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1467

N 12° 30' E 665'

1570

600 N 44° 45' W  
Shackles

N 49° 15' E  
Humbert H

N 51° 04' W 209'

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H + W

N 25° 15' E 534'

760

Man Jeger  
N 67° 30' W 714'

Gladiator

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Jubusul

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Senat

14'

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Membr

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Re Gladiator Mine

9/28/38

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GLADIATOR AND W&R EAGLE

Notes by J. M. C.  
6/20/38

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2.	300' level- South face hanging wall	12"	.34	2.14
3.	200' level - South face of drift	16"	.40	2.72
4.	Top of 70' raise - 200' level north side	--	1.36	2.44
5.	Top of 70' raise - 200' level south side	--	.96	2.80
6.	200' Level, 40' winze and 10' North	3'	.36	4.2
7.	200' Level, 40' winze, South side	--	.72	3.40
8.	200' Level, 150' from South face	20"	.72	2.88
9.	180' North from raise, bottom of vein	3'	.32	2.06
10.	East of quartz 150' level, bottom of raise	--	.42	.38
11.	3' of 10' width, raise from 150' level	--	.45	.20
12.	Approximately 500' South of Gladiator Shaft.	--	.28	3.60
13.	300' South from surface Gladiator Shaft.	2'	1.16	3.92
14.	30' West of No. 12 shaft, face	2'2"	.20	2.88
15.	25' North of No. 12, surface	30"	.80	3.36
16.	War Eagle No. 1, 70' level up 20'	3'	.32	4.65
17.	War Eagle No. 3, Surface	2'	.24	1.42
18.	War Eagle No. 2, 30' shaft	2'	.24	1.06
19.	War Eagle No. 2, dump, 8 tons	--	.72	8.80
20.	War Eagle No. 1, 100' level, 160' NW of No. 2	--	.24	.26
21.	War Eagle No. 2, 100' level, North of No. 1	--	.60	2.00
22.	War Eagle No. 1, 100' level, 50' North of shaft.	2'	.98	4.02
23.	War Eagle - cut in shaft, 100' level	4'	.24	1.66
24.	War Eagle No. 1, 100' level, S. drift	3'	.52	3.14
25.	War Eagle No. 1, cut in North shaft, 100' level	2'	.40	4.90



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26.	War Eagle - discovery shaft	2'	.20	3.10
27.	War Eagle - South tunnel, cut in bottom.	2'	.40	2.64
28.	War Eagle - South tunnel, cut No. 8	2'	.38	2.88
29.	5 tons of ore	--	1.24	10.14
30.	Grab of dump-War Eagle	--	.28	2.01
31.	Gladiator shaft dump	--	.24	1.76
32.	Gladiator tunnel ore dump	--	.20	5.90

I am not sure that the description of some of these samples has been correctly copied as the photostat is very hard to read; Also I know nothing of the methods by which they were taken.

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1.	Face north drift 100' level, hanging wall	2'	0.12	1.04
2.	300' level- South face hanging wall	12"	.34	2.14
3.	200' level - South face of drift	16"	.40	2.72
4.	Top of 70' raise - 200' level north side	--	1.36	2.44
5.	Top of 70' raise - 200' level south side	--	.96	2.80
6.	200' Level, 40' winze and 10' North	3'	.36	4.2
7.	200' Level, 40' winze, South side	--	.72	3.40
8.	200' Level, 150' from South face	20"	.72	2.88
9.	180' North from raise, bottom of vein	3'	.32	2.06
10.	East of quartz 150' level, bottom of raise	--	.42	.38
11.	3' of 10' width, raise from 150' level	--	.45	.20
12.	Approximately 500' South of Gladiator Shaft.	--	.28	3.60
13.	300' South from surface Gladiator Shaft.	2'	1.16	3.92
14.	30' West of No. 12 shaft, face	2'2"	.20	2.88
15.	25' North of No. 12, surface	30"	.80	3.36
16.	War Eagle No. 1, 70' level up 20'	3'	.32	4.65
17.	War Eagle No. 3, Surface	2'	.24	1.42
18.	War Eagle No. 2, 30' shaft	2'	.24	1.06
19.	War Eagle No. 2, dump, 8 tons	--	.72	8.80
20.	War Eagle No. 1, 100' level, 160' NW of No. 2	--	.24	.26
21.	War Eagle No. 2, 100' level, North of No. 1	--	.60	2.00
22.	War Eagle No. 1, 100' level, 50' North of shaft.	2'	.98	4.02
23.	War Eagle - out in shaft, 100' level	4'	.24	1.66
24.	War Eagle No. 1, 100' level, S. drift	3'	.52	3.14
25.	War Eagle No. 1, out in North shaft, 100' level	2'	.40	4.90

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26.	War Eagle - discovery shaft	2'	.20	3.10
27.	War Eagle - South tunnel, cut in bottom.	2'	.40	2.64
28.	War Eagle - South tunnel, cut No. 8	2'	.38	2.88
29.	5 tons of ore	--	1.24	10.14
30.	Grab of dump-War Eagle	--	.28	2.01
31.	Gladiator shaft dump	--	.24	1.76
32.	Gladiator tunnel ore dump	--	.20	5.90

I am not sure that the description of some of these samples has been correctly copied as the photostat is very hard to read; Also I know nothing of the methods by which they were taken.