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POTOSI SOLD

Duluth, Minnesota, Parties Are Buyers

After some options and innumerable transfers of options—options expired and others transferred, after other deals had apparently been all but consummated, the famous old Potosi lead and zinc mine, the only real mine in the vicinity of Las Vegas, has finally been actually sold to responsible parties.

The sale took place last week in Los Angeles and was negotiated by Allen McDonald and H. W. Coffin, representing Duluth, Minnesota, capital. While Mr. McDonald appeared as principal in conducting the negotiations, it is believed that Mr. Coffin is heavily interested and possibly the controlling factor. The new owners will do business under the name of Potosi Lead and Zinc Co. Some profess to believe that Charles Schwab is interested in the deal, but there is naught in evidence to verify such belief.

It is now known that the parties who have just purchased the old mine have had the deal "cinched" for some time, notwithstanding recent reports to the effect that the property had been or was about to be sold to other parties.

Operations at the mine have already assumed a different aspect and development in a practical and business-like way will begin in the near future. W. E. Smith, of Salt Lake City, is the new manager.

The new owners made a thorough investigation before purchasing the mine, and the fact that they have purchased sufficient evidence that they stand ready to invest their money in extensive development.

The article copied from last week's Searchlight appears to have been only one of the many idle tales that have got about regarding the property.

BORAX ROAD

A party of 13 surveyors in the employ of the Tonopah and Tidewater railroad are camped in Beatty, locating the route for the Borax Smith railroad. J. M. Van Derwerker, in charge of the work, says the grade from the Santa Fe to Beatty does not exceed at any point 1 1/2 percent, and he is confident of an excellent grade north up the Amargosa river through Beatty. Mr. Van Derwerker has secured a grade of 1 1/2 percent through the Amargosa canyon south of Ash Meadows, and graders have been put to work at that point.—Beatty Miner.

GOLDFIELD EXTENSION

Deliberation pending to prevent the consolidation of the Tonopah and Goldfield railroads is delaying construction of the extension from Goldfield to Beatty. However a through line is a certainty.—Beatty Miner.

PIOCHE RECORD

The newspaper published at the county seat has been purchased by Mr. H. E. Freudenthal, and with the last issue resumed its original name, The Pioche Weekly Record. Mr. Freudenthal promises a new type dress and a much neater layout in the near future. The Age wishes the new management success, and hopes the paper may be an important factor in rejuvenating the famous old mining camp.

MINING LAWS

Senator Clark has introduced a bill giving Congress the right to tunnel through adjoining lands to reach veins which the owner has the right to follow, under existing laws, from his own property through all its dips, angles and variations. It is the existing law of extra lateral rights with modern improvements. As Senator Clark is a member of the committee on mines and mining, it is probable that the bill will be favorably reported.—Carson News.

NOTICE—We hereby certify that we supply J. O. McIntosh, of the Arizona Club, Las Vegas, Nevada, with our Tom Moore "Old Possum Hollow" pure rye whiskey, direct from our Government bonded distillery warehouse, and that up to the present date his purchases have been of the very oldest goods to be had in bond.

McKeesport, Pa., Nov. 15th, 1905.
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The Bullfrog Miner, printed at Beatty postoffice, Nevada, is the name of the best newspaper published in the Bullfrog mining district; \$3 per year, or \$1 for three months. Send for it if you want reliable news from the mining country.

Latest approved form location notices can be obtained at The Age office in any quantity desired.

ENJOYABLE AFFAIR

Charming Social Event Last Night

One of the most successful social events that has occurred in Las Vegas was the dance given last night by Mrs. J. O. McIntosh. The invitation was general and many prominent citizens who never before attended a dance in Las Vegas graced the occasion with their presence, thus attesting the popularity of Mr. and Mrs. McIntosh. Applin's Hall, on Main street, was the scene of the gathering, and the large room was taxed to its utmost capacity for each and every dance until an unusually late hour.

Anticipating an evening of rare pleasure, the guests began to arrive early, and long before nine o'clock the dance was on in earnest. Mrs. McIntosh was ably assisted in reception, introduction and floor management by Mrs. M. C. Thomas and Messrs. Bailey Johnson, J. F. Dobbs and Lloyd Smith, and everything ran smoothly and harmoniously throughout the entire evening.

Between the dances delicious champagne punch of the first quality was served. Mr. A. L. Thackeray presided over this refreshment and proved himself an artist in mixing as well as serving the seductive beverage. The gentlemen's buffet, which was arranged exclusively by Mr. McIntosh, was also a popular feature of the evening's entertainment.

The Arizona Club Orchestra, Messrs. Upwall, discoursed excellent music, and it was two o'clock this morning before the merry throng would permit them to play the final waltz; and even that late hour saw a well-filled floor. Every one was there "on pleasure bent," and it is doubtful if there are any who did not find it to their heart's content.

