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#### ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES FILE DATA

PRIMARY NAME: BONANZA

**ALTERNATE NAMES:** 

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY MILS NUMBER: 66A

LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 24 S RANGE 16 E SECTION 2 QUARTER NW LATITUDE: N 31DEG 22MIN 23SEC LONGITUDE: W 110DEG 41MIN 11SEC

TOPO MAP NAME: LOCHIEL - 15 MIN

CURRENT STATUS: PAST PRODUCER

COMMODITY:

COPPER SULFIDE

ZINC SULFIDE

LEAD SULFIDE

SILVER

GOLD

**MANGANESE** 

QUARTZ CRYSTAL

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PATAGONIA MTN. GEOLOGY FILE

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See Geodogy map of the Southern part of the Patagonia Mts. in geology drawer MAPS - Upstairs in Flat File - Drawer 4 MILS Sheet sequence number 0040230129

# American Smelting and Refining Company EL PASO SMELTING WORKS EL PASO, TEXAS

Date Effective August 18, 1955

Mine BONANZA

Location Duquesne, Patagonia Mining District Santa Cruz County, Arizona

ShipperSAM KNIGHT MINING LEASE, Inc.

Address 195 N. Meyer Ave., Tucson, Arizona

Character Ore COPPER ORE

R. R. Station Patagonia, Arizona

The following purchase terms are subject to the General Clauses shown on the back of this sheet, and are subject to change on 30 days notice. Unless shipments are begun within 30 days this quotation is automatically cancelled.

**DELIVERY:** F. O. B. unloading bins American Smelting and Refining Company, El Paso, Texas. The rates quoted are based upon shipment in gondola equipment. Extra unloading charges of \$1.00 per dry ton will be assessed for products received in box cars.

### PAYMENTS

GOLD: If .03 of an ounce per dry ton or over pay for 92.57% at the net realized price. Under present Mint price this is equivalent to paying for 100% at \$32.3185 per troy ounce.

SILVER: Pay for 95% (minimum deduction of ½ ounce) at the average Handy & Harmon New York Silver quotations for the calendar week, including date of delivery of last car of each lot at plant of Buyer, or, if higher, at the realized Mint price provided silver qualifies for Government purchase and affidavit is furnished, less a deduction in either case of 1½c per ounce.

COPPER: Deduct from the wet copper assay eight pounds and pay for ninety-five per cent of the remaining copper at the daily net refinery domestic quotations for electrolytic cathodes as published in the E. & M. J. Metal and Mineral Markets of New York averaged for the calendar week including date of delivery of last car of each lot at the plant of the buyer less a deduction of 3.18 cents per pound of copper accounted for. Nothing paid for copper if less than one-half per cent by wet assay.

No payment will be made for any metal or content except as above specified.

### DEDUCTIONS

BASE CHARGE: \$ 4.50 per net dry ton of 2,000 pounds; provided the sum of payments for gold, silver, and copper does not exceed \$ 15.00 per ton. Add to the base charge ten per

cent of the excess over \$ 15.00 to a maximum charge of \$ 7.00 per dry ton.

The base charge just specified is for ores containing at least eight pounds of copper per ton; when a smaller quantity is contained, there will be added to the base charge a sum equivalent to the value of the deficiency between actual contents and eight pounds per ton computed according to the terms specified herein for copper payment.

INSOLUBLE: Allow all units free; charge for excess at cents per unit, fractions in proportion.

ZINC: Allow five units free; charge for the excess at thirty cents per unit, fractions in proportion.

ARSENIC: Allow two units free; charge for the excess at \$0.50 per unit, fractions in proportion.

ANTIMONY: Allow one unit free; charge for the excess at \$1.50 per unit, fractions in proportion.

BISMUTH: One-tenth of one percent (0.1%) by wet assay allowed free, excess charged at 50¢ per pound, fractions in proportion.

MOISTURE: A minimum deduction of 1% will be made from wet weight; when over 1% contained actual moisture will be deducted.

TAXES: See Clause 1 on reverse side of this schedule.

FREIGHT: All railroad freight and delivery charges for account of shipper. Deduct from settlement freight and other advances made by Buyer.

TONNAGE: Limited to 250 tons per month except by special arrangement.

AMERICAN SMELTING AND REFINING COMPANY

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## General Clauses Governing All Open Schedules

- Taxes: All taxes or other governmental charges, national, local or municipal, now or hereafter imposed in respect to or measured by the product purchased hereunder, or the production, extraction, smelting, refining, sale, transportation, proceeds or value thereof, or of the metals derived therefrom, other than income taxes levied upon the BUYER, shall be for account of the SELLER and shall be deducted from the purchase price payable hereunder.
- 2 Sampling: Weighing, moisture and ore sampling (at which Seller or a representative may be present) as done by Buyer according to standard practice, promptly after receipt of product, will be accepted as final. The absence of Seller or a representative shall be deemed a waiver of the right in each instance. After sampling, the product may be placed in process, commingled, or otherwise disposed of by Buyer.
- 3. Assaying: As soon as available Buyer will furnish a pulp sample to Seller, or to Seller's representative or the firm handling Seller's assay work. On Seller's request Buyer will make assay comparison with Seller, or his representative, by exchange of assay certificates over the counter. Comparison may be made by exchange of certificates through the mail, and in such event Buyer and Seller will mail to each other their respective assay certificates on the sixth day following date appearing on smelter pulp sample envelope, or other such date as may be agreed upon. The following splitting limits will be used for comparison of assays under either exchange method listed above:

Gold — .02 troy ounce per ton Silver — .5 troy ounce per ton Lead — 0.5% Copper — 0.3%

If assays of Buyer and Seller are within limits above specified, settlement assays will be determined by averaging the two results. If assay comparisons indicate differences greater than the above limits, control sample shall be submitted to umpire. Umpires shall be selected in rotation from a list mutually agreed upon, whose assays shall be final if within the limits of the assays of the two parties; and if not, the assays of the party nearer to the umpire shall prevail. Losing party shall pay cost of umpire. In case of Seller's failure to make or submit assays, Buyer's assays will govern.

- 4. The rates quoted herein are for carload lots. On any lot containing one ton or less, there will be a sampling and handling charge of \$10.00. This charge will be decreased \$1,00 for each ton in excess of one ton.
- 5. In this schedule where the word "ton" is used, it is understood to be a ton of two thousand pounds avoirdupois; where the word "ounce" is used, as referring to gold and silver, it is understood to mean the troy ounce; and where the word "unit" is used, it is understood to mean one per cent of a ton, or twenty pounds avoirdupois.
- 6. The rates quoted herein are based on present published all rail freight rates on lead and copper bullion from El Paso, Texas to New York City. Any increase or decrease is for account of Seller and proper deduction or credit will be made accordingly.
- 7. Seller should consign his shipments to—American Smelting and Refining Company, El Paso Smelting Works, El Paso, Texas, and it is required that the original bill of lading covering each such shipment be delivered to the Buyer promptly on release of the shipment to the carrier. Full details as to disposition of settlement returns, including royalty instructions if any, must be furnished by Seller to Buyer before shipments can be processed.

AMERICAN SMELTING AND REFINING COMPANY

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### AMERICAN SMELTING AND REFINING COMPANY

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### URE SETTLEMENT

Som Knight Mining Lease, Inc.

195 North Meyer Avenue, Tucson, Arizona

Duquesne, Arizona

August 31, 1955 Date

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JULY 9, 1958

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY
DUQUESNE MINING DIST.

BONANZA MINE

See: Report on the DUQUESNE MINING

AND REDUCTION COMPANY

By- Franklin Wheaton Smith April 15, 1916

In- "DUQUESNE" (file)

SANTA CRUZ COUNTY

The holdings of Mr. Nash at Washington Camp were purchased by Mr. Carl Sandberg, 7425 N. Obregon Drive, Tucson, and Fred Williams, Jr., 2060 Yandes Street, Indianapolis, Indiana (2) See Nash Mine (file) Memo ALJ 11-12-64

No activity. GWI WR 7-30-65

Visited Duquesne - Bonanza Mine - J.R. Simplot Co. - no one around. GWI WR 3-4-67

Mine visit to the Bonanza Mine - J.R. Simplot operations - still exploratory. GWI WR 5-6-67

Mine visit. Bonanza mine, no sign of activity. GWI WR 3/27/72

MINE visit at Bonanza mine, still shut down. Tunnel broaded up. Water used by cattle still flowing. The  $\mu$  wheel rubbered tired compressor is still there but someone has removed the wheels and tires on the side next to the road. GI WR 3-29-74

MG/WR 3/7/79 - Visited the Bonanza Mine near Duquesne, Az., there is no activity. 4/18/79 a.p.

MG WR 9/17/80: Visited the Bonanza Mine in Santa Cruz County. There was no sign of activity at mine site.

Not working at present. ALJ WR 7-8-61

### MEMORANDUM

To:

Frank P. Knight

From:

Axel L. Johnson

Re:

Bonanza Mine

I was informed by E. W. McFarland on Nov. 9, 1961 that McFarland and Nash have started doing exploration and development on the Bonanza mine, and that a few truckloads of ore had been shipped to the Trench mill for milling. More details will be obtained on my January visit to the area, and a full report will be made on same.

