

COPPER NOTES

The April copper production of Butte (Montana) district will amount to 31,000,000 pounds, obtained from 425,000 tons of ore. March production was 29,347,000 pounds.

The April production of Granby (British Columbia) is estimated at 2,000,000 pounds.

The April production of Shannon (Arizona) was 1,312,000 pounds.

Best Lake Superior copper sold last week at 19 cents for June delivery; 18 1/2 cents is the price for July and August, for which months' deliveries sales are being made.

The United States Smelting, Refining and Mining company will add two additional blast furnaces to its smelter at Kennett, California, making five in all.

The Washoe smelter at Anaconda, Montana, of the Amalgamated Copper company, is now treating more than nine thousand tons of ore a day.

Exports of copper from the United States during the month of April, as compiled by the New York Metal Exchange from government reports, amounted to 14,778 long tons. This is 1655 tons less than exports for March, and less than any month of this year.

The consumption of copper in the United States during the year 1905 is calculated to have been 612,984,000 pounds, an increase of 146,879,000 pounds over that of the year 1904.

The April production of Arizona Commercial was 2,956,000 pounds of copper, compared with 3,156,000 pounds in February and 2,674,000 in March.

Nevada Greatest of All

Nevada, though in prehistoric times the scene of tremendous volcanic upheavals, has been singularly free from any great seismic disturbances during modern times. It seems within her boundaries the plutonic forces have spent themselves, become extinct and left as reminders of their former activity those minerals which are destined to make Nevada the greatest metal producing territory the world has ever known. Legitimate mining in Nevada, based on resources of unquestionable richness and conducted according to the latest progress of mining geology and engineering as well as on sound business principles, affords today unequalled opportunities for the investment of capital, with larger returns and greater security than real estate or any line of business.—Max Junghandel.

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NEVADA STATISTICS

Extracts From the Surveyor General's Report

Surveyor General E. D. Kelley includes these interesting statistics in his annual report:

Nevada has an area of 112,000 square miles, or 71,737,600 acres. The land is classified by general land office as follows: Grazing, 30,000,000 acres; mineral, 15,000,000 acres; agriculture, 20,000,000 acres; forestry, 2,000,000 acres; saline, borax, sulphur deposits and deserts, 3,656,000 acres; lakes, rivers and sinks, 1,081,600 acres. Total, 71,737,600 acres.

The climate is in many respects idealistic and its diversity such as to suit the requirements of the most fastidious. The State covers seven degrees of latitude from the 35th parallel on the Colorado river to the 42nd on the Idaho and Oregon line.

To Hold Claim

Section 3324 of the Revised Statutes, relating to mining claims, provides that on a failure to comply with the provisions of the statutes (among them being a requirement for a certain amount of annual work) the claim shall be open to relocation the same as if no location had ever been made. In the case of Goldberg vs. Bruschi, Supreme Court of California, the court decided that where a locator failed to do the required work the land became subject to relocation, although the original locator remained in possession. In such a case possession without complying with the statute is not enough to remove the land from the category of unoccupied land to the extent of preventing anyone from making a valid location. Such a construction of the statute would permit a locator of mineral land to hold it for an indefinite time without doing and development work whatever.—Mining Reporter.

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It is estimated that the April production of bullion from the smelters of the Salt Lake valley aggregated 8,250,000 pounds, of the value of \$2,062,500.