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INLAND EMPIRE



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OREGON MINES  
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## TALK OF THE TOWN.

The steam wood saw is working overtime in Sumpter and vicinity.

E. E. and Dr. Lon Cleaver were in town yesterday transacting some mining business.

W. Wade, a prominent mining man of the Granite and Alamo districts, was in town this week.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Tedrowe will leave for Baker City shortly, to make that city their home in future.

P. J. Bannon, the Granite attorney, was a business visitor this week to Sumpter and Baker City.

Mrs. A. J. Stinson returned yesterday from Portland, where she has been visiting friends for several weeks.

Dr. Moulton, treasurer of the Turnagain Arm company, returned yesterday from a quick trip to Minneapolis.

Mr. and Mrs. G. B. Small and W. C. Cowgill, of the Baker City Democrat, spent Sunday with friends in Sumpter.

Hugh Fenton, an engineer and machinist of Mayview, Washington, arrived in town yesterday to locate here for the winter.

Mrs. R. H. Kemp has come down from British Columbia and joined her husband here, where they will live in future.

Harley Wood, G. W. White, William Stinson and Al Davidson are expected home tomorrow from their hunting expedition.

Chester Robbins, brother of Mayor J. H., will soon open an assay office here, probably in David Wilson's new brick block.

The Sumpter correspondent of the Baker City Democrat, whoever he may be, is inaccurate, unreliable and permeated with malice.

Miss Calder, who spent the summer on Grays Harbor, Washington, has returned to Sumpter to keep house for her brother, W. C. Calder.

John L. Sturgill, of Baker City, was in Sumpter several days recently on insurance business and looking after his mining interests in Cable Cove district.

An United States revenue inspector of Portland was in town yesterday, seeing that the beer and bottled goods in the different saloons were properly stamped.

Tom Ingram is having a store room on Mill street, between Granite and Center, fitted up neatly and will occupy it at an early day with a new stock of goods.

Otto Herlocker and William Jackson returned Saturday from their hunting trip. When they left for home they had 300 ducks to the credit of their marksmanship.

The saw mill belonging to the North Pole mine was entirely destroyed by fire Monday night, together with 10,000 feet of lumber. The loss, in addition to the lumber, is about \$500.

Mrs. Fowler and daughter, of Portland, arrived in Sumpter this week and will make this their home for the winter. They have rented the Hobson house and moved into it. Miss Fowler is an accomplished musician.

Taylor & Bevis have bought the Capital hotel bar and had it refitted in excellent style, and will give a grand opening Saturday evening, when a swell free lunch will be served to all their friends and customers.

Al Otness went out about a mile and a half from town this morning and killed a deer. If Harley Wood and his party don't bring back a carload tomorrow, after an absence of two weeks, there will be the laugh and a horse on them.

W. H. Mather has rented the Golden Eagle hotel from A. E. Dagany and already has a house full of guests. He says he is serving on an average of 150 meals a day. The meals are good ones, and the homeless, eating public, evidently appreciates the excellent service.

Max Shillock, of the Portland Telegram, has been in this district for a week past, securing information for a story to be published in the special Christmas edition of that paper. He also let a contract for some development work to be done on a promising claim he owns near Lawton.

Walter Allen and J. H. McCallum were in town yesterday from the Mac's Luck mine. With a force of men they have just finished repairing and grading a mile of wagon road, digging an additional 500 feet of ditch and have put the bunk and boarding houses in proper shape, that the miners may be comfortable all winter.

J. A. Grainger has sold his interest in the Gem saloon to his partner, and expects to go to Nevada, where he has a valuable mining property. Jimmy Grainger has won the enviable reputation here of being a "square man;" he commands the respect of the entire community and all who know him regret to learn of his intended departure, and hope for his success.

Superintendent Dave McCoy, of Killen, Warner & Stewart's placer properties, was in town yesterday. He says the reservoirs on Pine creek, that are being constructed under contract, are about completed and that he is rushing work on two of them on the Olive Creek diggings. Next year he will have enough water to run three giants all season at each and will take out enough gold to pay (a part of) the national debt.

### STRAHORN'S IMPROVEMENTS.

Will Furnish Plenty of Water for Domestic Purposes and Power.

R. E. Strahorn arrived from Spokane yesterday forenoon and spent the day looking over his water ditches. He took possession of the Ellis water right, recently purchased. The flumes and ditches will be reconstructed next spring and all the water in Powder river will be utilized for generating electric power, which will run from a minimum in the dry season of 100 horse to over 500 during high water in the spring, averaging 250-horse power the year around.

Mr. Strahorn says this will be more than he needs for the electric light plant and the remainder will be for sale. He will offer special inducements to those who wish to establish here any kind of manufacturing plant.

The water supply for the city has been solved. The new connection has been completed and at noon today the pressure was thirty-five pounds, more than it has been for six weeks past. Over one mile of pipe has been laid, at

a cost of \$2000 in labor, exclusive of the mains. Water was turned in Saturday, when it was discovered there was a leak in the dam, which is now being repaired. It is hoped that by tomorrow water will reach the highest elevations in the city. The reservoir at the head of Pole Creek is now practically completed, and after the present dry season Sumpter will never have another water famine.

Mr. Strahorn leaves this afternoon for Europe, where he and his wife will spend the next six months. Mrs. Strahorn will join him in Idaho.

### Clara Mathes Draws Big Houses.

The Clara Mathes company has been drawing crowded houses every evening this week at Ellis' opera house, and all who have witnessed the plays have come away highly pleased and unanimous in the verdict that it is one of the best companies that have ever visited Sumpter. The play tonight will be "The Woman From Martinique." The specialties introduced between acts were clever and helped beguile the time away. More chairs have been placed in the hall in order to accommodate the crowd, as standing room only has been the order for the past two evenings.

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