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SUMPTER WILL CELEBRATE.

JULY 4 WILL BE A WARM DATE IN THIS CAMP.

Business Men's League Started the Ball Rolling—Mayor Robbins, Chairman of the Meeting, Appointed Good Men on all Committees—At Meeting Last Evening Unanimous and Harmonious Action Taken.

On invitation from the Business Men's league a number of citizens met last evening and decided to have a Fourth of July celebration in Sumpter, on as grand a scale as possible. The decision was unanimous, there being no dissenting voice.

Mayor Robbins was called to the chair and Seymour Bell was elected secretary of the meeting. All being of one mind, little time was wasted in discussion, and the proposition was reduced to business basis by the appointment of committees to attend to the several features of the celebration. The chair appointed these committees:

Executive—W. R. Hawley, A. P. Goss and R. H. Neill.

Invitation—W. C. Calder, Seymour Bell and N. C. Richards.

Finance—Tom C. Gray, E. L. Manning, Frank Muzzy, Harley Wood and Claude Basche.

These gentlemen can be relied upon to push the good thing along from start to finish and pull off a hot event on schedule time. It is too early at this time to speak of the program for the day, or other details.

Memorial Services Tomorrow.

The Red Men and Woodmen have arranged to hold memorial services tomorrow. Of course, all members of the G. A. R. in camp will assist, but they are few in number. The exercises will be held at the cemetery and will be simple in character. The two orders named, the old soldiers, the band, a firing squad from Troop B, and it is wished many citizens will march to the burying ground, the graves decorated, a prayer offered and three volleys fired. At this time no provision has been made for an oration. The business houses are requested to close from one to four o'clock. Sunday evening, by request, Rev. James Byers preached a memorial sermon at the Presbyterian church, to a large congregation. Members of the G. A. R. the band and Troop B marched to the church in a body.

Nuggets From Stices Gulch Placers.

Harvey K. Brown, of the Eureka stables, is displaying some beautiful gold nuggets from his Stices gulch placers, twenty miles southeast of Sumpter, in which J. S. Kenyon is interested with him. One of the yellow pieces weighs nearly two ounces. Mr. Brown says they are opening new ground this season with a giant and several men and will make a fine cleanup. Work will continue until July 1, or longer.

Farewell to Dr. and Mrs. Tape.

Dr. and Mrs. Tape expect to leave this afternoon for Hot Lake, to take charge of that sanitarium June 1. The Doctor has made no definite arrangement regarding the disposition of his hospital here. Several physicians are negotiating for the

purchase of an interest in the institution and the sisters of charity at Baker City, have also been here with a view to buying it. Until some deal is closed Dr. Anderson will be in charge. Friends of Dr. and Mrs. Tape last evening tendered them a farewell reception and ball in Ellis' opera house, which was attended by nearly everybody in town, showing the high esteem in which they are held in this community.

CITY COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS.

Consideration of Ordinances Principal Business of the Meeting.

At the meeting of the city council Saturday evening a resolution was passed adopting Robert's Rules of Order, as authority on procedure at meetings of that body. This is an effort to curtail discussion, and transact business more expeditiously through the medium of committee reports.

The marshal reported that he had selected a dumping ground on the VanDuyne land, west of the river.

A resolution was adopted providing for the creation of a street fund from poll taxes collected, and restricting expenditures to that limit.

An ordinance providing for the improvement of Mill street was passed.

Ordinance No. 11, regarding nuisances and public health and repealing the old ordinance covering the same ground, was passed.

The revision of ordinance No. 5, regulating the establishment of funds and the purchasing of supplies for the city, was referred to the city attorney and finance committee.

An adjourned meeting will be held this evening, when the subject of revising ordinances to conform to the new charter will be the paramount issue.

Ore Car and Trackage for the Gipsy King.

The directors of the Gipsy King Gold Mines company held a meeting last evening and went over the general affairs of the company, which are reported to be in good condition. Superintendent Bartholf went out today with powder, which was short, and other necessities to continue the work of driving the cross cut for the ledge, which is expected to be cut every time a blast is fired. An ore car and track was ordered to better facilitate work at the property. As great confidence as ever is shown by all who are interested in the Gipsy King and the first block of treasury stock has been nearly all disposed of. There will be a scramble for the remaining few thousand shares of this first issue and it will be served out as the orders come in.

Will Develop the Silver Dick.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Swigget returned last week from Boston, where they spent the winter. Mr. Swigget has interested Boston capital in the Silver Dick mine, Cracker Creek district, and that property will be developed this season under his direction, work beginning at an early day. He says that there is a good demand for mining properties in Boston, but that copper propositions are prime favorites at this time. He also noticed that it is easier to swing a million dollar deal than one in which a few thousand dollars are involved. The reason for this is apparent to the philosopher who has studied human nature and the prevailing financial conditions.

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Always reliable—Giant powder.

ANOTHER "LOST CABIN MINE"

General Warren Has Found One in California.

