

TALK OF THE TOWN.

H. Finger, went to Baker today on a business trip.

E. P. Mack, assayer at the Columbia, was in Sumpter yesterday.

Many of the placers around the district are closing down for lack of water.

Dr. Greenlee, dentist, is located over the Sumpter Drug company store.

Mrs. S. I. Rodkey has gone to Portland, expecting to be absent a month.

The Hobson Mercantile company will discontinue the branch store at Lawton.

A. W. Ellis left Sunday for Salt Lake on business, to be gone a week or ten days.

Mrs. T. W. Davidson, from the Bald Mountain, has been visiting Mrs. Griffith for several days past.

Mr. and Mrs. John Gagen have gone to Pendleton to witness the ceremony of their daughter taking the veil.

Mrs. C. H. Moore left for Spokane last Thursday to visit her daughter for the remainder of the summer months.

L. C. Fletcher, in charge of the geological survey now being made of the Blue mountains, has moved his headquarters from here to Granite.

Joe McKee and James Rutherford, of Portland, came up yesterday on their way to the Greenhorn district, where the former is interested in mining.

T. T. Danielson, formerly of the Arcadia restaurant, has taken charge of the Golden Eagle hotel and will generally re-furnish and refit it for occupancy.

Dr. Pearce left this afternoon for Susanville in answer to an urgent telephone call from someone requiring medical aid. It was not learned who the sufferer was.

Mr. and Mrs. Harley Wood returned yesterday from a visit with relatives at Burns. They came back by way of Prairie City, with which camp they are much pleased.

Dr. Cleaver came in from Prairie City today, going straight through to Baker. Elmer Cleaver passed through Monday. Both are much elated over the outlook at their townsite.

Miss Josie Danielson has re-opened the dining rooms in connection with the Golden Eagle hotel and will hereafter conduct a first class restaurant, giving to it her personal attention.

R. L. Neill and family leave tomorrow by private conveyance for the Warm Springs, near Prairie City, to be gone several weeks. George Snyder, of Sumpter, will accompany them.

F. E. Bellinger, who came here about two weeks since when his father, T. D. Bellinger, was seriously sick, left Monday for his home in Iowa. T. D. accompanied him to Baker City.

David Wilson is again in town this week. It is reported that he will begin

work on the Townsite company's brick office building soon. Stone for the foundation is already on the ground.

August Lange left here yesterday with the first lot of stock of ladies and mens furnishing goods, shoes, etc., for the Neill Mercantile company's branch store to be established at Prairie City.

W. L. Vinson has been in Sumpter this week. He says that notwithstanding he has met with some reverses here, he knows this to be the best camp in the Northwest today and he is going to stay with it.

Captain C. H. Thompson has been in Sumpter for several days past. He doesn't consult the newspapers or the curb stone brokers when he is about to make a deal, so the specific object of this trip cannot be stated.

Miss Lulu Martin and Mrs. Mary Harris, of Oregon City, are visiting the former's sisters Mrs. Sadie White and Mrs. McDevitt. They will spend a week or so camping near Lawton, with a party which leaves here in a few days.

Thomas Moffet, superintendent of the Bunker Hill, was down from the mine a day or two last week. He expects Manager John J. Penhale to return from eastern Canada in a few days, when busy scenes will be enacted at the mine.

The diamond medals awarded to the winners of the rock drilling contest arrived today, they having been sent back to Chicago to be engraved. This work has been beautifully done. The medals are now at F. C. Brodie's jewelry store.

Again it is rumored here that a deal is pending involving the sale of the Cougar. J. W. Larkin, the managing owner, has recently returned from Spokane, where he has been in consultation with others who hold minority interests in the property.

Mrs. Lawrence, of Prairie City, Mrs. Hess, of Vale, and Mrs. Johnson, of Baker City, sisters whose girlhood was spent at Prairie City, came in on the train this forenoon. Mrs. Lawrence will be met by her husband and leave for home tomorrow.

E. J. Dwyer and H. H. Fritz closed their office here and left several days since for their promising mine in the Quartzburg district. They will know what they have in about thirty days. If it is as good as it looks, both will remain there indefinitely and continue development work.

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