

Guide to the UNLV University Libraries Collection on Techatticup Mine

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Summary Information

Repository: University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special

Collections and Archives.

Collector: University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Libraries. Special Collections

and Archives

Title: UNLV University Libraries Collection on Techatticup Mine

ID: MS-00734

Date [inclusive]: 1914 to 1923

Physical

2.07 Cubic Feet (5 boxes)

Description:

Physical

1.88 Linear Feet

Description:

Language of the

English

Abstract:

Material:

The UNLV University Libraries Collection on Techatticup Mine (1914-1923) is comprised of administrative and financial records associated with the Techatticup Mine, located in Clark County, Nevada south of Nelson, Nevada. The administrative documents include business reports, prospectuses, and assays. Administrative documents also include foreman reports, insurance records, warehouse inventories, correspondence, and notes relating to equipment, food, employment, and taxes. Financial records include account balances, payroll, purchasing records, statements, bills, receipts, and company vouchers.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Background

The Techatticup Mine is located thirty-nine miles southeast of Las Vegas in Eldorado Canyon, Clark County, Nevada. Prospectors discovered gold in the Eldorado Canyon, then part of the Colorado Mining District, in 1861. The mine's name was derived from the Paiute word for "hungry." During its heyday, it produced millions of dollars in gold, silver, copper, and lead which steamboats

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transported south on the Colorado River to Yuma, Arizona. Although George Hearst (father of newspaper tycoon William Randolph Hearst) held some interest in the mine in its early years, the Techatticup Mine was owned primarily by the El Dorado Mining Company until 1879. At that time it was purchased by the Southwestern Mining Company (SMC), which later sold it to Barker Brothers of Philadelphia, an international mining firm. Barker Brothers mortgaged the SMC to fund a foreign mining venture, and this foreign venture failed, leading to the sale of the SMC to Joseph Wharton at a sheriff's sale in 1895. A second period of mining at the Techatticup Mine occurred from 1914 to 1918.

Source:

Townley, John M. "Early Development of El Dorado Canyon and Searchlight Mining Districts." Nevada Historical Society Quarterly. Spring 1968. 11(1).

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Arrangement

Materials are arranged by material type.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

Collection is open for research.

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Acquisition Note

This is an artificial collection. Materials were gathered or purchased by the Director of Special Collections starting in the late 1970s; accession numbers MS11, MS11A, MS11B, MS11C, MS11D, MS11E, and 2022-040.

Processing Note

In 2022, Sarah Jones and Peter Michel separated this material out of its former collection, UNLV University Libraries Collection on Nevada Mining (MS-00011).

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Related Materials

Related Collections

The following resources may provide additional information related to the materials in this collection:

Nevada Mining Photograph Collection, 1868-1933. PH-00361. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

UNLV University Libraries Collection on Goldfield, Nevada, 1906-2009. MS-00010. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Tonopah-Goldfield Photograph Collection, 1901-1905. PH-00023. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Las Vegas, Nevada.

Tonopah Mining Company Records, 1901-1941. MS-00752. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada.

James D. O'Brien Photographs, approximately 1900-1929. PH-00378. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Eberhardt and Aurora Mining Company Records, approximately 1869-1879. MS-00857. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Nevada-Utah Mines and Smelters Corporation Records, 1889-1949. MS-00719. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas, Nevada.

UNLV University Libraries Collection on Nevada Mining, 1842-1966. MS-00011. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- Gold mines and mining
- Mining corporations
- Nelson (Nev.)
- Southern Nevada
- Crown Queen Mining Company

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Reports, prospectuses, and assays	
Assay, 1918 June 29	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1917 to 1920	box 01
Physical Description: 2 Files	
Foreman's Report, 1917 April to 1917 June	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1917 July to 1917 August	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1917 September to 1917 October	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1917 November to 1917 December	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1918 January to 1918 February	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1918 March to 1918 April	box 01
Foreman's Report and Shift Report, 1918 April	box 01

Foreman's Report, 1918 May to 1918 June	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1919 November	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1919 December	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1920	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1920 May	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1920 June	box 01
Shift reports, 1920 March to 1920 July	box 01
Foreman's Report, 1918 April 30	box 01
Company records	
Insurance records, 1916	box 02
Inventory of mining supplies, 1918 June 01	box 02
Inventory of tools and supplies, 1916	box 02
Measurement charts, 1920 March	box 02
Mill operations itemized output and financial gains reports, 1916, 1919, and 1920	box 02
Physical Description: 3 Files	
Mill operations narrative reports, 1915, 1916 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 02
Red Cross donations, 1919	box 02
Sales list, 1915 September 03	box 02
Telephone instruction booklet, 1915-1920	box 02
U.S. Department of Agriculture bulletin, 1915 April 30	box 02
Warehouse distribution sheets, 1916	box 02
Correspondence and notes	
Envelopes addressed, 1914-1918	box 02
Hellen, M. J., 1914 to 1918	box 02
Correspondence, 1914 to 1918	box 02
Correspondence, 1914	box 02
Regarding equipment, 1914	box 02
Correspondence, 1915	box 02
Regarding food supplies, 1915	box 02
Regarding poll tax, 1915	box 02
Correspondence, 1916	box 02

Employment, 1916	box 02
Correspondence, 1917	box 02
Regarding equipment, 1917	box 02
Correspondence, 1918	box 02
Financial records	
Balances, 1919 to 1920 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 02
Crown Queen Mining Company, 1915-1916	box 02
Personal, 1915 to 1918	box 02
Account records, 1915 to 1920	box 02
Accounts, 1916 February	box 02
Account statements, 1915 to 1918	box 02
Bank statements, 1918 December	box 02
Bank statements, 1919 January	box 02
Bank statements, 1920	box 02
Bills of lading for equipment, 1919	box 03
Bills of lading for food, 1919	box 03
Cashbooks, 1915-1918 Physical Description: 3 Files	box 03
Deposit receipts from Mercantile National Bank San Francisco, 1918	box 03
Freight bills, 1915 to 1920 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 03
Freight bills for equipment, 1915-1916	box 03
List of accounts, 1918	box 03
Order slips, 1919	box 03
Returns on gold bullion, 1918	box 03
Shipping receipts from American Express Railway, 1920	box 03
Shipping receipts for bullion, 1919-1920 Physical Description: 2 Files	box 03
Shipping receipts for ore, 1918 July	box 03
Payroll and operations records	
Payroll, 1915 December	box 03
Time slips, 1915 to 1923	box 03

Industrial Insurance, 1920	box 03
Tax information, 1915 to 1923	box 03
Physical Description: 2 Files	
Vouchers, 1915 to 1917 September	box 03
Physical Description: 4 Files	
Vouchers: medical service, 1916	box 04
Vouchers, 1917 to 1923	box 04
Physical Description: 2 Files	
Purchasing records	
Equipment, 1915-1920	box 04
Physical Description: 13 Files	
Food, 1915 to 1920	box 05
Physical Description: 9 Files	
Hauling Service, 1916	box 05
Purchasing records, 1920	box 05