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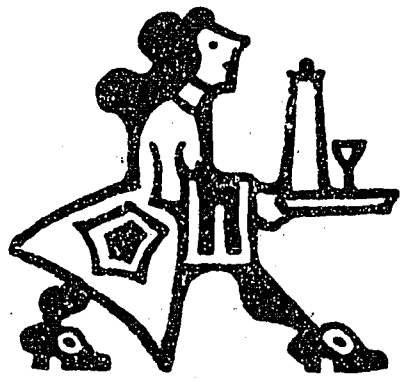

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Anaconda News History, 1900-1905

THE ANACONDA NEWS began its career as a regular and independant publication on December 10th., 1900, with a few handfuls of worn out "pi" type presented to the editor by a friend in the east. This type proved to be insufficient to set up more than two lines at a time. A small cardboard box was used as composing stick, galley, and in printing. No press of any description was as yet a part of the News office, the issue of three copies being printed by the method of pressing dampened paper down on the type in the improvised stick by thumb power. The process had to be repeated for every two lines in the paper. On this page an exact reproduction of the first copy is shown. A glance at it will suffice to show the hardships of the early News office. The original date was made December 10 for the reason that the figures 1 and 0 could be made of the letters I and O.

Early in 1901 the paper was doubled in size with the aid of a new stick. Three or four advertisements were also inserted, and the circulation enlarged to about six copies weekly. The financial returns began to increase and a lever press was ordered. New home-made cardboard cases were constructed and more body type secured.

On March 11, 1901, the first two page (single column) number was printed. The lever press was received and installed about April 25th, the present office having been put up a week previous. With the press were received several fonts of large sized type (now all on the dump), and other improvements. For three months the paper continued single column in size, pending the arrival of a larger amount of body type. On July 9th, however, the long expected goods arrived and the first double column issue printed. For a time during the summer and autumn of 1901 the paper was published in a three double column page form. Then times grew hard and The News was reduced to a single sheet.

During the first half of the year 1902 the paper was printed regularly in two page form, having a circulation of little over 30 copies. But things grew brighter and on the 22nd of October, 1902, a single column third page was added. This marked the beginning of that period of true growth which The

The Anaconda News.

Monday, Dec. 10th.

Editor, I am going *to* start up a free paper, called the Anaconda News. Robert Keffier.——

A New house, It is a very flimsy thing. A log house, IT is Quite nasty but strong. from notes.

The editors printing office is but small so the paper is the same.

The old fleet of ships is Fine. They have been takenout of the water. Kobert Kef*fer*

News has enjoved ever since. In December the third page was again enlarged to double column. So far, however, the additional pages had all been fastened to the main paper by means of glue; no real folded number having yet been printed.

The first folded copy came from the press on Jannary 1st 1903. It was three page, the back being left unprinted. A short time later (opened to advertisements Jan. 7th, and filled out Jan. 28th) the fourth page was also put on. Later in the year the fifth page was added, and soon increased to double column. In October the sixth page was started; after some time it too was enlarged to match the rest of the paper. Much type was bought during this year, as was machinery of all descriptions.

In 1904 the paper enjoyed unbroken prosperity. The circulation was increased to 100, and by the end of the year, 130 copies weekly. In March a new 7X11 inch foot power job press was ordered, as the machine purchased in 1901 was becoming entirely too small for the needs of the office. New type and borders were also received regularly. About August first a large supply of the best labor saving leads and metal furniture were purchased.

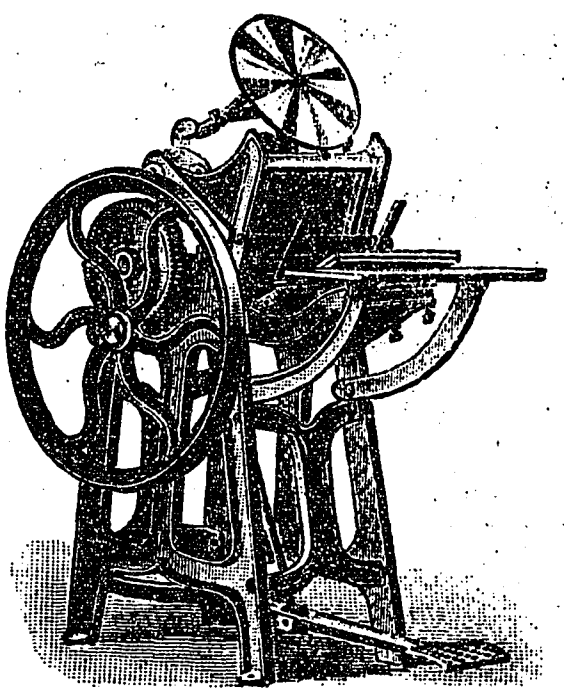
Anaconda News Printing Office

The new press, after much delay, arrived on the second of October. It proved to be a fine machine, large enough to print two pages of the paper (as published in 1904, about 4½ inches sqnare) at a time. Towards the last of November more type was received, and an improved staple binder purchased. A large illustrated Annual Num-

ber was also published at the end of this season.

The present year was commenced with a six page paper of the same size used during 1903 and 1904. However, the space was so short that eight page extras were of almost weekly occurrance. So, when the large stock of paper on hand became exhausted at

The News Press



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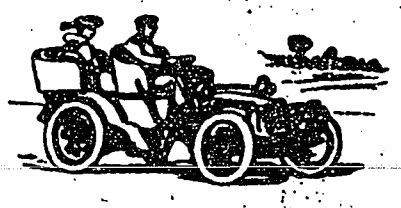
the end of March, a new style of enlargement was tried. The pages were increased a third in length and made the present more symmetrical shape. This gave space equal to about nine pages of the old size, besides greatly improving the appearance of the paper.

At this time the present high grade mines series was commenced, and the first of the many maps printed. On the 19th of April the present new Century Expanded body type was bought to replace the old and out-of-date type hitherto in use. New style type for news headings was also put in.

Several months ago a stock of first class ruled bill heads and round cornered cards was added to The News, and later a series of one of the latest type styles, Cheltenham Italic. This series is intended for the printing of the very nicest stationary of all kinds. Still more new type was received only a few weeks ago expressly for this Annual Edition.

During the past six months the circulation of The News has been increased from 130 copies to 220. Of this number, about 150 go out in the mail; mainly to Phœnix, Midway, Ferry, Eholt and the Mother Lode mine. The rest are taken locally, about 40 in Anaconda and 65 in Greenwood. Financially, the past year's record has entirely eclipsed all former years, and we expect to do still better next season. The News extends its thanks to all of its many friends.



Progress of the Year at the Boundary High Grade Mines

DURING the last six months The Anaconda News has published a series of twenty six HIGH GRADE MINE NUMBERS, in which our more important high grade properties to the number of over 30 have been given careful reviews. The object of the present article is to present, in as short a form as possible, an account of the important changes in these mines during the past year, together with tables showing shipments, men employed. etc.

The season has generally been an extremely prosperous one, and has seen many new names put on the shipping list. Several mines having a comparatively low value of less than $25.00 or $30.00 per ton have been shut down for the present. Rumors have been circulated, however, of the possible erection of a central concentrating station, in which event most if not all mines now idle could be profitably re-opened. On the oposite page is printed a revised map of this district showing all of the properties on which extensive work has been done this year, and their positions relative to the towns and to each other.

