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ABSTRACT

Molybdenum minerals are widely distributed in Nevada, being reported in every county except Ormsby. Molybdenite, the principal ore mineral, occurs in veins and disseminations in 1) copper deposits of the porphyry and other types; 2) contact metasomatic tungsten deposits; 3) complex lead-zinc deposits; 4) deposits with only minor tungsten, copper, lead, and zinc; and 5) pegmatites. Powellite most commonly occurs in contact metasomatic deposits. Wulfenite occurs in oxidized lead-zinc ores. Ferrimolybdite and ilsemannite are found as oxidation products in all types of molybdenite deposits. Granitic igneous rocks commonly are associated with the molybdenum occurrences.

Large amounts of molybdenite concentrates have been produced as a by-product of porphyry copper mining in the Robinson (Ely) mining district. Some wulfenite concentrates were produced from the Shenandoah lead-zinc mine in the Goodsprings mining district. Two small shipments have been reported from other localities in the State.

The location, production, development, and geology of each of the 121 known molybdenum occurrences in the State are given in tabular form.

INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE AND SCOPE

This report briefly describes each occurrence of molybdenum minerals in Nevada. It provides a summary of our present knowledge based on all available information, both published and unpublished; in most cases this information has not been verified by field examinations. Many of the descriptions of the individual occurrences are extremely sketchy, and some undoubtedly are inaccurate, however many previously undescribed occurrences (including many recent discoveries) are included. General information about uses, beneficiation, etc. has not been given; for this background information see: U. S. Bureau of Mines Information Circular 7784, Molybdenum – a materials survey.

The author and the Bureau will appreciate receiving information about other molybdenum occurrences in the State, as well as additional data or corrections for the occurrences described here. Any information on molybdenum occurrences acquired after the publication of this report will be placed on file at the Nevada Bureau of Mines where it will be available for examination.

So many persons and companies have supplied information to make this report possible that no attempt has been made to credit each with his individual contributions. The help and support of each is gratefully acknowledged.

OCCURRENCE

One hundred and twenty-one occurrences of molybdenum minerals have been reported in Nevada, distributed in every county except Ormsby. Molybdenite is the principal molybdenum ore mineral; wulfenite, powellite, and ferrimolybdite have been of minor economic importance. All these molybdenum minerals plus ilsemannite occur in the State.

Molybdenite occurs as disseminations and in veins in five kinds of deposits: 1) with tungsten (scheelite) in contact metasomatic deposits; 2) with copper minerals in deposits containing only minor lead and zinc, including the copper porphyry type; 3) with lead and zinc minerals in complex base metal deposits; 4) in deposits containing only minor tungsten, lead, zinc, or copper; and 5) in pegmatites. Powellite most commonly is present in the contact metasomatic deposits, in many cases replacing molybdenite. Wulfenite occurs in the oxidized portions of the complex base metal deposits. Ferrimolybdite and ilsemannite are found in all five types of deposits as oxidation products of molybdenite. Granitic (granite to diorite) intrusive rocks are known to be associated with nearly all of the molybdenum occurrences.

PRODUCTION

The porphyry copper mines in the Robinson (Ely) mining district have produced appreciable amounts of molybdenite concentrates as a by-product of copper mining. Some wulfenite concentrates were produced from the Shenandoah lead-zinc mine in the Goodsprings mining district, and some molybdenum concentrates have been shipped from the Osgood Mountains by Getchell Mine, Inc. A small lot of high-grade concentrates reportedly were shipped from Lovelock during 1915, but the source of this molybdenum has not been determined. There has been no other known molybdenum production in Nevada.

MARKETING

At present, molybdenum is marketable mainly as molybdenite concentrates; the crude ore, in nearly all cases, cannot be sold without being concentrated. Some buyers require that the concentrate contain as much as 90 percent molybdenum disulfide (molybdenite) and less than 0.5 percent copper, while others will accept lower grade material. The concentrates bring roughly \$1.25 per pound of contained molybdenum.

Each occurrence of molybdenum minerals in Nevada is described below. Names, locations, molybdenum production, development (workings), geology, references, and base maps are given if known.

In the geologic descriptions, the names of molybdenum-containing minerals are printed in capital letters (i.e. MOLYBDENITE). Occurrences are numbered and may be located on Plate 1 (foldout inside rear cover).*

If the occurrence name is not in capital letters, that particular occurrence has been grouped with other occurrences under a geographical heading. In several such cases, information about the specific area is summarized under the geographical heading, the individual occurrence descriptions following.

References listed are those that actually mention the occurrence of molybdenum; others describing the general geology are not listed. Unpublished sources of information have not been credited. If no specific pages are listed for a given reference, the description of the occurrence is covered under a number of headings. Quotation marks indicate exact quotations from the reference. Each description includes a reference to the largest scale topographic map that covers the area of the occurrence. The maps include both the standard U. S. Geological Survey quadrangle maps, and topographic maps of the so-called AMS series. The latter have been compiled by the Army Map Service, printed by the U. S. Geological Survey, and are listed in indexes as U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic maps.

CHURCHILL COUNTY

1. SCOTT PROSPECT

Scott's camp; Tungsten Mt. mine.

Location:

Other names:

Sec. 21, T. 21 N., R. 38 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE occurs with gold-bearing mineralization

along a shale-granite contact.

Reference:

Schrader, 1947, p. 330.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Millett sheet.

2. NEVADA WONDER MINE

Other name:

Wonder mine.

Location:

Secs. 4(?) and 9(?), T. 18 N., R. 35 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

More than 66,000 feet of workings made in mining

silver and gold.

^{*} Plate 1 is a greatly reduced copy of Nevada Bureau of Mines Preliminary Map 8, "Molybdenum occurrences in Nevada."

Nevada Wonder Mine (Cont.)

Geology: WULFENITE occurs in an oxidized part of the Wonder

vein, one of four parallel, northwest-trending, steep-dipping veins extending for more than a mile along shear zones in Tertiary rhyolite. MOLYBDENITE reportedly also is present in the veins. The unoxidized portions of the veins contain abundant quartz, lesser adularia, gouge, and rhyolite fragments, some fluorite, pyrite, chalcopyrite. The oxidized zone extends uniformly to a depth of 1,300 feet. Secondary silver minerals are present,

but copper, lead, and zinc minerals are rare.

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Reference: Schrader, 1947, p. 46-59.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Reno sheet.

3. CHALK MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT

Location: T. 17 N., R. 34 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Development: Several lead-silver mines and prospects.

Geology: Veins and bodies of lead-zinc mineralization oc

Veins and bodies of lead-zinc mineralization occur along fault zones in Triassic(?) limestone, near a granodiorite porphyry stock that intrudes the limestone. The deposits are mostly oxidized and consist of limestone fragments, quartz, calcite, garnet, epidote, cerussite, anglesite, WULFENITE, galena, cerargyrite, plumbojarosite, copper carbonates, and vanadinite. The unoxidized portions of the deposits contain galena, pyrite, MOLYBDENITE, and chalcopyrite. POWELLITE is present with scheelite in tactitized limestone in contact with the granodiorite.

Reference: Schrader, 1947.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Reno sheet.

CLARK COUNTY

GOODSPRINGS MINING DISTRICT

Other names: Yellow Pine district; Potosi district.
Location: Tps. 23, 24, and 25 S., Rs. 57 and 58 E.

Geology: Lead-zinc, zinc, lead, copper, gold-silver, MOLYB-DENUM, vanadium, nickel-cobalt, and gold-platinum-

palladium deposits occur in the district. Tabular, orange to wax-brown crystals of WULFENITE line drusy cavities

Goodsprings Mining District (Cont.)

in many of the lead-zinc deposits. The lead-zinc mineralization occurs as bodies replacing Mississippian limestone and dolomite where brecciated fault zones and fractures cut these rocks. The bodies consist mainly of quartz, galena, cerussite, hydrozincite, calamine, some anglesite, smithsonite, and sphalerite, and locally some chalcopyrite, chrysocolla, malachite, and azurite.

Oxidation extends below the deepest workings.

Albritton, 1954.

Hewett, 1931.

U. S. Geol. Survey Goodsprings special topographic

quadrangle.

Shenandoah Mine

References:

Base map:

Location: Sec. 35, T. 24 S., R. 57 E.

Molybdenum production: In 1936(?) concentrates containing approximately 20 tons

> of molybdenum were produced from 5,000 tons of wulfenite ore. Ore was screened, and the wulfenite in the fines concentrated by tabling, followed by flotation.

Several adits and lateral workings totaling 2,500 feet, Development: mainly made while mining lead-zinc. The molybdenum ore was mined from an area 130 feet long, 160 feet thick,

and 10 to 30 feet wide.

Geology: WULFENITE occurs with cerussite, galena, smithsonite,

and hydrozincite in lenses in brecciated zones cutting

limestone.

Base map: U. S. Geol. Survey Shenandoah Peak 15' topographic

quadrangle.

Smithsonite Mine

Location: Secs. 25 and 26, T. 24 S., R. 57 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Development: A 55-foot shaft, 210 feet of drifts, and 2 stopes from

which some lead, zinc, and copper have been mined.

WULFENITE has been observed. Geology:

U. S. Geol. Survey Shenandoah Peak 15' topographic Base map:

quadrangle.

