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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES AZMILS DATA

PRIMARY NAME: VICTORY

ALTERNATE NAMES:

LEONARD'S VICTORY
JOHN WELL
PLASSA WELL
COPPER CHIEF

MARICOPA COUNTY MILS NUMBER: 42

LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 1 N RANGE 10 W SECTION 7 QUARTER S2
LATITUDE: N 33DEG 26MIN 08SEC LONGITUDE: W 113DEG 19MIN 20SEC
TOPO MAP NAME: EAGLETAIL MTS - 15 MIN

CURRENT STATUS: DEVEL DEPOSIT

COMMODITY:

COPPER
SILVER
GOLD LODE

BIBLIOGRAPHY:

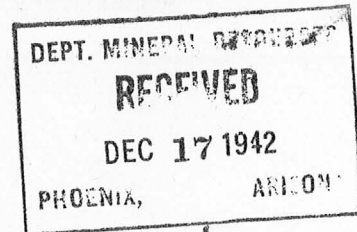
USGS EAGLETAIL MTS QUAD
ADMMR VICTORY MINE FILE

KAP WR 1/17/86: Charles R. Merritt, 6030 E. Princess Dr., Mesa, Arizona 85203 has relocated a number of properties, in particular in the vicinity of the Victory Mine (file), Maricopa County. There he is planning to construct a ladder to access a shallow shaft for sampling.

Salome, Dec. 15, 1942

MEMORANDUM - CONFIDENTIAL

To: J. S. Coupal
From: Elgin B. Holt



Reference is made to your memo of November 27th re- the Victory mine, belonging to J. V. Leonard, 408 N. 10th Street, Phoenix, in which you state he called and discussed with you the needs of an engineer, etc.

You stated that he is without transportation and was leaving for his mine on December 1st and would expect me to meet him there on Monday, December 14th. That Leonard refused to meet me at Salome, or Aguila, and would expect me to meet him on said date at his mine, etc.

Yesterday morning, Monday, Dec. 14th, I left here in company with Mr. Edwin W. Mills, who kindly offered to go with me. I had found out that Moser's well is located on the Salome-Buckeye road 27 miles southeast of here. Well, we left here at 7 A. M. and drove down to Moser's well. Luckily, we found both Moser and his wife there.

Now what I am going to tell you, Sam, is absolutely confidential, so when Leonard calls again, please keep Moser's name out of it. Also ask Billy Graham to do the same.

Moser stated that Leonard's Victory mine is located southwest of Moser's Well about 25 miles, from which point it is reached by a most deplorable road or rather trail. He stated that some time back a man started out to the mine with Leonard and broke an axle near the mine and had to walk back. He became exhausted on road, but finally reached Moser's well. Later that day Leonard walked in to Moser's Well. Moser also stated that sometime ago, he hauled Leonard out to his so-called mine in his Model A Ford. That he had a hard time reaching property - had to cross some rocky steep gulches where he had to drag his tires, and that he could not return that way, due to two steep grades, and came back another and worse way where he almost wrecked his car. In short, Moser advised us not to try to make the trip in my car, as he said it would probably wreck it or drag my retreads off, which are not so hot, as one of them is already showing signs of disintegration.

Another thing, Moser said there were so many cross roads and trails over which the cattlemen are going in all directions he doubted we could find our way out there. But he drew us a sketch map and Mills and I drove across a big valley over sand dunes, deep chuck holes and around mezquite brush until we got to the foot hills, where the road dwindled to a trail and got worse and worse. Moser had already told us that the worst part of the road lay ahead this side of the mine, etc. So, I said to Mills: "We had better return" - and he agreed with me. So we returned to Moser's well, and he said we had done the right thing - that he would not attempt this trip again himself, etc. So, when Leonard comes in, just tell him I made an effort to reach his place, but the trail was so bad I turned back. Why, the old moss-back, did not even have his trail signed! So I am off of trying to make this trip again.

E.B.H.

ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
MINERAL BUILDING, FAIRGROUNDS
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

August 12, 1958

To the Owner or Operator of the Arizona Mining Property named below:

Victory Mine (Maricopa County)	copper, silver, gold
(Property)	(ore)

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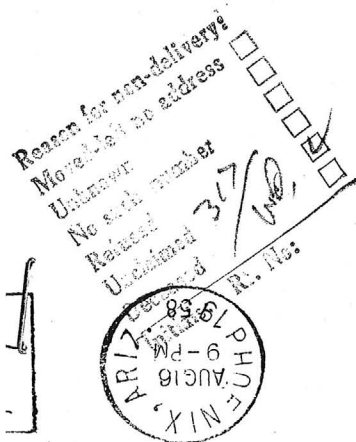
Mr. John V. Leonard
1530 W. Jackson St.
Phoenix, Arizona

Not Here

Frank P. Knight

FRANK P. KNIGHT,
Director.

Enc: Mine Owner's Report



J. V. Leonard,
410 N. 10th St. P. Me.

Victory Mine, located 45 miles N.W. of
Buckeye - at Old John's Well, now
known as Leonard Well.

Showed letter from R. F. C. advising
Leonard his application for loan
was denied.

Leonard stated he had done
considerable work on 15 miles of
road to property, did not care
about loan being refused but
was much disturbed that the
Dept had not sent an engineer
to his property.

Advised him an Engineer would
be there next week.

Wired Sam at Kingman to
call on Paul and Holt and
advise me of date Holt would
be there so Leonard would
be there at that time.

Third day letter to Holt
in reply to his letter indicating
he had no knowledge of the
location of J. V. Leonard's
Victory Mine. Gave location and
requested word from Holt as to the
time he would be at the property,
in order to have Leonard present.
Mar. 17.

Mr. Crawford's Bureau of Mines
had advised him that Mr. Calverton
furnished us with names of some
six hundred mining properties
that had been worked on during
past 25 years but most of them
not operating.

Crawford indicated he would like
for us to assume the expense of
having detailed information of the
location of these properties, by making
copy from Calverton's original memo.
Informed him we could not assume
the expense of payment of identical
to prepare such copy for him.

Holt - tried to get to property
last week but impossible - see report

Phoen. & Ariz.

DEPT. R. RECORDS
AUG 11 1942
PHOENIX, ARIZONA

20/42.

Dear Sir
This mining property is
located in the Eagle Tail
Mining District, about 25-
miles South East of Holome
Hanna, Co. Arizona, or about
9 mile West of the Cat
Saddle Mountain Community
Center, or 25 West of Tonopah
3 mile South East of Court
House Rock in Maricopa
County, Mrs. Cadman or Mrs.
Peterson of the Buckeye
Subdividing Work will
direct you or go up there
with any body that
wishes to look it over
or Mrs. Moser of Mesquite
Well, 20 mile N.W. of
Winterburg

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SYMBOLS
DL=Day Letter
NT=Overnight Telegram
LC=Deferred Cable
NLT=Cable Night Letter
Ship Radiogram

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A. N. WILLIAMS
PRESIDENT

NEWCOMB CARLTON
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD

J. C. WILLEVER
FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT

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PHOENIX ARIZ NOV 13 1942

SAM J COUPAL

CARE OF HONORABLE J. HUBERT SMITH KINGMAN ARIZ

IMPORTANT NOT WITHOUT FAIL YOU SEND HOLT TO EXAMINE LEONARDS
VICTORY MINE AT JOHNS WELLS ADVISE ME OF DATE BY MAIL

BILLY

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C
Ernest
*44-55-
Post. page 4
C. M. Kennedy
Blm 128*

Frank Nelson
Victory Motor
Pulling Co

new Wrightley motor -
at El Garatone Court

at the mine taken - of
1706 W Roosevelt St
Phoenix Ariz
my Phoenix notebook
is 408, N 10th St
John D. Leonard
Mining Property
Company, at John Well
1 mile east of Glendale
taken up on mill site,
and nearby Glendale

Billy Graham

~~Have~~ mail
Please ~~see~~ complete
information on ~~this~~ property
mentioned in wire to Counsel
11/13.

Have been unable to locate
party or property.

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POSTAL TELEGRAPH—CABLE CO.

