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### MINING NOTES.

Contracts have been let for a hoist and drill plant for the Iron Colt, and a drill plant for the Colonna.

Twelve cars of ore will be shipped from the Josic each week.

Dr. J. F. Reddy, of Spokane, is in town attending to Cracker Jack business.

Holder of Nest Egg stock on surrendering their certificates to the Secretary of the Nest Egg-Firefly company will receive shares in the proportion of one and a half for one, in accordance with the terms of sale of the Nest Egg property.

Snow blockades on the Great Northern and Northern Pacific prevented eastern mails from arriving in the camp for the last two or three days and interfered with business to a considerable extent.

The Columbia and Kootenay mine is sending ten tons of ore to the Trail smelter each day, by horse power.

John A. Manley, of Grand Forks fame, has arrived in Rossland after an extended trip through California. He says our mines are much talked of in that state, and many Californians will be here in the spring.

Frank Watson is enthusiastic over the Fisher Maiden, his Slocan property. He has had silver assays of 386 ounces and 428 ounces, and says he has 200 tons of ore, averaging \$80 on the dump.

The Gold Eagle Mining and Development company has been formed to operate the Gold Bar claim, which is situated on the Northport wagon road, near the international boundary.

It is said the Le Roi will ship a train load of ore each day over the Red Mountain road.

In the Monita shaft there is now a fine body of solid ore at least 3½ feet wide and assaying over \$40 clear across the face. This seems to show that the Monita has the War Eagle vein.

The last assay of ore from the breast of the Victory tunnel returned 44 ounces in silver, 7.4 per cent. copper and \$2 in gold. Several hundred pounds of fine ore was brought in last night and is now being assayed. The crosscut tunnel from the bottom of the Triumph shaft has been driven over 20 feet across the ledge and the ore is improving. The hanging wall will probably be reached within a few days.

The new 40-drill compressor for the Le Roi is now ready for installation. It will be in operation within a month.

The Payne mine is now shipping 60 tons of ore a day. It is said that the ore will run anywhere from 250 to 400 ounces in silver to the ton. The monthly smelter returns will approximate \$150,000.

A recent assay of ore from the Reco mine ran 13,142 ounces of silver to the ton, or about 40 per cent. silver.

Word was received yesterday from Superintendent Peterson that the Copper Bell, one of the Waneta and Trail Creek company's claims, was showing up well in the shaft. Although the ore body has not yet been struck quantities of galena, with copper and iron, are being encountered. He says there is little doubt that the company has a mine there. The property is situated on the southwest slope of Lookout mountain. The other companies working claims on the same slope are the Copper Giant company and the Santa Clare company, both adjoining the Waneta and Trail Creek properties, both having good showings. The Old Flag is also working a gang of men close by. Good reports are looked for from these properties in the near future.

The Pure Gold Mining company is developing three claims at Christina lake and have night and day shifts

working. The property consists of the full claims, with an immense iron capping over 40 feet wide and running through the claims about 2,000 feet. Development was begun on November 15 and has been continued ever since. The men have been tunnelling on the ledge and have fifty to sixty feet of work done. The whole breast of the tunnel is heavily mineralized and it is the intention shortly to commence drifting. Assays from samples of ore in the vein run \$20.60. Development stock is selling at 5 cents.

The Golden West, a Salmon river claim, has been purchased by the promoters of the Montezuma Gold Mining company and added to the property of that company. This acquisition is a most promising prospect. Surface assays return over 8 per cent. copper, with values in gold and silver. The ledge shows five feet of white quartz on the surface. A force of men will be put to work on this property within two or three weeks. The Montezuma company will then be operating two claims, work being continued on the Retaliation, which continues to present an encouraging appearance.

An inter-provincial conference of Canadian mine owners and mining engineers will be held in Montreal on February 3, 4 and 5. Subjects for special discussion will be "The Total Abolition of Duty on Mining Machinery," and "The Removal of the Duty on Explosives."

The machinery for the Deer Park is expected daily and everything is in readiness for its installation. Average values in the drifts and crosscuts at the 100-foot level are said to run \$30.

The directors of the Elise company have elected George A. Fraser president, in succession to Dr. Kilbourne, and Edward Baillie secretary, to succeed James B. Owens.

The Spokane Stock Exchange does not meet with favor among mining men, who say the brokers sell small blocks of stock at low prices, causing a downward movement in some interests.

### ON RECORD MOUNTAIN.

Record mountain is attracting a good deal of interest lately, and capitalists have come to realize that there are some properties there worth looking after. The Wallingford, which has been pretty well developed, having a tunnel 135 feet, shaft 37 feet, second shaft 14 feet, and about 25 feet of open cuts, has produced some of the best grade of copper ore in the camp, running 11 to 20 per cent. copper, 9 to 12 oz. silver and \$2 to \$5 in gold.

The Freddy B., adjoining the Wallingford, is heavily mineralized for several hundred feet and has all the characteristics of the Wallingford. Five hundred dollars have been spent on this claim and it bids fair to make a mine. A contract has just been let to J. A. Kirk to survey these claims, which are owned by W. C. Archer and P. W. Peterson.

The Zio Bettista and Bismark Fraction are being developed by the Walla Walla Company.

The Daley and two adjoining claims have recently been bonded by a syndicate represented by Mr. Smith Curtis. The Daley has a shaft 80 in depth with a good showing, and it is intended to tunnel and crosscut the ledge. Five men are now working on the property. The Daley touches on the base of O. K. mountain.

The Sundown and Syndicate claims have been bonded during the past month to an eastern syndicate which proposes commencing development work in the near future.

Record mountain is only two miles beyond the Jumbo, and the surface showing give promise of the existence of a large body of ore.