6. Mobile Mine

Location: Secs. 35 and 36, T. 24 S., R. 57 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

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Mobile Mine (Cont.)

Geology: Considerable WULFENITE occurs in two places in dolo-

mite breccia as flat, waxen-yellow crystals, many of which are entirely covered by fine crystals of calamine.

U. S. Geol. Survey Shenandoah Peak 15' topographic

quadrangle.

7. Whale Mine

Base map:

Geology:

Base map:

Location: Sec. 1, T. 25 S., R. 57 E.

Molybdenum production: None

Development: A number of shallow shafts, short adits, and short drifts

made while mining and exploring for zinc and lead.

In the eastern group of workings, small veins containing

cuprodescloizite, and locally a little galena, calamine, and WULFENITE, are sporadically distributed in limestone.

U.S. Geol. Survey Shenandoah Peak 15' topographic

quadrangle.

8. Pilgrim Mine

Location: Sec. 8, T. 24 S., R. 58 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Development: An inclined shaft with several stopes and three levels

totaling several hundred feet made while mining lead-

zinc ore.

Geology: Cerussite, galena, hydrozincite, calamine, and pyro-

morphite occur sporadically along folds in the bedding planes of limestone. WULFENITE is associated with the

lead-zinc mineralization.

Base map: U. S. Geol. Survey Goodsprings 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

9. Ruth Mine

Location: NE 1/4 sec. 29, T. 24 S., R. 58 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Development: An adit with several hundred feet of workings, a large

stope, and 2 shafts connecting with the adit level, made

while mining lead.

Geology: Small tabular crystals of WULFENITE are found on open

fractures in dolomitized limestone in the drifts off the adit, near a large ore shoot consisting of pods of galena up to 2 feet thick in a breccia zone which parallels the

bedding in the limestone.

Base map: U. S. Geol. Survey Goodsprings 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

10. Hermosa Claim

Location:

Near NW cor. sec. 4, T. 25 S., R. 58 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Cerussite, WULFENITE, galena, and pyromorphite occur in a breccia zone in limestone parallel to the bedding. U. S. Geol. Survey Goodsprings 15' topographic quad-

Base map:

rangle.

11. Hoosier Mine

Location:

West-central part of sec. 4, T. 25 S., R. 58 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Three adits and several stopes made while mining lead

and zinc.

Geology:

WULFENITE has been observed with galena, cerussite, and hydrozincite along a breccia zone in dolomitized limestone.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Goodsprings 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

12. Milford Mine

Location:

Sec. 5, T. 26 S., R. 58 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

A 380-foot inclined shaft with four levels and five stopes,

and several adits, made while mining lead-zinc ore.

Geology:

Five lead-zinc ore bodies in breccia zones cutting limestone and dolomite. WULFENITE is locally abundant.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Clark Mtn. 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

13. CUMBERLAND PROSPECT

Other names:

Oro Fino prospect; Crescent.

Location:

Sec. 22(?) or 27(?), T. 28 S., R. 61 E.

Molybdenum production:

Development:

None.

A 137-foot inclined shaft with 350 feet of workings made

while exploring for gold.

Geology:

"Formation is gneiss and granite. The ore values are chiefly in gold associated with silver, lead, and copper. Specimens of ore found on the dump showed vanadinite and WULFENITE."

Reference:

Vanderburg, 1937, p. 19.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Crescent Peak 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

SEARCHLIGHT MINING DISTRICT

Location: Secs. 22, 27, and 34, T. 28 S., R. 63 E. and secs.

2 and 3, T. 29 S., R. 63 E.

Geology: A number of gold veins carrying silver, lead, and copper

values occur mainly in early Tertiary(?) andesite flows, breccias, and intrusives. The veins form an echelon pattern around the western margins of the quartz monzonite stock that intrudes the andesite rocks. Most of the veins strike to the west and dip to the south. The largest are up to 50 feet wide and have been mined for over 1,000 feet along their strike and to a maximum depth of 900 feet. The veins consist mainly of quartz, wall-rock fragments, cerussite, and hemimorphite; and some chrysocolla, chalcocite, cuprite, hematite, malachite, brochantite, linarite, leadhillite, WULFENITE, vanadinite, and mottramite. Although the veins are almost completely oxidized, some galena, sphalerite, and chalcopyrite are

present locally.

Reference: Callaghan, 1939.

Base map: U. S. Geol. Survey Searchlight 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

14. Duplex Mine

Other name: IXL mine.

Location: SE cor. sec. 34, T. 28 S., R. 63 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Development: Extensive workings extending over 1,600 feet laterally

and to a depth of over 700 feet, made while mining gold

ore containing lead, silver, and copper values.

Geology: WULFENITE occurs sparingly as tabular orange-yellow

crystals in four veins cutting hornfels (altered andesite

pyroclastics) and andesite porphyry dikes.

15. Quartette Mine

Other name: Golden Treasure mine.

Location: Secs. 2 and 3, T. 29 S., R. 63 E.

Molybdenum production: None

Development: Over 5 miles of workings on 13 levels extending 2,100

feet laterally and to a depth of 870 feet; made while

mining silver, copper, gold, and lead.

Quartette Mine (Cont.)

Geology:

"WULFENITE . . . in characteristic square, tabular orangecolored crystals, is very common throughout the mine and does not necessarily indicate ore. It is apparently one of the later products of oxidation and occurs in little vugs and open fissures, implanted on the other minerals." The wulfenite occurs along one of the typical veins of the district. The vein is 3,300 feet long at the surface and has a general N. 20° W. strike and 50°-60° S. dip. It cuts andesite porphyry dikes and volcanic rocks now altered to hornfels, and Precambrian gneiss.

Reference:

Ransome, 1907, p. 71.

115. CHARLESTON RANGE

Location:

Molybdenum production:

Geology:

In the Spring Mountains (Charleston Range).

MOLYBDENITE reportedly occurs with pyrite in quartz.

116. BUDGET GROUP

Location:

"...about 11/2 miles south of Crescent"; Sec. 29, T. 28 S., R. 61 E.

Molybdenum production:

Geology:

None.

Several shallow shafts and adits, totaling about 600 feet, made while prospecting for gold and silver. Gold, WULFENITE, and vanadinite(?) occur in a quartz vein up to 2 feet wide, striking N. 25° E. and dipping 35°-50°

in gneiss.

Reference:

Vanderburg, 1937a, p. 21.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Crescent Peak 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

DOUGLAS COUNTY

16. RISUE CANYON

Other names:

Location:

Topaz Lake; may be same as Sweetwater (no. 75).

Sec. 33(?), T. 9 N., R. 23 E.

Molybdenum production:

Geology:

None.

MOLYBDENITE and POWELLITE occur with scheelite in

a contact metasomatic deposit.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Desert Creek Peak 15' topographic

auadranale.

CONTACT MINING DISTRICT

Location: Most of the mines and prospects, including all reported

occurrences of molybdenum, are in T. 45 N., Rs. 14

and 15 E.

Geology: A granodiorite stock intrudes Carboniferous limestone,

quartzite, and shale. Alaskite dikes cut the granodiorite and sedimentary rocks. Tertiary volcanic and sedimentary rocks locally cover the other rocks. Quartz, chalcopyrite, bornite, MOLYBDENITE, and specularite occur as bodies in contact metasomatized limestone around the granodiorite stock, as fissure veins and disseminations in or associated with the alaskite dikes, and as fissure veins, locally enlarged by replacement, in the granodiorite or limestone. Oxidation extends to depths of 150 to 250 feet; chrysocolla, malachite, azurite, chalcocite, cuprite, native

copper, limonite, and manganese oxides have been formed.

Schrader, 1912, p. 99-157.

Schrader, 1935.

Base maps: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Wells sheet.

U. S. Geol. Survey Contact 15' topographic quadrangle.

17. Alice Mine

Location:

References:

Molybdenum production:

Development:

Geology:

SW 1/4 sec. 14(?), T. 45 N., R. 63 E.

None.

80-foot shaft made while mining copper-silver ore.

Leaf-like veinlets of MOLYBDENITE forming a "mesh," are intergrown with malachite, azurite, and a little chalcopyrite, bornite, chalcocite, and covellite. These minerals occur in vertical bands and irregular stringers up to a foot wide in an 8-foot-wide body of contact metasomatized limestone about 300 feet north of the grano-

diorite stock.

U. S. Geol. Survey Contact 15' topographic quadrangle.

18. Helen B. Smith Tunnel

Other names:

Location:

Base map:

Molybdenum production:

Development:

Geology:

Helen B. tunnel; Gray Copper Corp. tunnel.

North-central part of sec. 22(?), T. 45 N., R. 63 E.

None.

A 2,205-foot adit with 520 feet of drifts and raises.

A little MOLYBDENITE occurs with specks of chalcocite, and some chalcopyrite, bornite, and covellite, in granodiorite. However, most of the copper mineralization exposed in the adit is in contact-metasomatized limestone

which apparently contains no molybdenite.

Base map: U. S. Geol. Survey Contact 15' topographic quadrangle.