THE LAST CHANCE.

IT has been decided to place the various properties reviewed in the order of the shipments made from each during the past year, placing those mines from which no ore was shipped at the end of list. The Last Chance comes first with a total shipment (first and second class) of 689 tons.

On this mine extensive deveolpment work has been done, and several ore bodies blocked out. The main shaft is down about 100 feet, and several other shafts have also been put down on this claim. From the main shaft a long crosscut has been run east and west nearly 300 feet, and is in ore a good part of the way. From a point 200 feet west of the main shaft a drift to the north and south has been run on the ledge, which at this point varies between five and ten feet with a six to 24 inch pay vein. The south drift is now in rbout 200 feet, and is still in good ore. The ore from this mine is

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EXPLANATION OF NUMBERS ON MAP ON NEXT PAGE.

B. C. Copper Co's Smelter	No. 1		
Helen Mine	2	Capital Prize	3
Barbara	4	Twin	5
Gold Finch	6	E. P. U.	7
Dynamo	8	Trilby	9
Bay	10	Mavis	11
Tip Top	12	Last Chance	13
Silver Cloud	14	Skylark	15
Crescent	16	Preston	17
Don Pedro	18	Maori	19
Defiance	20	Strathmore	21
Freemont	22	Providence	23
Gold Bug	24	Elkhorn	25
Bonnie Belle			26
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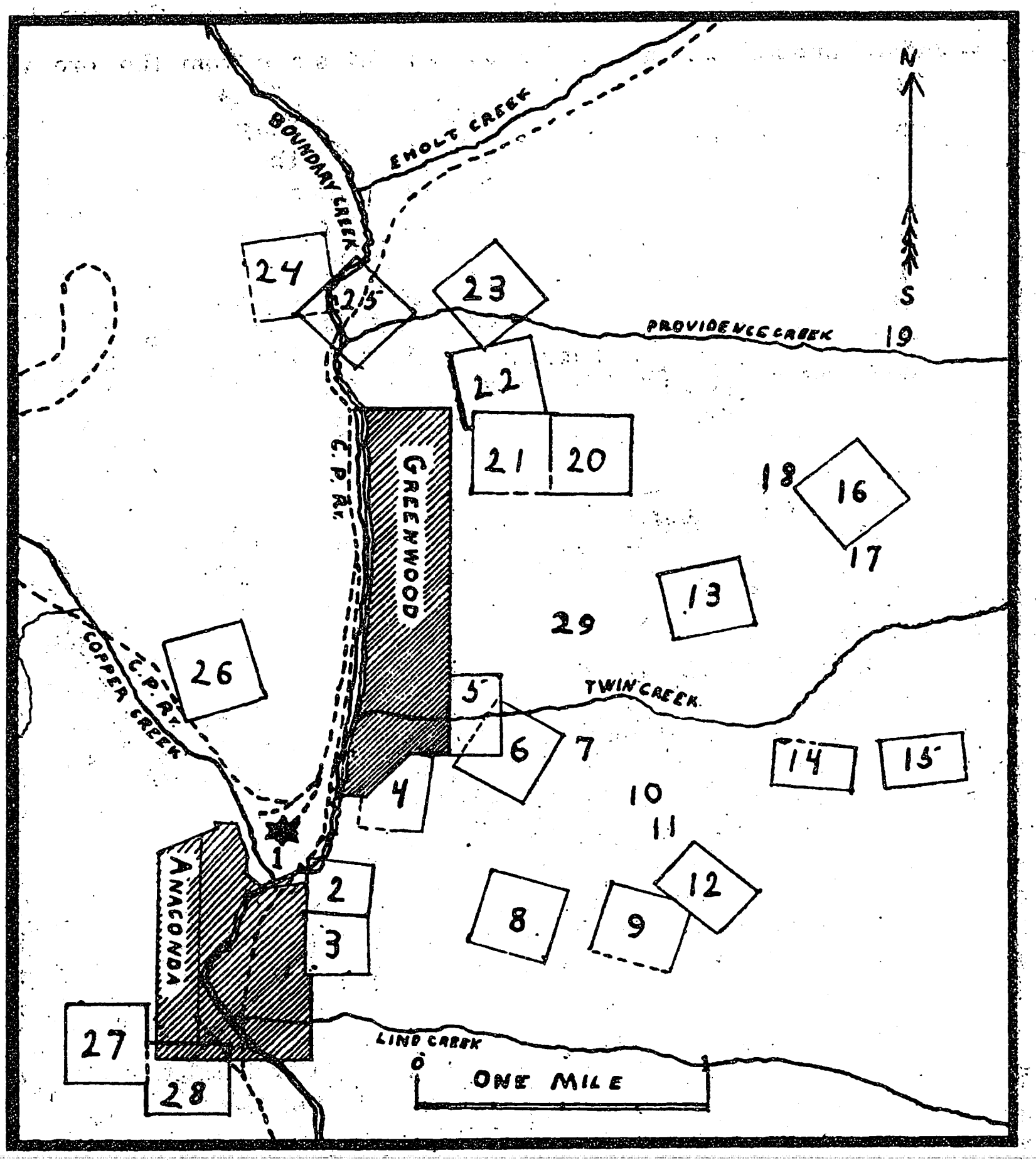


Anaconda News Map of the High Grade Mines on Which Actual Work has lately been Done

ruby silver and fine galena, and carries good values.

THE PROVIDENCE.

NEXT on the list of shippers comes the Providence mine, with 600 tons. A great deal of development work has been done here during the past year, and a new machinery plant, consisting of a large boiler and ten drill compressor has been installed. The surface buildings at the mine have also been much improved.

On the 400 foot level the drifts have been run long distances to the north and south, and several new ore bodies have been discovered by crosscut tunnels. The shaft has lately been sunk to the 500 foot level, where a drift to the lead has shown it to be as strong and rich as on the 400.

The Providence would have undoubtably made a much better record on the shipping list and otherwise had it not been for the long shutdown at the beginning of the year. As the wood supply around the mine is becoming short, replacing the present plant with electric machinery is being contemplated, and is soon likely to be done.

AT THE SKYLARK MINE.

THIRD in tonnage for the past year has been the Skylark, from which 468 tons were sent down the hill. At this property over 600 feet of drifts have been run to date from the 150 foot shaft, and a considerable amount of ore has been blocked out. The last of the large payments on the bond was made some months ago from the ore taken out, and the mine is now on a paying basis. The history of the Skylark is well known in the Boundary district. Several years ago the mine was abandoned as worked out, and remained closed for a long time, when an enterprising syndicate of Phœnix men took it over. They started development work not more than twelve months ago, and the result is that the mine is now third on the shipping list and has a promising future.

THE E. P. U.

FOURTH on the roll of shipping mines comes the E. P. U. During 1905 this mine sent out 255 tons high and low grade ore, the high grade giving returns near the hundred dollar mark.

