

**MORTON COUNTY**

Planning Unit 062: AML Printout #579: T140N, R90W, Section 3, SE

Additional Legal Location: Section 3, SW and SE

Name:

Owner:

North Star Coal Mine  
(possibly aka Haven & Murray Mine  
in 1924 and 1925)

Haven & Murray

Category: Commercial/local

Type: Underground, drift, double entry (1909-1911); Underground, slope  
single entry (1912-1926)

Overburden:	Coal Seam:	Thickness	
		Mined:	Source:
80 ft.	10 ft.	7 ft.	SEBR:1910, 1912
60 ft.	8-10 ft.	7-8 ft.	SEBR:1914
80 ft.	8 ft.	6-7 ft.	SEBR:1916, 1918

Cultural Resource Site Number: Not formally recorded

Basic Data (excerpted from primary sources):

This mine is not listed as a new mine in 1909, and it may have been in operation prior to that time. The mine apparently began operations in T140N, R90W, Section 3, SW, and had expanded into Section 3, SE by 1912-1913 (SEBR 1914). The apparently original workings of the mine were abandoned by 1912, and a new slope was being driven; this entry was 280 ft. long by 1914 and 550 ft. long by 1916. Also by 1916, ventilation was not supplied properly in the mine, since breakthroughs into old rooms were not provided, and some of the new rooms "were 270 feet long." In early 1918, the mine workings again had been abandoned: "This mine was formerly owned on the opposite side of the coulee, but that location has been abandoned and a new slope driven in the present location [still at T140N, R90W, Section 3, SE]." The mine was operated through 1936, when it is listed as "not operating." No listings were noted following 1936, and it is likely (given the gradual reduction in mine production) that the mine ceased operations at about that time.

Descriptive information pertaining to this mine is included in:

[source:year(pages)]

- CMID:1926(39)
- SEBR:1910 (89)
- SEBR:1912(114)
- SEBR:1914(133)
- SEBR:1916(143)
- SEBR:1918(155)
- WCB Map:1920 (resurveyed 1923)

North Star Coal Mine (continued)

Notes:

No listings were noted for a North Star Coal Mine in 1924 and 1925; however, listings were noted for a Haven & Murray Mine in those years. Since Haven & Murray were the owners of the North Star Coal Mine and they also functioned as superintendents of the mine during most of its years of operation, it appeared likely that the mine was reported under the name Haven & Murray for the two years it was not reported under the name North Star Coal Mine. Therefore, production figures for the Haven & Murray mine are included on the North Star Coal Mine table for the years 1924 and 1925, although no information was noted to definitely relate the two mine names to one mine.

The 1918 SEBR lists the location of the North Star Coal Mine as T130N, R90W, Section 3, SE. It has been assumed that the township listed in the 1918 SEBR is an error: 1) this location would place the mine in Grant County, and 2) other information contained in the 1918 SEBR indicates that the mine remained in relatively close proximity to Hebron and to the Hebron Fire & Brick Co. mine.

Sources (primary and secondary):

CAL:1912(162)

CMID:see table, next page, for appropriate years

Harrington:1934a(11)

Leonard et al.:1925(138)

SEBR:see table, next page, for appropriate years

WCB:1920 (resurveyed 1932)

Mine: North Star Coal Mine (possibly aka Haven  
& Murray Mine in 1924 and 1925)

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Year	Days Operated	Employees	Price Per Ton	Tons Produced	Tons Local Trade	Tons Shipped	Owner or Superintendent*
1909	no data	4	1.25	1,700	yes	no	Haven & Murray
1910	120	3	1.25	600	yes	no	Haven & Murray
1911	150	3	1.25	900	yes	no	Haven & Murray
1912	220	5	1.30	2,450	yes	no	Moren S. Haven
1913	300	4	1.30	3,100	yes	no	Morem S. Haven
1914	161	5	1.40	2,460	yes	no	Murray & Haven
1915	272	7	1.40	5,054	yes	no	Murray & Haven
1916	312	4	1.50	3,800	yes	no	Murry & Haven
1917	240	6	1.50	2,486	yes	no	Murry & Haven
1919	300	4	no data	3,000	no data	no data	no data
1920	60	2	2.00	1,000	1,000	none	no data
1921	200	4	2.10	3,197	3,197	none	Martin Petri**
1922	no report						
1923	steady	6	1.80	5,000	5,000	none	H.M. Havens**
1924	236	6	1.30	2,489	2,489	none	H.M. Havens**
1925	285	12	1.80	4,352	no data	no data	H.M. Haven**
1926	187	4	1.70	3,472	3,472	none	H.M. Haven**
1927	207	5	1.80	3,659	3,659	none	H.M. Haven**
1928	190	6	2.00	2,602	2,602	none	G. Baisler**
1929	288	3	1.80	3,161	3,161	none	Baisler-Redinger**
1930	160	3	1.80	1,026	1,026	none	John Kreis**
1931	300	3	1.60	1,056	1,056	none	Haven & Murray**
1932	200	2	1.50	595	595	none	Haven & Murray**
1933	no data	2	1.40	1,315	1,315	none	Haven & Murray**
1934	Production figures no provided.						
1935	125	1	1.50	756	756	none	Gotfred Basler**
1936	no data	no data	1.50	300	300	none	Gotfred Baesler**
1936	"not operating"						

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

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