machinery for a sawmill is now being taken by pack train from West Fork and will be put at the mine and operated by a turbine wheel with water from Mule creek. As soon as lumber can be cut the building for a stamp mill will be erected. Owing to the difficulty of transportation it is probable that only a three stamp mill will be put in now. The work is in charge of Thomas Billings and he expects to have the mill in operation within the next three months.

At Big Bend a company of Minneapolis and St. Paul capitalists have bought 230 acres of rich placer ground and for some time past have had from 10 to 15 men at work preparing for the installation of a big hydraulic plant. The water will be brought a distance of four miles from Foster creek, two of which will be by flume and two by ditch. The stream will be 18 inches deep and four feet wide and the water will go to two No. 4 giants under a head of 300 feet. The giants and

pipings will be brought up the river in launches and row boats, but the supplies and light freight will be packed in from West Fork and Glendale. A small sawmill is being erected to cut the lumber for the flume and for buildings.

The old Mark placer, located at the mouth of Mule creek, and which has been one of the big gold producers of Lower Rogue river, is now the property of H. J. Mattoon, a former merchant of Riddle. This mine is equipped with two giants and gets water from Mule creek by a ditch 2 1/2 miles long. Mr. Mattoon since he made his clean-up this spring has been at work blasting a race through the flumrock to give a dump in Rogue river from the old back channel that he will work this next season.

Mr. Fry stated that there were many prospectors in the Mule creek district and some promising claims are being developed. He thinks it will become one of the biggest mining districts of Southern Oregon. This district will eventually become tributary to Grants Pass by the electric railroad that is certain to be built down Rogue river from this city. With this railroad in operation a large trade will come to Grants Pass from Mule creek, as well as from Galice and Pickett creek districts, through which the road would pass.

FRUIT AND NUT TREES PROFITABLE INVESTMENT

Henry Booth Makes Money From His Orchard—Thinks Walnuts Good Fruit Plant.

Henry E. Booth, the owner of a large tract of land on Rogue river 12 miles below this city on which he is both fruit raising and mining successfully, was in Grants Pass Monday. Mr. Booth has 36 acres to fruit trees, 17 acres of which are to apples and the remainder is to peaches, prunes, cherries, pears, almonds and walnuts. Most of his apple trees are too young to bear but such as are old enough have a good crop. He has a fine yield of peaches and will begin next week to pick his Early Crawford, of which he will have 1500 boxes. His late peaches are all Salways and of them he will have fully 1800 boxes. Mr. Booth has a few almond and fig trees that are loaded, but he has only a few trees of each for home use. He has some 20 English walnuts. The trees are not eight years old yet each is bearing a number of nuts and in a couple of years more he expects that they will yield a good supply of nuts.

Mr. Booth thinks that walnuts are more profitable than fruit trees for they are the most hardy, they require less pruning or thinning of nuts as fruit has to be thinned, and there is no pest that bothers them so there is no big expense of spraying, and they will grow on land that is not good fruit land. The picking of the nuts is a simple matter as compared to picking fruit of there is no liability to bruising and there is no scientific packing to be done, to pick the nuts after they have been shaken to the ground and sacking them is the extent of the work and of harvesting the crop.

Mr. Booth is a strong advocate of the formation for the proposed Josephine County Fruitgrowers Union, and will join it and will induce his neighbors to join at the meeting that is to be held in Grants Pass on Saturday, August 5. He is of the opinion that the Union will be the means of making fruit growing one of the big industries of Josephine county, for it will force the growers to grow and pack their fruit in first-class shape and will enable them to get a better price than they now receive through having a better quality of fruit and of being able to market their fruit in car load lots in the big Eastern markets.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting it in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by all Druggists, 75c. Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Lewis and Clark Exposition.

During the Lewis and Clark Exposition the Southern Pacific Company will sell round trip tickets to Portland, limit 30 days, at one and one-third fare for the round trip. For parties of ten or more traveling one ticket, one fare for the round trip. For organized parties of 100 or more, individual tickets, at one fare for the round trip.