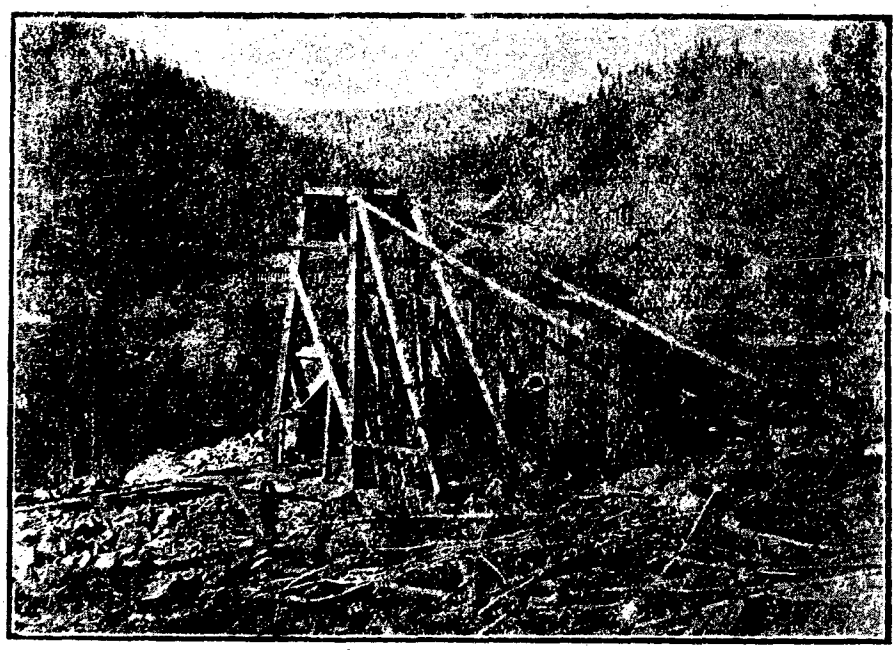
A force of 18 men were worked at this property the greater part of the season, although it has been shut down the last two or three months, all available ore having been taken out and more developement work being necessary to open up new stopes. The ledge on this claim averaged about eight inches, but did not require much sorting. The power plant consists of boiler, hoist and pump, together with the long gravity tram down which ore is taken to the bottom of the gulch.

AT THE CRESCENT MINE.

FIFTH in shipments comes the Crescent mine with 90 tons; this ore, however, all came from development, as no stopes have been opened as yet. On this property extensive development

is being done. A new main shaft has been sunk to the depth of 130 feet, and is soon to be deepened to the 330 foot level. At the the 130 foot level north and south drifts are in respectively 70 and 80 feet on the ore body, which averages 20 inches solid ore and stands vertical. Several other shafts have been sunk on five other high grade ledges nearly as large as the main body, but no work is being done on these at p.esent. A large iron cap carrying considerable values in silver has been exlored lately. It is thought that all of the five ledges on the property are trending towards this cap, and a tunnel will be run to explore the same from the 130 foot level of the present workings.

A plant consisting of a ten horse power electric hoist has been ordered for the Crescent. Cascade power will be employed. An electric compressor may soon be ordered, together with other machinery. The Crescent is one of the most promising of all the high grade mines in this district, and we would not be surprised to see it take the first place on the shippingl ist in the near future.



The Helen Mine. B. C. Copper Co's Smelter in the Distance

THE HELEN MINE.

Of all our high value mines the Hel-

en in Anaconda shows the most improvments, both in ore and equipments, for the past year. Eighty tons of the first class ore were sent out from this mine this season, all being taken out in the course of development. When work was resumed last April with six men the only shaft was down 130 feet. In this distance it encountered no less than three breaks, so that ore and water had to be handled four times in hoisting. On the first of August work was started by hand on the new shaft. A short time later a hoist, boiler, and steam drills were put in. Early in October the compressor plant was installed, and sinking pushed faster than ever. The new shaft is now down to the 210 foot level, and drifts have been started north and south. The ore body is over five feet thick at this point, and contains a 22 inch pay streak. For upwards of 125 feet the ore has gone straight down with the shaft, and at the present point looks very solid.

Long drifts have been run north and south in fine ore on the 75 foot level, the combined length of the drifts being over 175 feet. The new shaft is double compartment, and is well timbered from top to bottom. New mine buildings have been put up, electric fans installed, and, although no stopes are to be opened until still more ore is blocked out, when such is done all will be in readiness to facillitate cheap and easy mining.

AT THE BAY MINE.

SEVENTH on the shipping list is the Bay mine located near the Skylark. This property differs mainly from the others in the fact that most of its ores are of an iron pyrites variety, carrying considerable free gold. A 100 foot shaft has been sunk and considerable drifting done to the south from the 25 foot level. Work was suspended on the shaft for the greater part of the year because of the large amount of water encountered. A new road was built to the property last summer.

THE DON PERDO.

WE have now to consider the work done this season on the Don Pedro, adjoining and belonging to the Crescent group. The main shaft on this property has been sunk to a depth of 80 feet, and a drift run to the north over 100 feet. It will soon be connected by a raise with the new shaft being sunk 150 feet beyond the old workings. When this is done stopes will be opened up and mining started. The lead averages about a foot and carries high values.

THE MAVIS MINE.

CONSIDERABLE work was done this year on the Mavis, next the Bay. The ore on this property is the same as that on the Bay, in fact, they are on the same lead. A shaft has been sunk about 50 feet and some drifts run. The ore is about twenty inches in thickness.

THE STRATHMORE MINE.

WORK is soon to be resumed on the Strathmore mine, situated above the Greenwood baseball grounds to the east. A long tunnel has been driven in to catch the lead at depth, and it is expected that it will be struck by driving a short distance farther. Much more work has been done a short distance up the hill, where a shaft and drifts were run on the ore. The lead is about a foot wide, and carries good values in gold and silver.

THE BONNIE BELLE.

ON this property a shaft has been sunk over 40 feet on the ledge, which averages two feet of very heavy galena. A car of ore shipped this fall gave returns not over $30.00, which would be a paying proposition if it could be concentrated, but for the present will not bear freight and treatment charges.

THE ELKHORN MINE.

THE history of the Skylark has been repeated by the Elkhorn, which was shut down for the major part of the year. Work has been suspended on this claim, all of the available ore having been taken out. Some two months ago operations were resumed, and the ore struck after sinking the shaft 15 feet through the dyke. The newly found lead is about two feet thick and carries very good values.

THE PRINCE HENRY.

MUCH work has been done this season on the Prince Henry, on the Phœnix road below the Last Chance. The main shaft is now down to the 115 foot level, and a drift to the north is in 25 feet on a very fine lead a foot thick. The values are mostly native and ruby silver. A new and more convenient shaft will soon be sunk, and things put on a shipping basis.

THE PRESTON.

WORK has again been resumed on the Preston, a short distance down the hill from the Crescent. A shaft is down about 110 feet on the ore, which is at this level over a foot wide. A five horse power hoist is on the road for the mine, and when it is received stoping will begin.

TABLE SHOWING MEN EMPLOYED AND TONS SHIPPED.

MINE	Shipped, 1903	Shipped, 1902-4	Shipped, Total	Men Employ'd
Last Chance	690	50	740	10
Providence	650	1938	2589	40
Skylark	488	52	540	25
E. P. U.	254	467	722	.....
Crescent	90	.....	90	15
Helen	80	.....	80	20
Eay	73	.....	73	6
Don Pedro	40	.....	40	5
Mavis	20	.....	20	2
Bonnie Belle	20	.....	20	.....
Elkhorn	150	725	870	25
Prince Henry	.....	.....	.....	10
Preston	.....	.....	.....	5
Gold Finch	.....	.....	.....	6
Gold Bug	.....	.....	.....	6
Dynamo	.....	.....	.....	4

THE GOLD FINCH MINE.

