

OLD PLACER MINE UPON APPLIGATE AGAIN YIELDS GOLD

BY W. W. WATSON

For fifty years or more the old Brantner placer mine on the Applegate river, 17 miles from Medford, has yielded its quota of gold, the annual output being measured by the desire of those who worked it for enough to satisfy an immediate need. Originally, it yielded generously. It was worked regularly. Its operator always carried away a bag of the precious stuff. But it seems to be the victim only of its owner's whim, as the years passed, for its gold-bearing gravel was disturbed less and less, until Mansfield came along, discovered the ease with which the property could be worked, the extent of the pay-dirt in sight and the abundance of the water necessary in its operation. He bought it—and again the stream from the giant nozzle washed down the precious harvest. Nobody knows what the new owner obtained from its golden sands, but he was not known to complain about the extent of the clean-up during any season through which he operated it.

Medford Citizen Buys It Presently it was abandoned, so far as work was concerned, whether because its owner thought he had exhausted its supply of pay-dirt or preferred to devote his energies and time to something else no hint is given. The seasons came and passed, but the splatter of the nozzle was silent. It lies in a rich mining district, many claims about it having been worked during the past decades with great profit and some with less. In other parts of the district rich veins of ore have been uncovered and in some instances worked with much profit intermittently. But the Mansfield claim bleached in the sun.

Recently J. D. Bell, who has capital to invest in numerous local enterprises, was attracted by the recital of a chapter in the history of this old claim. He was at once interested and began an investigation, which finally resulted in his acquisition of the claim, one hundred acres in extent, its bank runs to a depth of 24 feet, with a vein of wash gravel seven feet thick and strata of gravel intervening, all carrying values.

Put Force to Work At once Mr. Bell put a force to work, after having equipped the mine with a No. 2 Giant throwing a 3-inch stream. On the 21st day of January, 17 days ago, six men began the work of handling 500 cubic yards of dirt a day. The stream is never broken. Piles of earth in solution are washed into the slatted flume every hour of the 24 each day. The supply of water, however, is sufficient to operate two No. 2 Giants, each with a 4-inch capacity, without touching the run from the wash ditch, which would supply 1500 miner's inches more.

Fred T. Osborn, a mining engineer and superintendent for 20 years, was employed as superintendent of the Bell placer mine and, after investigating the property, entered upon the work with eager enthusiasm. Mr. Osborn is thoroughly equipped by experience and practical knowledge of mines to handle the proposition for "all there is in it."

Revival in Mining Thus this old bed of gravel, broad and deep in extent, is again the scene of interested activity. Every equipment has been supplied to give the work regularity and completeness. The splash and splatter and slish of business again awaken the hills and serags about the "Old Brantner" with forgotten echoes. The grains of gold, released from their beds of gravel, are seeking their way into the trap of the miner, en route to the mould of the mint. And the friends of Owner Bell are hoping that they may yield their harvest by the ton.

Interest in mining matters, in old claims and new claims and claims that the silent pocket-bunter found and passed long ago, because he couldn't pick up nuggets in chunks, have begun to receive affectionate attention this spring in a manner that suggests a revival of mining activities in southern Oregon is one of the substantial evidences of new life in this region this year.

Southern Oregon and northern California comprise one of the richest undeveloped mining regions on the continent, both in vast ledges of ore and broad areas of placer. There is abundant excuse for this activity.

Card of Thanks. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Loder desire to express their heartfelt gratitude to the many friends who, by act and word, comforted them in their hour of profound grief over the loss of the idol of their household, little Doris. Especially would they thank those who so bountifully provided the floral tributes and affectionately banded them about the little casket.

THE WHEEZE WEEKLY

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Our Great Beauty Contest

Send in Your Pictures, Girls, and Take a Chance.

You might win the prize—a solid celluloid potato peeler—and even if you don't, think of the free advertising you get for nothing! Lots of young men read The Wheeze.

Local Briefs. Lin Garrison is out of work, but expects to start in business for himself soon.

Mr. Hy Pindell is prominently mentioned for a good job with the government. He almost got one once before, but there's many a slip twixt Peoria and Petrograd and he didn't get it that time.

Congressman Porkbarl of here writes to you ed—"Folks are sending back so much of my free seed with snappy letters about this preparedness business, I'm beginning to fear they don't fully appreciate the difficulties of statesmanship. But republics always was ungrateful!"

Sheriff Bozuz says if they don't quit "reporting" Panch Villa, the well known bandit, and "kit" him pretty soon, he'll go on the trail himself. Look out Panch, warn we!

Go to Cohen's for pickles, carpet sweepers, phonograph records and home made pies.—Adv.



in BEAUTY CONTEST

After going through an ash wagon load of beauty contestants' pictures this week we print Miss Minnie Mushmug of Blaawurst, N. D. Miss Mushmug is a dish bather in T. Bone Fogarty's Steak Shop—and says: "The steam from the dish water is acceptable for my wonderful complexion."

