

MINING NEWS Here and Elsewhere

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MINING AND METALLURGICAL OFFICERS RESERVE CORPS

Regardless of the plans already announced for the protection of mining under the new draft law, The Mining Congress Journal for September takes the liberty of commenting upon a plan proposed by Director Manning and his associates of the Bureau of Mines, and insists that the plan should receive immediate and favorable consideration from the war administration.

While every effort will be made to prevent loss of man power in the mines, there will be some loss. It cannot wholly be prevented by the methods already devised. A number of technical men occupying positions of highest importance are liable to enlist or be drafted. They may be placed in obscure positions where their technical training will be of no particular value. The loss of technical men in the mining industry is a serious matter at any time, and much more serious at a time when every skilled brain should be employed in bringing production to maximum.

The problem cannot be solved merely by exempting men because, regardless of the expressed preferences of the government, hundreds of these men will refuse exemption and will insist upon joining the fighting forces. The suggestion of the Bureau of Mines officials—a most excellent one from every standpoint—is that there be organized a Mining and Metallurgical Officers' Reserve Corps made up of volunteers and in part of qualified men now of draft age, and that they be directed to work where they will be most efficient. This will mean, in the majority of cases, their present employments.

With this Reserve Corps under control of the War Administration, the technical forces represented can be moved when and where necessary, the trained intellects utilized to maximum advantage to the industry and to the government, and it is not beyond the realm of possibilities that such a body of men will be badly needed for the rehabilitation of Russian mines and to open to the world the vast mineral resources of Siberia.

The scheme as already placed before the Administration includes the appointment of a special representative of the mining industry on each district draft board with advisory power in selection of the "key men" of the industry, for the proposed reserve service. All men selected for the reserve were to be assigned to remain in civic occupations until called for special duty in the army.

The plan is a good one. It did not originate in the army and it was promptly rejected. But this war is not going to be won by allowing the military spirit to override common business sense, and The Mining Congress Journal suggests that the splendid business men of the nation—who have dropped their private affairs to assist in working out the enlarged military program give serious attention to the thought advanced by the men responsible for much of the progress now being made in the production of our war minerals.

TO HAVE INJURIES TREATED IN L. A.

Stanley C. Bagg, who was recently injured by falling rock in the Cyclopic mine, departed a few days ago to Los Angeles, where he will have an examination made of his injuries at one of the hospitals. While working in the mine, about a month ago, a slab of rock fell from the roof, striking him on the head, inflicting a bad scalp wound and possibly causing a fracture of the skull. The wound had healed up but Mr. Bagg is still suffering from the injury to his skull.

HACKBERRY CROSSCUTTING AT 900 FOOT LEVEL

The Hackberry shaft has reached the 900 level and the work of crosscutting the vein is now under way. The ground at this point is reported to be heavy, the work of getting the drift under way is somewhat impeded by the character of the ground. Should the vein prove up as good on the 900 as it shows in the 600 this property will be a bonanza. On the 600 the vein is 16 feet wide in places, the whole of it being of high grade milling values. All the other openings in the property show ore of exceptionally high values.

The camp buildings and mill foundations are well along toward completion and within the next 30 days the camp will present a finished appearance. G. S. Holmes, the principal shareholder in the property is taking a personal interest in the progress of affairs at the property and is highly pleased with the way all developments are being carried on.

TWINS MINE STARTED TO SINK TO 300 FOOT LEVEL

Superintendent Erickson has received notice from M. B. Dudley to at once begin the sinking of the shaft on the Twins mine to the 300, where the country will be crosscut to pick up the vein. The work is already under way and a larger force of men will soon be employed.

The Twins is one of the best veins in the Cerbert section, but is reported that a fault that cut off the vein at the 100 level has not yet been traced out. It is the opinion that it will be easy to pick up the vein at greater depth by crossing the country, and also picking up some other veins that run through the area.

