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## NATIVE COPPER IN THE LUDWIG MINE

The Latest Yerington Copper Deal Has Involved a Very Promising Present Producer.

Upon returning from a week's stay at the great copper camp of Yerington, during which visit he picked up the noted Ludwig property for the Nevada-Douglas Copper Company, General Manager W. C. Orem brought with him several samples of Ludwig carbonate ore that are characteristic of this mine, and every ounce of it is jewelry ore. He also brought with him two splendid samples of native copper ore, the same coming from the Ludwig, and those who have seen it pronounce it as fine a character of the pure stuff as has ever been seen in this city. The Nevada-Douglas has made the first payment upon the Ludwig, and while not giving out the price paid for the mine, Mr. Orem did not deny that it took a fine consideration to pull loose the former owners. Mr. Orem stated:

"The Nevada-Douglas Company has purchased an option on the Ludwig property adjoining its original possessions. The first payment has been made, and it all depends upon what the developments are to be in the next two or three months whether or not the final purchase price is to be paid. The Ludwig mine is full of great promise, and there is a fine amount of high grade ore already in sight. The company has been shipping an average of 400 tons of rock per month for several months, the average value of which has been around 20 per cent. In taking over the management of this property I found in Superintendent David Ross a very capable mine superintendent, and we have made arrangements with him to continue in the same capacity for the Nevada-Douglas Company.

"We will continue the same program of ore shipments in the future. Two cars of ore went into the market when I was there, and two additional cars are now at the tracks awaiting cars. By means of the north drift on the 550-foot level a body of ore, principally sulphides, has been opened up 12 feet thick and 50 feet in length so far. The average of this entire body is 13 per cent. copper. On the same level the south drift has encountered a body 20 feet thick and 70 feet long, which averages 3.4 per cent.

## EX-GOVERNOR BREEN BECOMES INTERESTED

Peter W. Breen, formerly Lt. Gov. of Colorado, after making an inspection of Ely, Goldfield, Tonopah, Rosebud and Seven Troughs mining districts, returned to Yerington and closed a deal for a group of copper claims belonging to O. B. Gross and V. P. Wick. Governor Breen is quite elated with the ground he has bargained for, and furthermore believes that the Yerington district is the coming great copper district of the West; also that the city of Yerington will be one of the big ones, provided the citizens wake up and get busy beautifying the place. Governor Breen is one of the heavy mining operators of Leadville, Colorado, and now that he has become interested in this district we may expect to see him here quite frequently.

## A GOOD SHOW COMING

The well known Sterling & Wallace Company, presenting all the very latest New York motion pictures and featuring the great Colorado sensation, "The Holdup of the Leadville Stage," the most dramatic and finest film photographically ever made, with a grand collection of the best things in this line will positively appear at Owl Hall, Monday night, July 22nd. Come and see a really good show. The very best films and a good light, this show surely has.

M. S. Lewis, of Boston, W. T. Watson, of Chicago, were arrivals here Thursday morning on a trip of inspection of the district. They are of the Nevada Goldfield Mining, Milling & Smelting Co. and have in view some things in the district which they expect to do business with in the near future. The company they represent has mining properties in several of the promising camps in the State and they like the Yerington district so well that they are anxious to begin operations here.

Logan berries, raspberries, peaches tomatos and cucumbers at Menke & Co.'s

copper. An incline has been sent from the 550-foot level to the 650-foot level; and shortly we expect to have both bodies blocked out 100 feet below the present levels.

"The shipments already made have come mostly from the upper or carbonate workings, and in addition to these high grade chutes there is a large tonnage of carbonates averaging between 3 and 10 per cent. copper which will be available for profitable treatment in a smelting plant. There seems no question regarding opening up the sulphides on the lower levels, and we feel confident that we will develop as fine a line of sulphide ore bodies as the best that the camp can show at this time. A winze has been sent from the 500 level, and a drift sent out from the bottom for 20 feet so far as developed, and the average value of the ore 4.17 per cent. copper.

