

Mining Throughout British Columbia

Receipts and Shipments at Trail Smelter—Shipments of Zinc Concentrates for July—Granby Takes Bond on Gloucester Group in the Franklin Camp.

Below is a statement of the shipments to the Consolidated Mining Company's smelter at Trail during the week ending August 28, and the totals for the seven months to the same date. The shipments from the Rossland properties now total 270,218 tons, which is a large increase over the same period last year. Several mines which have not hitherto shipped during the year have developed to the shipping point and sent in small initial loads to the smelter. The report follows:

Rossland.		
Centre Star	2,795	151,112
Le Roi	2,358	107,479
Le Roi No. 2	495	11,622
Other mines .....	.....	5
Total	5,648	270,218

East Kootenay.		
Sullivan	1,192	17,033
Other mines .....	.....	121
Total	1,192	17,154

Nelson.		
Emerald	31	699
Other mines .....	.....	1,561
Total	31	2,260

Slocan and Ainsworth.		
Rambler Cariboo	109	887
No. 1	199	4,394
Standard	468	2,455
Hewitt	35	778
Cork	84	485
Slocan Star	65	562
Ruth	34	322
Other mines .....	.....	2,572
Total	995	12,455

Consolidated.		
Centre Star	2,795	151,112
Le Roi	2,358	107,479
Le Roi No. 2	495	11,622
D. Jones	29	29
Rambler Cariboo	109	887
United Copper	201	2,863
Spokane Trinket	20	20
No. 1	199	4,394
Standard	468	2,455
Hewitt	35	778
Cork	84	485
Slocan Star	65	562
Ruth	34	322
Ben Hur	365	8,839
Sanpoil	35	1,076
Knob Hill	39	1,832
Emerald	31	699
Sullivan	1,192	17,033
Buffalo	14	14
Other mines .....	.....	9,278
Total	9,459	321,779

—Nelson News.

A comparative statement of the shipments of zinc concentrates for the month of July, 1915, and the same period last year, shows that there has been a considerable falling off in tonnage. It is pointed out, however, that during July of last year both the Slocan Star and the Standard mines made extra large shipments. The former sent 468 tons and the latter 777 tons to Bartlesville, Okla., for treatment. It is also claimed that the prevailing high price of zinc has enabled the mines in the United States to so increase their output that the plants have been running to capacity and contracts for Canadian concentrates have been refused.

This condition, however, it is said, has not prevented work from going forward on a large scale at these and other mines and reports say that large quantities of concentrates are being stored at the mines pending the closing of contracts for its treatment. It is expected that several very satisfactory contracts, one of which, it is said, is with a plant at Pittsburg, Pa., will be arranged at an early date and it is estimated that in this case some record-breaking shipments will be made from the district. The reports for the month of July, 1914 and 1915 follow:

Mine	July 1914	July 1915
Whitewater .....	.....	40
Surprise .....	.....	252
Rambler Cariboo	160	.....
U. S. Mine	40	.....
Slocan Star	468	.....
Utica	40	.....
Lucky Jim .....	.....	100
Standard	777	.....
Hewitt	138	.....
Hudson Bay .....	.....	500
Total	1623	1049

The Whitewater, Rambler Cariboo, U. S. Mine, Slocan Star, Standard and Hewitt shipped to the plant at Bartlesville. The Surprise shipped to Collinsville. The Utica shipped to Blande, the Lucky Jim to Neodesha and the Hudson Bay to Springfield, Ill.

It is reported that Patrick Welsh and Martin Welsh, of the firm of Foley, Welsh & Stewart, railway contractors, have bonded the Echo mine at Silverton. This property comprises the Standard Ledge which, it is stated, is one of the richest in surface showings in the Slocan district. A large force of men is engaged in development work and shipments are expected to begin at an early date.

Word comes from Grand Forks that the Granby Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company has acquired a bond on the Gloucester group of mineral claims at Franklin camp, negotiations having been completed this week, and will commence immediate development work on the property. A contract will be let for the driving of a tunnel to further demonstrate an ore body, samples from which recently taken by the Granby assayed 25.7 per cent. in copper. It is expected that a double shift will be operated and if satisfactory results are obtained the Granby will construct a wagon road three and one-half miles to the Government road and periodical shipments of ore will be made.

The Gloucester group is owned by Lee Mercer, H. Garnett of Vancouver, F. Loehr of Walla Walla, Wash., and Thomas Newby of Grand Forks, and includes five full claims and several fractions. The property is located 45 miles north of Grand Forks on the north fork of the Kettle River, and is 25 miles from the steel head of the Kettle Valley Railway at Lynch Creek. Present development work consists of a 200-foot tunnel, with a 90-foot raise and a shaft of 40 feet in depth.