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OREGON BONANZA MINE (gold)

UPPER APPLGATE DISTRICT  
JOSEPHINE COUNTY

Owner: Powell Creek Mining Co., Inc.,; Percy V. Long, pres.; Leon C. Osteyer, secretary; Emmet J. Chapman, treas.; 580 Market Street, San Francisco, Calif. An Oregon corporation, dated May 1st, 1939

Location: SE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 16, T. 38 S., R. 5 W., at elevations between 2100 and 2300 feet, on the south side of Powell Creek, 19 miles by road southeast of Grants Pass.

Area: 80 acres of patented land.

History: Quoting from Parks & Swartley, 1916 2/

"The Oregon Bonanza mine, 12 miles south of Grants Pass and 3 miles southwest of Provoit, is in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  (this should be SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) sec. 16, T. 38 S. R. 5 W., south of Powell creek at an elevation of 2100 feet, as measured by barometer. The country rock is greenstone cut by aplite dikes. All the adits are caved and the mine buildings are in ruins. It is at present under option by Edward Layton of Applegate and J. M. Letherow of Grants Pass."

The property was purchased by R. C. Hanford and associates from Edward Layton in 1936. In 1939 the Powell Creek Mining Company was incorporated, and took charge. There is at least 1000 feet of old workings and a 250 foot shaft, most of which is inaccessible at the present time. There are surface indications of a number of shafts, all of which are caved and inaccessible.

The mine has operated more or less steadily since 1936, and at present is under the management of Mr. A. J. Lindquist. Sizeable amounts of high-grade ore have been removed, some of which ran \$17 per pound in gold.

Development: The Bonanza tunnel, portal elevation 2100 feet is 496 feet long. The direction is generally S. 60° W. to station 7.

A shear zone that is parallel to the "lime dike" cuts across the tunnel about 100 feet from the portal and a sizeable stope developed no ore. The north wall is siliceous limestone and the south wall is meta-sediment. At station 7, a north-south shear zone in meta-sediment forms the "hanging wall vein". Several stopes were developed, particularly where cross shears intersect the main north-south shear zone. These stopes are as wide as the tunnel and are directed 50° up to the north. It was reported that a level, 15 feet above the Bonanza tunnel, connected the three stopes in the vicinity of station 7 and 8.

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A short cross-cut extends S. 60° W., from station 7 but the map shows that the face is nowhere near the diorite dike it is reported to have been driven to cut. South of station 12 the tunnel connects with a shaft from the surface. Presumably this is the "Old Shaft", now caved and inaccessible.

A cross-cut through the diorite dike which is about 30 feet wide, cuts a hanging wall shear zone that trends S. 55° E., dips 75° N.E., and contains some quartz. On the south, there is an opening reportedly connecting with a stope from below. At station 13, the tunnel is in the footwall shear zone, trending S. 45° E., dips 68° N. E. The shear zone contains quartz with serpentinitoid rock, and quartz, which were well mineralized. A shaft from the surface is reported to intersect the tunnel at this point. At the time of the visit (9/19/40) the winze and lower levels were filled with water, and the tunnel beyond the winze was caved.

The winze and levels off the winze are shown on the map. They were inaccessible at the time of the visit. In 1936, J. E. Morrison reported as follows: "The winze is 115 feet deep on the incline of 100 feet vertically, and has 3 levels. Layton drift 41 ft., 70 foot level and the 100 ft. depths refer to vertical distance. Layton drift trends N. 53° W. 62 ft., and S. 35° W. 65 ft. to a bulkhead. The 70 foot level runs N. 48° W. 42 ft. and S. 39° E. 70 ft. 100 ft. level at bottom of winze runs S. E. 10 feet. Very little timbering is required". Since that time the lower level has been developed to a greater extent.

Surface inspections revealed three shafts north of the "Old Shaft". The most southerly is open at the surface; the other two are caved. Still farther north are two cuts, the most northerly being alongside the "lime dike".

The Bonanza tunnel produced most of the gold of the mine's history.

The Eclipse tunnel, portal elev. 1848 feet, was driven into the hill several hundred feet northeast of the Bonanza tunnel. It encounters the hanging wall of a diorite dike; the shear zone trends N. 30° W., and is practically vertical. Some stoping was done on this level.

The Lime Gulch tunnel portal elev. 1841 ft. was driven at a lower level to cut the diorite dike exposed in the Eclipse tunnel, - then cross-cut thru the dike and drifted southwest in the footwall shear zone. The diorite dike is about 23 ft. wide here and the footwall shear zone trends N. 30° W., and is vertical. Siliceous limestone appeared in the tunnel walls in the footwall drift.

Equipment: Gardner-Denver equipment unless otherwise specified; 160 cut. ft. compressor, 1 drifter, 1 stoper, 1 tigger hoist with 150 ft.

Equipment: (continued)

of  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch cable; American fan 8 inch, with 950 ft. of 8 inch pipe; 1 Cushman gas engine,  $\frac{5}{8}$ " 4 h.p. to drive fan; 1 one car, 12 cu. ft. capacity; 1500 ft. of 12 lb. rail; 1100 ft. of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch pipe line; one duplex pump 4 in. x 3 in. x  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in.; one Snow duplex pump  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in. x 5 in. x 4 in. 200 ft. of pipe line for pump. Compressor house and machine shed.

Topography: The area is mountainous. Elevations range from 1500 ft. at Powell Cr. to over 2500 ft. on the slope southwest of the property. The workings lie between 1841 ft. (Lime Gulch tunnel) and 2230 ft. (Old Shaft). Hillslopes average  $30^{\circ}$ . Vegetation is dense; the timber is fir and madronna; brush is manzanita over seven ft. high in places, and poison oak profusely scattered to catch the unwary geologist. Weathering and hillside creep extend to depths in excess of five ft. and outcrops are practically non-existent. The exceptions are; the "lime dike" from the portal of the Bonanza tunnel (2100 ft.) to an elev. of 2370 ft.; and along and above the Powell Creek ditch about elev. 1700 ft.

Geology:

Rocks: The rocks are metamorphosed sediments (meta-sediments) that contain lenses of siliceous limestone, and quartz stringers that are associated with shear zones. Diorite dikes cut the structure at right angles. Serpentine is reported but none was found.

The meta-sediments have been intensely altered and silicified so that in places they resemble impure quartzites. Toward the southwest, the slaty character ~~is~~ becomes more prominent. The siliceous limestone is gray and may contain masses that are more nearly calcareous quartzite than limestone. The diorite is medium fine-grained with altered phenocrysts. Sausseritization is suggested. In the Bonanza tunnel, amphibole needles form an interlocking network in the diorite rock, similar to what the U.S.G.S. term a spessartite in their Grants Pass quadrangle. Specimens of diorite dike rock from other areas do not show this development of hornblende needles to such a marked extent.

"Slickentite" is developed in some of the shear zones. Apparently some of the quartz was injected forcefully and the meta-sediments were intensely sheared. The result is a mass of quartz pods that are surrounded by a slick greenish rock, consisting of ~~quartz~~ chlorite, epidote, etc. Some of the meta-sediments into which no quartz was injected, also develop "slickentite". This "slickentite" markedly resembles serpentine, which it is not.

Geology (continued)

Mineralization: The gangue minerals of the veins are principally quartz with subordinate calcite. The ore minerals are free gold, pyrite, and a small amount of galena. The pyrite may carry some gold.

Apparently quartz was injected in at least two epochs. The first was accompanied by considerable stress, developing "sickentite"; the second deposited pure quartz and the metals either accompanied this epoch or are later. The second epoch quartz usually occurs nearer the center of the vein. Some sulfides are found in the "sickentited" portion of the quartz vein - the pyrite frequently occurs as distinct, small crystals, - and these portions are not, as a rule, good ore.

Some of the sulfides are fine-grained and massive, and may occur in narrow veinlets. Some of the sulfides consist of small crystals. All galena observed was in the quartz. Little, if any, metallization occurred in the wall rocks.

Gold is usually free. It is reported as occurring in thin sheets where the quartz splits along sulfide veinlets. Laboratory specimens of some of the \$34,000 ore shows free gold in such fine grained quartz that the quartz looks like chalcidony. Some of the gold is in the pyrite, particularly when it occurs in the non-sickentited portion of the vein.

The ore is hand sorted - the high grade is shipped and the low grade is sent to the mill at the Humdinger mine.

There is evidence of re-silicification, and re-crystallization as a result of mineralizing solutions, and dynamic stresses.

Structure: The structural trend of the rocks is generally N. 50° E., varying from N. 40° E., to N. 60° E. There has been shearing parallel to the major structure, as evidenced by the shear zone in the Bonanza tunnel where the meta-sediments that contact the "lime dike" have been sheared and laminated. Along the Powell Cr. ditch, the meta-sediments show considerable evidence of shearing parallel to the general structure (N. 50° E.) Although joint planes give a suggestion of a structure at right angles.

The diorite dikes roughly cut across the major structure at right angles. Both dikes, in the Bonanza and Lime Gulch tunnels have been sheared on footwall and hanging wall, and these shear zones have been mineralized to varying degrees. Bulldozer cuts to the northwest of the Bonanza tunnel, and at the upper end of the Powell Cr. ditch traverse rocks that appear to be granular, and approximate diorite in composition. However, they do not have the hornblende needles characteristic of the Bonanza dike

Geology: (continued)Structure (continued):

There is a strong north-south shear zone that shows in the Bonanza tunnel between stations 7 and 12, and metallization is more concentrated where it is cut by cross-shears. Whether this particular zone cuts the "lime dike" is not known.