Mrs. McIntosh received congratulations from all sides for the unequalled success of the event, before her guests departed for home to snatch an hour or two's sleep before the dawn.

Among those present from out of town was Mr. C. O. Whittemore, who arrived on the evening train.

MINES AND MINING

Bullfrog, Searchlight and Other Districts

John Brockman, one of the chief owners of the great Commonwealth mine near Bisbee, Arizona, and also one of the most successful mine operators in the United States, has bought the Duplex mine and the Good Hope at Searchlight.

Beatty Bullfrog Miner last week issued a supplement containing the full text of Judge Breen's decision in the famous Montgomery-Shoshone grab stake case. The decision is a comprehensive one and will be of great interest to mining men throughout the West.

According to a report from Needles, California, the smelter at that point is about ready to do business. The Needles Eye states that a carload of lead ores from the Lead Mountain Mining Company's property near Bagdad, San Bernardino county, had been received at the smelter, now known as the Arizona-Mexican smelter.

Beatty Miner is informed that Dwight & Laughlan, of Los Angeles, have shipped a mill of 30 tons capacity, which will be erected on the Amargosa river, between Gold Center and South Bullfrog. A cyanide plant will be located there also.

SCHWAB'S SMELTER

Chas. M. Schwab has sold his Pacific Coast smelter to the trust. The American Smelting and Refining Company will hereafter handle the output of the Schwab Tonopah mining properties. This official announcement has caused a disappointment to the owners and lessees of Tonopah, Goldfield and Bullfrog mines who sold to the Pacific smelter last week after signing a contract that the smelter must handle the output of their mines.—Beatty Miner.

LIKES THE AGE

Mr. T. G. Nicklin, proprietor of Las Vegas Age.—Dear Sir: I enclose two one-dollar bills to pay for subscription to Jan. 1st, 1907, for your wide awake, rustling paper, Las Vegas Age.

Some papers are lost, stolen or strayed, others are delivered at any old time, sometimes as late as the following Saturday, but they are always more than welcome whenever they arrive.

Wishing you a happy New Year,
Yours respectfully, R. L. H.
San Francisco, Cal., Jan. 4, 1906.

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TO SEARCHLIGHT

Santa Fe R. R. Said to Be "Looking In"

It is learned from letters received from Division Superintendent John Denair of the Santa Fe system by Mr. L. Gilroy, Wells-Fargo agent here, that a standard gauge railroad is in contemplation for immediate construction from Barnwell to Searchlight as a branch line connecting with the Santa Fe system. It is further stated that the road is to be built by Eastern capitalists, friends of Mr. Denair, who will be here with him next Monday.

SEARCHLIGHT AND WESTERN

Active work on the Searchlight and Western Railroad has begun. An engineering and surveying party is now in the field, making the preliminary survey. Rails to complete the line have been bought and early delivery at Nipton is guaranteed.—Searchlight.

GOOD SPRINGS

Virtues of the Yellow Pine District

(Special Correspondence)

James Kenelly of the Double Up mine has gone to Ivanpah, where he has some men at work, and will return in a few days. Assessment work is progressing on the mines he has in this district with a very satisfactory showing.

I wonder why it is that people seeking investments will persistently flock to a camp that is boomed, where any kind of a prospect sells for a fabulous sum and a figure entirely in excess of its value. Why don't they stop and use a little brain force; but what is the use trying to show them where they can do as well, or better? Time is the only thing that will convince or demonstrate to the public when they have made a wise or an unwise choice. The old saying that "a Scotchman convinced against his will is of the same opinion still" is as true as can be, and though uttered many years ago the author no doubt saw the stumbling blocks in the pathway of the men who sought safe investments and who would return to their stockholders a reasonable interest or profit. Your correspondent knows his small sphere and his inability to place the advantages of this district properly before the investor, but the time will come when a Moses will lead the financial children of this country, not out of the wilderness, but from a land of promise into the promised land.

Eastern capitalists, mining men of experience, have just bought the Potosi, which fact should be enough to show that moneyed men are finding out the worth of Yellow Pine. We might say more, but a word is sufficient to the wise, and those who seek wisdom will consult with those capable of imparting wisdom.

The Columbia property is looking fine and the Kent property is also looking promising.

Glad to hear of the improvement in the health of Capt. Jim Wilson and that he has returned to the ranch.

Mr. Andrews, of the Hoosier, is busy these days and getting ready to make another shipment of the high grade ore produced by that mine.

Mrs. Yount will be home tonight. The people here will welcome her in a manner appropriate to the return of a person as well liked and popular as Mrs. Yount. She has no enemies, but is loved by all.

The snow which fell on Dec. 31st is still with us. How hard the old year died; but dead you are, old friend, so loosen up and let us get a good square look at your successor.

Bro. John McClanahan was over from Sandy this week en route to Gene. Well, every one likes John, and as he always makes glad the heart of stranger and friend alike, we were sorry to have him go away. The days are too short when John comes to town. Would like to tell a little joke on him, but wont.