### LEAD-ZINC QUESTIONNAIRE

TIMO QUEDITONNALAE
October <u>/0</u> 1957,
Do you approve of the Emergency Lead-Zinc Committee's seeking relief for the lead-zinc industry and has it your authorization to speak for you?
What Arizona Mines and Mills in the lead-zinc class do you control?
(1) Bonanza Mine
(2)
Which ones are operating? (1) None (2)
If not operating, when shut down? $(1) 7-3-57$ $(2)$
Number employed, prior to shut-down, in mine, mill or sections thereof producing lead or zinc ores? (1)(2)
Number so employed on January 1, 1957? (1) (2)
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Remarks
SAM KNIGHT MINING LEASE, INC.
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Please fill in NOW, tear off, and mail to:

Arizona Department of Mineral Resources Mineral Building, Fairgrounds Phoenix, Arizona

### DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

STATE OF ARIZONA
FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date Sept. 7, 1961

District Duquesne District, Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Present Status - Information from E. W. McFarland

Reference: Report of May 5, 1961.

Present Status: Operations reported as closed down some time ago.

### DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

STATE OF ARIZONA
FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine

Bonanza Mine

Date May 5, 1961

District

Duquesne District - Santa Cruz County

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject:

Field Engineer's Report. Information from Fernando De La Ossa & Personal Visit

References: Reports of Sept. 18, 1959, June 4, 1959 & previous reports.

Location: T24S, R16E (unsurveyed). About 12 miles south of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims: 1 patented claim.

Owners: Nash Mines, 406 Nash Building, Austin, Texas.

Lessee: James V. Marino, Washington Camp, Arizona

Operator: Lease includes the Illinois and Estella Louise Mines.

Date of lease - March 20, 1961.

Principal Minerals: Lead, zinc, copper, silver.

<u>Present Mining Activity</u>: Raising from the 235 ft. level. Repair work. Pumping water. 4 men working.

<u>Present Operations</u>: The lessees started work at the property on March 31, 1961. Since that time they have been dewatering the workings and have done some repair work. They have now started a raise from the 235 ft. level, following an ore showing, and hope to develop some ore.

## DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA

FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine

Bonanza Mine

Date

September 18, 1959

District

Duquesne District, Santa Cruz County

Engineer

Axel L. Johnson

Subject:

Present Status -- Information from Fernando De La Ossa

References: Report of June 4, 1959

Lessees and Operators: Mar-Pak Corporation

Principal Minerals: 'Lead, zinc, copper, silver.

Present Mining Activity: None (See report on Illinois Mine adjoining the Bonanza.)

# DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonansa Mine

Date June 4, 1959

District Duquesne District, Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Field Engineers Report. Information from Edward Eisenbeey & Personal Visit.

References Report of March 15, 1957 and previous reports.

Location T 24 S -- R 16 E. Unsurveyed. About 1 1/2 miles S. of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims One patented claim.

Owners Nash Mines, 406 Nash Building, Austin, Texas.

Lessees & Operators VMar-Pak Corporation, Mining Division, Painesville, Ohio.

Joe Martin, Pres., Painesville, Ohio.

√0. D. Terry, Vice-Pres., 2644 S. Alvernon, (Box 15012, Tucson.

Robert A. Fogle, Mines Manager, 3808 E. 25th St., Tucson.

Edward Eisenbrey, Geologist, Washington Camp.

Principal Minerals

Lead, Zinc, Copper, Silver.

Present Mining Activity

Exploration by long hole drilling. Repair work. Drifting and development work. 9 men working, which includes work done on the Illinois Mine, which is operated in conjunction with the Bonanza.

Ore Values See Illinois Mine for assays on long hole drilling on the Illinois Mine.

Milling and Marketing Facilities Operators are planning on having the ore milled at the Trench Mill. If no arrangements can be made at the Trench, it is possible that some arrangements can be made for milling the ore at the Sahuarita Mill.

Mine Workings Vertical shaft, 635 ft. deep, with 6 levels ---- 135, 235, 335, 435, 535 & 635. Considerable old stoping from past operations.

Present Mining Operations Operations by the new lessees and operators started about May 1st. Since that time, a considerable amount of repair work has been done, and some long hole drilling has also been done. Company is now doing some development work, including the driving of a drift. Some ore is being obtained from the development work, but no shipments either to a mill or smelter has been made yet. Any copper ore obtained from the operations will be shipped directly to the smelter.

## AMERICAN SMELTING AND REFINING COMPANY

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Information from MINE INSPECTOR'S OFFICE - August 15, 1957

BONANZA MINE, Duquesne, Ariz., Santa Cruz Co., June 19, 1957

✓ CU - ZN - LEAD

DOWN Owners: NASH MINES, 406 Nash Bldg., Austin 22, Texas

Supt - D. C. Gilbert, Duquesne, Patagonia, Arizona

11 Men - 200 tons Development (Square sets - Room Pillar stopes)

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## STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date Sept. 16, 1955

District Duquesne District --- Santa Cruz Co. Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Mine Report. Personal Visit & information from D. C. Gilbert and Frank Knight.

For Location, No. of Clams, Owners, Lessess & operators, Officers see report of June 2, 155.

Principal Minerals Copper, zinc, and lead. The ore mined at present is about 1/2 copper and 1/2 km zinc, with a small amount of lead.

Number of Men Employed 12 men (one shift only)

Production Rate Production rate is now reported to be about 100 tons per week.

About 300 tons of ore have been produced since operations started about Aug. 1st.

Ore Values Copper from 8 to 12 %; Zinc from 16 to 20 %.

Ore in Sight and Probable About 150 tons of ore is blocked out.

Probable ore is reported to be about 1,500 tons, 1,000 tons of which is good grade copper ore, and the remaining 500 tons predominantly zinc.

Milling and Marketing Facilities The copper ore is shipped to the A. S. & R. smelter at El Paso, Texas. The zinc ore is trucked to the Trench mill and milled there.

Present Operations (1) Production of ore by stoping operations.

(2) Exploration work (mostly drifting) in order to develop

additional ore reserves.

(3) Exploration work consisting of diamond drilling and drifting on the D. M. E. A. loan. (See report of June 2, 1955 for the D. M. E. A. loan program.) About 290 ft. of diamond drilling has been done on the D. M. E. A. program the past 3 mos.

### L\_PARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOL.CES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date March 15, 1957.

District Duquesne District --- Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Mine Report. Information from D. C. Gilbert, Nash Mines.

Location T 24 S - R 16 E. Unsurveyed. About 11/2 miles S. of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims One patented claim.

Owners Nash Mines, 406 Nash Bldg., Austin, Texas. D. C. Gilbert, Mgr., Patagonia, Ariz

Lessees & Operators Sam Knight Mining Lease, Inc., 195 N. Meyer Ave., Tucson, Ariz., retains a lease block, about 400 ft. square, extending from the 300 ft. level to the surface. The remainder of the mine has now been released to the Nash Mines. Nash Mines is getting ready to work this remaining portion of the mine themselves.

Principal Minerals Copper, Lead, Zinc, Silver.

Number of Men Employed 2 men by Knight Bros. and 8 men by Nash Mines.

Production Rate No production at present.

Milling & Marketing Facilities Copper ores mined in the past has been shipped to the El Paso smelter, and lead, zinc, silver ores have been shipped to the Trench mill.

Ore in Sight and Probable Exploration work required to develop additional ore reserves.

Present Operations (Knight Bros.) 2 men reported to be diamond drilling from the 100 ft. level, as a part of the exploration program called for on the D. M. E. A. loan. (For the terms of this loan, see report of June 2, 1955.) This D. M. E. A. loan is reported to expire on April 13, 1957.

Present Operations (Nash Mines) 8 men working cleaning up and getting organized. Some diamond drilling has been done from the 300 ft. level. More drilling is being contemplated. The shaft, now pumped out to the 300 ft. level, will be pumped out to the 400 ft. level. Some equipment, including a compressor and Diesel generator was purchased from Sam Knight Mining Lease, Inc., according to information from Mr. Gilbert, and will be used in the mine development work.

References See reports of June 2, 1955 & Sept. 16, 1955.

### FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine - NASH MINES

Date - April 8, 1953

District - Duquesne Mining Dist., Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer - Axel L. Johnson

Subject: News Report -- Operations of Nash Mines

### Information on individual mines

(a) Bonanze Mine, which has been operating under a D.M. E. A. exploration loan program for some time, reports this project to be a success, as they have found new ore bodies and developed new ore reserves. The D.M. E. A. Program is expected to be completed in from 3 to 4 months. Mr. Hunter, the foreman, states that they expect to start stoping after the D.M.E.A. program is finished, but that they expect to have to resort to ''High Grading'' in order to break even on their operations under the present low prices for zinc and lead. If there would be a price increase of 3 to 4 cents per pound, they would be able to mine the lower grade ores wissex and to increase their production also.

# STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date Oct. 9, 1952.

District Duquesne District, Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Mine Report --- Present Status . Information from Carl S. Elayer & D. C. Gilbert/.

Location Near Washington Camp. 2 miles south of same.

Number of Claims one patented Claim.

Owners Nash Morbertests Mines, Austin, Texas. D. C. Gilbert, Mgr., Patagonia, Ariz.

Lessee Carl S. Elayer, doing business as Elayer & Co., Silver City, N. Mex.

Principal Minerals Zinc, Lead, Copper, And Silver.

Number of men Working 6 men

Production Rate No ore production. Doing exploration work under DMEA loan.

Geology Ore occurs in irregular pockets, as replacements in limestone.

Ore Vlues Zinc--- 8 %; Lead--- 6 %; Copper--- 5 %; Silver--- 4 oz.

Milling Facilities . Will haul ore to the Trench mill for milling.

Present Mine Workings Shaft 635 ft. deep, with six levels---135, 235, 335, 435, 535, & 635. Considerable old stoping from past operations.

Past History Operated by Callahan Zinc and Lead from 1942 to 1946.

