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### ACTIVITY AT THE MAGNOLIA.

**Rich Intersecting Ledge Will  
be Cut in 100 Feet.**

President E. Sanderson Smith, of the Magnolia Consolidated Gold Mines company, was out at the property Monday. He says the work of running the tunnel around the cave-in in the Ajax workings, a distance of sixty-five feet, was finished Saturday.

This cave-in caused considerable delay, trouble and expense. Three times it was cleaned out and heavily timbered, to be followed by another slide. It is an unusually bad piece of ground, the cave extending to a distance of ninety feet above the top of the tunnel. More than 1000 carloads of ore and waste rock was removed to the dump. No more trouble will be experienced at this point, however, as the tunnel has been bulk-headed with massive timbers on either side of the cave and the country rock through which the tunnel has been driven around is said to be the toughest ever found in that district, not a timber being required for the entire sixty-five feet.

This tunnel is now in 400 feet, vertical depth 250 feet, all on the vein. Although the ore is of low grade, six or seven dollars, the Magnolia people are concentrating all work at this point for the present, working three eight-hour shifts. Their purpose is to reach the cross ledge as soon as possible, so that the mill can be started with high grade free milling rock at the earliest possible date. This ledge is something less than 100 feet from the face of the Ajax tunnel, while it crosses the main Magnolia ledge quite 400 feet beyond the face of that tunnel, which is in over 700 feet, which is also run in on the ledge, a strong, well defined vein, varying from six to fourteen feet in width and carrying an average of eleven dollars in gold values.

While at the mine Monday President Smith let a contract to Superintendent Graham to drive the Ajax tunnel another 100 feet, which will bring it to the intersecting ledge, which, it is confidently predicted, will open up one of the most valuable ore bodies in eastern Oregon, as open cuts and shallow shafts on this intersecting vein have uncovered rock that for a distance of 400 feet gave average assays of 858, practically all free gold. About thirty assays were made to arrive at this result.

The Magnolia is unquestionably a great mine, with enough work already done to prove this to be a fact—with unlimited, alluring possibilities.

#### Help Build Up The West.

The low rates from the east to the west and the northwest, February 15 to April 30, will undoubtedly bring out thousands of settlers. Where they will go is largely a question of inducement. If you are interested in securing any eastern people for your section of the west, send their names and addresses to the undersigned. All the facts and figures about the trip will be promptly sent them. H. S. Rowe, General Agent, Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway, 134 Third Street, Portland, Ore.

### KNOCKING THE GREAT GOLCONDA.

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regarding the "mother lode"; consider the fathomless depths of what he doesn't know about mining, which is revealed in this expression: "The money spent in reaching from one ledge to another is often quite as much, if not more, than the pocket yields when discovered."

Then, too, this oracle proclaims this "mother lode" on which the Golconda is located to be "pockety"; while Professor Waldemar Lindgren, of the United States Geological Survey, says in his official report that it is "easily the strongest, most persistent vein in the Blue mountains."

His assertion that we "are inclined to think that it is a plan to unload a disappointing mine on 'tenderfeet', guided by information 'we' have received from the west, is proven to be a deliberate misstatement, concocted in 'we's' own wheel house, by the fact that the gentlemen who control the Golconda have during the past few weeks been increasing their holdings, buying every block of stock offered at less than the market price; guided, presumably, by information they have received from the amalgamator and treasurer of the company.

#### REDUCED RATES FROM THE EAST

Commencing February 15 and continuing until April 30, there will be low rates from the east via the Illinois Central railroad to all Washington, Oregon and Idaho points. If any of your friends or relatives in the east are coming west while these rates are in effect, give us their name and address, and we will make it our business to see that they are given the best possible service. We operate through personally conducted excursion cars, and in fact give you the benefit of the latest conveniences known to modern railroading. We have fifteen different routes between the east and the west, and are in position to give you the benefit of the best combinations. Write us and we will give you full particulars.

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