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May 6, 1941

Mr. Ray C. Treasher, Field Geologist  
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Following are the results of assays made on samples  
from the Plat-Norkea Mine:

| <u>Sample<br/>number</u> | <u>Office<br/>number</u> | <u>Zinc<br/>percent</u> | <u>Gold<br/>oz./ton</u> | <u>Silver<br/>oz./ton</u> |
|--------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1                        | BG-389                   | 0.20                    | Trace                   | Trace                     |
| 2                        | BG-390                   | 0.23                    | Trace                   | Trace                     |
| 3                        | BG-391                   | 0.47                    | Trace                   | Trace                     |
| 4                        | BG-392                   | 0.23                    | 0.01                    | Trace                     |
| 5                        | BG-393                   | 0.15                    | Trace                   | Trace                     |
| 6                        | BG-394                   | 0.27                    | Trace                   | Trace                     |

*Albert A. Lewis*  
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Analyst

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cc:Nixon  
Walling



September 12, 1940

Mr. Earl K. Nixon  
702 Woodlark Building  
Portland, Oregon

Dear Earl:

Re: Walling

Your letter in regard to the inspection of the Walling operation on the South Umpqua River, known as the Plat-Norkea operation, has been received. Al and I will be greatly interested in visiting Walling's operation and securing all the information that we can. This information will be written up and submitted to you in the regular course of business as a report from this office and will include the usual confidential statement. The examination will be made the forepart of next week (see my letter Re: Renfro Limestone inspection).

Mr. Walling called at this office the morning of August 26 and invited us to inspect his plant. It is my impression that he stated that he had employed a registered engineer whose name was not given. Mr. Walling was very unhappy about this registered engineer, stating that he felt the man was not competent to carry out his instructions, and that he felt the employment of this man was very unsatisfactory and very unprofitable, as he still had the work to do himself. Mr. Walling stated that he (Walling) is a research chemist. Further that he designed the plant and supervised its construction; that the men on the property were following his instructions. The above statements constitute my remembrance of his statements, and I could not under oath claim that he made such statements.

Thanks for your best wishes. We will need them in a matter of this kind.

Yours very truly,

Ray C. Treasher  
Field Geologist

RCT:JR





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March 30, 1959

Dr. George S. Koch, Jr.  
Assistant Professor of Geology  
Oregon State College, School of Science  
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Dear George:

The delay in answering your letter of March 25 has been to work out our plans. Tentatively we will expect to accompany you the weekend of April 11 and 12.

I can meet you in Roseburg sometime Saturday morning. What time will you get there? It would either be advisable to take bag lunches or plan to eat in Canyonville. I suggest Roseburg because there is some interesting geology exposed in the new highway between Roseburg and Canyonville. I will try to get a log of the trip in advance to see if there will be time to make all of the stops I have in mind and still make the trip around via Grave Creek and Galice.

Norm will have to handle the Sunday portion of the trip since I have field trips for an adult education petrology class on both the 12th and 19th of April.

I'll write later and make arrangements for an exact meeting place and time.

The zinc mine which you inquired about, is, I believe, under lease to two separate groups. I was unable to contact the owner, Jim Graham, here in Grants Pass but believe that Moe Platt still has a lease on the main workings and another outfit, called the Zinc Creek Mining Corp. has leased a mineralized zone cut by one of the roads nearby. The latter outfit is revamping and adding equipment to the old Waldo Milling Co. Mill near Takilma in order to test run about 100 tons of Zinc Creek "ore". They claim to obtain good assays by other than standard methods and want to see if they can recover the "values".

Dr. George S. Koch, Jr.  
3/30/59

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If it's anything more than a phoney promotional scheme I would be very surprised.

It may still be a good time to get some geologic information on the occurrence. I'm pretty sure that Jim Graham would be glad to show you the accessible workings. At present he is probably living at the mine camp up the South Umpqua.

The Oak Mine, at present owned by Ray Clark, Grants Pass, is and has been inactive as far as I know. The enclosed assay form may be of interest. Perhaps we aren't talking about the same mine.

Sincerely yours,



Len Ramp

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