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WANTS MORE POWER

A Sixty-Horse Power Boiler Sent to the Velvet Property.

A ROAD BADLY NEEDED

Sophie Mountain Coming to the Front and Should Have Something Better Than a Trail For Communication With the Rest of the World.

John L. Morrish, superintendent of the Velvet property, which is being operated by the New Goldfields of British Columbia, is in the city on a visit. The management of the property is so much pleased with its operations that it has decided to increase the size of the plant. At present there is a 30-horse power boiler, which furnishes the power for the hoist, etc. Since Mr. Morrish has been in town he has ordered a 60-horse power boiler for the company. This was taken by rail as far as Barney's ranch and from thence will be taken over the trail to the mine. It will have to be hauled in on rollers a distance of six miles, and the task will occupy 10 days. It will require nine horses and several men to do the work.

The development on the Velvet, the Victory-Triumph, the Letter and other properties, Mr. Morrish says, makes a wagon road necessary. He says that his company, the Victory-Triumph, and the Letter will probably unite and construct, at their own expense, a road from the properties of these companies to the Dewdney trail, a distance of two and a half miles. The government, he thinks, should construct a road from Barney's ranch to a junction with the proposed road to the mines. This road would be four miles in length, and he thinks it could be constructed for \$2,000. The road from the mines to the trail would cost about \$2,000. This would make the total cost about \$4,000. As Sophie mountain is an important region, and as there are at least two mines there—the Velvet and the Victory-Triumph—that have reached the productive stage, it is nothing more than right that the government should construct a wagon road so that the section may be made more accessible.

Work on the Masco.
Work on the Masco, which is being operated by the Big Three Mining company, is making excellent progress. The electric plant, which was recently installed, is doing good work. Work is being pushed on tunnel No. 2, which is now in 480 feet. This tunnel is being driven on the vein. A crosscut is being driven to the south from the main tunnel, and is now in a distance of 28 feet. The purpose is to prospect the ground in that direction. A station is being cut out at a point 250 feet from the mouth of the tunnel for the purpose of installing hoisting plant over the winze, which is already down a distance of 60 feet. The winze is on the ore body, and there is a fair showing of ore. Work is making good progress in tunnel No. 3, which is on a level with the compressor plant. This tunnel is now in a distance of 185 feet. It is a crosscut tunnel, and is being made for the purpose of tapping the ledge, which is in a distance of 300 feet.

The Umastilla Plant.
The plant on the Umastilla on Sophie mountain is in operation. It consists of a 14-horse power boiler, a hoist and a steam drill. The shaft is now down to a depth of 100 feet and with the present plant it can be driven to a depth of 600 feet. Mr. Aldrich, who installed the plant, has returned and reports that it is working in a satisfactory manner.

OKANOGAN FREE GOLD MINES.

A Big Order for Mining Machinery Placed in Portland.
The Portland Oregonian of a recent issue has the following: The Hammond Manufacturing company of this city, have just received a contract from the Okanogan Free Gold Mines, limited, of Oroville, Wash., and Rossland, B. C., for the erection of a complete free milling, concentrating and cyaniding plant, with sawmill complete, to be shipped at once to the property. The Okanogan Free Gold Mines was promoted by the brokerage firm of S. Thornton Langley & Co., of Rossland, B. C., on November 1, 1898, with a share capital of 1,600,000 shares of the par value of 5 cents each, creating a capital stock of \$80,000. On the circulation of the list among clients of the firm in Rossland and Spokane, 800,000 shares were immediately subscribed for before incorporation, and since that date the shares have advanced to 7 1/2, 10, 12 1/2, and are now 15 cents. Messrs. Edgcombe, K. K. Peiser, and S. Thornton Langley are in this city for the purpose of accepting the machinery manufactured by Hammond & Co.

CAMP MCKINNEY.

The Sale of Lots in This Thriving Town Begins Today.
Those who desire to purchase lots in Camp McKinney can now do so. The sale begins today in the office of J. B. Johnson & Co. There are about 190 lots in the townsite, and all but a few of these are offered for sale. Camp McKinney has 15 mining properties that are being worked and one of these is a dividend payer. There are several that are sure to be producers of ore during the present year. Besides, it is the natural center for a rich mining region, which contains many properties that carry free milling ore. It is situated 35 miles from Midway, which lies to the east of it, and 35 miles from Fairview, which lies to the west. It is certain to be the metropolis of a large and rich section. It would, therefore, seem that an investment in one of the lots located in this coming metropolis should prove to be a profitable investment.

