

TALK OF THE TOWN.

E. H. Horner went to Baker City today on a flying trip.

The new postoffice at the California mine will be called Cableville.

Rev. D. M. Shannon is attending the Methodist conference at Boise.

M. E. Baine is in town this week from his mining properties on Granite creek.

Postmaster Jewett came back from Baker City Monday afternoon with a new, novel "dicer."

Miss Ella Carlisle, who has been visiting Mrs. Edwards for several weeks past, left Tuesday for home at Arlington.

Miss Katherine Helfrich, of THE MIXER force, has an illustrated story on Indian basketry in the Oregonian of last Sunday.

Rev. James Byers returned Saturday from a vacation trip to Mandan, North Dakota. He fooled some people here by returning alone.

Mrs. Weigand, of Bourne, has returned from a visit with friends in Baker City. She is the guest today of Mrs. Griffin.

P. D. Healey returned yesterday from the Grant county Hot Springs, where he and his wife have been stopping for several weeks past.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Robbins are visiting their son, Mayor J. H. Robbins for a few days, while on their way home to Spokane from the Concord mine.

E. Sanderson Smith returned yesterday from a trip to several districts in Grant county, where he went to examine some mining properties. He says they are good ones.

The Water company is daily expecting a carload of pipe to arrive from Pittsburg. As soon as it gets here, the Mill street main will be relaid, stopping much waste of much needed water. The company is doing all it can to supply the town, but is up against a dead hard game.

David Wilson was in town Monday and Tuesday. He says the brick hotel will be ready for occupancy by October 15. The plasterers are now at work on the building. Several parties are negotiating to lease the house, but the lucky man has not yet been selected.

A. P. Goss left for Portland Monday afternoon, declining to state the real object of the trip—merely declaring that it was a business proposition. The impression prevails in this camp, however, that he will be measured while away for a trousseau that he will need about the time the first snow flies.

Frank Hobson has resigned his position as head salesman with the Hobson Mercantile company, owing to failing health. Needing outdoor exercise, he has resumed his profession of civil engineer, and already has his hands full of work. Since C. E. Fenner went to

Colorado several months since, on a special mission, there has been no surveyor in Sumpter, and much work of this character has accumulated here.

At the carnival in Baker City next week there will be a "Sumpter day," which has not yet been designated. A large crowd will doubtless go down if satisfactory arrangements can be made with the S. V. Ry, some arrangement whereby the visitor will not have to sit up all night to get home on the early morning train, in order to take advantage of reduced rates. Little or nothing has been done towards having Sumpter represented at the show. Of course, the mineral display will come from this section.

Sumpter a Prosperous Camp.

George B. Small, of the Democrat, who made a business trip to Sumpter Monday, states that he found that city very lively and in better business condition than ever before. The town has settled down to a solid basis, and is steadily progressing in every line of trade. Real estate is firm and rents are fair. Travel to and from Sumpter this season is good, and many investors and prospectors are in that district looking over the country. Active work in all directions is in progress and freight traffic is heavy. The leading business men of Sumpter anticipate nothing but prosperity and a steady increase of the population of the town. This is based upon the rapid increase in the development work on mining properties, the sale of mines to companies which will put them in the producing list, and the enlargement of the production of the mines already shipping and milling ore.—Democrat.

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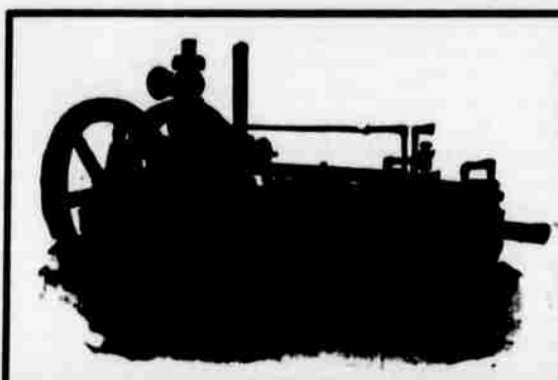
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