MINING

New Mexico Mining News

Find Old Mine at Steins.

The ruins of what appears to have been an old mine were found last week near Steins. Prospectors and cattlemen who must have frequently passed over the spot never discovered anything to attract their attention, and it remained for John Haydan to make the find. He immediately started to excavate on the spot, uncovering wheelbarrows, picks, drills and shovels. No one in the neighborhood seems to have any idea as to who did the work, though it is generally presumed to have been done by old-time Mexican prospectors. There is considerable ore now in sight, and no one has been found who can say definitely what it is, though some assert that it is dry platinum. It will be submitted to a test in a few days.

Socorro Mines Dividend.

Stockholders in Silver City of the Socorro Mining company, operating the Little Fannie and other mines at Mogollon, are wearing a wide smile these days, all on account of pink slips of paper received from the New York offices of the company last week, same being checks for one per cent dividend on the stock they hold. It is quite probable that a one per cent dividend will be paid monthly from now on, as the company is in splendid financial condition and is turning out bullion and concentrates at a wonderful rate. The total production of the company last month has been figured out by a local wiseacre, who has watched the bullion and concentrate shipments as they passed through Silver City at $80,000.

In the Mogollons.

The Oaks Co.—The shaft recently started in portal tunnel B has reached a depth of 15 feet. The vein averages about 4½ feet in width and assays from $15 to $21 per ton. The breast of tunnel A, now in 325 feet, shows fair width of mill grade ore.

Mogollon Gold and Copper Company—Arrangements have been made to start regular shipments to custom mill of ore extracted in development. The holdings of the company are quite extensive and include some very promising vein systems.

Pacific Mines Co.—North and south drifts have been started on fourth level. The stope below the 250-foot level is yielding a grade of ore superior to anything being mined in the district. From 20 to 30 tons are sent to custom mills daily.

Deadwood Mines—The mill treated 350 tons of ore the past week, with a concentrate output of 1½ tons and 4200 ounces of gold and silver bullion. The plant is working full capacity.

Lincoln Mining and Development—The winze being sunk below the fifth level recently encountered a four-foot ledge assaying from $7 to $12. Drifts have been started from a winze at the sixth level.

Accident at New Copper Mine.

The Artesia News says: While Mr. Norman, now of this city and formerly of Roswell, was being lowered to the bottom of the shaft of the copper mine east of the city a few days ago, the rope attached to the bucket in which he was riding broke, letting him fall to the bottom, a distance of twelve feet.

As he fell he turned a partial somersault, alighting on his head. When picked up it was found that he had a deep cut on the back of his head from the rock bottom. Later it was found that he had a severe concussion of the brain. He was brought to his home here and is slowly recovering from the effects of the fall.

Old Modoc Mine Under Bond.

Armijo Bros. have succeeded in interesting eastern capitalists in the Modoc mine property in the Organs east of Las Cruces, and a bond and option has been executed for a period of sixty days in which the buyers have an opportunity to expert the mine. The price to be paid is in the neighborhood of $50,000, and if the property is suitable for their use the purchasers will immediately invest $150,000 in machinery and development. This will open up another of the large mines of this section.

ASBESTOS DEPOSIT NEAR LAS VEGAS SAID TO BE LARGE

Rumor Says Two Hundred Tons Are in Sight on Property Near the Government Planting Station.

(Special Correspondence to the Herald)

East Las Vegas, N. M., April 15—While the rumors concerning the discovery of a large deposit of asbestos near here are persistent, those supposed to be interested in the property are very uncommunicative about it, and it is said that the discovery is to be kept as quiet as possible until financing has been completed. The deposit is located near the United States forestry tree planting station on the Gallinas river, 18 miles from Las Vegas. Two hundred thousand tons of ore are said to be in sight. The price for the ore is $22 to $25 per ton and the cost of mining this deposit, it is said, will be extremely low. The deposit is nine miles from the railroad, and can be transported to the tracks at small cost. It is said that the strata bearing the asbestos has been stripped for from 1,200 o 1,500 feet and that it varies in width from three to 40 feet.

