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## GREAT POTOSI MINES

Shipping 1,000 Tons Per Month of Lead and Zinc Ore

VALUES FROM \$25.00 TO \$65.00 PER TON

The following unfair and misleading article was published in the Los Angeles Times, March 7th:

### FALSE REPORT

"J. S. Wiley, who has been hauling ore and supplies at the mines around Las Vegas, is in the city, and states that the famous Potosi mine at Arden, ten miles from Las Vegas, is rapidly 'pinching out.' In the past it has shipped as high as 35 tons a day, and now it is producing only about 12 tons. The Potosi is one of the famous mines worked first by the Mormons in 1862. It is a silver and lead producer and has a blanket formation. It has been mostly gophered, and the depth cannot be learned at this time. The news will be received with regret by mining men, especially interested in that region, but the record of forty years is not calculated to discourage others. The 'pinching out' has been going on for some time. The mine is owned by W. H. Coffin of Duluth, Minn., and J. N. McDonald."

The Age has watched the Potosi mine shipping out rich lead and zinc ore, at the rate of 1000 tons per month, for the past year, and wishes all other mines would "pinch out" in the same way.

Mr. Wiley evidently does not know much about the mine. It is not a "silver and lead producer," as he says, but regularly ships galena or lead ore worth \$65.00 per ton, and zinc ore averaging about \$25.00 per ton. The silver and copper values are lost in the treatment of the ore.

The manager of the Potosi Lead Mining Co. does not feel it necessary to answer newspaper reports that may be printed through malice or error. However, The Age, desirous of printing the truth, has made inquiry of well-informed persons connected with the Potosi mine, officially and financially. They state that Mr. Wiley was a teamster, had trouble with the Potosi company and got even by giving out the above report; that Wiley knows nothing about the mine workings. C. V. Smith, son of Manager Wm. E. Smith, says Wiley was never in the mine and simply "got even" because he was discharged.

### GREAT PRODUCING MINE

Persons in position to know say the Potosi mine is in better condition than ever, and will soon be worked on a larger scale. From 65 to 70 men are now employed, and the force will be increased. Arrangements have been made to install expensive machinery, a concentrator, air compressor and electric power from Las Vegas. This will enable the Potosi to produce 100 tons per day, which will be concentrated for economy in shipping.

### GREAT ORE DEPOSIT

Two long tunnels tap the great ore body, the north drift being 200 feet deep and the south drift 650 feet deep. Rich ore is found on every side.

The mine is elevated 6400 feet above the sea, and the ore is carried 1800 feet down the mountain by aerial tramway, thence to the desert plain by road which does not exceed eleven per cent grade at any point.

### POTOSI A GREAT PRODUCER

A prominent business man of Las Vegas, who is familiar with the operations of the Potosi Zinc-Lead Mining Company, says shipments of ore average over 1000 tons per month. Of this monthly production about 70 tons are galena, valued at \$65 per ton, and the balance is zinc, returning \$22 to \$30 per ton. Ore production is limited only by restricted means of hauling it.

### MILLIONS IN SIGHT

Competent judges estimate sufficient ore in sight to supply 200 tons per day for years to come. It is the intention of the company to increase the production of the mine by installing electric hoists, concentrator, air compressor, and other machinery; and facilitate the handling of ore to such an extent as to enable the management to ship 200 tons of ore per day from Arden.

### PRODUCED \$200,000 IN 1906

Ore shipped during 1906 brought returns from the smelters amounting to \$200,000. The output will be vastly increased this year. The zinc goes to Iola, Kansas, and the lead is smelted at Salida, Colo.

### Hotel Nevada Arrivals.

J. F. Miller, Owner and Manager.



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S Whitmore  
Chas A Hay, Rhyolite  
J A Murphy, San Francisco  
Louis B Metcalf, Indian Springs  
L J Schneider, Salt Lake  
Geo Haverslick, " "  
B A Stutz, Albuquerque  
John M Bunker, St Thomas  
E B Taylor, Los Angeles  
Ralph Frank, " "  
T C Davison, " "  
H C Rowley, Denver  
Robt Bruere, Salt Lake  
J H Fairbanks, Alaska  
J Daggett, Cleveland  
O B Leonhart, San Francisco  
W F Schnebley, Los Angeles  
S A Goldstein, St Louis  
J Heller, Chicago  
M Clenson, Los Angeles  
Fred Levin, Michigan  
E H Shafer and wf., Los Angeles  
H O Bennett, San Francisco  
C V Smith, Potosi  
G A True, Pasadena  
R H True,  
C J Ramstead, Ouray Colorado  
Theodore Sueva, "  
E F Gordon, Goldfield  
G A Lacombe and wf., Goldfield  
F L Dodd,  
D Millholland, Stine  
Ed J Jenkins,  
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W P Young, Pasadena  
L H Crane, "  
V Anderson, Los Angeles  
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R L Body  
Tony Mover, Sunset  
James E Treagle, Los Angeles  
F W Crane,  
Frank Smith, Arden  
W E Paddon

### ARTESIAN WATER

Flows from Pipe Four Feet Above Ground



A good flow of artesian water was struck Thursday morning in the well, two miles northwest of Las Vegas. Many interested citizens visited the derrick and were delighted to witness water flowing from the twelve inch pipe, four feet above ground. The water was struck at a depth of 176 feet, in limestone. Drilling continues at the rate of twelve feet per day, and the contractors expect to break into a river of water any day.