19. Mammoth Mine

Location:

South-central part of sec. 15(?), T. 45 N., R. 63 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

580-, 520-, and 460-foot adits, and a number of smaller workings made while mining copper-silver-gold ore. Some MOLYBDENITE is associated with bornite, chalco-

Geology:

pyrite, copper carbonates, and chrysocolla in contact

metasomatized limestone.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Contact 15' topographic quadrangle.

20. Bonanza Mine

Other name:

Dolly B. prospect.

Location:

Sec. 21, T. 45 N., R. 63 E.

Molybdenum production:

None .

Development:

Workings totaling about 1,000 feet, including 45- and

60-foot shafts and several adits made while mining copper

ore.

Geology:

In an inclined winze in the upper west workings, small amounts of MOLYBDENITE occur with secondary copper minerals and some copper sulfides in contact-metasomatized limestone along the contact of the granodiorite stock. An

alaskite dike cuts the mineralized rock.

Base map:

U. S. Geol: Survey Contact 15' topographic quadrangle.

21. Copper Shield Group

Other name:

Effie Fay group.

Location:

Sec. 19, T. 45 N., R. 64 E. and/or sec. 24, T. 45 N.,

R. 63 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Adits and shafts.

Geology:

In the southern part of the group some MOLYBDENITE is associated with quartz, secondary copper minerals, bornite, chalcopyrite, and specularite as banded mineral-

ization in an alaskite dike.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Contact 15' topographic quadrangle.

22. Florence No. 16 Claim

Location:

Sec. 26(?), T. 45 N., R. 63 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

20-foot shaft.

Geology:

Considerable MOLYBDENITE is present in an alaskite dike in the more hematitic portion of a vein containing

ELKO COUNTY (Cont.)

Florence No. 16 Claim (Cont.)

copper carbonates, oxides, sulfides and silicate in glassy

quartz and hematite.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Contact 15' topographic quadrangle.

23. Ivy Wilson Mine

Other name:

McArdle mine.

Location:

5 miles southwest of Contact; sec. 34(?), T. 45 N.,

R. 63 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

A number of shallow shafts and adits.

Geology:

Chalcopyrite and some associated MOLYBDENITE and bornite are disseminated irregularly through a 400-by 6,000-foot area in contact-metasomatized limestone. This zone is 1,200 feet west of the granodiorite stock and parallel to both the limestone bedding and the wall of the stock. MOLYBDENITE also is disseminated in

a 1- to 3-foot garnetized quartzite(?) bed; the adjacent beds contain disseminated chalcopyrite and bornite.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Wells sheet.

24. ROBINETTE PROSPECT

Location:

Sec. 4, T. 46 N., R. 61 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Small specks of MOLYBDENITE, psuedomorphs of POW-ELLITE after flakes of molybdenite, and grains of scheelite are sparsely disseminated throughout a lens of tactitized limestone which occurs along a N. 45°-55° E.-trending contact with a granodiorite stock. Appreciable amounts of MOLYBDENITE are found near the south end of the tactite body in veins up to 2 inches thick, trending at right angles to the contact. The veins also contain quartz and some garnet, pyrite, and chalcopyrite.

Reference:

Granger, 1957, p. 59.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Elk Mountain 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

25. TENNESSEE MOUNTAIN

Location:

Sec. 8(?), T. 45 N., R. 56 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Pits, trenching, and drilling done while exploring for

or mining tungsten.

Geology:

Pyrite, MOLYBDENITE, and minor chalcopyrite occur

with finely disseminated scheelite in tactite which has

Tennessee Mountain (Cont.)

replaced limestone along the contact of a granite stock

with the Paleozoic Tennessee Mountain formation.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Rowland 15' topographic quadrangle.

26. HUBER HILL

Location:

Head of Schlag Draw, 2 miles east of Mountain City.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Adit, bulldozing, and drilling.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE occurs with pyrite in quartz veins, and

as disseminations in quartz monzonite.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Mountain City 15' topographic

quadrangle.

27. GOLDEN ENSIGN MINE

Location:

At the Golden Ensign mine which is 11/2 miles southeast

of Mountain City.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE with some gold and silver.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Rowland 15' topographic quadrangle.

28. OWYHEE

Location:

Sec. 16, T. 45 N., R. 51 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Trenches, three churn-drill holes.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE occurs in quartz veins cutting slate. At places the slate is unconformably overlain by Tertiary

basalt flows.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, McDermitt sheet.

29. TECOMA

Other name:

Jackson mine(?).

Location:

Sec. 7(?), T. 41 N., R. 70 E.

Molybdenum production:

Geology:

Speciments of WULFENITE on calcite from "Tecoma" are in the American Museum of Natural History and the

California Bureau of Mines.

Reference:

Horton, 1916, p. 89.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Wells sheet.

30. LUCIN MINING DISTRICT

Other name:

Pilot Range.

Location:

T. 39 N.(?), R. 70 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

WULFENITE occurs in both the Nevada and Utah parts of

the district.

Reference:

Gianella, 1941, p. 70.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Wells sheet.

31. FOX CREEK RANCH

Location:

Near Dinner Station, an abandoned stage post, T. 37 N.,

R. 54 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE with pyrite in silicified rock.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Wells sheet.

32. SPRUCE MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT

Location:

T. 31 N., Rs. 63 and 64 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Lead-silver and copper ores occur as replacement deposits in limestone and as fissure veins. A 500-foot-wide dike of granite porphyry extends east-northeast across the district. The lead-silver deposits contain limonite, cerussite,

anglesite, WULFENITE, and galena.

Reference:

Schrader, 1931, p. 11.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Spruce Mountain 15' topographic

quadrangle.

33. DOLLY VARDEN MINING DISTRICT

Location:

Tps. 28 and 29 S., Rs. 65 and 66 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

WULFENITE occurs with cerussite, anglesite, and residual kernels of galena in replacement deposits associated with north-trending fractures in limestone. These lead-silver deposits are found only in the extreme southeastern part of the district. A quartz monzonite stock crops out in the northern part of the district; copperbearing quartz veins cut the stock and contact metasomatic copper deposits occur in the limestone and shale surrounding the stock, but no molybdenum-bearing minerals

have been reported.

Reference:

Schrader and others, 1917, p. 200.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Elko sheet.

117. BATHOLITH MINE

Location:

Secs. 13 and 24, T. 45 N., R. 57 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Workings made while mining tungsten.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE and POWELLITE occur with scheelite in

a contact metasomatic deposit.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Wells sheet.

ESMERALDA COUNTY

34. CARRIE MINE

Location:

Sec. 26(?), T. 4 N., R. 38 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

230-foot inclined shaft with about a thousand feet of workings on three levels and considerable stoping on the upper levels, made while mining silver-lead ore.

Geology:

Quartz veins occur in a shear zone 3 to 10 feet wide in limestone near a quartz monzonite stock. The veins contain some pyrite, galena, tetrahedrite, and a little chalcopyrite, covellite, and copper carbonates. On the 210-foot level, MOLYBDENITE occurs in a vein with

galena, sphalerite, stibnite, and scheelite.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet.

35. TONOPAH DIVIDE MINE

Location:

Sec. 27, T. 2 N., R. 42 E.

Molybdenum production:

Development:

580-foot shaft with workings on 5 levels, made while

mining silver.

Geology:

In the Divide mining district, silver-bearing veins, trending north and dipping vertically, follow shear zones in Fraction rhyolite breccia. Intrusive bodies of Oddie rhyolite crop out in the district. The primary vein material consists of wall-rock fragments and minor quartz and pyrite; supergene enrichment has resulted in the downward concentration of silver as argentite, which subsequently has been almost completely converted to cerargyrite. A considerable amount of bright yellow FERRIMOLYBDITE(?) occurs as aggregates of minute needles on the 165-foot level of the Tonopah Divide mine at the point where the discovery crosscut intersects the main vein. The ferrimolybdite disappears with depth, and at the corresponding position on the next lower level there is abundant POWEL-LITE.

Tonopah Divide Mine (Cont.)

References: Knopf, 1921, p. 166.

Pough, 1937, pp. 57-64.

Base map: U.S. Geol. Survey Tonopah 71/2' topographic quad-

rangle.

36. LONE MOUNTAIN

Location: "... on Lone Mountain, in Esmeralda County, about

14 miles from Tonopah . . . "

Molybdenum production: None.

Geology: Reportedly MOLYBDENITE occurs here.
Reference: Eng. & Min. Jour., vol. 76 (1903), p. 667.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet.

37. BLACK HORSE MINE

Other name: Alice mine.

Location: Sec. 25, T. 2 N., R. 34 E.

Molybdenum production: Nor

Geology: MOLYBDENITE and POWELLITE occur in tactite (garnetized

limestone) several hundred feet from a body of granite.

Scheelite-quartz veins cut the tactite.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Walker Lake sheet.

GOLDFIELD MINING DISTRICT

38. Columbia

Location: "At Columbia", deposit is probably in sec. 35 or 36, T. 2 S.,

R. 42 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Specimens of MOLYBDENITE "with POWELLITE, schee-

lite and kaolin."

Reference:

Horton, 1916, p. 87.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Goldfield special topographic map.