Present Operations. Working on Government Exploration Loan. This loan is in amount of \$33,479. Loan was for dewatering and repairing shaft down to the 235 ft. level, 400 ft. of drifting on the 235 ft. level, and 200 ft. of cross cuts and raises. Shaft has now been dewatered and repaired, and work has started onthe 235 ft. level. Government loan was originally granted to the Nash interests. Nash interests afterwards leased the mine to Carl S. Elayer. A transfer of the loan is now being made to Carl S. Elayer.

Proposed Plans Complete the terms of the Government Exploration loan.

Afterwards stope ore and send to the Trench mill for milling.

## STATE OF ARIZONA

### FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date Aug. 7, 1953

District Duquesne District, Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Mine Report -- Present Status

Location T 24 S -- R 16 E Unsurveyed.

About 1 1/2 miles south of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims 1 patented claim.

Owners Nash Mines, Inc., 406 Nash Bldg., Austin, Tex.

Jas. P. Nash, President, 406 Nash Bldg., Austin, Texas

D. C. Gilbert, Manager, Patagonia, Ariz.

Lessees Carl S. Elayer, doing business as Elayer & Co., Silver City, N. Mex.

Principal Minerals Copper, Zinc, Lead, Sidver.

Number of Men Employed 13

Production rate now between 800 & 900 tons per month.

Ore Values Latest shipments have run from 10 to 12 % in Copper, with a little Silver, and very little Lead and Zinc.

Marketing Facilities Ore hauled to Patagonia by Strong& Harris, Patagonia at a price of \$2.00 per ton. It is shipped from Patagonia to the A. S. & R. smelter at El Paso.

Present Operations Stoping operations are beigg conducted from the new copper ore body developed by the D.M. E.A. Exploration program. This is on the 235 ft. level.

D. M. E. A. exploration work is also being continued. It will be finished the first part of Sept. 90 ft. of drifting remains to be done.

Diamond drilling exploration also has been done by Elayer & Co. from the 235 ft. level (not D. M. E. A. ). 3 diamond drill holes were sunk from this level, but operators state that the results were not favorable.

Proposed Plans Operators expect to step up mine production a slight amount, after the completion of the D. M. E. A. Exploration Program.

ore Reserves 4,000 to 5,000 tons of good grade copper ore have been proved up. This is ample for 5 to 6 months production. Besides this, operators have reserves of Lead and the transfer ores. The Lead & Zinc portions of the mine is not being worked at present, and no exploration work is being done on same. This is on account of the low price on these metals.

Mine Workings 6 levels ---- viz: 135, 235, 335, 435, 535, & 635.

Copper ore body developed by D. M. E. A. & now worked is found on the 235 ft. level--- on the north end of the mine. There are no workings below the 235 ft. level on the north end.

## STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Nash Mines

Date April 8, 1953

District Duquesne Mining Dist., Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: News Report ---- Operations of Nash Mines

### GENERAL PICTURE

- (a) The few remaining mines still in production are only mining the higher grade lead-zinc ores, (High Grading), as it does not pay to mine the lower grade zinc and lead ores. This leaves the low grade ores remaining, of such low grade that they can possibly never be mined economically at any future date when the price is fair for these metals. This is a poor way to conserve our natural resources. Also, these low grade ore bodies, that are left behind, often become isolated, inaccessible, and lost for any future mining operations. Again a poor way to conserve our natural resources.
- (b) All of the Nash Mines are in badly need of exploration and development work. Very little of this work is done at present on account of the low price of the metals. No more exploration and development than absolutely necessary will be done under the present prices for zinc and lead.
- (c) Operators of the Nash Mines have been forced to postpone indefinitely all needed repair work to the mine plant, machinery and underground workings, and also postpone the purchase of new machinery and equipment on account of the present prices for zinc and lead, as they are now already operating at a loss.
- (d) Production from the Nash Mines before the price break of last summer and fall was from 1200 to 1650 tons per month. The production from the Nash Mines the past month (March) was only 565 tons, and since then there has been further curtailment.

  Mr. D. C. Gilbert, Superintentendent of the Nash Mines states that he expects that the present operations will be curtailed still further unless there is an increase soon in the price of zinc and lead. "It is purely a question of metal prices, states Mr. Gilbert.

# DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

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Mine Nash Mines

Date

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District

Engineer

Subject:

- (e) Nash leases call for a minimum work of 48 shifts per month.
- (f) The Holland and Kansas mines report losing money on their operations.

  In order to attempt to break even on their operations, they have materially reduced the wages to their miners and other workers. In some cases this cut amounts to \$3 per day.

### PARTMENT OF MINERAL RESO CES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date June 4, 1953

District Duquesne District, Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Mine Report --- Present Statue's

Location T 24 S --- R 16 E Unsurveyed.

About 1 1/2 miles south of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims One patented claim.

Owners Nash Mines, Austin, Texas. D. C. Gilbert, Mgr., Patagonia, Ariz.

Lessees Carl S. Elayer, doing business as Elayer & Co., Silver City, N. Mex.

Principal Minerals Zinc, Lead, Copper, and Silver.

Number of Men Employed ll men (day shift only)

Production Rate About 120 tons per week of ore production. Also doing exploration work under terms of D. M. E. A.loan.

Geology Ore occurs in irregular pockets, as replacements in limestone.

Ore Values Mine in the past has averaged about 8 % Zinc, 6 % Lead, and 5 % Copper, with some Silver values. New ore body reported found, which averages about 10 % of Copper.

Milling and Marketing Facilities According to mine manager, this new ore body will be mined out, and shipped directly to the smelter. This ore is reported to contain about 10 % copper (chalcopyrite and chalcocite), with about 4 oz. Silver, and very little Lead and Zinc.

<u>Present Operations</u> Stoping operations have been conducted from this new ore body for the past 2 months. About 10 to 12 carloads per month have been shipped (120 tons per week). Company expects to step up production to 50 tons per day.

New ore body was found in doing the D. M. E. A. exploration work.

The D. M. E. A. exploration work is also being continued. It is scheduled for completion in about another month.

### L\_PARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date June 3, 1954

District Duquesne District ---- Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Field Engineers Report ----Present Status ----Information from D. C. Gilbert, Nash.

T 24 S -- R 16 E Location Unsurveyed. 1 1/2 miles south of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims 1 patented claim.

For additional information see my report of Aug. 7, 1953. References

Present Status Working force has now been reduced to 8 or 9 men (was 15 on Feb. 4) Production has now dropped to about 2 cars per month (about 100 tons) (was 200 tons per month) Ore is shipped to the A. S. & R. smelter at El Paso. Ore values havenow dropped to an yyay about 7 to 8 % Copper (was previously 10 to12 %)
Ore reserves of copper ore 25 now running very low, the present production

coming from cleanup of the old stope on the 235 ft. level.

Company has recently done a lot of exploration, both diamond drilling and drifting, in order to develop additional copper ore reserves. Up to date this exploration

has met with very little success.

D. C. Gilbert, Manager of Nash Mines, Inc. states that during the past year, the lessees, Carl S. Elayer & Co. of Silver City, N. Mex. has done over 5,000 ft. of diamond drilling, and considerable drifting on the 335 ft. level along narrow fissures, trying to find additional copper ore bodies. Very little additional ore has been found.

## DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date Feb. 4, 1954

District Duquesne District --- Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Field Engineer's Report ---- Present Status .---- Information from Paul Hunter.

Location T 24 S -- R 16 E Unsurveyed. 1 1/2 miles south of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims One patented claim.

References For additional information see my report of Aug. 7, 1953.

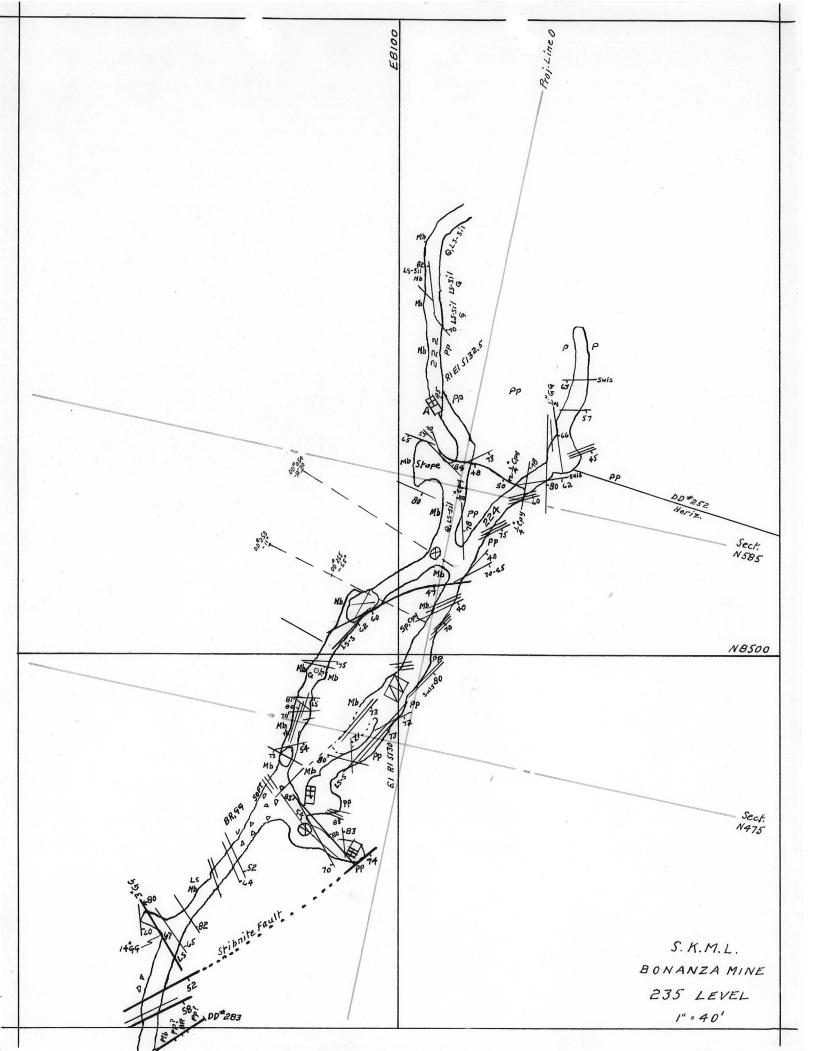
<u>Present Status</u> 15 men are at present employed. 200 tons per month of good grade copper ore is produced and shipped to the A. S. & R. smelter at El Paso. This is a substantial reduction from the shipments made a few months ago.