TELEGRAM

DAY LETTER

Phoenix, Arizona, November 16, 1942

Elgin B. Holt
Kingman, Arizona

Victory Mine owned by J. V. Leonard of Phoenix. Mine located at Old Mohns Well now called Leonard Well, 45 miles northwest of Buckeye. Coupal and Hastings both should know about property as Leonard contacted them. Important you advise me when Leonard can meet you at property.

Billy Graham
Department of Mineral Resources

2018-15

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA
MINE OWNER'S REPORT

Date 8/17/42.

1. Mine *Victory*
2. Location *9. mile west of the Old Saddle Mountain Community center*
3. Mining District & County *Eagle Tail, Maricopa*
4. Former name *Copper Chief*
5. Owner *John V. Leonard*
6. Address (Owner) *408 N. 10th St.*
7. Operator *John V. Leonard*
8. Address (Operator) *408 N. 10th St*
9. President, Owning Co.
- 9A. President, Operating Co. *PHOENIX*
10. Gen. Mgr.
14. Principal Minerals *Copper & Silver*
11. Mine Supt.
15. Production Rate
12. Mill Supt.
16. Mill: Type & Cap.
13. Men Employed
17. Power: Amt. & Type
18. Operations: Present
Cleaned out old shaft and put in collar and ladder, working Tunnel fixing Roads
19. Operations: Planned *Sinking shaft and some Tunnel work and Road work*
20. Number Claims, Title, etc. *4 Claims, Mill Site, Well, and Spring*
21. Description: Topography & Geography *Rolling & Flat. High^{at} 640 ft
no big washes, very little grade, Sandy*
22. Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition *4, shafts 50 F. 20 F 2-10 F
40 F. Cut. 20 Tunnel, on the 50 F shaft*

23. Geology & Mineralization

Sedimentary, Fracture Filling, Sulfides
Gross & Lime. Porphyry & Antersite
Porphyry Antersite

24. Ore: Positive & Probable, Ore Dumps, Tailings

copper,

Ore on dump mostly

24A. Dimensions and Value of Ore body

Wont now

25. Mine, Mill Equipment & Flow-Sheet

26. Road Conditions, Route

Fair. A make it any time of the year, Mr George Lapue 1706 W. Roosevelt has been my supplier, he knows the route or inquire at Mosers Well 20 miles West of Wintersburg on Blight Highway

27. Water Supply

30 ft Well and Spring below Well, B can have water the year around, from Spring, Well needs sinking for heavy water supply.

28. Brief History

Worked about 1905 about 200 ft of tunnel and one 50 ft shaft and one 20 ft and two 10 ft One in the Bottom of them all Champion Winifred Scott on one of the old Notices

29. Special Problems, Reports Filed

in need of Capital also old, cant go much deeper, without Hoist.

30. Remarks

I have been working the adjoining Property and these Copper Claims for 10 years on my own money and I really think it is good

31. If property for sale: Price, terms and address to negotiate.

Will turn over 1/2 interest or all to Party that can develop it or sell out for \$2,000

32. Signature

John V. Leonard.

33. Use additional sheets if necessary.

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA
MINE OWNER'S REPORT

Date August 17, 1942

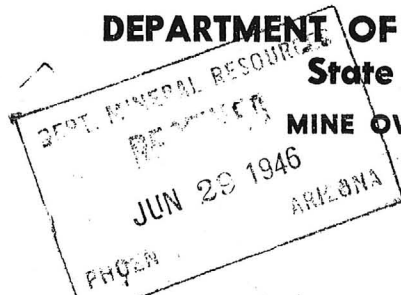
1. Mine: ~~Bictory~~ *Victory*
2. Location: 9 miles west of the Old Saddle Mountain Community Center.
3. Mining Dist. & County: Eagle Tail, Maricopa
4. Former name: Copper Chief
5. Owner: John V. Leonard
6. Address (Owner): *1530 W. Jackson*
~~408 N. 10th St.~~
Phoenix
7. Operator: John V. Leonard
8. Address (Operator): ~~408 N. 10th St.~~
Phoenix
9. President, Owning Co:
- 9A Pres. Owning Co:
10. Gen Mgr.:
14. Principal Minerals: Copper & silver
11. Mill Supt:
15. Production rate:
12. Mine Supt:
16. Mill: Type & Cap:
13. Men Employed
17. Power: Amt & Type:
18. Operations: Present: Cleaned out old shaft and put in collar and ladder, working tunnel, fixing roads.
19. Operations: Planned: Sinking shaft, and some tunnel and road work
20. Number Claims, Title, etc. 4 claims, Mill site, well, and spring
21. Description: Top. & Geography Rolling and flat. High altitude 640 ft.
No big washes, very little grade, sandy
22. Mine Workings; amt. & condition: Four shaft; 50 ft., 20 ft., and two 10 ft.
40 ft. cut, 20 ft. tunnel on the 50 feet shaft.

