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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES AZMILS DATA

PRIMARY NAME: SOUTH SAN XAVIER MINE GROUP

ALTERNATE NAMES:

GRAY COPPER
FRANKLIN GROUP

PIMA COUNTY MILS NUMBER: 245

LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 17 S RANGE 12 E SECTION 9 QUARTER NE
LATITUDE: N 31DEG 58MIN 14SEC LONGITUDE: W 111DEG 05MIN 51SEC
TOPO MAP NAME: TWIN BUTTES - 15 MIN

CURRENT STATUS: PAST PRODUCER

COMMODITY:

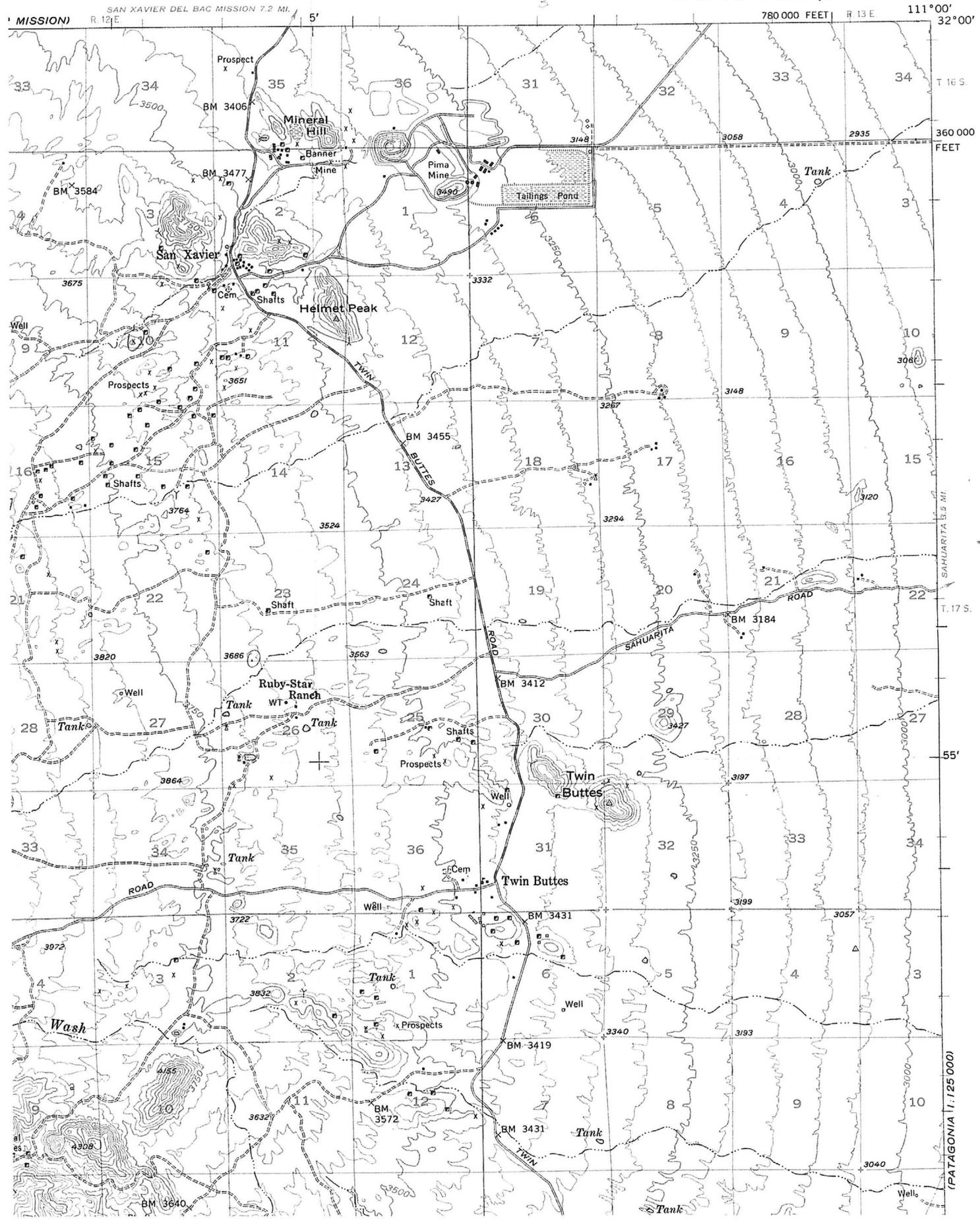
COPPER SULFIDE
LEAD SULFIDE
SILVER
ZINC SULFIDE
GOLD LODE

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TWIN BUTTES QUADRANGLE
ARIZONA—PIMA CO.
15 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)

