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Black Diamond Mining Company Collection
1883 - 1969

DESCRIPTION

This small collection consists of documents and research materials associated with the Black Diamond Mining Company near Pearce, AZ. Research documents describe the company operations, the location in the Dragoon Mountains, and description of the ore extracted. Personal reminiscences of individuals who had knowledge of Black Diamond are present. A stock certificate for 1907, a report of a stockholder's meeting in 1903, and a mining plot map of the location are also in the collection. Two folders of reproduced newspaper clippings depict events associated with the Black Diamond Mine and community from 1901 to 1912. Two photos show the old smelting ruins and the mine entrance. Two additional documents in folder one make reference to another Black Diamond Mine located in the Santa Rita Mountains south of Tucson established in 1883 but bears no relation to the operations in the Dragoon Mountains.

1 Box, .25 linear ft.

HISTORICAL NOTE

The Black Diamond Mining Company was organized in 1898 with its main offices in New York with the local office in Pearce, AZ. A community, initially called Black Diamond Camp and later Black Diamond Arizona, was established by 1902 with a hotel, store, and a post office operated from 1902 to 1908. N. O. Bagge was identified as the initial manager and E. D. Kennedy as president. In 1912 the property was sold for unpaid taxes at auction to J. G. Hearne and F. C. Hoffman.

ACQUISITION

Unknown

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

The collection was processed earlier and revised by Dave Tackenberg in July 2008.

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1

Folder 1: Black Diamond Mining Claims Identifications	1883/1889/1969
f.2 Black Diamond Mine Descriptions	
f.3 Black Diamond Reminiscences	1969
f.4 Black Diamond Mine Plot Map	1909
f.5 Black Diamond Stock Certificate	1907
f.6 Black Diamond Stockholder's Meeting	1903
f.7 Black Diamond Forms and Receipts	1904
f.8 Black Diamond Hotel Stationary and Receipts	N.D.
f.9-10 Newspaper Clipping Associated with Black Diamond Mine or Community	1901-1912/1960/1969
f.11 Listing of Names from Great Register Associated With Black Diamond Community	1902 – 1906
f.12 Photographs of Mine Entrance and Smelter Ruins	
f.13 Research Notes and MISC. Items	