Another group of shear zones may be generalized as N.W. - S.W. trending zones.

The "lime dike" strikes about N. 57° E., and dips 67° S.E. The surface outcrop is on a hillside with a 20° - 30° slope and the trend of the outcrop is N. 67° E. The dip is such that 100 ft. difference in elevation produces a 42 ft. offset in the horizontal projection of the lens. The outcrops extend from the portal of the Bonanza tunnel, elev. 2100 ft. along the N. 67° E. trend to an elev. of 2370 ft. where it can no longer be traced. Outcrops do not show downhill from the Bonanza portal. The outcrops are so prominent, and so easily distinguished, that the lack of outcrops leads to the conclusion that the "lime dike" is in reality a small lens, that it has little more lateral extension than shown by the outcrops.

The amount of displacement along any one shear zone appears to be small. Intersecting shear zones show little evidence of displacement. The conclusion is that any one shear zone produces little displacement; - the total displacement resulting from a great number of shear zones may be great. Thus, if no one shear zone produced pronounced displacement, it is doubtful if the two diorite dikes, as exposed in the Bonanza and Lime Gulch tunnels, represent one dike that is faulted.

Ore Shoots: High grade lenses of ore are found in the quartz of the sub levels of the winze in the Bonanza tunnel. These lenses have a maximum width of 12 inches and are about 20-25 ft. in their greatest dimension. They rake about 45° to the northwest, according to J. E. Morrison. Mr. Lindquist confirmed this information, but stated that in his opinion the individual lenses did pitch toward the northwest, but that the lenses seemed to be an eschelon to the southeast.

The stipes in the north-south shear zone between stations 7 & 12, Bonanza level, rake downward to the south at a 50° angle. However, the cross-shear zones have their dip in the same direction, and if concentration is more pronounced at the intersection of these shear zones, this would account for the alignment of ore shoots at this point.

There is no report of cross fractures for the hanging or footwall veins of the diorite dike.

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INFORMANT

Mr. A. J. Lindquist; J. E. Morrison; and Ray C. Treasher,

REPORT BY

Ray C. Treasher, 10/4/40

Oregon Bonanza  
NAME OLD NAMES

Gold  
PRINCIPAL ORE MINOR MINERALS

38 South    5 West    16  
T                    R                    S

PUBLISHED REFERENCES

..... Josephine..... COUNTY  
*LOWER APPLEGRIFE*  
..... Powell Creek..... AREA  
..... 2100 feet..... ELEVATION  
..... ROAD OR HIGHWAY  
19 miles S.E. of Grants Pass DISTANCE TO  
SHIPPING POINT

Ore. M. M. Hdbk. 14-C Vol. II Sec.1  
Petrolology and Min. Resources of Jose. & Jack.  
Counties, Ore.; A. N. Winchell

MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS

PRESENT LEGAL OWNER (S) Powell Creek Mining Co., Inc  
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Maps, and geological discriptions of deposit  
in Grants Pass office file  
Address ..... 580 Market Street, San Francisco,  
California.....  
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OPERATOR A. J. Linguist, Manager.....

Name of claims                    Area    Pat.    Unpat.  
80 acres of patented land  
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Name of claims                    Area    Pat.    Unpat.  
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EQUIPMENT ON PROPERTY  
Mining equipment only  
*May have been sold*

OREGON BONANZA MINE (gold)

*Up set*  
LOWER APPLCATE DISTRICT

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SUMMARY

1. Pangcity of surface outcrops makes it difficult to predict underground conditions, or to permit reasonably accurate projection of shear zones, veins, and dikes by a study of surface conditions.
2. The shearing may be the result of adjustment of stresses during deformation and it is characterized by crushing under heavy compression with little lateral movement.
3. Displacement by any one shear zone is small. While the total displacement produced by a series of shear zones might be great, it is doubtful if, within the limits of the property, faulting has effected any appreciable displacement of veins.
4. The diorite dikes of the Bonanza and Lime Gulch levels represent two distinct dikes rather than one dike that is faulted.
5. Westward extension of the Bonanza level diorite dike is suggested by granular rock found at the "bulldozer cuts" and by talus along the Powell Creek ditch. However, a projection of the N. 40° W. trend of the Bonanza dike falls north of the bulldozer cut, and farther north of the Powell Creek ditch.
6. Therefore, there is a good possibility that these outcrops express the presence of two more, roughly parallel diorite dikes. Further evidence in support of this hypothesis is the texture and mineral content. The Bonanza dike is characterized by presence of hornblende needles, so that the rock resembles a spessartite. The diorite of the bulldozer cut and on Powell Creek lacks these needles.
7. Data on the rake of ore shoots is conflicting. One view is that the ore lenses rake northwest, and the other is that they rake southeast. It is not feasible to confirm or disprove either of these, on the basis of information available at this time.
8. No evidence was found to prove the continuity of the "lime dike" below the Bonanza portal or above elev. 2370 ft. Field study suggests that it does not continue and that it was not faulted off. Therefore it may represent a local lens.



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Considering the field evidence, with data supplied by Albert Burch and A. J. Lindquist it is-----

RECOMMENDED:

1. Future development be attempted along the levels from the winze in the Bonanza level, where ore is reported still to be in place.
2. As both the "hanging wall vein" of the Bonanza level (the north-south shear zone) and the hanging wall vein of the diorite dike made some ore, the intersection of these two should be prospected.
3. Lindquist reports that the 100 level to the northwest did not show ore. However, this may be a lean shoot between ore shoots, and drill holes to the northwest in the vein might pick up additional ore shoots.
4. Until sufficient ore is blocked out to justify lower drainage tunnels, work should be confined to de-watering the winze, improving hoisting equipment, and ore removed via the ~~winze~~ winze.
5. If sufficient ore is blocked out, a lower level might be driven from the northeast to cut the winze, to drain the workings and permit pulling ore by gravity rather than by hoisting. The Oregon Beauty to the southeast is reported to have the continuation of the Bonanza diorite dike and vein. Their lower elevation might make an advantageous place to start a lower level, in the vein, if suitable arrangements could be made with the Oregon Beauty.
6. An assay map should be prepared, showing accurate location of all assays. This would assist in attempts to determine the rake of ore shoots.
7. Surface trenching, to the northwest along the trend of the diorite dike should be attempted, to prove or disprove the continuity of this particular dike.

Ray C. Treasher,  
Field Geologist,  
October 6th, 1940.

STATE DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINERAL INDUSTRIES  
ASSAY LABORATORIES

Baker, Oregon  
Grants Pass, Oregon

SAMPLE INFORMATION REQUESTED

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Your name in full . . . *J. E. Morrison* . . .

Postoffice address . . .

Are you a citizen of Oregon? . . . Date on which sample is sent. *3/2/09* . . .

Name (or names) of owners of the property . . . *Hanford* . . .

Name of particular claim and date of location . . . *Oregon Banner* . . .

Location of property or source of sample:

(1) County. *Josephine* . . . (2) Mining District. *Lower Applegate* . . .

(3) Township. *37* . . . (4) Range. *5 W* . . . (5) Section. *No* . . .

(6) Quarter Section . . .

How far from passable road? *on road* . . .

For what do you wish sample tested? . . . *gold* . . .

Does your sample represent a new discovery? . . . *No* . . .

On a newly located claim? . . . *No* . . . Old? . . . *Yes* . . .

Has any ore from this claim been milled or shipped? . . . *Yes* . . .

Width of ore where sample was taken (length of channel cut) . . . *5* . . .

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(signed) *J. E. Morrison*

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Your name in full . . . *J. E. M.* . . . . .

Postoffice address . . . . .

Are you a citizen of Oregon? . . . . . Date on which sample is sent. *7/10.* . . . . .

Name (or names) of owners of the property . . . *Hanford.* . . . . .

Name of particular claim and date of location . . . *Oregon Bonanza.* . . . . .

Location of property or source of sample:

(1) County. *Josephine.* . . . . (2) Mining District *Lower Appl.* . . . . .

(3) Township . . *38.* . . . . (4) Range . *5.* . . . . (5) Section . *16.* . . . . .

(6) Quarter Section . . *58 1/4* . . . . .

How far from passable road? . . . *on road.* . . . . .

For what do you wish sample tested? . . . *gold.* . . . . .

Does your sample represent a new discovery? . . . *no.* . . . . .

On a newly located claim? . . *no.* . . . . Old? . . *yes.* . . . . .

Has any ore from this claim been milled or shipped? . . . *yes.* . . . . .

Width of ore where sample was taken (length of channel cut) . . *grab.* . . . . .

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(signed) *J. E. Merriam.*

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Your name in full . . . *J. E. Morrison* . . . . .

Postoffice address . . . . .

Are you a citizen of Oregon? . . . . . Date on which sample is sent. *9/9/38*

Name (or names) of owners of the property . . . *Hanford* . . . . .

Name of particular claim and date of location . . . *Pat ground* . . . . .

Location of property or source of sample:

- (1) County. *Josephine* . . . . . (2) Mining District . . . . .
- (3) Township . *38 S.* . . . . . (4) Range . *5 W.* . . . . . (5) Section . *16* . . . . .
- (6) Quarter Section . *8 1/2 S.E. 14* . . . . .

How far from passable road? . . . *road to property* . . . . .

For what do you wish sample tested? . . . *gold & silver* . . . . .

Does your sample represent a new discovery? . . . *no* . . . . .

On a newly located claim? . . . *no* . . . . . Old? . . . *no* . . . . .

Has any ore from this claim been milled or shipped? . . . *yes* . . . . .