"As for the Nevada-Douglas property, drifting will begin at once from the 100-foot level of the outside shaft, or rather, 100 feet below the tunnel level, as the tunnel, which was started after the shaft had penetrated to considerable depths, met the shaft in its course to the heart of the Douglas possessions. This shaft has been in ore from the collar to its present depths, or for over 120 feet, and the general average of the same is 4.5 per cent. The crosscut made on the tunnel level showed this vein to be 44 feet wide. If the new drift shows up equally as well, even with this superficial development, great things can be expected at greater depths.

"One of the most interesting points in the Nevada-Douglas development work is the opening up of the lime-porphry contact that crosses the line of the deep tunnel at a point fully 500 feet away from its present face. This contact is running from 10 to 15 feet in width, and the general average is 5 per cent. copper. I have learned from very reliable sources that actual railroad construction to Yerington will begin very shortly, and this will give the camp a tremendous advantage and the mines an ideal start. I am entirely pleased with our interests in the great camp." Salt Lake Tribune.

## POWER LINE NEAR

F. O. Broili and George A. Campbell, of the Truckee River General Electric Company, were arrivals yesterday from Reno on business connected with the installing of power and lights in this city and the mines of the district. The company regrets that there has been so much delay in getting its line in here, but now thinks that within the next three weeks the city will have the juice for both lights and power. The line is now connected with the Nevada-Douglas and soon will be with the Mason Valley, Western Nevada, Malachite and other properties, and the pole line will be strung through the town next week, probably. The company has met with many obstacles, and delays have been unavoidable, but with fairly good luck from now on it may confidently be expected that the town will be lit up with electric lights by the 10th of next month.

## BRICKS ARE BEAUTIES

S. H. Wagner has just finished burning a sample kiln of 5,000 brick from clay found on the Spragg ranch just across the river. He is more than pleased with the result and declares that the clay is of a superior quality for brick. Samples of the brick before burning show them to be hard and firm. They burn to a red color and when taken from the kiln ring like a bell. Mr. Wagner burned this kiln with wood and found that it was a little more expensive than he had at first calculated. He thinks the brick will have to be sold for about \$17 per thousand to make any money on them. If coal could be obtained for fuel the cost of production would be materially reduced. If Mr. Wagner can secure contracts for brick enough to construct a few houses he will at once begin to lay a 5,000 or 10,000 kiln.

Hay is going to be worth money this year from all indications. Outside buyers are now in Churchill county offering \$10 per ton for hay in the stack. The commodity is being held at from \$10 to \$13 per ton in this valley.

## BRIEF MENTION

All kinds of fruit at Menke & Co.'s Father Ryan was an arrival from Bodie, Cal., yesterday.

Sheriff Randall was out from Dayton for a couple of days this week on official business.

Jos. A. Harris, of the Nevada Bonanza Co., went to Reno yesterday on a short business visit.

Misses Josie and Lizzie Baker left for Santa Cruz last Sunday to spend a few weeks on the seashore.

Mrs. Bessie Davis has been engaged to teach the primary department of the Yerington public school for the coming term.

If you want a fine line of stationery at low prices call at the Economic Drug Co.'s store, corner Bridge and Virginia streets.

Johnny McAllister and wife took their departure for Sacramento the first of the week on a combined business and pleasure trip.

C. A. Barnett was an arrival from Sacramento Monday and has been in town during the week on mining and other business.

Mrs. Carroll and Mrs. Archer and their children returned last Sunday from quite an extended visit to seashore resorts in California.

If you haven't seen the new line of Jewelry at the Yerington Drug Co.'s store it would pay you to do so before buying elsewhere.

The Economic Drug Co. has just received a fresh supply of candies, gum and cigars. Give them a call. Bridge and Virginia streets.

F. A. Flindt, of the Mason Valley Copper Co., returned last week from Salt Lake. He expects to soon leave for Alaska on mining business.

Samuel Turman, an old resident of Churchill county, was an arrival from Fallon yesterday on a visit to his step-daughter, Mrs. Henry Streeter.