FURTHER COPPER ADVANCE EXPECTED

The President has approved the agreement fixing the price of copper between the producers and the War Fixing Board and has extended the agreement to November 1, when it is possible that the price will be further advanced. Conditions are tightening in the labor world and it is possible that the price will have to be another boost of miners wages to keep the better class of mechanics from leaving for more remunerative employment. While copper miners are the best paid men in the world engaged in that business, there are many other employments that demand somewhat skilled labor to keep up the production of essentials. Every branch of mining is being hit hard by the increased cost, and only copper is being treated fairly by the government, the other mining industries being left to their own shift.

NEW MACHINERY

Thursday last a carload of machinery, consisting of engines and pumps was received at Kingman for the Standard Minerals company. This machinery is to be hauled to the mines as soon as possible. The company also has many cars of machinery and supplies on the way and may be able to begin the work of assembling for the big mill within the next 30 days.

For artillery, automatic rifles, and small arms, and for ammunition for them, we have spent over \$3,700,000. Every Liberty Loan subscriber helps to arm our soldiers.

WHITE HILLS DISCOVERER VISITS MOHAVE COUNTY

Judge Henry Schaefer and wife arrived in Kingman Thursday night on their way to Chloride, and yesterday morning paid a pleasant call at the Miner sanctum.

Judge Schaefer, the discoverer of the White Hills mines in the early nineties and sold a big group to Root and Moffat for a large sum of money. He had been interested in mining in Gold Basin and other sections of Mohave county and when he took his departure to California he took with him a big bunch of money and an abiding faith in the mines of this county. He has always been a Mohave county booster and is now one of the owners of the Emerson mine, at Chloride, one of the important properties of that camp. At the present time the mine is equipped with machinery and a mill has just been put in commission. This mill is turning out splendid concentrates, and it is to see this mill in operation that Judge Schaefer is now visiting the county.

DESTROYS MILL

The Red Cloud mill, at Silver District in Yuma county, was destroyed by fire last week. This was one of the big mills of the county and was valued at \$100,000. The mine was recently opened and \$30,000 spent on improvements.

LIKES IT FINE

Private F. T. Flynn formerly employed by C. A. Patterson writes:—Have been over in France with the Army for six months. Like the place and we are all having a good time. Plumbing over here is a lot different but that is not bothering the boys over here now.

With best wishes to you all,
From your friend,
Frank

LEGAL ADVERTISING

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR U. S. PATENT
Survey No. 3405 A&B United States Land Office, Serial No. 040286, Phoenix, Arizona, August 31, 1918.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that in pursuance of Chapter 6 of Title XXXII of the Revised Statutes of the United States, and the Acts amendatory thereof, AGNES SCANLON, whose post-office address is 703 1-2 South Broadway, in the city of Los Angeles, County of Los Angeles, and State of California, by her duly authorized and appointed attorney-in-fact, O. F. KUENCER, whose postoffice address is Kingman, Mohave County, Arizona, has made application to the United States for patent for 1500 linear feet on EMPIRE and MANHATTAN lodes, respectively, bearing Gold and Silver, the same being 1498 feet southerly and 2 feet northerly on said EMPIRE lode, and 1498 feet northerly and 2 feet southerly on said MANHATTAN lode, from the respective discovery shafts thereon, with surface ground 600 feet in width on each of said lodes, and for the EMPIRE MILL SITE, all embraced in Mineral Survey No. 3405 A&B, and are situated in Lost Basin Mining District, County of Mohave, State of Arizona, and described by the official plat, and by the field notes on file in the office of the Register of the United States Land Office at Phoenix, Arizona, as follows, viz:

EMPIRE LODE, SURVEY NO. 3405 A&B
Beginning at Cor. No. 1, identical with Cor. No. 2, EMPIRE lode of this Survey, previously described, whence U. S. M. M. No. 1, bears S. 56 deg. 08 min. W. 4809 ft. to Cor. No. 2, identical with Cor. No. 1, MANHATTAN lode of this Survey. Thence S. 48 deg. 46 min. E. 600 ft. to Cor. No. 3, identical with Cor. No. 4, MANHATTAN lode of this Survey. Thence S. 3 deg. 12 min. E. 1500 ft. to Cor. No. 4, Thence S. 86 deg. 48 min. W. 600 ft. to Cor. No. 1, the place of beginning.
MANHATTAN LODE, SURVEY NO. 3405 A&B
Beginning at Cor. No. 1, identical with Cor. No. 2, EMPIRE lode of this Survey, previously described, whence U. S. M. M. No. 1, bears S. 56 deg. 08 min. W. 4809 ft. to Cor. No. 2, identical with Cor. No. 1, MANHATTAN lode of this Survey. Thence S. 48 deg. 46 min. E. 600 ft. to Cor. No. 3, identical with Cor. No. 4, MANHATTAN lode of this Survey. Thence S. 3 deg. 12 min. E. 1500 ft. to Cor. No. 4, Thence S. 86 deg. 48 min. W. 600 ft. to Cor. No. 1, the place of beginning.

EMPIRE MILL SITE, SURVEY NO. 3405 A&B
Beginning at Cor. No. 1, identical with a corner of the location, and with Cor. No. 3, Survey No. 823, Golden Gate Mill Site, whence U. S. M. M. No. 2, (erected in connection with Survey No. 823 Golden Gate M. S.), bears N. 27 deg. 10 min. W. 1620 ft.
The 1-4 section corner between sections 31 and 32, T. 31 N., R. 17 W., G. & S. R. M. (unapproved survey), bears N. 33 deg. 27 min. W. 1378 ft.
Cor. No. 2, MANHATTAN lode, Sur. No. 3405 A, bears S. 10 deg. 32 min. E. 25,704 ft.
Thence S. 46 deg. 40 min. E. 330 ft. to Cor. No. 2, identical with corner of the location and with Cor. No. 4, Survey No. 823, Golden Gate Mill Site. Thence S. 43 deg. 30 min. W. 660 ft. to Cor. No. 3, identical with corner of location and with Cor. No. 5, Sur. No. 823, Golden Gate M. S. Thence N. 46 deg. 40 min. W. 330 ft. to Cor. No. 4, identical with corner of location and with corner No. 2, Sur. No. 823, Golden Gate M. S. Thence N. 43 deg. 20 min. E. 660 ft. to Cor. No. 1, the place of beginning.

There are no known adjoining claims to either of said EMPIRE and MANHATTAN lodes or said EMPIRE MILL SITE.

There are no known conflicting claims with either of the EMPIRE or MANHATTAN lodes.
Area in conflict with EMPIRE MILL SITE, Golden Gate Mill Site, Sur. No. 823, 5,000 acres.
The respective location certificates of the EMPIRE and MANHATTAN lodes and EMPIRE MILL SITE are recorded in the Mining Records and Mill Sites and Water Rights, in the office of the Recorder of Mohave County, State of Arizona, and follows:
EMPIRE lode, in Book HH of Mines, at page 12.
MANHATTAN lode, in Book HH of Mines, at page 13.
EMPIRE MILL SITE, in Book 2, M. S. & W. R., at page 337.

J. L. IRVIN,
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DOES NOT APPROVE OF CLAIM JUMPING

Editor Mohave Miner
Kingman, Arizona.

Dear Sir: Some two years ago while an important mining deal was pending, an ambitious citizen of Los Angeles saw fit to jump some valuable ground here, belonging to two of our leading companies with the evident purpose of levying blackmail on them. The Chloride Mining Bureau at once took action and adopted the following: "Whereas, This Bureau, anxious to promote the best interests of the camp, is firmly opposed to claim jumping, fraudulent stock and promotion schemes, which must eventually prove detrimental to the mining industry, Now, Therefore Be it Resolved, That the Chloride Bureau of Mines condemns in unmeasured terms the efforts of unscrupulous persons to bring disaster on the camp by any of the methods mentioned above, and that it will look with disfavor upon any member of the Mohave County Bar who lends himself to such questionable methods and takes cases of this character, and be it further resolved That this Bureau, backed by the sentiment of the entire community, will take steps if necessary to purge the camp of parties engaged in questionable practices of the character referred to, and hereby warns them to keep away."

