

ERECTION OF MILL POSTPONED.

Golden Wizard Plant Probably Will Not Go In Till Spring, Says Supt. McPhee.

J. M. McPhee, superintendent of the Golden Wizard, had a letter yesterday from President Miller, of Three Rivers, Michigan, stating that it would probably be best to defer the erection of the proposed mill on the property until spring. This was Superintendent McPhee's advice, in view of the fact that it would rush things entirely too much to attempt to get the plant in this winter. He says:

"By the time we could get our plans perfected, the bids for the machinery in, and everything settled, it would be cold weather, making the installation of the mill more or less difficult. Our best course is, I think, to have everything in readiness by the opening of spring and then rush the plant to completion when there is good weather."

TO START WORK ON BURNT RIVER ROAD.

Work will be started on the new road to be constructed between Sumpter and the Burnt River country at noon. A force of seven men has been furnished through the employment agency of Allen and Flynn. The first work to be done will be in the vicinity of Lockhart, and the road will be constructed from there toward Burnt river.

It will be remembered that the citizens of Sumpter pledged certain amounts some time ago toward the building of this road, with the understanding that they would be aided by the county. The work will be pushed ahead and it is understood that it is the intention to complete it in about six weeks. The new highway will furnish communication between Sumpter and a rich agricultural and stock raising country.

ROPE THROWERS AT LARGE

The kids around town as everywhere else on earth, find their greatest amusement in imitating the acts of their elders, both as to occupation and recreation. They have just about finished the game of doing their annual assessment work and neighboring gulches are punctured with miniature tunnels and shafts. Owing to the recent and talked of coming exhibitions of roping and riding wild steers, every mother's son in town who can buy, borrow or steal a clothes line is practicing throwing the lasso. The streets are thronged with these amateurs and neither man nor beast is safe from their experiments.

Plan of Overland Development.

M. E. Bain, manager of the Overland mine, visited that property Sunday to inspect the work recently done there, and with W. S. Eberman, who is consulting engineer of the property, arrange for future development. They have two large veins opened by tunnels and shafts and these will be

extended, as there are good ore shoots to be cut in a short distance. Mr. Bain is examining the Western Union, on Rock creek today.

ONTARIO FISH HATCHERY.

The Ontario fish hatchery is visited every day by large parties to witness the capture of salmon and to view their actions when in captivity. At present there are 20,000 inclosed within the racks, and it is a sight wonderful to see, as they dart through their prison and at times leap high above the water in an attempt to escape. Superintendent Brown will continue to rack the fish two weeks more and will have in the neighborhood of 40,000,000 eggs. On account of numerous fishermen plying their vocation on the river many salmon are captured which would otherwise land in the racks. The fish are in a pen made of two-inch timber set close together and driven into the river so they cannot get between them. A sixty-pound salmon will mak a dash for liberty and striking the timbers with his nose, will jar the entire structure. The noses of the most of the fish are bruised where they have struck the timbers in endeavoring to escape. Very few of them perish. The hatchery is the largest in the world, and is so arranged that 1,200 gallons of fresh water, raised by wheels from Snake river, passes through the hatchery every minute. The work of securing the eggs will soon commence and they will be deposited in the hatchery to be hatched out, and when the fish are five inches long will be turned loose in the Snake. The Indians have arrangements with Superintendent Brown to dress and dry the salmon.

OFFICIAL RECORDS.

The following instruments were filed at the Baker county court house during the week ending Sept. 29, 1903.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

DEEDS.