J. F. Henderson, connected with the Truckee River General Electric Company, was in town this week, and is hustling the line along as fast as possible.

The river is holding up pretty well this season and there is going to be plenty of water throughout the season for irrigation purposes from all indications.

Prof. Carl Hesse, President of the Reno Yerington Copper Mining Company, was an arrival from Reno last night on business connected with the property.

Mrs. Delia Morgan, who arrived here last week on a visit to her mother, Mrs. Penrose, and her sister, Mrs. Bessie Davis, returned to her home in California Wednesday.

The vault for the new Lyon County Bank is nearly completed on the ground upon which this concern is erecting its new building. It will be a very substantial affair.

W. G. Lovie returned from San Francisco the first of the week to look after his interests in this district and at Reservation Hill. He expects to be here for several weeks.

Menke & Co.'s new grocery store opened up this week and all the choice articles in the grocery line can be found there. The stock will always be kept fresh and complete.

Victor H. Woods, ex-Surveyor General of California, came in from Sacramento yesterday on business connected with mining property in which he is interested in this district.

You can get an excellent meal at the New Home Hotel at the same price it would cost you elsewhere. Give the place a call and you will be satisfied well enough to go again.

Vol. 1, No. 1 of the Reveille, a new weekly paper started in Reno by J. L. Considine and J. F. Haley, has made its appearance. It is a five-column, 8-page sheet and is neat, news and spicy.

Max Junghandel came in from Salt Lake yesterday on a short business visit and will leave for New York either today or tomorrow in the interest of mining matters with which he is connected in this camp.

The bites and stings of insects, sunburn, cuts, burns and bruises relieved at once with Pinesalve Carbolized. Acts like a poultice. Draws out inflammation. Try it. Price 25c. Sold by Yerington Drug Co.

The furniture for the Nevada Registration & Trust Co.'s new establishment has arrived and workmen have been busy during the week in arranging and setting it in place in the new Leavitt building under the supervision of Mr. Brown, who will have charge of the Ish Bros. affairs in this line in Yerington.

F. L. Berry and T. J. Breen, of Tonopah, came in the fore part of the week on business connected with the promotion of a company to handle some copper claims which they expect to take over as soon as some legal verbiage in connection with the property is cleared away. The claim is the old Naches copper property which is considered one of the best copper showings in this big copper district.

J. Walter Hanby, District Attorney of this county, was subject to ptomaine poisoning the first of this week, and for a time he was in a very serious condition. It is thought that the trouble was caused by eating some canned salmon or using condensed milk. The gentleman has about recovered from his illness and is able to be in his office.

## EMPIRE NEVADA CO. BORING FOR COPPER

Valuable Sulphide Ore Being Found at Various Depths by the Drills Being Operated.

It is currently reported that the Empire Nevada Copper Co., which some months ago secured quite an acreage of copper ground across the river from Yerington, and which later on put a couple of drills into operation, are being well paid for their experiment. While the company has nothing to give out regarding its operations it is continuing to sink hole after hole through the wash on the surface of the ground. It is a fact that copper sulphides have been encountered in nearly every hole at a depth of anywhere from 80 to 150 feet, and some twenty or more holes have been sunk. The character of ore is good and carries from one to five or six per cent copper. The company has a large area of this ground and is acquiring more territory whenever the opportunity presents itself, which is an indication that it is at least not discouraged in its work.

This is the first attempt to prospect ground in this district with drills and if it proves successful, which it appears to be doing now, there will undoubtedly be more of the work carried on in this vicinity. At present there are two drills at work and they are running smoothly most of the time. They penetrate any kind of ground, and rapid headway is made with them. When ore is struck and its thickness is demonstrated the machine is moved to another point and another hole bored. In this manner the width of a ledge or body of ore can easily be determined by boring a string of holes along what is supposed to be the strike of the ore. If it is demonstrated that big bodies of this low grade ore exist at an ordinary depth from the surface it will be one of the greatest mining propositions ever heard of, as the ore can practically be quarried out.

