

GRASS VALLEY COMPANY PLANS FOR DEEP DEVELOPMENT

Following close upon the discovery of high-grade gold ore at a depth of 388 feet in the main shaft of the Sunrise Mining and Development Company, four miles south of Grass Valley, Charles De White, secretary-treasurer of the company, arrived from Seattle to lay plans for the electrification and rebuilding of the surface equipment. This property is one of the most promising of the smaller mines in the Grass Valley mining district.

The strike of rich rock was made two weeks ago, but information was withheld the public pending the arrival of Mr. De White from Seattle. Since that discovery, the shaft has been sunk to a depth of 435 feet along the vein, with the exceptional values showing for the entire distance.

This depth is the limit of the gasoline surface equipment and the hoisting cable, which must be replaced by modern machinery, electrically powered, to follow the vein where crossing contacts and intersections will uncover large ore bodies.

Preliminary plans have already been made to bring electric power to the mining property. A power line has been surveyed across country and will bring the energy to drive new pumps, double drum hoist, compressors and cars for which Mr. De White will negotiate. It is proposed to install equipment, capable of sinking the shaft beyond the 2,000-foot depth. At this point, the determination of the dip and values of the three well-defined ledges on the 441-acre development will be known.

Of these three veins, two run parallel in a north-south direction, the vein of the recent strike dipping 45 degrees and located 300 feet in the hanging wall. The third vein runs in an east-west direction, slanting at 55 degrees and will intersect both north-south veins beneath the surface of the Sunrise Mining and Development acreage and at some point above the 200-foot depth. It is these intersections, together with the fact that the Sunrise shaft lies in the famous yellow slate formation, that is giving the encouragement and enthusiasm to the men in the organization.

This gold-bearing vein is three feet wide at present, but with ribbons and stringers reaches a width of eight feet. Chunks of quartz with free gold sprinkled over the surface, already taken from the mine, are of the fair-exhibit variety.

Pending arrangements for the installation of electricity and placing of modern machinery, De White and his foreman, F. S. Pinch, have commenced drifting at the 400 station, blocking out ore bodies.

That the Sunrise Mining and Development Company property is favorably located for immense production is readily admitted by local engineers, who cite the Prudential and Norambagua properties on the southeast; the Polar Star, Alcalde, Normandie-Dulmaine and Gold Mound on the northwest and the North Star, Allison Ranch and Omaha on the northeast.

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That this mine in the center of an active mining area remained isolated for such a long period was due to the agricultural outlook of the former owner. Known as the Fuchs ranch, in the heart of the Wolf Creek flood-lands, this acreage was farmed for a great many years. Former owners, interested in agriculture alone, declined to till beyond the grass roots for gold. Within the last few years, the property changed hands and a group of Grass Valley men prospected the ranch, finding gold ore almost immediately. Among these was Joe Pirtz of Grass Valley. Lack of resources halted further developments until the event of the Sunrise Mining and Development Company.

This organization is incorporated in Washington, with an authorized capitalization of 1,000,000 shares of \$1, non-assessable, common stock. The officers are: Captain W. T. Loughlin, Seattle banker, president; Mrs. Thora De White, vice-president, and Charles De White, secretary-manager. Mr. De White plans to move to Grass Valley to actively superintend the further developments.