ABOUT ten men are now employed at this property driving tunnels at the top and bottom of the hill. In the upper tunnel the ore is between five and seven inches, and carries values resembling the E. P. U. Stopes are being opened up in this part of the mine. The lower tunnel is in about 200 feet in ore. A shipment is soon to be made.

THE BARBARA MINE.

ON the Barbara mine no work has been done since spring, when the shaft was down 150 feet. The ore is of a grade something like that of the Bonnie Belle, and will need concentration. It is thought, however, that the values will improve with depth.

THE TWIN AND MOUNTAIN QUEEN.

THESE mines are considered together as their ores are both in the Bonnie Belle class, needing a concentrator. On the Twin a short tunnel has been driven into the hill exposing a two foot lead. The Mountain Queen has a shaft about 40 feet down on a three foot vein of nice looking galena.

HIGHLAND QUEEN.

ON the Highland Queen, above Anaconda to the west, a shaft, tunnel, and considerable surface cutting has been done. This shows up two veins over 18 inches wide and carrying considerable values. The ledge in the tunnel looks especially good. Work may soon be resumed.

THE GOLD BUG.

ON the Gold Bug work is still progressing on the long tunnel, which is now in over 500 feet. It is hoped that the lead will be struck in the near future. Much ore was shipped from this mine in earlier days.

THE DYNAMO.

A FORCE of six men has resumed work on the tunnel at the Dynamo which is to be driven 150 feet to tap the lead. Much work was done on this property some years ago, and considerable ore taken out.

THE TIP TOP.

WORK was done this summer on the Tip Top, on the Bay and Mavis lead. The ore body was proven to be about 15 inches thick, and carries somes good values.

THE SILVER CLOUD.

ON the Silver Cloud, near the Skylark, a shaft 100 feet deep has been sunk, and drifts run some distance on the vein. A machinery plant was put in, as the water was very bad. The ore contains good values.

MAORI GROUP.

THE Maori Group of claims, near the Crescent to the north, has been the scene of considerable development this year. The ore body is about ten feet wide, carrying good high grade values.

Progress of the Boundary Towns During the Past Year

THE past year has been a period of considerable prosperity in the BOUNDARY CREEK TOWNS, especially in Midway. The steady improvments at the high grade mining properties, the resumtion of operations at the Boundary Falls smelter, and, most of all, the large amount of railway construction, have all been factors in building up our towns. As by far the largest improvements for any single town have been made at Midway, that place will be first considered.

MIDWAY BOOM.

UP to the middle of the year Midway continued a slow going village. At this time, however, the first railway construction gangs came into town, and events began to move. By the first of August the boom had gained much headway. Within a month the town had much more than doubled in size.

Six months ago Midway had two stores of all descriptions, and not more than five hotels, large and small. Now there are six grocery and general stores running in town, several restaurants, drug stores, book stores, and fifteen or sixteen hotels. The main street has been extended towards the river two and a half blocks, and many buildings have been put up on other streets. Many new residences, large and small, have recently been erected. For a time during September, lumber could not be brought into town fast enough to satisfy the demands of the builders. During this period, it was no uncommon thing to see the lumber hauled to the site one morning, and the completed building up by the evening of the following day.

Three separate railways have been pushing construction in or near Midway this fall, and work on the Great Northern will likely be continued most of the winter. The Canadian Pacific will likely push its line through to connect with the main road some time next summer, and the Midway & Vernon will in all probability do much work next year. Work has been started on the G. N. station at Midway; the track has been ballasted through from Curlew, and regular passenger trains will soon be put on. It is likely that Midway will be made a divisional point on the main G. N. line through from Spokane to Vancouver; in that case it is certain to become an important town.

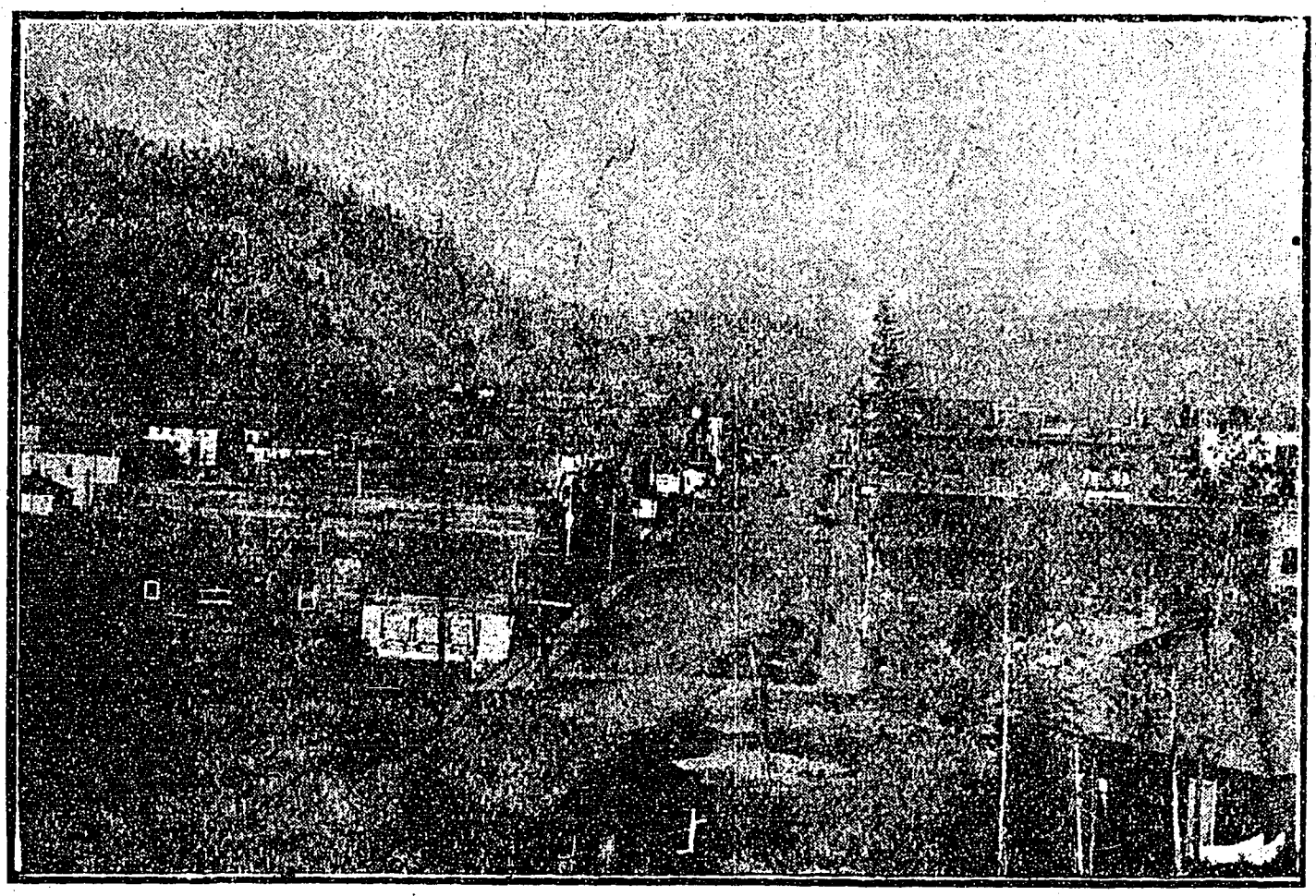
FERRY, WASH.