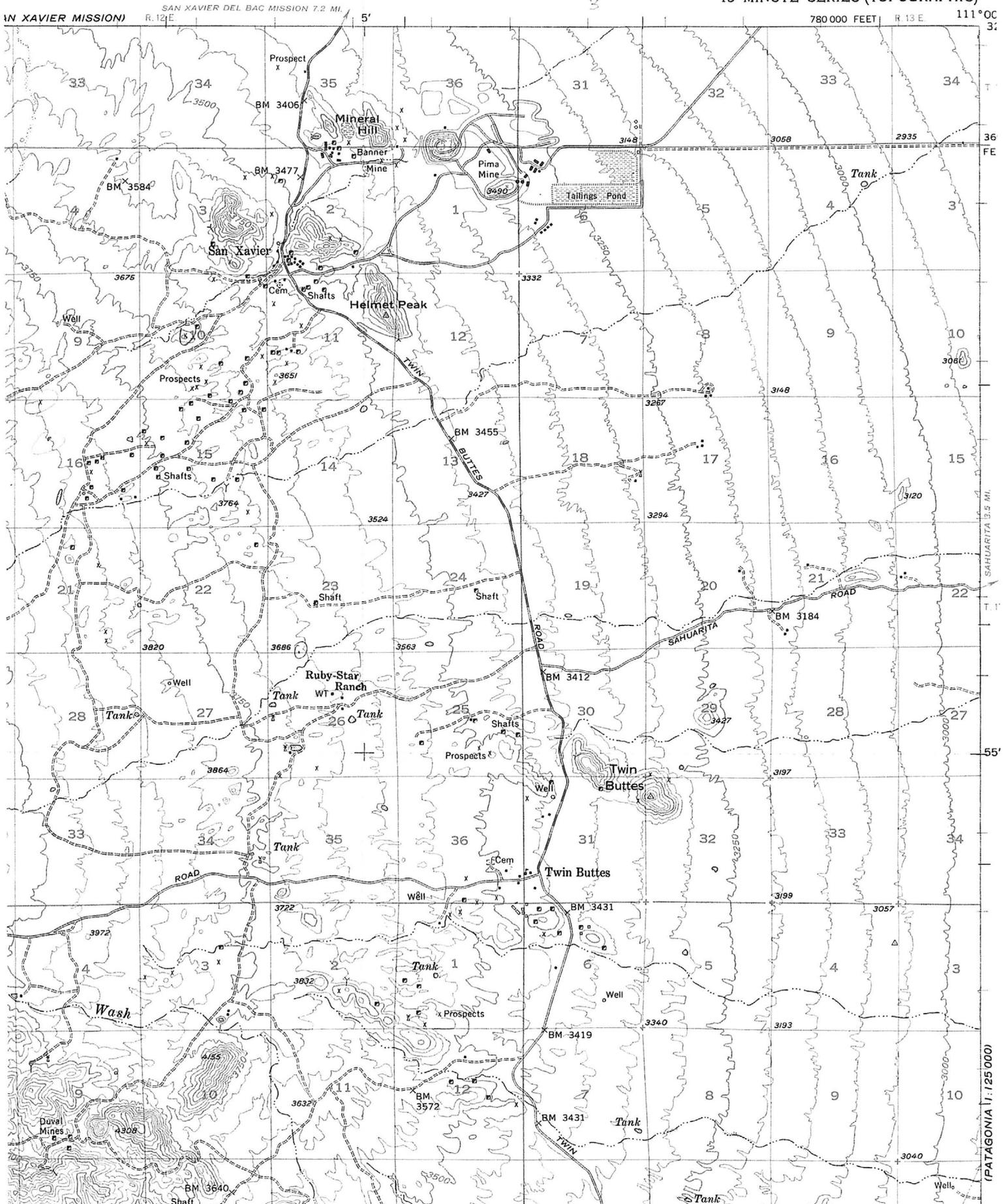
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South San Xavier
T. 17 S, R. 12 E, Sec. 9 NE

(PATAGONIA 1:125 000)

TWIN BUTTES QUADRANGLE
ARIZONA-PIMA CO.
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January 4, 1959

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Mrs. Robert S. Garing,
1003 N. 5th Ave.,
Tucson, Arizona

Dear Lucy:

The Arizona charters of the South San Xavier Copper Co., Swastika Copper and Silver Mining Co., and Mineral Belt Mines, Inc. expired in 1931, 1932 and 1952 respectively. This means that these companies either did not have the money to pay the required fees or did not wish to spend money to keep the company qualified to transact business. If any of them still owns property it cannot legally dispose of it without a charter so qualifying it.

The South San Xavier was organized in 1908 and shipped some high grade copper ore from the Twin Buttes area. The mine was idle in 1912 and not mentioned in a mines register of 1925. I find mention of a "South San Xavier group" being owned by Empire Zinc Company.

The Swastika was incorporated in February, 1907 with W. K. Royce, president, D. H. Cochran, vice-president, J. S. Hopley, secretary and J. M. Ormsby, treasurer. It held 24 unpatented claims, 14 in the Swastika group and 10 in the Calendar group. These 24 claims were 32 miles south of Olive Camp, west and southwest of Helmet Peak and about 7 miles from Sahuarita. Olive Camp was between Twin Buttes and Mineral Hill and may have been at San Xavier. 12 claims in the Swastika group were held at the start and the property produced about \$100,000 in lead-silver ore up to 1928. After a period of idleness they reopened in 1923, sank a new shaft 165 feet and cross-cut to the old orebody. In 1931 they were inactive. At that time E. A. Royce was secretary-treasurer and John Heidel and George E. Berbenmeyer were directors. The Pioneer and Alice mines were included in the Swastika property.

The Mineral Belt company evidently absorbed the Swastika company property. It had Albert L. Fritz as secretary-treasurer, E. A. Royce, manager and Ed Holderness, superintendent. I suggest that you give Sam the enclosed copy of this letter and have him ask Ed about it at the next cribbage game.

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Mrs. Robert S. Garing

I am sorry, but it is unlikely that these companies have any assets.

Enclosed herewith is your Swastika company statement of November 3, 1930.

Sincerely,

FRANK P. KNIGHT,
Director.

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