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RED BOY WILL RESUME SOON

"All arrangements have been completed for the reopening of the Red Boy mine in a few days," said J. T. Donnelly, secretary of the company, while talking with a reporter yesterday afternoon.

"The company has not yet decided who they will select as the permanent manager of all its affairs and the property. In the meantime, Mr. John Thomsen will manage the property and begin operations. The first thing to do is to get the water out of the mine, and then continue the deep sinking plans which were well under way when the mine went into the hands of a receiver."

His announcement can not fail to bring much satisfaction to all the people of Baker City and Sumpter. The operation of the Red Boy means that the distribution of a large payroll locally and the shipping in of many supplies from the outside. All benefit from the running of every mine in the country, and not one can close down anywhere but that it is felt everywhere. Add to this the opening of the Sumpter smelter, the operation of new properties in the Greenhorns, the Goleonda, resumption of deep sinking work on the Vitruve, more than likely adjustment of the Cornucopia and the prospects for the coming winter may be said to be brighter than any winter which has approached eastern Oregon in several years.—Democrat.

ANNUAL MEETING OF THE NORTH POLE EXTENSION

Attorney Saxton, of Baker City, who is guardian for one, Baasum, who some months since was sent to the insane asylum from here, was in town today between trains, attending the annual meeting of the North Pole Extension Mining company, in which his ward is interested.

These officers were elected for the ensuing year: F. M. Saxton, president; George Turner, vice president; A. W. Ellis, treasurer, and Mrs. A. W. Ellis, secretary. These officers and W. H. Tibballs, of Salt Lake, constitute the board of directors.

Messrs. Ellis and Turner have been at the property, which is in the Cracker Creek district, with a force of men doing development work for some weeks past, and report that the showing is most promising.

Bar Glassware.

Gagen & Reilly, of the Kentucky Liquor store, have received a complete line of bar glassware direct from the factory at Wheeling, West Virginia. It is the Optic goods, the popular articles now being sold throughout the east. Everything imaginable in the way of bar glassware, and the firm offers it for sale at reasonable prices.—Examination is solicited.

LOOKING AFTER LOGGING ROUTES

Seymour H. Bell and William H. Hewitt, of the Sumpter Lumber company, and J. A. Green, chief engineer of the Sumpter-Bourne railroad, are out today looking after logging routes to radiate from the main line and furnish means of getting in the lumber company's log supplies.

The routes proposed are one up Bear Gulch, one east of town and one up McCulley's Fork.

Mr. Green has completed the main line survey, and will be ready to leave Sumpter now in a few days.

No definite information, however, has been given out as to when construction work will be commenced.

TO SEE A PROSPECT; AND FOUND A MINE

M. E. Bain, general manager of the Overland, accompanied by J. Fortin, of Minneapolis, secretary of the company; Professor H. H. Nicholson, consulting engineer for the Killen, Warner, Stewart company, and Surveyor Green, who is attached to the engineering department of the Sumpter-Bourne railway, returned last evening from a trip of inspection to the Overland group.

Secretary Fortin, who arrived in Sumpter Saturday, to be present at the forthcoming annual meeting of Overland stock holders, said to a Miner representative:

"Manager Bain, in his regular reports to the company's officers, has always been most conservative in his statements. Consequently, when I visited the Overland yesterday, I expected to find a fairly well developed prospect. Instead, I found a mine."

Professor Nicholson, than whom there are few if any more expert mining engineers in the west, was equally impressed with the fine showing at the Overland.

Secretary of the Overland Here.

J. Fortin, of Minneapolis, secretary of the Overland Mining company, arrived in Sumpter today to attend the annual meeting of stockholders and inspect the property. Manager Bain will take him out to the mine tomorrow. Mr. Fortin says that the financial situation in Minnesota and the central west generally, especially in the wheat-growing sections, is very encouraging; better, in fact, than on the Atlantic coast. Though there is some rust in certain sections, an immense wheat crop has been harvested which is selling for big prices.

