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MONTH	DAY			MONTH	DAY		
10	6	Jordan	pl				
Dec	20	L-3-1	pl				
Jan	12	L3	pl				
	26	L-3	pl				
2	16	L3	pl				
4	17	L3	pl				
April	24	Jordan	pl				
5	7	L3	pl				
	20	L3	pl				
6	15	L3	pl				
July	31	L3	pl				
Dec	1	Jordan	pl				
Dec	2	L Jordan	pl				
Jan	20	Jordan	pl				
2	3	Jordan	pl				

**FILE No.**.....

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July 30/91.

MONTH OF June 19 59

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REPORT ALL ACCIDENTS, IF NO LOST TIME ENTER N.L.T. IN COLUMN FOR LOST TIME DAYS

(OVER)

LOST TIME		No.	Name	Days Lost
1. Men still off from Previous accidents			R. Milinkovic	30
2. From Accidents occurring this month				0
3. Total Lost Time	This Month			30
	End of Last Month			238
	Year to Date			268

ANALYSIS	Prev. Total	This Month	Yr to date
1. Man Hours Worked	150,526	17,850	168,376
2. Disabling Accidents			
(a) Fatal	0	0	0
(b) Non Compensable, 1-3 days	9	0	9
(c) Compensable, 4-6 days	2	0	2
(d) Compensable, over 6 days (J. Ryan)	2	0	2
TOTAL	13	0	13
3. Frequency	86.4	0	77.2
4. Severity	1581	1681	1592
5. Non Disabling Accidents	19	5	24

NOTE:

Frequency: - No. of Disabling Accidents per 1,000,000 man hours

Severity: - Lost Time per 1,000,000 man hours.

Non Disabling Accidents: - No Lost Time and /or accidents of less than one day lost time but requiring First Aid or Medical Attention

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CANADA

DEPARTMENT  
OF

NORTHERN ADMINISTRATION  
AND LANDS BRANCH

NORTHERN AFFAIRS AND NATIONAL RESOURCES

YOUR FILE No.....

OUR FILE No.....

Yellowknife, N.W.T.  
June 10th, 1959

X

2887

999-247-1

Refer To 6-3

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. A.T. JORDAN  
CHIEF MINING ENGINEER

Attached you will find Monthly Accident Summary from Rayrock Mines Limited and Giant Yellowknife Gold Mines Limited, for the month of May.

You will also find attached the Monthly Accident Summary from Eldorado Mining & Refining, Port Radium, for the month of February.

*S. Homilos*  
S. Homilos  
Mining Inspector.

Sh/ct



MINE      RAYROCK   MINES LIMITED

MONTH OF May 1959

REPORT ALL ACCIDENTS, IF NO LOST TIME ENTER N.L.T. IN COLUMN FOR LOST TIME DAYS

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# LOST TIME

1. Men still off from Previous accidents

No.	Name	Days Lost
		31

2. From Accidents occurring this month

0

3. Total Lost Time

This Month

31

End of Last Month

207

Year to Date

238

## ANALYSIS

Prev. Total This Month Yr to date

1. Man Hours Worked

127,142

23,384

150,526

2. Disabling Accidents

(a) Fatal

0

0

0

(b) Non Compensable, 1-3 days

9

0

9

(c) Compensable, 4-6 days

2

0

2

(d) Compensable, over 6 days (J. Ryan)

2

0

2

TOTAL

13

0

13

3. Frequency

102.2

0

86.4

4. Severity

1628

1326

1581

5. Non Disabling Accidents

16

3

19

## NOTE:

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MINE      RAYROCK   MINES   LIMITED

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Ottawa, Ont.  
MAY 19 1059  
FIC No. 999-247-1  
R-4-3

(OVER)

