

OPENING UP MINES.

Some Great Work Being Done in This District.

The nearest paying mines to Sumpter are those of the Cracker Creek district. On the North Pole mine, which is at the north end of the principal mineral zone in this vicinity, and about seven miles from here, there has been good progress. The owners of this property are Alexander Baring, of London, England, and his cousin, Mr. Baring-Gould. They have held the property for the past three and a half years and some important developments have been done. There are three tunnels from 400 to 1800 feet in length. It is on the North Pole that the greatest depth in the district has been attained—1020 feet. At one point in this shaft seven feet of ore assayed \$42 per ton. The ore in the face of the principal tunnel runs \$16 per ton. Fifty men are employed on the property and the ore is reduced by a 10 stamp mill and 20 ton cyanide plant.

Adjoining the North Pole on the south is the Excelsior and Eureka, commonly known as the E. & E. which was worked for several years and which has produced \$1,600,000. Its deepest workings are 200 feet. It has been leased at different times and was closed down about a year ago. It is stated on good authority that a deal for it is pending, which, if it goes through, will soon put it in the ranks of the payers again. It has a 20-stamp mill of 70 tons capacity.

Adjoining the E. & E. on the south is the Columbia, one of the best mines in the district. Its greatest depth by shaft is 500 feet, at which point a station is being cut. There is also a tunnel, the face of which is 600 feet below the surface. It has been worked by its present owners for the past three years, who employ at present 70 men and reduce 50 tons of \$16 ore per day. It has 20 stamps and a cyanide plant.

Adjoining the Columbia is the Golconda, which has been held by its present owners for a little more than two years. It is in first-class shape and has a 20-stamp and Bryan mill with a daily capacity of 65 tons. The ore averages \$12 per ton. Its deepest shaft is not yet down 400 feet. From 70 to 80 men are employed.

West of the Golconda and within three miles of Granits is the Cougar, which has attained a depth of 250 feet and whose ores are treated altogether by cyaniding. The cyanide plant has a capacity of 60 tons and the ore averages \$14 per ton. Twenty men are employed.

About four miles southwest of Granits is the Red Boy, which has just got on the ground boilers with a capacity of 500 horse-power and a 300-horse power hoist. A three-compartment shaft has been started, which will be sunk 1000 feet. The greatest depth is 400 feet and about 70 tons of \$10 ore is being extracted and reduced by a 30-stamp mill and six ton cyanide plant. When the new shaft is completed and the proper connections made the mine will have a capacity of 200 tons per day.

Southeast of the Red Boy about six miles is the Bonanza, which has been operated by various parties for nearly 20 years. It has at times been badly managed, but is nevertheless still a good mine. It has a 40-stamp mill with a capacity of 80 to 100 tons. At present it is running at one-half its capacity and reducing about 50 tons of \$12 ore daily.

These are the principal pay mines in the district. In addition to these there are several other smaller properties which send their product either to the Sumpter smelter or to the sampling works in Baker City.

Besides the paying mines there are several others which have pay shoots in

sight and which are about to erect reduction plants. Among these are the Mammoth and Gold Mountain, upon which 20-stamp and 20-stamp mills are to be erected respectively. The Ibez, another, has done over 3300 feet of tunnel work and has 36,000 tons of ore in sight. The Gold Boy, adjoining the Bonanza on the one side and the Richmond on the other, is one of the promising younger mines.

There has been a large amount of development and prospecting work done on other properties and the outlook for the district was never more promising. It is, however, emphatically not a poor man's camp. It takes a good deal of money to make a mine here, but once the ore bodies are reached they improve with depth. The pay mines are held at from one to three million dollars each.

The 40-ton smelter built here by a St. Louis company and managed by Meinhard & Laughlin, has just completed its second successful run on ores from this district. It was a success in every way.—Correspondence from Sumpter to the Spokesman-Review.

ITS FOUNDER AGAIN IN CHARGE.

John Bohrman Is Now Making Beer at the Brewery.

John Bohrman, who established the brewery here and built up an excellent business, selling out last spring, is again with that institution, in the capacity of brewer. He is known to be an expert in his business and never lets a keg of beer leave the establishment that is not just what it ought to be.