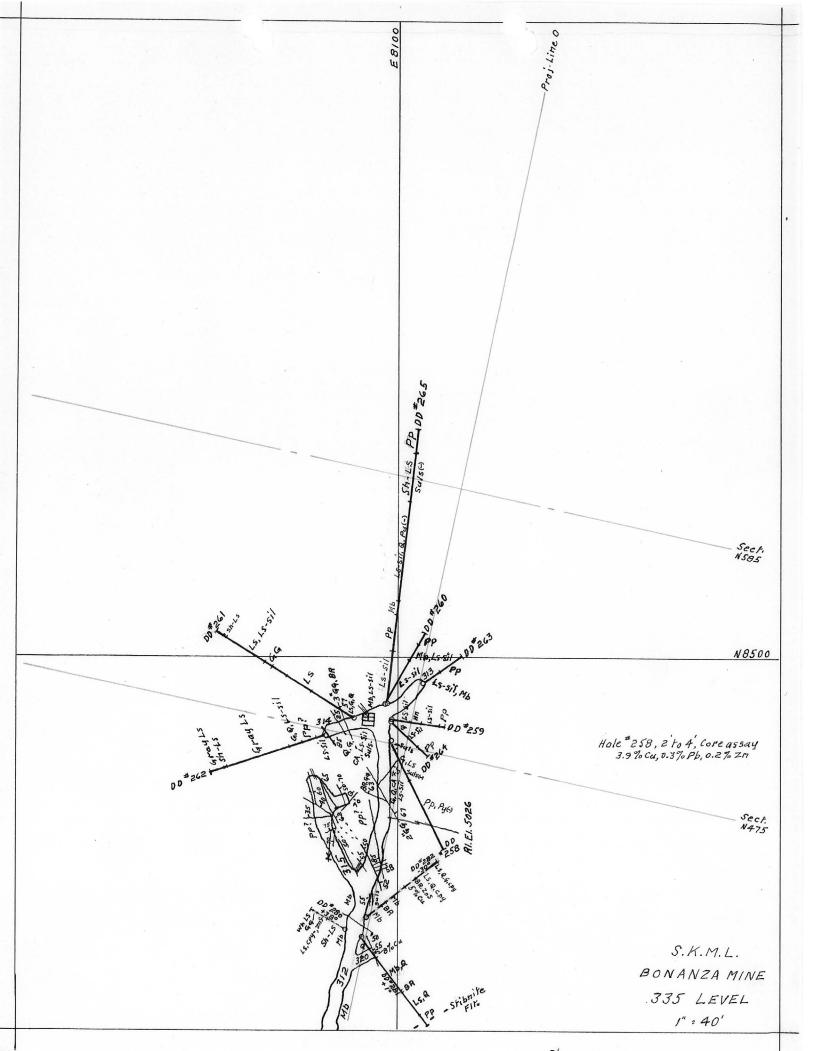
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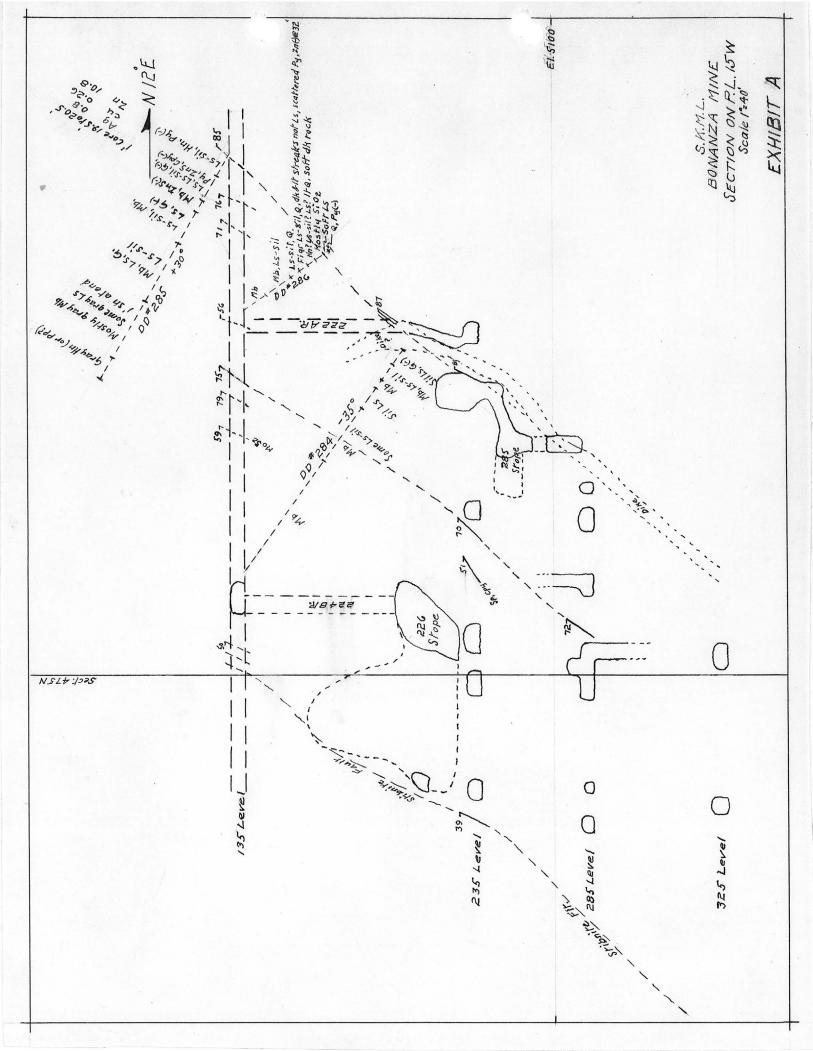
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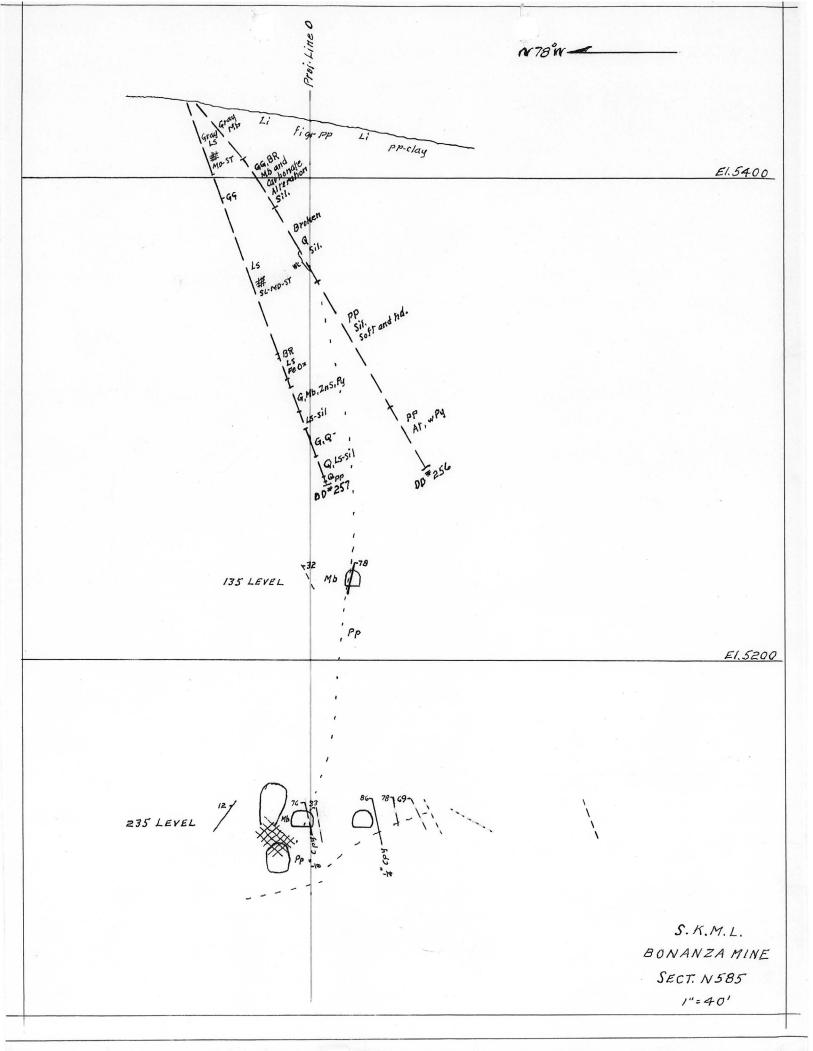
12 drill holes have been drilled upward from the 235 ft. level, but no ore was encountered in these holes. 9 drill holes were also drilled downward from the 235 ft. level, several of these drill holes striking commercial ore. Indications, therefore, point to the fact that the ore body extends downward from the 235 ft. level.