DIRECTLY across the Kettle River from Midway is situated Ferry, Wash. It has come into existance and grown to be a town half as large as Midway in a time not much exceeding five months. Ferry is built on a bench a short distance back from the river, and is secure from floods. The town contains two good general stores, five ho-

tels, custom house, railway warehouses, G. N. station and yards, several restaurants and about fifteen saloons. A public school is to be built in the near future, and other improvments made.

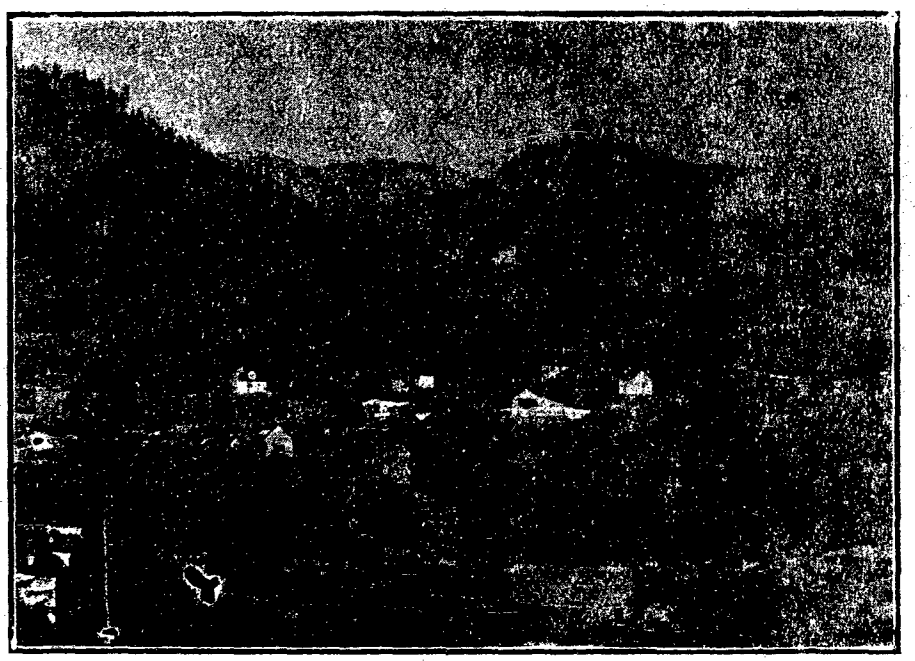
GREENWOOD AND ANACONDA.

LOCALLY in Greenwood and Anaconda many improvments have been made during the past year. Most important is the new Lind Creek water system, which has now been in operation some three or four months. A reservoir has been constructed well up in Lind Creek gulch, is lined with concrete, and has a capacity of about 250,000 gallons. The reservoir is connected with the town by a six inch wood main. Mains have also been put down the more important streets of Anaconda (Everett, Butte, Denver and Tacoma Aves., and 2nd St.). Four inch mains are used on most of the streets. Fire hydrants have been in at three corners in Anaconda. Key hydrants have been put in for the use of a majority of the families, and water put in the houses of others. New fire hydrants have also been put in at several corners of Copper St. in Greenwood, formally unprotected, and also at many points on Silver and Gold Streets, and Kimberly Ave.



Copper Street, Greenwood, B. C.

Several of the most important streets in Anaconda have been graded this fall, and their appearance greatly improved. Everett Ave. has been graded from the upper end at 2nd St to its connection with the main road at 6th St. Butte Ave. has been still more thoroughly finished the same distance, and some work has been done on Denver Ave., 6th St., and 2nd. These will likely be completed next spring when the frost gets out of the ground. The C. P. R. has repaired the crossing at Denver Ave., and will soon put in a crossing to connect with the new bridge to the west side built this spring. We would likely get a C. P. R. flag station in Anaconda if a petition signed by the residents was to be sent in to the railway company. The new Silver Springs brewery, located on Denver Ave., was started up a couple of months ago.



The Eastern Half of Anaconda. B. C. Copper Co's Smelter in the Distance.

Considerable building will likely be done in Anaconda in the spring, as all available houses are now taken and surrounding industries continue to grow

and employ more men. The smelter enlargements soon to be made will also stimulate growth.

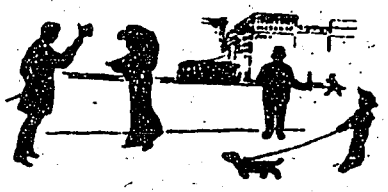
In Greenwood two or three new residences have been built since spring. The former Dr. Jakes' hospital has been divided into three new comfortable residences. No new store buildings have yet been built, but business has been good among the merchants. With the resumption of work at the Dominion Copper Co's works, and the many men employed at the nearby high value mines, times should be very good here during the season to come.

PHŒNIX AND GRAND FORKS.

In Phœnix and Grand Forks the past year has seen a good many changes for the better.

In Phœnix the new, large, Brooklyn Hotel has been opened to the public, and is an ornament to the town. The new city hall is finished and is a fine building. The large Miner's Union hall being built there is nearing completion. It is to be a three story building, and will contain a large auditorium, rooms for the meetings of the various unions, club rooms, etc. In all, Phœnix has seen a very prosperous year.

In Grand Forks, also, the past season has been one of prosperity. Several new buildings have been put up, bridges rebuilt, new sidewalks put down, and other improvements made. The prospect of work soon being started on a second smelting plant is also very encouraging.



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The Year at the Boundary Smelters

THE past season has been an era of comparitively steady progress at the three smelters of the Boundary district, with the exception of the long shutdown at the Dominion Copper Co's works at Boundary Falls. However, it is in the GRANBY CONSOLIDATED Co's big plant at Grand Forks that we observe the most changes.

THE GRANBY SMELTER.

FOREMOST in importance of the many improvements made during the past season on the Granby smelter has been the installation of the self feeding apparatus.

Work was started on this change about the middle of February, and the first four furnaces were charged by this process from the first of April on. The remainder of the battery (at that time, six in all) were changed to the new feed a short time later. This new system does the work of about 80 men, and means a saving to the company of over $80,000 per year.

The arrangement of the bins had to be entirely changed to admit of a double track being built between a long row of chutes. The charge cars are large, holding about three tons each, and are run by electricity. The car is first run to the coke bins, where it receives the correct amount of fuel. It is then weighed, after which the proper quantity of ore and flux (iron and sulpher), is added. When loaded, the car is rapidly sent into the feed room, where it runs onto a track directly across the furnace. The charge is dumped into the furnace by means of a long lever, operated by the motorman, and the car is soon back on its round to the bin. Loading the cars is done in a simple way. A high platform runs between the tracks along the distance occupied by chutes, and the gates are provided with long lever which are easily operated by a few men.

