

## The Sumpter Miner

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Colorado produces five millions dollars worth of sugar beets this year. Colorado's gold mines are not all beneath the surface of the earth.—New York Commercial.

The Gotham paper is apparently laboring under the impression that sugar beets grow on bushes, or, possibly, somewhere up in the air.

In the trial of that odorous quartet of men and women in Portland, charged with land frauds, some testimony was introduced that implicated Congressman Binger Hermann, former land commissioner. He hastens to explain in an interview that it is all a mistake; that his wicked assistant and successor as land commissioner, Richardson, is the man who sanctioned those frauds—even if he didn't stand in with them. Now, the point to this denial and counter charge, is that President Roosevelt virtually "fired" Hermann from the service and appointed Richardson to the vacancy, and the opinion is expressed by the knowing ones that if Hermann can even remotely connect Richardson with these frauds, he will stir up all kinds of trouble for the administration, which he will, of course, gladly do, because he and the president do not love each other.

S. S. Bailey, who wagered about \$30,000 on the election of Judge Turner, charges that wholesale frauds were committed by republican election officials in King county, and that the result was to defeat Judge Turner and J. C. Williams, democratic nominee for sheriff in that county. In substance, Mr. Bailey charges that republican election officials refused to construe properly the intention of voters in cases where a cross was made at the head of the republican ticket and the names of Turner and Williams subsequently indicated by crosses opposite these candidates' places on the official ballot.

"How about the democratic officials on the election board, named with the approval of the county committees throughout the state, Mr. Bailey?" was asked. "Juges are known to have been bought," was the reply.

In effect Mr. Bailey charges that more than 7,000 votes were disregarded in King county by election officials, who should have credited them to Turner.

Lewis and Clark had some of their most thrilling experiences of their trip in what is now Umatilla county. Near Wallula, on the return journey in June, 1806, after having exhausted their supplies in making the tedious portages of the Columbia river, all the party sick, worn out and hungry, they met Yellepet, chief of the Walla Walla Indians, who built bonfires, made a feast and gave the worn travellers warm robes of buffalo, deer and elk skins, in which to sleep and rest. By chance, a captive Shoshone

boy was held by the Walla Walla. Belonging to Sacajawea's tribe, she could converse with him, and thus the full mission of the exploring party was made known to the Walla Walla. From the treatment accorded them by Chief Yellepet, the explorers wrote in their official journals: "We may indeed justly affirm, that of all the Indians whom we have met since leaving the United States, the Walla Walla are the most hospitable and sincere." Yellepet, the Walla Walla chief, in token of his esteem, gave to Captain Clark his snow white war horse—the pride of his heart. In return, Clark gave the chief the most valuable possession he had—his captain's sword. The Walla Walla called in the neighboring tribes and held a feast and jubilee in honor of the exploring party. It was with genuine regret that Lewis and Clark departed from the hospitable camp of the Walla Walla, and started into the uninviting mountains to the east.—East Oregonian.

Emperor Nicholas, initiator of the plan for universal disarmament, may turn his back on the reactionaries and crown his reign by granting to his subjects the constitution which his grandfather had already prepared when he fell by the hand of an assassin. The basis of such a possibility is the significant fact that the emperor has received a delegation of four prominent members of the zemstvo congress and listened at length to their views. The news that the delegation had been given an audience by the emperor spread like wild fire through the city and created tremendous excitement and rejoicing among the Liberals and amazement among the uncompromising supporters of the old regime.

### NOTES OF THE MINES.

Dorfman & Rosenthal, the Whitney merchants, have opened a branch store at Greenhorn.

Zoeth Houser passed through on the afternoon train from the Standard mine to Pendleton

Two shifts are driving the crosscut tunnel at the Gold Bug, near Granite. The force will shortly be increased.

The Basche-Sage company this morning sent out a shipment of steam pipe to the Oro Fino mine at Alamo.

J. A. Howard went to Baker City today to meet Mrs. Howard and daughter, who are returning from Hot Lake.

Colonel Jim Panting, general manager of the Gold Hill mine, near Durkee, has joined the rush to Tonopah.

Leo Friede, of Portland, has been slated by the executive committee for president of the Oregon Miners' association.

The Blue Bird mine is getting ready to turn out bullion. Manager O. C. Wright this morning sent out an amalgam retort.

General Manager Frank Baillie, of the Columbia mine came up from Baker this morning and drove out to the big producer.