- Jan. 31—Fred Stone and wife to S. S. Dolly, 52x208 in N. E. Sec. 29 T. 9 R. 40 E.; \$300.
- Sept. 16—J. S. Mead and wife to J. T. Gray, lots 19 and 20, Block 3 in Pacific addition to Sumpter; \$540.
- Mar. 30, '10—S. J. Finch to Sarah E. wife, lots 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, Block 33 Stewart's addition to Baker City; \$50.
- July 30, '00 —U. S. A. to Nathaniel Parber patent to 158 acres in Sec. 6 T. R. 42 E.
- Aug. 2—Mary E. Landley to E. C. Endrup, 158 acres in Sec. 2 T. 8 R. 45 E. and Sec. 35 T. 7 R. 45 E.; \$1200.
- Sept. 21—Chas. Watson to Mary E. Palmer, 30x118 in Block 2, Hellner's addition to Baker City.
- June 22—Geo. E. Springer and wife to Hewitt Land company, 80 acres in Sec. 15 T. 11 R. 39 E.; \$375.
- Sept. 17—A. J. Berry to Mary Arm, wife, lot 11, Block 4 in Richland, Oregon.
- Sept. 11, '00—Merritt E. McNutt to Jas. McNutt, 1-9 interest in Queen of West quartz claim.
- Sept. 8—Sam L. Shennon to Chas. W. Michael "Short Stop" quartz claim; \$1050.
- Sept. 14—E. B. McDaniel etal to Merchants Gold Mining and Development company, 945 acres placer ground in T. 12 R. 39 E.; \$10,000
- Sept. 16—J. S. Ladd to Henry

Mentle, interest in "Queen of the West" quartz claim; \$1.

Sept. 28—Jas. Wood to Adda Vandecar half interest 160 acres in Sec. 25 and 26 T. 9 R. 39; \$25.

Dec. 30, '02—Wm. H. Casey and wife to C. W. Henderson L. 1 to 12 B. 7 East Sumpter; \$300.

April 3—W. S. Bowers et al to Wesley Andrews, lot 19 to 22 B. 3, Willovale, \$190.

Nov. 28, '02—M. A. Sheets to Stoddard Bros., 160 acres in Secs. 20 and 29 Tp. 10 R. 37 E.; \$225.

Dec. 14, '01—Annie Ison wills to mother J. Ison, during her life, then to brother O. P. Ison, all property.

July 19—Cora M. Beyea to Mrs. E. Arthur, lot 6 B. 7 in town of Sparta; \$30.

Oct. 23, '99—U. S. A. to John Busby, homestead patent to 160 acres in Sec. 23 Tp. 12 R. 36 E.

Sept. 12—Annie Tedrowe and husband to John Gagen, 12x25 feet in northeast corner of lot 7 B. 4, Sumpter; \$35.

Sept. 2—John Arthur and wife to A. J. Denny, lot 4 and west 30 feet of lot 3 B. 4, Sumpter, one-half interest only; \$3,000.

June 27—L. W. Jones and wife to S. W. Tibbs, Jr., 160 acres in Sec. 13 and 24 T. 10 R. 37 E.; \$2000.

June 2—Wm. W. Jones and wife to S. W. Tibbs, Jr., 160 acres in Sec. 13 Tp. 10 R. 37 E.; \$2000.

July 9—Lewis Kosmisky, to Bernard Flynn, E. 100 feet of lot 18, block 11, Sumpter Heights; \$750.

Sept. 25—Clark Benson and wife to Rock Creek Power and Transmission company W 1/2 of S 1/2 of SE 1/4 Sec. 33 T. 7 R. 38 E.; \$200.

Sept. 26—R. F. Clark, to Beale C. Mitchell, interest in lots 4, and 5, block 5, Kellogg's addition to Baker City; \$50.

Aug. 14—Clark Snyder to Ida A. Hoffman W 1/2 lot 8, B. 6, Sumpter; \$500.

May 11, '02—Receiver to John Cunningham 160 acres in Sec. 32 T. 10 R. 39; \$400.

Aug. 17—John Cunningham to Henry Hewitt, Jr, same as last; \$750.

Sept. 23—John Jackson Estate to T. S. Halber, 100x150 ft. in S. E. 1-4 Sec. 29 T. 9 R. 40; \$250.

Sept. 22—W. Fernald and wife to Jas. Odell half interest in S. E. 1-4 S. E. 1-4 Sec. 8 T. 13 R. 43; \$1.

Sept. 22—W. A. Ross to Edna Ross, Lots 7, 6, 8, B. 8, Lack and Baer City; \$450.

