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### Land Department

## An Inventory of Its Mine Inspection Reports

### OVERVIEW OF THE RECORDS

**Agency:** Minnesota. State Auditor. Land Dept.  
**Series Title:** Mine inspection reports.  
**Dates:** 1916-1927 (bulk 1921-1927).  
**Quantity:** 3.4 cu. ft. (3 boxes and 1 partial box).  
**Location:** See Detailed Description section for box locations.

### SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE RECORDS

Correspondence regarding mine lease provisions, mining companies' activities thereunder, provisions for payment of royalties, ore tonnage mined, and the measurement or calculation thereof; reports from state mine inspectors on the status of operations at individual mines; discussions of operations, problems, and mining and shipping logistics at various mines; reports of ore analyses; copies of mineral lease contracts and agreements; and occasional blueprints of minesites and mine profiles. The files are those of Frank A. Wildes, State Superintendent of Mines.

### ARRANGEMENT OF THE RECORDS

The files are arranged first chronologically; thereunder by Auditor's Office file number.

### RELATED MATERIALS

These files are succeeded by the Conservation Department, Lands and Minerals Division, Mine inspection reports, 1928-1949.

## INDEX TERMS

*This collection is indexed under the following headings in the catalog of the Minnesota Historical Society. Researchers desiring materials about related topics, persons or places should search the catalog using these headings.*

### **Topics:**

Iron mines and mining—Minnesota.  
Land use—Minnesota.  
Managing.  
Mines and mineral resources—Minnesota.  
Public lands—Minnesota.

### **Places:**

Minnesota—Public lands.

### **Persons:**

Wildes, Frank A.

### **Types of Documents:**

Maps—Minnesota.  
Photographs—Minnesota.

## ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

### **Preferred Citation:**

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## DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

*Note to Researchers: To request materials, please note the location shown below. Each file consists of one folder unless specified otherwise.*

### Location

- 111.C.12.7B
1916.  
2401 Helmer Mine.
1917.  
1508 Missabe Mountain Mine.  
2500 Fay Mine: Agreement.
1921.  
1108 Scranton Mine.  
2800 Woodbridge Mine.  
3701 Hill Annex Mine: General.  
3703 Hill Annex Mine: Scale.  
3708 Hill Annex Mine: Stockpile.  
4008 Mesabi Chief Mine: Stockpile.
1922.  
1101 Scranton Mine.  
1700 Seville Mine.  
1708 Seville Mine: Stockpile.  
1810 Wacoutah Mine.  
2100 Hanna "A" Pit.  
2203 Leonidas Mine: Tonnage.  
2205 Leonidas Mine: Analysis.  
2800 Woodbridge Mine.  
3508 Smith Mine: Stockpile.  
3700 Hill Annex Mine: Salaries and Expenses.  
3703 Hill Annex Mine: Scales.  
3708 Hill Annex Mine: Rock Rejects.  
4901 Majorca Mine.  
5600 Rabbit Lake.
1923.  
1100 Scranton Mine.  
1102 Scranton Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1110 Scranton Mine: Waste Dump.  
1302 Frantz Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1402 Grant Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1502 Missabe Mountain Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1602 Alberta Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1802 Wacoutah Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1810 Wacoutah Mine: Waste Dump.