23. Geology & Mineralization: Sedimentary, fissure veins, sulphides, porphyry and andesite, iron and lime.
24. Ore: Positive & Probable, Ore Dumps, Tailings: Ore on dump mostly copper
- 24a Dimensions and Value of Ore body; Don't know
25. Mine, mill Equipment & Mill-Flow:
26. Road Conditions, Route: Fair, I make it any time of the year. Mr. George Lapue has brought my supplies, he knows the route or inquire at Moser's Well, 20 miles west of Wintersburg on Blight Highway
27. Water Supply: 30 ft. well and spring below the well. I can have water the year around from spring. Well needs sinking for heavy water supply.
28. Brief History: Worked about 1905 about 200 ft. of tunnel and one 50 ft. shaft, one 20 ft. shaft and two 10 ft. shaft. Ore in bottom of them all. Champlin Winifred Scott on one of the old notices
29. Special Problems, Reports Filed: In need of capital. I am old and can't go much deeper without hoist.
30. Remarks: I have been working the adjoining property and these copper claims for 10 years on my own money and I really think it is good.
31. If property for sale: Price, terms and address to negotiate:
Will turn over one-half or all to party that can develop it, or sell out for \$2,000
32. Signature: John V. Leonard

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

State of Arizona

MINE OWNER'S REPORT



Date *June 24, 1946*

1. Mine: *Victory*
2. Location: Sec. _____ Twp. _____ Range. _____ Nearest Town *Solomine*
Distance *2.5 miles* Direction *South East* Road Condition *Fair*
3. Mining District & County: *Eagle Tail, Maricopa*
4. Former Name of Mine: *Copper Chief*
5. Owner: *John V. Leonard*
Address: *1530 W. Jackson St.*
6. Operator: *same*
Address: *same*
7. Principal Minerals: *Copper - Silver, Gold*
8. Number of Claims: *6* Lode *Yes* Placer _____
Patented *No* Unpatented _____
9. Type of Surrounding Terrain: *Rugged and Rolling*
about 1700 ft.
10. Geology & Mineralization: *Sedimentary, Fissure, Sulfides*
Porphyry, Andesite - Iron - Lime
11. Dimension & Value of Ore Body: *Don't know*
4 ft. on Bottom of 30 ft. shaft. Run on
side of Ledge in Contact 8 ft. Ledge on
top. Gcd assage run 8 P.S. Copper 60 oz
Silver 6 Gold

12. Ore "Blocked Out" or "In Sight": *Positive Ore Dump,*
One on Dump mostly Copper - Silver

Ore Probable: *all 6 Claims have good ledge*
and Ore in sight.

13. Mine Workings—Amount and Condition: *Good not heavy*

No.	Feet	Condition
Shafts. <i>1</i>	<i>50 f</i>	<i>Good</i>
Raises		
Tunnels	<i>40 f</i>	<i>Good</i>
Crosscuts		
Stopes		

other work 10 and 15 f shaft in Ore.

14. Water Supply: *Well 30 f. Deep and about 8*
f of Water in Wet Season, But good Water
in Tunnell below Well all year around

15. Brief History: *Known as Copper Chief about 1917 about*
now before seen old markings of
1909. Old Location Notice saying Mr
Champlain Winfield Scott could not
make out other names.

