

## STATE OF NEVADA

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RENO, NEVADA

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Ellis E. Lawton & Company,  
State Tower Building,  
Syracuse, New York.

Gentlemen:

Attention, Mr. Alfred J. Stalker

In response to your inquiry of April 5, 1932, relative to the Como  
and Haywood Mines:

The mines of the Como District are at present inactive. W. H. Scott, agent at Dayton, Nevada, for the Como Mines Company, states that his principals are attempting to raise funds to resume work this summer. The property consists of 27 unpatented and 2 patented mining claims in Como District. Between Oct. 1929 and 1931 the Boyle tunnel, which taps the mineralized area, at considerable depth was enlarged to 8' x 8' for a distance of 5450 feet, to be used as an adit through which veins existing on the Como, North Rapidan and Buckeye claims may be worked and drained.

The Como Mines Company also acquired all of the mining property in Silver City District formerly owned by the Hotaling Estate Company, which includes the Haywood mine, of which you specifically inquire.

The officers of the Como Mines Company are Charles Oster, New York, president; E. S. McCurdy, San Francisco, secretary, Chas. P. Branchot, Buffalo, vice president; R. M. Atwood, Dayton, Nevada, Consulting engineer, c/o W. H. Scott, resident agent, Dayton, Lyon County, Nevada.

The Haywood group of claims is known as the St. Joe Consolidated Mines Corporation which is now probably a part of the Como Mines Company. The St. Joe Consolidated Corporation owns 12 claims in one block in Silver City District and includes the Haywood, Andrews, Harkin and Santiago claims on the Haywood vein, and also 9 other claims, all said to be patented.

The Haywood group has much merit, and a long record of production. Mr. Sidney Ball, well known mining engineer, made an examination and report on this group in 1913, for the Hotaling Estate, and I presume you could obtain a copy, or at least see it, by applying to Mr. Wm. H. Scott, resident agent, Dayton, Nevada. Ball's report is said to state that the Santiago and Haywood mines produced \$1,650,000 prior to 1913. Intermittent mining on both the Haywood and Santiago has been carried on since. In 1931, lessees working near the surface produced \$14,691 from 1870 tons of ore. This year the production from the Santiago is greater already, a new ore shoot of considerable size having been discovered in new ground by Messrs. Trimble and Hickey of Silver City. They have to date mined over 1700 tons averaging around \$11.00 per ton,



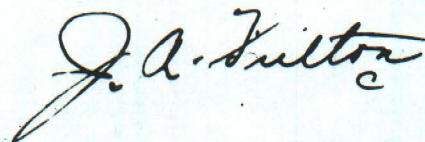
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all of which is treated by amalgamation in the Trimble Mill at Silver City. Mr. A. M. Smith of the State Bureau of Mines examined the Santiago this month, and was favorably impressed, and states that in addition to more than 1000 tons of ore in sight, the lessees have 1500 linear feet of virgin ground along the vein to the northwest which has attractive possibilities. Shipments have also been made to the Trimble mill from the Haywood claim during the past year.

A great deal can be written about the Como and Silver City Districts. The latter district is very active; 8 or 10 mines and leases are in operation; and two custom stamp mills and one cyanide plant are in continuous operation. Although one of the oldest districts in Nevada, it has an enviable record of continuous operation and production; and is today one of the best gold districts in the state.

Yours very truly,



J. A. Fulton  
Director

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