## NEW ROAD INTO YERINGTON

For some time past there has been considerable talk of building a new road into Yerington from the main road that reaches this place from Wabuska. The proposition is to have a road which will come directly into the town at or near the northern boundary instead of running by the town and coming back into it after crossing the river, thereby making it necessary to travel about three miles further to reach Yerington. On several different occasions an attempt has been made to frame up a new road across the McLeod land, but for some reason or another the road has never materialized. Now, however, it looks as though the road might be built, as taxpayers of the city have signed up a petition and agreement to contribute something over \$2100 for the building of a road and the construction of a bridge across the river at some point on the Martin ranch. This week a line survey for an 80 foot street was made over the land between Main street and the river and it was found that a very good road can be constructed over this line at a moderate expense. Probably the amount of subscriptions to this enter-

prise will be doubled next week and the work of laying out and grading the road begun. It is not at all likely that the county will be asked to in any way assist in the building of this road although a large portion of it will be outside of the city limits.

That a road coming into the city at its northern boundary would be of considerable benefit is obvious. In the first place it would cut off about two miles of travel in coming from Wabuska to this place, and this would mean much to the travelers who have to make the trip in by stage over roads that are never of the best. Such a road would also be of great advantage to the farmers living north of Yerington in their travel to Wabuska and return, as it would save them a number of miles on each trip.

It is more than likely that the road and bridge will be built within the next two months, and if it is built at all the work will be done in a substantial manner, the road put on a grade, turnpiked and covered with rock and gravel, and sidewalks built on each side with two rows of trees extending the entire distance.

## PROBABLE FUEL FAMINE

There is every indication that there is going to be a fuel famine in Nevada next winter. Coal dealers in all parts of the State are finding it impossible to get coal now, and have no assurance that they can get it in time for winter use.

The trouble seems to be that the Harriman railroad people are trying to play even with President Roosevelt for trying to bring them to time in their grafting methods of doing business. The railroad company owns coal mines in Utah and Wyoming, but will not ship or haul from them on account of a recent decision that railroad companies cannot be manufacturers or producers of commodities they transport. It has been suggested that Nevada will have to get her coal supply from British Columbia or Australia by way of San Francisco, and this will be so expensive that but few can afford to use coal for fuel.

In a pull-up contest at Mound House last Sunday between a team from Empire and one from Dayton the former won. The struggle was a hard one and lasted just half an hour. The contest was for a purse of \$200, and considerable outside money changed hands.

W. A. Patterson and J. J. Sellman, of Reno, are in camp with the view of establishing a lumber yard. They have several carloads of lumber on the way here and claim that they can keep enough coming to supply the demand. They can sell lots of it if they can.

There will be a meeting of Hope Lodge No. 22, F. and A. M., this Saturday evening, July 20, at 8 o'clock, sharp, for the purpose of performing work in the Third Degree, Sojourning brethren are cordially invited to attend. By order of

W. D. DAVIDSON, W. M.  
Attest: W. N. AIKEN, Sec.

Dr. Bass, who is interested in the Wabuska Copper Co., was an arrival from the southern country Wednesday to inspect the property, which lies northwest from Yerington a few miles. It is understood that the property is showing up nicely under the development work being prosecuted.

D. F. Murphy, of the Nevada Copper Queen, left for the Masonic district yesterday, where he has some promising locations. On a recent visit to that district he was very much impressed with the showings of the camp and says he believes the camp is going to be one of the best in California.

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Jos. Jarvis and Clayton Gannett, two of Fairview's substantial business men, who are interested in the Reservation, were here this week to look over their property. They were quite favorably impressed with the mining outlook and agricultural possibilities of the Yerington district and stayed a few days longer than their appointed time in order to enjoy a fishing trip in the vicinity of Nordyke.

Mrs. Tom Harris was an arrival from Auburn, Cal., Thursday to join her husband here and remain indefinitely.