# LOST TIME

1. Men still off from Previous accidents

No. Name Days Lost

Milinkovic R. 30

2. From Accidents occurring this month

6

3. Total Lost Time

This Month

36

End of Last Month

171

Year to Date

207

## ANALYSIS

Prev. Total This Month Yr to date

1. Man Hours Worked

93,282 33,860 127,142

2. Disabling Accidents

(a) Fatal

0 0 0

(b) Non Compensable, 1-3 days

9 0 9

(c) Compensable, 4-6 days

1 1 2

(d) Compensable, over 6 days (J. Ryan)

2 0 2

TOTAL

12 1 13

3. Frequency

128.6 29.5 102.2

4. Severity

14,665 8,447 13,025

5. Non Disabling Accidents

10 6 16

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# LOST TIME

1. Men still off from Previous accidents

No.	Name	Days Lost
	Milinkovic R.	31
	Holzappel J.	22

2. From Accidents occurring this month

13

3. Total Lost Time

This Month

66

End of Last Month

105

Year to Date

171

## ANALYSIS

1. Man Hours Worked
2. Disabling Accidents
  - (a) Fatal
  - (b) Non Compensable, 1-3 days
  - (c) Compensable, 4-6 days
  - (d) Compensable, over 6 days (J. Ryan)
3. Frequency
4. Severity
5. Non Disabling Accidents

Prev. Total This Month Yr to date

56,994	36,288	93,282
0	0	0
8	1	9
0	1	1
1	1	2
9	3	12
157.9	82.7	128.6
14,738	14,550	14,665
6	4	10

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NORTHERN ADMINISTRATION  
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PLEASE QUOTE

FILE.....

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Yellowknife, N.W.T.  
May 4th, 1959

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Asst. Dir. & Lands Br.
Ottawa, Ont.
MAY 31 1959
File No. 989-247-1
Refer To. L-3

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF MINING ENGINEER

Attached you will find Monthly Accident Summary's  
from Rayrock Mines Limited for February, and from  
Giant Yellowknife Gold Mines Ltd., for the month  
of March, 1959.

SH/ct

*S. Homulos*  
S. Homulos  
Mining Inspector.

MONTHLY ACCIDENT SUMMARY

MINE Rayrock Mines Limited

MONTH OF February 19 59

DATE	NO	NAME	OCCUPATION	ACCIDENT	NATURE OF INJURY	L.T. DAYS	SUPERVISOR
1		Holzappel J.	Miner	Caught feet under stand of mucking machine	Bulled ligaments and muscles of both legs	28	H. J. Poczynek
1		Robert J.	Miner	Drilling water in eye	Inflamed eye	2	H. J. Poczynek
4		Strynadka V.	Miner	Mucking machine pinned him to wall	Bruised back and stomach	1	H. J. Poczynek
5		Bornia P.	Miner	Accumulation of gas in stope	Gassed	1	H. J. Poczynek
5		Kato T.	Miner's helper	Accumulation of gas in stope	Gassed	1	H. J. Poczynek
6		Gora A.	Miner	Hand mucking left-handed	Strained back left side	2	H. J. Poczynek
7		Graham G.	Trammer	Oil barrel rolled off flat car	Bruised and swollen right thigh and knee	N.L.T.	H. J. Poczynek
8		Bardzik H.	Deckman	Breaking rock on grizzly	Cut over eye (wearing safety goggles which smashed)	N.L.T.	H. J. Poczynek
9		Nardello I.	Trammer	Muck fell from chute	Cut finger	N.L.T.	H. J. Poczynek
10		Brown J.A.	Trammer	Hit elbow while pulling chute	Swollen elbow	N.L.T.	H.J. Poczynek
11		Haylock M. J.	Lab Technician	Small crystal of silver nitrate in right eye	Inflammation of right eye	N.L.T.	E. H. Smith

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(OVER)



