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WEEK'S MINING REVIEW

Holidays Interfered With Ore Shipments Quite Substantially.

Second Half of Year Commences Under Propitious Auspices.

Dominion Day and Fourth of July holidays broke into last week's mining operations in the Rossland district, reducing the period to four days' actual operations. This had its effect upon the shipments of ore, but the aggregate, in view of the circumstances, is excellent.

Moreover, the week saw important developments in connection with the mining industry of the camp.

With the present week the second half of the current year opens. As will be seen from the statement of shipments for the first six months of the year, the average for 1902 is substantially increased. A total of 185,512 tons of ore and concentrates has been shipped, and if the same rate of shipping is maintained to the end of the year a total of 371,024 will be piled up, representing a very handsome advance over the aggregate tonnage for 1902 or any preceding year. Every indication points, however, to the probability that the record of the first six months of 1903 will be substantially improved upon during the last six months of the year now commencing. It has been reiterated in The Miner that the Le Roi will shortly increase its output, and this statement has the corroboration of the managing director of the company. The attainment of an adequate coke supply at the Le Roi smelter in Northport brings this increase in output within measurable distance, and a few weeks hence will see the tonnage creeping up. Yesterday five cars of No. 2 ore from the Le Roi dump were loaded for Northport and will be consigned early this week. This is the first step toward increasing the output of the property.

In addition several new mines will be on the shipping list prior to the end of the year, so that the probability of the 400,000 ton mark being reached before the close of the current year is especially bright.

The outstanding events of the week were the commencement of shipment from the Jumbo mine, the resumption of operations at the Gold Hill property, the completion of the mechanical plant at the Spitzee and commencement of underground operations, and the first shipment of concentrates from the War Eagle-Centre Star concentrator.

Shipments from the Rossland camp for the week ending July 4th and for the year to date are as follows:

Property	Week	Year
Le Roi	1920	92,345
Centre Star	1920	42,208
War Eagle	1920	29,775
Kootenay	1920	2,870
Le Roi No. 2	1920	14,142
Velvet	1920	50
Giant	1920	575
I. X. L.	1920	40
White Bear	1920	257
O. K.	1920	26

THE SPITZEE'S NEW ERA

(From Sunday's Daily.)
Commencing today the Spitzee mine enters a new and exceedingly promising era. The new buildings and headworks, with electrical compressor and hoist, are in thorough running order, and underground work has been resumed. Yesterday several men were engaged in completing the alterations at the foot of the shaft, preliminary to the resumption of drifting at the 100 and sinking at the 200.

The initial work now under way will be disposed of quickly, and the mine will then go ahead with the underground work planned as rapidly as possible. It is intended to work two machines two shifts in the 100 foot level. The sinking will probably be done by contract.

As it now stands, the Spitzee plant is a model of compactness and efficiency, and with the promising showing already developed in the mine the company would seem to be on the threshold of a period of steady progress and prosperity.

Property	1902	1903
Homestake	90	
Totals	55,855	185,423
Concentrates Shipped		90
War Eagle-Centre Star	90	
Total year's shipments to date		185,512

AMONG THE MINES.

JUMBO.—The Jumbo is in the public eye this week by reason of the commencement of shipments from the property to the Le Roi smelter. Yesterday a twenty-five ton car was loaded on the Jumbo siding, and it is the intention of the management to load three additional cars and make a 100 ton shipment for smelter test purposes. The consignment will be forwarded during the present week. It is the intention to increase the daily production to at least fifty tons as rapidly as teams can be secured for hauling ore. M. R. Galusha will accompany the first installment of ore to Northport to superintend the sampling.

SPITZEE.—After several weeks' weary waiting for the completion of buildings and plant the Spitzee mine is now actively attacking the lower levels. Drifting will be resumed on the first level, and during the week arrangements will probably be made for the continuation of the main shaft to the 200 level. It is expected to undercut a promising ore showing on the first level at an early date, and ore will be shipped from time to time.

LE ROI.—The past week witnessed few, if any, departures from the usual program at the Le Roi. Holidays broke into the working week seriously, and the effect is most noticeable in connection with the statement of shipments. As already stated, shipments of second class ore from the dump have been started again. Last summer the company shipped ore running as high as \$30 from the dump, but the grade now being sent to the smelter from the dump is approximately \$12.