A GREAT HOCKEY MATCH.

The Principal Feature Was the Retiring of the Players.

The hockey match last night between the War Eagle Savages and the B. A. C., or Blooming Athletic Corkers, was a brilliant failure, owing to the non-appearance of the Savages, who wilted at the last moment. The Savages were the challengers, and were fierce up to the time of the match, but the nonchalant attitude of the Blooming Athletic Corkers, attired in blue overalls and besprinkled with candle grease, with eyes gleaming as they entered the arena, completely took the courage out of them, and they fled to the hills.

Lorne Becher acted as referee and managed to make up two teams. He blew his whistle and a game commenced such as is seldom witnessed. After the puck had been in play five minutes Bunch was ruled off for wearing his socks over his overalls; then Rideout came to grief for wearing a white sweater. The game became fast and furious for the next two minutes when Merritt went off for nearly breaking an arc light with the puck. McCree, the goal keeper, was next put off for smoking a "bum" cigar. The referee did not like the warlike expression on Jennings face and he was promptly removed. Palmer followed Jennings for imagining he was an air drill in full operation in one corner of the rink. Those who were ruled off insisted on staying on the ice until their time was up. The referee finally fired both teams and declared the game a draw. Good play was as usual made very conspicuous by its absence.

SUPREME COURT NEWS

Disposition Made of the Cases on the Docket.

At the Next Sittings on April 10th the Celebrated Iron Mask-Centre Star Case Will Come Up.

Yesterday morning Mr. Justice Martin finally adjourned the present sitting of the supreme court in this city and left by the noon train for Nelson. During the 10 days he has been here he has disposed of all the cases on the docket that could be disposed of at this sitting. The following was the disposition of the various cases:

Adams and Burns vs. the Bank of Montreal, the Kootenay Brewing & Malting company and John E. Myers. To set aside a mortgage as fraudulent. Case heard and argued, judgment reserved.

Bayne vs. Johnson—Account judgment given for plaintiff.
Hayward vs. Nathan—Claim for wages \$1,352, and for money under common account; case stands till next sitting of the court.
Callahan vs. Coplen—Adverse claim against Cube Lode mineral claim and for declaration of title in favor of plaintiffs to Cody fraction and Joker mineral claims; case heard and argued and judgment reserved.

Taylor vs. Tupper et al.—Adverse claim against mineral claim and for declaration of title to the L. Nora mineral claim and for other relief; case stands till the next sittings of the court.

White vs. Tupper et al.—Adverse claim against Tupper fraction mineral claim and for declaration of title to the Friends mineral claim and for other relief; case stands till the next sittings.
Kennedy et al. vs. British America Corporation and Charles H. Mackintosh. For \$5,000 commission; stands to be fixed at defendant's convenience.

Gibson vs. McArthur—Adverse claim to St. Luke fraction and Big Four mineral claims and for declaration of title to Maggie fraction, and for other relief; stands till next sitting of court on application of defendant, whose witnesses were absent, defendant to pay the cost of the adjournment.

Kingmill vs. Pfander, et al.—For declaration that plaintiff is entitled to 30,565 1/2 shares of stock and for an injunction; case stands till next sitting on the application of the plaintiff, who must pay the costs of the adjournment.
O'Farrell vs. Lewis and Jeddness—For \$400 commission and 40,000 shares of Victory-Triumph and damages; judgment for defendants with costs.

Rugh vs. Tracy—Action for ejectment; judgment for plaintiff by consent.
Jackson vs. Mulrowney—Action for ejectment; case heard and argued, judgment reserved.
Hanson et al. vs. McArthur et al.—Adverse claim to Santa Rosa mineral claim and for declaration of title to Democrat and Republic mineral claims; settled out of court.

Sullivan vs. Jackson—Action for ejectment; stands over until next sitting of court on application of plaintiff, who pays the cost of the adjournment.
MacLaren vs. Le Roi Mining & Smelting company—Injunction; case heard and the injunction dissolved.

The next sitting of the court in Rossland will open on April 10, when the Iron Mask-Centre Star suit will be the most important matter before the court.

A COMING ATTRACTION.