# LOST TIME

1. Men still off from Previous accidents

No.	Name	Days Lost
	Milinkovic R.	28

2. From Accidents occurring this month

35

3. Total Lost Time

This Month

63

End of Last Month

42

Year to Date

105

## ANALYSIS

1. Man Hours Worked

Prev. Total This Month Yr to date

31,711

25,283

56,994

2. Disabling Accidents

(a) Fatal

0

0

0

(b) Non Compensable, 1-3 days

2

6

8

(c) Compensable, 4-6 days

0

0

0

(d) Compensable, over 6 days (J. Ryan)

0

1

1

TOTAL

2

7

9

3. Frequency

63.1

276.9

157.9

4. Severity

10,596

19,934

14,738

5. Non Disabling Accidents

1

5

6

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# LOST TIME

	No.	Name	Days Lost
1. Men still off from previous accidents		Milinkovic R.	31
		Schafer D.	2
		Pfeifer R.	7
2. From Accidents occurring this month			2
3. Total Lost Time			42
	This Month		
	End of Last Month		-
	Year to Date		42

## ANALYSIS

	Prev.	Total	This Month	Year to Dte.
1. Man Hours Worked	-	31,711	31,711	
2. Disabling Accidents				
(a) Fatal	-	-	-	-
(b) Non Compensable, 1-3 days	-	2	2	2
(c) Compensable, 4-6 days	-	-	-	-
(d) Compensable, over 6 days (J.Ryan)	-	-	-	-
TOTAL	-	2	2	2
3. Frequency	-	63.1	63.1	
4. Severity	-	1324.5	1324.5	
5. Non Disabling Accidents	-	1	1	

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Monthly Accident Summary

MINE RAYROCK MINES LIMITED

Month of December 19 58

DATE	NO	NAME	OCCUPATION	ACCIDENT	NATURE OF INJURY	L.T. Days	SUPERVISOR
5		Schulz S.	Miner	Coupling motor to mucker	Two fingers left hand cut and bruised	1	H. J. Poczynek
7		Kowalke H.	Second Cook	Tripped and fell over bench in dining room	Broken rib right side	N.L.T.	R. F. Stedman
8		Borody J.	Miner	Drill fell off steel while drilling back hole in drift	Bruised left leg	N.L.T.	H. J. Poczynek
11		Schafer D.	Deckman	Lifting sample box	Sore back - old injury	17	H. J. Poczynek
13		MacDonald F.	Timberman's helper	Lifting car from grizzly	Bruised right shin	N.L.T.	H. J. Poczynek
15		Van Ryckeghem O.	Miner	Staging collapsed	Bruised ribs left side	N.L.T.	H. J. Poczynek
18		Quesnel U. C.	Blacksmith	Hammering on anvil	Piece of scale in right eye	N.L.T.	D. W. Salo
19		Smith P. E. O.	Electrician	Releasing pressure on rope lowering cable down shaft	Strained back	N.L.T.	A. R. Mack
19		MacDonald M.	Crusherman's helper	Cleaning head pulley No.2 conveyor	Drawn into pulley and instantly killed	FATAL	J. Kitagawa
21		Poczynek H. J.	Mine Superintendent	Pinned to wall of drift by mucking machine	Bruised lower abdomen	N.L.T.	H. J. Poczynek
24		Pfeifer R.	Machinist	Turning pulley in lathe and chip flew off into eye	Metal in right eye	6	D. W. Salo

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(OVER)

**LOST TIME**

	No.	Name	Days Lost
1. Men still off from previous accidents		Milinkovic R.	31
		Saftner P.	27
2. From Accidents occurring this month			24
3. Total Lost Time	-	This Month	82
		End of Last Month	See note (2)
		Year to Date	

**ANALYSIS**

	Prev. Total	This Month	Year to Date.
1. Man Hours Worked	See note (1)	33,760	
2. Disabling Accidents			
(a) Fatal	0	1	1
(b) Non Compensable, 1-3 days	See note (2)	1	-
(c) Compensable, 4-6 days	18	0	18
(d) Compensable, over 6 days (J.Ryan)	14	1	15
TOTAL		3	
3. Frequency		88.9	
4. Severity		2428.9	
5. Non Disabling Accidents		7	

