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*LaBellevue Mine*—The first shipment of ore from the LaBellevue mine in the Granite section of Grant county, has just been made by R. B. McGinnis, who started work of reopening the mine some three months ago. Mr. McGinnis operated the LaBellevue a number of years ago. He recently returned to eastern Oregon from Auburn, California, where he was operating the Monarch mine. Mr. McGinnis' address is, Granite, Oregon.

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## LA BELLEVUE MINE I WITH REBUILT

One of the oldest quartz mining properties in Grant County, the LaBellevue mine north of Granite, has again been placed in production after lying idle for many years.

The LaBellevue belongs to Mrs. J. H. Parker of Baker, and the mine is being operated by R. B. McGinnis, a well known mining engineer.

Mr. McGinnis started his work at La Bellevue late last summer. During the summer and early winter he shipped several cars of direct smelting ore to the smelter at Tacoma. In the meantime the old mill at the mine was refitted and since the middle of January the plant has been in operation.

The ore in a train of cars, hauled by a mule, is taken from the mine to the mill, where it goes through a gyratory crusher to an ore bin.

From the bin ore is fed by Challenge feeders to 10 1000-pound stamps, and from the stamps passes over a Pan American double jig, into a classifier in closed circuit with a Marcy ball mill. The overflow goes to six Denver Equipment flotation cells, and the tails from the cells go over a Wilfley table.

The concentrates are dried and stored in a bin for trucking to the railroad.

"We are running nicely now," Mr. McGinnis states, "and will soon have the road opened so concentrates can be trucked to the railroad for shipping to the smelter."

Recent snows in the higher mountains have closed roads, and until they can be opened by bulldozers, which is now being done, transportation will be held up in numerous camps in the Blue Mountain areas. ONR Feb 1940

As soon as the roads are opened for trucking, operators of the Bellevue mine at Granite, Oregon, will truck stored concentrates to the railroad for shipment to the smelter. The flotation and gravity concentration mill was started in January. R. B. McGinnis of Granite is the operator of the property, which is owned equally by Mrs. J. H. Parker of Baker, the Bamberger estate of Salt Lake City, Utah, and the David Keith estate, also of Salt Lake.

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A power line is being built from the La Bellevue mine at Granite, Oregon, to connect with the Eastern Oregon Light and Power Company's line. The flotation mill, which was started in January of this year, has been operated by steam power and the change to electricity is expected to prove economical and more efficient. The plant's output is about eight tons of concentrates daily, which are trucked to Baker for shipment via Union Pacific to Utah for smelting. R. B. McGinnis of Granite is the operator, R. S. Morrison, Jr., is mill superintendent, and D. W. Proffit is mine superintendent. About 26 men are employed, working in three shifts.

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R. B. McGinnis of Granite, Oregon, recently shipped the first carload of ore from his Bellevue mine in the Granite district of Grant County. The property is owned equally by Mrs. J. H. Parker of Baker, the Bamberger estate of Salt Lake City, Utah, and the David Keith estate of Salt Lake City, and is under lease to McGinnis, who operated it once before, many years ago. Ore is trucked to Sumpter where it is put on the railroad.

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### La Bellevue Producing

The recently-electrified La Bellevue Mine on Onion Creek 10 miles northwest of Granite, Ore., is shipping a truckload of concentrates daily to Sumpter, Ore., from where rail shipment is made to Utah for smelting. The plant handles about 50 tons of ore daily, and is in charge of R. B. McGinnis, superintendent.

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*LaBellevue Mine*—Since installation of electric power at the LaBellevue mine, about 13 miles north of Granite, the plant has been in full operation. The mine is producing 8 to 10 tons of concentrates a day. The concentrates are trucked to Baker for shipping to a smelter in Utah. The mine is operated by Roger & McGinnis. R. B. McGinnis is at the mine in charge of operations. Owing to difficulty in keeping the road to the mine open during the winter, Mr. McGinnis states he will store concentrates while the road is closed and truck them out in the spring. ONR Oct 40