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MILL TO BE BUILT AT THE GOLDEN WIZARD.

Decided At Tacoma Meeting Of Board Of Directors Monday To Install Plant At Once.

A 100-ton capacity mill is to be erected on the Golden Wizard at once. J. M. McPhee, superintendent of the property, returned this forenoon from Tacoma, where a meeting of the directors was held Monday. He says the decision reached by the directors was to proceed at once with the erection of a plant. While he states it was decided generally to put in a 100-ton plant, it is possible that it may be more than this, as the plans have not been passed upon.

Various machinery companies were represented at the meeting but it was concluded not to adopt any special kind of mill until the ore has been thoroughly tested and it is found what sort of machinery is best suited to its reduction. In conformity to this plan several tons of ore will be shipped to San Francisco

and Denver, where thorough tests will be made. In the mean time the various machinery companies will submit plans, and a choice will be arrived at as soon as the returns from the ore are received.

It is the purpose of the company to start the construction of the plant at the soonest time possible and Superintendent McPhee states that the mill will undoubtedly be in operation before the first of the year.

Development operations are proceeding very satisfactorily at the property. The drift tunnel is now in over 450 feet and every energy is being bent toward blocking out ore before the mill goes into commission.

Dr. L. O. Miller, of Three Rivers, Michigan, president of the company, who stopped over in Sumpter on his way to Tacoma, returned east after the adjournment of the meeting.

FOUR FOOT ORE BODY OPENED.

Assays Reported In The Standard Vein As High As \$500.

Dr. Ed W. Mueller, general manager of the Standard, returned from the mine this week, and reports that the drift on the Cleveland vein from the Standard tunnel No. 1 has opened a four foot body of ore carrying a value of \$30 to the ton with ten per cent copper. No length is given, but it is stated that the shoot extends for a considerable distance. Recent assays, Dr. Mueller says, from the rich shoot on the Standard vein ran as high as \$500 in the various metals characteristic of the property.

A corps of engineers is now at work making surveys for a patent for water rights and for the permanent

workings of the mine.

A big amount of development is being done. In the underground workings crews are employed in two shifts at five different places of the mine and operations are being carried on more extensively than ever before.

Looking for Mining Properties.

L. B. Wickersham, of Portland, who spent some time in the district looking up a mining proposition for Portland people, returned yesterday. It is understood that he found what he was looking for, though nothing definite was learned.

PROPERTIES SOLD.

Idaho People Will Operate in the Mormon Basin.

Judge Newbury received information from the Mormon Basin a few days ago that the Head and Kunbrough mine has been sold to Idaho people for \$25,000 with a cash payment of \$5,000, and that the Tarbell group in the same district has been sold for \$40,000, also to

an Idaho concern.

These properties are located near the Morning Star group in which Judge Newbury is interested. It is understood that work is to start on them at once.

SHIPPING ORE.

Imperial Sending Out High Grade Stuff for Treatment.

Captain Paul, manager of the Imperial, states that he is shipping three tons of ore a day. The ore is being hauled from the mine in wagons and stored here until arrangements can be made for its treatment.

Already thirty-five tons have accumulated, which Captain Paul says will average \$60 to the ton.

Alpine Sawmill.

Superintendent Nelson, of the Alpine, was in the city today after some supplies. He states that a road is being built to haul in the machinery for the saw and stamp mill. The sawmill is already here and will be installed as soon as the road is completed. The machinery for the stamp mill is expected soon.

BEAR GULCH LEDGE CROSSCUT.

Sixteen Feet Wide And Carries Uniformly High Values In Gold.

Late reports from Bear Gulch, where the rich deposit of free gold was discovered in a limestone formation a short time ago, state that the ledge has been crosscut, showing a width of sixteen feet carrying large amounts of free gold. W. Wade, general manager of the Scandia Tunnel company, who is also interested in the Bear Gulch proposition, was at the property yesterday. He states that the rock is rich in free gold beyond any question, and the values appear to be uniform. The ledge he says is sixteen feet wide.

It is Mr. Wade's opinion that the gold really occurs in the limestone and that it is not confined alone to the siliceous seams, as is held by some. He says that there is every appearance that the rock will carry uniform values and that its high grade character will continue. This unusual deposit of free gold has attracted a good deal of attention and a great many mining men have visited the property.

MILL AT THE DIXIE GROUP.

Machinery To Be Purchased At Once.

TWENTY TON PLANT.

Will Be a Kinkaid Plant With Woodbury Concentrating Table—Manager Ray Left Today for San Francisco to Place Order—Sawmill Being Installed to Cut Lumber.

Frank Ray, manager and part owner to the Dixie group on Granite Boulder Creek, left today for San Francisco to order machinery for a mill to be installed on the property in a short time. John S. Laidlaw has prepared plans and it is the purpose to get the plant in operation as soon as possible.

It is to be a twenty ton four foot Kinkaid mill with a 7x10 Blake rock crusher and a four foot Woodbury concentrating table. The Kinkaid mill operates centrifugally, and while it is new in this district, it is said to be well suited to soft ore and low grade propositions.

Water power will be employed to operate the plant. A 500 foot flume will be built from Granite Boulder creek and a turbine wheel will probably be used to run the machinery. According to the plans prepared by Mr. Laidlaw, the mill will be so arranged that its capacity can be increased without much additional expense. The matter of increasing the capacity was bourn in mind when the plans were made, and it is stated this will likely follow at an early date.

The company has purchased a saw mill having an 8,000 foot a day capacity and this is being installed to cut lumber for the buildings. A force of men is also at work getting out timbers, and will finish next week.

While the Dixie group is a low grade proposition on the whole, some very rich finds have been made. The chief merit of the property is the immensity of the ore bodies. These generally speaking are low grade, but are of an extent to warrant continuous operation on large scale.

Will Build.

Manning & Welsh sold lot eight in block one, Ellis additon, this week to O. C. Wright, who will erect a seven room house on the property at once.