39. Grandma(?) Shaft

Location:

SW 1/4 sec. 36, T. 2 S., R. 42 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Flakes of MOLYBDENITE occur as isolated flakes and rosettes disseminated sparsely through pre-Tertiary alaskite(?) in the east face of the dump. Thin quartz vein-

lets in the alaskite contain grains of pyrite. The alaskite makes up only a very small fraction of the total dump.

Base map: Plate 1, U. S. Geol. Survey Prof. Paper 66.

40. REDEMPTION MINE

Location:

"1 1/2 miles south of Hornsilver"; T. 7 S., R. 42 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology: Reference:

WULFENITE occurs in mine.

Sanford and Stone, 1914, p. 123.

41. BULLFROG-GEORGE PROSPECT

Other name:

Slate Ridge.

Location:

T. 7 S., R. 41 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Small pits and cuts.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE occurs sporadically as small tablets and irregular masses in and between the quartz "individuals" of a 4- to 6-foot-wide quartz vein, striking N. 70° W. and dipping vertically, in granite. Pyrite, chalcopyrite, fluorite, galena, and chalcocite(?) also are found in the vein. Bright-yellow needles and tufted aggregates of MOLYBDITE are present where the molybdenite is oxidized.

Ball, 1907, pp. 192, 194, 195.

Reference: Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Goldfield sheet.

42. CUCOMUNGO DEPOSIT

Other names:

Alum Gulch deposit; Tule Canyon deposit; Poison Spring deposit; Sorensen and Roper properties; Siskon property; Chessher property; Cucamunga deposit; Alum Creek deposit.

Location:

Mainly in secs. 2 and 3, T. 7 S., R. 39 E.

Molybdenum production:

Development:

Roper adit (approximately 900 feet long including several short laterals), drill holes, and extensive roads made while exploring for molybdenum.

Geology:

A northwest-trending zone of weakness, a thousand feet wide and several miles long, occurs in (Cottonwood) quartz monzonite along the contact with a wedge of metasediments which separate the quartz monzonite from a stock of older (Uncle Sam) quartz monzonite porphyry to the southwest. The rocks within the zone have been silicified, sericitized, and argillized. Flakes and rosettes of MOLYB-DENITE are sparsely disseminated through the silicified and sericitized Cottonwood quartz monzonite and along the edges of quartz veinlets in the altered Cottonwood quartz monzonite. Pyrite also is present, but copper minerals are almost completely absent. Limonite, iron

Cucomungo Deposit (Cont.)

sulfate, jarosite, and other oxidation products are abundant at the surface but molybdenite and pyrite also are found. Yellow FERRIMOLYBDITE(?) is present but difficult to distinguish from the other yellow secondary minerals. Abundant dark blue ILSEMANNITE(?) is forming on the dump of the Roper adit, and occurs along a fault zone in the altered area. The water from Poison Springs and from the Roper adit contains appreciable amounts of MOLYBDENUM.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Magruder Mtn. 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

43. MC BOYLE PROSPECT

Other name:

Copper Canyon prospect.

Location:

Sec. 16(?), T. 7 S., R. 39 E.; in Copper Canyon at

California-Nevada line.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

One hundred feet above canyon bottom, MOLYBDENITE, pyrite, and minor quartz occur along fault on the contact between marble and the (Uncle Sam) quartz monzonite porphyry. In the canyon bottom, ILSEMANNITE(?) and FERRIMOLYBDITE(?) stain a 4-inch fault zone in the

quartz monzonite.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Magruder Mtn. 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

EUREKA COUNTY

44. MINERAL HILL MINING DISTRICT

Location:

Sec. 10, T. 26 N., R. 52 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Open cuts, adits, and shallow stopes totaling 3,000 feet; made while mining silver and some gold, copper, lead,

and zinc.

Geology:

Quartz, wall-rock fragments, calcite, barite, argentite, tetrahedrite, galena, copper carbonates, sphalerite, pyromorphite, cerussite, polybasite, steffanite, pyrite, and MOLYBDENITE are contained in replacement bodies and as breccia-fillings in the more intensely shattered

Mineral Hill Mining District (Cont.)

part of a breccia zone in Paleozoic limestone. The breccia zone trends north, and is a quarter of a mile long and several hundred feet wide. Three highly altered dikes, striking east, cut the limestone in the vicinity of the ore

deposits.

Reference:

Eissler, 1898, p. 154-167.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Mineral Hill 15' topographic quad-

ranale.

45. EUREKA MINING DISTRICT

Location:

Tps. 18 and 19 N., Rs. 53 and 54 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Numerous mines and prospects with extensive workings

made while mining lead-silver ore.

Geology:

WULFENITE is relatively abundant and widespread in the oxidized ore of the district. Many excellent specimens have been found. MOLYBDENITE also is present in the ore, but only in a few spots, and in small amounts. The mineral deposits of the district are replacement chimneys, irregular bodies, veins, cavern linings, and bedded deposits associated with fissures, mainly in Cambrian limestone. Galena, pyrite, arsenopyrite, and sphalerite are common below the zone of oxidation. Galena, cerussite, anglesite, and mimetite occur in the oxidized zone which extends to a depth of 1,200 feet. MOLYB-DENUM is present in appreciable amounts in the slag and other waste products resulting from the smelting of

the Eureka ores.

References:

Blake, 1878, p. 559. Gianella, 1941, p. 52.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Eureka Mining District topographic

quadrangle.

46. ANTELOPE MINE

Other names:

Fish Creek Wells mine; Eather mine.

Location:

Secs. 17 and 18, T. 17 N., R. 52 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

A 350-foot adit, 240-foot raise, and other workings totaling about 1,000 feet; apparently made in the 1800's while exploring the lead-silver-zinc veins. After 1928, some stripping and trenching were done while developing the MOLYBDENUM deposit.

Antelope Mine (Cont.)

Geology:

Pyrrhotite, sphalerite, and MOLYBDENITE occur in contact metasomatized limestone along the edge of a granite porphyry body. Fissure veins that cut the limestone contain pyrite, galena, sphalerite, and the oxidation products of

these minerals.

Reference:

Petar, 1932, p. 21.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Bellevue Peak 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

118. GIBELLINI MINE

Other name:

Black Iron mine.

Location:

South-central part of sec. 35, T. 16 N., R. 52 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Open cuts, a 176-foot adit, a 305-foot inclined shaft, and over 1,200 feet of drifts and crosscuts made while

mining manganese.

Geology:

Several pipe-shaped bodies of psilomelane and pyrolusite occur in Paleozoic limestone. The ore contains appreciable zinc and nickel, and a little cobalt, copper,

vanadium, and MOLYBDENUM.

Reference:

Binyon, 1948.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Cockalorum Wash 15' topographic

quadrangle.

HUMBOLDT COUNTY

47. SNOW CREEK

Other names:

Desert View; Leonard Creek.

Location:

Sec. 35(?), T. 43 N., R. 28 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Flakes of MOLYBDENITE associated with pyrite, chalcopyrite, secondary copper minerals, and scheelite(?) occur in a quartz vein in a tactite zone adjacent to granodiorite.

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Vya sheet.

Base map:

48. BARTLETT CREEK

Other name:

Possibly same as Snow Creek (No. 47).

Location:

On Bartlett Creek; probably in T. 41 N., R. 27 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE in epidote-rich skarn.

Base map:

U.S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Vya sheet.

49. AMOS

Location:

Molybdenum production:

Geology:

Reference: Base map:

"Near Amos"; probably SE 1/4 sec. 33, T. 41 N., R. 37 E.

None.

"Fine flakes [of MOLYBDENITE] with quartz, sericite,

and pyrite."

Horton, 1916, p. 87.

U. S. Geol. Survey Awakening Peak 15' topographic

quadrangle.

OSGOOD MOUNTAINS

50. Getchell Mine

Location:

Molybdenum production:

Development:

Geology:

References:

Base map:

Mainly sec. 33, T. 39 N., R. 42 E.

In 1958, 19,058 pounds of flotation(?) concentrates containing 45.4% molybdenum were sold by Getchell Mine, Inc. It is not known whether this production came from the Getchell mine or from other mines in the Osgood Mountains.

Extensive underground workings and pits made while

mining gold and tungsten.

MOLYBDENITE, chalcopyrite, and pyrite are associated with scheelite in tactite zones in limestone along the northeast side of the granodiorite stock in the northcentral part of the Osgood Mountains. MOLYBDENITE and minor ILSEMANNITE are associated with orpiment, realgar, marcasite, and stibnite in granodiorite dikes and sills that have penetrated siliceous gold ore occurring in the sheared shale in and along the hanging wall of the north-northwest-trending Getchell fault.

Hardy, 1941, p. 147.

Joralemon, 1951, p. 273.

U. S. Geol. Survey Osgood Mountains 15' topographic

quadrangle.

51. Chase Prospect

Location:

Molybdenum production:

Development:

Geology:

NW 1/4 sec. 4, T. 38 N., R. 42 E.

None.

Pit made while developing a tungsten deposit.

Scheelite and POWELLITE occur in sheared argillite in the north-trending Getchell fault along the east side of the granodiorite stock in the north-central part of the

Osgood Mountains.

Reference:

Hobbs and Clabaugh, 1946, p. 19.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Osgood Mountains 15' topographic

quadrangle.

52. Riley Mine

Other names:

Reilly mine; Dernan property.

