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HUMBOLDT COUNTY

GOLCONDA DISTRICT

District organized in 1866; manganese associated with tungsten discovered 4 miles east of Golconda in 1885, and prospecting for precious metals without result.. Three carloads of manganese ore shipped in 1893 and one carload in 1918.

GOLCONDA LEDGE MINING COMPANY , two patented and one unpatented claim 2 miles south of Golconda. In 1937 "last work done on property in 1917". From 1908-1915 13,705 tons of ore mined with an assay value of \$90,749. From this \$65,632.33 of bullion recovered according to mint returns. Underground workings total 2000 feet, with longest tunnel only 220 feet. Values in gold , present in oxidized material in a quartzite formation.

RARE METALS CORPORATION in 1937 acquired six unpatented claims in district, putting in about 700 feet of work. Total production of manganese was 200 tons to 1937; manganese also carried tungsten; Mn occurs in lenses (thin) underlain by shale and overlain by a capping of soil and tufa generally not more than a few feet thick. Manganese is a soft sooty oxide with streaks and bunches of iron oxide along the margins. Car sample of 30 tons in 1918 assayed Mn. 32.5%, Silica 6.2%, Tungsten 1.5%, iron 5.2% and phos-0.056%.