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EDITORIAL COMMENT

RAWHIDE THE FAVORED SPOT.

With glittering showings on the surface, with gold and silver shafts more than a hundred feet deep, with the expert opinions of men of long experience in mining, Rawhide seems indeed the favored spot of the State at the present time. The call of the desert to the men of opportunity, men of means, of brains and energy is centered in the new gold camp. The outside world has heard the call, and the newspapers in all parts of the United States teem with stories of the wonderful finds, of the romances of the mines, of men made rich in a few months.

Rawhide is a spectacular camp, for the reason of its high grade ore, which in itself was sufficient to attract men of the adventurous sort. A great deal of picture ore has been uncovered at the surface, and this continued with the present depth, which, while of itself is not very great, is sufficient to warrant going further, and doing a great deal of development work. Then there have been also ledges opened of milling ore, which means that there are going to be mills in the camp; in fact, there is already a mill in operation, an experiment which has been successful, and there is talk of Reno and other parties putting in other plants. Goldfield and Reno are fighting for the shipping ore from the camp, and there are a dozen other things to keep Rawhide in the limelight for the months to come.

And the camp has reached this great pitch with the aid of very little money. The men who went in there first had little money after they had paid for the property which they took up. But they kept delving into the ground, and they dug up the gold, and the fame of Rawhide spread, until now, men desiring to invest or speculate, cannot see any other place on the map but Rawhide.

Whether the ore bodies of the camp will be permanent, only development at depth can determine, and this takes time. But there is one thing certain. The boom of Rawhide has reached such proportions that nothing can stop it before the permanency is determined, and there is no good reason why the bodies should not be permanent, and the camp be one of the greatest yet discovered.

The work of the Grand Jury has been made apparent in more ways than one; but in no stronger way than in the repairs that are going on with regard to the streets and sidewalks. The inquisitorial body had the County Commissioners before it, and there was some plain talk about the condition of the highways and thoroughfares, the result of which made itself visible in the report of the Grand Jury. Now there is a business-like revival of interest in Main street and the street crossings are being made passable even in muddy weather.

SUFFERS FROM FRACTURED SKULL

GOLDFIELD, Feb. 26.—Caught in a cave-in on the Twin Lakes mine, two and a half miles from Cuprite, Ed. B. Scott suffered a fractured skull early yesterday morning, and will probably succumb to his injuries.

Dr. Wheeler, of the Miners' Union hospital, was notified of the accident and journeyed to the mine in an auto, making the trip over the summit only with considerable difficulty on account of the heavy snows. However, the party arrived about 6 o'clock last evening.

Scott is a member of Miners' Union No. 220, of Goldfield. His family resides at 356 George street, Woodstock, Ontario, and have been notified of the probably fatal accident.

RESUME FULL TIME AT SPARKS

RENO, Feb. 26.—Superintendent of Motive Power Dunn left this morning for Ogden in his special car, which was attached to train No. 6. Before departing Superintendent Dunn stated that the Sparks shops would soon resume on the nine-hour basis and that the layoffs were now a thing of the past.

"The business of the road now seems to be on the increase," said Dunn, "and indications are now that it will soon be at its normal condition, which will warrant the resumption of work in all departments of the road on the same scale as before the slump occurred."

Superintendent Dunn has been in Sparks and at other points on the Salt Lake division for the past several days. His visit is responsible for the countermand of the order sent to the master mechanic here some time ago to lay off all men possible in the shops and round houses from February 23 to March 2.

MEN RESUME WORK.
PUEBLO, Colo., Feb. 26.—By an order issued by the Santa Fe here all of the men who were victims of the retrenching process recently were put back to work on full time.

TWO THREATENING LETTERS RECEIVED

(By Associated Press.)
PUEBLO, Colo., Feb. 26.—Superintendent Marsh of the Ellers smelter, owned by the American Smelting and Refining Company, has received two letters in the past two days in which he is threatened with death unless the plant resumes operations at once, giving employment to men who are now idle. The letters were turned over to the United States and city officials. There were about 500 men employed in the plant, most of whom are Italians. The plant closed down a few weeks ago.

TRIES MURDER; THEN SUICIDES

(By Associated Press.)
PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 26.—Mrs. Omar Klum was shot and probably mortally wounded this afternoon by William Durrell, a horse trader of Oregon City. Durrell then turned the revolver on himself, inflicting serious injuries, from which he died a few hours later. Mrs. Klum and her husband were walking from Eleventh street when Durrell, who was apparently following the pair, approached and when but a few feet away he drew a pistol without a word of warning and fired three times at Mrs. Klum. Durrell then pointed the weapon at Klum and pulled the trigger, but the gun missed fire. Durrell seemingly saved the last bullet to take his own life and fired it into his body. It is alleged that Durrell wished Mrs. Klum to leave her husband and elope with him, and that the woman refused.