The Metropolitan Opera Company Here Next Week.

The Metropolitan Opera company, an attraction which is far above the ordinary, is billed to appear in Rossland three nights, commencing Monday, February 27. The company is a large one, and should be encouraged. The operas chosen will be "Carmen," "Normandy," "Fra Diavolo," and "La Traviata." It is not often Rossland is visited with such a capable company as this, and as our amusement loving public know a good thing, the engagement no doubt will be a profitable one.

R. E. Gosnell, who is here in connection with home university work, has been looking over the camp thoroughly and has visited all the B. A. C. properties.

IN OUTSIDE CAMPS

Danger of Slides in Parts of the Slooan Stopping Work.

STRIKE IN THE TRUE BLUE

Gooderham and Blackstock Are Said to Be About to Invest in the Boundary Country—Good Reports From All the Other Divisions.

The reports from the camps in the Kootenays have been very encouraging and development has been going on everywhere except in one or two mines, where the danger of snowslides has deterred the men from working. A rich strike is reported from the True Blue. Gooderham and Blackstock are said to be about to invest in the Boundary country. The ore shipments in the Slooan division show well. Following are reports from the different Kootenay divisions:

BOUNDARY COUNTRY.

A force of men has been put to work on the Tip Top claim in Greenwood camp, which has been stocked lately.

It is rumored that the Old Ironsides and Knob Hill companies are purchasing a new 10-drill compressor plant of the compound condensing type.

The War Eagle, adjoining the Knob Hill, will be worked by the Greenwood War Eagle Copper company, with a capital of \$1,500,000. The surface showing is said to be rich.

Work has begun on the B. O. mine, pending the arrival of the 30-drill air compressor, 1,000-foot hoist, two cages, etc. It is said the company has \$500,000 in the treasury for the improvements and work in contemplation.

The English & French mining company last week awarded a contract to continue the shaft on the Bonanza, in Brown's camp, 12 miles from Columbia. A tunnel has been driven for 90 feet, and from this tunnel the shaft is now being sunk. The width of the ledge has not been determined, but it is on both sides of the shaft, and the ore is increasing in value with every foot of depth.

G. H. Collins, manager of the Brandon & Golden Crown, says the Columbia Review reports that the ore body has been struck in the crosscut at 150-foot level, the width of the vein being the same as it is at the 100-foot level, viz.: eight feet. Average assays of the ore vein at the 100-foot level (not picked specimens) yielded \$19 to \$22 in gold to the ton. The ore in the upraise of the crosscut is estimated at the amount of ore in gold and nearly four per cent in copper per ton.

It is said that the Gooderham-Blackstock syndicate of Toronto, owners of the great War Eagle and Centre Star mine at Rossland, are looking for more dividend payers, and have their eyes on the Boundary Creek country. These people are mining for profit, and while they paid big figures—\$800,000 for the War Eagle and \$2,000,000 for the Centre Star—it is well known that the holdings are sure to prove exceedingly profitable, and that steady dividends will be the rule. They do not stickle at the figure if the ore is in the mine. They are mining on business principles, the only system that will prove successful in the long run.—Cascade Record.

NELSON DIVISION.

The transfer of the Ram's Horn mineral claim, situated between Hidden and Porcupine creeks, from Valentine Carson of Ymir to Archie Gilliland has been recorded; consideration, \$100.

A small force of men is working at the Victor property. Some very rich assays considerably over \$100, but the extent of the ore body has not been determined.

The Wilcox property, of which Phil White is the owner, is working a small force of men, and is showing up well. A stamp mill will be erected on the property in the spring. There are two tunnels on upon the ledge; one is in 180 feet and the second 350 feet. The long tunnel gives a depth of 130 feet. The ledge is from two to three feet wide. There are about 200 tons of ore upon the dump which is estimated will average \$35 in gold to the ton.

The success which is attending the work of the Duncan Mines, limited, on the gold properties acquired by the company immediately east and west of the Poorman, point to the establishment of another sound mining company, with business directly tributary to Nelson, and a business which will be of sufficient importance to warrant the employment in the immediate future of from 150 to 200 men in mining and milling operations.