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2000 Shiras Mine.  
2002 Shiras Mine: Inspection Report.  
2102 Hanna "B" Stockpile Mine: Inspection Report.  
2110 Hanna Mine: Waste Dump.  
2200 Leonidas Mine.  
2202 Leonidas Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2203 Leonidas Mine: Tonnages.  
2402 Helmer Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2502 Fay Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2508 Fay Mine: Stockpile.  
2802 Woodbridge Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3202 Minnewas Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3300 Section Seventeen Mine.  
3400 State Pit Mine: Test Report.  
3402 State Pit Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3500 Smith Mine.  
3502 Smith Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3700 Hill Annex Mine.  
3702 Hill Annex Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3703 Hill Annex Mine: Scales.  
3708 Hill Annex Mine: Stockpile.  
4401 Leetonia Mine on Carson Lake.  
4802 Kevin Mine: Inspection Reports.  
4900 Majorca Mine.  
4902 Majorca Mine: Inspection Reports.  
5002 Margaret Mine: Inspection Reports.  
5101 Pilot Mine.  
5600 Rabbit Lake.  
5900 F. H. Wade: Inspection Reports.  
1924.  
1002 Pool Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1102 Scranton Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1502 Missabe Mountain Mine: Inspection Reports, D. A. Mitchell.  
1502 Missabe Mountain Mine: Inspection Reports, A. H. Stevens.  
1802 Wacoutah Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2002 Shiras Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2008 Shiras Mine: Stockpile.  
2102 Hanna "B" Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2200 Leonidas Mine.  
2201 Leonidas Mine: Weighmaster Salary and Expenses.  
2202 Leonidas Mine: H. F. Kendall Reports.  
2202 Leonidas Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2402 Helmer Mine: Inspection Reports.

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111.C.12.7B 2501 Fay Mine.  
2507 Fay Mine: Inspection Reports.

111.C.12.8F 3202 Minnewas Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3300 Thorne Mine.  
Formerly Section Seventeen Mine.  
3400 State Pit Mine.  
3400 State Pit Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3502 Smith Mine.  
3600 Wanless Mine.  
3600 Wanless Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3702 Hill Annex Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3708 Hill Annex Mine: Stockpile.  
3710 Hill Annex Mine: Waste Dump.  
3713 Hill Annex Mine: Non-merchantable Ore.  
3901 Philben Mine.  
3902 Philben Mine: Inspection Reports.  
4801 Kevin Mine.  
4802 Kevin Mine: Inspection Reports.  
4902 Majorca Mine: Inspection Reports.  
5002 Margaret Mine: Inspection Reports.  
5600 Rabbit Lake.  
5600 Rabbit Lake: Blueprints.  
5602 Rabbit Lake: Inspection Reports.  
5700 Helen Mine.  
5702 Helen Mine: Inspection Reports.  
5708 Helen Mine: Stockpile.  
5900 F. H. Wade: Inspection Reports.  
6000 Vernon Mine.  
6002 Vernon Mine: Inspection Reports.  
6004 Vernon Mine: Shipments.  
6101 Great Western Mining Company Explorations: Blueprints.  
1925.  
1002 Pool Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1002 Idle Mines: Inspection Reports.  
1102 Scranton Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1302 Frantz Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1502 Missabe Mountain Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1802 Wacoutah Mine: Inspection Reports.  
1902 Silver Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2000 Shiras Mine.  
2002 Shiras Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2102 Hanna "B" Mine: Inspection Reports.

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- 111.C.12.8F
- 2202 Leonidas Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 2208 Leonidas Mine: Stockpile.
  - 2400 Helmer Mine.
  - 2602 Wacoutah "B" Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 3202 Minnewas Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 3500 Smith Mine.
  - 3502 Smith Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 3601 Wanless Mine.
  - 3602 Wanless Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 3702 Hill Annex Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 3713 Hill Annex Mine: Non-merchantable Ore.
  - 3902 Philbin Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 4802 Kevin Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 4902 Majorca Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 5002 Margaret Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 5700 Helen Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 5702 Helen Mine: Inspection Reports, D. A. Mitchell.
  - 6000 Vernon Mine.
  - 6100 Niagara Mine.
- 111.C.12.9B
- 1926.
- 1000 Idle Mines: Inspection Reports. 2 folders.
  - 1100 Scranton Mine.
  - 1102 Scranton Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 1108 Scranton Mine: Stockpile.
  - 1500 Missabe Mountain Mine.
  - 1502 Missabe Mountain Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 1505 Missabe Mountain Mine: Lone Jack Mine.
  - 1508 Missabe Mountain Mine: Stockpile.
  - 1800 Wacoutah Mine.
  - 1802 Wacoutah Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 1808 Wacoutah Mine: Stockpile.
  - 2000 Shiras Mine.
  - 2002 Shiras "B" Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 2008 Shiras "B" Mine: Stockpile, Right-of-Way.
  - 2200 Leonidas Mine.
  - 2202 Leonidas Mine: Reports.
  - 2203 Leonidas Mine: Scales.
  - 2205 Leonidas Mine: Analyses.
  - 2400 Helmer Mine.
  - 2402 Helmer Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 2500 Fay Mine.
  - 2602 Wacoutah ["B"?] Mine: Inspection Reports.

