

DIVIDEND BY BLACK BUTTE

The Black Butte company has declared a three per cent placer dividend on Black Butte stock. O. C. Wright, general manager of the property, returned this morning from Pendleton, where the regular monthly meeting of the directors was held. This was the action taken. The dividend came from the recent placer cleanup, and besides this the company has a good development fund at its disposal for continuing work and improvements.

Manager Wright will start in at once overhauling the quartz mill, and expects to have it in operation within the next thirty days. While the plant is practically new, it has been standing idle for several years and needs some little repairing. It is a crusher to which stamps are to be added later on. The next dividend will come from the quartz property.

TO START WORK ON ALPINE MILL

Superintendent Addoms, of the Alpine, came down last night, and early this morning left for the mine with L. G. Lilley, of the Baby McKee company, and George Steadman of Laidlaw & Steadman, millwrights, who are to have charge of building the Alpine mill.

Work on the Alpine plant is to be started in a very few days, probably right after the Fourth. Everything is on the ground ready to start construction. The machinery and lumber were taken out last fall, and some timbers framed then, but snow came early and operations had to be suspended on this account. Superintendent Addoms has worked a good force of men steadily in the meantime, and accomplished good development results.

The Alpine is to have a twenty stamp mill, modernly equipped. The plant is to be completed just as soon as possible.

GOOD WORK AT THE LUCY GROUP

Sam Stott, president of the Lucy company, operating in the Greenhorns, Morris Sullivan, one of the officers, and Ed Sullivan, superintendent, and several of the miners came in last night to spend the Fourth in Sumpter.

Good development results are being obtained at the Lucy, say these gentlemen. The crosscut for the O. K. ledge is being continued and it is thought that the ledge now is only a short distance away. The vein shows up well on the surface, but a number of blind ledges have been cut during the progress of the crosscut. These will be developed later.

Special Excursion to The World's Fair.

The Denver and Rio Grande, in connection with the Missouri Pacific, will run a series of Person-

ally Conducted Excursions to the World's Fair during June. These excursions will be run through to St. Louis without change of cars, making short stops at principal points en route. The first of these excursions will leave Portland June 7th, and the second June 17th. The rate from Baker City will be \$60 to St. Louis and return. Excursionists going via the Denver & Rio Grande have the privilege of returning via a different route. This is the most pleasant way, as well as the most delightful route, to cross the continent. The stops arranged give an opportunity of visiting the various points of interest in and about Salt Lake City, Denver and Kansas City. If you wish to accompany one of these excursions write at once to W. C. McBride 124 Third street, Portland, for sleeping car reservations.

D. R. & N. SUMMER BOOK.

The handsome 1904 summer book, "Restful Recreation Resorts," issued by the passenger department of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company, is just out. It tells all about the summering places of the Columbia river valley—a brief description of the trips up and down the Columbia river, to the mountains, beaches, inland resorts and fountains of healing, where they are and how to reach them. The book has a special designed front cover, printed in two colors, and the inside pages are splendidly illustrated by costly and beautiful half-tones. A copy of this publication may be obtained by sending two cents in stamps to A. L. Craig, general Passenger agent of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation company, Portland.

M'PHEE REELECTED

GENERAL MANAGER

J. M. McPhee is in receipt of a communication from Dr. L. O. Miller, of Three Rivers, Michigan, president of the Golden Wizard company, announcing a meeting of the stockholders, and informing Mr. McPhee of his re-election to the office of general manager. Mr. McPhee resigned this place when he went south, some months ago, but was assured on his return that he could have it again if he so desired.

Dr. Miller states in his letter that there is one particular knoocker in Sumpter who has made it his business to belittle the property to the eastern stockholders.

DESERT LAND, FINAL PROOF, NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

United States Land Office,
La Grande, Oregon, June 30, 1904.

Notice is hereby given that Joseph Wham, of Unity, Oregon, has filed notice of intention to make proof on his desert-land claim No. 296, for the sec 34 sec. 30, nels nels sec. 31, tp. 12 S. r. 12 E. W. M., before the County Clerk of Baker County at Baker City, Oregon, on Wednesday, the 24th day of August, 1904.

He names the following witnesses to prove the complete irrigation and reclamation of said land: Gene Yeager of Unity, Ore.; Thomas B. Boyer of Herford, Ore.; Thomas Thompson of Unity, Ore.; Alfred White of Unity, Oregon.
E. W. DAVIS, Register.

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LAUNDRY BUSINESS

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PLACER PROPERTY

Do you want something good in a Placer Proposition? We have rich placer ground near Sumpter, and an opportunity to secure an abundance of water for long season's work. Here is an opportunity for a person with small capital, to secure a proposition with such merit as will increase on investigation in the estimation of the most critical examiner. If interested, call and see us and get particulars.

1.280 ACRES

One of the most attractive large bodies of land in Burnt River Valley. Level as a meadow. All can be irrigated. Can be sold in size tracts to suit the purchaser, at \$15 and less per acre.

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