Stop-over of 10 days will be given at Portland on all one way tickets reading through that point during the exposition. Tickets must be deposited with Joint Agent at Portland and charge of 50 cents will be made for extension of time.

For Sale at a Bargain.

Owing to moving to the mine in the near future, will sell at a bargain some first-class furniture, also one two seat surrey and light team harness. R. L. Sowers, 409 Seventh Street, Grant Pass.

PHILADELPHIANS VISIT GALICE

Mining Interests Them—Enjoyed Ride Through Hell Gate Gorge on Rogue River.

Manager A. B. Cousin has been entertaining a party of Philadelphia and Trouton, N. J., people at the Galice Consolidated mines. At this season of the year and a dry one at that, placer mines as a rule are not very interesting and it is only those most favorably situated that are doing any work at all.

The party, composed of O. Woodworth, W. T. Wyckoff, Mrs. Wyckoff and three sons, certainly had a good time, saw some mining going on and participated in mining themselves with good results as each had some gold to show that their initial experience in placer mining was profitable.

Dr. Wyckoff is vice-president of the Galice Consolidated Mines Company and a large stock holder. He is well pleased with the advancement made in facilities for operating the property at Galice, and both he and Mr. Woodworth were enthusiastic over the prospects for the future.

After spending a few days at the mine the return trip was one of exceeding interest to them. Mr. Cousin brought them up as far as Taylor creek in the Company's hack and then by boat through Taylor gorge which is a trip unequalled in grandeur in Southern Oregon. The hack was sent over the hill and picked up the party at the upper end of the gorge. Crossing Rogue river at the ferry, the next point of interest visited was Hell Gate, where every one of the party took a trip in a basket suspended from a cable 150 feet above the water, crossing by means of a hand windlass attached to the boat.

Hell Gate is a narrow gorge about six miles below Merlin and is three quarters of a mile long, the bluffs rising almost perpendicular to a height of six or seven hundred feet. After a good rest at Mr. Cousin's house in Merlin the party left for Portland and they were loud in their praises of Southern Oregon mines, scenery and hospitality.

The Galice Consolidated is pushing work on the big bedrock flume which will be completed and ready to operate by the time the fall rains set in. It is the largest placer improvement in Southern Oregon built this summer and will be of great benefit to the property providing as it does a grand sluice way solidly anchored to bed rock in the very bottom of Galice Creek, and into which can be dumped acres of rich ground with no fear of the dump being filled up.

JACKSON COUNTY HAS HIGH ASSESSMENT

Assessor Applegate More Than Doubles Valuations—Court to Lower Tax Levy.

The assessed valuation of property in Jackson county this year will reach a point far beyond the expectations of the people. Assessor Applegate and the court first announced that the valuations would be about doubled, but it seems that a large amount of new property has been discovered and in place of doubling many heavy property owners they have in several instances more than tripled them and in other cases the changes in the valuation of heavy taxpayers have simply been revolutionary.

The railroad will come in for a heavy assessment, and it will be something like \$20,000 or more per mile on their road bed. The timber land holdings, much of which are held by absentee landlords, and very

ANY FOOL

Knows enough to carry an umbrella when it rains, but the wise one is he who carries one when it is only drizzling. Buy more and send for a doctor when he gets bed fast, but the wise one is he who adapts proper precautionary, preventive and curative measures when he first appears the ill which, if neglected and uncured, grow into serious illness.



of a nervous or functional breakdown. **Notice has provided remedies most abundantly for all such conditions in our native medicinal plants.** With the use of chemically pure glycerine, of proper strength and at a proper sustained temperature, Dr. Pierce's extracts from Golden Seal root, Queen's root, Stone root, Black Cherry bark, Bloodroot, and Mandrake root, medicinal principles which, when combined in just the right proportions constitute his widely famed "Golden Medical Discovery." It restores the tone of the stomach, the activity of the liver and the steadiness of the nerves, pouring vitality into the blood till the once sick and debilitated one is so renewed in health, strength and power that he can resume his work, whatever it is, with vigor and elasticity.