Location:

North part of sec. 9, T. 38 N., R. 42 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Open cuts made while mining tungsten.

Geology:

Scheelite, and local concentrations of pyrite, chalcopyrite, sphalerite, bismuthinite, and MOLYBDENITE, occur in contact metasomatized limestone along the east side of the granodiorite stock in the north-central part

of the Osgood Mountains.

Reference:

Hobbs, 1948, p. 74.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Osgood Mountains 15' topographic

quadrangle.

53. Granite Creek Mine

Location:

Southern part of secs. 29 and 30, T. 38 N., R. 42 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Adits, glory holes, pits, and trenches made while mining

tungsten.

Geology:

Scheelite, and sporadic pyrite, chalcopyrite, and MOLYB-DENITE, occur in irregular and discontinuous bodies of tactite in contact metasomatized limestone along the south side of the granodiorite stock in the north-central

part of the Osgood Mountains.

Reference:

Hobbs, 1948, p. 83.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Osgood Mountains 15' topographic

quadrangle.

54. BLOODY RUN MINE

Location:

Sec. 11, T. 38 N., R. 37 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Scheelite and MOLYBDENITE occur in a 1,000-foot-long

quartz vein, trending north, in a stock of granodiorite.

Reference:

Kerr, 1946, p. 171.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, McDermitt sheet.

55. WINNEMUCCA

Other name:

Winnemucca Mountain.

Location:

T. 36 N., R. 37 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Winnemucca (Cont.)

Geology: MOLYBDENITE occurs "with quartz, chalcopyrite, and

gypsum."

Reference:

Horton, 1916, p. 87.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Rose Creek 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

56. SONOMA MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT

Other name:

Sonoma Range.

Location:

Probably sec. 1,2, or 12, T. 35 N., R. 38 E., or sec. 6

or 7, T. 35 N., R. 39 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

POWELLITE occurs "in contact metamorphic deposits with

scheelite."

Reference:

Gianella, 1941, p. 80.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Winnemucca 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

57. GOLCONDA MINING DISTRICT

Location:

Sec. 8(?), T. 35 N., R. 40 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

A specimen of MOLYBDENITE from the Golconda district

is in the Mackay School of Mines museum.

Base map:

U.S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Winnemucca sheet.

58. MOLLY PROSPECT

Other names:

Nevada Climax Mineral claims; Gold Run mining district.

Location:

T. 34 N., R. 40 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

A 30-foot inclined shaft, made while exploring for MOLYB-

DENUM, tungsten, and copper.

Geology:

Thin quartz veins containing MOLYBDENITE, chalcopyrite, pyrite, and minor scheelite occur in widely spaced, parallel

fractures, dipping 20° NW. in granite near a contact with

basalt.

Base map:

U.S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Winnemucca sheet.

59. COPPER CANYON MINE

Sec. 27, T. 31 N., R. 44 E.

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Molybdenum production:

Two shafts and workings on 4 levels, made while mining Development:

copper-gold and lead-zinc-silver ores.

the Mackay School of Mines museum; it may be from the WULFEUITE from the Battle Mountain mining district in of the Pennsylvanian Battle formation. A specimen of disseminated deposits in the lower conglomerate member a little galena, sphalerite, and scheelite in veins and pyrite, some calcite, arsenopyrite, and pyrrhotite, and MOLYBDENITE occurs with quartz, chalcopyrite, and

Geology:

rocation:

lead-zinc-silver bodies in this mine.

Roberts, 1951.

90° LEWIS MINING DISTRICT

"Near Lewis"; probably 5W 1/4 T. 30 N., R. 45 E.

U. S. Geol. Survey Antler Peak 15' topographic quadrangle.

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Geology: Molybdenum production:

in the California Bureau of Mines museum.

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U. S. Geol, Survey Mt. Lewis 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

91° INDIAN CREEK

2ec. 13(?), T. 29 N., R. 46 E. Gray Eagle mine(?).

rocation: Other name:

MOLYBDENITE, POWELLITE, scheelite, and quartz in . anoM

Geology: Molybdenum production:

hornfels.

gaze wab:

U. S. Geol. Survey Mt. Lewis 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

62, VIOLET SHAFT

"About 1 mile southwest of Tenabo"; Sec. 16(?), T. 28 N., Tenabo; Violet claim.

rocation: Other names:

B° 4≥ E°

Development: Molybdenum production:

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Violet Shaft (Cont.)

Geology: "In the jointing of the country rocks [siliceous shale and

quartzite] there are some small seams of MOLYBDENITE.

Granite crops out nearby."

Reference:

Emmons, 1910, p. 118.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Crescent Valley 15' topographic

quadrangle.

63. CORTEZ MINING DISTRICT

Location:

Tps. 26 and 27 N., Rs. 47 and 48 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE and other molybdenum minerals occur

in the district.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Cortez 15' topographic quadrangle.

64. REESE RIVER MINING DISTRICT

Other name:

Austin mining district.

Location:

The molybdenum occurrences are in the True Blue tunnel and other workings in New York Canyon, in sec. 33(?),

T. 20 N., R. 44 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Numerous mines and prospects made while mining and

exploring for silver.

Geology:

Small quantities of MOLYBDENITE occur with quartz and pyrite, and some chalcopyrite, arsenopyrite, galena, sphalerite, tetrahedrite, and proustite in veins cutting Cambrian(?) quartzite adjacent to a stock of quartz

monzonite.

Reference:

Ross, 1953, p. 56, 126, pl. 1.

Base map:

Plate 1, U. S. Geol. Survey Bull. 997.

65. BIRCH CREEK MINING DISTRICT

Location:

The molybdenum occurrences probably are in secs. 25,

26, 35, and 36, T. 18 N., R. 44 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Flakes of MOLYBDENITE up to three fourths of an inch across are scattered through quartz veins up to 18 inches wide in granodiorite. Sericite(?) and chalcopyrite are

associated with the molybdenite in the veins.

Reference:

Hill, 1916, p. 126.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Roberts Mountains 15' topographic

quadrangle.

119. LINKA MINE

Location:

(Unsurveyed) T. 17 N., R. 45 1/2 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Open pits, glory holes, stopes and other underground

workings made while mining tungsten.

Geology:

Some POWELLITE, MOLYBDENITE, chalcopyrite, and pyrite occur with scheelite in a contact metasomatic deposit in limestone along a contact with a quartz mon-

zonite intrusive body.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Millett sheet.

LINCOLN COUNTY

66. PATTERSON MINING DISTRICT

Other name:

Swartz Canyon.

Location:

"On the summit of the [Schell Creek] range at Swartz

Canyon" which is 3 miles north of Patterson Pass in T. 9

N., R. 65 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

A 300-foot adit.

Geology:

A few scales of MOLYBDENITE occur in a "rather strong"

joint striking east and dipping steeply north in quartzite.

Reference:

Hill, 1916, p. 124.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Lund sheet.

67. TEM PIUTE MINING DISTRICT

Location:

The tungsten deposits are in secs. 25 and 26, T. 3 S., R. 56 E.; secs. 30 and 31, T. 3 S., R. 57 E.; and sec. 1, T. 4 S., R. 56 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Scheelite occurs in tactite (contact metasomatized limestone) along the western side of two granite stocks. Some of the richest tungsten ore is in small masses of calcitefluorite-sphalerite in marble remnants adjoining tactite. POWELLITE is present in the tungsten deposits, and the yellow-fluorenscence of part of the scheelite suggests that it contains some MOLYBDENUM. MOLYBDENITE, partially replaced by POWELLITE, is found sparingly in a quartz lens in tactite about 2,000 feet south of the

Lincoln mine.

Reference:

Wyant and Lemmon, 1951.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Caliente sheet.

68. OLD SOLDIER MINE

Other name:

Churchill Butte.

Location:

Sec.(?), T. 17 N., R. 24 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

A 400-foot adit and considerable drifting, made while

mining gold and silver.

Geology:

Reportedly WULFENITE occurs in several veins with tungsten

and galena(?).

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Churchill Butte 15' topographic

quadrangle.

69. SILVER CITY MINING DISTRICT

Location:

"Near Devils Gate"; Sec. 8, T. 16 N., R. 21 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

"MOLYBDENITE occurs in a small vein . . . "

Reference:

Gianella, 1936, p. 92.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Virginia City 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

70. BENWAY MINING DISTRICT

Location:

Sec. 12, T. 14 N., R. 28 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Very limited workings.

Geology:

At least 10 veins, striking N. 75° E. and dipping steeply south, cut a quartz monzonite stock and limestone. The veins are up to 20 feet wide and up to a mile long, and are associated with the limestone-quartz monzonite contact. They consist mostly of wall-rock fragments, quartz, and gouge, and some argentite, chalcopyrite, pyrite, cerargyrite, malachite, "limonite", and MOLYBDENITE.

Reference:

Schrader, 1947, p. 294.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Reno sheet.

71. YERINGTON MINING DISTRICT

Location:

"In Yerington district."

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE "in pegmatite."

Reference:

Sanford and Stone, 1914, p. 120.

72. MC COY PROSPECT

Other name:

Fly Boy prospect.

Location:

NW 1/4 sec. 15, T. 11 N., R. 26 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Bulldozer cuts.

