

## TO SINK 200 FEET DEEPER.

### Arrangements At Bonanza To Continue Shaft.

It is stated that the management of the Bonanza is making arrangements to let a contract for sinking 200 feet deeper which will give a total depth of 1,200 feet, the deepest workings in the district.

It is understood that the ore in the lower levels is proving eminently satisfactory, which accounts for the preparations to sink still deeper. Contrary to the usual rule of ore's getting baser with depth, it is stated that the Bonanza on the 1,000 foot level is practically three-fourth free, and yields very high averages.

### TO DIG FOR COAL.

#### Will Look for Carboniferous Deposit in Bear Valley.

The Blue Mountain Eagle says that Judge Sels, who is owner of a property in Bear valley, commonly known as the Bull Spring's ranch, expects, just as soon as the hay harvest is over, to give his attention to the development of some coal deposits that have been discovered in that valley. Years ago while Thomas Crawford, the present janitor of the court house, was digging a well for Hugh Smith on his ranch on Bear creek, a bed of coal was disclosed at the depth of about twenty feet. Plenty of water was found at that depth, but it tasted so strong from the coal that the well was abandoned. This ranch was afterwards acquired by Judge Sels, and it is on this property that he will confine his first operation to develop the coal deposit.

It is also stated that coal was found in a well by the Byram brothers, who own property near that of Mr. Sels. In each of these places the coal appears to be of an excellent quality, and when developed may prove to be valuable.

### MONEY IN LOW GRADE ORE.

#### Such Propositions Appeal to the Experienced Operator.

It is the big low-grade mining propositions that appeal to the experienced mining man and mill operator. As a general thing it is the low-grade mines which pay the most in dividends and whose existence are continued for years where a really rich mine is of short duration.

We know that high grade ore appeals to the imagination and cupidity of the tenderfoot and the public at large, and that people will go into raptures over a few inches of exceedingly rich mineral; but, in the long run, the mine with vast bodies of milling ore in its workings will win out and maintain a paying basis long after the small vein of shipping ore has become exhausted, and it has been truly stated that a foot of ore that yields from \$60 to \$80 to the ton in the precious and baser metals is not to be compared in value and source of profit to the eight or ten-foot body of \$5 and \$10 ore. In the mining of the small vein, but few men can be employed, while a large amount of dead work has to be done in order to extract

the extremely high-grade rock. In a large zone of low-grade or milling ore, a small army of men may be employed in mining operations. Cross-cuts, drifts, upraises and winzes can be driven on the ore, and thousands of tons extracted at a nominal cost and without the waste incident to the operation of a mine where Nature has deposited her treasures in small but rich veins.

The investor, seeking a producing and paying mine, is generally much more favorably impressed with a great low-grade proposition than he is with a mine having rich ore but in small bodies. Nearly all of the great camps of the west are low-grade propositions, the rich mines which have made fortunes for their owners being exceptions to the general rule. Furthermore, the low-grade mine is much better for a camp than is a high-grade proposition, as such a mine necessitates the employment of more men, the erection of mills, smelters and reduction works, while more money is in circulation as a result and the masses are accordingly more benefited than if the camp possessed mines of small veins but of rich ore.—Salt Lake Mining Review.

### FATAL ACCIDENT.

#### Little Maggie Warren Shot Near McEwen Wednesday Evening.

Little Maggie Warren, aged 5, the only daughter of J. W. Warren, was accidentally shot between 6 and 7 o'clock last Wednesday evening near Fisher's ranch in the vicinity of McEwen, and died at 1:30 Thursday morning from the effects of the wound.

Mr. Warren, with his wife and eight children, was moving from Spokane to take up his residence in the Rogue River valley. He was going through the country in a wagon and had stopped to camp for the night when the fatal accident occurred. In unloading the bedding a revolver which happened to be rolled up in it dropped out and was discharged, the ball striking the little girl in the chest.

The remains were buried from Case's undertaking parlors Friday morning at 10 o'clock, the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias, to which orders Mr. Warren belongs, taking part in the service. Rev. J. M. Wilder conducted the exercises at the grave.

#### Married in Baker City.

Mr. James Lane, bookkeeper of the Killen, Warner, Stewart company, and Miss Myrtle Williamson, daughter of Isaac Williamson, both of Sumpter, were married in the parlors of the Geiser Grand Hotel in Baker City, Thursday evening, by Rev. J. R. N. Bell. Mr. and Mrs. Lane left the same evening on a wedding trip to Salt Lake City.

#### Hurt at Gold Bug Grizzly.

Last Friday John Haurahan, employed by the Gold Bug Grizzly company, drilled into a missed hole causing an explosion. The drill inflicted a severe wound on his right hand and he was injured somewhat about the face, though not seriously.

#### Timber and Homestead Filings.

Timber and homestead filings, as well as final proofs, can be made before Charles H. Chance, United States Commissioner, office in First National Bank of Sumpter building, Sumpter, thus saving applicants expense of a trip to La Grande.

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### Resolution Authorizing the City Attorney to Employ Assistance.

Be it Resolved by the common council of the City of Sumpter that the City Attorney of said City of Sumpter be, and is hereby authorized and empowered to employ such assistance as he may find necessary in connection with the work being done and to be done hereafter in connection with the establishment of a sewer system in the City of Sumpter, and the opening and grading of streets. Any person or persons employed by said City Attorney to assist him in said work to be paid such compensation as may be reasonable by warrant drawn on the City Treasurer, the total amount to be expended therefor, to not exceed the sum of \$200.00.

Passed the council this 27th day of June, 1903.

S. S. START, Recorder.

### Resolution of Intention to Improve Auburn Street.

Be it Resolved by the common council of the City of Sumpter in meeting duly and regularly assembled, that the City of Sumpter through its proper officers, intends to improve Auburn Street from the West line of Ibox Street Easterly to a point where the West line of the alley in the center of block 11, Sumpter Heights, McEwen's addition to the City of Sumpter, as shown on the plat of said addition, of record in the office of the Recorder of Conveyances of Baker County, Oregon, extended Southerly would intersect said Auburn Street.

That said improvement shall consist of establishing a grade of said street, removing all obstructions therefrom, grading the same to the grade so established and laying all necessary gutters along said street.

Said improvement is to be made at the expense of the property owners to be benefited, as provided by the City Charter.

Adopted by the council this 27th day of June, 1903.

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### Resolution of Intention to Improve Auburn Street.

Be it Resolved by the common council of the City of Sumpter, in meeting duly and regularly assembled, that the City of Sumpter through its proper officers, intends to improve Auburn Street from the East line of Center street Easterly to a point where the West line of the alley in the center of block 11, Sumpter Heights, McEwen's addition to the City of Sumpter, as shown on the plat of said addition, of record in the office of the Recorder of Conveyances of Baker County, Oregon, extended Southerly would cross said Auburn Street.

That said improvement shall consist of establishing a grade on said street, removing all obstructions therefrom, grading the same to the grade so established, and covering said street with a layer of gravel to a depth of seven-tenths of a foot in the center of the street and to a depth of four-tenths of a foot at the gutter line, which shall be laid on the top of the earth, and the laying of all necessary gutters along said street.

Said improvement to be made at the expense of the property owners to be benefited thereby as provided by the City charter.

Adopted by the council this 27th day of June, 1903.

S. S. START, Recorder of the City of Sumpter.

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