

MANAGER HOWARD ON GOLGONDA MINE

Wont Talk of Future Policy
But Every Thing is
All Right

Manager Howard, of the Golconda, who came back from Pendleton Monday, where he went to attend a meeting of the directors, confirms the statements made in Saturday's Miner relative to the continuance of work at the property.

Although the Golconda was slightly embarrassed by the Wade failure, Mr. Wade being president of the company, and the largest stockholder, it was thought for a time that the mine would have to close down temporarily on this account; but the tide has been stemmed, and Manager Howard states that the company is now in better shape, financially, than it has ever been. Matters were adjusted most satisfactorily, and operations at this well known producer are on a firm financial basis.

DIED YESTERDAY AT HOT LAKE.

S. G. Williams, aged 67, superintendent of the Midway, died at Hot Lake last night at 6 o'clock, after a brief illness. About three weeks ago Mr. Williams contracted a severe cold, which, with rheumatic complications, he sought to relieve by taking treatment at Hot Lake. He left for there about a week ago.

He leaves a wife, who is now living at Los Angeles, and one daughter, Mrs. George Peet, of this city. Mr. Williams was one of the best known mine superintendents in the district, having had charge of the Bonanza during the Geiser ownership, and later of the Gem. A few months ago he took charge of the Midway for the Geiser-Hendryx company. In his younger days, Mr. Williams was a cattle inspector in Texas and New Mexico, and a well known Indian scout.

The remains were taken to Baker City this morning, where they will be buried by the Elks, of which order Mr. Williams was a member. The funeral services will be held tomorrow at 2 o'clock p. m. Mr. and Mrs. Peet left this afternoon to attend.

WILL PUT HOIST ON THE KEYSTONE

G. M. Anderson, of Inwood, Iowa, president of the Keystone Mining company, and Harry Hendryx, returned Saturday night from the Quartzburg district, where they were looking after operations at the Keystone property.

This is Mr. Anderson's first trip here, and while he does not profess to be a mining expert, he says he is greatly pleased with the Keystone and the camp generally. It is the

purpose of the company, he states, to install machinery just as soon as the present development work will justify it. Sinking will be continued by hand for a short time, and at an early date a hoisting plant will be put in. Mr. Anderson brought in with him a fine line of samples from the mine.

MILLS FOR BELCHER AND RED LION SOON

Mr. P. A. Brady, superintendent of the Belcher and Red Lion in the Greenhorns, was on the train this afternoon going to Baker. Mr. Brady says that mills for both the Belcher and Red Lion will arrive in a few days.

It is his purpose to get the machinery in over the snow and start construction work on the plants early in the spring. In the meantime he will carry out a well planned development policy at both properties.

GOLD A PRIME FACTOR

IN ALL CIVILIZATIONS.

Of all pursuits, that of gold mining has the greatest fascination, and we think brings the most intense pleasure. Even Eden, according to the sacred writer, had its gold mine, and "the gold of the land was good." Ancient and modern history is full of the active results of the industrial pursuit of gold. The pursuit of the Golden Fleece has been actual as well as mythical. The life of every argonaut, ancient and modern, is itself an Iliad.

There never has been any civilization in which gold has not been a prime factor. Egypt, Carthage, Rome, Spain,—all in the height of their glory were prominent in gold mining, and decayed when they had lost the control of their mines.

Every historian has recognized the energizing effect of the discovery of gold in California on our own republic. It is now claimed that the gold resources of Manchuria and Korea are some of the causes that have created the present conditions between Russia and Japan. It is not at all improbable.

The fact that like the objects of all ambitions, gold mining frequently gives more pleasure in the pursuit than in the possession, is nothing against the occupation. There is not as much happiness in leaving a fortune to be quarrelled over as to die poor, but conscious of having enjoyed the good things of life.—Pacific Coast Miner.

Model Mine as an Object Lesson.

The latest, and probably the most novel apparatus adopted by a college for the scientific instruction of its students, is the model mine which is to be constructed by the School of Mines, at Birmingham, England. The mine, which will be conveniently located, will be constructed at a depth of about ten feet below the surface, and will have an area of nearly one acre. The tunnels, drifts, stations, working chambers, etc., will be arched with brick and the sides and bottoms will be so constructed as to resemble actual conditions in a working coal mine. The mine will be completely fitted up with all the latest and most approved apparatus for mining and will demonstrate to the students the best methods for operating a coal mine, timbering the openings and the transportation of the product to the surface.—Pacific Coast Miner.

ORDINANCE NO. 209.

An Ordinance providing for the incurring of an indebtedness by the City of Sumpter, in Baker County, Oregon, of \$15,000 for the purpose of constructing a sewer system in accordance with the map and drawings thereof, entitled: "Map of sewer system of the City of Sumpter," and specifications thereof, entitled "Specifications for Sumpter sewer system," prepared by C. H. Fenner, City Engineer, of the City of Sumpter, and providing for the sale of bonds of the City of Sumpter, in Baker County, Oregon, to the amount of said sum of \$15,000 for said purposes and providing for the time and manner of sale of said bonds.