Geology:

Flakes of MOLYBDENITE and blebs of chalcopyrite are disseminated sparsely in granite. Several persistent fractures and small sheared areas contain stains of secondary copper minerals and a small amount of secondary uranium

minerals.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Yerington 15' topographic quadrangle.

73. W & P. MINE

Other name:

Last Chance mine.

Location:

SW 1/4 sec. 34, T. 10 N., R. 26 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Some molybdenum ore reportedly has been mined but not

shipped.

Geology:

Veinlets of MOLYBDENITE, quartz, and secondary copper

minerals occur in a shear zone in "granite."

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Pine Grove Hills 15' topographic

quadrangle.

74. DESERT CREEK PEAK

Other name:

May be same as Sweetwater (No. 75).

Location:

Sec. 27(?) or 28(?), T. 9 N., R. 24 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Pits and trenches.

Geology: Base map: MOLYBDENITE occurs in Tertiary volcanic rocks.
U. S. Geol. Survey Desert Creek Peak 15' topographic

quadrangle.

75. SWEETWATER

Other names:

May be same as Desert Creek Peak (No. 74) or Risue Canyon (No. 16), or may be distinct occurrence.

Location:

"At Sweetwater, Nevada."

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Little.

Geology:

"... a MOLYBDENITE deposit outcrops on the surface for 3,000 feet along a vertical dike of decomposed granite.

MOLYBDENITE and FERRIMOLYBDITE are disseminated

in flakes, seams, and pockets".

Sweetwater (Cont.)

Reference:

Michell, 1945, p. 112.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Desert Creek Peak 15' topographic

quadrangle.

MINERAL COUNTY

76. BROKEN HILL MINE

Location:

Sec. 26(?), T. 14 N., R. 35 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

At least six silver-lead veins, striking west to N. 30° W., cut andesite tuff and breccia. Cerargyrite, cerussite, anglesite, proustite, pyrargyrite, "limonite," and jarosite are present in the oxidized portions of the veins. Argentiferous galena, some pyrite, chalcopyrite, and sphalerite, and rare MOLYBDENITE occur in increasing amounts with increasing depth. Andesite and basalt dikes have intruded the volcanic rocks. A granodiorite porphyry stock crops out 2 miles southeast of the mine.

Reference:

Schrader, 1947, p. 131.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Reno sheet.

77. RAWHIDE MINING DISTRICT

Location:

T. 13 N., R. 32 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Numerous mines and prospects made while mining and ex-

ploring for gold and silver.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE occurs in the district.

Reference:

Schrader, 1947, p. 163.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Reno sheet.

78. COPPER MOUNTAIN MINE

Location:

Sec. 2, T. 11, N., R. 31 E., and sec. 35, T. 12 N.,

R. 31 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

6,000 feet of workings developed through three shafts and

several adits, made while mining copper-gold-silver ore.

Irregular masses and dikes of quartz monzonite porphyry

intrude Jurassic-Triassic limestone. Chalcopyrite, cupriferous pyrite, chalcocite, and MOLYBDENITE are disseminated as grains and streaks in altered quartz mon-

Geology:

Copper Mountain Mine (Cont.)

zonite porphyry, and occur as disseminations and large masses in contact-metasomatized (garnetized) limestone in

contact with the quartz monzonite.

Schrader, 1947, p. 269, 273, 275, 280.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Walker Lake sheet.

79. RAND MINE

Reference:

Other name: Nevada Rand mine.

Location: Sec. 29(?) or 30(?), T. 11 N., R. 32 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Development: 5,000 feet of workings on six levels, made while mining

gold and silver.

Geology: White or yellowish platy crystals of WULFENITE are dis-

seminated in veins containing quartz, wall-rock fragments, cerargyrite, argentite, and a little tetrahedrite, pyrite, chalcopyrite, malachite, chrysocolla, tenorite, cerussite, pyrargyrite, and polybasite. The veins are in a faulted and brecciated zone, striking northwest, which cuts andesite. The zone is 20 to 200 feet wide, about 5 miles long, and extends through the Bovard mine (No. 80) to

the southeast.

Reference: Schrader, 1947, p. 254-255.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Walker Lake sheet.

80. BOVARD MINE

Location: Sec. 33, T. 11 N., R. 32 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

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Geology: Two parallel throughgoing veins, as well as several shorter

veins and splits, occur in the same northwest-trending faulted and brecciated zone in which the Rand mine (No. 79) is located. The veins consist mainly of quartz, wall-rock fragments, and a little pyrite and chalcopyrite. "Locally the veins are sparingly streaked bluish with MOLYBDENITE stains . . . and the quartz . . . is freely parallel marked with streaks and stringers up to 1/10 inch

wide of bluish-black ILSEMANNITE . . . "

Reference: Schrader, 1947, p. 238, 240.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet.

81. DOUGLAS PROSPECT

Location:

South of Simon, T. 8 N., R. 37 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology: Base map: MOLYBDENITE sprinkled through quartz.

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet.

82. GARFIELD HILLS

Other name:

Luning; Sulphide prospect(?).

Location:

Base map:

Sec. 10, T. 7 N., R. 33 E. None.

Molybdenum production:

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE and POWELLITE with scheelite.

U. S. Geol. Survey Hawthorne 1° topographic quadrangle.

83. LUCKY BOY AREA

Other name:

Hawthorne.

Location:

"South of Alum Canyon," T. 6 or 7 N., R. 30 E.

Molybdenum production:

Geology:

Several tungsten deposits occur along the eastern front of the Wassuk Range. Granodiorite intrudes limestone which has been contact metasomatized to tactite. Scheelitebearing veinlets cut the tactite. "South of Alum Canyon there are, in or near the contact zone, bodies of sulphide ores with silver, gold, MOLYBDENITE, galena, pyrite, and chalcopyrite".

Reference:

Hess, 1921, p. 280.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Powell Mtn. 15' topographic quad-

rangle.

84. CORY CANYON

Location:

Probably T. 7 N., R. 29 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Open cuts made while prospecting for molybdenum.

"MOLYBDENITE is present in granite."

Geology: Reference:

Vanderburg, 1937b, p. 46.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Aurora and Powell Mtn. 15' topo-

graphic quadrangles.

85. PILOT MOUNTAINS

Other names:

Pilot Range [sic]; Graham Springs; Lindsey mine(?).

Location:

Sec. 7(?), T. 6 N., R. 37 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Reference:

Pilot Mountain (Cont.)

Geology: Scheelite, and some argentiferous galena with associated

> WULFENITE, occur in quartz veins or pipes in tactite layers in limestone that has been intruded by granodiorite and granodiorite porphyry. Scheelite also is disseminated through the tactite (contact-metasomatized limestone).

Kerr, 1946, p. 175.

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet. Base map:

86. PINE TREE PROSPECT

Other names: Mina; Mena[sic].

Location: Sec. 3(?), T. 6 N., R. 35 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Geology: MOLYBDENITE and copper minerals are disseminated

through sedimentary rocks.

U. S. Geol. Survey Hawthornel® topographic quad-Base map:

rangle.

87. SILVER DYKE MINES

Location: Sec. 10(?), T. 5 N., R. 34 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Development: Several mines operated as a unit while mining tungsten. Geology: The Silver Dyke vein system consists of several remarkably

persistent parallel fracture fillings of quartz forming a continuous zone extending more than 6 miles east-west in both Triassic(?) andesite and a diorite body that has intruded the volcanic rock. Scheelite is concentrated in the portion of the vein system that is in contact with the diorite body. The scheelite fluoresces pale yellow, probably because of the presence of MOLYBDENUM, which averaged about one-half percent in the tungsten

concentrates.

Kerr, 1936. Reference:

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Walker Lake sheet.

88. REDLICH

Location: At (?) Redlich, a former town, in sec. 17(?), T. 4 N.,

R. 36 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

MOLYBDENITE occurs in quartz veins.

Geology: Reference: Sanford and Stone, 1914, p. 120.

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet. Base map:

89. TEELS MARSH

Other name:

Marietta.

Location:

"In the hills west of Teels Marsh."

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

"Prospected as a potential tungsten ore . . . "

Geology:

MOLYBDENUM-bearing scheelite occurs in tactite close

to a body of granodiorite.

Reference:

Ferguson and others, 1954.

Base map:

U.S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Walker Lake sheet.

90. QUEENS

Location:

"3 miles northeast of Queens"; sec. 11(?), T. 1 N.,

R. 32 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

Quartz, scheelite, fluorite, and MOLYBDENITE occur in tactite (contact metasomatized sedimentary rocks) near the

contact with quartz diorite.

Reference:

Kerr, 1946, p. 176.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey White Mountain 30' topographic

quadrangle.

NYE COUNTY

91. DOWNEYVILLE MINE

Location:

Sec. 11, T. 12 N., R. 36 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Numerous shallow shafts and "grass roots" stopes made

while mining lead, and some silver and zinc.

Geology:

The ore occurs in pipe-like areas of cross fracturing in Triassic limestone. Most of the ore is oxidized and consists of porous gossan containing cerussite and WULFENITE. Pyrrohotite, sphalerite, and galena are present in the

deepest workings.

Reference:

Kral, 1951, p. 108.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Paradise Peak 15' topographic

quadrangle.

