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THE Echo, published at Bend, Crook county, this state, says in a head line: "Bend's future a Slumber Camp." One would naturally think that the title of a story about a town that was going to sleep, but it isn't. It is a boom story of a prospective lumber manufacturing center. The a and s became separated and changed the whole proposition.

"Jim" Hill, president of the Great Northern, and a most commanding figure in the railroad world today, has during the past year or two yielded to the temptation to talk to the people—is continually trying to "square" himself. He has given utterance repeatedly to ridiculously fallacious economic views, always selfishly colored. The other day at a meeting of the Trans-Mississippi congress held in St. Paul, he drew his hammer and viciously knocked precious metal mining, boosting agriculture the while. E. F. Brown, of Aspen, Colorado, has replied to the railroad magnate's speech, tearing it literally to shreds, exposing the pretended ignorance of the speaker and proving his dishonesty. Over in North Dakota, fifteen or twenty years ago, when Hill was building the old St. Paul, Minneapolis & Manitoba railroad through those vast fertile wheat fields, the residents regarded the injunction to "copper" his public statements as a truism. They believed that if he could tell the truth, he wouldn't.

At the conference between the president of the United States, mineowners, miners and railroad managers, called by the president himself, in an effort to settle the strike, the owners' assumed an inflexible, defiant attitude, asked for national troops, made extravagant, impossible demands, and absolutely refused to consider an arbitration proposition. On the other hand, the miners agreed to abide by the verdict of an arbitration board, to be appointed by the president. And now the chief executive appeals to the miners to go to work, "for the sake of humanity." No one believes that this is a one-sided question, that either side is all right or all wrong, but it is a fact that the miners have indicated a desire to act reasonably at this stage of the game, while their employers have not. They know their power, "feel their oats," act their contempt for the public and speak their defiance to the president of the United States. If THE MINER doesn't miss its guess, President Roosevelt will be acting with the coal barons before this tragic game is played to a finish. His recent official and private acts have placed him in the light of a spectacular fakir, posing as a strong-willed, just "ruler," who at the same time is seeking the aid of powerful political influences to secure his reelection, at any cost to self respect, at any sacrifice to the verdict of unbiased history. His dramatic pose of opposition to Morgan and his monopolistic mergers is stage "business," pure and simple, a bid for applause from the galleries.

Notice to Stockholders.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the stockholders of the Oregon King Gold Mining company will be held at the company's office, in Sumpter, Oregon, on Tuesday, October 14, 1902.

C. A. LEBMAN, Secretary.
Sumpter, Oregon, September 29, 1902.

FRIDAY A GREAT MINE.

Shows Up Better Than the Famous Checkmate Did at One Time.

T. J. Jones returned a few days ago from a visit to the Pearl mining district. When seen by a reporter yesterday he said there was more activity in the district now than ever before. Fully 150 men are on the pay roll in Pearl, not including the Rock creek properties.

The old Checkmate is employing a full force and the Lincoln and Friday mines are very busy places just now. Over forty men are employed on the Lincoln mine, which is putting in a lot of new machinery that will make it a big producer. The Friday has taken on new life and will soon install a fine lot of machinery.

Mr. Jones said both the Lincoln and Friday mines made as good if not a better showing than the Checkmate did with the same amount of development work.

The substantial nature of the camp may be inferred from the fact that many are now surveying their claims in order to have them patented.

On the Rock creek side great activity is shown, though not so many men are employed. Work on the Hi Henry mine has been in progress steadily all summer. The El Paso people are working on a 30-foot ledge and are developing a valuable property, according to Mr. Jones' belief from what he saw. Work is being done on the Binford group, the Dorman claims and several others.

Another year is certain to see the Pearl district with five or six thoroughly equipped mines in operation, and everyone of them dividend payers. This prediction is based upon what the Checkmate has accomplished and what has already been done on other properties.—Boise Statesman.

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