All medical authorities, of whatever school, agree that Hydrate, or Golden Seal, is one of the essential roots in the make-up of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery—is of very great value as a pure tonic, and as an alterative—valuable in chronic affections of the stomach, intestines and bladder.

valuable, are being carefully cruised and will add to the roll a handsome amount at a valuation that will surprise the natives.

It is in evidence already that in place of a doubling of the total assessed valuation the valuation will be two and a half times greater than that of the last few years and that it will be a record breaker. The county court has promised that the tax levy will be reduced and that the taxpayer will not be touched to the extent which he feared at the beginning and that the assessment will prove satisfactory in the end. The best results are not to be expected from the first year's assessment. The next meeting of the county equalization board will be an interesting session.—Ashland Record.

BIG COPPER MINE AWAITING CAPITAL

Bolen Creek Property Being Developed—Has Fine Showing for Big Dividends

W. E. Smith was in Grants Pass Tuesday and Wednesday form Bolen creek, and Wednesday evening he left for his home in Eugene, where he will spend a month with his family.

Mr. Smith is a member of the Bolen Junction Mining Company, the other members being A. W. Gilbert, C. E. Platts, and the latter's sons, Edward and William Platts. They are all Eugene men and are developing five claims located on Bolen creek at its junction with Sucker creek. The vein they are working on is one of the largest in Southern Oregon, as well as one of the most promising in that district. It has been traced for a distance of more than six miles across the country, and shows a width of from 300 to 600 feet. It is a gold and copper proposition and assays made from samples taken from different places on the Bolen Junction claims give an average assay of \$21 in gold and 12 per cent in copper.

Mr. Smith and his partners have done considerable development work on their claims and have put in a sawmill and an arrastre. Their sawmill is driven by a Pelton wheel developing 36 H. P. and has one main saw of 48 inches diameter. The mill was completed in May and lumber for their buildings was cut. The arrastre is operated by the same power. While their ore contains considerable free gold, yet it contains so much concentrate that it is not profitable to handle it in an arrastre and they will no longer use that process. Development work will be continued. A crosscut is now being driven that will strike the vein at the 150 foot level and open up a vast amount of ore. The Platts, father and sons, and Mr. Gilbert are at the mine and working on the new crosscut and expect to have it completed within the next two months.

As to their future plans nothing has been decided, but if they do not sell the property they will arrange to have a company take it and put on a smelter. A smelter so located that it would handle ore from a number of mines in that vicinity.

Mr. Smith stated that Harkers & Cobb, who have a placer claim on upper Bolen creek, are putting in the summer drilling on their claim and are looking out considerable coarse gold. So rich is the gravel that they are making good wages, even by the slow process of drift mining.

Teachers Examination.

Notice is hereby given that the county superintendent of Josephine County will hold the regular examination of applicants for state and county papers at Grants Pass as follows:

- For State Papers: Commencing Wednesday, August 3, at 9 o'clock A. M., and continuing until Saturday, August 12, at 4 o'clock, P. M.
- Wednesday—Penmanship, history, spelling, algebra, reading, school law.
- Thursday—Written arithmetic, theory of teaching, grammar, book-keeping, physics, civil government.
- Friday—Physiology, geography, mental arithmetic, composition, physical geography.
- Saturday—Botany, plane geometry, general history, English literature, psychology.

New Hope Items.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Gibson left Thursday for California to visit relatives.

John McCallister and family will leave Tuesday for a two weeks outing at the Soda Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Mensch were visiting Mrs. Mensch's sister, Mrs. Will Messenger, last Sunday.

C. C. Wynnau who went over in Klamath county to work a month ago will be home on or about September first.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Wimer of Selma, were at New Hope Tuesday. We are sorry to hear of the death of their son, Aaron.

We are having some very warm weather in this vicinity and crops are growing rapidly where there is water to irrigate with.