LE ROI TWO.—The past week witnessed the prosecution of the customary mining, development and exploration work at the Joste and No. 1 mines with the holiday interruptions common to the camp. At the mill site rainy weather interfered somewhat with the work, but building operations are well under way, and the contractors are pushing construction ahead as rapidly as possible. Work has been started on the flume from Little Sheep creek to the concentrator.

WAR EAGLE.—Nothing of special interest is reported from the mine during the week. The production was normal, despite the fact that four actual working days made up the total working week. The concentrates consigned to the Trail smelter were billed out by the War Eagle company.

CENTRE STAR.—Beyond the statement that the usual week's work has been proceeded with, barring the interruption from the holidays, nothing is divulged as to the operations for the period under review. Shipments were somewhat lighter owing to the holidays.

GIANT.—Steady operations and increased production is the week's record from the Giant. The first level is being opened satisfactorily, and good results are obtained from the shipments of ore.

KOOTENAY.—Last week saw a new record established by the Kootenay mine in respect to shipments. On the first of the month the company commenced shipping to Northport, but the bulk of the week's output went to Trail. It is intended to send fifty tons daily to the Le Roi smelter for the present at least.

VELVET.—The mine was shut down for the holidays, and rainy weather further militated against extensive shipments. The underground work is proceeding steadily, however. On the second level a connection has been made with the Portland workings, materially improving the ventilation.

O. K. and I. X. L.—On both properties the lessees are working steadily with good results. Shipments from the mines may be expected at an early date.

GOLD HILL.—The mine is the latest to be added to the list of working properties in the Rossland camp. John E. Bodier has the work in hand and will unwater the shaft forthwith. The question of continuing the tunnel to intersect the ore body will be gone into later.

WHITE BEAR.—Excavating on the site for the new buildings is proceeding steadily, and the usual underground operations have been commenced. Arrangements for sinking are still under way.

NICKEL PLATE.—The pumping operations are being maintained, and a few days longer will suffice to complete the unwatering of the deep levels. Some information as to the management's plans may then be forthcoming.

BOUNDARY SHIPMENTS.

Property	Week	Total
Granby	4927	162,535
Mother Lode	2897	49,735
Snowshoe	1920	25,830
B. C.	1020	15,435
Emma	210	9,415
Sunset	512	5,949
Providence	60	1,091
Athelstan	60	1,091
Totals	11,848	270,880

General News Of the Kootenay

EAST KOOTENAY.

The Indians camping along the lake at Golden are bringing in an average of five hundred pounds of trout a week to sell to the various dealers of that city. Besides this they sell quite a lot of fisherman and private parties, so they are meeting with good luck in their fishing. One lot of over two hundred and fifty pounds brought in last week did not contain a fish under a pound in weight, the average running from two to four.

The men in Fernie are earning the largest wages paid in the Crow's Nest valley. One miner for the month of June drew \$250 after paying backhands and other expenses.

The Liberal-Conservatives of Moyie have organized with the following officers: A. P. Macdonald, president; E. A. Hill, secretary; A. W. Sutherland, treasurer; executive committee, D. J. Elmer, J. J. McCartney, E. J. McMahon, P. W. Smith, V. Desaulniers.

It is stated that the Ptarmigan mines sawmill at Windermere is now running and employs a force of twelve men, cutting timber for the compressor. Also that there are only four or five pieces now to be built on the new tram.

During the year 3428 tons of ore have been shipped from the North Star mine, the assay value of which averages 29.5 ounces silver and 35.2 per cent lead.

A sale of Perry creek property took place last week that means a good deal for that camp and is bound to be of great benefit to the whole district. John Sherwood, one of the well known pioneers of the camp who has shown his faith by persistent development, sold to E. L. Byron, of Fernie, all the group consisting of the Badger, Perry Creek, Red Mountain and Custer claims, four of the best properties on the creek. The consideration was \$1200, \$500 of it cash and the balance to be paid on July 25th.

The bartenders' union at Fernie is making a demand for a uniform rate of \$70 per month and board. This will mean an increase of from ten to twenty dollars. The new rate is supposed to take effect July 10th, but it is reported that the hotel managers will have something to say about the raise.