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- 3200 Minnewas Mine: Inspection Reports.
- 3500 Smith Mine.
- 3502 Smith Mine: Inspection Reports.
- 3508 Smith Mine: Stockpile.
- 3600 Wanless Mine.
- 3602 Wanless Mine: Inspection Reports.
- 3700 Hill Annex Mine.
- 3702 Hill Annex Mine: Inspection Reports.
- 3705 Hill Annex Mine: Analyses.
- 3900 Philbin Mine.
- 3902 Philbin Mine: Inspection Reports.
- 4000 Mesabi Chief Mine.
- 4802 Kevin Mine: Inspection Reports.
- 5002 Margaret Mine: Inspection Reports.
- 5008 Margaret Mine: Stockpile, Right-of-Way.
- 5200 Martin Mine: Blueprint.
- 5600 Rabbit Lake.
- 5702 Helen Mine: Inspection Reports.
- 5708 Helen Mine: Stockpile.
- 5800 Syracuse Lake: Maps.
- 6002 Vernon Mine: Inspection Reports.
- 1927.
  - 1000 Pool Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 1000 Idle Mines: Inspection Reports.
  - 1100 Scranton Mine.
  - 1102 Scranton Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 1108 Scranton Mine: Stockpile.
  - 1302 Frantz Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 1500 Missabe Mountain Mine.
    - Includes photographs of the mine.
  - 1500 Missabe Mountain Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 1505 Missabe Mountain Mine: Analyses.
  - 1508 Missabe Mountain Mine: Stockpile.
  - 1800 Wacoutah Mine.
  - 1802 Wacoutah Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 1808 Wacoutah Mine: Stockpile.
  - 2000 Shiras Mine.
  - 2002 Shiras Mine: Inspection Reports.
  - 2005 Shiras Mine: Analyses.

**Location**

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2200 Leonidas Mine.  
2202 Leonidas Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2203 Leonidas Mine: Scale Tests.  
2208 Leonidas Mine: Stockpile.  
2400 Helmer Mine.  
2402 Helmer Mine: Inspection Reports.  
2600 Wacoutah Mine.  
2602 Wacoutah Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3202 Minnewas Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3500 Smith Mine.  
3502 Smith Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3602 Wanless Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3700 Hill Annex Mine.  
3702 Hill Annex Mine: Inspection Reports.  
3704 Hill Annex Mine: Shipments.  
3705 Hill Annex Mine: Analyses.  
3708 Hill Annex Mine: Stockpile.  
3900 Philbin Mine.  
4002 Mesabi Chief Mine: Inspection Reports.  
4800 Kevin Mine.  
4802 Kevin Mine: Inspection Reports.  
4900 Majorca Mine.  
4902 Majorca Mine: Inspection Reports.  
5000 Margaret Mine.  
    Includes photographs of the mine.  
5002 Margaret Mine: Inspection Reports.  
5008 Margaret Mine: Stockpile.  
5400 Northland Mine.  
5600 Rabbit Lake.  
5700 Helen Mine.  
5702 Helen Mine: Inspection Reports.  
5708 Helen Mine: Stockpile.  
5802 Syracuse Mine: Inspection Reports.