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SEWER BONDS ARE VOTED BY BIG MAJORITY

Grants Pass to Add Two Miles of Sewers to Its Sewer System.

The special election held Monday to vote on the proposition for the city of Grants Pass to issue \$19,000 in bonds with which to raise funds to put in sewers on Second street and on Seventh street, resulted in a victory for the sewer supporters, the vote standing 71 for and 29 against the bonds. The light vote was occasioned largely by the little opposition there was to the sewers being built, and the fact that the property qualification restricted the vote and then so many business men who are voters were out of the city on their summer vacation.

Each sewer will be about a mile in length and will empty direct into Rogue river. As the pumping plant of the Grants Pass New Water, Light & Power Company is located below where will be the outlet to the Seventh street sewer that Company will extend the intake pipe to the pumps up Rogue river to a point above Seventh street.

The ordinance authorizing the issuance of the bonds will doubtless be passed at the next meeting of the council, which will be on August 5. Grants Pass not being heavily in debt and the bonds drawing 5 per cent interest and to run for 20 years, with the option of payment after 10 years, will cause them to sell well, and it is likely that a good price can be had for them.

Eureka Cadets Reach Portland.

The Eureka Cadets after their 510 mile march have arrived at the Portland Exposition and on Tuesday they were presented with a beautiful silk banner by President W. H. Goode of the Exposition. The emblem was received by Earl Hodson, the smallest of the lads, a 10-year old who "biked every step of the way."

The Cadets left their California home on June 12, and on June 26 and 27 they were in Grants Pass. This has been a long and tedious trip for the boys but a thoroughly enjoyable one from start to finish with not an accident to mar its pleasure. Many of the boys had not been outside their own town and had not seen a locomotive, except those on logging trains, until they reached Grants Pass. The necessary funds for the trip were raised mostly by the boys themselves by giving concerts along the route.

Sleeping Accommodations.

As an accommodation to visitors to the Exposition, and others a 16-section tourist sleeping car will be placed in service between Ashland, and Portland, on trains 15 and 16 commencing May 29th. Sections 9, 10, 11, and 12 are reserved for this station and can be secured at the depot. G. P. Jester, Agt.

GOLD PICK MINE TO HAVE MILL

Has an Immense Body of High Grade Ore—Have a Fine Water Power

Manager Frank Fowler, of the Gold Pick mine, located on Bolen creek, was in Grants Pass Saturday to arrange for the hauling out to his mine of a three-stamp mill and a Pelton wheel, which are to arrive this week from San Francisco. Manager Fowler has had 15 men at work for several months doing development work and in preparing for installing the mill and power. A ditch three-fourths of a mile long has been completed that will bring 250 inches of water from East Bolen creek and deliver it to the wheel under a head of 225 feet. This will furnish ample power for a large mill and Bolen creek being fed from the mountains the water supply will continue during the summer months. Lumber for the mill and for other purposes was hauled from the sawmills near Selma to Sucker creek and then packed in over the trail. A new tunnel is being put in that will strike the vein on a lower level than the previous development work and as there is but 30 feet to complete the ore body will be reached by the time the mill is completed. The mill will be located on the creek at the foot of the hill and ore will be brought from the mine by tram cars. The track will be about 1000 feet long and the cars will be operated by gravity, the loaded cars raising the empty cars.

Dodson Will Not Hang.

Esley Dodson, who was convicted at the June term of circuit court of murder in the first degree in the killing of William Dolan, an aged Louse creek miner, and who was sentenced by Judge H. K. Hanna to be hung has had his sentence commuted by Governor Chamberlain to life imprisonment.

Dodson's commutation was granted upon the recommendation of Trial Judge H. K. Hanna and Prosecuting Attorney A. E. Reames, who told Governor Chamberlain that Andrew Ingram planned the murder and induced Dodson to commit it. Ingram arranged to prove an alibi in order to save himself, but shared in the money stolen from the murdered man. Dodson pleaded guilty and aided in securing the conviction of Ingram, who was found guilty of murder in the second degree and sentenced to life imprisonment.

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