

Harper Consolidated Mines album, 1912

Overview of the Collection

Title	Harper Consolidated Mines album
Dates	1912 (inclusive) 1912 1912
Quantity	0.15 cubic feet (1 box)
Collection Number	5582 (Accession No. 5582-001)
Summary	The Harper Consolidated Mines album appears to be have been compiled in 1912 as a resource to promote a proposed, new mining company to potential investors. The material is contained in a standard commercial photograph album and includes nineteen typescript documents, fourteen affixed photographs (two of which are cyanotypes), as well as seven loose photographs documenting activities at Republic Camp in Ferry County, Washington.
Repository	University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 speccoll@uw.edu
Access Restrictions	Open to all users.
Additional Reference Guides	
Languages	English

Historical Note

John Lawrence Harper (1873-1961) was prominently involved in the mining industry, journalism, and other related businesses in Eastern Washington State during the first decade of the twentieth century. By 1912, he was manager of the Republic Mines Corporation, based out of Spokane, Washington, which was reported to be the largest operating mine in Washington State. Harper also served as general manager of the North Washington Power and Reduction Company.

Content Description

The Harper Consolidated Mines album appears to be have been compiled as a resource to promote a proposed, new mining company to potential investors. A company (or companies with a series of owners) responsible for working different mines in Washington State's Republic Camp had existed since 1898 and had been called variations on "Republic Consolidated Mines Corporation" throughout its history. Harper, who was the general manager of Republic, intended to develop mines and a cyanide mill at Republic Camp, but it is not clear that this project ever came to fruition under the name, Harper

Consolidated Mines. The material is contained in a standard commercial photograph album and includes nineteen typescript documents, fourteen affixed photographs (two of which are cyanotypes), as well as seven loose photographs documenting activities at Republic Camp in Ferry County, Washington. Also tipped in at the front is a three-page typescript biography of J. L. Harper extracted from Nelson Wayne Durham's "History of the city of Spokane and the Spokane District" (1912). Photographs, several of which are credited to F. G. Christian of Spokane, Washington show the presence of Spokane businessmen at the mines and "visitors from the East" (including women). The album also contains an image of the pouring of molten ore, along with photographs highlighting the landscape of Republic, Washington and some of the mines associated with the Republic Consolidated Mine Company, including the Surprise Mine and the Lone-Pine Mine.

Administrative Information

Arrangement

Arranged as received

Acquisition Information

Source: Tavistock Books, 07/20/2010

Processing Note

Processed by D. Hamilton; processing completed in 2011.

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Businessmen--Washington (State)--Spokane--Photographs
Gold mines and mining--Washington (State)--Ferry County
Mines and mineral resources--Washington (State) --Photographs
Mines and mineral resources--Washington (State)--Ferry County
Mining corporations--Washington (State)
Silver mines and mining--Washington (State)--Ferry County

Personal Names :

Harper, J. L. (John Lawrence), 1873-1961

Corporate Names :

Republic Mines Corporation

Geographical Names :

Republic (Wash.)--Economic conditions
Republic (Wash.)--Photographs

Form or Genre Terms :

Albums
Cyanotypes (photographic prints)
Photographs

Other Creators :

Personal Names :

Christian, F. G. (Frederick Gerald), b. 1884

(creator)

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Personal Papers/Corporate Records (University of Washington)

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