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The general elevation of this township is about 5000 ft. above sea level and ranges from about 4600 ft. above sea level in the northeastern and westcentral portions to about 5500 ft. above sea level in the extreme southwestern and northwestern portions. The entire township is rolling mountainous in character. The main summit of the Gabbs Valley Range runs northerly through this township, dividing drainages E. and W. The greater part of the drainage and exposure is to the W. The soil is shallow and rocky, low in humus and of little value for any purpose. The entire township has a fair cover of greasewood and shadscale with scattering sagebrush in the higher areas. There is no timber in the township. Native grasses and annual plants are found over the entire fractional township but only in such moderate amounts that grazing would be termed as fair under the most favorable water conditions. Due to the fact that there are no springs or other watering places within this area, grazing is feasible only during early spring or late fall and winter months when storms have provided surface waters.

All of the mountains appear to be highly mineralized. In sec. 35, extensive developments have been made of copper indications, especially in the central portion where U. S. Mineral Survey No. 3332, consisting of a group of five claims, is located. There are no mines in operation at the present time.

With the exception of possible mineral developments, the township affords little opportunity for industry in any form, other than for limited grazing use as mentioned above.

The main road from Schurz, Nevada to Deadhorse Well, unimproved, bears easterly from near the cor. of secs. 14 and 23 to near the $\frac{1}{4}$ cor. of sec. 24. The old road from Rand, Nevada to Deadhorse Well traverses easterly across secs. 35 and 36. This road is unimproved and at present is used only by prospectors and trappers, being badly washed in many places. Several other minor roads run throughout the southern part of the township, leading to mineral prospects or serving as connections between the main roads.

The magnetic declination was not observed, due to sluggish and inaccurate compass needles.