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## RAILROAD SURVEYORS MAKING HEADWAY

### ELY VALLEY TO HAVE A BIG PLANT

Manager Thomarson Departs Tomorrow For England to Confer With Officials

Edward Thomarson, manager of the Ely Valley mine, expects to leave on an European trip tomorrow morning and according to the itinerary arranged, will not return until about September 1.

The Ely Valley is controlled by a syndicate of Englishmen and Mr. Thomarson has been called abroad to discuss with the members of the syndicate, the matter of installing larger mine equipment and to lay plans for the future.

An important work undertaken at the Ely Valley during the past week is the sinking of the shaft below the 300-foot level, which up to a few days ago, was the lowest point in the mine. The shaft, Mr. Thomarson states, is to be continued on to the 500-foot point whereupon cross-cuts will be run out to the ore bodies, just as has been done on the 300 level.

Mr. Thomarson reports that the east cross-cut from the 300 level has encountered a good body of ore containing shipping values.

The fine display of Pioche ores, selected from nearly every mine in the camp, and which has occupied cabinet space in the Ely Valley office for sometime, is to be taken across the pond. The collection is a valuable one and will do much towards bringing the attention of English capital to this region. It has taken Mr. Thomarson months to get this collection together, but it is a beauty and considered to be very valuable.

#### DEMIJOHN MINE.

Two Car Loads of Ore Now on The Dump Awaits Shipment.

President Owen A. Bailey of the Pioche Demijohn Mining Co., is expected in camp again sometime next week when, it is said, he will make arrangements to ship some ore from the Demijohn mine.

The Record has been informed by Supt W. E. Bailey that there is enough high grade ore on the dump now to make up at least two car loads. Underground conditions are reported to be of a most satisfactory character, and taking into consideration the size of the force now employed, very good headway is being made. The mine needs, however to be better equipped to facilitate development and that is among the matters which has been receiving attention of the directors of the company lately.

County Clerk Wm. E. Orr has been out of town on a fishing trip this week.

### Men Working On the Proposed Prince Con. Line Still In Field

Pioche Wing of Survey Is Completed and Men Are Now Working Towards Panaca—Pioche Metals Way a Favorable Route To Bonanzas Along the Prince Zone—Chief Engineer Knowles Arrives On Scene.

EXCEPTING THE MATTER OF ARRANGING A FEW DETAILS, THE SURVEYING PARTY OF THE SALT LAKE ROUTE HAS COMPLETED THE PIOCHE WING OF THE PROPOSED EXTENSION OF THE CALIENTE & PIOCHE TO THE PRINCE CONSOLIDATED MINE. TUESDAY MORNING, THE ENGINEERS STRUCK OUT FROM THE PRINCE TOWARDS PANACA AND ACCORDING TO CHIEF ENGINEER KNOWLES, WHO RETURNED FROM SALT LAKE TUESDAY EVENING, IT WILL TAKE HIS MEN PROBABLY TEN DAYS TO COMPLETE THE WORK AND UNTIL THEN IT WILL NOT BE DETERMINED WHICH WAY THE LINE WILL BE BUILT.

MR. KNOWLES SAYS, HOWEVER, THAT THE GRADE AROUND BY THE ELY VALLEY, PIOCHE METALS, DEMIJOHN, GOLD & SILVER PRINCE, GOLDEN PRINCE AND PIOCHE KING IS AN EASY ONE; THAT THE DISTANCE FROM THE PIOCHE DEPOT TO THE PRINCE IS ONLY ABOUT EIGHT MILES.

MR. KNOWLES ALSO STATES THAT AFTER THE SURVEYS ARE COMPLETED, AND THE ROUTE SELECTED, IT WILL REQUIRE POSSIBLY THREE WEEKS TO ASSEMBLE GRADING AND CONSTRUCTION GANGS; THAT IT WILL PROBABLY THEN BE NECESSARY TO COUNT ON TWO MONTHS MORE TIME TO GET THE LINE IN-SHAPE FOR OPERATION, WHICH WOULD TAKE IT INTO THE EARLY PART OF OCTOBER.

#### MEN FROM SUNFLOWER STATE VISIT THE MINES

M. A. Low, general attorney for the Chicago Rock Island & Pacific railroad, with headquarters at Topeka, Kansas, arrived Sunday evening accompanied by A. D. Walker, J. B. Case, E. T. Guymond, and J. W. Creech, all prominent and well-to-do business men from the Sunflower state.

Mr. Low is president of the Golden Prince and the Gold & Silver Prince Mining companies, which are pushing the development of their respective properties with a great deal of vigor over in the Prince ore zone.

The visitors are all shareholders in the foregoing named corporations, and they went away—excepting Mr. Low who remained in camp several days longer—Thursday with expressions of satisfaction over the manner in which the work of development is progressing under the direction of D. R. Low and George E. Coxe.

The Golden Prince shaft has reached the 500-foot point; a station cut and preparation made to cross-cut from that level. A pleasing change has occurred in the face of the two drifts on the 300-foot level.

At the Gold & Silver Prince, the shaft has passed the 100-foot mark and is being shoved on to the deep as fast as money and machinery can do it. The electric plant was placed in commission early in the week and now the mines and buildings of the two companies are supplied with light from this source.

