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May 4, 1938

Father F. J. Williams  
Lebanon, Oregon

Dear Father Williams:

I wish to advise that I made a cursory inspection of the Levens Ledge Mine, located just west of Canyon City, and met your man, Mr. Jennings.

It is my impression from looking over the property and discussing all phases of it with Mr. Jennings that it produced in the old days three or four thousand tons of ore with a gross gold production of the order of seventy-five or eighty thousand dollars. There are two small blocks of alleged ore above the present level, and no one knows the grade or tenor of this ore. It has width of three or four feet average with swells up to seven or eight feet, but it looks lean in the swells. It appears that the values, whatever they are, are in mineralized and laminated streaks near a hanging wall and perhaps in a less definite streak along the footwall. There is no assay map nor level map available so far as I know, consequently there is no way of determining what may be the value of the small blocks of alleged ore above the level. These may be much smaller than they appear because the sub-levels are inaccessible, and we do not know what snipers and lessors have done above the main level.

In my opinion this property in its present state does not in any sense of the word justify my approval of your desire to issue stock for the development of the property. I was well-impressed with Mr. Jennings who seemed to be a competent and sound operator. He agreed with me that it would be necessary to complete a thorough sampling job and a mapping of the accessible underground workings and the relations of the upper workings to the lower adit. If this is done properly and the sampling indicates substantial values, you would then be in a position to request further financing. I would suggest that, if this sampling indicates ore of the grade you anticipate and further preliminary exploration looks favorable, you consider a small development company only, say, a \$15,000 company for the express purpose of further exploration and delineation of ore tonnage. This would be in advance of the formation of a company for building a mill and operating the property.

I understood that Mr. Jennings was not a registered engineer. The matter is no affair of mine, as you understand, but the laws of this State require that any operation which involves engineering shall have the advice of a registered engineer or a registered engineer consultant, and, as pointed out to Mr. Jennings, before you could sell stock on this property it would be essential to have a report by such a man. This Department has no connection with the State Board of Engineering Examiners, but I suggest that you get in touch with Mr. Archie B. Carter, Secretary, whose address is Railway Exchange Bldg., Portland, so that you may be fully advised in this regard.

Boiling down the situation at your property, you haven't enough facts yet to justify a favorable recommendation or any recommendation on our part to the Corporation Commissioner. I think Mr. Jennings has the matter well in hand, and it is my suggestion that you carry on in further preliminary work along the lines discussed with Mr. Jennings.

Respectfully yours,

Director

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cc J. H. Hazlett, Corporation Commissioner  
Mr. Jennings

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Mr. Stan Potter  
Box 336  
Castle Rock, Wash. 98611

Dear Mr. Potter:

Per your telcon with Mr. Ramp this date, we are sending the copies of the mine report to Levens Ledge and a Photo mine map. The 3 sheets of copies material are 30¢ and the mine map copy is 50¢ (see bill); for a total of 80¢.

Yours truly,

Mrs. Ruth E. Pavlat, Secretary

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