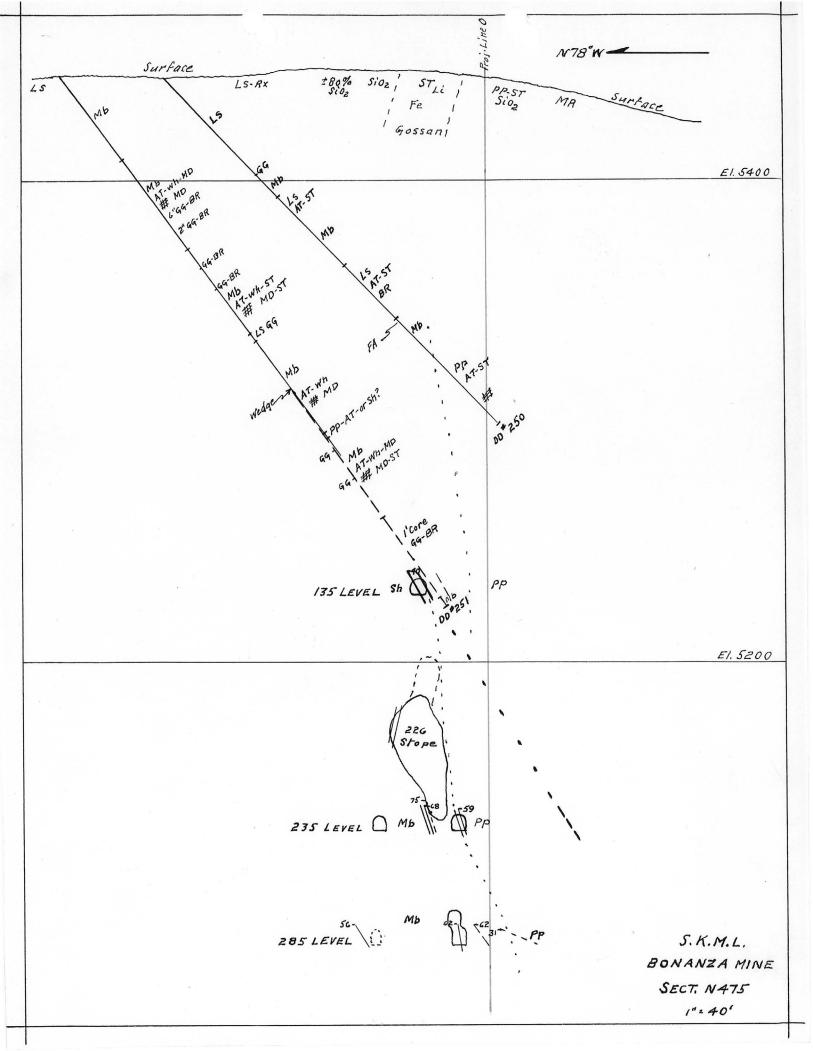
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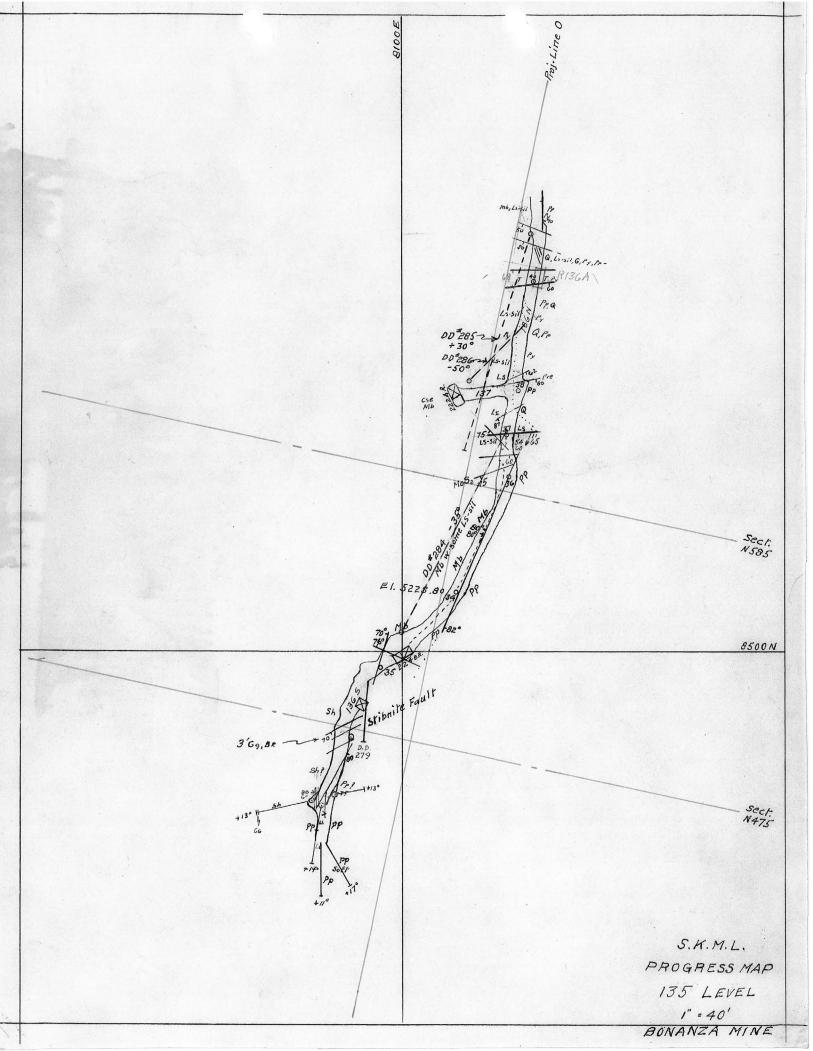












# DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine

Bonanza Mine

Date

June 2, 1955

District

Duquesne Dist., Santa Cruz. Co. Eng.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject:

Frank Knight.

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No. of claims. l patented claim.

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D. C. Gilbert, Manager, Patagonia, Ariz.

Lessees and Operators. Sam Knight Mining Lease, Inc., 195 N. Meyer Ave., Tucson, Ariz.

Officers. Frank Knight, President and Mgr., address as above Harrison Smith, Geologist.

Principal Minerals. Lead, Zinc, Copper and Silver.

No. of Men Employed. 6 (day shift only)

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### STATE OF ARIZONA

### FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

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Duquesne Property, Bonanza Claim Duquesne, Arizona. P. O. Patagonia, Arizona

Owner - Byrd Investment Company and C. O. Byrd and wife, Tucson Lessee - Jas. P. Nash, Austin, Texas; Don C. Gilbert, Agent

The Duquesne property is a large group of claims of which about 40 are patented. It is located in the Patagonia Mining District in Santa Cruz County, Arizona, about 18 miles from Patagonia and 20 miles from Nogales by dirt roads, and on the south side of the Patagonia mountains. The Bonanza patented claim in this group is offered for lease with possible addition of the lower levels of the Estrella Louise claim which are accessible only from the Bonanza claim shaft.

The Bonanza claim, just north of Duquesne, Was discovered by Thos. Shane and N. H. Chapin in or before the early 80's. It was sold to Hensley who located carbonate ore at 40 ft. depth but shipped none to speak of. It was sold to Duquesne Wining & Reduction Company about 1889. The company was formed by Westinghouse interests seeking copper and it acquired the Duquesne property. The company operated two years untid it found sulphide ore, and then tried to find ways to treat it. It leased a small furnace in El Paso in 1896 and treated 200 carloads from the 40, 60 and 70 ft. levels during about 5 months, then shut down when they got to sulphides. Operations resumed in 1899 and continued three years in which the shaft was sunk to the 635 level. Considerable drifting was done and several thousand tons were mined and put on the dump. In 1915 about 15,000 tons of refractory ore were on the dump at the Bonanza and were said to run 6% copper and 18% zinc. In early 1913 and again in early 1914, 50 tons per day of 14% copper ore were said to have been shipped. In 1916 the company started milling with flotation. In 1916 - 1918 they probably mined from the Duquesne property and milled 60 to 70,000 tons of zinc-lead-copper ores with average value of about \$30. per ton. Operations ceased in early 1919 and equipment was sold. From 1919 to 1940 less than 500 tons were mined in any one year. Elsinglists Duquesne production from 1899 to 1925 as follows: Copper 15,000,000 lbs., lead 12,000,000 lbs silver \$350,000., Total value \$4,000,000., including about 3.000,000 1bs. of zinc. In March, 1940 Callahan Lead-Zinc Co. completed a 100 ton mill which operated until July 30, 1944 when operations ceased and the mill was moved. 116,600 tons of Duquesne ore and 5200 tons of custom ore were milled. A. R. Byrd, Jr. then acquired the property and in 1945-51 inclusive about 31,000 tons were shipped from Duquesne, most of it to the Trench Mill.

Year	Tons	Oz. Silver	% Copper	% Lead	% Zinc
1947	40 <b>4</b> 7 987	4.6	1.6 5.5	3,4	9.2
1948 1949	3298 4295	4.7	1.5	3.1 2.5	11.9
1950	2498	6.4	1.7	4.2	12.4

Nash took a lease and option on the property in May 1951. The option price was \$210,000. and royalties have paid off all but

\$94,000. \$42,000. was retired with \$10,000. cash, and present balance is \$52,000. Nash subleased the Bonanza claim to Carl Elayer in April, 1953. Elayer shipped about 3500 tons of high grade copper ore before quitting in December, 1953. The average net mill or smelter return on Elayer's shipments probably was close to \$45.00 per ton. From June to December the content of copper was from 7.4% minimum to 14.6% maximum, with most shipments above 10%. It is said that Elayer made over \$90,000. much of which he devoted to his uranium and zinc holdings. Elayer himself was at the property very little. He found a rich lens with the help of a Government development loan, and when the lens was mined out he quit, possibly because of reported over-extension elsewhere.