16. Signature: *John V. Leonard*
1530. W. Jackson St. Phoenix Ariz.

17. If Property for Sale, List Approximate Price and Terms: *\$2.000*

MISCELLANEOUS

I need a working Partner or will sell out for \$2,000 I can not work much more myself alone, The nearest way to get to Property is leave Phoenix on route 80. go to Coldwater and West. to Perryville then West to Tonopah then West till you meet the Blight Highway from Hassamp go direct West on dirt Road about 12 M. turn South till you meet Fence and Gate, go South about 1 mile road turn toward the S. W. go about 6 mile. Camp in Wash on road. Mine about 1 mile N. West about 100 yards of Road Would like to show anybody really interested in mining, anytime. Dont now range, or Section A unto Vote in Buckeye about 45 mile East,

John V. Leonard
1530. W Jackson St.
Phoenix
Ariz.

Victory Mine (formerly Copper Chief)

25 miles SE of
Maricopa County

reference: Arizona Dept. of Mineral Resources
Victory Mine (file)

present owner:

minerals: copper, silver, gold

history of the area:

property was worked in 1905. Champlin
Winifred Scott's name appeared on one
of the old notices. In 1942 the property
was owned by John V. Leonard of
Phoenix, Az. He did some shaft and tunnel
work. Property was known as Copper
Chief in 1917.

geology:

Sedimentary, fissure veins, sulfides, porphyry,
andesite, iron and lime

Sample? one run 8% Cu
? 60 oz Ag
60z Au

property consists of 6 unpatented lode claims

Kingman, Ariz., Nov. 14, 1942


MEMORANDUM

To: W. J. Graham
From: Elgin B. Holt.

Sam and Charlie passed through here today enroute to Salt Lake City, as you know. Sam showed me your wire urging that I examine "Leonard's Victory Mine, at Johns Wells," and to advise you of date by mail.

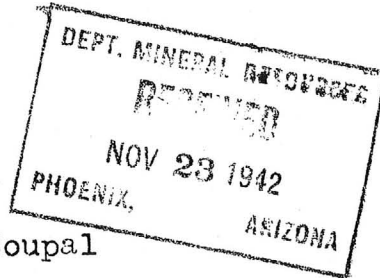
We have made enquiries and cannot figure out just what mine you refer to, unless you mean the old Wrigley mine, which has been re-named the VICTORY mine, under lease to the VICTORY MINES & MILLING COMPANY, controlled by Frank Nelson, of Kingman. This property is located on the east side of the Cerbat Mountains. We have contacted Nelson on this date. He has made application, through Hilton, who is in charge of the grazing service here, for an access road project to the Victory mine. Also, I have arranged to visit this mine next Tuesday, November 17th, in company with Nelson, who is arranging to apply for an RFC loan.

Please advise me at once by letter or wire, giving more exact information as to the mine you want me to examine, as I cannot locate either the property or the owner thereof, unless it is the one controlled by Nelson.


Elgin B. Holt.

November 20, 1942

MEMORANDUM



VICTORY MINE,
J. V. LEONARD
BILLY GRAHAM

To: J. S. Coupal
From: Elgin B. Holt.

On November 16th, I received the following wire from Billy Graham:

"VICTORY MINE OWNED BY J V LEONARD OF PHOENIX. MINE LOCATED AT OLD JONES WELL NOW CALLED LEONARD WELL, 45 MILES NORTHWEST OF BUCKEYE. COUPAL AND HASTINGS BOTH SHOULD KNOW ABOUT PROPERTY AS LEONARD CONTACTED THEM. IMPORTANT YOU ADVISE ME WHEN LEONARD CAN MEET YOU AT PROPERTY". BILLY GRAHAM.

Kindly advise Billy that I did not answer his letter as I wanted to take this matter up with you on November 18th, on your return from Salt Lake City. As we did not see each other on your return, you can tell him I will be in and around Salome from November 14th to November 18th. Hence, if satisfactory to yourselves, and to Mr. Leonard, I can meet him at Aguila on Monday, November 14th, at 8 A. M. on that date. We can then go from there to the mine. Hunting old wells and dim roads in that country is out. Let him meet me at Aguila, as stated, if that date is okay all around. I could hardly meet him in that neck of the woods sooner, ~~xxxxxx~~ unless I should be directed to make a special trip down there the last week in this month; but on second thought, that is out too, as I am scheduled here in such a manner that I could not go until the date above mentioned.