Some of our citizens made a few remarks to the party referred to, and he found it advisable to depart suddenly, and has not since then been seen in this town.

The feeling is still strong here along the same lines. Many years ago the worthless claims of this district were dropped and only those of promise retained for further exploitation. On these claims the owners have tried to keep up their annual assessment work until Congress suspended the requirements for the years 1917 and 1918.

One of the objections to this measure was the knowledge that in mining sections where the laws are lax, as in California, parties would take advantage of the law to cover up their past delinquencies, by taking advantage of its provisions.

Of course it is well understood that if there is a failure to do the work for any given year, and no one takes advantage of the fact by re-location, the owner may fully re-establish his claim by complying with law in the succeeding year.

It also follows that if the Government excuses me from doing the work for that year, and I file the requisite notice, my past delinquencies are cured.

Quite recently a claim was jumped here on which the owner did nearly the required work for 1917, but upon the passage of the Joint Resolution by Congress, he filed the required notice, and rested upon his rights.

And now comes the claim jumper and files on the claim, asserting that the required work was not done in 1915 and 1916.

It is a significant fact that in this instance also a deal is pending for the sale of the property and a cloud is thrown upon the title.

It is safe to assume that our property owners and all citizens will join in handing to the claim jumper a very lively dose if jobs of this kind are indulged in, and possibly they will not wait for "due process of law."

Kindly warn such parties to keep from this camp.

Yours Truly
A. W. KELLOGG

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CARLOAD OF ORE IS SHIPPED BY ANTLER

L. A. Newton, who has a lease on the property of the Commercial Copper company (Phelps-Dodge Corporation), has just shipped a carload of ore from the old Antler to the smelter. The Antler mine is one of the group purchased by the Phelps-Dodge people in the eighties and from which a large tonnage of ore was shipped to their plant at the Bogg and Hackberry smelter, in Yavapai county. Owing to the decline in the price of copper the mines were closed and all machinery shipped away. Since that time no work has been done on the mines up to the present time.

Shipments will now be made regularly to the United Verde Con. smelter, at Verde.

WALTER MYERS WILL SOON ENTER SERVICE

Walter Myers is reported to have sold his interest in a mining claim, near Wallapai Springs, the first payment to be \$10,000. As soon as the deal is closed he expects to enter the services of the government as interpreter. Mr. Myers is said to be able to speak French, German and English fluently and would be worth considerable to the American forces.

We have spent over \$120,000,000 just for staple supplies for our army, such as flour, bacon, rice, etc. Every Liberty Loan subscriber helps to feed our soldiers.

GOLD IS RATED HIGH BY PRIORITIES BOARD

The Priorities Board of the U. S. War Industry Board, has carefully considered the matter of gold production and the necessity for its safeguarding and at a meeting recently held adopted the following resolution: "Be it Resolved by the Priorities Board that gold mining is an essential war industry, and the powers of this board will be so exercised as to accord to such industry preferential treatment in the supply not only of tools, machinery and equipment, but in transportation service, fuel supply and labor supply."

It is also understood that this board is considering the necessity of making some provision for the taking over of the entire gold output of the United States at a price to be fixed by it, in the event that congress fails to make provision for the protection of gold mining.

WILL START SOON ON BIG TUNNEL

Supt. H. M. Crowther has put a force of miners to work cleaning up some caves in the Stockton Hill tunnel and getting things in shape for the resumption of driving ahead on the big bore. This work will be of great importance not only to the shareholders, but also to the town of Kingman. The driving of this tunnel into the mountain and the crosscutting of the gridiron of veins would put to work many hundreds of miners on tribute work, as well as giving the company hundreds of feet of ore backs in its own property.

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