At the Royal Canadian group, which is being developed by the Duncan Mines, three levels are driven on the ledge, and cross trenching southern end of the Royal Canadian and on the Roy, are being made to develop the ledge over a length of 2,000 feet. Several fine specimens, showing visible gold ore, are being found in the No. 3 level. So soon as the snow goes the El Dorado and Nevada ledges, east and west of the Royal Canadian are to be opened up.

At the Granite mine the development so far as it has progressed is most encouraging. In the No. 1 level north some 30 feet has been driven in a rich chute of ore, which averages over \$70 to the ton, and an upraise is being made to connect with what is known as the Swedborg shaft, 125 feet north of the main or Drummond shaft. In the No. 2 level the workings have got into what is apparently undisturbed ground, and a fine ledge is being followed on a regular course with good walls. The north level at the No. 2 station and the sinking of the main shaft are being pushed forward rapidly with steam drills.

OSOYOOS DIVISIONS.

A company is being formed in Spokane to work the O'Shea claim.

The new main working shaft on the Cariboo has reached the 300-foot level, and drifting for the ledge is now the order of the day.

On the Waterloo the drift between No. 1 and No. 2 shafts has been driven up to date about 40 feet, with the ledge still looking well.

Mr. Hickey, one of the purchasers of the Fontenoy, is in Camp McKinney, and H. Cameron has received the first instalment on the purchase price of the Fontenoy, which he sold for \$20,000.

On the Annie L. the showing of ore at the bottom of the shaft, which is now down some 38 feet, is good, as much more galena than was visible in the surface ore has made its appearance, and the gold values have as a consequence increased, gold generally accompanying galena in the ore of this camp, to a greater or less extent.

SLOOAN DIVISION.

A strike is reported in the True Blue at Kaslo.

Six men are working at the Wellington. A new ore body has been struck. Bruce White, it is reported, has bonded the Atlantic, in Camp Kimberley. Price \$20,000.

From Whitewater the Jackson shipped 17 tons, Bell 10 and Whitewater 32; in all 64 tons for the week.

The Evening Star is improving greatly with work, and it is said to be a mine of great promise by its owners.

Work on the Frisco will probably be resumed early in April. A \$5,000 bond has been given on the property.

On the Get There Eli a 15-inch vein is being opened up, and ore to the amount of 100 sacks is ready for shipment.

Most of the miners have come down from the Trade Dollar mine, and will remain down till the danger of slides is over.

The Bostin made its regular 20-ton shipment last week, and another goes out Saturday. The property never looks as well.

W. H. Adams has taken the management of the Rambler-Cariboo, vice Dick Shea, retired. The property will be worked as heretofore and shipments continued.

The Bank of England claim, owned by Messrs. York and Peters, Slooan City, is being negotiated for by Montreal parties. Some excellent galena ore is being shown from it.

The Montezuma mine, on the South Fork of Kaslo creek, is reported as having a fine showing of ore in the upraise which is being driven to catch the ore showing on the surface.

On the Noble Five the big ore body lately run into has been followed for 55 feet. Its average width is five feet. It is estimated that the amount of ore in sight is worth about \$200,000.

The Hall mines of Nelson will soon receive all the ore from the Queen Bees, which will amount to about 350 tons a month. Heretofore all of the output from this mine has been going to the "Everett, Wash., smelter."

Work on many of the smaller mines in these parts, at great altitudes, will be suspended till the snow melts, and the men, in fact, ranshiding and travel back and forwards to and from some of the larger ones, is attended with much danger.

SANDON ORE SHIPMENTS.

The following is a list of ore shipments over the K. & S. from Sandon for the week ending February 17:

MINES	TONS
MINE	100
RECO	100
RECO	40
Treasure Vault	10
Total	250

The following are the ore shipments, viz., the C. P. R. for the week ending February 10:

MINES	TONS
MINE	18
Treasure Vault	18
Ajax	40
Total	76

The following is a statement of ore shipped from Whitewater for the week ending February 9:

MINES	TONS
WATER	54
MINE	51
Bell	15
Total	120

The ore shipments from Three Forks for the week ending February 17, were:

MINES	TONS
QUEEN BEES	60
DIABLO	60
Total	120

Mr. Warner reports success with the Madison group. They are shipping another car the last of the month. They have just completed a raise of 60 feet from a tunnel, and through it uncovered at least four or five cars more of the precious metal.

