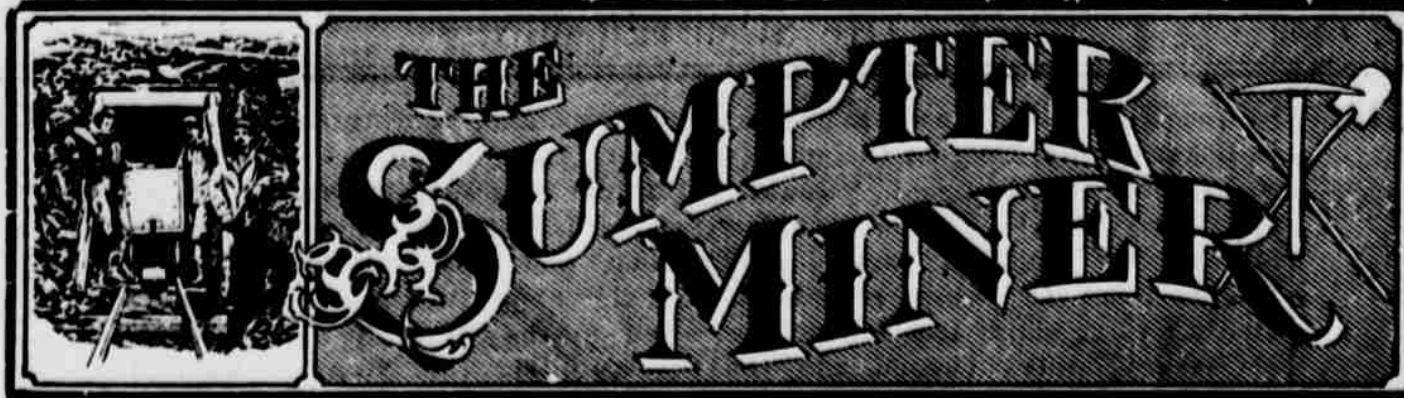


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HEIRESS TO A FORTUNE TO OPEN SUMPTER MINE

G. F. Guinther and wife departed this afternoon for St. Louis, Chicago and New York, after a visit to the Great Western and Combination mines, above the Midway, owned by the Home Mining company, of The Dalles, which is Mr. Guinther's home.

His visit to the property was for the purpose of personally determining its merits. Accompanying him was Assayer Charles F. Raht, who exhaustively sampled the 350-foot Great Western tunnel and the 150-foot tunnel on the Combination. Assays have not yet been made, but will be Monday, and returns forwarded to Mr. Guinther at Salem, Missouri, his old home, where he will visit a few days. Mrs. Guinther accompanied her husband to the mines, having her first experience underground.

"The mines look good," said Mr. Guinther to a Miner man this afternoon. "We will arrange to open the property on a large scale next spring, immediately upon my return from New York."

Associated with Mr. Guinther in

the Home Mining company are Joe Koontz, Daniel Baker, and Albert Lake, all prominent citizens of The Dalles, the last-named being county judge of Wasco county. Lou Osmond, of Sumpter, is also a heavy owner.

Mrs. Guinther recently fell heir to a valuable estate in New York City, left by a deceased uncle, Henry Wickman, who died intestate, leaving a four-story brick building on Wall street. Lawyers searched over a year for an heir, and finally traced Mrs. Guinther's heirship and located her in New York. Thither she and her husband are now going, and upon their return, a snug chunk of Mrs. Guinther's legacy will go toward the development of the Baker county mines above mentioned.

Mrs. Guinther, after her trip to the Great Western and Combination, has a pronounced case of gold fever, the symptom being a very natural enthusiasm over the richness of contiguous mines and the promise of the ones in which her husband is interested.

HEINZE-LAWSON GAME OF BLUFF

A press dispatch from Butte says that F. Augustus Heinze denies he has turned over his Butte properties to the Amalgamated Copper company. In reply to Thomas W. Lawson's statement that he will distribute \$1,000,000 among the miners of Butte if Heinze can disprove the "sell out" charge, the Butte magnate declared his willingness to wager \$250,000 with the Boston broker that he can show a controlling interest in United Copper. Mr. Heinze's signed statement follows:

"I am too busy a man to be called upon to answer such wild statements as those emanating from Thomas Lawson, of Boston, and men of his class, but I am still ready to prove my sincerity to the people of Montana, and to do so I am ready to ignore the source from which such statements issue, and in reply to Mr. Lawson's assertion that I have lost control of my mining properties in Butte, I hereby offer the following proposition to Mr. Lawson:

"I will post a forfeit of \$250,000 in any reputable bank in Butte City, to be used to build and maintain in the state of Montana a home for indigent and disabled union men, if I do not produce in the city of Butte, before a committee composed of five gentlemen, one each appointed by the miners' union, the mill and smelters' union, the stationary en-

gineer's union, the American labor union, the control of stock of the United Copper company, providing Thomas W. Lawson, of Boston, posts a like sum in the same place, binding himself to forfeit the same, to be used for the same purpose, if I do produce the stock hereinbefore referred to."