The City of Sumpter does ordain as follows:

Sec. 1. That an indebtedness of \$15,000 be incurred by the City of Sumpter, Baker County, Oregon, for the purpose of establishing and constructing a sewer system in said City of Sumpter in accordance with the map and drawings thereof, entitled "Map of sewer system of the City of Sumpter," and the specifications thereof, entitled "Specifications for Sumpter sewer system," prepared by C. H. Fenner, City Engineer, all of which are now on file in the office of the Recorder of the City of Sumpter, Baker County, Oregon, and are hereby referred to and made a part of this ordinance.

Sec. 2. That said City of Sumpter, Baker County, Oregon, be bonded for said sum of \$15,000 for the purpose of providing funds for constructing said sewer system as hereinbefore designated.

Sec. 3. That the Mayor of the City of Sumpter shall immediately procure bonds of suitable design, and cause the same to be properly filled out in amounts of \$100 each, or any multiple thereof, up to \$1,000, each of said bonds to bear date April 1st, 1904, and to be made payable in payments of One Thousand Dollars yearly until the full sum of Fifteen Thousand is paid. Said bonds to bear interest at the rate of six per cent per annum from such date, said interest to be paid semi-annually, principal and interest on said bonds when due, to be paid at the banking house of the Farmers Loan & Trust Co. at No. Twenty, Williams Street, in the City and State of New York, said bonds to be issued on said first day of April 8, 1904.

Sec. 4. That said bonds shall be placed in the hands of the City Treasurer of the City of Sumpter, who shall keep a register in which shall be entered by him the number and amount of such bonds and the date of the issue thereof, and the name of the person to whom issued.

Sec. 5. That said bonds and each thereof shall be signed by the Mayor and Recorder of the City of Sumpter under their name of office at the time of their issuance.

Sec. 6. That the expense of making any estimates of the cost of said sewer system and the expenses of making any estimates under said bond issue, shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale of said bonds, and the same shall be deemed a part of the expense of said sewer system. That said sewer system shall be constructed and said improvement made as soon after the issuance of said bonds as practicable, and within one year from the date thereof. Said sewer system and said improvement

is to be made by contract let to the lowest responsible bidder therefor as provided by the charter of the City of Sumpter, and such ordinances and resolutions as may be made and passed by the Common Council of said city in regard thereto.

Sec. 7. That the said Mayor and Recorder of the City of Sumpter, are hereby authorized and instructed to advertise said bonds for sale in the "Bond Buyer," a paper of general circulation, published in New York City, New York, once each week for a period of two weeks, making three insertions, and that sealed bids for said bond issue shall be forwarded by persons bidding for the same to the City Recorder of said City of Sumpter, and that said bids shall be opened by the common council of said City of Sumpter, at the hour of Eight o'clock p. m. on the last day of March, 1904.

That said bonds shall be sold at not less than par, nor otherwise than for cash, and shall be sold to the highest bidder for cash. That all bids must be unconditional, otherwise they will not be considered. That said City of Sumpter reserves the right to reject any and all bids. That each bid shall be accompanied by a certified check payable to the order of the City Treasurer of the City of Sumpter in the sum of \$750, as an evidence of good faith of said bid and in case of the acceptance of any bid by the City of Sumpter, it shall be the duty of the Recorder of said city to immediately notify the successful bidder of such acceptance and said bonds shall be issued to the party or parties whose bid shall be so accepted, provided that said bidder shall deposit within twenty days after the acceptance of his or its bid with the Treasurer of said City of Sumpter in lawful money of the United States of America, the amount covered by his or its bid.

All other certified checks shall be returned by said City Treasurer to the person or persons who deposited the same.

That in case any person, firm or corporation, to whom said bonds are awarded shall fail, neglect or refuse to pay into the hands of the City Treasurer of the City of Sumpter the purchase price of the same within twenty days after the acceptance of his or its bid, the amount of the certified check so deposited with his or its bid, shall be forfeited to said City of Sumpter, Oregon, and shall be treated as liquidated damages for the failure, neglect, or refusal of said bidder to purchase said bonds, and shall be accepted by the said City of Sumpter, as complete satisfaction for any and all damage and injury sustained by said City by reason of such failure, neglect, or refusal.

Sec. 8. That the Mayor and Recorder of said City of Sumpter, Oregon, are hereby authorized, directed, and instructed to perform and do any and all things that they may deem advisable, not in conflict with the provisions of this ordinance and the Charter and Ordinances of the City of Sumpter in the matter of the advertising said bonds for sale and furnishing prospective buyers with information and data to the end that said bonds may be negotiated for the best price possible.

Passed the council of the City of Sumpter, Oregon, this 4th day of January, 1904.

(Attest) S. S. START,
Recorder.

Approved this 4th day of January, 1904.

C. H. McCOLLOCH,
Mayor.