Enterprise and the finding of this ore goes to show that the big ore bodies developed in the Enterprise extend over into the Mahon ground and that with development it stands a good chance of becoming as big a property as its famous neighbor. The work on it will now be pushed and the owners will make a shipping proposition out of it.—Silvertonian.

EAST KOOTENAY.

As an assay office is badly wanted in Golden, E. A. Hagen has decided to establish one and has ordered the necessary furnace and plant. The office will be ready for work as soon as the plant is received from Montreal.

A large amount of work is being done on the Ruth, Charlotte and Minnie, known as the Vermont creek group.

Two thousand Crow's Nest coal shares were sold at Fort Steele on Monday, says the Prospector, for \$52 per share, or a total value of \$104,000. These shares were purchased eight years ago for the sum of \$4,000.

We learn, says the Fort Steele Prospector, that the property located by Wm. Violet, J. W. Wheeler and several other parties, consisting of a block of 14 claims, situated on Quartz creek, near the head of Boulder creek, has been secured by a Spokane syndicate and stocked for \$3,000,000.

Considerable development work has been done on the Blue Grouse and Bonanza. A tunnel is now in 220 feet with a good showing of copper ore. The ledge at this point is 27 feet in width. On the surface the ledge is exposed for a distance of 20 feet by means of an open cut. This property is situated on Big Sand creek, about two miles from the railway.

ANOTHER ELECTRIC PLANT

It Is to Be Installed on the Gertrude Property.

It Will Be of a Sufficient Capacity to Sink 600 Feet—Development of the Coxeys.

A fourth electric plant is to be put in by one of the mining companies operating in this camp. There are now electric plants on the Masco, the War Eagle and the Iron Mask, a fourth will soon be in operation on the Gertrude, which is being operated by the Montreal Gold Fields. R. G. Edwards Leckie, general manager of the Gertrude, yesterday stated that a 15-horse power motor is now on the way from the east. This motor will be used to operate the hoist, which will be capable of sinking to a depth of 600 feet. The galloways frame is in position, the foundation is being made and the buildings are being constructed. It is anticipated that the new machinery will be in operation in two weeks.

At a depth of 165 feet in the Gertrude a vein of ore was encountered. Then the water came in so fast that it could not be kept clear with the horse winze that was in use. It was therefore decided to put in the electrical plant. With the new hoist, the bucket can be handled more rapidly than was formerly the case and it is expected the workings can be kept clear of water.

Work on the Coxeys.

Work is being pushed vigorously on the Coxeys. The tunnel has now been driven a distance of 600 feet, while the drift is in 70 feet and is in quartz for its entire length. In the upper tunnel the ore body has been opened with a drift, and a winze is being sunk for the purpose of ascertaining the direction in which the ore body is dipping. The winze has now reached a depth of 40 feet. The ore in the winze is of a shipping grade.

An Important Strike.

Word was received from Greenwood yesterday to the effect that the ledge recently encountered in the 150 foot level of the Brandon & Golden Crown property was widening out with each shot, and is now known to be nine feet in width. The ore assays \$34.20 to the ton. The news caused a demand for the stock, and the company has decided to withdraw the treasury stock at its present price. Sufficient of the treasury shares have been sold to make a mine of the property.

NO MORE GREG FOR JACK.

United States Sailors Will Be Deprived of Liquor in Future.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 22.—The following order, signed by Secretary of the Navy J. D. Long, has been sent to commanders of all navy yards and war vessels: "After mature deliberation the department has decided that it is for the best interests of the navy that the sale or issue to enlisted men of malt or other alcoholic liquors on board the ships of the navy or within the limits of the naval stations be prohibited.

"Therefore, after the receipt of this order commanding officers and commanders are forbidden to allow any malt or alcoholic liquors to be sold or issued to enlisted men, either on board ships or within the limit of the naval stations, except in the medicinal department."

Craig Troubles Settled.

Police Magistrate Jordan yesterday cut the Gordian knot that has troubled the court and officers for so long by ordering Robert Craig to pay \$50 into court for the benefit of the children and binding him to keep the peace for one year. Mrs. Craig was ordered to put the children in some institution, where they could be well taken care of and the authorities hope this will be the last that will be heard of either husband or wife.

Professor E. Odham, of the Vancouver World, is in the city looking over its varied interests for an article on Rossland in this paper.

THE STOCK MARKET

The Present Flurry Is a Well Sustained One.