Work has been proceeding rapidly during the past week on the water works system for the new town at Morrissey Mines. Charles A. Armstrong has charge of the work. He has over fifty men under him and is adding to the force every day. The work of digging the ditch for the main, although it has only been going on for a couple of weeks, is completed and ready for the pipe for nearly a mile. Morrissey Mines will have a splendid water system. The ten inch main will be carried down from an elevation of about 500 feet, thus giving ample force for good fire protection, and as the dam is situated fully a mile and a half above the mines the water is thoroughly pure. The pipes and other fittings for the system are already on the road and are expected to arrive in a day or two.

The output of coal by the C. N. P. Coal company for the month of June shows a phenomenal increase over all previous monthly records. The increase is being steadily made in each of the camps.

The following are the figures for each colliery:

Colliery	Tons
Michel	23,543
Coal Creek	24,586
Morrissey	18,124
Total	71,253

On June 13th 3161 tons were mined at the three collieries and on June 20th the amount was increased to 3323 tons. The miners' union at Michel held a big picnic on July 1st at Michel prairie, a good program of sports was carried out without a hitch. The principal event was a baseball game between Sparwood and Michel, the latter winning by a good score.

Rev. Robson, of Fernie, visited Coal Creek mines last week and aided in organizing a building committee for the intended new Methodist church. On the 1st of the month the Ladies' Aid met at the president's home and promised the substantial donation of \$100.

THE BOUNDARY.

It is understood that the International Coal and Coke Co., which is developing coal fields at Blairmore, Alberta, and will supply coke in due time to the Boundary smelters, has a force of 25 men at work.

The ore on the dump of the Morrison mine, Deadwood camp, has been hauled to the railway and shipped to the Greenwood smelter. The Ah There dump, near the Morrison, is being treated the same way.

The last car of ore from the Waterloo, Camp McKinney, netted \$3500, and the mine will shortly enter upon a dividend paying period. It is estimated that the cleanup for the month ending July 15th will be from \$3000 to \$10,000.

Ore is being hauled from the Athelstan to the Winnipeg spur of the C. P. R., and thence taken to the Boundary Falls smelter. Foreman Oxley is getting out and shipping about a car of ore per day for the present. Just three cars have been shipped thus far.

L. Y. Birnie, O. B. Smith, Jr., W. L. Germaine, Dr. R. B. Boucher and William Hanna, all of Phoenix, are developing the Ajax claim, located within a stone's throw of the Greenwood smelter, and now have a shaft down 14 feet. The property is in the high grade belt.

Martin Anderson, foreman at the Greenwood smelter, was married on Dominion Day at Anacoda, to Miss Anna Olson, Rev. J. D. P. Knox officiating.

Ferguson put in by W. B. Pool continues to give good satisfaction. It has a head of 140 feet, and is derived from a spring on the side of the mountain behind the town.

The Ferguson electric light plant is working well under the operation of C. Woodrow. The extension of the pipe to the sawmill, and the removal of the dynamite there, has remedied the former trouble due to shortage of power.

Mr. Smith, of the firm of Smith & Le Bau, of Ferguson, has been engaged by Mr. Forbes to superintend the construction of the sawmill which the Silver Cup company will put in at Five-Mile to supply timber for their mines and concentrator.

The same firm have in hand for their sawmill all the orders for timber they can fill. Water power has been substituted for steam, a pipe seven inches at the top and six inches at the bottom has been laid for 2000 feet, and above that is a flume 500 feet long. This provides power for both mill and electric light plant.

The DeKew mill at Arrowhead resumed operations Tuesday after being idle two weeks on account of water flooding the machinery.

YMR DISTRICT.

R. K. Keller, formerly of Grand Forks, has resigned the position of manager of the Hume hotel, Nelson, in order to conduct the boarding house in connection with the Ymir mine at Ymir.

Gold Commissioner Renwick was in Ymir last week and had a look over the local situation.

A party of experts went up last week to the Union Jack. They admired the property.

The Spotted Horse is turning out all that was expected of it. It is said that recent assays have run up \$104 to the ton.

Mining prospects in the immediate district of Ymir, says the Ymir Miner, never looked better than at present. If a community can live on practical hope, then Ymirites should suffer from that opulent disease known to the medical science as the gout.

THE SLOCAN.

The Springer creek road is to be repaired by the government.

A carload of Vancouver ore was shipped from Silverton last week.

