

This following report was made nearly two years ago, Feb. 2, 1937.

Since that time considerable additional work has been done on opening up the mine. Tunnel No. 2 has been extended along the side of the vein nearly 100 feet and two crosscuts have been made on the opposite side of the vein. There is exposed at the present time about one hundred feet of vein. Several carloads of good ore have been piled on the dump.

Another change from this report is advisable in that it would be cheaper to build a road to the mine than have a tram road built over the mountain. Good logging roads are now being made on the roughest kind of terrain for \$3000 per mile by the use of bulldozers. A crew of loggers and one bulldozer will build about a quarter of mile of road per day. Also when this report was made it was estimated that the P.O. Cedar Co. would build additional road into the tract which would necessitate the building only one and a half miles of road to get to the mine. This the Company did not do, so the extent of new road to be built will be about 3 or 3½ miles to join with the end of the available logging road. The estimated distance from mine to rail head is about eight miles.

In my opinion it will be advisable to ship the ore out just as it comes from the mine as the gold content is so intimately mixed with the porphyry that considerable loss would be entailed by milling at the mine. It might be advisable to sack the ore, and again a trial might prove this unnecessary. The ore should be graded into bins at the mine so as to avoid shipping high grade ore with lower grades. Three grades would be sufficient. My opinion in this matter is based upon my assays of ore both washed and unwashed. Free gold is readily obtained by panning the outer edges of the lode.

Fred S. Minshall

## ENGINEER'S REPORT ON RUSTY GULCH

### LOCATION:

The Sixes River is a tributary of the Pacific Ocean, about thirty miles in length, and enters the ocean in Curry County, Oregon, just north of Cape Blanco. The gulch on which the property is located is a small tributary of the south fork of the Sixes River, about twenty-five miles from the ocean.

### CLIMATE:

The Climate is very favorable in this latitude for year round mining, there being but a short period in December and January in which a light snow-fall may be expected. Considerable rainfall during the spring and winter months provide ample water for milling and in favorable locations for power development also.

### TIMBER AND WATER:

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### TRANSPORTATION:

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### GEOLOGY:

The rock formation in this vicinity consists of porphyry and slaty shale with the veins lying along the contacts of these formations. In general, the surface of the ground is covered with a heavy timber growth as well as an over-burden of several feet of soil, making prospecting very difficult and slow.

### ORE DEPOSITS:

The ore consists of a gold bearing iron and arsenic sulfide with quite a percentage of free gold in the leached portion lying close to the surface. It is very probable that on gaining depth that all values will be locked in the sulfides, but so far no depth has been reached on any ore deposit in this vicinity, so that is a matter to be proven in further development. The vein is about four feet wide, striking about N 60°E. and dipping about sixty-five degrees to the south.

### EQUIPMENT:

There is at present a cabin about twelve by twelve feet, a blacksmith shop under a shed roof, and such hand mining tools consisting of picks, shovels, hand steel and hammers as is necessary in preliminary development work, such as has been carried on up to the present.

#### DEVELOPMENT:

The present development consists of two tunnels and short cross cuts and two open cuts.

The lower tunnel, about eighty feet long with a twenty foot cross cut to the north at the end of the tunnel, did not reach the vein, as it is under the dip of the vein and the above mentioned cross cut drive in the opposite direction to the vein. The upper tunnel is at an elevation of fifty feet above Tunnel #1, and shows good values for a distance of forty to fifty feet in from the portal. An opencut just over this tunnel exposes four feet of vein, which carries very good values in gold as shown by attached assay. In Tunnel #2, good values were found back to a distance of twenty-five to thirty feet, at which point the vein goes into the north wall of the tunnel. Across the small creek from Tunnel #1, is an open cut in which a small vein about a foot in width is shown. This vein carries low values and is not the same vein as the above, being parallel to it to the north as far as can be ascertained at present.