Flayer started shipping to Trench mill with trucking cost of \$1.25 and treatment charge of \$5.00 per wet ton. The ore was low grade and netted him little or nothing. However, there were only five of these low grade carloads before he began shipping higher grade copper ore to El Paso, with \$1.75 trucking to Patagonia and \$3.30 freight to El Paso. El Paso treatment charges apparently were very reasonable and possibly credited some flux value.

Two leasers at least are at work on the Duquesne property but the Bonanza claim is idle. Bonanza ore reserves are negligible. Prospects may bear further investigation. Elayer found 3500 tons of very profitable ore with about 600 feet of development in an unexplored section of the mineralized zone about 600 feet long in the Bonanza claim. Assuming the Bonanza produced at least half of Elsing's 15.000.000 1bs of copper for the Duquesne property, and using Schrader's average grade of 6% copper and an estimated 80% recovery, the Bonanza would have produced about 78,000 tons, or 11 tons per foot for the approximately 7,000 feet of development up to the time of Elsing's figures. Elayer developed about 6 tons per foot. Callahan started with the Bonanza mined down only to about the 70 level and took out substantial tonnages from lenses below it. It is unlikely that the one small lens Elayer cut 3 Or 400 feet north of previous stoping is other than one of a number of lenses, some above and some below it. However, it probably is too much to expect them to be so high in grade. Callahan ore probably averaged 4.5 to 5.0% copper. Elayer's lens was smaller than those mined in the Bonanza.

From \$10,000 to \$25,000 should find another lens and put the property in shape to mine it. Elayer's development cost was under \$20.00 per foot. Miner's wage is about \$10.50 in that location.

The Main Shaft at the Bonanza is 635 feet deep and is flooded to above the 335 level. The shaft makes very little water and Gilbert estimated another 30 days before the 235 level is flooded, to block one from looking at Elayer's lens. The shaft is three compartment, all in limestone, and seemed in good shape to the water level. Ventilation is provided through old stopes and shafts to the surface. A double drum hoist is rented from A. S. & R. at \$50.00 per month. The 75 KW cat-generator that ran it was Elayer's and was removed. A Chicago Pneumatic portable diesel driven compressor of about 325 cu ft capacity is available and said to be in good condition. Shop and assay equipment are fairly complete. No dril's, slushers, etc. are at hand, and no cars were at the surface. Some equipment seems to belong to Gilbert, who has a lease on a 100 ft.

by 100 ft. block in the north end of the Bonanza and on the claim to the north of it. Two good houses probably can be rented. Drinking water is hauled from Nogales. Mill water formerly came from a well about a mile away.

The Bonanza mine is along the contact of limestone and granite porphyry on the east. The trend is north - south with vertical or very steep dip to the east. The deposit is replacement in limestone in or near the contact-metamorphic zones. Gilbert says the best ore is in the white crystalline limestone next to the garnet and blue limestone. Schrader in U.S.G.S. Bulletin 582, 1915, stated that the Bonanza ore was in crystalline limestone mainly in garnet-quartz gangue, and that the average grade was 6% copper and 18% ginc with 1% lead and 5 oz. silver. Schrader thought the limestone was Paleozoic. Gilbert thought it correlated with Bisbee Naco.

Maps are good and Gilbert has mapped much geology.

Lease terms as offered (copy attached) are not attractive. Royalties are 10% of net returns less than \$15. per ton; 15% of net from \$15. to \$20. per ton: and 20% of net above \$20. per ton. Elayer paid the same but Nash was instrumental in getting him the development loan. \$5658. remains due to the Government from ore proceeds at 12 to 5% of net returns and Gilbert remarked that Mash might split on it. Nash has to pay the Byrds 10% royalt y, which applies on the purchase price so that Nash should be willing to modify his terms. A minimum of 96 work shifts per month is required. Trucking must be done by Strong and Harris at prices in contract between them and Nash. The prices are O. K. but protection is needed. Gilbert can give only a two year lease, but probably Mash would give more. Default notice probably can be provided for. The provision that Lessor can terminate in 60 days in Government pays Lessee premiums and prohibits Lessor from participating therein. is not acceptable, and probably will take some negotiating to straighten out.

Letters from Nash to Elayer and Gilbert indicated that Nash is a fair man. Don Gilbert so considers him. Gilbert is a former Anaconda geologist and an old friend of Reed Welch, who put him in contact with Nash. Welch's office put Nash in contact with us.

The above is written following a visit of a few hours to the Nash property.

Harrison is due in Tucson September 10th and the matter can be discussed with him while he is here.

Frank Knight

Tucson, Arizona. September 8, 1954

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- 4 (a) Contract Idm-E317 was granted to applicant in 1952 and resulted in the discovery of an excellent copper ore body in a new area, but only a portion of this area was explored.
- (b) In former years Bonanza mine produced many thousand tens of copporend zinc eres, but records are not available. Under Idm-ES17 the production from Bonanza mine in 1985 was 4770 tems of plus 11% coppor ore with not smalter returns of \$204,829 or \$42.87 per tem.
- (e) The Benanza ero bedies are steeply-dipping, lenticular ero sheets along a generally north-south vein zone in limestone near it's centect with granities. The accompanying plan and section show the shape and trend of these ore bedies.
- (d) 18 miles from So. Pecific R. R. at Patagonia by good dirt roads; 10 miles on same road to Trench mill of A. S. & R. Co. Housing at Patagonia or at Negales which is 20 miles by good dirt road. Limited housing at mine.
- (e) Good Spenish-American miners evailable locally. Water supply ample. Diesel engine power used for operations.
- 5 (b) The accompanying plan and long, section show the workings in the north portion of the Bonenza claim. Under contract Idm-E317 a portion of this area was explored and the ore body in 226 stope was discovered and mined. This was high grade chalcopyrite ore with average essay of more than 11% copper. The mining width was 12 to 20 feet. Upward the ore body terminated at the Stibnite fault, but no exploration was carried beyond the fault. Downward and attempt was made to develop the ere sheet by 251 winze and later by driving the 335 level to this area. The work was done by a lesses who caused operations when this deeper work failed to cut commercial are immediately.

The Benenze vein outcrops strengly in the eres which we new propose to explore. The vein metter is largely iron exide and brecriated material carrying low values and associated with the garnet which usually accompanies ere bedies in this district. The ground beneath much of this outcrop is totally unexplored and the possibilities for new ere sheets are believed to be excellent. On the north and line of Benanza claim the "Arroyo Lesse" has developed a small but very high grade lead-silver-zine are bedy in a parallel vein very near the Benanza vein, and this is increasing in width as the work is deepened.

The upward termination of 226 ore shoot at the Stibnite fault occured with no change in character of the ore minoral, which was essentially chalcopyrite. He secondary enrichment, exidation or other change was noted, and since this point is 228 feet below the surface and voin autorop, we believe that there will be more chalcopyrite are above the stope back and that later this ere body will enter a zone of secondary enrichment and them pass upward into an exidized and leached zone as it nears the surface.

Before operations are started in new exploration, we plan to repair the headframe; repair the upper 50 feet of shaft in which wall pressure has damaged sets and lagging; re-instal 3" pipe and electric wiring in the shaft and propers the 226 stope for the proposed raising. The water level is about 30 feet above 335 level and we will instal a contribugal electric pump and lever the water to a point below 335 level to permit ventilation up 314 raise.

In addition to the pump we must obtain a Diesel-electric set to

operate the double-drum hoist which is now in place, and must secure all items of mining equipment such as rock drills and accessories, mine cars and tools.

# Proposed Exploration Program

To explore above 226 stope we plan a steep, 2-compartment raise 200 feet high. From the most promising elevation in this raise we plan to drive 200 feet of intermediate level headings, but we cannot forecast the ratio of drifting to crosscutting in these headings.

To explore the northerly continuation of the Benanza vain zone on 235 level, as indicated by surface croppings, we propose to extend the most northerly drift; first as a crosscut in a northwesterly direction for about 198 feet, from which we will drive 300 feet of headings in the vain zone.

In comjunction with the above exploratory headings at locations wherein additional information will be required, we plan a total of \$10,000 in long-hole percussion drilling end/or EX core drilling. This drilling will not only serve as a guide for exploration but will also be used to search for ore in walls which appear favorable. In general, long-hole drilling will be used for shorter holes with upward inclination, and core drilling will be used for longer heles with downward inclination.

We estimate the cost of preliminary repairs and pumping at \$2000, excluding the cost of pipe and electric wire. We estimate the average cost of raise, drifts and crosscuts at \$35 per feet, including rantals or the depreciation of equipment to be installed. Long hale drilling will cost about \$3 per ft. and core drilling about \$4 per ft, including the necessary stations to permit tramming while drilling, and including care of cores and aludges plus assaying. The locations of drill heles and the choice between long-hole and core drilling cannot be forecast as these decisions must be governed by geological factors as they are expessed. At an average cost of \$3.50 per ft, \$10,000 would accomplish 2557 feet of drilling.

Repairs, installations and pumping 200 ft. raise at \$35 per ft.	\$2,000
200 ft. of headings from reise, at \$35 per ft.	7,000
400 ft. of heedings on 235 level, at \$35 per ft. Approx.2857 ft. long-hole or KK core drilling	14,000

Total estimated cost of project \$ 40,000

- 5 (d) Applicant has operated Mash Mines since Jume 1951. Operation will be in charge of D. C. Gilbert with 35 years mining and geological experience.
- (a) Applicant proposes to contract the work to a lessee.
   (b to G incl.) All expenses will be included in the above costs.

