

THE MINING REVIEW

The Find on the No. 5 Tunnel of the Columbia Kootenay.

STRIKE ON THE CENTRE STAR

Development of the Centre Star—The Progress Made on the Iron Mask—The Leko—Preparations for Shipping Ore From Four Mines

During the past week there has been the usual amount of development work going on all over the camp. In the Le Roi the progress made with the combination shaft will soon place that mine in a position to ship even larger quantities of ore than it is at present doing.

On the last two mines, the Nickel Plate and the Columbia-Kootenay, developments of some importance have occurred during the past seven days which, after all, does not do more than justify the high opinion already entertained of these first class properties.

The contract system on the War Eagle and Centre Star is proving a great success, and is being extended daily. During this week and the next four important headings will be added to the list already under development. Some ore is being stopped, but is being stored.

The Output.

The output for the past week has fully made up for the small deficiency of that before whose corrected total is 3,275 tons. The estimated shipments of this week from the Le Roi alone are upwards of 4,102 tons, which breaks the record of the middle of last month, which was 3,955. The average daily output of the big mine is therefore 598 tons. In addition to this the I. X. L. has shipped one car to the Northport smelter.

Appended is a statement of the shipments for the past week and year to date:

Table with columns: Mine Name, Week Tons, Year Tons. Includes Le Roi, War Eagle, Centre Star, Iron Mask, Evening Star, Monte Christo, I. X. L., Iron Colt, Giant.

Total 4,123 56,004

Le Roi.—The usual development is going forward all over the mine. The stope are very busy, as may be gathered from the fact that 600 tons of ore a day is being extracted from them. At the same time development is keeping fully abreast of the mine requirements, so that the enormous output is not beyond the mine's capacity.

Iron Mask.—Sinking has been finished on the No. 2 winze to the 500-foot level. A depth of 275 feet has been reached in the east shaft. From the bottom of the winze and the bottom of the east shaft drifting has been commenced to tap the main vein. A drift has been started on the 400-foot level to the east, and is in one of a good quality.

Umatilla.—The survey of the Umatilla group has been completed, the shaft house has been repaired, the machinery has been placed in order, and everything is ready for the resumption of work. It is anticipated that the company will hold a meeting shortly and grant the authorization for the resumption of work.

Big Four.—Work is now confined to the No. 2 tunnel, which is now in for a distance of 94 feet. The face of the tunnel is in mixed ore. The management thinks the tunnel will have to be driven 5 feet further before the main ore shoot will be made.

Evening Star.—Two machines are at work in the lower ledge cutting out a station in which will be sunk a winze on the ledge so that it may be explored at depth. The ore shoot where the winze is to be started, is large and well defined.

No. 1.—The drifts are being extended and the development is steadily in hand. The absence of the compressor is the only bar against regular shipments being undertaken. It is likely, however, that some shipments will be made in the near future from either this or the Josie mine.

New St. Elmo.—Work continues along the usual lines. Drifting on the ledge continues. There were no developments of moment during the week.

California.—Work continues on the tunnel and shaft and fast progress is being made.

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Centre Star.—On the surface the work is progressing on the lines reported last week. The compressor has not as yet been heard of nor have even the head sheaves for the new hoist arrived. Below work is proceeding on the third, main and what may be termed the first level. On the third level the east drift is in about 450 feet, and about 100 feet has been driven in the past month, which, when it is remembered that 60 feet is deemed fair average work, is a record for the Centre Star.

War Eagle.—The ore bins destroyed by fire last Sunday are to be built closer to the big hoist so as to save the tramway connecting the bins with the hoist.

Douglas-Hunter.—Work on the lower tunnel continues, and the shoot of ore which is now being passed through the shaft and into the east shaft, has yet been taken out in the course of the development, is being placed by itself, and there is already a large quantity on hand ready to be forwarded to the smelter as soon as transportation facilities are afforded.

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Iron Colt.—The shaft has reached a depth of 120 feet, and is now being timbered. One machine is at work on the north vein. There have been no developments of note during the past week.

Josie.—A winze is going forward by contract between the 300 and 500 levels. Good progress is being made. The usual development is proceeding all over the workings.

Annie.—The joint shaft is now down about 60 feet and is looking every bit as well as heretofore. The ledge maintains both width and value.

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