Work is being pushed on the Low and Coxe residences. In a few days, the boarding house to be used by both companies will begin to assume form.

Among other improvements in contemplation, is a larger hoisting and compressor plant for the Golden Prince.

#### PRINCE CONSOLIDATED GETTING READY FOR PERMANENT SHAFT

In line with the policy outlined for the future, the management of the Prince Consolidated Mining & Smelting company will shortly begin the task of putting in its permanent working shaft. The mine is already opened down to 550 feet and on every level a world of ore has been exposed. But the exploitation of the mine to greater depths with the present shaft is deemed inadvisable for the reason that the further it is sent on towards the center of the earth, the farther it will get away from the ore bodies, it being inclined away from instead of towards the resources of the mine.

Besides, when it comes to the extraction of large tonnage from the property, as will be the case in the near future, a vertical shaft is almost a necessity. But the task will not be as difficult as some might suppose, for Superintendent Lloyd intends to raise from the several levels of the mine at the same time and by this means the hole will be punched through to the surface in quick order.

Unless facilities for electric power are available in the camp in the meantime, it is the purpose of the Prince Consolidated officials to install a large steam hoisting plant.

The company is shipping high grade ore to the smelters, the product coming from the lower levels of the mine.

#### PIOCHE WILL CELEBRATE THE GLORIOUS FOURTH

Pioche will celebrate. At a rotating meeting of citizens last Thursday evening at Thompson's opera house, it was decided to prepare for two days festivities commemorating the 133rd anniversary of the birth of the nation. The meeting was presided over by Ed. F. Freudenthal, as chairman; while Charles A. Thompson, acted in the capacity of secretary. Various committees were named; everyone got down to work with the determination to make this year's celebration the best ever.

The amusement committee is arranging a good program of sports; appropriate literary exercises will be held and nothing left undone to make the day an enjoyable one for the children.

The consensus of opinion at the Wednesday night meeting was that as a safe guard against a destructive conflagration in the town, that the fire works feature be dispensed with; however, there will be enough other things to make up for the absence of the night pyrotechnics.

Everybody is invited to come and have the time of their lives. The Eagle will scream; Old Glory will be unfurled to the breezes. Remember—Pioche is the place to celebrate this year.

#### DUPONT MURDER CASE.

The preliminary hearing of Ernest Dupont, charged with the murder of Ernest Davis at Oneota, was called in Justice Perkin's court at 10 o'clock this morning. The defendant's mother has arrived from Pocatello and will remain until the case is disposed of.

About ten witnesses arrived from Oneota last evening.

#### New Paper At Ellendale.

The Record is in receipt of a copy of the Ellendale Star, a paper just established at the new gold camp of Ellendale, about 25 miles out of Tonopah. Lindley C. Branson, proprietor of the Tonopah Sun, is the editor and publisher. The Star is a live sheet and is boosting for the camp of Ellendale for all it is worth.

### OREGON PIOCHE RESUMES

Contract Let and Work To Be Pushed on Highland District Right Away

It will be good news to shareholders of the Oregon-Pioche Mining company to learn that the development of its attractive property in the Highland district will be resumed right away; a contract to sink the shaft having been let to Mr. Frederick, who has been employed in a similar capacity at the Pioche King mine.

The shaft where the work is to be performed is not very far from the portal of the tunnel where the company for a time centered its energies earlier in the year.

Oregon-Pioche officials claim that an extension of the famous Mendha fissure crosses their ground and judging from surface indications, there seems to be no question about it, as the vein is easily tracable from the very endlines of the Mendha lengthwise across the Oregon-Pioche ground.

H. W. Rand, president, and one of the principal shareholders in the corporation, arrived from Portland, Ore., several days ago and after consultation with local stockholders, the decision to resume operations was made. Work was stopped on the property several months ago, or at the time of the destruction of the boiler house at the mine through the carelessness of an employe in placing a box of giant powder too near the fire to thaw it out.

#### MINING NOTES FROM THE CAMP OF SEARCHLIGHT.

(Searchlight Bulletin.)

Consummating one of the most important of the late mining deals in this section J. M. Hale and the Allen G. Campbell estate have given a bond and lease running for two years on the Gold Bronze and Gold Bar, free milling gold properties in Vanderbilt district, San Bernardino county, to A. L. White and associates of Lima, O., for \$550,000.

The first dredger of the Colorado River Dredging Co., has been completed and yesterday, General Manager H. J. Myers, accompanied by Attorney Leon French and Mr. J. J. McLaughlin, passed through Searchlight enroute to the canyon for the purpose of formally taking over the plant.

The bullion shipments out of Searchlight for the last current month were the largest ever handled by Agent Pollard during the 14 months he has been in charge. Detailed figures being unavailable it would be unfair, possibly, to attempt a tabulated estimate, but in general the Bulletin estimates that the combined mills and leases are working on an average of 225 tons of ore daily. Fifteen dollars a ton is a conservative average for this ore, making a daily production of \$3375, or in round terms, \$100,000 a month.

Assessor Roeder and Bob Lund had business in the northern part of the county this week.

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