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## ON THE TOP CREST

An Immense Mineral Belt Rich in Those Showings That Assure a Great Future—Gold! Gold! All Over.

The Discoverer and Well Known Mining Men Expressing Firm and Convincing News as to Opportunities—Consider it Best of Mining Section.

Many of the Claims Are Located and Owned by Well Known Residents of Las Vegas Who Appreciate Their Importance.

The Vincent Mining district is situated in the very heart of one of the best mineralized sections, not only in the state of Nevada, but in the whole continent, and close to the line of the Clark road. Commencing at a point beyond Crescent a few miles from the California line, there radiate in an about this great wealth producing section such well known camps as the world famed El Dorado Canyon, Searchlight, Vanderbilt, Mineral Hill, Ivanpah, Good Springs, Boulder Canyon, the Vegas Wash, Lyon's Cedar Basin, Pioche, Summit Springs, camps across Colorado like White Hills, Gold Roads, all known as rich and enduring in those metals that has ever been the inducement of the Argonauts. Some of these districts were famous more than thirty years ago and produced millions of dollars in gold, silver and copper, and lead through crudest methods of production. Searchlight, of more recent fame, has millions to its credit in yellow metal, that which now so prolifically shows itself in abounding enticement in the Vincent mining district in and around Catlin camp, Good Springs, like a sun-burst is surprising its fondest dreamers and wherever burro can carry the venturesome prospector's pack and water, this day, re-sounds the pick directed by man in search of the great fortunes. And the fortunes are being found and will continue to be found for many centuries to come, in the immense mineral section.

The Later Find.  
The Vincent district, or Catlin's

camp, lies in what is known as McCullough mountains; since the days of El Dorado it was known to contain the mineral we all seek. But its distance from water and transportation acted as a detriment from close and systematic prospecting. From time to time locations were made, but no work of demonstration. The Stewarts for years have had claims and with a fidelity that assures its reward, maintained their holdings. It was not until a year ago that any locations outside of the Stewarts were made with any determination to pursue the game of fortune. About March, 1905, S. D. Catlin, more familiarly known as Don, with some companions, braved the hardships and inconveniences of the desert tramp and prospected and located a number of claims on the present site that are attracting the attention of the mining world. Don is a practical miner one of those hardened venturesome characters who has the intuition of, as it were, reading the rock and making its contents reveal itself.

In His Own Words.  
"After enduring the vicissitudes of thirst and scant supplies and down right roughing it, we in April, 1905, made some locations and did the necessary work and then returned to El Dorado. The showings mineralization so impressed me that I always bore it in mind and in January of this year returned with John C. Anderson to further prospect, with the result that we located additional claims, amongst them the now noted Quo Vadis. In tracing a close lead we struck the present rich find. The sun kissed rocks showed no great values. But the first shot in present workings laid bare the bonanza features of this what I believe will be one of the great gold properties of the west. The sparkling gold from this first blast confirmed my earlier impressions. The result is that every measure of work accomplished since has demonstrated not alone the gold bearing value of the Quo Vadis, but the location work on our other claims reinforces my conviction of the great richness of this district, for in every location hole sank since on the different claims we have secured values and in most of them in such quantities that panning of gold are readily accomplished, which goes to show that gold will be uncovered by hard work not alone in our camp, but in Bishop's and Mahony's camps some miles further east towards railroad pass.  
"In fact I am confident that as rich prospects will be opened as we have,

along the entire range of the McCullough projections from Crescent in and across the Colorado river into Arizona—a stretch of 100 miles.

"I am tolerably well acquainted with this section, for more than seventeen years I have been in the midst of the mineral section, mainly in El Dorado and Searchlight. I had in the early stages charge of the work on the now well known and richly productive Quartette mine of Searchlight and which has its stamp going day and night on ore, the gold returns from which demonstrate that the Quartette is at present the great gold mine of Nevada.

"My experience and observations lead me to the conclusion that the district we are now opening will make a greater than Searchlight. Of course it requires digging to verify this but the gold bearing features, the formation that of andesite, diorite, bird's-eye porphyry and the well defined leads and veins in all directions giving values emphasizes this view and justifies the prediction that a greater gold producer than this southland has yet exhibited is an air line within eighteen miles of Las Vegas."

John Burns, Prospector-Miner.

This strong view of Don Catlin is confirmed by well known practical miners. Amongst such is the veteran prospector and miner, John Burns of Denver, who lately visited the Vincent district and other mineral sections of the McCullough and Charleston range. Burns is a clear headed, intelligent gentleman, whose experience is such as to make his opinion of great significance. For forty years he has roamed the mountains of North and South America and some in Asia. At present he is associated with a large and rich Denver firm. The fact that he is the expert and confidential adviser of so responsible a firm as that of the Gregg Investment company is an index to his character. We say:

"The Catlin prospect is the prettiest and best prospect I have seen in all my experience. I consider the district in which it is located as one of rich promise presenting every feature that indicate to the experienced miner permanency and great ore bodies. Of course all, so far as mining is concerned, is in its infancy, but I have faith in what I say and with the expenditure of capital and the application of muscle I am confident that in and around the Catlin holdings good producing mines will be opened.  
"Besides, I will state that my visit and observations from Crescent to Catlins and at the great Potosi mine and other points forces the conclusion that this section surpasses anything I have ever seen in all my mining experience through Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Alaska and Mexico. Such an abundance of ore showings in gold, silver, copper, lead and zinc. Wherever one goes in this mineral zone or belt one is confronted with these wonderful and surprising evidences of mineral wealth. These features are so strong that I have determined to pitch my tent in your midst and share in your fortunate situation."