#### Note:

We have had this project examined by Mr. Harrison A. Schmitt, mining geologist of Silver City, New Mexico, for an independent analysis. Mr. Schmitt concurs in our belief that new ere shoots similar to that found in Idm-E317 are a good possibility, and has assisted in outlining the program.

## MINING LEASE

THIS MINING LEASE made this day of 195, by and between JAS. P. NASH, by and through his authorized agent, hereinafter called LESSOR and hereinafter called LESSEE;

### WITNESSETH:

That for and in consideration of the royalties, covenants and agreements hereinafter reserved to be paid, kept and performed, the LESSOR has hereby leased and demised, and by these presents does hereby lease and demise unto the LESSEE those certain premises situated in the Patagonia Mining District, in Santa Cruz County, State of Arizona, more particularly described as follows:

To have and to hold said premises for a term of months from the day of , 195, unless sooner terminated or surrendered as hereinafter provided; and subject to the terms and conditions of that certain lease and option contract between the Byrd Investment Company, a corporation, and C. O. Byrd and Felice C Byrd, his wife, as Lessors, and Jas. P. Nash, as Lessee, dated May 21, 1951. Memoran dum of which is recorded in Santa Cruz County Recorder's Office in Book 25 of Miscellaneous Records at page 246.

It is mutually agreed by and between the parties hereto as follows:

- 1. That the LESSEE will enter into said premises and work, explore and develop, and extract ore therefrom, subject to the royalty payments hereinafter set forth; that he will perform at least 96 man shifts of work per month, doing all of said work in a good and minerlike fashiom, will comply with all laws of the State of Arizona with reference to mining, will insure his employees with the Industrial Commission of Arizona when required by law, or with a recognized insurance carrier if his employees reject the Arizona Compensation Law, and upon termination of this lease, leave all of the tunnels, shafts, drifts and crosscuts o open and free of obstruction and will not remove from the said premises any timber, pipe or rails placed underground.
- 2. All ores produced shall be shipped int the name of the LESSEE, copy of settlement sheets to be provided both parties.
- 3. The ore purchaser shall pay to the LESSOR a royalty on all ores shipped from said premises as follows:
  - 10% of the net mill or smelter return value on ores having a net value of less than \$15. per ton;
  - 15% of the net mi-11 or smelter return value on ores having a net value of \$15.00 and less than \$20. per ton;
  - 20% of the net mill or smelter return value on ores having a net value of \$20. per ton or over.
- 4. Balance of the net return or smelter value to be paid by the ore purchaser to the LESSEE.
- 5. The term "net mill or smelter return value" of any lot of such ore shall be the net return received when the mill or smelter for such lot after deducting the cost of railway or truck freight, or both, from the mine to the mill or smelter, treatment, control assaying and other

charges incident to mill or smelter return, plus any premiums payable by the United States Government or any agency thereof on metals contained in such lot on which royalty may be paid under government regulations, less sales tax if not paid by the ore purchaser,

and less any deficiency on any previous lot.

- 6. LESSEE agree to keep the said premises free and clear of all liens, to pay all bills or claims for labor or materials used on said premises, to post and keep posted constantly notices of non-liability in accordance with the lass of Arizona protecting LESSOR against damage or loss of any kind, and agrees to hold LESSOR harmless from any such debts or liabilities arising out of the operation of said premises.
- 7. That the LESSOR may enter said premises for inspection and shall have the right to examine production records of LESSEE on sales of ores mined. All mining operations on said premises, the handling and shipment of ores extracted shall be under the sole and exclusive charge and supervision of LESSEE free from any supervision or control of LESSOR.
- 8. If LESSEE fails to carry out all terms of this lease or violates any mixtures term of this lease on his part to be performed, then this lease shall at option of LESSOR be forfeited and terminated, and LESSOR may enter said premises the same as if this lease had never been made; in which event or if LESSEE shall terminate this lease as hereinafter provided, LESSEE agrees to deliver up peaceful possession of said premises to LESSOR and shall nemove all mining machinery, equipment or fixtures placed thereon by LESSEE within thirty days or title thereto shall be forfeited to LESSOR; but LESSEE shall not remove from said premises any timber, pipe or rail placed underground.
- 9. LESSEE may not sell, assign or transfer this lease or any interest in said premises, or sub-lease any portion thereof, without the written consent of LESSOR.
- 10. LESSEE agrees to have all shipping ores from said premises carried to mill or point of rail shipment through Strong and Harris, carriers, pursuant to contract between LESSOR and Strong and Harris, and the parties hereto do hereby authorize the ore purchaser to pay to Strong and Harris the hauling costs specified in said contract.
- 11. In the event that the United States Government, or any agency thereof, shall pay to the LESSEE any premiums or in entire money for the production of any ores on said premises, and not permit the LESSOR to participate therein by Excluding the smae in the "net mill or smelter return value", then the LESSOR shall have the right to terminate this lease by giving LESSEE sixty days notice of termination in writing.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the LESSOR has caused this agreement to be signed by his duly authorized agent and the LESSEE has hereunto set his hand to duplicate the day and year first above written.

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# BAM KNIGHT MINING LEASE, INC. 195 N. Meyer Ave. Tucson, Arizona

July 22, 1955

Bonanza Mine Patagonia Dist.

United States Department of the Interior Defense Minerals Exploration Administration University of Arizona Campus Tuesen Arizona

> Ref: Docket DMEA 2234 Contract Idm-E317

### Gentlemen:

Dr. Harrison Schmitt visited the Bonanza Mine on Tuesday, July 19. Having been but recently unwatered and cleaned out, the 335 level was for the first time subject to his inspection. He also looked at the winze level between the 335 and 235 levels. Three recommendations resulted from his examination.

That 222 drift be continued as the main objective.

That a bay area on the 335 level, showing good alteration and some garnet and copper sulphides, be explored by about 300 feet of diamond drilling. (See Map A)

That a short drift be started from the winze level, to 3. progress north along the porphyry contact. (See Map B)

Dr. Schmitt further gave as his present opinion that if, after the recommended drifting had progressed 50 or 75 feet and the recommended drilling had been completed, the work did not show results more encouraging than hitherto obtained, he had grave doubt of the possibility of finding paying quantities of commercial ore at reasonable expense.

The first recommendation is in accordance with the provisions of the contract as amended. The second and third recommendations are not, in that they call for work on other than the 235 level. Work at the Bonanza under Stage II of the contract has been guided from the beginning by Dr. Schmitt. We wish to continue to follow his recommendations as closely as possible subject, of course, to Government approval. For this reason it is requested that contract Idm-E317 be amended essentially as follows:

Referring to Exhibit "A" attached to Exploration Project Contract form MF-200A (Revised June 1954), caption "Description of the Work", subheading Stage II, items "3.", "4.", "5." as amended and item "6.", are changed as follows:

- "3." insert after "222 drift" ", the 335 level or the winze level between"
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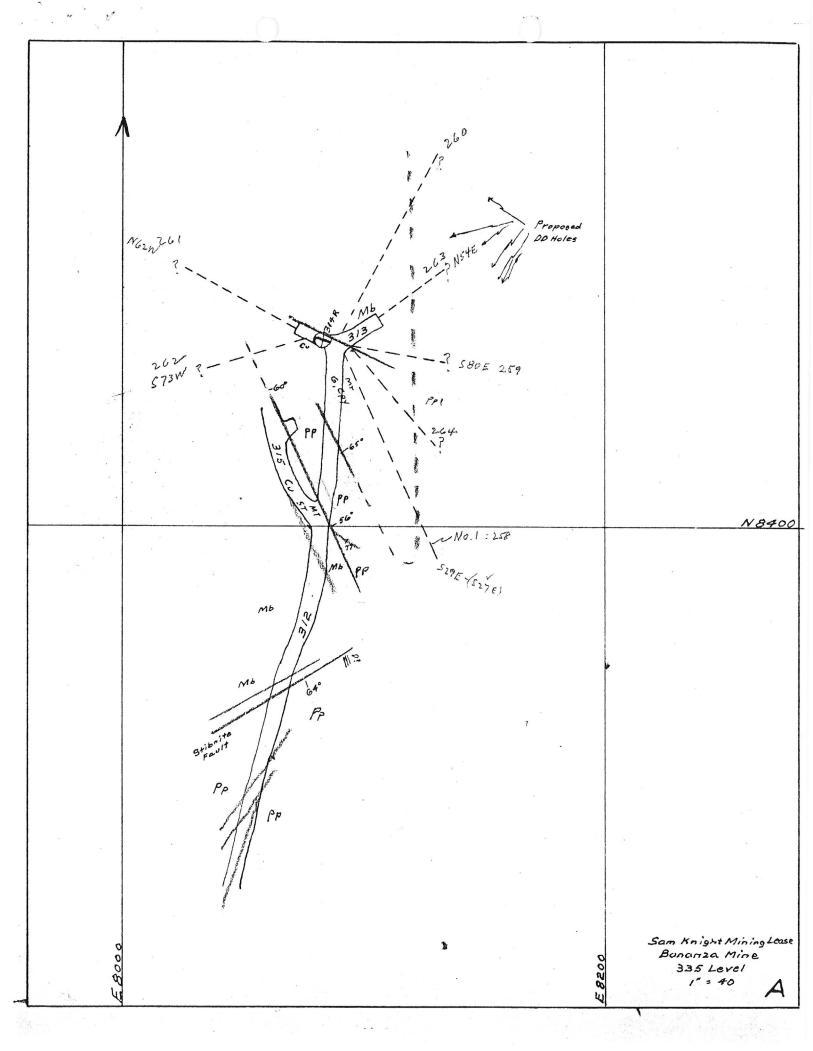
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# DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

STATE OF ARIZONA

### FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date Sept. 16, 1955

District

Duquesne District --- Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Ax

Axel L. Johnson

Subject:

Mine Report. Personal Visit & information from D. C. Gilbert and Frank Knight.

