

WHITE PINE COPPER COMPANY



DRILLING A "ROUND"
FOR BLASTING



LOADING THE BROKEN ORE
WITH A JOY LOADER



WAGNER ORE TRUCK HAULING 17 TONS OF ROCK



MINE

MILL

SMELTER



DUMPING THE ORE ONTO CONVEYOR BELT AT A DUMP STATION

ERALD

Points of Interest
Ski Slide
In
Mountains

Interests of This Ontonagon Country

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Smelter at White Pine in Operation Copper Being Produced at Industry's Newest Mine

The Copper Range Company announces that its subsidiary, the White Pine Copper Company, located in Carp Lake Township, west of Ontonagon, is bringing its new smelter into operation and is producing copper. This is an important milestone in the development of this ore body of some 300,000,000 tons of ore, carrying 11% copper, potentially one of the largest deposits of copper in North America. The work on the development and construction of this modern mine and plant with a rated capacity of 75,000,000 pounds of copper annually began in March 1952. This project, including the construction of lavatory buildings and the installation of equipment in the mine, smelter, power plant, with all utility facilities for the townsite and plant, is essentially completed.

The town of White Pine now has a population of approximately 4,000 people.

Turner Construction Company of New York carried on the work as Agent and General Contractor for the company. Architectural designing and engineering work was carried out by Western-Knap Engineering Company, of San Francisco, Stone and Webster of Boston, and Pace Associates of Chicago.

This project was financed by government loans totaling \$87,000,000 supplemented by \$13,000,000 from the Copper Range Company. The company has a contract with the government for the production and disposition of 550,000,000 pounds of refined copper under favorable terms and conditions.



IN THE CRUSHER BUILDING ...
ONE STEP IN MILLING THE ORE



CASTING THE REFINED METAL