A Montanan's Views.

B. T. King, capitalist and mine owner and head of the well known King-McCabe syndicate, is now on the ground. The high standing and financial reputation of this experienced mining representative is such as to give force and strength to his observations. He has been in the Vincent district for the past week. He, too, has covered a wide scope of the mining territory of Uncle Sam and Mexico. His specialty has been gold and silver. His words are golden and are: "With the exception of one district of the many I have been into, I like this the best. Outside of the great showing on the Catlin claim I like this the best. Every feature taking the geology as a guide, is present to make this a gold camp second to none other in Nevada. This is but a surface expression. I predict my confidence will be verified when capital becomes thoroughly interested and supplies the sinews that will permit the miner to go down after the gold. This camp has more Catlin bonanzas. They are not on the surface, though, but every indication exists that they will be uncovered and very much enlarged by downright, earnest development work. To invoke this aid the claim owners can very much pave the way. The camp is in its infancy. If the prospectors will appreciate the capital necessary they will recognize at this stage the fact that exorbitant demands will have a tendency to retard their advantages of securing the support so essential to the proper dem-

onstrations of these surface indications. A liberal policy should prevail and if it does there will be a ready response to the needs of this section.

Many Claim Owners.

Some of the fortunate locators besides the Catlins are John A. Anderson, N. A. Kuhn, Joseph Evans, Harry Beale, Arthur Frye, Grant Bowen, William Carter, John Trich, R. E. Lake, William Burkholder, W. H. West, George Collins, Roy Lockett, George Garwood, Wm. Steele, Julius Fox, the capitalist, Robert Vincent, Frank L. Reber, Mike Mahoney, J. W. Wilson, Ed. Havens, D. Morrow, Al Bishop, R. L. Plunkett, E. J. Rosell, Will Stewart, Ace Church, Hank Farrell, William Bishop, F. F. Boggs, Tom Brown, John Burns, B. T. King. Most of these have and are interested in groups of claims—besides there are many others who have locator's possession.

Within the past few days Carl Bartelson, Tom Low and Lee McCaughy have made a very rich strike at a point between Catlin's camp and Railroad pass, on the Dry Lake side. Those who have seen it pronounce it so good a find as to bring it into the sensational.

A group of claims lining up to the Quo Vadis group is the eight claims of the Golden Triangle company. This property has the rich leads that is making the Quo Vadis such an object of value. The company is officered by such men as N. A. Kuhn as president and John S. Park as treasurer. The location and showing make this property very valuable and gives the assurance that it will be a producer in time. The company is having miners on the ground who are opening same.

Keep your eye on the Vincent mining district. No one though, who is not capable of enduring hardships and inconvenience and lacks for funds to carry him through has any business thereabouts.

SOME MINING NOTES.

Hall, Hewlston and Ferguson are working some claims near Railroad pass. The ore is alive and carries good values in gold, silver and lead.

Peter Buol is doing development work on some richly promising claims near the El Dorado divide some miles beyond Dry Lake.

Talk about wonders, Jack Summers goes out from Arden a few miles and down in the flat locates a copper vein thirty feet wide and carrying 35 per cent copper. E. T. Maxwell, J. M. Stull are part owners in Sommer's find. The boys are elated and figure on making a shipment in the near future.

Bright and Seiders have sold their Lyons gold property to the Gregg Investment company of Denver. The gold is free. For a long time samples of their ore could be seen in front of Kuhn's store. It was in a box. No one paid any attention to it. Gregg when here took a 15-pound sample. Had it assayed and received \$183.61 per ton gold return. He scurried, secured an option and today the property is theirs. So it goes.

Brice and Smith are elated over a rich silver discovery a few miles from the San Pedro railway near Conia station. The assay slip in delightful records conveys 311 oz. silver to the ton and 270 gold, making the market value of the ore worth \$204 per ton.

F. E. Matzdorf and wife have gone to the Colorado river to do some prospect work on their copper claims.

Elmer Whoten was in town from his gold and copper claims along the Colorado river. An average sample from a 30-foot lead gave him a return of \$28 per ton.

R. M. Stack, the gentlemanly telegraph operator, has a rich discovery of silver ore on the other side of Lee Stalk.

NORTHEAST OF VEGAS.

The Smith Bros. With Con Crowley the Possessors of Good Rich Property.

Summit Springs, northeast of the Vegas and contributory to this point is being developed by the miners and prospectors so as to entitle it to a place in the circle of camps that have been made producers within the past year.

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Amongst others who are entitled in and around Summit Springs is our old friend Con C. Crowley, who, too, has a bonanza appearing property.

BULLFROG, JULY 1.

Superintendent Grace of the Las Vegas & Tonopah railroad, informs The Times that their company will be in the northwest camps by about July 1st.

Since the re-opening of the San Pedro to Salt Lake the branch has been able to get back the tracklayers loaned to the former company to temporary adjust the washouts.

The Tonopah line will have 400 men at work applying the finishing touches for locomotion.

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"Hi's" Report on the Sap.  
W. H. Harrison of Pittsford, Vermont, had in his employ a man who will never be famous for his brilliancy. During the sugaring season Mr. Harrison sent this man, "Hi," to find out how the sap buckets had been filling. "Hi" investigated, and then submitted this report: "Some is full, some half-full, and some runnin' over, but average about full"

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