Width of ore where sample was taken (length of channel cut) . . . *12 samples* . . . . .

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*J. E. Morrison*

Mail Copy to H. W. Ward  
628 Dakota Ave.  
Medford

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September 26, 1938

Mr. J. E. Morrison, Mining Geologist  
State Assay Laboratory  
Grants Pass, Oregon

Following are the results of assays made on samples  
from the Bonanza Mine owned by Mr. Hanford:

Office number	Sample number	Gold		Silver		Total value \$ per ton
		Oz./ton	\$/ton	Oz./ton	\$/ton	
1068	1	3.56	124.60	1.2	0.77	125.37
1069	2	11.36	397.60	5.2	3.33	400.93
1070	4	0.18	6.30	Trace		6.30
1071	5	0.02	0.70	Trace		0.70
1072	6	0.10	3.50	Trace		3.50
1073	7	1.01	35.35	0.1	0.06	35.41
1074	8	0.23	8.05	Trace		8.05
1075	9	0.11	3.85	Trace		3.85
1076	10	0.18	6.30	Trace		6.30
1077	11	1.42	49.70	0.1	0.06	49.76
1078	12	0.02	0.70	Trace		0.70
1079	13	27.03	946.05	11.5	7.36	953.41

Gold @ \$35.00 per ounce  
Silver @ \$0.64 per ounce

Signed.....  
Assayer

STATE DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINERAL INDUSTRIES

ASSAY REPORT

Office Number 700

Grants Pass, Oregon  
Baker, Oregon

July 14 1939

Sample submitted by J. S. Morrison

Grants Pass, Oregon

Sample description Grab sample taken from Oregon Bonanza

The assay results given below are made without charge as provided by Chapter 176, Section 10, Oregon Laws 1937, the sender having complied with the provisions thereof.

NOTICE: The assay results given below are from a sample furnished by the above named person. This department had no part in the taking of the sample and assumes no responsibility, other than the accuracy of the assay of the material as furnished it by the sender.

Sample Number	GOLD		SILVER						Total Value
	Ounces per ton	Value	Ounces per ton	Value	Percent	Value	Percent	Value	
	Trace		3.0	5.60					55.60

Market Quotations:

Gold           \$ per oz.  
Silver        0.70 \$ per oz.  
                  \$ per oz.  
                  \$ per oz.

STATE ASSAY LABORATORY

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Assayer

STATE DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINERAL INDUSTRIES

ASSAY REPORT

Office Number 49

Grants Pass, Oregon

January 14, 1939

~~Baker, Oregon~~

Sample submitted by J. E. Morrison Grants Pass, Oregon

Sample description Sample of quartz and pyrite from the Bonanza Mine.

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Sample Number	GOLD		SILVER		Percent	Value	Percent	Value	Total Value
	Ounces per ton	Value	Ounces per ton	Value					
	2.58	90.30	1.2	0.77					91.0

Market Quotations:

Gold        \$ 35.00 per oz.  
 Silver     \$ 0.84 per oz.  
              \$        per lb.  
              \$        per lb.

State Assay Laboratory

Assayer

STATE DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINERAL INDUSTRIES

ASSAY REPORT

Office Number 189

Grants Pass, Oregon

~~Baker, Oregon~~

March 6

1939

Sample submitted by J. E. Morrison

Grants Pass, Oregon

Sample description

Oregon  
Sample from the Bonanza Mine owned by Mr. Hanford.

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Sample Number	GOLD		SILVER						Total Value
	Ounces per ton	Value	Ounces per ton	Value	Percent	Value	Percent	Value	
	0.10	3.50	Trace						\$3.50

Market Quotations:

Gold \$35.00 per oz.  
 Silver \$ per oz.  
 \$ per oz.  
 \$ per oz.

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STATE DEPARTMENT OF GEOLOGY AND MINERAL INDUSTRIES

ASSAY REPORT

Office Number 780

Grants Pass, Oregon  
~~Baker, Oregon~~

July 14 1939

Sample submitted by J. E. Morrison

Grants Pass, Oregon

Sample description Grab sample taken from Oregon Bonanza

The assay results given below are made without charge as provided by Chapter 176, Section 10, Oregon Laws 1937, the sender having complied with the provisions thereof.

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Sample Number	GOLD		SILVER		Percent	Value	Percent	Value	Total Value
	Ounces per ton	Value	Ounces per ton	Value					
	Trace		8.0	5.60					\$5.60

Market Quotations:

Gold           \$ per oz.  
 Silver       \$ 0.70 per oz.  
               \$ per oz.  
               \$ per oz.

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September 26, 1938

Mr. J. E. Morrison, Mining Geologist  
 State Assay Laboratory  
 Grants Pass, Oregon

Following are the results of assays made on samples  
 from the Bonanza Mine owned by Mr. Hanford:

Office number	Sample number	Gold		Silver		Total value \$ per ton	
		Oz./ton	\$/ton	Oz./ton	\$/ton		
1068	1	3.56	124.60	1.2	0.77	1 - 125.37	125.37
1069	2	11.36	397.60	5.2	3.33	1 - 400.93	400.93
1070	4	0.18	6.30	Trace		3 - 6.30	18.90
1071	5	0.02	0.70	Trace		1 - 0.70	0.70
1072	6	0.10	3.50	Trace		4 - 3.50	14.00
1073	7	1.01	35.35	0.1	0.06	3 - 35.41	106.23
1074	8	0.23	8.05	Trace		3 - 8.05	24.15
1075	9	0.11	3.85	Trace		3 - 3.85	11.55
1076	10	0.18	6.30	Trace		2.5 - 6.30	15.75
1077	11	1.42	49.70	0.1	0.06		49.76
1078	12	0.02	0.70	Trace		2 - 0.70	1.40
1079	13	27.03	946.05	11.5	7.36	2 - 953.41	1906.82

Gold @ \$35.00 per ounce  
 Silver @ \$0.64 per ounce

11 / 26  
 22 / 40  
 2 - 91.00  
 2.3671  
 901.  
 34.68

Signed *Albert A. Lewis*  
 Assayer

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## RECORD IDENTIFICATION

RECORD NO..... M061089  
 RECORD TYPE..... XIM  
 COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION. USGS  
 DEPOSIT NO..... DDGM1 100-320  
 MAP CODE NO. OF REC..

## REPORTER

NAME..... JOHNSON, MAUREEN G.  
 UPDATED..... 81 03  
 BY..... FERNS, MARK L. (BROOKS, HOWARD C.)

## NAME AND LOCATION

DEPOSIT NAME..... OREGON BONANZA MINE

MINING DISTRICT/AREA/SUBDIST. LOWER APPLGATE

COUNTRY CODE..... US  
 COUNTRY NAME: UNITED STATES

STATE CODE..... OR  
 STATE NAME: OREGON

COUNTY..... JOSEPHINE  
 DRAINAGE AREA..... 17100309 PACIFIC NORTHWEST  
 PHYSIOGRAPHIC PRDV..... 13 KLAMATH MOUNTAINS  
 LAND CLASSIFICATION..... 01

QUAD SCALE            QUAD NO OR NAME  
 1: 62500            GRANTS PASS

LATITUDE            LONGITUDE  
 42-15-41N            123-17-27W

UTM NORTHING        UTM EASTING        UTM ZONE NO  
 4678622.7            476012.7            +10

TWP..... 38S  
 RANGE..... 05W  
 SECTION.. 15  
 MERIDIAN. W.M.

LOCATION COMMENTS: SE 1/4

## COMMODITY INFORMATION

COMMODITIES PRESENT..... AU    AG    PB

## OCCURRENCE(S) OR POTENTIAL PRODUCT(S):

POTENTIAL.....

OCCURRENCE..... PB

## ORE MATERIALS (MINERALS, ROCKS, ETC.):

FREE GOLD, PYRITE; GALENA

## COMMODITY SUBTYPES OR USE CATEGORIES:

3.25 AU:AG

## COMMODITY COMMENTS:

QUARTZ IN TWO PERIODS

## EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT

STATUS OF EXPLOR. OR DEV. 4

PRESENT/LAST OWNER..... WALLACE OSTEYELL, SAN FRANCISCO CALIFORNIA

## DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT

## DEPOSIT TYPES:

VEIN/SHEAR ZONE \*

## FORM/SHAPE OF DEPOSIT:

## SIZE/DIRECTIONAL DATA

SIZE OF DEPOSIT..... SMALL

MAX WIDTH..... 4 FT

STRIKE OF DREBODY.... NW

DIP OF DREBODY..... 60-70NE

## DESCRIPTION OF WORKINGS

## COMMENTS(DESCRIP. OF WORKINGS):

1300 FEET OF WORKINGS WITH A 250 FOOT SHAFT

## PRODUCTION

YES

SMALL PRODUCTION

## ANNUAL PRODUCTION (ORE, COMMOD., CONC., OVERBURD.)

ITEM	ACC	AMOUNT	THOUS. UNITS	YEAR	GRADE, REMARKS
1 ORE SML		.596	TONS		
2 AU SML		.923	OZ	1.599	OZ/T
3 AG SML		.284	OZ	.477	OZ/T
23 ORE, EST	.600		TONS	PRE 1939	1.6 AU, 0.5 AG

GEOLOGY AND MINERALOGY

AGE OF HOST ROCKS..... PERM-TRI  
HOST ROCK TYPES..... METASEDIMENTS

AGE OF ASSOC. IGNEOUS ROCKS.. LJUR-CRET  
IGNEOUS ROCK TYPES..... DIDRITE DIKE

PERTINENT MINERALOGY..... QUARTZ, CALCITE; CHLORITE, EPIDOTE

GEOLOGICAL DESCRIPTIVE NOTES. DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF MINE CIRCA 1940 IN OMMH

LOCAL GEOLOGY

NAMES/AGE OF FORMATIONS, UNITS, OR ROCK TYPES

- 1) NAME: APPLGATE GROUP  
AGE: PERM-TRI

NAMES/AGE OF IGNEOUS UNITS OR IGNEOUS ROCK TYPES

- 1) NAME: GRAYBACK PLUTON  
AGE: LJUR-CRET K/AR 140 - 150 MY

SIGNIFICANT LOCAL STRUCTURES:  
SLICKENTITE

COMMENTS (GEOLOGY AND MINERALOGY):

MINERALIZED SHEAR ZONE IN INTENSELY ALTERED AND SILICIFIED METASEDIMENTS.