NOTES - (1) Payroll at auditors, so man hours not available  
 (2) Records incomplete

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Month of November 1958

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L3  
1213

(OVER)

# LOST TIME

	No.	Name	Days Lost
1. Men still off from previous accidents		Milinkovic R.	30
		Alcock T.	10
		Saftner P.	30
2. From Accidents occurring this month			5
3. Total Lost Time	-	This Month	75
		End of Last Month	See Note (2)
		Year to Date	See Note (2)

## ANALYSIS

	Prev. Total	This Month	Year to Dte.
1. Man Hours Worked	See Note (1)	40320	See Note (1)
2. Disabling Accidents			
(a) Fatal	0	0	0
(b) Non Compensable, 1-3 days	See Note (2)	2	See Note (2)
(c) Compensable, 4-6 days	18	0	18
(d) Compensable, over 6 days (J.Ryan)	14	0	14
TOTAL		2	
3. Frequency		49.6	
4. Severity		1860.1	
5. Non Disabling Accidents	See Note (2)	7	

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(2) Records incomplete.

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NORTHERN ADMINISTRATION  
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PLEASE QUOTE

FILE.....

Yellowknife, N.W.T.  
December 23rd, 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. A.T. JORDAN  
CHIEF MINING ENGINEER - OTTAWA

Fatal Accident at Rayrock Mines Ltd.

Murray Angus Macdonald, age 39, employed at Rayrock Mines as assistant crusherman, was fatally injured in the Transfer house at Rayrock at about 3.30 a.m. on December 19th, 1958.

Due to a power shortage, Rayrock recently decided to commence their crushing at 3.30 a.m. Ed Kennedy, the crusherman and Murray Macdonald, assistant crusherman, came on shift at about 3.30 a.m. on December 19th. Their first duty is to start up the jaw crusher and cone crusher and the various conveyors. There are four conveyors at Rayrock to start up and they have to be started up in the proper sequence. Ed Kennedy had started up the jaw crusher, cone crusher and number one conveyor and then proceeded to the third floor to start up No. 3 conveyor. Murray Macdonald went to the Transfer house to start up No. 2 conveyor, which incidentally is started after No. 3. When Ed Kennedy arrived back at the jaw crusher and noted on the bank of switches at this location that the pilot light for No. 2 conveyor was lit, indicating that the conveyor had been started but the belt was not operating, he immediately pressed the stop button and proceeded to the Transfer house where the starting switch is for No. 2 conveyor. He found Murray Macdonald caught between the conveyor belt and the head pulley and apparently dead. He immediately went to the mill for additional help and he and Reg. Kennedy, who is a millman, cut the belt and extracted Macdonald from the conveyor. They informed Gus Huydma, First Aid Man at the property who applied resuscitation for at least one half hour, to no avail.



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Memorandum for Mr. A.T. Jordan - continued

My investigation at the property showed that the head pulley on No. 2 conveyor was very well guarded, in fact it was completely hooded over with a  $\frac{1}{4}$ " steel plate guard. It appears however, that in the cold weather it is sometimes difficult to start these conveyors due to ice crystals on the conveyor belt and slipping on the head pulley. The procedure to get the slipping conveyor started, had apparently been to shut off the starting button and use man power only and two men; one man turns the conveyor belt by hand while the other inserts jute bags between the head pulley and the conveyor belt. It appeared however in this case, that Macdonald, to save time, decided to do this job alone while the motor was operating, and was attempting to shove two jute bags between the conveyor belt and the head pulley. He was wearing gloves and in so doing his hand got caught between the conveyor belt and the head pulley dragging him into the conveyor.

His head and upper part of his body were jammed against the guard cover. The jute bags and his glove were found on the take up pulley just below the head pulley which indicated that the bags and his gloves had gone through between the head pulley and the conveyor belt and dropped on to the take up pulley.


