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Tungsten as scheelite occurs finely disseminated in the vein quartz, and sparsely in the limestone wall rock adjacent to the vein. Ore production from the mine approximated 3,000 tons that contained 1.25 percent WO_3 .

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