GENERAL COMMENTS

RECORD NUMBERS (M013425) AND (M015200) HAVE BEEN MERGED WITH THIS RECORD AND DELETED FROM THE OREGON FILE.

GENERAL REFERENCES

- 1) RAMP, L. AND PETERSON, N.V., 1979, GEOLOGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES OF JOSEPHINE COUNTY, OREGON; ODGMI BULL. 100, 45P
- 2) BROOKS, H.C. AND RAMP, L., 1968, GOLD AND SILVER IN OREGON; ODGMI BULL. 61, P. 261
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## RECORD IDENTIFICATION

RECORD NO..... M013407  
 RECORD TYPE..... XIM  
 COUNTRY/ORGANIZATION. USGS  
 FILE LINK ID..... CENSV  
 MAP CODE NO. OF REC..

## REPORTER

NAME..... LEE, W  
 DATE..... 74 01  
 UPDATED..... 81 03  
 BY..... FERNS, MARK L. (BROOKS, HOWARD C.)

## NAME AND LOCATION

DEPOSIT NAME..... OREGON BONANZA MINE (?)  
 SYNONYM NAME..... NAME UNKNOWN

MINING DISTRICT/AREA/SUBDIST. LOWER APPELATE

COUNTRY CODE..... JS  
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STATE CODE..... OR  
 STATE NAME: OREGON

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 LAND CLASSIFICATION..... 00

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LATITUDE LONGITUDE  
 42-16-50N 123-17-10W

UTM NORTHING UTM EASTING UTM ZONE NO  
 4680750. 476400. +10

TWP..... 38S  
 RANGE..... 05W  
 SECTION.. 10  
 MERIDIAN. W.M.

POSITION FROM NEAREST PROMINENT LOCALITY: NW1/4 SW1/4

ORE MATERIALS (MINERALS, ROCKS, ETC.):  
UNKNOWN

EXPLORATION AND DEVELOPMENT  
STATUS OF EXPLOR. OR DEV. 2

DESCRIPTION OF DEPOSIT

DEPOSIT TYPES:

LODE

FORM/SHAPE OF DEPOSIT:

SIZE/DIRECTIONAL DATA

SIZE OF DEPOSIT..... SMALL

DESCRIPTION OF WORKINGS  
UNDERGROUND

PRODUCTION  
UNDETERMINED

GEOLOGY AND MINERALOGY

AGE OF HOST ROCKS..... PERM-TRI  
HOST ROCK TYPES..... METAVOLCANICS

AGE OF ASSOC. IGNEOUS ROCKS.. LJUR-CRET K/AR 140 - 150 MY  
IGNEOUS ROCK TYPES..... DIORITE

LOCAL GEOLOGY

NAMES/AGE OF FORMATIONS, UNITS, OR ROCK TYPES

- 1) NAME: APPLGATE GROUP
- AGE: PERM-TRI

NAMES/AGE OF IGNEOUS UNITS OR IGNEOUS ROCK TYPES

- 1) NAME: GRAYBACK PLUTON
- AGE: LJUR-CRET

GENERAL COMMENTS

LOCATION ONLY. RAMP (1979) SHOWS PROPERTY TO BE ON CONTACT BETWEEN ULTRAMAFICS AND METAVOLCANICS.

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- 1) RAMP, L. AND PETERSON, N.V., 1979, GEOLOGY AND MINERAL RESOURCES OF JOSEPHINE COUNTY, OREGON; ODGMI BULL. 100, 45P

Samples from 75 ft level

20 ft - 50	of shaft	#1	- 12 in.
25 "	" " "	#2	- 12 in.
		#3	out.
30 "	" " "	#4	36 in.
35 "	" " "	#5	24 in.
40 "	" " "	#6	48 in.
45 "	" " "	#7	36 in.
50 "	" " "	#8	36 in.
55 "	" " "	#9	36 in.
60 "	" " "	#10	30 in.
65 "	" " "	#11	Grab. sample -
70 "	" " "	#12	26 in.
65 "	" " "		

#13 6 in salphide  
back of No 1

1/14/39.

Sample 2 ft. 100 ft level. 10 ft  
so of shaft. went in 2.58 of 1.20 g.

90.



F	N	E	S	W.
1-2	273°52'	S 43°52' W	68.5	N 46° E ✓
2-3	169° 49'	S 33° 21' W	33.6	S 37° W ✓
3-4	188° 39'	S 42° 00' W	96.7	S 48° W ✓
4-5	142° 08'	S 4° 26' W	23.5	S 3° W ✓
5-6	177° 15'	S 10° 21' W	17.5	S ✓
6-7	239 20	S 60° 41' W	27.3	S 60° W
7-8	174° -	S 57° 40' W	28.3	S 52° W ✓
8-9	119° 25'	S 5° 54' E	37.0	S 6° W ✓
9-10	194.59'	S 90° 5' W	20.0	S 10° W ✓
10-11	157° 06'	S 13° 49' E	32.6	S 14° E ✓
11-12	186° 41'	S 70° 08' E	65.0	S 70° E ✓
12-13	227° 47'	S 40° 39' W	42.1	S 40° W ✓
13-14	95° 17'	S 24° 4' E		S 44° 04' E ✓

181.98  
 19.66  
162.32  
 27.43  
189.75  
 6.80  
182.95

49.39  
 28.06  
 74.07  
 23.43  
~~17.50~~  
 13.38  
 16.34  
 36.81  
 29.61  
 31.65  
 64.48  
 384.72  
 31.94  
 15.48  
432.14

384.66  
 306.06  
24  
 19.04  
23

384  
 384  
 300  
 300  
0.0384  
 349  
0.0384

384  
 303  
19.20  
 115.40  
13.44  
 13.44

75φ  
 75φ

Station	H. A	Dist 4	Mag Dev	HL
A - B	0	129.0/0	N52°W	H.
B - A - C	180°37'	137/-0.4	S54°E	5' B center track.
B - A - 2	273°52'	68.5/0		
B - A - 1	273°52'	22.54/50 1/2		1 - 1 - Portal.
A - 2 - 3	169°29'	33.6/0		Numbers in tunnel
2 - 3 - 4	188°39'	96.78/29'		2 - 25ft - 3 end of timbers.
3 is end of old slope.				
3 - 4 - 5	142°26'	24.0/12		to in of cut at 3 to left
4 - 5 - 6	177°15'	17.56/0		
5 - 6 - 7	239°20'	27.35/0		
6 - 7 - 8	174°0'	28.3/0		
6 - 7 - Face	177°37'	8 to face	37ft.	8 is on view.
7 - 8 - 9	119°25'	37.0/0		9 " " "
8 - 9 - 10	194°59'	30/0		
9 - 10 - 11	157°06'	32.6/0		10 " " "
10 - 11 - 12	186°41'	65/0		11 " " "
11 - 12 - 13	247°41'	42.1/0		12 " " "
12 - 13 - 14	95°19'	50/0		11 - Timbered 10ft each ways
A - B - Stump	99°46'	307/023		12 - 13 crosscut.
A - B Block	312°54'	281.6/2005		14 is cave in
Road	117.23/407			C to road junc. 75ft
A - C Block	65°17'	√4	26°6'	
A - C - D	161°03'	187.9/14°45'		
C D E	197°31'	70.25/13°30'		
D E F	312°26'	277.3/5°12'		

Between stations 12 & 13 <sup>31 ft east of 13</sup> on main level is  
a fracture running N45W dip 68°E.

Vein runs N50W dips 68°E. hanging wall  
sample well taken foot wall of vein.  
at station 11 there is a stop on vein runs  
up 50 ft. a ore shales 15 ft so. of 11

Half way between 8 & 9 strike of formation  
N45E. dip 75° to south. slope height?

7-8 run along strike of formation

Face of drift from station 8. the formation  
strikes N50E and dips 58° south. Very hard.

2, 4 \* 6 \* 13

2 - 1 ft. 13 in back of 2

4 - 3 ft

6 - 4 ft

13 - 6 in suffield

strike of limestone S45W on hill N50E.

contact between lim & drift runs S63°  
dip 65°E.

W from 3. 3 is on the contact

5 ft east of 2 is contact.