The Reco mine is expected to start up again shortly.

The Slocan Star paid another dividend of \$25,000 a few days ago, bringing the total amount paid to date to \$550,000.

The Payne was the only shipper last week, sending 40 tons to Nelson.

Slocan City's shingle mill is closed down.

B. Knebone experted the Comstock last week with William Hunter. On the surface between No. 4 and No. 5 tunnels he found ten inches of ore. Two men are working on the Comstock and the force will be increased when the ice is out of the tunnels.

The Sandon Water & Light company is constructing a new electric line up Cody avenue, the work being in charge of P. G. Johnson, electrician. The telephone line will be run in conjunction therewith, and the one set of poles will do for both. The spans heretofore were too wide, the electric wires too light for the voltage required, and coupled with sleet in the winter, a good deal of power was lost. All this will now be remedied and a multiplicity of poles avoided.

THE OKANAGAN.

There will be no lack of candidates at the approaching election in the Similkameen riding. Amongst others the following prominent citizens are mentioned: H. S. Pittendrigh, Henry Nicholson, R. J. Sidley, W. T. Shatford and R. H. Parkinson.

About 25 tons of machinery for the Cherry Creek Mining company has been contracted for delivery by Le Smith, of the Okanagan livery stable. The machinery was shipped from Rossland.

T. E. Crowell has the foundations of the new Vernon city hall well under way, and the fine building which the corporation is erecting will be completed before the end of the summer.

THE EVANSVILLE SHOOTING.

A Statement Made by the Captain of the Militia Company.

CINCINNATI, July 7.—A dispatch from Evansville, Indiana, says: Captain Blum, of Company E, made the following statement of the shooting: "The mob crowding up at the corner of Fourth and Division streets forced the guards back to the jail gate and would not be beaten back. A man in the crowd fired a shot which struck a soldier. Then the firing became general from the mob, and the soldiers fired in return. Orders to cease firing were given the soldiers almost at once, and as the crowd turned in flight. No order to fire was given by myself or an officer. It was done spontaneously and in self-defence. The mob had been repeatedly begged to go back. Boulders and bricks were thrown long before the firing commenced, and one soldier was knocked unconscious. The men were given orders to fire only in self-defence. Officers and soldiers greatly deplore the shooting, but they feel they acted only in the line of their duty."

A CHICAGO EXPLOSION.

CHICAGO, July 7.—Three persons were instantly killed and several wounded, one fatally, in an explosion which wrecked a factory in South Chicago avenue, where caps for toy pistols were made. The dead: Thomas Hazelhurst, Charles Hazelhurst, Irving Sanford, Noble Higgins, who was standing outside the building, was fatally injured.

MAY BUILD AT TRAIL

White Bear May Build Concentrator Out of Rossland.

Have Applied For Water Rights Near Smelter City.

The concentrator for the White Bear mine may be constructed in the immediate vicinity of Trail instead of in Rossland, as was hoped when the company announced its intention of erecting a mill to handle its ores. The company has applied for water rights at a point which would seem to indicate that their plans with respect to construction at or near Trail are well advanced and that the Trail smelter is a consenting party to the proposal.

The local management declines to discuss the matter at this juncture.

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INSURANCE MEN GATHER.

ALEXANDRIA BAY, N. Y., July 7.—The annual meeting of the International Association of Accident Insurance Underwriters opened here today with an attendance of 125 delegates.

CONCENTRATES ARE SHIPPED

(From Sunday's Daily.)
The first concentrates to be shipped out of the Rossland camp were forwarded last week to the Trail smelter by the War Eagle-Centre Star mill at Silica.

Three thirty-ton cars comprised the consignment, and it is probable that further lots will be shipped from time to time.

By reason of the experimental nature of the work carried on at Silica the evolution of the concentrated product has been somewhat slow up to the present, the company aiming to secure information and general results of a statistical and practical nature rather than to turn out concentrates on a commercial basis. In fact, the production of the concentrates, so far as their intrinsic value is concerned, has been a side issue to the scientific research incident to the development of a reliable and economical process of milling.

The shipment of the War Eagle-Centre Star's first consignment of concentrates may, however, be taken as the first concrete advance in connection with the inauguration of concentration in the Rossland camp, and is, therefore, an event of much more than ordinary interest.

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