Worksheet 1-C Timeline Activity

Directions: Using the people, places and events from the list, match them to the correct date on the time line.

People, Places, Events	Dates
E.W. Davis discovered taconite process.	
Cuyuna Range settled	1865
Merritt Brothers discover Mesabi Range.	1880
Soudan Mine opened	1882
Peter Mitchell discovered taconite.	1884
Mesabi Range settled.	1890s
George Stuntz	1892
Vermilion Range settled.	1904
Dean Applebee	1910
First pellet production by Mesabi Iron	1912
Frank Hibbing	1912
High-grade ore depleted.	
Eight taconite plants operating	1913
Reserve Mine opened.	1944
Increased demand because of WWII	1950-52
First shipment of iron ore from Minnesota's Vermillion Range	1954
Taconite amendment to the Minnesota Constitution pledges fair taxation of the taconite industry.	1955
Minnesota taconite industry expands to an annual pellet production capability of 65 million tons.	1964 1970s
Butler Taconite in Nashwauk closes permanently after producing 40.5 million tons over the course of 18 years.	1974
LTV Steel Mining in Hoyt Lakes closes.	1985
The first three quarters of 2008 see all time value and production of steel and iron ore, but one month later production drops due to the economy.	2001 2008
Essar Steel Minnesota breaks ground for a new direct reduced iron plant	2008
near Nashwauk.	2009
For the first time, though short lived, no mines are operating on Minnesota's Iron Range for more than two weeks.	2010
Mesabi Nugget commercially produces world's first high-grade iron nuggets using ITmk3 process.	