Mr. Over is busy with his team hauling supplies to the various camps.

A very important deal is on hand and in the near future much property may change hands. Am not at liberty to say much, but before long something will be done.

You ought to have seen the work done here on New Year's Eve. The "Holy Jumpers" haint in it. Everybody was out; the old, the young, the middle-aged and those on crutches. Everybody was out, and now there is not enough vacant ground in this locality to bury a jack rabbit. Is the ground worth anything? Would all the old prospectors here get out in that storm and tramp till midnight if it were not? Would they do so to locate worthless property? Ask them.

MONTGOMERY-SHOSHONE

Effect of Judge Breen's Decision

Beatty Bullfrog Miner, in commenting on Judge Breen's decision in favor of Bob Montgomery, says:

Litigation having terminated, the Montgomery-Shoshone Mines Co. will feel safe in employing a greater force of men and making high grade ore shipments by freight teams.

They will extend the shaft to 400 feet on the Shoshone and 300 feet on the Polaris, and block out great bodies of ore.

They will build a mill of 150 stamps near Beatty to work the ore advantageously, and construct a tramway down to it.

All these operations will employ a great force of workmen, and the railroads will come to Beatty within a few months, attracted by natural business from the greatest mines in Nevada.

It means that Beatty will be the center of industrial and mining activity henceforth, fostered by the two greatest gold mines in the world.

The decision will discourage the efforts of adventurers who profit by the sweat from other men's brows. It will place honesty at a premium and stamp the seal of condemnation on trickery.

STAMPEDING

Big Rush to New Mining Camp at Manhattan

One day a mountain valley with 20 inhabitants; in a week a pulsating mining camp of 4000 people—that is the history of Manhattan, eighty miles northeast of Goldfield, says a press dispatch.

A low estimate places the exodus to the new fields from Goldfield alone at 200 persons. Two hundred dollars a day has been bid for automobiles by those anxious to reach the camp in a hurry. Hundreds of teams line the two roads to the latest camp.

Yesterday the crowded stage tipped over and killed the driver, slightly wounding several others.

Life at the new camp is strenuous. There is no law or order. Lots have jumped in price from \$25 to \$3500. Meals are very high. A bath in a round tin tub sold the other day for \$3. Saloons are making hundreds of dollars a day and at night space is sold on the floors for sleeping room.

COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGS

The Caliente Express says that the monthly meetings of the Board of County Commissioners are not authorized by law. Section 2016 of the Statutes of Nevada says:

"The meetings of the Board of County Commissioners shall be held at the county seats of their respective counties on the first Mondays in January, April, July and October of each year, and shall continue from time to time until all the business before them is disposed of."

The statute also provides for special meetings whenever a majority of the board shall so order.

LOCATION DATE

Beatty Miner publishes the following information, which will be of interest to miners and prospectors:

Washington, D. C., Dec. 19, 1905.

D. C. Probasco, Beatty, Nev.

Dear Sir—In answer to the question contained in your letter of the 10th inst. to Mr. Copp, we would say that according to the general rule for computing time from a given day, the day of the act from which the time counted is excluded. Under this rule, therefore, the ninety days given by the Nevada law for doing the location work on a claim would be counted as ninety full days after the day of the location itself. The date of location would not count as the first day, but the next day would be the first. Very truly yours,
COPP & LUCKETT.

Mining News

Persons desiring reliable mining news from Bullfrog and Beatty mining districts should send for the Bullfrog Miner, published at Beatty, Nevada. One dollar for three months, or \$3 per year.

Location Notices and Certificates

The Age has a complete assortment of mining blanks—Quartz, Placer and Combination Location Notices, Certificates of Location, and Amended Location Certificate. Second street, near Fremont.

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There are 10,000 acres of Government land, that is first class soil and open for entry under the Desert Land and Homestead acts, within six to twelve miles of Las Vegas, the principal distributing point for Southern Nevada mining camps, the main division station and half way between the Salt Lake City smelters for our ores and the port of San Pedro, from where the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad has made plans for a line of steamers to the Orient. Over one hundred thousand acres of land has been entered under the State of Nevada land grants in this county by non-residents and people, of whom not over five per cent have seen their purchases, resulting in about two-thirds of them being bilked. The balance have good lands, which I propose to bring actual settlers to live on, and I invite owners of the good lands through the press, as it is the cheapest method, to list their properties with me and to give definite terms in writing, so as to save both time and expense. To land owners who do not know what their purchases are worth I will make reliable reports at reasonable cost. I propose to have a settler on every good forty-acre tract in this valley. In the Nevada section of "The Story of a Trail," the authorized pamphlet of the San Pedro, Los Angeles and Salt Lake Railroad Company, my name is the only one that is referred to as being reliable for information on Las Vegas Valley lands.

J. T. McWILLIAMS

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