For Location, No. of Clams, Owners, Lessess & operators, Officers see report of June 2, 55.

Principal Minerals Copper, zinc, and lead. The ore mined at present is about 1/2 copper and 1/2 km zinc, with a small amount of lead.

Number of Men Employed 12 men (one shift only)

Production Rate Production rate is now reported to be about 100 tons per week.

About 300 tons of ore have been produced since operations started about Aug. 1st.

Ore Values Copper from 8 to 12 %; Zinc from 16 to 20 %.

Ore in Sight and Probable About 150 tons of ore is blocked out.

Probable ore is reported to be about 1,500 tons, 1,000 tons of which is good grade copper ore, and the remaining 500 tons predominantly zinc.

Milling and Marketing Facilities The copper ore is shipped to the A. S. & R. smelter at El Paso, Texas. The zinc ore is trucked to the Trench mill and milled there.

Present Operations

- (1) Production of ore by stoping operations.
- (2) Exploration work (mostly drifting) in order to develop additional ore reserves.
- (3) Exploration work consisting of diamond drilling and drifting on the D. M. E. A. loan. (See report of June 2, 1955 for the D. M. E. A. loan program.) About 290 ft. of diamond drilling has been done on the D. M. E. A. program the past 3 mos.

### LEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA

### FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine March 15, 1957.

District Duquesne District --- Santa Cruz Co.

Axel L. Johnson Engineer

Subject:

Mine Report. Information from D. C. Gilbert, Nash Mines.

T 2h S - R 16 E. Unsurveyed. About 11/2 miles S. of Washington Camp. Location

Number of Claims One patented claim.

Owners Nash Mines, 406 Nash Bldg., Austin, Texas. D. C. Gilbert, Mgr., Patagonia, Ariz.

Lessees & Operators Sam Knight Mining Lease, Inc., 195 N. Meyer Ave., Tucson, Ariz., retains a lease block, about 400 ft. square, extending from the 300 ft. level to the surface The remainder of the mine has now been released to the Nash Mines. Nash Mines is getting ready to work this remaining portion of the mine themselves.

Copper, Lead, Zinc, Silver. Principal Minerals

Number of Men Employed 2 men by Knight Bros. and 8 men by Nash Mines.

Production Rate No production at present.

Milling & Marketing Facilities Copper ores mined in the past has been shipped to the El Paso smelter, and lead, zinc, silver ores have been shipped to the Trench mill.

Ore in Sight and Probable Exploration work required to develop additional ore reserves.

Present Operations (Knight Bros.) 2 men reported to be diamond drilling from the 100 ft. level, as a part of the exploration program called for on the D. M. E. A. loan. (For the terms of this loan, see report of June 2, 1955.) This D. M. E. A. loan is reported to expire on April 13, 1957.

Present Operations (Nash Mines) 8 men working cleaning up and gesting organized. Some diamond drilling has been done from the 300 ft. level. More drilling is being The shaft, now pumped out to the 300 ft. level, will be pumped out contemplated. to the 400 ft. level. Some equipment, including a compressor and Diesel generator was purchased from Sam Knight Mining Lease, Inc., according to information from Mr. Gilbert, and will be used in the mine development work.

References See reports of June 2, 1955 & Sept. 16, 1955.

# LEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA

#### FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date Feb. 4, 1954

District T

Duquesne District --- Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer

Axel L. Johnson

Subject:

Field Engineer's Report ---- Present Status .--- Information from Paul Hunter.

Location

T 2h S -- R 16 E Unsurveyed.

1 1/2 miles south of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims

One patented claim.

References For additional information see my report of Aug. 7, 1953.

Present Status 15 men are at present employed. 200 tons per month of good grade copper ore is produced and shipped to the A. S. & R. smelter at El Paso. This is a substantial reduction from the shipments made a few months ago.

Ore reserves of good grade copper ore is now running low. The ore shipped now is coming from stoping operations from a winze sunk below the 235 ft. level.

Company is now principally engaged in exploration and development work to locate, explore and develop an extension of the good copper ore body, which has been worked on the 235 ft. level.

l2 drill holes have been drilled upward from the 235 ft. level, but no ore was encountered in these holes. 9 drill holes were also drilled downward from the 235 ft. level, several of these drill holes striking commercial ore. Indications, therefore, point to the fact that the ore body extends downward from the 235 ft. level.

Company has now started driving a drift on the 335 ft. level of the mine to get under the ore body which has been worked on the 235 ft. level, so that the additional ore can be mined out from this level.

# DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date June 4, 1953

District Duquesne District, Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Mine Report --- Present Statues

Location T 2h S --- R 16 E Unsurveyed.

About 1 1/2 miles south of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims One patented claim.

Owners Nash Mines, Austin, Texas. D. C. Gilbert, Mgr., Patagonia, Ariz.

Lessees Carl S. Elayer, doing business as Elayer & Co., Silver City, N. Mex.

Principal Minerals Zinc, Lead, Copper, and Silver.

Number of Men Employed ll men (day shift only)

Production Rate About 120 tons per week of ore production. Also doing exploration work under terms of D. M. E. A.loan.

Geology Ore occurs in irregular pockets, as replacements in limestone.

Ore Values Mine in the past has averaged about 8 % Zinc, 6 % Lead, and 5 % Copper, with some Silver values. New ore body reported found, which averages about 10 % of Copper.

Milling and Marketing Facilities According to mine manager, this new ore body will be mined out, and shipped directly to the smelter. This ore is reported to contain about 10 % copper (chalcopyrite and chalcocite), with about h oz. Silver, and very little Lead and Zinc.

Present Operations Stoping operations have been conducted from this new ore body for the past 2 months. About 10 to 12 carloads per month have been shipped (120 tons per week). Company expects to step up preduction to 50 tons per day.

New ore body was found in doing the D. M. E. A. exploration work.

The D. M. E. A. exploration work is also being continued. It is scheduled for completion in about another month.

# LEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

#### STATE OF ARIZONA

# FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

June 3, 1954 Date

District

Duquesne District ---- Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer

Axel L. Johnson

Subject:

Field Engineers Report -----Present Status ----Information from D. C. Gilbert, Nash.

Location T 24 S -- R 16 E Unsurveyed. 1 1/2 miles south of Washington Camp.

Number of Claims 1 patented claim.

For additional information see my report of Aug. 7, 1953. References

Present Status Working force has now been reduced to 8 or 9 men (was 15 on Feb. 4) Production has now dropped to about 2 cars per month (about 100 tons) (was 200 tons per month) Ore is shipped to the A. S. & R. smelter at El Paso. Ore values has now dropped to about 7 to 8 % Copper (was previously 10 to12 %)
Ore reserves of copper ore now running very low, the present production

coming from cleanup of the old stope on the 235 ft. level.

Company has recently done a lot of exploration, both diamond drilling and drifting, in order to develop additional copper ore reserves. Up to date this exploration has met with very little success.

D. C. Gilbert, Manager of Nash Mines, Inc. states that during the past year, the lessees, Carl S. Elayer & Co. of Silver City, N. Mex. has done over 5,000 ft. of diamond drilling, and considerable drifting on the 335 ft. level along narrow fissures, trying to find additional copper ore bodies. Very little additional ore has been found.

# PARTMENT OF MINERAL RESO CES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Bonanza Mine

Date Oct. 9, 1952.

District Duquesne District, Santa Cruz Co.

Engineer Axel L. Johnson

Subject: Mine Report --- Present Status . Information from Carl S. Elayer & D. C. Gilbert/.

Location Near Washington Camp. 2 miles south of same.

Number of Claims one patented Claim.

Owners Nash Interests Mines, Austin, Texas. D. C. Gilbert, Mgr., Patagonia, Ariz.

Lessee Carl S. Elayer, doing business as Elayer & Co., Silver City, N. Mex.

Principal Minerals Zinc, Lead, Copper, And Silver.

Number of men Working 6 men

Production Rate No ore production. Doing exploration work under DMEA loan.

Geology Ore occurs in irregular pockets, as replacements in limestone.

Ore Vlues Zinc--- 8 %; Lead--- 6 %; Copper--- 5 %; Silver--- h oz.

Milling Facilities Will haul ore to the Trench mill for milling.

Present Mine Workings Shaft 635 ft. deep, with six levels---135, 235, 335, 435, 535, & 635. Considerable old stoping from past operations.

Past History Operated by Callahan Zinc and Lead from 1942 to 1946.

Present Operations. Working on Government Exploration Loan. This loan is in amount of \$33,479. Loan was for dewatering and repairing shaft down to the 235 ft. level, 400 ft. of drifting on the 235 ft. level, and 200 ft. of cross cuts and raises. Shaft has now been dewatered and repaired, and work has started onthe 235 ft. level. Government loan was originally granted to the Nash interests. Nash interests afterwards leased the mine to Carl S. Elayer. A transfer of the loan is now being made to Carl S. Elayer.

Proposed Plans Complete the terms of the Government Exploration loan.

Afterwards stope ore and send to the Trench mill for milling.

NIME OF MINE: OWNER:

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METALS: Cu,Pb,Zn

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