It has been recommended to the management that either the conveyor ways be heated sufficiently to prevent formation of ice crystals or that head pulleys be lagged with rubber to prevent slipping.

At the inquest held before Coroner Dr. O.L. Stanton at Yellowknife, at 11.00 a.m. on Saturday, December 20th, the Jury returned the following verdict:

"We the Jury, from evidence presented, find Murray Macdonald met his death from injuries received at approximately 3.30 a.m. December 19th, 1958, at Rayrock Mines, N.W.T., in the crusher plant. From medical evidence submitted, the cause of death was a broken neck and/or suffocation caused by being accidentally caught between No. 2 conveyor belt and head pulley while attempting to dry pulley to prevent slippage.

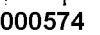
It is suggested that in future the conveyor ways be kept above freezing temperature thus preventing frost formation."

I do not find that the mine was at fault in any way, in that the head pulleys were extremely well guarded. The accident was due to a careless act by Macdonald. Enclosed are sketches showing the scene of the accident and details of the conveyor system, particularly No. 2 conveyor.

  
S. Homulos  
Mining Inspector.

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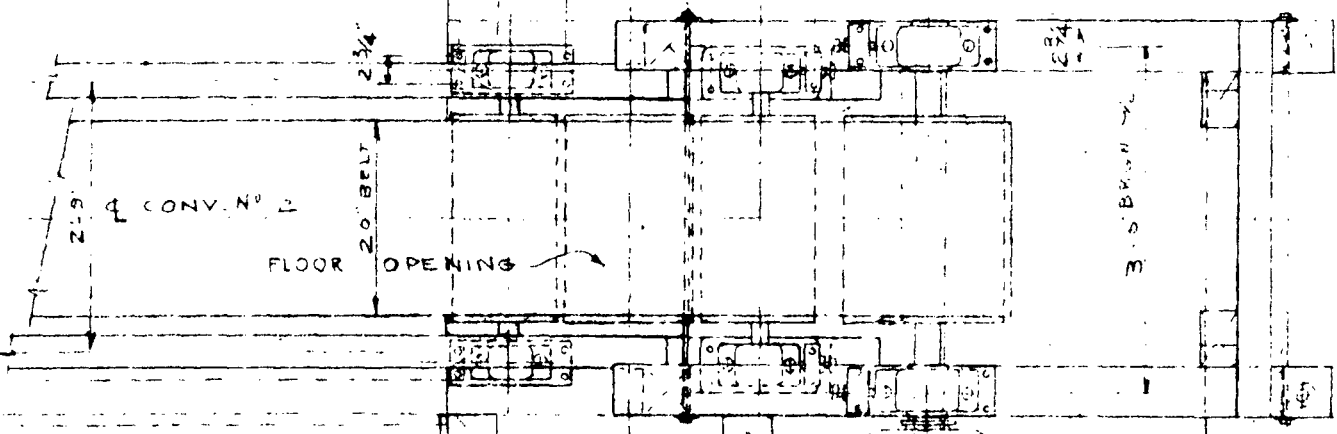
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□ ← start-stop switch

5'-0"  
1'-4" 1'-4" 1'-8"  
2'-0"

1'-1/4" 1'-3/4" 1'-4 1/4"