General Charles S. Warren arrived in Sumpter yesterday afternoon. He has just returned from California, where he went on a mission, the object of which he would never have revealed had he not been successful in accomplishing his purpose.

It was nothing more nor less than the rediscovery of a rich gold ledge in the Sierras. The story has all the earmarks of the "Lost Cabin Mine" fairy tale, differing from the usual run of these hot air narratives only in the important detail that this is a true story. Last winter the General met one of his old time miner friends in Montana who knew, through a former partner, of the existence of this rich ledge. He had seen the gold-studded rock which he carried with him, had the utmost faith in his statements regarding the property, and would let the general in on the deal for the price of car fare to California and a little eating money on the side. Of course, circumstances over which he had no control, prevented the discoverer from returning to the mine, found fifteen years ago.

As every one acquainted with General Warren knows, he is a dead game sport, so he went against this old game and thinks he has won out. He accompanied the miner friend to California; they found the latter's old partner and from him received directions to the minutest detail as to how to find the mine. Owing to high water the General could not make the trip at this time, but his partner has already started in to the mountains and he will return to California at an early day to further investigate the proposition.

Wesley Warren has entirely recovered from his recent sickness, is devoting himself assiduously to business and is attaining gratifying success.

The General was met here by Superintendent O'Neil, of the Diadem, who made an encouraging report as to the progress and prospects at the mine. He will leave this afternoon or tomorrow for Butte, going by way of Spokane and Rossland.

Death of A. H. Gilson, a Pioneer.

Albert H. Gilson, a resident of the town of Hanover, near Sumpter, died last Thursday morning, May 23, of a complication of diseases and was buried here in the Blue Mountain cemetery the following day. The funeral was largely attended, the deceased being well known and a brother of Major F. T. Gilson, of Hanover, both of whom have been engaged in mining here for many years. The former was born at Angola, Erie county, New York, in 1840. He came across the plains in 1854 with his brother, to Salem, Oregon, where they were engaged in packing merchandise to southern Oregon and northern California towns. Later he engaged in the same business to northern Idaho points and afterwards in the stock business in eastern Oregon, with George Swigget, of Morrow county, until 1894, when he again joined his brother at Hanover, and has since been mining. The deceased was in the Indian war near The Dalles in 1845, assisting to repulse the Yakima Indians.

Sumpter Schools First Commencement

The pupils of the graduating class of the Sumpter public schools will hold their

first annual commencement exercises at the Opera house on Friday evening, May 31. These young people have toiled earnestly and faithfully through the school year and are justly entitled to their honors. Having completed their class work and successfully passed the state examination, they will receive their diplomas, which will admit them into any high school in Oregon. Their program promises to be of a high character and will doubtless be received by a large and enthusiastic audience. The best musical talent of the city will be present and assist in the rendition of the program. Dr. J. R. N. Bell, of Baker City, who is one of Oregon's greatest and most popular speakers, will deliver an address to the class and to the people. The room will be appropriately decorated for the occasion and everything done to make it a pleasant entertainment. To defray the expense of hall rent, a small admission will be charged; school children ten cents, general admission twenty-five cents. Reserved seats at the Edwards drug store at thirty-five cents.

More Stamps for the Golden Eagle.

J. H. Radabaugh came in from the Golden Eagle mine, beyond the Bonanza, yesterday and left for The Dalles, to consult with other owners regarding the property. Mr. Radabaugh says that the mine shows up well under extensive development; there are now large bodies of ore blocked out and an increase of mill capacity is needed. This is the purpose of his trip out at this time, to arrange for adding at least ten stamps. At present there are only three stamps dropping, put in merely to test the ore; but now the Golden Eagle is a mine and must have a mill. Some of the richest rock found in eastern Oregon has been uncovered in this property. Mr. Radabaugh says he has been working sixteen hours a day—without winking an eye.

Copper Fields of Harney County.

T. W. Davidson, of the Bald Mountain mine, and John Cupid, returned Monday from a ten day's trip to Harney county, where they, with other Sumpterites, have a lot of copper prospects which are said to be exceedingly good. Like many other sections in eastern Oregon known to contain mineral deposits, this is so remote from transportation at present as to preclude any likelihood of practical development for some time to come. However, it is likely that a railroad will open up the country to the south of Sumpter soon, when there will be new and rich districts to add to the already large area. Messrs. Davidson and Cupid are said to have enjoyed some excellent trout fishing on their trip.

They "Talked Over War Times."

A. M. F. Kirchheimer, editor of the Antelope Republican, who came to Sumpter with the Odd Fellows, remained over to take a look at the surrounding country. He went with the Second Oregon regiment to the Philippines, and was invalided home after being there three months. While in the hospital at Manila, he was under the care of Dr. Anderson, with whom while here he had a pleasant time "talking over war times." Mr. Kirchheimer was so well pleased with this country that he will probably return and locate in one of the neighboring camps.

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