During the year the capacity of the plant has been very largely increased by the addition of two new giant blast furnaces. One of these was blown in October 7th, and the other about the 15th of the month, A ninth furnace as large as the seventh and eight installed this year will soon be received and put up. With this last addition the capacity of the plant will be doubled over that of this spring.

The method of slag dumping has been completely changed over from granulation to the hot system. Steam locomotives are used entirely for hauling out the pots,

The converter room is now equipped with two blowers and several stands to handle the large amount of matte produced by the eight futnaces. No custom matte is at present being handled.

The works with soon be run by electric power from the Kootenay Power Co's plant at Bonnington Falls, in ad-

dition to the power generated by the Granby station near the smelter. No Cascade electricity will then be used. The Kootenay line is to be completed early in the new year, and the sub-stations at Grand Forks and Phœnix will soon be finshed and ready for business.

A dividend of three per cent. on the par value of the issued shares, or $405-000, was declared on December 1st. This is the second dividend paid by the Granby, the first, amounting to $132-630, having been declared two years ago in 1903. This makes a grand total of $538,630 paid in dividends to date. It has been decided to increase the par value of Granby stock to $100 each, and reduce the number of shares proportionally. A regular dividend will likely be paid on these new shares from now on.

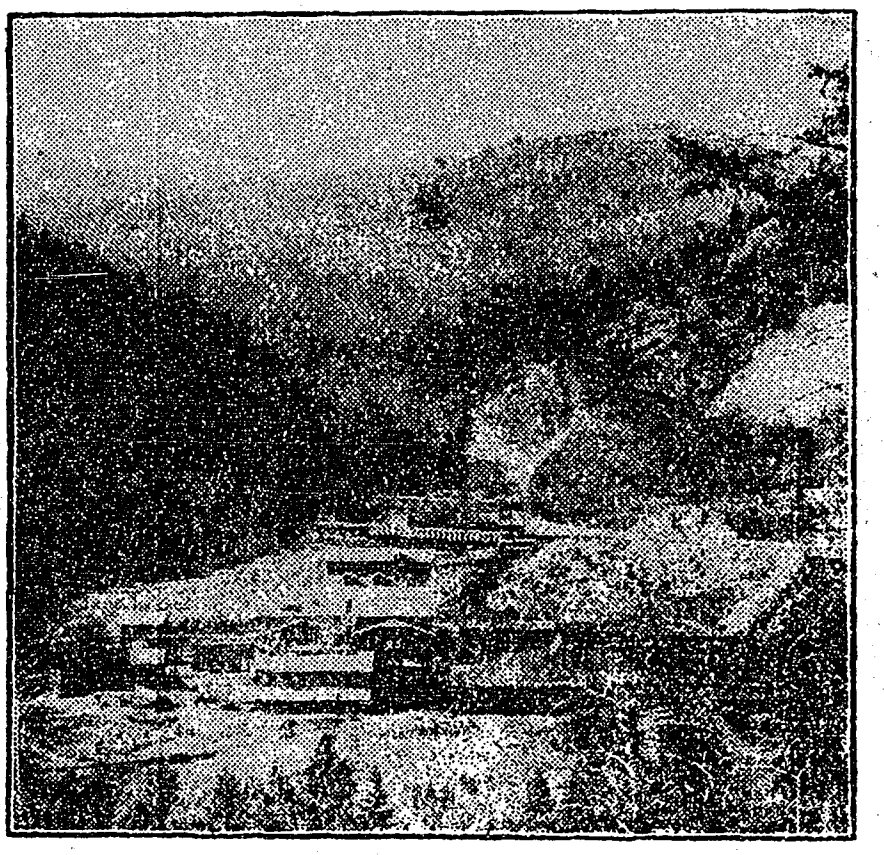
THE BRITISH COLUMBIA COPPER CO'S SMELTER.

THE B. C. COPPER COMPANY'S smelter at Anaconda has been run steadily throughout the year, there having been smelted some 205,000 tons. The principal addition to the smelter was the briquetting plant which was installed early in the year, and which was put into operation in May.

Since then a portion of the great accumulation of flue dust has been worked off. The slag dump has been extended so that its southern end is now across the creek nearly opposite The News office.

It has recently been decided by the Board of Directors of the Company to enlarge and entirely remodel the plant along the latest and most approved lines. To this end, the present 42X160 inch furnaces will be replaced by three immense furnaces each 48X240 inches at the tuyeres.

These will be the largest furnaces in Canada, and will have a capacity of



The Bristish Columbia Copper Co's Smelter (1904)

approximately 600 tons per day each. Hand feeding will be done away with, and charging from side dumping cars drawn by electric locomotives substituted. The Power and Mining Machinery Co. are to be the builders. Slag from these great furnaces will be hauled in cars of capacity of 25 tons each, which

will be handled by electric locomotives.

The dumping of these will also be done electrically.

The present ore bins will be completely changed so as to allow the charging cars to be drawn underneath. They will be made ten feet higher, so as to increase their capacity, the railway trestles and tracks leading thereto being correspondingly raised. Coke bins will also be constructed.

Addional electric machinery will consist of three 300 H. P. motors to drive the new blowers, and a 100 kilowatt motor-generator. Five trolley locomotives will be provided to haul ore and slag, and there will also be several smaller motors for divers minor purposes.

The present blowers will be replaced by three large Root machines.

It will be seen from the above that the Copper Company intends to keep well in the head of the procession, and to have a smelting plant second to none in compleness and in economy of operation.

AT THE DOMINION COPPER CO'S SMELTER.

ONE furnace at the Dominion Copper Co's Boundary Falls smelter was blown in on November 26, and the second will likely be started within the month. About 300 tons per day are being treated at present with one stack. Most of this ore is coming from the Brooklyn-Stemwinder mines in Phœnix; when the Rawhide is started up the second furnace will be blown in.

A large additional slag dump has been secured directly across the creek from the plant. This ground will last for over two years, by which time it is likely that a new smelter will have been built.

The Boundary Falls smelter will likely be changed from steam to Cascade electric power in the spring. This will considerably cheapen the cost of ore reduction.

Changes and Improvements at the Low Grade Mines.

MOTHER LODE MINE.

DURING ths past year this property has been a constant and next to the Old Ironsides group the largest shipper in the Boundary. It is estimated that by the end of the year there will have mined in 1905, some 180,000 tons. Since the mine started shipping in 1901 there has been sent out 754,000 tons, all of which, with the exception of a few hundred tons sent to Nelson, has been smelted at the local works.