REDUCE WAGES.
(By Associated Press.)
ATLANTA, Ga., Feb. 26.—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Georgia Industrial Association representing the cotton mills of the State, it was unanimously decided to make a reduction of 10 per cent in wages of operatives, to become effective March 1st next.

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GETTING RETURNS ON INVESTMENT

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much noise that people living within a block of the place can't sleep at nights.

"We left there yesterday and there had just been started a big excitement over a placer discovery. A fellow named Frenchy went into Baker's saloon in Squattertown, and showed a panning that would go not less than an ounce in gold. He had been prospecting on the Davis property down in the flat, about two miles below town, going in from Mina. The news spread abroad, and by the time I left there, there was a big rush for the diggings. I don't know what it will amount to, but if they find any more of the stuff that Frenchy got, there will be great doings there. I went to Goldfield in the early days with Ole Elliott, and I want to tell you that the camp in those days was not in it with the showings that there are in Rawhide."

Uri B. Curtis, who was one of the first comers into Tonopah, and who was through the Goldfield rush, arrived here on Monday from Rawhide. He spent three days in the new camp and was very well pleased with all he saw.

"I have been interested in Regent district for the past year," said he, "and I may be prejudiced in favor of Rawhide. On the Regent property the showings are better than anything that I have ever seen outside of Tonopah. There is plenty of gold in Rawhide, and it is in evidence where it can be seen by anyone. In the Royal Tiger group there is gold and silver. I am interested in the Ogilvie lease on Balloon hill, and we have got down to where we get panings. We have not got deep enough to take out the ore, and we have not reached the point where we expect to find it. Rawhide certainly has all the earmarks of being a great camp."

Dr. Garner was another arrival from the new gold field, and his expressions are in accordance with those uttered by the others, who have backed their judgment with their coin. He says that the camp is the busiest place in Nevada. He says that it is next to impossible to get a piece of property close in, and that there are no properties to be had there without a cash payment down. J. G. Richardson, who has been mining in this section of the country for the past year, especially in the Fairplay district, returned yesterday morning from the East. He says that Rawhide is in everybody's mouth and that the New York papers have a great deal to say about the new district.

The Nevada Mining and Reduction Company, the fortunate owners of the famous Murray lease, have had another strike made on their property at the other end of the camp, on what was formerly known as the Drew property. The Murray lease is at the Squattertown end of the camp, and to reach the Drew property, the Balloon and Grutt hills are traversed. On the other side of the Grutt lease, which caused so much excitement in the early days of the camp, the Drew property begins, and there are no less than twenty-one leases at work thereon. The Colonel Acorn lease has a twelve-inch streak of rock that has been producing \$150 a ton, and now comes news of a big strike on the I. X. L. lease No. 3, where six feet of shipping ore has been reached at a depth of fifty feet. The strike was made a week ago last Tuesday, since which time a depth of ten feet has exposed rock which holds to an average of from \$100 to \$200 a ton. The two leases known as the I. X. L. were bought three weeks ago by Irving Peterson, Milton Flynn and others, and the work of development placed in the hands of John Sweeney, who brought to the attention of the mining world the celebrated Mollie Gibson mine at Aspen. A hoist and two drills have been ordered, and the working of taking out the ore is going to be rushed as fast as possible.

The new strike is regarded as one of the greatest importance to the camp. The property had attracted the attention of all the mining men who went into the camp, for the reason that while the showings were not so rich, there were on the surface several big dikes which gave promise of good values below.

Rawhide, only four or five months old, has already a mill in operation. The Foster-Tryer reduction plant has been completed and is now crushing ores. This is certainly an innovation in the mining world, but it is only one of the extraordinary things that have happened in the history of the wonderful camp. The mill consists of two stamps, each of which has a capacity of from ten to twelve tons a day.

E. W. King, millionaire mining

man and banker of Bozeman, Mont., and president of the Rawhide Balloon Hill Mining Company, was interviewed in Reno on Monday, and his enthusiasm for the camp in which he has spent, individually, perhaps, more money than anyone else, is as great, if not greater than ever. He says that there is no doubt that Rawhide will eventuate into one of the greatest camps in the world.

"I base my opinion," said Mr. King, "on the surface indications, and farther than that, there must be a great amount of development work done before it can be determined just what we have in the camp. But I must say that the surface indications, and I have been interested in gold mining for over twenty years, are the greatest I have ever seen. There is, and needs must be, all kinds of booming and 'wild-cats.' However, one cannot tell, as yet, in reality, just what mines are 'wild-cats,' and what are first-class. There are half a dozen leases in operation there today that are nothing short of wonderful and many that are splendid producers. There has not yet been a decided failure."

J. G. Kilmer, the owner of the Lucky Jack and Grand View fractions at Rawhide, arrived here yesterday. Mr. Kilmer is a mining man of experience, having mined in Arizona and other parts of the country, and his opinion is well worthy of attention. He thinks that Rawhide is a wonder, and while he may be prejudiced for the reason that he has interests there, there are none of his interests for sale. He believes in a man working out his own salvation.