Experts from the plant and mine at Shafter, Texas, have been over the field. The leading asbestos concerns at this time are the H. W. Jones - Manville company, with headquarters in Milwaukee, capitalized at $40,000,000, and the recently organized Mid-West company, with offices in Denver, working under capital of $8,000,000. The output will be used for the manufacture of lumber, shingles, and building materials such as are used in the construction of the most up-to-date fire-proof buildings under construction at the present time.

IMPORTANT REPORT ON RADIUM BEARING ORES IN COLORADO

The interest that has recently been manifested in radium has created a public demand for information both practical and theoretical in regard to the mineral deposits from which it is derived. A short report by Edison S. Bastin on the "Geology of the Pitchblende Ores of Colorado," recently issued by the United States geological survey, deals mainly with the geology, mineralogy, and origin of these deposits, their practical utilization having been treated somewhat fully in other publications.

The quantity of uranium ores mined in the United States is exceedingly small, and the great bulk of it, from Utah and southwestern Colorado, does not carry pitchblende but contains the brilliant yellow uranium mineral carnotite. The small pitchblende production of this country is all from the one locality described in this report, in the heart of Gilpin county, famous as the birthplace of the gold-mining industry of Colorado. There pitchblende occurs as a constituent of mineral veins which were first worked for their gold and silver content and which still yield important amounts of these precious metals. It is notable that the only other localities in the world where pitchblende has been found in important quantities in mineral veins are the Erzgebirge (in Bohemia and Saxony) and the Cornwall district (in England). Its mode of occurrence in these countries is also described by Mr. Bastin.

This report forms Professional Paper 90-A and may be obtained free by addressing the director of the nited States geological survey, Washington, D. C.

IMPORTANT MINING DEAL CLOSED AT PINOS ALTOS

Stauber, Bell and Wright Secure Lease on All Property of the Savannah Copper Co. Near Silver City.

Silver City, N. M., April 15—Messrs. Stauber, Bell and Wright have secured a lease on all the property of the Savanna Copper company at Pinos Altos, consisting of thirteen claims and including the most extensively developed and productive mines in that section of the country. Messrs. Stauber and Wright have been in Duluth, the headquarters of the Savanna company, for the past ten days, and are now on their way back to Silver City.

The deal is an important one, as it means the putting into operation of a number of properties which are now idle. Messrs. Bell and Wright have held a lease on the Pacific mine and have operated the same with splendid success, taking out many thousands of dollars' worth of high grade ore. Under the present lease it is their intention to handle the great body of ore which is of lower grade but which under proper handling will prove profitable. Pending their return to Silver City the extent of the operations they propose to undertake cannot be learned, but it seems assured that through the result of the present deal mining operations at Pinos Altos will be very largely increased, even over the large amount of work now being done.

Messrs. Bell and Wright are old-timers in the Pinos Altos district, and having spent most of their lives there are what might be called specialists in knowledge of the peculiar formations which are found in that locality. They are both experienced in all lines of mining. Mr. I. J. Stauber has been superintendent for the Savanna Copper company for a number of years and is a mining engineer of wide experience. The combination is one from which the best of results can be expected.

Mr. Stauber arrived in Silver City this morning on his return from Duluth, coming by auto from Deming. He said that the plans of the new firm with reference to what they proposed to do with the Pinos Altos properties were not altogether complete, and he could not go into details. He stated, however, that several of the larger properties would be operated, and that within the year the firm will have a large force of men at work. It is their intention to erect a mill on the property and treat the ore by a method which will save the values in zinc as well as those of the other metals. Operations will be commenced on a scale commensurate with the means of the members of the partnership, and increased as seems advisable.

I. L. Wright, who accompanied Mr. Stauber to Duluth, is in Denver, looking over milling machinery.

The property leased includes such well known mines as the Hearst, Atlantic, Pacific, Gillette and Mina Grande, as well as others not so well known.

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Cereal Trust Case Concluded.