### Struck Oil

E. T. Maxwell reports that a flow of oil has been struck in a well 110 feet deep on Virgin river, beyond Moapa.

### FUNDING BILL

Signed by Governor and Up to County Commissioners

State of Nevada, Executive Chamber, Carson City, Nev., March 5, 1907.

EDITOR LAS VEGAS AGE: The Campbell Bill seemed to pass unanimously, and as it was a strictly Lincoln county local measure, endorsed by the Lincoln county delegation, I did not have any hesitancy in signing it. The bill was signed early this morning before I received your letter. I am very sorry if this bill is not what the Lincoln county people wanted. I had a great deal of trouble two years ago in the Legislature over two similar bills, which I vetoed, but when I was in Lincoln county last fall, it seemed to be the will of the majority of the people to have a bill passed at this Legislature. Thank you very much for the clipping. I will send it and your letter to the Lincoln county delegation today. Yours truly,

JOHN SPARKS, Governor.

The Age repeats that the above is a dangerous measure if passed as it was printed. Learned lawyers pronounce it loosely drawn and uncertain. It is now up to the County Commissioners to do as they please with it; they can act under it or allow it to remain a dead letter.

### CEDAR BASIN

Large Copper Vein Runs Over \$100.00 per Ton

Near St Thomas, 38 miles northeast of Moapa the Cedar Basin Copper Company has a great deposit of rich copper ore. The vein is four feet wide and the ore is taken out through a drift. Hauling from the mine to Moapa is \$22.00 per ton, and freight by rail to Salt Lake, with Smelter charges, increase the costs of handling to a high figure. It is estimated that this ore averages from \$80 to \$100 per ton in copper. These figures are sufficient to make a Greenwater man turn green with envy, yet we hear very little of Cedar Basin, Lincoln County. Verily, great noise and great mines are not always found in the same place.

### CLOSING OUT

Wholesale Liquor Store Sacrificing Fine Stock

We beg to announce to the public that we are closing out our wholesale business in this territory and have reduced prices on all goods to an extent which will justify retailers from any part of Nevada in making a special trip to investigate our stock and prices. We are selling at Kentucky 10-barrel Wholesale prices. Our quantity, quality and prices will interest you.

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### MOAPA RICHES

Muddy River Produces Early Fruits and Vegetables

Muddy and Virgin river valleys can boast of greater diversity in production than any other section of Nevada. Aside from the gold, silver, copper and lead mines, mountains of pure salt await development and railroad facilities.

Rich soil, good water and low altitude enable the farmers of Muddy river to reach market early with fruits, vegetables and melons. Last year over 200 car loads of melons left Moapa, equal in flavor to the melons of California and Arizona.

Moapa farmers lost fortunes last year because of the Salt Lake railroad washouts preventing their products from reaching market. Again the railroad is out of commission when our farmers want to market their products.

Nevada's new Railroad Commission should require the Salt Lake railroad to build their track above high water and maintain a decent service.

Ore from the Grand Gulch mine in Arizona is hauled 75 miles by wagon to Moapa, where it is shipped by rail to Salt Lake smelters. In spite of this big transportation expense it is stated that the ore nets from six to eight thousand dollars per car. The Grand Gulch is about due east from Moapa over the Arizona line. Many good properties are said to be located in the same vicinity.

The Moapa Commercial Company, H. Burland, manager, has purchased Cobb Bros.' pioneer store at Moapa. A large addition has been added to the front of the old store to accommodate a larger stock. The company has offices in Los Angeles and deals in Muddy Valley lands.

Eastern commission houses are already writing to negotiate for handling Muddy Valley cantaloupes, of which there will be a big crop this year. One house wants to handle 15 carloads a day from the Muddy.

### New Barber Shop

R. E. Lake has removed his barber shop to new and elegant quarters in the Thomas brick block, corner First and Fremont streets, Las Vegas. Mr. Lake is fixing his barber shop in luxurious style, and has a skilled tonsorial artist to aid him in putting the finishing touches on customers. Go there and leave your whiskers and hair. Amputations made without pain. Two porcelain bath tubs have arrived and will be ready for use in a few days. The new shop will be known as the Gold Nugget barber shop.

## THOMAS, THE GROCER

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### Skidoo Mines

Mr. Geo. H. Coffey recently returned from a trip to Skidoo, Ballarat and Los Angeles. He has teams freighting for the Skidoo from Johannesburg. This is Bob Montgomery's big mine in the Wild Rose district. A water pipe line 25 miles long is under construction, from a mountain spring to the mine.

### Lee's Camp

Residents of Lee, Nevada, recently passed the following resolution:

Resolved: That it is the sense of this meeting that we pledge ourselves to eject and throw off bodily any person or persons from any lot or lots that they may attempt to jump or claim by squatter's right in the town-site of Lee, Nev. The miners' union was organized on Feb. 27, 1907, at Lee, Inyo county, Cal., and called the Death Valley Miners' Union.

Read The Age for Lincoln County mining news.

### Crackerjack

A stage runs to Crackerjack from Silver Lake a distance of 25 miles, and an auto covers the 60 miles from Daggett to Crackerjack. The mining camp is 4000 feet above sea. Many good mines surround Crackerjack in Avawatz mountains.

For full information address R. D. Robinson Company, 608 Grant Building Los Angeles, California.

### Johnnie Mines

The Johnnie Consolidated Mining Co. has given an option for \$500,000 on its mine to General Manager Carl F. Schader, who is expected to place it with eastern capitalists. The Johnnie is not a prospect, but a mine, down 700 feet. From the Johnnie mine have been taken some of the finest specimens of gold quartz ever seen in any country.

With railroad facilities and plenty of water the Johnnie mine is fortunately situated.

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