3 almost to 4 following fracture

at station 5 a serp. dike 4 1/2 ft wide strikes  
N45 to 53°E dip 55° to 60°E

6, 7, & 8 in steep contact with diorite  
about 17 fms to ward of contact  
of diorite & serpentine. Strike  $S 43^{\circ} W$   $95^{\circ} S$ .  
Stop on this contact near

Sample lower drift

1 - 12 in, 3 out 5 - 24 in 7 - 36 in  
8 - 36 in - 9 - 36, 10 - 30 in, no 11 12 - 26 in  
all 75 ft level.

$$\begin{array}{r} 12 \times 5 = 60 \\ \times 70 \\ \hline \end{array}$$

M

	N	S	E	W
A-C - S 49° 23' E - 137 ft.		89.187	104.098	
C-D - S 68° 20' E - 181.7		67.085	168.863	
D-E - S 51° 17' E - 68.31		42.728	54.033	
E-F - S 81° 09' W - 276.13		42.52	27	272.81
F-G - S 57° 22' W 132.0		71.18		111.16
G-H - S 70° 07' W 107.14		36.44		100.75
H Shaf. S 30° 09' E 45.0		44.93	2.47	
		394.07	329.46	484.72
				329.46
				<u>155.26</u>
		394		
		10 ft.		

162.32  
155

# Bonnanga Mine Samples

	<u>oz. Gold</u>	<u>oz. Silver</u>
1	3.56	1.2
2	11.36	5.2
4	0.18	Trace
5	0.02	Trace
6	0.10	Trace
7	1.01	0.1
8	0.23	Trace
9	0.11	Trace
10	0.18	Trace
11	1.42	0.1
12	0.02	Trace
13	27.03	11.5

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OREGON BONANZA MINE (gold)

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SUMMARY

1. Paupacity of surface outcrops makes it difficult to predict underground conditions, or to permit reasonably accurate projection of shear zones, veins, and dikes by a study of surface conditions.
2. The shearing may be the result of adjustment of stresses during deformation and it is characterized by crushing under heavy compression with little lateral movement.
3. Displacement by any one shear zone is small. While the total displacement produced by a series of shear zones might be great, it is doubtful if, within the limits of the property, faulting has effected any appreciable displacement of veins.
4. The diorite dikes of the Bonanza and Lime Gulch levels represent two distinct dikes rather than one dike that is faulted.
5. Westward extension of the Bonanza level diorite dike is suggested by granular rock found at the "bulldozer cuts" and by talus along the Powell Creek ditch. However, a projection of the N. 40° W. trend of the Bonanza dike falls north of the bulldozer cut, and farther north of the Powell Creek ditch.
6. Therefore, there is a good possibility that these outcrops express the presence of two more, roughly parallel diorite dikes. Further evidence in support of this hypothesis is the texture and mineral content. The Bonanza dike is characterized by presence of hornblende needles, so that the rock resembles a spessartite. The diorite of the bulldozer cut and on Powell Creek lacks these needles.
7. Data on the rake of ore shoots is conflicting. One view is that the ore lenses rake northwest, and the other is that they rake southeast. It is not feasible to confirm or disprove either of these, on the basis of information available at this time.
8. No evidence was found to prove the continuity of the "lime dike" below the Bonanza portal or above elev. 2370 ft. Field study suggests that it does not continue and that it was not faulted off. Therefore it may represent a local lens.

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Considering the field evidence, with data supplied by  
Albert Burch and A. J. Lindquist it is-----

RECOMMENDED:

1. Future development be attempted along the levels from the winze in the Bonanza level, where ore is reported still to be in place.

2. As both the "hanging wall vein" of the Bonanza level (the north-south shear zone) and the hanging wall vein of the diorite dike made some ore, the intersection of these two should be prospected.

3. Lindquist reports that the 100 level to the northwest did not show ore. However, this may be a lean shoot between ore shoots, and drill holes to the northwest in the vein might pick up additional ore shoots.

4. Until sufficient ore is blocked out to justify lower drainage tunnels work should be confined to de-watering the winze, improving hoisting equipment, and ore removed via the ~~winze~~ winze.

5. If sufficient ore is blocked out, a lower level might be driven from the northeast to cut the winze, to drain the workings and permit pulling ore by gravity rather than by hoisting. The Oregon Beauty to the southeast is reported to have the continuation of the Bonanza diorite dike and vein. Their lower elevation might make an advantageous place to start a lower level, in the vein, if suitable arrangements could be made with the Oregon Beauty.

6. An assay map should be prepared, showing accurate location of all assays. This would assist in attempts to determine the rake of ore shoots.

7. Surface trenching, to the northwest along the trend of the diorite dike should be attempted, to prove or disprove the continuity of this particular dike.

Ray C. Treasher,  
Field Geologist,  
October 6th, 1940.



ALBERT BURCH  
Mining Engineer  
Black Oak Ranch, Medford, Oregon

OREGON BONANZA MINE

My first visit to the Oregon Bonanza Mine was on January 10th of this year, (1937), and my conclusions with reference to it were embodied in a letter written to Mr. Robert C. Hanford on the following day. I visited it again on December 11th, and, as a result of that visit, have no reason to change the views stated in my letter of January 11th.

The attractive feature of this prospect is the unusually high grade of the ore, while the unattractive feature is the very limited extent of the quartz lenses within the vein. These are so small and narrow that even with most efficient management, it is doubtful whether ore averaging less than \$100.00 per ton would pay all expenses including development work. When I was told that a recent shipment had returned only about \$90.00 per ton, I was prepared to say that further work would probably be useless, as a diminution in value with depth would be indicated. I reserved judgment however, pending returns from a sample that I saw taken from sacked ore that came from the bottom level. The sample was properly taken for the purpose of an approximate estimate of the value and I was informed by telephone yesterday evening that it assayed \$350.00 per ton. I was also informed yesterday by the man who purchased a small shipment early this month, that a careful sample of that ore assayed \$325.00 per ton. The average returns from shipments to the smelter have been \$200.00 per ton after deducting freight and treatment charges, and these two lots are therefore higher grade than the average, though not up to the highest grade lot that has been shipped. My conclusion, therefore, is that the mine is as good a prospect as it was a year ago and perhaps better for two reasons: The first being that the single lens exposed in the lowest level, is fully 18" wide as against 8" for the two exposures seen then; and the second one that a new lens, the existence of which was indicated in the north face of the first sub-level, has been shown by drifting two rounds.

With these facts in mind, the question is what should be done next, Mr. Hanford proposes to stop the ore remaining between the bottom level and the next sub-level above it and try in this way to accumulate a fund sufficient for sinking the winze a few feet deeper in order to develop more ore. As I see it, he can hardly hope to ship more than fifteen tons of sorted ore from this source and perhaps as little as eight tons, making it a "hand to mouth" operation, but he should be allowed to try it. He will probably be able to build up a small surplus in this way, but not enough for an economical development campaign as follows:- 1st- Drive the north drift on the first sub-level to explore the ore already exposed there. This should pay its own way after the drift is cleaned out. 2nd- Sink the winze with the present equipment to a further depth of thirty feet; and 3rd- Drive along the vein from the bottom of the winze a distance of fifty feet each way. This will cost about \$3500, and I would consider it a good gamble, even though only a small part of it could be provided from the proceeds of the ore in sight. The best lens of ore exposed

in the floor of the first sub-level is in the drift south of the winze, and there has been almost no exploratory work in that direction at any lower level.

The program that was recommended in January was to sink the winze to a further depth of 100 feet and do some drifting from the bottom. Instead, the winze has been deepened not more than 60 feet and there has been performed a total of about 70 feet of drifting on three sub-levels. This work cost about \$3500.00 more than I thought it would and I still believe that the cost has been excessive. But, with only a few hours on the ground, during which I had very little opportunity to talk with Mr. Hanford, except in the presence of the workmen, it was very difficult to put my finger on the cause or causes. Some that did occur to me are the following: He appears to have only one good miner at the present time and his other men, when they are working at all, are doing work of doubtful value. His hoisting equipment is inefficient and poorly arranged, as for instance, in the one little item of the trap doors over the winze. They are hinged on the wrong side, so that the hoist man has to go to them and push them down, while, if hinged on the right side, they could be raised by ropes and pulleys within the hoistman's reach and pulleys within the hoistman's reach and lowered by gravity.

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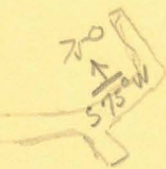
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	Station	Hor & Rt.	Dist. & V	H & V Dis.	
A - El 2100	A-B	0	129.0/0	129.0	Mag Bearing N52W Var 5'
C - 2103.2	B-A-C	180°37'	137.0/0°45'		A near portal of tunnel B - dump. H.I. = 5'
	B-A-1	273°52' S43°52'W	22.54/230'		1" Nail in header at port Number indicate station in the tunnel.
	B-A-2	"	68.5/0	68.5	25ft from 2 is end of tie
	A-2-3	169°29'	33.6/0		H.I. = 5'
	2-3-4	188°39'	96.78/2°7'	96.7	3 is end of old slope.
	3-4-5	142°26'	24.0/-12°	23.48	H.I. = 5'
	4-5-6	177°15'	17.54/0		
	5-6-7	239°20'	27.35/0	27.35	
	6-7-8	174°0°	28.3/0	28.3	
	6-7-Ⓣ	174°37'	65/0		Ⓣ = face of drift.
	7-8-9	119°25'	37.0/0		8, 9, 10, 11 & 12 on vein.
	8-9-10	194°59'	30/0		
	9-10-11	157°06'	32.6/0		
	10-11-12	186°41'	65/0		Timbered 10ft each way from station 10
	11-12-13	277°47'	42.1/0		12-13 cross cut.
	12-13-14	95°17'	50/0		13-14 along strike of vein
	A-B-Stamp	99°46'	307/+3123'	V 160 H 262	Stamp of pine tree. Ret.
El. 2000	A-B-Block	312°54' 47 06 359 60	281.6/2027'	V 100.5 H 263	Block - part of old mill.
El. 2050	Road		117/+3345'	V 47 H 107	
	A-C-Block	65°17'	-26°06'	V 105 H 215 V 47.84	
D - El 2156	A-C-D	161°03'	187.9/+4245'	H 181.70	C to road junction 75'
E - El 2177.4	C-D-E	197°3'	70.25/+330'	V 16.40 H 68.31	
F - El 2207.4	D-E-F	312°26'	277.3/+512'	V 25.38 H 216.13	} G-H-Tree - Ret. p 207°30' 103/+18
G - El 2223	E-F-G	156°13'	132.5/+5°	V 11.55 H 132.0	
H - El 2241	F-G-H	192°45'	108/+797'	V 13.63 H 107.14	V-33.10 H 97.5
	G-H-Shaft	106°44'	45/0		Old shaft on strike of vein.
		depressions. 272°05'	40/0		

S34W  
360  
220  
840  
568ft

Line Dashed tunnel

2 315'



Old. Bomaqa Adit.