Thomas W. Lawson tonight wired a rejoinder to Mr. Heinze, declining to be a party to a bet on the proposition. Lawson declares if the present owners of the United Copper company could cause him any loss through placing temporarily in the hands of Heinze enough United stock to give him control, they would do so, although such an act would not affect the final transfer of the Heinze properties to the Amalgamated.

The attack upon Heinze printed in the Miner, from the pen of Mr. Lawson, is intended to show that Heinze has lost control of the his United Copper company. Lawson also replies to an attack upon him by Heinze, published in the Reveille. Among other things, Heinze is credited with saying that Lawson began his career with Richard Canfield, the notorious New York gambler, and dealt faro for him during a ten year stay. Among other things Heinze charged:

"Lawson divided with Rogers a million dollars hush money Rogers secured from Henry M. Whitney, and they both testified to it recently on the witness stand under oath. Lawson's story in Everybody's Magazine will never be finished, for Henry H. Rogers will buy him off. Lawson had a picture drawn of American kings of finance with Thomas W. Lawson in the center.

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He sent this picture to every banking house in the world, in South American and in Australia. Not only do I (Heinze) know these things, but my associate, P. A. O'Farrell, knows Lawson and knows each and every one of them to be truths and will pledge his sacred honor they are truths."

There were ten of these specifications, and now Lawson denies each of them with the utmost positiveness and detail. He challenges Heinze to prove them true, and on proof of the truth of each one of Heinze's charges he promises to give \$20 to every miner working for the Amalgamated and the United Copper company November 1, and to each of the mining and smelting labor organizations in Montana \$10,000. Such forfeits if paid would run into millions of dollars.

Mr. Lawson adds:

"That the mystery of the so called 'Heinze sellout' may be cleared up, I will say: Last summer Heinze ceased to own the United Copper company, and as arrangements were being perfected to turn it over to the Amalgamated, he was called east to save what he could from the wreck. Before the present owners had passed the title, I served notice upon the management of the Amalgamated on behalf of myself and other large stockholders that, although the price to be paid was a comparatively small one, I would secure an injunction from the courts, stopping the sale on the ground that the Amalgamated was already entitled to the United Copper company's property because of the ore thefts of Heinze, and that company from the Amalgamated company's properties, but that if the courts decided differently, then the sale could proceed and I would agree in such event to ask the army of Amalgamated stockholders who I control to ratify it. Thereupon suits, with damages at over \$25,000,000, were brought by the Amalgamated company and are now awaiting trial, which is the present condition of affairs."

Greenhorn District.

William H. Aubin, superintendent of the cyanide plant at the I. X. L. mine in the Greenhorn district, twenty miles from Sumpter, is in

Pendleton on a brief vacation. Mr. Aubin, owns farm near Pendleton. "Mining operations in the Greenhorn," he said, "are lively. There are about twenty men employed in the camp just now. The I. X. L. is working a full crew and the New York is soon to sink a 100-foot shaft. Most of the mineral deposits in the Greenhorn are cyaniding ores; that is it requires the cyanide process to separate the gold from the base metals. There is but little free milling ore in the entire region."—East Oregonian.

Strike Near Durkee.

A new strike has been made some six miles north of the Gold Hill mines and ten miles from Durkee. Charles Peterson, William Dial and Roll Passmore are the lucky ones who made the discovery and are now developing six claims that on the surface show values as high as twenty dollars to the ton. The ledge is a true fissure vein about four feet wide and is located above the Dial placers on William creek. Gold nuggets reaching the value of \$20 have been taken from the placers and it is firmly believed by the discoverers that the new discovery is the mother lode of the placers of that section. A force of men are now doing the development work on the claims and will continue work all winter.—Herald.

Baker County Assessment.

Assessor George B. Jett has completed the footings in Baker county's assessment for 1904, the total valuation being \$3,955,035. The total number of cattle in the county is 26,954, valued at \$215,860; horses, 4,301, valued at \$46,785; sheep, 99,572 valued at \$77,165. The forty-four miles of narrow gauge roadbed of the Sumpter Valley is valued at \$89,500 and the sixty-seven miles of the O. R. & N. is valued at \$371,800. There are only 79,848 acres of tillable land in the county, valued at \$702,665, and 306,260 acres of non-tillable valued at \$511,170.

W. C. Calder returned this morning from a trip to Portland.