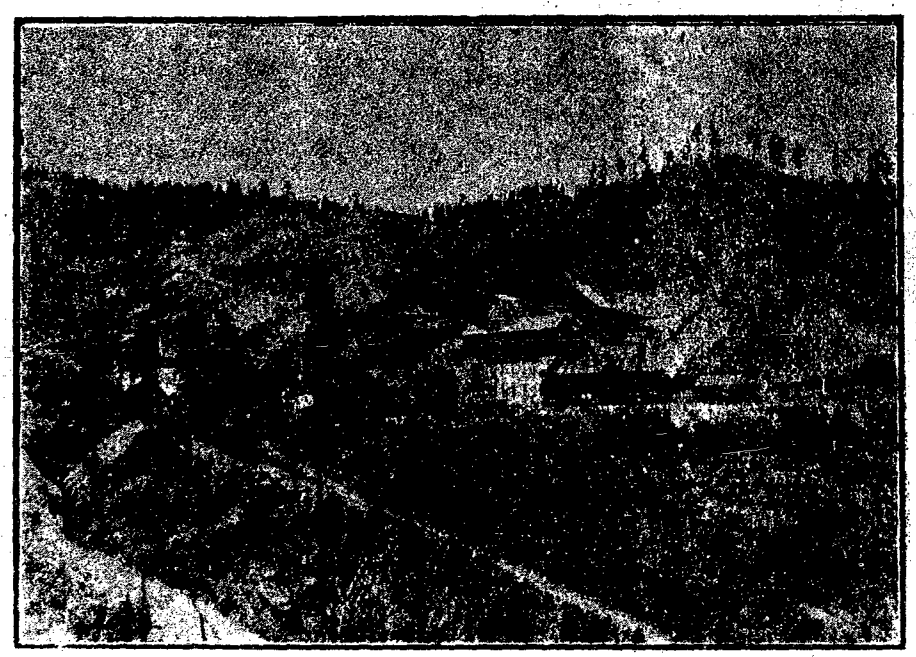
During the year there have been made a number of improvments in the plant. First amongst these is the new crushing plant which was installed during the latter part of 1904 and which was put into service early in this year. Under this arrangement all ore from every part of the stopes and quarries centers at the shaft, where it it falls into large pockets, being then hoisted in four ton skips to the crushing plant bins.

After passing the crushers it goes to the railway bins over a 160 foot conveyor belt. In the shops there has been installed a drill sharpening machine, which has been found to be a perfect sucess, saving much time in sharpening and making a more uniform die. The upper boiler plant has been moved to a point near the hoist where it will ultimately come into service when the underground work increases so that the compressor can no longer supply air for hoisting purposes. It has recently been decided to substitute electric power for steam in some sections of the plant. At the compressor house there will be installed a 500 horse power motor to take the place of four boilers now in use. The steam cylinders of the Corliss compressor will be disconnected and the fly wheel replaced by another of the same weight but fitted with a rope drive. Three 50 kilo watt step down transformers will also be located at the mine. The engines now running the crushers will be replaced by 100 horse power motors, and the machine shop also run from a small motor. The electric lighting will be done directly from the power line, and the present lighting plant dispensed with. The discarded machinery will later come in useful at other of the Company's properties where electric power is not available.

In the way of buildings there has been erected a new carpenter shop, and wagon sheds. The bins have been covered and sheathed, steam pipes being placed between the sheathing and the inner wall of bins to prevent freezing in extreme colt weather. Several small shacks have been converted into dwelling houses, and a new powder magazine built. The old crusher pit has been converted into a fine storage cellar for food supplies, and the build-

ing above into a saw mill and diamond drill shop.

Considerable exploratory work has been done during the year. A diamond drill outfit was purchased in the early part of the year, and drilling has progressing steadily ever since. Besides accomplishing much desirable negative work in pointing out where not to go for ore, the drill has found a number of valuable bodies of ore whose existence in some cases was not even suspected before. The most effective work has been done on the 300 level. Here several vertical holes have disclosed ore of remarkable high grade, and have also shown that the ore may be expected to continue with depth. Horizontal drifting north from the extreme north end of the 300 level has further disclosed a large body of ore rich in sulphides, and carrying good metal values, besides. Much drilling remains to be done on the 300 foot level yet to prove the continuity of ore appearing on that level, but not on the upper levels, notably the magnetite deposits.



Mother Lode Mine—Latest View, Showing Large Size of Quarries

In the way of development work, the main shaft has had a third compartment run from the main entrance on the 60 level, down to the 300, this being used

for ladders and pipes. For a number of months back preparations to continue sinking the shaft deeper have been in progress; these preparations consisting besides the third compartment above mentioned, of stations and pockets on the various present levels. The active sinking of the shaft itself is now being pushed as fast as possible. It is to be from the 300 level down, of four compartments, two for the skips, one for the men and timbers etc., in which there will be an ordinary cage, and the fourth for ladder way and pipes. The fourth compartment will later on be extended up to the 60 foot level, the present main entrance to the mine.

The present depth of the shaft is about 350 feet. The ore mined from the shaft is now hoisted up the skip compartment to the 60 level when the skips are not in service, but so soon as the the 300 station and pocket are timbered, which will be within a few days, the auxilliary hoist will be moved to the 300 level and hoisting done through the third compartment. Three shifts can then be used in the work of sinking and progress facilitated.

The major part of the ore mined is still from the the glory holes, although an increasing amount is coming from the various stopes. The ore body about the shaft on the 60 foot level which was being explored when the last News annual was published, is still being explored, the limits not yet having been reached. A large amount of ore has been taken from this body, but only a small fraction of the total probable tonnage contained in it has been extracted. To stope this ore, an intermediate level is being run between the 60 and

Mother Lode Mine—View Taken Several Years Ago

200 levels, under the ore, which will then be stoped upward to the surface or so far as the values remain profitable.

It is expected that by the time the additions to the smelter plant are completed the mine will have the glory

holes, the stopes at the end of the mule tunnel, the 120 foot, the 230 foot, the 300 foot and the 400 foot levels all in shape to furnish ore. Possibly the 500 level will by that time also be opened up.

AT THE GRANBY MINES IN PHŒNIX.

AT the GRANBY CONSOLIDATED Mining, Smelting, and Power Co's mines in Phœnix many changes and improvments have been made during the year.

A new crusher plant has been installed and large additional bins built to allow of ore shipments being made over the Great Northern Railway. This line was completed to the mines by March last, and is now hauling over half the daily output, or about 1300 tons. The balance is taken out over the C. P. R.

Plans have been made for a new four compartment shaft with a mammoth crushing plant in connection, to be sunk from a central point and to be used as the main working shaft. Work is to be started on this in the near future. The main tunnels connecting with the bins and crushing plants have been enlarged and equiped with an electric haulage system. Most of the ore coming from the Knob Hill, Old Ironsides and neighboring mines is still being extracted by the glory hole method, few large stopes having yet been opened up. Development work has steadily progressed at the mines throughout the year, so that the ore blocked out at present is much in excess of that in sight twelve months ago, in spite of the large amount taken out and sent down to the smelter.

During the year a large amount of diamond drill work has been done, both on the Gral y Group proper, and on the new properties recently bought. In all, considerable over two miles of drill holes have been put down since this method of exploraton was commenced; of this, over half has been during the past year. Two drilling outfits are being used, and both are run double shift. A great deal of work has been done on the 400 foot level of the Old Ironsides and Victoria mines, where the ore bodies have been proved to be very extensive. Much work has also done on the Monarch and Gold Drop claims, on which the ledges have been shown up to the satisfaction of the management. It is intended to do more of this kind of development during the coming year than ever before, especially on the newer claims recently purchased.

Over $432,000 was expended last year in acquiring a large number of new mining properties in Phœnix Camp and elsewhere. The claims recently purchased are the Monte Carlo, Monte Christo and Fraction, Gilt Edge, Gold Drop and Fraction, Nuggett, Phillipsburg Fraction, No. 13, Monarch, Tam-

arack and Fraction, and Missing Link, with a total area of 354.06 acres. The older properties in the Granby group contain 338.73 acres; thus making with the new a total area of 692.79 acres, or over a square mile.