Sta 3 - 20' end of tunnel, ls. on rht, ms on left, well jointed (shear zone again)  
ls. strike  $S. 57^{\circ} W$ , dip  $67^{\circ} SE$ , laminated, + forms a tunnel wall.

Sta 3+17' narrow slope goes up about 16', drill hole in back indicates  
frame-work.

Sta 4 - 45' joint plane E-W dip  $60^{\circ} N$  layers 8" thick

Sta 5 -  $S 20^{\circ} W$ , dip  $68^{\circ} SE$ . cross at Sta 5. 6' wide. Rock heavily sheared +  
fractures are coated with a shiny black "skin". No quartz.

Sta 6 + <sup>Sta 8</sup> fault drift, adit parallels the  $S 57^{\circ} W$ . shear.

at Sta 8, slope to right was a hot spot + the old report is that it was particularly  
at the line dibe. Slope does not cross the dibe.

Sta 8 on is N-S, strong shear that pinches + swells.

Sta 9 - 15' slope that slopes up at  $50^{\circ} 25'$ . at 15' is an intermediate level that  
connects with slope at #8 + also extends S about 15' a poorly defined  
shear on S side Trend  $N. 45^{\circ} E$  dip  $55^{\circ} SE$ . Crosses adit

Sta 9 + 15' very small slope

Sta 10 + 15' small slope cross fracture  $N 20^{\circ} E$  dip  $45^{\circ} SE$  cross drift + is  
slightly curved on it.

Sta 11 marked slope of same size

Sta 12 - 55'  $N 45^{\circ} E$  dip  $65^{\circ} SE$ . strong shear come in far left. Do not cross drift

Sta 12 - 25' a slope about 25' high, between two drift.

Sta-12 + 12' S. 55° E. dip 75° N.E. show zone with qtz contact of slate on N. +  
on south, ~~crosscut~~ A strike coming from a lower level on the shaft  
break into the crosscut at this point. This vein is probably the "true"  
hanging wall vein.

Sta-13 - + back <sup>to Sta 15 etc.</sup> S. 45° E. dip 68° N.E., footwall vein.

### Eclipse Adit

N. 30° W, practically vertical, W. side direct E side in W.

### Line Shaft

45' - down.

130' - end of oxidized zone.

~~250' - receive~~

285' N. 65° E dip 75° SE. narrow, poorly defined show zone.

or - 25' from forks of adit

at forks N. 25° W dip 85° N.E. hanging wall

Footwall vein N. 30° W. vertical

~~and~~ road & ditch line 190' lower than Line Shaft tunnel point

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OREGON BONANZA MINE

My first visit to the Oregon Bonanza Mine was on January 10th of this year, (1937), and my conclusions with reference to it were embodied in a letter written to Mr. Robert C. Hanford on the following day. I visited it again on December 11th, and, as a result of that visit, have no reason to change the views stated in my letter of January 11th.

The attractive feature of this prospect is the unusually high grade of the ore, while the unattractive feature is the very limited extent of the quartz lenses within the vein. These are so small and narrow that even with most efficient management, it is doubtful whether ore averaging less than \$100.00 per ton would pay all expenses including development work. When I was told that a recent shipment had returned only about \$90.00 per ton, I was prepared to say that further work would probably be useless, as a diminution in value with depth would be indicated. I reserved judgment however, pending returns from a sample that I saw taken from sacked ore that came from the bottom level. The sample was properly taken for the purpose of an approximate estimate of the value and I was informed by telephone yesterday evening that it assayed \$350.00 per ton. I was also informed yesterday by the man who purchased a small shipment early this month, that a careful sample of that ore assayed \$325.00 per ton. The average returns from shipments to the smelter have been \$200.00 per ton after deducting freight and treatment charges, and these two lots are therefore higher grade than the average, though not up to the highest grade lot that has been shipped. My conclusion, therefore, is that the mine is as good a prospect as it was a year ago and perhaps better for two reasons: The first being that the single lens exposed in the lowest level, is fully 18" wide as against 8" for the two exposures seen then; and the second one that a new lens, the existence of which was indicated in the north face of the first sub-level, has been shown by drifting two rounds.

With these facts in mind, the question is what should be done next, Mr. Hanford proposes to stop the ore remaining between the bottom level and the next sub-level above it and try in this way to accumulate a fund sufficient for sinking the winze a few feet deeper in order to develop more ore. As I see it, he can hardly hope to ship more than fifteen tons of sorted ore from this source and perhaps as little as eight tons, making it a "hand to mouth" operation, but he should be allowed to try it. He will probably be able to build up a small surplus in this way, but not enough for an economical development campaign as follows:- 1st- Drive the north drift on the first sub-level to explore the ore already exposed there. This should pay its own way after the drift is cleaned out. 2nd- Sink the winze with the present equipment to a further depth of thirty feet; and 3rd- Drive along the vein from the bottom of the winze a distance of fifty feet each way. This will cost about \$3500, and I would consider it a good gamble, even though only a small part of it could be provided from the proceeds of the ore in sight. The best lens of ore exposed

in the floor of the first sub-level is in the drift south of the winze, and there has been almost no exploratory work in that direction at any lower level.

The program that was recommended in January was to sink the winze to a further depth of 100 feet and do some drifting from the bottom. Instead, the winze has been deepened not more than 60 feet and there has been performed a total of about 70 feet of drifting on three sub-levels. This work cost about \$3500.00 more than I thought it would and I still believe that the cost has been excessive. But, with only a few hours on the ground, during which I had very little opportunity to talk with Mr. Hanford, except in the presence of the workmen, it was very difficult to put my finger on the cause or causes. Some that did occur to me are the following: He appears to have only one good miner at the present time and his other men, when they are working at all, are doing work of doubtful value. His hoisting equipment is inefficient and poorly arranged, as for instance, in the one little item of the trap doors over the winze. They are hinged on the wrong side, so that the hoist man has to go to them and push them down, while, if hinged on the right side, they could be raised by ropes and pulleys within the hoistman's reach and pulleys within the hoistman's reach and lowered by gravity.

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### OREGON BONANZA MINE (gold)

UPPER APPLIGATE DISTRICT  
JOSEPHINE COUNTY

Owner: Powell Creek Mining Co., Inc.,; Percy V. Long, pres.; Leon C. Osteyee, secretary; Emmet J. Chapman, treas.; 580 Market Street, San Francisco, Calif. An Oregon corporation, dated May 1st, 1939

Location: SE $\frac{1}{4}$  sec. 16, T. 38 S., R. 5 W., at elevations between 2100 and 2300 feet, on the south side of Powell Creek, 19 miles by road southeast of Grants Pass.

Area: 80 acres of patented land.

History: Quoting from Parks & Swartley, 1916 2/

"The Oregon Bonanza mine, 12 miles south of Grants Pass and 3 miles southwest of Provolt, is in the SW $\frac{1}{4}$  (this should be SE $\frac{1}{4}$ ) sec. 16, T. 38 S. R. 5 W., south of Powell creek at an elevation of 2100 feet, as measured by barometer. The country rock is greenstone cut by aplite dikes. All the adits are caved and the mine buildings are in ruins. It is at present under option by Edward Layton of Applegate and J. M. Letherow of Grants Pass."

The property was purchased by R. C. Hanford and associates from Edward Layton in 1936. In 1939 the Powell Creek Mining Company was incorporated, and took charge. There is at least 1000 feet of old workings and a 250 foot shaft, most of which is inaccessible at the present time. There are surface indications of a number of shafts, all of which are caved and inaccessible.

The mine has operated more or less steadily since 1936, and at present is under the management of Mr. A. J. Lindquist. Sizeable amounts of high-grade ore have been removed, some of which ran \$17 per pound in gold.

Development: The Bonanza tunnel, portal elevation 2100 feet is 496 feet long. The direction is generally S. 60° W. to station 7. A shear zone that is parallel to the "lime dike" cuts across the tunnel about 100 feet from the portal and a sizeable stope developed no ore. The north wall is siliceous limestone and the south wall is metasediment. At station 7, a north-south shear zone in meta-sediment forms the "hanging wall vein". Several stopes were developed, particularly where cross shears intersect the main north-south shear zone. These stopes are as wide as the tunnel and are directed 50° up to the north. It was reported that a level, 15 feet above the Bonanza tunnel, connected the three stopes in the vicinity of station 7 and 8.

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A short cross-cut extends S. 60° W., from station 7 but the map shows that the face is nowhere near the diorite dike it is reported to have been driven to cut. South of station 12 the tunnel connects with a shaft from the surface. Presumably this is the "Old Shaft", now caved and inaccessible.