At the northeast end of the North claim, which lies on the north slope of the ridge, between the South Fork and the Middle Fork of the Sixes, is a cropping of vein material which is of the same character as the vein exposed in the workings on the main gulch, and is no doubt the same vein. This pans free gold in the cropping and is being covered by additional locations. This cropping is fifteen hundred feet from the main work, so indicates a large tonnage.

#### METHODS OF MINING AND MILLING:

This ground will be mined by tunnels and stoping as depth is gained very rapidly due to the steep slope of the mountains in which it occurs. After additional development has blocked out a reasonable amount of ore, four to five thousands tons, a twenty-five ton daily capacity mill is to be installed on the main gulch with a surface tram over the ridge to the Middle Fork side where the one end of the logging road can be reached by building about one-half mile additional road, and milling operations carried on, amalgamating what free gold is in the ore, and concentrating the balance for shipment to the smelter, unless on further investigation, it is found that roasting will free the gold from the sulfides when it can be amalgamated at the mill.

Development will be carried on also at the ore cropping at the north end of the north claim, and upon satisfactory proof of the vein at this point, a tunnel will be driven through the ridge and the mill installed on the Middle Fork side of the ridge, the milling capacity increased and water power developed for all future operations. About one hundred tons of ore with an average value of thirty-five dollars per ton is on the dump at the present.

Mining and milling costs should not exceed five dollars per ton. Freight and smelter charges on concentrates will approximate twenty-five dollars per ton. A ten to one reduction in the mill will produce a concentrate running three hundred to three hundred and fifty dollars per ton. Total milling, mining, freight and smelting costs/a ton of concentrate will approximate seventy-five dollars, leaving a very attractive profit.

#### CONCLUSION:

Judging from all available data on this property, I believe that a very attractive mining property will be developed here, and at small cost. All conditions relating to climate, power, timber, etc., are very favorable, and in my opinion the money necessary for development and the subsequent installation of a mill is well justified. At one time the gulch below these claims was mined for

placer gold and paid very well. This gold was produced by the vein on these quartz claims. A tabulated estimate of cost development, mill machinery, installation and operating until in production is herewith given.

Respectfully submitted:

E. F. Wann  
Mining Engineer

Dated at:  
Port Orford, Oregon,  
February 2, 1937.

ASSAYS

Copy of assays from American Smelting and Refining Company.

	<u>Gold oz.</u> <u>per ton</u>	<u>Silver</u>	<u>Value</u>
1. Portal Tunnel #2	\$.43	\$.30	\$ 15.10
2. 25' in Tunnel #2	2.08	1.00	73.00
3. Open cut over #2	1.13	.70	39.75
4. 8' in Tunnel #2	1.28	.90	45.00
5. Portal Tunnel #2	.43	.50	15.15
6. Solid Sulfide	6.93	2.80	243.50

Cost of additional development \$2,000.00

Cost of Mill Equipment

1. 4' x 3' ball mill and manganese liners	2,296.00
1 2' 3 x 14' 8 classifier	450.00
1 H.217 Buda gas engine	460.00
1 reconditioned Overstrom concentrator	300.00
1 6' x 12" Tiger crusher	450.00
1 3' x 8' Grizzly	74.00
1 set foundation bolts	20.00
balls - 800# 1½" - 2" and 3"	94.00
transmission machine	200.00
1 16 cu. ft. Matteson ore car	87.50
1 hoist	455.00
1 10 h.p. gas engine for hoist	407.00
2600 ft. ½" plow steel cable	260.00
5000 ft. 12# steel rails and fish plates	269.00
rail bolts	12.50
amalgamator and jig	500.00

Total machinery (weight 52,000#) \$6,335.00

Freight, San Francisco to mine 2,000.00

Installation machinery and tram 2,000.00

Mill buildings, ore bins, etc. 2,000.00

Wages - one month:

Superintendent	\$250.00	eight months)
	<u>750.00</u>	" " )
	\$1000.00	8,000.00

Pres., Sec., Treas.	150.00	eight months
		1,200.00

Packer - 3 days per month	21.00	eight months
		168.00

Packer \$4.00 per day	
Two mules 3.00 " "	

Truck for hauling concentrates	750.00
Concentrate sacks 500 @ 25¢	<u>125.00</u>
	\$24,578.00

OWNERSHIP, CAPITALIZATION, TERMS, PROSPECTUS, etc.