Sept. 12—State of Oregon to Jas. C. Flannery 320 acres in Sec. 16 T. 11 R. 41; \$400.

MINING MATTERS.

DEEDS.

Sept. 8, '02—A. H. Huntington et al to H. G. Pearson, trustee, American Girl and Rainy Day qtz. clms; \$1.

Sept. 25—H. G. Pearson, trustee, to Oro Mining Co., same as last; \$1.

Apr. 24—Karl Karlson to E. P. Bergman, Ole Bull and 16 quartz claims; \$1.

July 15—N. J. Whittaker and hd. to Single Standard G. M. Co., Old Hope and three quartz claims; \$1.

Sept. 26—A. H. Carlrud to M. F. Muzzy one-third interest in Marshall and Copper Chance quartz claims; \$350.

Sept. 19—G. A. Wilson et al to Owen Hill, Copper Fairy and one-half interest in Wild Horse quartz claims; \$135.

Sept. 28—John Harrington and wife to T. G. Clark one-sixth Connor Creek Extension No. 1 and 2 quartz claims; \$1.

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United States Land Office, La Grande, Oregon, Sept. 28, 1903. Notice is hereby given that in compliance with the provisions of the act of congress of June 3, 1898, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada, and Washington Territory," as extended to all the Public Land States by act of August 4, 1898.

BYRON WEATHERFORD, of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 2808, for the purchase of the ne 1/4 of section No. 14 in township No. 10 S., range No. 18 E.W.M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Charles H. Chance, U. S. Commissioner at Sumpter, Oregon, on Saturday, the 12th day of December, 1903. He names as witnesses: Charles Gardner, John Calhoun, James Worley, of McEwen, Ore.; Alvin P. Jones, of Sumpter, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 12th day of Dec., 1903.

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CHARLES H. SCHEPSTER, of Whitney, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 2900, for the purchase of the ne 1/4, se 1/4 nw 1/4, ne 1/4 ne 1/4 of section No. 8 in township No. 10 south, range No. 18 E.W.M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Charles H. Chance, U. S. commissioner, at Su pter, Oregon, on Saturday, the 12th day of December, 1903. He names as witnesses: Marshall K. Young, Walter H. Silvertooth, Joseph R. Walker and William Palmer, all of Whitney, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 12th day of Dec., 1903.

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JOSEPH R. WALKER, of Whitney, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 2904, for the purchase of the w 1/2 ne 1/4, se 1/4 ne 1/4 section 28 & sw 1/4 nw 1/4 of section No. 12 in township No 10 south, range No. 18 E.W.M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Charles H. Chance, U. S. commissioner, at Sumpter, Oregon, on Saturday, the 12th day of December, 1903. He names as witnesses: Marshal K. Young, William Palmer, Burton W. Miller, James Warren, all of Whitney, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 12th day of Dec., 1903.

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ELIZABETH RICHARDS, of Sumpter, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office her sworn statement No. 2901, for the purchase of the s 1/2 sw 1/4, nw 1/4 sw 1/4 of Sec. 12 and se 1/4 se 1/4 of Sec. No. 11 in Tp. No. 10 S., range No. 18 E.W.M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish her claim to said land before Charles H. Chance, U. S. commissioner, at Sumpter, Oregon, on Saturday, the 12th day of December, 1903. She names as witnesses: Van Rensselaer Mead, Ralph Mead, Walter L. Sparks, Byron Weatherford, all of Sumpter, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 12th day of Dec., 1903.

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WALTER H. SILVERTOOTH, of Whitney, county of Baker, state of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 2800, for the purchase of the w 1/2 ne 1/4, n 1/2 nw 1/4 of section No. 9 in township No. 10 south, range No. 18 E.W.M., and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before Charles H. Chance, U. S. commissioner, at Sumpter, Oregon, on Saturday, the 12th day of December, 1903. He names as witnesses: William Palmer, Charles H. Schepster, Joseph R. Walker, Marshall K. Young, all of Whitney, Oregon. Any and all persons claiming adversely the above-described lands are requested to file their claims in this office on or before said 12th day of Dec., 1903.