"The camp is a wonder," said he, "and I cannot see any reason why Rawhide should not make good. In fact they have got to find some argument to show me why it should not. Look at the showings they have, and the wide area from which they are taking out the gold. It is really marvelous when one stops to think of it."

"The Lucky Jack lies between the Royal and Tiger claims, and the Grand View is over the divide from the Royal Tiger group. On the Grand View we have done 1200 feet of work, tunneling, crosscutting and drifting, and we are getting good values. We have just as perfect a ledge as one could wish to see anywhere, with a width of eight feet, which goes from \$5.90 to as high as \$80 a ton. That is a great country in that vicinity. The Royal Coachman, which lies beyond the Royal Tiger, is in good ground, and the boys are pushing the work there for all they are worth. The Nevada King, and all the rest of the ground that belongs and did belong to the Steinhamers, is also good ground. The Royal Coachman made a good strike lately, and although they are still at the surface, the showings warrant them in sinking to depth."

"The Gratts are getting good values on their lease and are sacking ore. Machinery for further development has been ordered. Jack Hines is going to make a haul of money. He is interested in the famous lease, and has also a block which adjoins the Royal claim. The Kearns lease has I don't know how many tons of ore sacked, and cannot get the teams to haul them."

"The Murray lease is one of the very best properties in the camp. They are taking out the high grade from the very bottom of the shaft, and there seems to be no end to it. They are down now over a hundred feet, and that speaks pretty well for the permanency of the camp. The Miller lease, on which the big strike on the Happy Hooligan claim was made a few days ago, is a very rich property, and that, like the Murray lease, is holding out. There are a number of Reno parties talking of putting in a mill there, and it will only be a matter of time when this is done. They have got to get mills in, for there is so much ore. The Reno people and the Goldfield handlers of ore are making a fight for the shipping rock. There are from fifty to a hundred people going into the camp every day. Yes, that is a very conservative estimate, and I don't know of any business in the camp that is being overdone."

NEW INCORPORATIONS.
The following incorporations were filed with the County Clerk of Esmeralda county:
Rawhide Royal Coachman Mining Company, \$1,000,000; Joseph Sutcliffe, E. Marks and Eugene Cerf.
Rawhide Lode Mining Company, \$500,000; L. R. Thatcher, Dantel Johansson and William Whelan.
Rawhide Northern Mining Company, \$1,000,000; G. L. Riekard, S. D. Crump and Henry Porch.
Rawhide - Scandinavian Mining Company, \$1,000,000; August Carlson, J. W. Blakmoe, Gust Nickelson, J. S. W. Mattson and George B. McDevitt.
Rawhide Republic Mining Company, \$1,000,000; Augustus Tilden, Thomas H. Cline and Lewis H. Rogers.
North Rawhide Mining Company,

\$1,000,000; H. V. Meloy, O. C. Nelson and J. B. Trullitt.

YAQUIS MURDER THREE MEXICANS

(By Associated Press.)
YUMA, Ariz., Feb. 26.—Conductor Cook, of the Rio Grande, Yaqui & Pacific railroad, arrived in Yuma today. He reports that Yaquis killed three Mexican members of his train crew, but spared himself and engineer because they were Americans.

OHIO TO HAVE LOCAL OPTION

(By Associated Press.)
COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 26.—The Rose bill, providing for county local option throughout the State, passed the House this afternoon by a vote of 79 to 36. The bill has passed the Senate. The measure will now go before the Governor and it is generally expected he will sign it.

OPERATORS AND MINERS AT WAR

(By Associated Press.)
PEORIA, Ill., Feb. 26.—Despite reports to the contrary, one prominent coal operator declared today that the deadlock between the operators and miners of Northern, Central and Southern Illinois coal fields was not broken, and that the operators were prepared to hold out until March 1st, when the present agreement expires. President John Walker declared that the prospects are for a general suspension of work.

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COMPLY WITH FEDERAL LAW

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PAUL, Minn., Feb. 26.—Practically all arrangements have been made by the Chicago & St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha railroad for complying with the Federal laws governing the working hours of telegraph operators, which goes into effect on March 4th. There will be no decrease of wages in connection with the change. Every operator will be paid practically the same wages he has received heretofore.

WORK ON BIG IRRIGATION SCHEME

(By Associated Press.)
SALT LAKE CITY, Feb. 26.—The Utah-Nevada Irrigation Company, it was announced today, will begin work promptly on a dam and irrigation system in Eastern Nevada, near the Utah line. The company plans to reclaim 230,000 acres of land in Meadow Valley, Wash.

RECORD BROKEN FOR GOLD COIN

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The strength of the United States treasury at the present time was commented on in the House today by Mr. Boutell of Illinois. He said he had just been informed by Treasurer Treat that for the first time gold coin and bullion in the United States reached and passed the sum of one thousand million dollars. The announcement was greeted with applause.

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