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Clyde Wilder Len Fung visited 11-19-8

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Gold Blanket mine gate
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Elev 4160

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GOLD BLANKET MINE

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History: The area was reported by Diller (1914, P. 66 & 67) as the Gold Ridge Prospects; "Pocket Knoll and the divide between Mike and Days gulches, 5 to 7 miles northwest of Kerby, have long been noted for their pockets of free gold. Pocket Knoll is composed of serpentine with a greenstone contact near its western base. From this contact northwest on the divide, to the head of Hoover Gulch and beyond, the ancient lavas and tuffs include much reddish and siliceous slates of sedimentary origin. The cherty masses, especially about the head of Hoover and Mike gulches, have recently been prospected. With a small hand outfit consisting of a Simplex rock crusher weighing 150 pounds and a 25-pound muller and plate for pulverizing, T.M. Anderson, of Kerby, is said to have taken much gold out of a number of rich pockets. There are a number of claims, four or more, on the flat divide at the head of Hoover and Mike gulches. The divide is occupied by a belt of more or less cherty slates, about 100 feet in width and covered by a thick layer of rotten rock, bounded on both sides by greenstone with serpentine near by to the northwest. The greenstone in places granular but mostly compact and in general contains much auriferous pyrite. The cherty belt and its quartz veins trend N. 20° E. and dip 50° SE. A tunnel is being run across the belt in the rotten rock to locate the richest portion. A shaft has been sunk 20 feet in this soft rock and gold has been panned from the oxidized material at the bottom. The little swale on the northwest has been sluiced with good returns, and if water were cheaply available it is possible that considerable pay ground could be found. A short distance northeast of the tunnel mentioned above is the "Beauty" claim on which a pocket recently opened is said to have yielded \$5,000 or more of free gold in quartz. The country rock is compact greenstone lying east of the siliceous slates, and the narrow pay streak, about 10 feet in length and within 2 feet of the surface, runs northwest and southeast perpendicular to the general course of the formations."

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