This mine is owned by two experienced prospectors, one of whom is old and sick, the other is otherwise employed. They ask \$20,000 for the mine, one half to be paid in cash, the balance on any suitable terms from returns from the mine. The title is clear; all assessment work has been completed and patent can be secured at any time. The mine is located on unsurveyed forest land in Siskiyou National Forest. In my opinion after thoroughly examining the mine and the work done, the price asked is exceedingly reasonable for at least one-third of the amount is apparent in work done and the values speak for themselves.

I spent the better part of three months in this section, June, July and August of this year, and have located two additional claims on outcrops of this same kind of ore. It crops out in several places along the spur of the range which extends from Salmon Mt. to the end of the spur which divides the South and Middle forks of the Sixes River. It is possible that an extensive mining district could be formed in this section of Curry County.

I estimate the amount of capital required as follows:

one half payment on mine	10,000	
three miles of new road	9,000	
2 used 2½ yard trucks	1,000	
Buildings, ore bins, houses etc.	2,000	
Working capital	3,000	
		25,000
	Total	
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Estimate Cost per Carload, 50 tons

25 tons per day ¼ \$5.00	125.00	
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Transportation to rail head	50.00	
Gas, Oil, etc.	20.00	
Freight to Tacoma	480.00	
Smelting per 50 tons	550.00	
Total cost producing carload	1350.00	
Cost per ton		27.00
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Estimated Profit per carload

It is not likely that any of the ore will run below 6 ounces of gold to the ton, as a minimum, and it is possible it will assay over 10 ounces for the best, which would be an average of 8 ounces per ton @ 34 per ounce, or \$272.00 per ton

50 ton carlot @ 272.00 per ton	13,600.00
Production cost per carlot	1,350.00
Total profit carlot	12,250.00

Interest on investment, depreciation, and business administration would still leave a handsome profit.

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TACOMA SMELTER--AMERICAN SMELTING & REFINING CO.  
GENERAL CLAUSES COVERING ALL OPEN SCHEDULES.

1. In each case where shipments are made in lots of less than five tons a charge of \$10.00 per lot is made in addition to the quoted rate to cover the additional expense of handling and sampling these small lots.

2. The rates quoted apply to shipments in bulk. When shipments are made in sacks an additional charge of 75 cents per ton will be made to cover extra cost of handling.

3. All Federal or State taxes now or hereafter imposed and all duties and excise or other taxes levied by the United States or any foreign government shall be for shipper's account.

4. SPECIAL:

All schedules on ore not under contract for a definite period of time are subject to change without notice. Should thirty days elapse before you make shipment on the attached schedule, it will be necessary for you to take the matter up with us again for confirmation of the price, because our prices and conditions of purchase are changing from time to time.

5. In the event that the quotation date should fall on a legal holiday or one upon which no quotation is issued, the next succeeding quotation will be used in settlement. However, it is understood that in case there is no silver or copper quotation on the date of arrival of the ore in the Buyer's Plant, for the reason that there is no market for such metals, then in such case the metal so affected will be settled for according to the quotation of copper and/or silver actually received by the Buyer when the metals resulting from smelting each lot have been actually sold.

6. Base charges apply on the ore delivered in our Plant.

7. In the above schedule where the word "ton" is used, it is understood to be a ton of two thousand pounds avoirdupois; where the word "ounce" is used, as referring to gold and silver, it is understood to mean the troy ounce; and where the word "unit" is used, it is understood to mean a unit of one per cent, or twenty pounds avoirdupois.

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9. In order that delivery of the ore to our Plant may not be unnecessarily delayed, we make it a general rule that unless other arrangements have been previously made, the freight charge on a first shipment to us must either be prepaid or guaranteed by the shipper.

TACOMA SMELTER

7/24/37

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