The Gold Drop and a few others of this group of newly bought claims have had a large amount of development work done, but others, notably the Tamarack, have had no work done except diamond drilling. However, this drilling has shown up extensive ore bodies, and it is likely that active mining will be started on all of these claims before much longer. Several new properties have also been recently acquired in the Similkameen district by the Granby Co., principally for iron fluxing ores.

THE DOMINION COPPER CO'S MINES.

WORK is again in active progress at the mines of the DOMINION COPPER CO., in Phœnix. The bulk of the ore shipments to the smelter at Boundary Falls are at present coming from the Brooklyn-Stemwinder Group, where between 65 and 70 men are now employed. The mines have been put in good shape for shipping, and much development work is at present being done. The ore from the Brooklyn mine is very good grade, averaging somewhat higher than either the Mother Lode or Granby.

At the Rawhide, the largest in extent of the Dominion Copper Co's properties, work is being pushed. A new electric air compressor has been ordered, and is at present on the road to the mine. The compressor house is nearing completion, and will be ready when the machine arrives, as will the foundations. A large glory hole has been opened up, a gravity tram built to carry the rock a short distance down the hill to crusher and ore bin, and shipments will soon begin. About 25,000 tons were sent out from this mine during the run of the Boundary Falls smelter last spring under the management of the Montreal & Boston Copper Company.

The Dominion Copper Co. also owns and will operate the Sunset, Athlestan-Jackpot, and other claims.

YEAR'S PROGRESS AT THE EMMA MINE

DURING the past year there has been sunk at the EMMA a two compartment inclined shaft which at present is 185 feet deep.

At the 150 ft. level a drift has been run to the ore body (which was found about 60 feet north of the shaft) and the drift has been continued along the ore some 70 ft. When found, the ore has been of exceptional good grade, and the vein maintains its normal width.

Drifting will be continued so far as the ore is found to extend to the north,

and stopes started which will enable the ore to be removed up to the floor of the glory hole.

The vein has everywhere very definite, almost vertical walls, and has the appearance and characteristics of an ore body extending to great depths.

Recently a fine gallows frame 58 ft. high has been built, and also a new ore bin. There has also been constructed a hoist house and store rooms.

It is the intention of the B. C. Copper Co. and the Hall M.& S. Co. the owners, to install a complete electric compressor plant so soon as arrangement can be completed for securing power.

This will take the place of the steam driven compressor now leased from the Oro Denoro mine.

In many ways the Emma bids fair to remain long a prominent member of the Boundary's big producers.

ORO DENORO MINE.

AT the ORC DENORO mine, across the gulch from the Emma, considerable work has been done this year, a force of some seven or eight men having been employed. About 2500 tons of ore were shipped this year. It is reported that in the coming season work is to be done on a much larger scale that ever before.

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"Tommy" said the young man to his prospective brother in law aged 5, "will you be sorry when I marry your sister?"

"Yes" snswered the little fellow, "I'll be sorry for you."

"I don't see why you drink whiskey? Do you think it quenches your thirst?"

"Gee whiz no! If it did, I wouldn't drink it."

City Sportsman—Every time I fire that gun it kicks hard enough to knock me over.

Guide—Well it must be a satisfaction to you that you have brought down something.

She—Here's an interesting story of a man who begged to be sent to jail instead of his wife.

He—Aha! and yet you always declare that men are never self sacrificing.

She—Well, this man,s wife happened to be a washerwoman and if she went to jail he'd have to work.

"My goodness!" exclaimed the feather duster. "Your stick is all covered with coal dust and ashes. What have you been doing?"

"I've been playing poker!" explained the broom,

"Ma caught me lookin' through the keyhole at sister an' her beau."

"Gee! Did she lick you?"

"Naw. But she made me give her the place."

His Wife(at 3 A. M.)—"Don't you know better than to come home at this time of night?"

He—"But whash a feller t'do when saloonsh close?"

Irate Patient—Here! you told me these false teeth would be just as good as natural ones, and they hurt me horribly.

Painless Dentist—Well, didn't your natural ones hurt you?

"Now, Maria, we shall inherit a lot of money. Something is bound to happen soon, now that we have put guncotton instead of cotton in grandfather's ears."

"I'm going on my vacation."

"Good! How long are you going to stay?"

"As long as my money lasts."

"Er—say, don't you want to borrow a little?"

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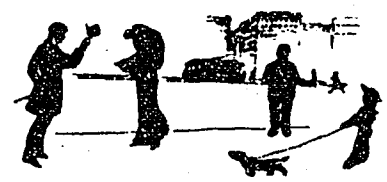

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Latest News Items from the Principle Towns of the Boundary

Job printing done in the best of style at The News. See page four.

E. Jacobs, editor of the B. C. Mining Record of Victoria is in town at present for a short visit.

Oscar V. White supt. of the Slocan Star mine near Sandon, was a visitor in Greenwood this week.

The E. T. Bank at Midway has been moved to a new and central location. Business was transacted while moving was in progress.

W. E. Hodge arrived in town this week to make his periodical outfit of the accounts of the Corporation of the City of Greenwood.

T. W. Astley, formerly manager of the Snowshoe mine, was lately presented with two valuable silver services, one by the Rossland club and the other by the Le Roi staff.

The new schedule went into effect on the Great Northern on Sunday last, when the first passenger train was run into Midway. The trip to Spokane can now be made via Midway in almost an hour less time than before.

A sawmill is to be the latest acuqistion to the industries at Midway. Work is shortly to be started on a site a short distance south of town. This will enable Midway builders to obtain lumber much more promptly than the present method.

The first games of curling have been played in Greenwood.

The Phœnix skating rink was opened for business last week for the first time.

See page 49 of this number for a list of firms handling all lines of fine Christmas goods.

Work on the Holiday Number of the Phœnix Pioneer is being pushed at present. It is to be published about the first of January.

Work will soon begin on the building for the accomodation of the Midway fire fighting apparatus. It will have a central location.

The wrok of ice making at the skating rink is nearing completion, and the rink will likely be opened to the public in the near future.

Do your Christmas shopping now and avoid the rush. In this issue of The News will be seen announcement of firms handling all lines of goods

No weather report tables will appear in this number. The coldest point reached during the last two weeks was eight degree above zero, and the warmest forty degrees.

Boundary Creek is frozen over at Anaconda; and the Greenwood boys have been enjoying skating on the old channel of the creek above town for some days past.

Mining Notes.

Ore is steadily being extracted from the stopes on the Gold Finch, and a shipment is soon to be made.

Construction is progressing rapidly on the sub-station of the Kootenay Power & Light Co. in Phœnix. which will likely be finished by the first of the year.

Work is being rushed on the tunnel at the Dynamo mine.

The Granby crushing plant, from which ore was loaded to go out over the C. P. R., was completely detroyed by fire last week. The result is that the G. N. R. is hauling the entire output at present

The West Kootenay Power and Light Co. has completed a single line to the Granby Smelter at Grand Forks, and will hereafter supply a portion of the power used at the big works.

Work is steadily progressing at the Helen on the drifts at the 75 and 200 ft. levels.

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