

GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF T. 8 N., R. 46 E.

Chains

This fractional township consists mainly of rolling and broken mountainous slopes although the lands adjacent to the previously surveyed area are gently sloping mesa and bench lands. The east boundary is entirely mountainous as is also the southeast and western portions. The remaining portions are broken and hilly. The high slopes are covered with a fairly heavy growth of juniper and pinon with a few scattering clumps of aspen and mahogany. The lower slopes are densely covered with sage and yellow top brush. Good grazing is found on all the higher slopes but the scarcity of water prevents its full utilization at present.

The soil varies from a coarse loose loam on the higher slopes to a very dense, heavy clay loam on the bench or mesa lands. The higher slopes are very rocky.

A homestead entry, survey HES No. 55, is situated in sections ^{31 & 32} and lies along the bottom lands of Hunt's Canyon. There is no other settlement within the township. Numerous roads are found throughout the township. Many of the roads were built and used for hauling wood and charcoal to the mills at the old mining camp of Belmont which is situated a few miles northwest of the northwest corner of the township. Extensive prospecting has been done over the entire mountainous area but no evidence of mineral in place was noted. A chalk like formation was encountered at several places along the western part of the township.

A power transmission line extends southeast through the township, carrying power from Manhattan, via Belmont to the mining camp of Tybo, located some twenty miles distant.

The magnetic declination was not recorded.