New York, April 16.—The examination in this city of witnesses in the government's persecution of the so-called cereal trust was concluded today. The next hearing will be held in Chicago on Monday, April 27.

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ARIZONA MINING NEWS AND GOSSIP

Willcox News: The property of the Chicago Mining & Exploration corporation is undergoing considerable development work, while several shipments have been made to the smelters at Douglas, which are said to have far exceeded the expectation of the management in the way of returns. The property is of a gold bearing character and in early days of the county was a very prominent producer.

Willcox News: At the Bill Sherman group of mines in the Dragoon mountains, owned by J. H. Bright, W. S. Campbell, Jack Busenbark and Archie Meek, a 100-foot drift is being run from the bottom of a 35-foot shaft which was sunk about a year ago. This group of claims is situated in the vicinity of the Black Diamond properties and a four-fot vein of ore, reputed to be of good quality, was encountered while sinking the shaft last year.

Jerome News: Operations are to be resumed at the property of the Juniata Mining company. New machinery will be installed at once and the ore tested to determine the kind of plant required. Ore to be tested has been shipped to Los Angeles and as soon as the tests are completed a mill will be purchased. In the meantime the shaft will be deepened and the underground workings extended. Several thousand tons of ore are said to be exposed in these workings and there is also a big dump of milling ore.

Willcox News: Advices received from Franklin B. Hardy, the eminent mining engineer connected with the Chicago Mining & Exploration corporation, are to the effect that examinations will shortly be completed of the Dragoon-Arizona Mining company's properties in the Dragoon mountains, and from all appearances his company would take up its option on the property and commence work at an early date. The option calls for $175,000, one-half down and the balance to be paid within a year's time.

Jerome News: Reports state that W. H. Hall, the promoter of the new reduction plant to be installed at Mayer, is closing negotiations for the old Rigby machinery and personal holdings of the above defunct enterprise in that town. It is said that some of the machinery can be utilized to advantage in equipping the Foss plant, while the dozen or more buildings on the ground will be an inducement toward securing that site for the new undertaking. A railroad spur is also built to the main works, while the water service is ample and passes through the place for any ore reduction purposes desired.

Willcox News: Mining throughout the various districts of Cochise county is showing up with brighter prospects than ever before, according to the many mining men visiting this section from different parts of the county. Important among the mining transactions had in Cochise county during the past week is the sale of one-third in the Shattuck group of claims in the Warren district by L. C. Shattuck. The claims are owned jointly by Shattuck, W. S. Campbell and Eugene Youkum. The name of the purchaser or the consideration involved in the transaction have not been made public. The sale in no way has any connection with the famous Shattuck mines of the Warren district, the property involved being an entirely independent group.

Yuma Sun: For several days past loose jointed and slightly credited rumors have been floating around telling of discoveries of deposits of coal somewhere near Yuma. At first but little credence was given, for stories of rich mines are very common and only once in a great many instances panning out rich results. Yesterday, however, J. H. Whitman came to town bringing specimens of coal from a ledge which he has discovered in the country a couple of miles east of Hoge's Ferry, which crosses the Colorado a short distance above Picacho. Mr. Whitman made the discovery several weeks ago and not being financially able to handle the locations and development work alone, sought assistance from several friends. O. H. Craine, A. W. S. Smith, Charles Brislin and Mr. Hoge formed a partnership with him and he and Mr. Smith returned to the locality where the discovery was made to make further explorations and locate claims. Six hundred and forty acres of ground have been located and Mr. Whitman came in to have the location notices recorded, leaving Mr. Smith at work developing one of the claims. When interviewed yesterday by a Sun reporter Mr. Whitman stated that the outcrop is in a hill that rises 150 feet above the mesa and can be plainly seen running three-quarters of a mile along the nearly level surface. The development work so far done is not sufficient to show the thickness of the deposit. The outcrop runs nearly north and south and the seam appears to dip towards the northeast at an angle of about 45 degrees. Mr. Whitman has worked in the coal mines of Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, Alabama and New Mexico, and feels confident that he has made a great and valuable discovery.

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