A cross-cut through the diorite dike which is about 30 feet wide, cuts a hanging wall shear zone that trends S. 55° E., dips 75° N.E., and contains some quartz. On the south, there is an opening reportedly connecting with a stope from below. At station 13, the tunnel is in the footwall shear zone, trending S. 45° E., dips 68° N. E. The shear zone contains quartz with serpentinitoid rock, and quartz, which were well mineralized. A shaft from the surface is reported to intersect the tunnel at this point. At the time of the visit 9/19/40 the winze and lower levels were filled with water, and the tunnel beyond the winze was caved.

The winze and levels off the winze are shown on the map. They were inaccessible at the time of the visit. In 1936, J. E. Morrison reported as follows: "The winze is 115 feet deep on the incline of 100 feet vertically, and has 3 levels. Layton drift 41 ft., 70 foot level and the 100 ft. depths refer to vertical distance. Layton drift trends N. 53° W. 62 ft., and S. 35° W. 65 ft. to a bulkhead. The 70 foot level runs N. 48° W. 42 ft. and S. 39° E. 70 ft. 100 ft. level at bottom of winze runs S. E. 10 feet. Very little timbering is required". Since that time the lower level has been developed to a greater extent.

Surface inspections revealed three shafts north of the "Old Shaft". The most southerly is open at the surface; the other two are caved. Still farther north are two cuts, the most northerly being alongside the "lime dike".

The Bonanza tunnel produced most of the gold of the mine's history.

The Eclipse tunnel, portal elev. 1948 feet, was driven into the hill several hundred feet northeast of the Bonanza tunnel. It encounters the hanging wall of a diorite dike; the shear zone trends N. 30° W., and is practically vertical. Some stoping was done on this level.

The Lime Gulch tunnel portal elev. 1841 ft. was driven at a lower level to cut the diorite dike exposed in the Eclipse tunnel, - then cross cut thru the dike and drifted southwest in the footwall shear zone. The diorite dike is about 23 ft. wide here and the footwall shear zone trend N. 30° W., and is vertical. Siliceous limestone appeared in the tunnel walls in the footwall drift.

Equipment: Gardner-Denver equipment unless otherwise specified; 160 cu. ft. compressor, 1 drifter, 1 stoper, 1 tugger hoist with 150 ft.

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Equipment: (continued)

of  $\frac{1}{2}$  inch cable; American fan 8 inch, with 950 ft. of 8 inch pipe; 1 Cushman gas engine,  $\frac{8}{1}$  4 h.p. to drive fan; 1 one car, 12 cu. ft. capacity; 1500 ft. of 12 lb. rail; 1100 ft. of  $1\frac{1}{2}$  inch pipe line one duplex pump 4 in. x 3 in. x  $3\frac{1}{2}$  in.; one Snow duplex pump  $4\frac{1}{2}$  in. x 5 in. x 4 in. 200 ft. of pipe line for pump. Compressor house and machine shed.

Topography: The area is mountainous. Elevations range from 1500 ft. at Powell Cr. to over 2500 ft. on the slope southwest of the property. The workings lie between 1841 ft. (Lime Gulch tunnel) and 2230 ft. (Old Shaft). Hillslopes average  $30^{\circ}$ . Vegetation is dense; the timber is fir and madronna; brush is manzanita over seven ft. high in places, and poison oak profusely scattered to catch the unwary geologist. Weathering and hillside creep extend to depths in excess of five ft. and outcrops are practically non-existent. The exceptions are; the "lime dike" from the portal of the Bonanza tunnel (2100 ft.) to an elev. of 2370 ft.; and along and above the Powell Creek ditch about elev 1700 ft.

Geology:

Rocks: The rocks are metamorphosed sediments (meta-sediments) that contain lenses of siliceous limestone, and quartz stringers that are associated with shear zones. Diorite dikes cut the structure at right angles. Serpentine is reported but none was found.

The meta-sediments have been intensely altered and silicified so that in places they resemble impure quartzites. Toward the southwest, the slaty character ~~per~~ becomes more prominent. The siliceous limestone is gray and may contain masses that are more nearly calcareous quartzite than limestone. The diorite is medium fine-grained with altered phenocrysts. Sausseritization is suggested. In the Bonanza tunnel, amphibole needles form an interlocking network in the diorite rock, similar to what the U.S.G.S. term a spessartite in their Grants Pass quadrangle. Specimens of diorite dike rock from other areas do not show this development of hornblende needles to such a marked extent.

"Slickentite" is developed in some of the shear zones. Apparently some of the quartz was injected forcefully and the meta-sediments were intensely sheared. The result is a mass of quartz pods that are surrounded by a slick greenish rock, consisting of ~~chry~~ chlorite, epidote, etc. Some of the meta-sediments into which no quartz was injected, also develop "slickentite". This "slickentite" markedly resembles serpentine, which it is not.

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Geology (continued)

Mineralization: The gangue minerals of the veins are principally quartz with subordinate calcite. The ore minerals are free gold, pyrite, and a small amount of galena. The pyrite may carry some gold.

Apparently quartz was injected in at least two epochs. The first was accompanied by considerable stress, developing "slickentite"; the second deposited pure quartz and the metals either accompanied this epoch or are later. The second epoch quartz usually occurs nearer the center of the vein. Some sulfides are found in the "slickentited" portion of the quartz vein - the pyrite frequently occurs as distinct, small crystals, - and these portions are not, as a rule, good ore.

Some of the sulfides are fine-grained and massive, and may occur in narrow veinlets. Some of the sulfides consist of small crystals. All galena observed was in the quartz. Little, if any, metallization occurred in the wall rocks.

Gold is usually free. It is reported as occurring in thin sheets where the quartz splits along sulfide veinlets. Laboratory specimens of some of the \$34,000 ore shows free gold in such fine grained quartz that the quartz looks like chalcedony. Some of the gold is in the pyrite, particularly when it occurs in the non-slickentited portion of the vein.

The ore is hand sorted - the high grade is shipped and the low grade is sent to the mill at the Humdinger mine.

There is evidence of re-silicification, and re-crystallization as a result of mineralizing solutions, and dynamic stresses.

Structure: The structural trend of the rocks is generally N. 50° E., varying from N. 40° E., to N. 60° E. There has been shearing parallel to the major structure, as evidenced by the shear zone in the Bonanza tunnel where the meta-sediments that contact the "lime dike" have been sheared and laminated. Along the Powell Cr. ditch, the meta-sediments show considerable evidence of shearing parallel to the general structure (N. 50° E.) Although joint planes give a suggestion of a structure at right angles.

The diorite dikes roughly cut across the major structure at right angles. Both dikes, in the Bonanza and Lime Gulch tunnels have been sheared on footwall and hanging wall, and these shear zones have been mineralized to varying degrees. Bulldozer cuts to the northwest of the Bonanza tunnel, and at the upper end of the Powell Cr. ditch traverse rocks that appear to be granular, and approximate diorite in composition. However, they do not have the hornblende needles characteristic of the Bonanza dike

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Geology: (continued)Structure (continued):

There is a strong north-south shear zone that shows in the Bonanza tunnel between stations 7 and 12, and metallization is more concentrated where it is cut by cross-shears. Whether this particular zone cuts the "lime dike" is not known.

Another group of shear zones may be generalized as N.E. - S.W. trending zones.

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Mr. A. J. Lindquist; J. E. Morrison; and Ray C. Treasher,

### REPORT BY

Ray C. Treasher, 10/4/40

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*permission from State to sell \$25,000 for development.*

*P. V. Long, Merchants Exchange Bldg. San Francisco  
is Pres. R. C. Hanford - V. P.*

~~Bonanza a float 1635 at 11 a.m.~~

Arg Bonanza. Elev. of shaft 2230 (corrected) len. 90' high.

There is a shallow gulch trending  $N 50^{\circ} W$ . from the shaft. This was followed.

At elev. 2370 right on nose of ridge, a quartz stringer outcrops. Outcrop area about 2' square. Major fracture in qtz. Trends  $N 20^{\circ} W$ . It cuts a rock that is laminated into  $\frac{1}{2}$ " plates, trends  $N 20^{\circ} E$  + dips about  $75^{\circ} SE$ . The rock has lenticular solution pits aligned with cleavage that suggests it to be a high calc. content but cannot be closed as true ls. Could this be the splinter of the lime strake at the portal of Bonanza Adit? Also. - Could this be the outcrop of the Bonanza adit "changing wall vein"? Further study shows that the "lime" is a continuation of the lime at portal Bonanza Adit + that the trend is  $N. 50^{\circ} E$ . inclined of  $20^{\circ}$  so there is local slump.

The ridge nose trends E-W. from this pt. Continued W. along it on sort of trail. Occasional pits of cut, 16" stove wood, many, many years old. Then N. down hill toward Powell ca. to elev. 2350. Numerous pits + holes as if some pocket hunter were busy. At elev. 2340 is a road-like excavation on hillside, about 200' long. Rock is mainly a meta-sed. but there is a suggestion of a rock that might be a porphyry. in at least 1000' west of the "lime dike".