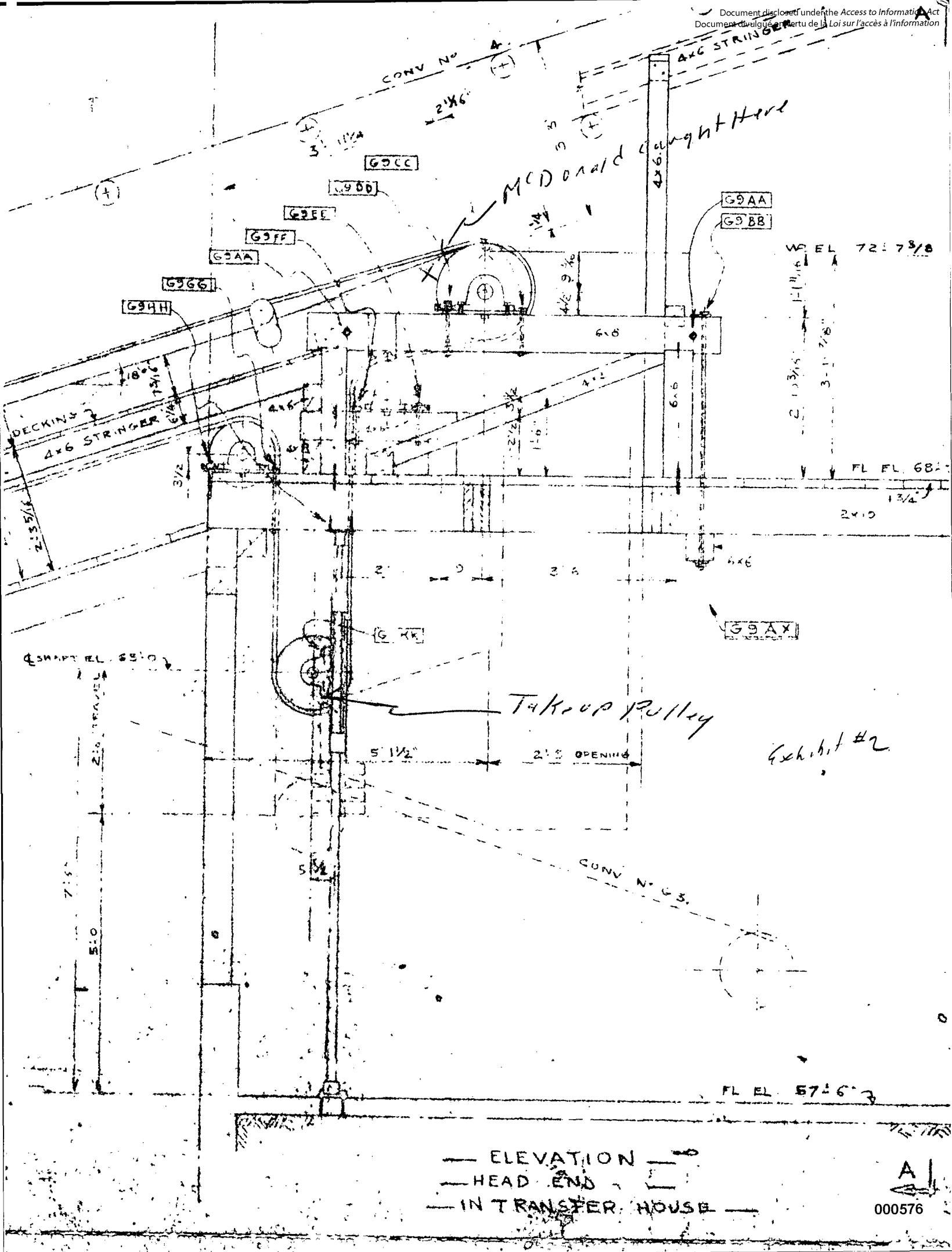


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# CANADIAN NATIONAL



J. R. WHITE  
GENERAL MANAGER TORONTO

## TELEGRAPHS

STANDARD TIME — HEURE NORMALE

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MR A T JORDAN= NORTHERN AFFAIRS

905 KENT ALBERT OTTAWA ONT=

MURRAY ANGUS MCDONALD MILL WORKER FATALLY INJURED AT  
RAYROCK TODAY DECEMBER NINETEEN=

F HOMULOS MINING INSPECTOR.

TO

CABLE LETTER

ATTENTION

FILE

MON  
DAY

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