J. N. Escajtyne consulting engineer for the Gelsner-Hendryx company returned to Sumpter this morning from a trip to the west.

P. R. Bishop, one of the owners of the Climax mine, adjoining the Columbia, came up from Baker City this morning en route to the property.

The 100-foot drift in the main Standard vein, in the Standard mine at Quartzburg, has entered a five-foot ore body, two feet of which assays in the hundreds.

A four-horse wagon load of powder, fuse, steel drills and miscellaneous mining supplies were this morning hauled from the Basche-Sage store to the Gold Bug mine.

According to deed filed with the recorder of Grant county, Fred Warren has sold to Francis Claron et. al, a two-thirds interest in the Climax mine, near Granite, for \$3,000.

Thirty-five men are employed at the Monumental, sinking on No. 2 vein, upraising from the lower tunnel, drifting on No. 3 both north and south, and driving to the north on No. 7.

On the North Fork during the winter W. L. Vinson will clean out and retimber the old tail race tunnel on what is known as the Gallagher bar. The work will employ four men during the winter.

A. P. Smith, representative-elect from Baker county, who is operating the Emma group, on Little Cracker, has drifted 125 feet on the vein and opened up shipping ore, which will be sent to the Sumpter smelter.

W. L. Vinson, manager of the Emma mine, east of Baker, and operator of the North Fork placers near Granite, has purchased the entire grocery stock of the Bonanza, and has stored the goods in a warehouse in Baker.

Commodore Tom C. Gray, general manager of the Valley Queen mine, walked down from Goddess mountain Thursday to eat Thanksgiving turkey. He will return tomorrow having been detained in town by business with the smelter.

Four feet of milling ore, grading \$80, have been opened in an eighty-foot drift to the north from the 330-foot level of the I. X. L. mine, in the Greenhorns. The south drift is in four feet of \$26 rock. No further milling will be done until the rich free gold shoot, found in the upper workings, is cut at the 300.

Ore of high enough grade for shipment to the Sumpter smelter has been opened in a 700-foot tunnel on the Uncle Sam, on the west slope of Baldy mountain. The shipping ore occurs in a two-foot streak in a six-foot vein. The property is owned by a Detroit company with a number of Sumpter stockholders.

At the Big Bonanza group, on McCully fork, six miles from Sumpter, W. E. Burchtorf and Tom Mohan have drifted 110 feet across a dyke which has been proven to a depth of 150 feet, and the entire drift is in ore assaying from \$3.40 to \$13.80. When the hanging wall is reached, a crosscut tunnel will be started lower down, to run 500 feet and gain an identical depth.

W. E. Davidson & Company, of Pendleton, and W. W. Reese, of Prairie City, have secured the Independence group, an extension of the Dixie Meadows mine, under lease and bond. The Independence shows a forty-five foot ledge, carrying good values. A drift will be extended to a point directly beneath some rich surface croppings, which will require a steady winter's work.

John Thomsen, acting manager and a member of the executive board of the reorganized Red Boy mine, drove in from Granite yesterday to meet his old friend and schoolmate, J. A. Milligan, of

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Wakefield, Nebraska. Mr. Thomsen returned to the Red Boy today and Mr. Milligan to Baker. The latter is a stockholder in the May Queen, of which Mr. Thomsen is president.

Walter Craue, operating the Gold Bug, on Rabbit creek, has driven eight feet into an ore shoot opened up in the other workings. Work will be continued all winter.

### Bucknum Buys His Stolen Horse.

This morning Dr. Greenlee sold F. O. Bucknum a horse. After the trade was made, the buyer, while inspecting the animal admiringly, detected a striking resemblance to a horse that was stolen from him four years ago. He then began searching for strawberry marks, or whatever a horse that has escaped from the fold has for that method of private identification, and found it exactly where it formerly was, and he was convinced that he had recovered his long lost equine. Dr. Greenlee tells a straight story as to how the horse came into his possession; says he traded for it, and no amount of cross questioning could shake his testimony. It is therefore probable that, in the absence of evidence to convict, he will not be prosecuted.

Dan Yeager's nose began bleeding yesterday morning, as he was preparing to depart for his Gold Center mines, and the rich red gore flowed merrily for nearly an hour. Dr. Pearce staunched the flow and commanded Mr. Yeager to remain in town for a few days to guard against the recurrence. "You don't want to bleed to death, out there in the hills, Dan, do you?" asked the doctor. "Not me," replied Dan. "I want to live till after election anyway. I'm candidate for mayor of Gold Center."