A. W. Ellis, president of the reorganized company, will devote his time to its business affairs, supervising the office work, directing the finances and pushing the sale of its products.

There is, therefore, no doubt of the further success of this institution, with two such popular gentlemen in charge of its affairs. This local institution deserves home patronage and the excellent beer turned out places this patronage on a purely business basis.

Stockholders Inspecting the Standard.

Zoeth Houser, of the Standard mine, accompanied by T. J. Kirk, of Athena, J. W. Crow, of Pendleton, J. A. Wilson, of Portland, and a Mr. Riordan, of Butte, Montana, came up Sunday afternoon and left Monday morning by private conveyance for Quartzburg, where the property is located. With the exception of the latter named, these men are all stockholders in the Standard.

Thrown From Buggy and Injured.

One night last week, as Messrs. Geiser and Williams were coming to town from the Bonanza mine, they were thrown from the buggy and the latter was badly cut and bruised about the face and body, though no bones were broken nor other serious injury sustained. Mr. Williams was superintendent of the Bonanza when that property was owned by the Geiser estate.

Water Notice.

The lawn sprinkling hours are from 6 to 9 o'clock p. m. Consumers are restricted to their own grounds, and will not be permitted to sprinkle the public streets. Running water through an open hose at any other hour than those mentioned, cannot be allowed. The water will be "shut off" whenever these rules are violated.
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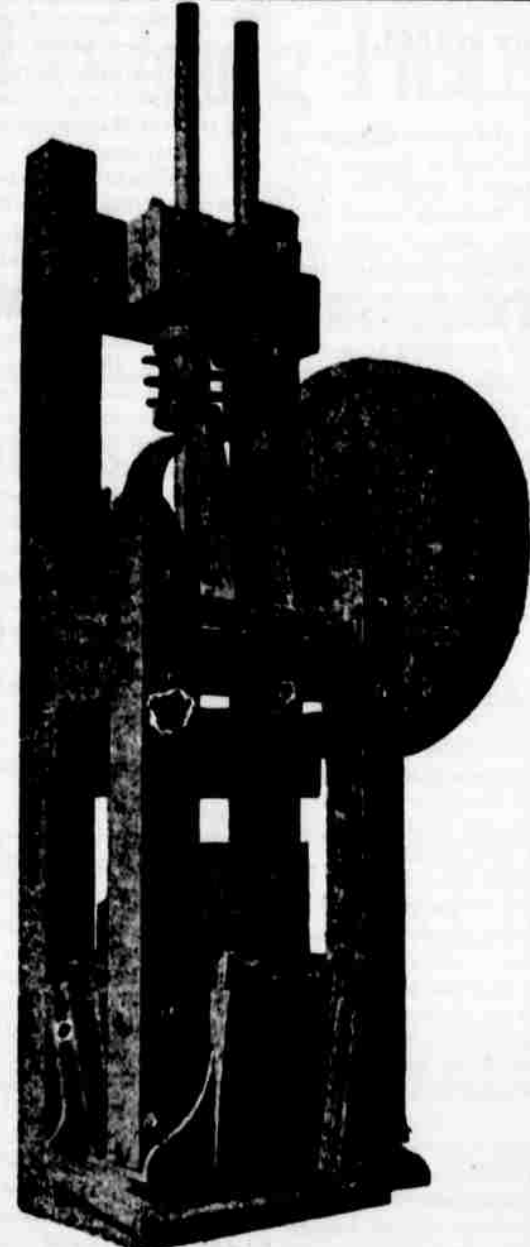
Private Board.

Commencing Thursday, October 4, I will furnish private board to a limited number of parties. Meals will be served on the home plan and strictly home cooking. For terms enquire of Mrs. E. Britten, two doors west of electric light power house.

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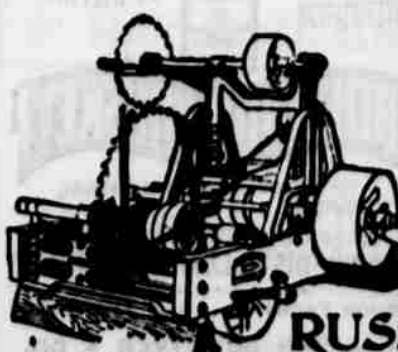
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