92. BARCELONA MINE

Other name:

Spanish Belt mine.

Location:

Sec. 21(?), T. 10 N., R. 45 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

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Barcelona Mine (Cont.)

Development: A 2,000-foot adit and other workings, made while mining

silver. Some trenching has been done while exploring an

area of disseminated molybdenite.

Geology: MOLYBDENITE is disseminated in hornfels near the stock

of "alaskite" which extends from near Belmont (No. 95) northwestward into the Round Mountain mining district

(No. 93).

Reference:

Kral, 1951, p. 24.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet.

93. ROUND MOUNTAIN MINING DISTRICT

Location:

Probably T. 10 N., R. 44 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

WULFENITE occurs in the district.

Reference:

Gianella, 1941, p. 52.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet.

94. SUPERIOR PROSPECT

Location:

In Wall Canyon, T. 10 N., R. 42 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Three shallow shafts and a 150-foot adit.

Geology:

Gouge, chalcocite, chalcopyrite, barite, and a little MOLYBDENITE occur in a vein which cuts limestone.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet.

95. BELMONT MINING DISTRICT

Location:

T. 9 N., R. 45 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

A number of mines from which silver ore was produced

Geology:

Quartz veins containing pyrite, sphalerite, stetefeldite, silver chloride, and a little MOLYBDENITE and WUL-FENITE, occur in slate, limestone, and an "alaskite" granite stock. This stock extends north westward into

Round Mountain mining district (No. 93).

References:

Horton, 1916, p. 89. Lincoln, 1923, p. 160.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet.

96. MANHATTAN MINING DISTRICT

Location:

T. 8 N., R. 44 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Manhattan Mining District (Cont.)

Geology: A specimen of MOLYBDENITE from the Manhattan mining

district is in the Mackay School of Mines museum.

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Tonopah sheet. Base map:

97. HALL PROPERTY

Other name:

San Antone.

Location:

Geology:

Sec. 5 T. 5 N., R. 42 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Over 4,400 feet of underground workings and extensive diamond drilling, done while exploring for molybdenum.

MOLYBDENITE, pyrite, and minor chalcopyrite occur in

quartz veins and pods which form a tabular ore body 50

to 75 feet wide and 1,500 feet in length. The ore body is mostly in schist, with the remainder in the adjacent quartz monzonite body to the north. The ore body and

many of the veins that form the ore body roughly parallel the quartz monzonite-schist contact and the foliation of

the schist. FERRIMOLYBDITE and "limonite" are common in the zone of oxidation which extends to a depth of 95 to

150 feet. POWELLITE is erratically distributed in the vicinity of the ore body. ILSEMANNITE(?) was found at

one spot near the workings. Numerous quartz veins and masses form a halo around the margins of the quartz mon-

zonite and intruded rocks. Many of the veins and masses contain MOLYBDENITE. The rocks in the halo have been

silicified, sericitized, and argillized.

References:

Anderson and Cox, 1943.

Michell, 1945, p. 99-114.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Topogah sheet.

98. TONOPAH MINING DISTRICT

Location:

At Tonopah.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

WULFENITE occurs sparingly (as very thin, colorless to

very pale-yellow, basal plates with diametral pyramids on the edges) in some of the veins in porous quartz masses associated with iodyrite, barite, and gypsum. Crystals of iodyrite commonly are perched on plates of wulfenite.

Burgess, 1911, p. 20.

Reference: Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Tonopah 15' topographic guadrangle.

99. OAK SPRING MINING DISTRICT

Location:

"2 miles outh of Oak Springs", T. 8 S., R. 53 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE and scheelite, the molybdenite largely altered to POWELLITE, occur together in a vein. Scheelite also is present in other veins which cut both limestone and granite, and in garnitized limestone near the granite stock. The powellite is dull gray, and occurs in platy masses (up to several centimeters across, and commonly bent and twisted in different directions) that are psuedomorphic after molybdenite. The amount of unaltered molybdenite varies from a considerable quantity to none at all. An analysis of this powellite gave only a trace of

 WO_3

Reference:

Schaller, 1911, p. 81-83.

PERSHING COUNTY

100. ROSE CREEK MINE

Location:

Sec. 6, T. 34 N., R. 37 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

400-foot adit with some workings, made while developing a tungsten deposit.

Geology:

Scheelite occurs, with some pyrite and chalcopyrite, and a little sphalerite, arsenopyrite, and MOLYBDENITE, in small quartz veins and disseminations throughout a 4-foot-thick tactite layer (contact metasomatized calcareous argillite bed) and adjacent argillite. Bodies of granite and granodiorite crop out some distance to the east, southeast, and southwest. Two varieties of scheelite occur either separately or as irregular intergrowths in the same crystal: one variety fluoresces bluish-white and contains about 0.05 percent MOLYBDENUM: the other variety fluoresces light yellow and contains about 1.8 percent

MOLYBDENUM.

Reference:

Roberts, 1943.

Base map:

U. S. Geol, Survey Rose Creek 15' topographic guadranale.

MILL CITY

Other names:

Tungsten; Nevada-Mass; includes Stank and Humboldt

mines described below.

Location:

Secs. 26, 27, 34, and 35, T. 34 N., R. 34 E.

Mill City (Cont.)

Geology:

Development: Many thousands of feet of underground workings, as well

as extensive open pits, made while mining tungsten. Scheelite occurs in varying amounts in 1- to 8-foot tactitized limestone beds, widely spaced in hornfels, west

and south of a stock of granodiorite. Some scheelite also is present in quartz veins which fill tension fractures in the tactite and surrounding hornfels. Pyrite and traces of pyrrhotite, chalcopyrite, stibnite, and bismuthinite(?)

are disseminated through the tactite. MOLYBDENITE fills fractures which cut garnet, epidote, and scheelite in the

tactite.

101. Stank Mine

Location: SE 1/4 sec. 27, T. 34 N., R. 34 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Geology: "Mo

"MOLYBDENITE is found in a small concentration a few feet long and about six inches in width occurring on the 300 level in the Stank mine just north of the shaft . . . [and] is widely distributed in small amounts on the lower

levels . . . "

Reference: Kerr, 1934, p. 30.

Base map: U. S. Geol. Survey Eugene Mountains Area 15' topographic

quadrangle.

102. Humboldt Mine

Location: East-central part of sec. 34, T. 34 N., R. 34 E.

Molybdenum production: No

Geology: MOLYBDENITE "is widely distributed in small amounts

in the lower levels of the Humboldt [mine] . . . "

Reference: Kerr, 1934, p. 30.

Base map: U. S. Geol. Survey Eugene Mountains Area 15' topographic

quadrangle.

120. IRON FORGE(?) PROSPECT

Location: SW 1/4 sec. 2 T. 33 N., R. 34 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Development: An adit and pits made while exploring for or mining

tungsten.

Iron Forge(?) Prospect (Cont.)

Geology: MOLYBDENITE reportedly occurs with pyrite as small

disseminated flakes in skarn, and in quartz veins cutting the skarn. Scheelite occurs elsewhere in the skarn. The contact metasomatized beds reportedly are the same beds

as those containing scheelite at Mill City.

Base map: U. S. Geol. Survey Eugene Mountains Area 15' topographic

quadrangle.

103. FIFTY-SIX MINE

Other name: 56 mine.

Location: Sec. 27, T. 33 N., R. 33 E.

Molybdenum production: None

Development: Shallow workings from which some copper ore was mined.

Molybdenite was later discovered during diamond drilling.

Geology: MOLYBDENITE occurs with copper.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Lovelock sheet.

104. EMPIRE MINING DISTRICT

Location: T. 31 N., R. 24 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Geology: Flakes of MOLYBDENITE in quartz.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Lovelock sheet.

NIGHTINGALE MINING DISTRICT

Location: SE 1/4 T. 25 N., R. 24 E.

Molybdenum production: None.

Geology:

Development: Two tungsten mines and several tungsten prospects.

A stock of granodiorite intrudes Triassic(?) shale and interbedded limestone. Scheelite is locally abundant enough to form small ore bodies in tactitized (contact metasomatized) limestone in contact with the stock. Some POWELLITE, and minor pyrite, pyrrhotite, MOLYB-DENITE, chalcopyrite, and arsenopyrite, also occur in

the tactite.

Reference: Gianella, 1941, p. 80.

Base map: Smith and Guild, 1942, p. 39.

105. Garfield Force Mine

Location:

NW 1/4 sec. 31, T. 25 N., R. 25 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development: Geology: 40-foot adit and stopes, made while mining tungsten. An unusual variety of tactite, composed mainly of dark green pyroxene, some garnet, and specks of scheelite and MOLYBDENITE, is present in the dump at a shallow

shaft 1,000 feet northwest of the main adit.

Reference:

Smith and Guild, 1942, p. 54.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Lovelock sheet.

121. MAJUBA HILL

Location:

Probably T. 32 N., R. 31 E. or T. 33 N., R. 30 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE occurs at Majuba Hill.

Base map:

U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Lovelock sheet.

STOREY COUNTY

106. COMSTOCK LODE

Location:

At Virginia City and Gold Hill.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

WULFENITE occurs in the oxidized zone of the Comstock

Lode within a few hundred feet of the surface.