Elgin B. Holt

December 7 1942

November 27, 1942

MEMORANDUM

VICTORY MINE
J. V. LEONARD

TO: Elgin B. Holt

FROM: J. S. Coupal

I have your memorandum of November 20 regarding the Victory mine. Mr. John V. Leonard, 408 North 10th Street, Phoenix, called and I discussed with him in detail the property and his need for an engineer.

Leonard is without transportation and he is leaving on December 1st to go to the mine. I told him that I knew the difficulties of trying to find a mine out in the desert unless specific directions were available and I also note your comments on this point. There is a ranch at Moser Well, which is located on the road about 4 miles north west of Burnt Well. The rancher who lives at Moser Well (who I believe is a Mr. Moser) hauls equipment, supplies and so forth to Leonard at his mine and is well acquainted with the property and also the road conditions. I believe you can readily locate the Moser Well as being 4 miles on the road north west of Burnt Well, which is a well known location.

Leonard will expect you at the property on Monday, December 14th. I tried to get Leonard to agree to meet you at Aguila or Salome, but was unable to do so as he is not only hard headed and a little sore at the lack of attention but also hard of hearing so that it is impossible to talk with him.

The mine workings are accessible and I know that Leonard wants to get a loan and has pestered Washington and also the RFC office here in Phoenix. He should have a rough sketch of the property and the workings and I believe several samples should be cut to show just what he has in the line of ore. With that done he will have enough information to decide on a loan. I would suggest that you try and make him pay for the assays on the necessary samples you take, but if he baulks on this then we will have to pay for the assaying; however, as he has a pension and our funds are limited it seems to me as though he should pay for the assays.

Victory

*Manicopa
Ariz.*

September 4, 1942

Mr. John V. Leonard
408 N. 10th Street
Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Mr. Leonard:

After talking with you the other day I am of the opinion that your application should be for an R.F.C. development loan known as the Class "B" loan rather than the preliminary development or Class "C" loan for which you are making application. Any mine in which the workings are open and accessible qualifies under the "B" loan.

When you make application for the loan you should include a sketch of the claims and the relations of the workings to them, as well as a sketch of the underground development. These need not be surveyed maps but merely sketches as close to scale as you can make them. You should also include a list of assays, giving location and width of ore sampled, as well as a list of any shipments you have made. Outline the nature of the work which you intend to perform and give an approximate cost of such work. These are things which you yourself must do as they are the only means that the R.F.C. engineers have of determining the value of your property.

We will try to have Mr. Elgin B. Holt call it the mine the next time he is in the vicinity, however, you should not delay your application pending this visit.

Very truly yours,

Earl F. Hastings, Assistant Director
and Projects Engineer

EFH:LP

November 21, 1942

Mr. John V. Leonard
408 N. 10th Street
Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Mr. Leonard:

Mr. William J. Graham wired me on November 13
regarding an examination of your property.

If you can call at the office some time after
Tuesday morning of next week I will be very glad to
discuss it with you and see if arrangements can be
made to have an engineer examine the property.

Very truly yours

J. S. Coupal, Director

JSC:BA

August 22, 1942

Mr. John V. Leonard
408 North 10th Street
Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Mr. Leonard:

Your letter of August 20 and the report on the Victory mine have been received at this office and carefully noted.

We will call this property to the attention of any who may inquire for a property of this type. I wish to say, however, that there is very little private money going into mining due to the excessive tax structure.

I am enclosing a reprint of the "Principal Features of RFC Mine Loan Program" and suggest that you look it over carefully and consider whether or not you care to apply for either a development or a preliminary development loan. I will gladly be of assistance to you if you decide to make such an application.

With best wishes and kindest regards, I am

Very truly yours,

J. S. Coupal,
Director

JSC:hal

Enclosure

August 27, 1942

Mr. John V. Leonard
408 North 10th Street
Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Mr. Leonard:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of mine owner's report
filed with this department covering the VICTORY MINE
in the Eagle Tail Mining District, Maricopa County.

I shall be glad to submit this report to anyone
making inquiry for a property such as yours.

Assuring you of my desire to be helpful, and with
best wishes, I am

Yours very truly,

J. S. Coupal

JSC:hal

Enclosure