Mr. Editor: Why is it a horse doesn't get tired of his daily menu of hay and oats.—F. O. Bits.

August Hartwig of Blank Jack township, had so much mud in the road in front of his house his chickens got stuck in it and August had to pull them out before somebody ran over them. August got some muddy himself before he finished the job.

Girls! Have your beauty contest pictures taken at Bobb's—no case refused, no matter how difficult.—Adv.

Tim O'Hara — Horseshoing, auto repairing, piano tuning.—Adv.

The Mansion House hotel had a guest last week, but his handwriting was so bad neither the ed, nor the genial bonifaire, Hiram Podd, could read who he was.

Bargains in carpet slippers, slate pencils, canned salmon and axle grease—at Dobbie's Emporium.—Adv.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS If it wasn't that our advertisers would krek about the loss in circulation we'd stop the papers going to a lot of folks who haven't paid their subscriptions. Better look out, an' way, we may change our mind!—Ed.

Our Mail Box. Dear Editor: Will a pawn shop take gold fish?—A. M. Broke. Dear Editor: How is it I can catch a cold but can never catch a rabbit?—Wm. Lorse. (Lay off that "Ed." stuff.—Ed.) Dear Editor: Here is a little poem which I wrote:

Rubbers make the feet look worse, But they keep one from riding in a larse. —Constant Bunn.

Pop. Simpson went to Branch Crossing without his overcoat on last Tuesday and caught a chill. He had to go into Winkelmeyer's ice cream parlor to get warm.

At the Churches

St. Mark's Episcopal. 10 a. m., Sunday school; 11 a. m., holy communion. William B. Hamilton, vicar.

Catholic Church. First mass, Sunday, 8 a. m.; second mass, 10:30 a. m.; evening services, 7:30. Rev. John Powers, rector.

Free Methodist. Corner Tenth and Ivy. Sunday school, 10 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m.; preaching, 7:30 p. m.; mid-week prayer meeting, Thursday, 7:30. You are welcome at these services. J. E. Bradley, pastor.

Seventh Day Adventist Church. North Riverside avenue, meets every Saturday. Sabbath school, 10 a. m.; Bible study, 11 a. m.; Young People's meeting, 12:30 p. m.; Prayer meeting every Wednesday at 7:30 p. m. T. G. Bunch, pastor.

First Baptist. Sunday school, 9:30 a. m.; intermediate B. Y. P. U., 3:00 p. m.; B. Y. P. U., 6:15 p. m., topic, "How to Put the Bible Into Life." leaders Mae Meadows and Waunita Carstens. There will be no evening service on account of the union revival meeting.

Jacksonville Presbyterian. Morning worship with sermon by Dr. J. Lawrence Hill, subject, "The Christ of History," solo, "Abide With Me" (Ashford), by Dr. W. W. Howard; evening union service at 7:30 with sermon by Rev. R. A. Hutchinson, of the Methodist church; Sunday school at 10 o'clock, A. L. Gall, leader.

First Christian. Corner Ninth and Oakdale. Bible school, 9:45. Communion service at the close of Sunday school in order to enable all to attend the union revival at the Nat. Bring your offering for the church and your envelope properly marked and either drop it in the plate at the church or at the Nat. Please do not forget this, as the running expenses of the church will be taken care of in this way. H. E. Tucker, minister. Residence 314 S. Holly.

Natorium Meetings for Sunday. There will be three services at the Nat on Sunday. At 11 a. m. a union meeting of the churches. Mr. Mathis will preach on "The Second Mile." At 3 o'clock a meeting for women only. This will be the only exclusive women's meeting of the series. At 7:30 a great mass meeting at which Mr. Mathis will preach on "The Open Door." Special music at each service. Extra seating capacity has been provided and all are invited to the Sunday services. Come early.

Methodist. Griffin Creek. R. A. Hutchinson, pastor. Sunday school, 10 a. m. J. A. Bickerdike, supt.; preaching service, 11 a. m., subject, "The Cross," duet by Professor and Mrs. Ashcraft; prayer service Wednesday, 7:30, C. Darby leader. The church is here for the uplift of the community. The church stands for everything that is uplifting in human nature. Can we

JACKSONVILLE ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. A. Gibson of Sterling transacted business in town Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Jennings passed through town Thursday on their way from Buncom to Medford.

Mrs. F. C. Smith and Mrs. Lewis Ulrich spent Tuesday afternoon in Medford.

Mrs. Gay Harper was the guest of Mrs. Ewing of Medford Thursday, taking in the Guild bridge party in the afternoon.

Mrs. C. L. Grant was a Jacksonville visitor one day last week.

Joseph Moreton, who has been employed in a mine at Vantrent, Cal., spent a few days in town the first of the week.

Fred Lay of Wellen was a recent Jacksonville visitor.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Lawrence, Mr. Fleming and Miss Fleming came over from Medford Monday evening to attend the Royal Neighbors' social.

Mr. and Mrs. John Dunnington spent Saturday evening in Medford.

Mrs. Ella Cook has returned from a week's visit with Mrs. Blaine Klum at Medford.

