### **CUSTOM MILL NEAR PRAIRIE CITY RUNNING**

Two Lots of Ore Treated For Quartzburg Prospectors

#### FIRST RUNS HAVE PROVED SUCCESS

Prospectors Feel Plant Will Be Aid to Prospectors in Opening Up a Number of Properties.

Mine owners in the Quartzburg district have been looking forward to the completion of the custom mill which has been under construction by L. V. Blankman who recently came to Prai-

rie City from Nevada.

The mill is located on Dixie creek near Prairie City. The plant was put into operation last week and is reported to be proving quite a success, making a satisfactory saving of values. The first run was made on a lot of 25 tons from Charles Bartlett's property in the Quartzburg district.

The second run was for Burton Miller and was a lot of 10 tons.

These were in the nature of test runs and as they have proved successful it is believed the mill will prove a great help to the prospectors and small mine owners in that locality.

The plant is run by electricity, the power being generated by a diesel plant near the mill.

In the mil, ore from the crusher goes to a ball mill where it is ground to the required fineness and from there passes over amalgam plates to recover the free gold. From the plates it goes to a concentrating table to save the sudphides for shipping to the smelter.

Prospectors near the plant have welcomed the idea of the custom mill and believe it is the answer to the problem of developing the district. They will now be able to get a better return from ores removed in opening their properties.

## Custom Mill Runs, Grant County Ore

#### Quartzburg and Dixie Creek Ore Tested

For some time interested prospectors and miners of Prairie community have awaited the time when the L. V. Blankman mill on Dixie creek near this city would begin operation and will be pleased to hear that it is working at this time, the Prairie City paper

The first run of ore through the mill was that of Charles Bartlett, consisting of 25 tons. This ore was taken out of the Quatrzburg district during the past few months by Mr. Bartlett and ac-cording to him the tests showed a very favorable gold content.

The second run of ore through the mill belonged to Burton Miller and amounted to about ten

These test runs were merely to find out how much the mill will recover in free gold and save the miner in being able to ship concentrates instead of raw ore. As they were well pleased with the results shown it is evident that the small prospector will be able to make use of the mill and save himself some money.

The mill is diesel-electric powered. The equipment includes a grizzly, crusher, ball mill, amalgam plate, and riffle table to collect concentrates for shipment to

the smelter.

SHIPS CONCENTRATES

Burton Miller, who is working the Yankey Boy mine on Dixie creek, this week shipped a load of concentrates to the smelter at Salt Lake City, but as yet has not received quotations on the mineral value. He plans on installing a compressor at his mine and is working on the 400 ft. level and running with the vein at the present time but will begin a raise and start stoping ore in a few

# CUSTOM MILL BEING BUILT NEAR PRAIRIE

San Francisco Man Putting Up 25-Ton Mill on Dixie Creek

#### NEVADA MAN WORKING AT THE OPHIR MINE

Dunn Property Mining High Grade Shipping Ore; Lower Grades to be Milled in New Plant.

Mining properties in the Dixie Creek section near Prairie City are showing considerable activity.

At the Haley property up Dixie creek six miles from Prairie City, L. B. Blankman of San Francisco, is building a custom mill with a capacity of 25 tons per day. The mill should be ready to run in about two weeks. Mr. Blankman will mill ore from his own property and will also use it to mill ores from other properties near by.

The Dunn property, which is on Dixie creek seven miles from Prairie City, is reported to be taking out a good grade of ore. The high grade ore will be shipped crude to a smelter and the lower grade will be treated in the new custom mill.

An option was recently granted by the owners of the Ophir mine to B. A. Hanks, a recent arrival in Prairie City from Nevada. Work was started on the property this week. The workings are being cleaned out and thoroughly sampled and preparations made for an extensive development program in the spring. The Ophir is located on a large porphyry dike on which considerable development was done a number of years ago.

There are a number of mining properties in the Dixie creek section, or Quartzburg district, that in previous operations have made creditable production records, and with a custom mill in the district that can successfully treat the ores near the mines, the plant should be a great aid in developing the mines of the district.

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