

GRANT COUNTY

Planning Unit 042: AML Printout #277: T133N, R88W Section 1, SE

Additional Legal Location: Section 1, S1/2

Name:

Owner:

Lah Coal Mining Co. (aka A.J. Lah Coal Mining Co.) (1927-1936)
Lah Coal Mining Co. and Miller & Ketterling Bros. Mine (1937)
Lah Coal Mine (1938-1941, 1950)
Van Houten Coal Mine (1951-1952)

No data

Category: Commercial/local and regional

Type: Underground, shaft (1927-1941); Strip (surface) (1950-1952)

Overburden:	Coal Seam:	Thickness Mined:	Source:
No data	No data	No data	Not applicable

Cultural Resource Site Number: Not formally recorded

Basic Data (excerpted from primary sources):

This mine is listed as a new mine in 1927. The mine apparently was operated as an underground mine continuously from 1927 through 1941; however, it should be noted that production statistics for this mine are listed under Lah Coal Mining Co. and the Summary of Inspection lists a Miller & Ketterling Bros. Mine "formerly Lah Mine" in 1937. All other years from 1927 through 1941, the mine is listed as the Lah Coal Mining Co. or the Lah Coal Mine. The mine is listed as not operating" in 1941, and no listings were noted for the mine until 1950, when the Lah Coal Mine is listed as a "new mine" and a "strip" mine. R.C. Van Houten is listed as the superintendent of the Lah Coal Mine in 1950, and in 1951 and 1952 a Van Houten Coal Mine (strip mine) is listed; therefore, production statistics for the Van Houten Coal Mine have been included with those for the Lah Coal Mining Co./Lah Coal Mine (see Notes, below). No listings for a Lah Coal Mine or a Van Houten Coal Mine were noted following 1952; it is not known if the mine ceased operations or ceased reporting.

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

[source:year(pages)]

WCB Map:n.d.

Notes:

No information was noted that definitely relates the Lah Coal Mining Co./Lah Coal Mine with the Van Houten Coal Mine.

Lah Coal Mining Co./Lah Coal Mine/Van Houten Coal Mine (continued)

The Dakota Coal Co. mine also apparently was located at this Planning Unit and AML location.

Sources (primary and secondary) :

Brant:1953 (55)

CMID:see table, next page, for appropriate years

Gauger:1928 (3)

Leonard et al.:1925(33)

School of Mines:1927, 1930, n.d.(5)

WCB:n.d.

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Year	Days Operated	Employees	Price Per Ton	Tons Produced	Tons Local Trade	Tons Shipped	Owner or Superintendent*
1927	50	6	2.00	380	30	350	A.J. Lah**
1928	50	9	2.20	1,097	383	714	A.J. "Lah**
1929	165	15	2.15	3,655	1,300	2,355	A.J. Lah**
1930	160	15	2.10	3,980	1,480	2,500	A.J. Lah**
1931	183	15	2.25	2,756	1,579	1,117	John Binek**
1932	174	21	1.80	3,605	1,802	1,803	John Binek**
1933	221	15	1.75	4,229	1,918	2,311	John Binek**
1934	200	10	2.00	2,995	1,495	1,500	G.E. McGraw**
1935	no data	2	1.73	717	418	299	G.E. McGraw**
1936t	no data	5	2.20	1,352	586	766	A.J. Lah**
1937	120	6	1.50	1,364	1,338	26	A.J. Lah**
1938	170	5	1.35	3,450	2,850	600	Miller & Ketterling Bros.**
1939	240	3	1.40	3,350	2,321	1,029	Benj. Ketterling**
1940	240	3	1.40	3,960	3,160	800	Benjamin Ketterling**
1941	150	3	1.35	2,108	1,820	288	Edw. Heaps**
1950	30	5	3.25	290	290	none	R.C. Van Houten**
1951	120	2	3.25	6,030	6,030	none	R.C. Van Houten**
1952	85	2	3.25	2,400	2,400	none	Van Houten & Sons**

*Unless otherwise indicated, name listed is that of owner.

**Individual was superintendent of the mine; owner not listed.

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