Mrs. Oscar Lewis spent a few hours in Medford Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ulrich entertained at dinner Sunday, covers being laid for Mr. and Mrs. Otto King, Mr. and Mrs. Basil Gregory, Mrs. Smith and Miss Elizabeth Blackford.

Deputy Sheriff Wilson made a business trip to Steamboat Thursday.

Mrs. Henry Lay entertained the Fortnightly Bridge club at her home Friday evening.

The box social given by the Royal Neighbors last Monday evening proved a success, both financially and socially. An excellent program was

rendered, after which the boxes were sold and the guests repaired to the banquet room. Dancing was indulged in until a late hour.

The Edison concert given by Mr. Palmer at the school house Thursday night was greatly enjoyed, the records being unusually clear.

A Kleinhammer of Buncom carried in town a few hours Thursday.

Attorney Guy Newbury attended to business at the courthouse Thursday.

Floyd Jones is reported slightly improved at this writing.

J. F. Turner, a mining man from Spokane, Wash., is looking over the mines in this vicinity.

Mrs. M. M. Taylor is home again after spending two months at the Applegate.

COURT HOUSE NEWS

Reported by Jackson County Abstract Co., Sixth and Fir Sts.

Circuit Court. A. M. McPhail Piano Co. vs. J. F. Hale, action for money.

Annie E. Baker vs. W. P. Baker, divorce.

John Carlson et al. vs. Galt Creek Mining & Development Co. et al., suit in equity.

Probate. Estate of Anna Poe, proof of publication.

Estate of Eliza C. Jones, proof of publication.

Real Estate Transfers. Joshua J. Morlon et ux to Sidney Jacques, land in Allendale Add., Ashland, \$1,800.

Mary J. Gridley et vir to J. Geppert, land in sec. 8-35-2E. 10

NOTICE Precincts Medford North Main and West Medford register now at the Mail Tribune office.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHERIFF. I hereby announce my candidacy for the nomination for sheriff on the republican ticket, to be voted upon at the coming primaries, May 19th, 1916.

I have held the position of deputy sheriff for the past four years and am thoroughly familiar with the duties connected with the office, both clerical and outside work.

I feel that I am competent to hold the position, and it nominated and elected, will give the people of Jackson county an efficient and economical administration.

I also agree if elected to enforce all laws. Adv. E. W. (Carley) WILSON.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY. I hereby announce that I have filed my declaration of intention to become a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of District Attorney for Jackson county, Oregon, subject to the decision of the republican party, at the primary election to be held May 19, 1916.

I am a candidate for re-election to the office of district attorney. Adv. E. E. KELLY.

I hereby announce that I have filed my declaration of intention, and that I am a candidate for the democratic nomination for the office of district attorney, subject to the May primaries. If I am nominated and elected to this office, I promise not to forget the fact that I am a public servant, and that I will to the best of my ability administer the affairs of the office, impartially, honestly and without fear or favor.

Adv. NEWTON W. BORDEN

COUNTY TREASURER. Deputy County Treasurer Myrtle W. Blakeley announces her candidacy for the office of county treasurer.

I hereby announce my candidacy on the republican ticket for the office of county treasurer, to be voted on at the coming primaries. I have held the position as deputy in this office for the past year and am confident that I can fulfill the duties connected therewith.

I served two years as deputy county recorder before taking the position as deputy county treasurer; I have also had experience as accountant for several corporations, such as the Medford Concrete Construction company and Medford Ice and Storage Company, before taking up county work, and will say that my past record is open for inspection to the voters of Jackson county.

If nominated and elected I will run the office without the expense of a deputy and continue to serve the public just as efficient in the future as I have in the past.

Adv. MYRTLE W. BLAKELEY.

I hereby announce that I have filed my declaration of intention to become a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of county treasurer, to be voted on in the coming primaries.

I am nominated and elected will conduct the office in an efficient and businesslike manner.

Adv. ROY L. MAULE.

COUNTY CLERK. I hereby announce that I have filed my declaration of intention to become a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of county clerk, for Jackson county, Oregon, subject to the decision of the republican party at the primary election to be held May 19, 1916.

Adv. (Little) JOE H. WILSON.

I hereby announce that I have filed my declaration of intention to become a candidate for the republican nomination for the office of county clerk, for Jackson county, Oregon, subject to the decision of the republican party at the primary election to be held May 19, 1916.

Adv. A. N. HEDBRAND.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENT. I hereby announce my candidacy on the republican ticket for the office of County School Superintendent for Jackson county, Oregon, subject to the will of the republican party at the primary election May 19.

I stand for practical school efficiency, personal supervision of the schools and elimination of county school supervisors.

Adv. FRANCIS C. SMITH.

COUNTY ASSESSOR. I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of county assessor of Jackson county on the republican ticket, subject to the primary on May 19. I pledge myself to an honest, efficient, impartial and economical discharge of the duties of the office and propose to make all assessments upon the basis of the true actual value of the property and not upon any inflated valuation.

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