Reference:

Lincoln, 1923, p. 227.

WASHOE COUNTY

107. GUANOMI MINE

Location:

Near Nixon which is in sec. 25, T. 23 N., R. 23 E;

in the Pyramid Lake Indian Reservation.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Molybdenum-copper ore mined but not shipped. MOLYBDENITE with copper mineralization.

Geology:

MOLYBUENITE with copper mineralization.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Nixon 15' topographic qua angle.

108. HILL-JOHNSON PROSPECT

Other name:

Redrock.

Location:

Sec. 27, T. 22 N., R. 19 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Hill-Johnson Prospect (Cont.)

Development: A small shallow pit.

Geology: Dark to pale-blue molybdenum stains (ILSEMANNITE?)

occur on quartz stringers forming a 1- to 2-foot-wide zone in schist. The zone trends north and dips gently west,

and can be traced for several hundred feet.

Base map: U. S. Geol. Survey Reno 15' topographic quadrangle.

109. VERDI

Other name: Fleish.

Location: Below hydroelectric plant at Fleish; sec. 29, T. 19 N.,

R. 18 E.

Molybdenum production:

Development:

None.

Geology: Base map: Films of MOLYBDENITE occur along fractures in "granite." U. S. Geol. Survey Mt. Rose 15' topographic quadrangle.

110. STEAMBOAT SPRINGS

Location: In upper silica pit; center of sec. 32, T. 18 N., R. 20 E.

Molybdenum production:

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Geology: Blue stains of ILSEMANNITE(?) coat walls of pit in basalt

that has been altered to silica by hot spring activity.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Mt. Rose 15' topographic quadrangle.

WHITE PINE COUNTY

111. MC MURRY PROSPECT

Location: NW 1/4 sec. 36(?), T. 24 N., R. 62 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

Open cut.

Geology:

"Small bluish-gray metallic scales" of MOLYBDENITE and specks of pyrite occur in narrow quartz stringers in

a 15-foot-wide breccia zone, striking N. 35° E., in

quartzite.

Reference: Hill, 1916, p. 41, 167.

Base map: U. S. 1:250,000 scale topographic map, Ely sheet.

112. ODDIE TUNNEL

Other names: Bald Mountain; Blue Bell group.

Location: NW 1/4 sec. 22(?), T. 24 N., R. 57 E.

Oddie Tunnel (Cont.)

Molybdenum production:

None.

Development:

120-foot adit.

Geology:

A little disseminated MOLYBDENITE and pyrite, small barren quartz veinlets, and some copper carbonate occur in a highly sericitized and calcitized quartz monzonite

dike within a stock of granite porphyry.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Cold Creek Ranch 15' topographic

quadrangle.

113. ROBINSON MINING DISTRICT

Other names:

Ely mining district; Ruth mining district.

Molybdenum production:

T. 16 N., R. 62 E.

Location:

Over 2 million dollars worth of molybdenite concentrates

have been recovered from the copper ore.

Development:

Several large open pits and underground mines from which over 4 billion pounds of copper, nearly 2 million ounces of gold, and 7 million ounces of silver have been produced.

Geology:

Porphyry (disseminated) copper deposits occur along an east-west zone, mainly in hydrothermally altered monzonite porphyry intrusive bodies and to a lesser extent in adjacent sedimentary rocks. The monzonite intrusive bodies and the hydrothermal alteration also are concentrated along the same east-west zone. Both faults and fractures have helped to control the locations of the ore bodies. Pyrite and chalcopyrite occur as disseminated grains and veinlets and as blebs in quartz veinlets. Coatings and flakes of MOLYBDENITE occur erratically along fractures in the porphyry copper deposits. The ore bodies have been exidized to a depth of from 100 to more than 400 feet, and the sulfide minerals removed by leaching. A zone of supergene enrichment generally occurs below the zone of oxidation; here chalcocite replaces both the pyrite and chalcopyrite as coatings on the sulfide grains.

References:

Bauer and others, 1960, p. 220-228.

Spencer, 1917.

Base map:

U. S. Geol. Survey Reiptown and Ruth 71/2' topographic

quadrangles.

114. WHITE PINE MINING DISTRICT

Other name:

Hamilton mining district.

Location:

The molybdenite occurrence is in the west-central part

of sec. 21, T. 16 N., R. 57 E.

Molybdenum production:

None.

Geology:

MOLYBDENITE occurs in quartz veins in and near the Monte Cristo quartz monzonite stock; chalcopyrite and pyrite also occur in the same area as veins and disseminations. WULFENITE reportedly occurs in the lead

deposits of the district.

Base maps:

U. S. Geol. Survey Green Springs 15' topographic quad-

rangle .

Geologic map of the White Pine district: plate 1, Nev-

ada Bureau Mines Bull. 57, 1960.

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CHURCHILL COUNTY

- Scott Prospect
- 2 Nevada Wonder Mine 3 Chalk Mountain Mining District

CLARK COUNTY

- Shenandoah Mine Smithsonite Mine
- Mobile Mine
 Whale Mine
 Pilgrim Mine
 Ruth Mine

- 10 Hermosa Claim 11 Hoosier Mine 12 Milford Mine

- 13 Cumberland Prospect
 14 Duplex Mine
 15 Quartette Mine
- 115 Charleston Range 116 Budget Group

DOUGLAS COUNTY

16 Risue Conyon

ELKO COUNTY

- 17 Alice Mine 18 Helen B. Smith Tunnel 19 Mammoth Mine 20 Bonanza Mine

- 20 Bonanza Mine
 21 Copper Shield Group
 22 Florence No. 16 Claim
 23 Ivy Wilson Mine
 24 Robinette Prospect
 25 Tennessee Mountain
 26 Huber Hill
 27 Golden Ensign Mine
 28 Owyhee
 29 Tecome
 30 Lucin Mining District
 31 Fox Creek Ranch
 32 Spruce Mountain Mining District
 33 Dolly Varden Mining District
 117 Botholith Mine

ESMERALDA COUNTY

- 34 Carrie Mine 35 Tonopah Divide Mine 36 Lone Mountain 37 Black Horse Mine

- Columbia Grandma (?) Shaft
- 40 Redemption Mine
 41 Bullfrog George Prospect
 42 Cucomungo Deposit
 43 Mc Boyle Prospect

EUREKA COUNTY

- 44 Mineral Hill Mining District 45 Eureka Mining District 46 Antelope Mine 118 Gibellini Mine

HUMBOLDT COUNTY

- 47 Snow Creek 48 Bartlett Creek 49 Amos

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LANDER COUNTY

- 59 Copper Canyon Mine
 60 Lewis Mining District
 61 Indian Creek
 62 Violet Shaft
 63 Cortez Mining District
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LINCOLN COUNTY

- 66 Patterson Mining District 67 Tem Piute Mining District

LYON COUNTY

- 68 Old Soldier Mine
 69 Silver City Mining District
 70 Benway Mining District
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 72 Mc Coy Prospect
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 74 Desert Creek Peak
 75 Sweetwater

MINERAL COUNTY

- 76 Broken Hill Mine
 77 Rawhide Mining District
 78 Copper Mountain Mine
 79 Rand Mine
 80 Bovard Mine
 81 Douglas Prospect
 82 Garfield Hills
 83 Lucky Boy Area
 84 Cory Canyon
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NYE COUNTY

- 91 Downeyville Mine
 92 Barcelona Mine
 93 Round Mountain Mining District
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- 100 Rose Creek Mine 101 Stank Mine

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106 Comstock Lode

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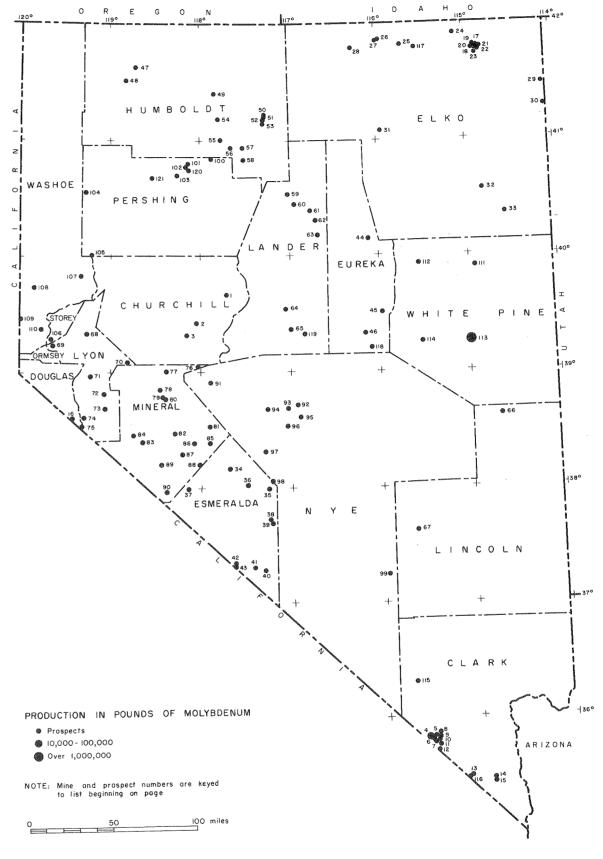


Plate 1. Map showing location of Nevada molybdenum occurrences.

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