J. T. Donnelly returned to Baker City today, from a trip into the hills, presumably to the Red Boy.

ECHOES OF THE MINING CONGRESS

The selection of Denver as the permanent headquarters of the American Mining congress has been the subject of no little comment, both locally and abroad, and it is pointed to as the turning point into a new era for the organization. From the drift of all this editorializing, that of Colorado mining publications particularly, we are able to pick out some ideas which call for a few side-lights.

The Mining Reporter, for example, laments the fact that the membership of the congress is not as representative as it might be, and in response to this declaration we should like to offer the suggestion that this condition, if it be entirely correct, is the best argument in favor of the importance of the organization. If all mining men have not yet awakened to the need of closer association in order to accomplish some of the many things which the congress stands for, it is well that a national body exists for the purpose of bringing them together.

There are a great many mining men, perhaps, who do not wish to ally themselves with any mining men's organization, just as the world is full of men who never enter any of the numerous fraternal orders. Others there may be who stay out because they think the congress does not possess the desired momentum, forgetting perhaps that the force of a movement like this is cumulative and that their staying out amounts to their withholding just so much needed influence. The man who hangs aloof is certainly in poor business finding fault with a movement in the interests of his business. Let him get aboard himself and his notions of policy will be welcomed. It is, of course, desirable that the membership of the congress shall grow, and the establishment of permanent headquarters will doubtless do much toward building up a substantial membership. The greater the representation, the greater the weight of the body.

It is not irrelevant to recall the jingle of the maiden who lounged to "go out and swim," and was instructed by her fond mama to "hang her clothes on the hickory limb and don't go near the water." Achievement calls for adventure, and the mining industry cannot hope to accomplish the worthy ends for which the congress is enlisted if any great number of its representatives simply hang up their raiment and let their backs blister on the banks of the creek.

Now, on the other hand, we find Ores and Metals advocating that the membership be limited. That is to say, it suggests that the organization be made up of men—"the men who make the mines," promoters and brokers in its eyes having no interest in the industry. Naturally it is expected that only "the men who make the mines" will have any desire to join a mining man's organiza-

tion, and in its broad sense no one could have any objection if such a limitation were imposed. But it is apparent that the editor quoted does not consider promoters and brokers as having anything to do with the making of mines.

Wherefore we suggest that symposium of all owners of mining property, all manufacturers of mining machinery and all mining engineers who are drawing fees for the examination of mines and prospects, be held for the purpose of determining whether they think they can get along without the men who make it a business of raising capital for the purchase of property, the erection of mills and the preliminary samplings and testings that all new enterprises require. If it be found that the promoter is not a "man who makes mines," then it will be well for the Mining congress to shut out all men who organize stock companies and sell shares to the public. But, does anyone seriously think so?—Daily Mining Record.

Preparing for Work at Red Boy.

John Thomsen, of the May Queen and the Red Boy, arrived today and went to the latter property, accompanied by a hydraulic engineer whose name The Miner could not learn, and John Riggs, who formerly had charge of the work on the water power at Olive lake. Mr. Thomsen stated that he is now deciding what work is to be done and that operations will be inaugurated at an early day. Already some men are employed, getting ready for the big force that will soon be engaged.

Peculiar Ledge Formation.

W. W. Gibbs, of the Copperopolis Copper company, was the only exhibitor of ore specimens at the recent session of the American Mining congress, and the splendid chunks of high grade ore attracted much favorable interest in the locality that produced them. The Copperopolis has a peculiar ledge formation, in that from the outer walls is a width of seventy two feet, but in its center occurs a wall of porphyry having about even width of twelve feet, dividing the ledge in two, each of thirty feet in width. The main working tunnel is driven on ore all of the way for more than 200 feet, and at no point is the copper value below five per cent, and runs very much higher, with a vast quantity averaging about fifteen per cent.—Telegram.

The Scandia Tunnel.

W. Wade returned last night from the Scandia Tunnel. He is superintendent of it. He says the main crosscut is now in over 3,000 feet, and he thinks 150 feet further will take it to the ledge. Mr. Wade contemplates extensive drifting on the main vein when reached and other encountered by the crosscut.

L. R. Bellmap, manager of the California mine, went out to the property on the morning stage.