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# AROUND MONARCH PASS

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ADVERTISING THE MADONNA. Following the closing of the great Madonna Mine for the final time in 1953, its owners did a brisk business conducting tours. The Madonna, located on the south side of Monarch Camp, produced over \$14 million of silver, gold, lead, and zinc during its operation. (MM.)



## The Madonna Mine

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ELECTRIC MADONNA MINE TRAIN. Mining machinery surrounds a modern electric train taking tourists into the Madonna Mine. The tour took people 1,500 feet into the mine. The damp and cold underground mine gave the tourists a real appreciation of the conditions early miners faced. (MM.)