

NEGOTIATING FOR THE RICH BELLEVUE MINE

Representative of Eastern Syndicate Due to
Arrive in Sumpter Shortly to
Examine Property.

A deal is on for La Bellevue. Similar announcements have been made scores of times. That negotiations have never been closed by no means reflects upon the richness of the mine, which is recognized and proven. Co-partnership dissention, war among bondholders and an inability to get together on a business basis is the explanation offered.

Latest negotiations for the sale of La Bellevue are being conducted by J. H. Parker, president of the First National Bank of Baker City, one of the owners of the mine and a representative of an eastern investment syndicate. The latter gentleman is scheduled to arrive in Sumpter today or tomorrow, to personally examine the property.

The fact of the pendency of the deal was learned Monday by a Sumpter mining man, who was in Baker City on that day to negotiate for a lease on La Bellevue's ore dumps.

He is said to have made Mr. Parker a flattering offer, but the banker was compelled to refuse consideration because of the fact that the entire property was virtually tied up until the arrival and report of the aforesaid eastern representative.

La Bellevue is one of the oldest and best known quartz mine in the Sumpter gold fields. It has frequently been estimated that the property contains 8350,000 worth of ore blocked out. The mill equipment now on the ground never was able to economically treat the ore, which fact explains its long idleness.

Fred Cabel, one of the pioneer quartz miners of this camp, who has been intimately identified with the Cable Cove and Lake Creek districts for thirty years, is one of the principal owners of La Bellevue. The other owners, besides Mr. Parker, are Bamburger & Keith, of Salt Lake.

DAINES SAYS THAT THINGS ARE MOVING

Mr. George W. Daines, president and manager of the Daines Mining and Milling company, who returned Saturday from a trip to the property, which is situated in the Greenhorn camp above Sumpter, reports that operations there are in a very healthy condition and that more work has been done this season than during any similar period in the past. Mr. Daines was accompanied on his trip by a celebrated engineer from Denver, and when seen yesterday they stated that if there is any camp or district in eastern Oregon mining fields that has a bright future before it, the Greenhorn camp is the one that can be banked on.

Mr. Daines states that their properties, the Belcher and Humboldt, which adjoin the I. X. L., are making good progress in their development work.

The Belcher property will be developed in preference to other holdings of the Daines company and its allied interests. The new ten stamp mill for the Belcher will be placed on the ground and the mill buildings erected before snow flies. Mr. Daines says that many of the other mines in that district are making splendid showings, and are shipping ores to the Sumpter smelter. In fact, just ordinary prospects are shipping ores to the smelter and getting sufficient values to pay for their development work.

Mr. Daines is enthusiastic on the Greenhorn district, and was one of the first men who placed confidence in its resources and began to develop the camp about three years ago.—
Baker City Democrat.

MILL ON THE BELCHER BEFORE WINTER COMES

G. W. Daines, president and manager of the Daines Mining and Milling company, operating the Belcher and Humboldt mines, in the Greenhorns, passed through Sumpter today on his way to the golden hills. His mission at this time, he says, is to arrange for the erection of a ten-stamp mill on the Belcher at the earliest possible date. The machinery is now at Tipton, awaiting transportation to the property. Mr. Daines expects to get the plant on the ground and under cover before snow falls. Pending the completion of the mill, Mr. Daines says that development work on the Belcher will be kept up with a good force.

INCREASE SHIPMENTS FROM THE IMPERIAL

A. L. McEwen is in town from the Imperial mine, Cable Cove, where a three-stamp mill is kept busy day and night. Over a hundred tons of concentrates have been shipped from the Imperial since the property passed into the hands of McEwen, Arthur & McEwen on a bond and lease. Manager McEwen announces that during October the shipments of concentrates will be doubled. Yesterday for the first time they began stopping ore. Previously they had been working from the dump.

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