PLENTY SHARES SELLING

Waterloos Are Going Like Hot Cakes—Shares of the Republic Pooled, and the Property, It Is Said, May Be Sold to a Canadian Syndicate.

The stock market has been exceedingly lively during the week ending last evening. The existing flurry is one of the most pronounced that has yet been experienced in this market. It is thought that it will be a sustained one and that it will continue for some time yet. It is contended by some that the easiness of the money market and the low rates that prevail for interest rates in eastern Canada and elsewhere causes people to turn to stock investment in the hope of using their capital to better advantage than in placing it in other ventures or loaning it at interest. Whatever may be the cause there is a great deal of money being placed in stocks and the brokers are kept busy each day in filling large orders for the standard stocks of this and other camps.

Waterloos have been popular favorites and a large number changed hands. They advanced from 12 to 15 cents during the past week. The advance is caused by a strike of four feet of ore in the shaft at a depth of 70 feet.

There is said to be a probability that the Republic mine at Republic, Washington, will be acquired by a wealthy Canadian syndicate. Nine hundred and twenty-five thousand shares out of a total of a million have been placed in a pool for a period of six months. Patsy Clark, general manager of the Republic company, is the trustee for the pool, and he is said to be conducting the negotiations with the would-be purchasers.

Republics are selling around \$3.10. Rambler Cariboo have advanced from 38 to 43 cents during the past week. A meeting of the stockholders was held recently in Spokane and the directors were authorized to declare a dividend of one cent per share on March 1st, to be paid on the 1st of April.

The biggest decline of the week was made in Deet Parks, which fell to 10 cents. It sold last week for 18 cents. The fall is due to two causes—inside manipulation and dissatisfaction with the management. There were rumors current upon the streets yesterday of traced to any reliable source.

There has been considerable trading in Darnepelles at 17 1/2 cents. Noble Fives sagged a little. They were selling for 32 1/2 cents a few days since, and yesterday they could be purchased for 31 cents.

The price of the treasury shares of Okanogan Free Golds has been raised to 15 cents. Sales were made yesterday of small blocks at less than this figure. They are quoted by some of the local brokers at from 11 to 12 1/2 cents.

Lone Pine are firm at 38 cents. The property of the Lone Pine company has passed from a prospect to a mine, and the company purposes putting in a cyanide plant at an early date.

The shares of the Big Three Mining company, which is operating the Masco, advanced from 26 to 33 cents during the past few days.

Virginia have advanced from 48 to 51 cents during the week.

Iron Horses are selling well, and the price ranges from 18 to 18 1/2 cents. Brandon & Golden Crowns are moving very freely, and are selling at from 25 to 28 cents. Large blocks were sold by the company at these figures.

Monte Christos for some inexplicable reason began to move freely. They were sold for 10 cents a week since and rose to 15 cents. Yesterday they sagged a point and sold for 14 cents.

Evening Stars are selling for 9 1/2 @ 10 cents. They fell off a point during the week.

Dundees are moving freely at 40 cents. There is considerable call for them.

Fairmounts are selling for 10 and Monarchs at 7 cents.

Winneps are selling freely at 23 @ 24 cents.

Stock Quotations.

EDMON MINER—Sir: On February 21, 1899, we notice an editorial note, in which you say that a firm of Victoria brokers are receiving daily quotations from the Toronto Stock exchange, and advise Rossland brokers to do the same. We did not think it necessary to comment on it, but on looking over your editorial this morning we find it followed with another in which you say you are pleased to say that a well known broker in Rossland is getting daily quotations from the Toronto Stock exchange.

We wish to state, for the information of the general public, that we receive daily quotations from the Toronto and Montreal Stock exchanges, also from the Toronto and Spokane Mining exchanges, and in conclusion beg to inform you that we are a broker, and understand how a broker could expect to do business if he did not get daily telegrams, informing him of the daily variations in prices.

We remain, yours respectfully,
The ERDIN JACKSON Co., Ltd. L.Y.,
by F. J. WALKER, Pres.
KOTZ & GOGGAN,
Rossland, B. C., Feb. 22, 1899.

George Gooderham and T. G. Blackstock, of the War Eagle company, left yesterday for Spokane. It is thought their visit has something to do with the purchase of mining property, either in the Boundary country or in the Republic camp. They have, since their arrival here, announced that it was their intention to acquire more mining properties.