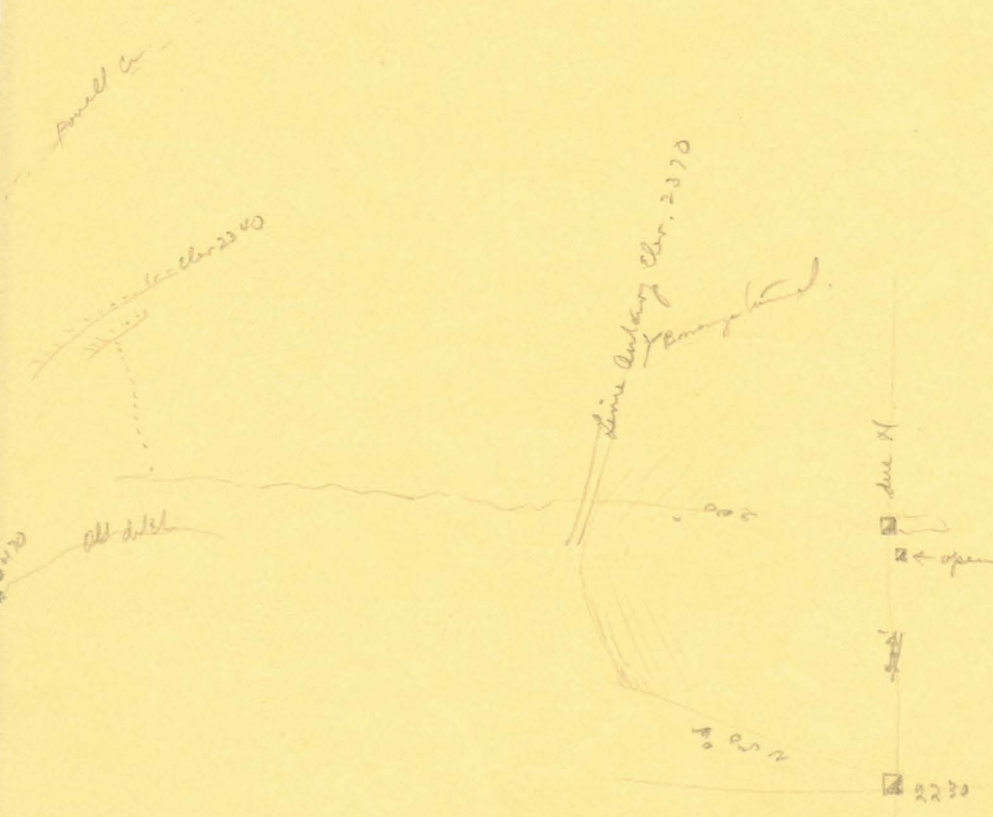
Ditch line. Elev. 2470'

N. 50° E \_\_\_\_\_ 45 paces

N. 90° E \_\_\_\_\_ 28 paces

rough ditch + continue due E.

Elev. 2310 old road shaft, good sized dump.  
? 500' due S to shaft mentioned at beginning.



Bronze pit-dump } { N. 40° W. 190'  
 Sta A } { N. 23° W 80' to big fir tree.

S 57° W      67° SE.

Other shafts. N. 70° W. from first stake in  
 road to "Old Shaft", probably first & yet beyond  
 fork with Hundinger road.



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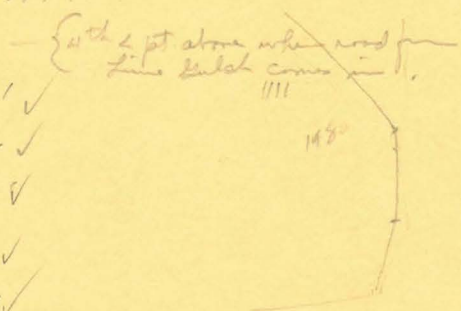
Oregon Bonanza Mine.

Traverse from road to dozen-cut on hillside.

Bunker + Cape traverses - Lindquist Dresser.

Ditch xing 1610' at 9 A.M.

Leave road. - elev. 1850'



- 1 - 2 - 564° W - 115' ✓
- 2 - 3 - 575° W - 116' ✓
- 3 - 4 - 568° W - 140' ✓
- 4 - 5 - 586° W - 50' ✓
- 5 - 6 - 557° W - 126' ✓
- 6 - 7 - 543° W - 119' ✓

Down the hill from # 7 to Tunneling site. Just above it is outcrop of ms. Trend N. ~~50~~ 50° E. shows shearing. One bit of porphyroid rock but not dense.

- 7 - 8 - 554° W - 195' ✓
- 8 - 9 - 544° W - 128' ✓
- 9 - 10 - 516° W - 163' ✓
- 10 - 11 - 512° W - 130' ✓
- 11 - 12 - 523° W - 100' ✓

9 + 30' outcrop of ms cut by gty veinlets



Sta 12 is beginning of cut.

- 12 - 13 - 565° W - 124' ✓
- 13 - 14 - 517° W - 171' - elev. 2230' at 11:30

Sta 14 end of cut.

Powell Cr. Ditch:

Krenator on mts. around to where flume crosses.  
 Rock is steered parallel to structure to almost a schist.  
 Diabase looking stuff consists of knots in the schist.

at beginning of flume, diabase or granular rock  
 appears close to flume crossing Powell Cr. Must be  
 body of granatoid rock above. Beyond flume crossing is  
 m.s.

57	end of rock ditch	
67	beginning of wood flume	335
140	end of wood flume to cross flume	700
		<hr/> 1035

Powell Cr. Ditch Line 10/1140

- 175 paces = 875' first outcrop of m.s.
- 218 " - 265 (1090-1325) S bank of ditch across mts. up to 15' high.  
 around nose of ridge between 1st + 2nd gulches. This is  
 slightly schistose with knots of included light  
 colored masses. Trend is about N. 50° E. + dip is high.
- 290 paces (1450') second gulch. Powell Cr. Tunnel side is just up  
 the gulch from the point.
- 320 (1600) up the hill, bold outcrops of m.s. with parallel alignment  
 general trend N 60° E.
- 480 (2400) ~~second~~ third gulch, with flume.
- 504-526 (2520-2630) ditch is cut thru mts.
- 55-582 (2775-2940) rock S. wall to ditch, mts. with parallel alignment + slightly  
 coarser grain structure. Trend N 50° E.

615 (2080) beginning of flume. Rock is still ms. or mv. but weathered pieces have a small porphyroid texture like some re. & crystallization has been undergone. Outcrops overhead are also ms.

670 (3440) first appearance of granular float. Float from base to Powell ls. is granular & sheared with quartzite ms. No bold outcrops overhead altho rubble is heavy. It would appear as if a different rock type was encountered.

800 (4000) Ditch x so Powell ls. ms. + bold outcrops continue up stream. Has very slaty fracture, trend is N 50° E.

Hillside above & S of ditch at 4000' - Outcrops consists of ms in varying degree of meta. Parallel structure with tiny angle is common. Some definitely schistose. Trend is still N. 50° E. As float, quantities of granular rock was found, but none in place. The hillside is well covered with rubble, or talus, but few outcrops & none of them are granitoid. One piece of vein gty was found. As the zone is bounded on both sides by boldly outcropping ms. & as the zone trends across the structure, & because of the abundant float it is deemed possible that the diorite dyke could extend there to here.

at Sta 14 minus 25' is a place where some values were found in the overburden. Most of the rock in the cut is a fine gr. mc. or md. with porphyroblasts in some portions. Near the east end of the cut a piece of coarse gr. rock like diorite but it lacks the amphibole network of the dike rock from Bonanza level.

12-15 - S 23° W - 113' to upper cut. #15 is beginning of cut.  
15-16 - S 51° W - 60' to end of cut. Elev. 2250'

~~Powell Co Mining Co, Inc.; Percy J. Long, pres.;  
Leon C. Astegge, secy; Emmet J. Chapman, treas.;  
580 Market St. San Francisco, Calif., an lbrg. corp.  
dated May 1st 1939. Property purchased from <sup>Edw</sup> Layton.~~

~~Equipment: Gardner-Denver 160 ft<sup>2</sup> compressor,  
1 Gardner-Denver drifter, 1 stoper; B. D. tuggershoist  
with 150'  $\frac{1}{2}$ " cable; American fan 8" with 250' of 8" pipe;  
1 Cushman gas engine & hp driving fan; 1 ore car  
12 ft<sup>3</sup>; 1500' of 12" rail; 1100' of 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ " pipe line; one  
B-D. duplex pump 4' x 3' x 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ "; one Snow duplex  
pump 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ " x 5' x 4". 200' of pipe line for pump.  
Compressor house & machine shed.~~

~~A. J. Lindquist, informant.~~



## Hammersley Limestone

at Riddle Sta. take road W. along S. side of track about 100 yds, cross to N. side of track to pt. where road crosses R.R. 2nd time, distance 2.8 miles. Then thru gate & in general N.W. direction 1.75 miles by dirt, unimproved road to Hammersley place.

Barometer elev. 1130' at 10<sup>15</sup> A.M. low clouds but sun shining at the moment.

Hillside is a shaly area. There is a mixed up mass of pebble cgl., well indurated, serpentine, diorite & some calcareous material that is well x yfied.

## Fred Byron

ls. strike N. 75° W, dips 75° S 15° W.

a very fine gr. cherty looking ls. white to light pink, streaked with hair line dark streaks & 1/8" streaks of translucent calcite. S. wall is a reddish material like bleached red shale <sup>but in layers</sup>. Country rock on S is a sandy shale that is cherty in part.

width exposed is 15' and  
for 25' of length.

suggested trenching & estimated  
20,000 T. min. if 15' x 500' x 100'

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OREGON BONANZA MINE

My first visit to the Oregon Bonanza Mine was on January 10th of this year, (1937), and my conclusions with reference to it were embodied in a letter written to Mr. Robert C. Hanford on the following day. I visited it again on December 11th, and, as a result of that visit, have no reason to change the views stated in my letter of January 11th.

The attractive feature of this prospect is the unusually high grade of the ore, while the unattractive feature is the very limited extent of the quartz lenses within the vein. These are so small and narrow that even with most efficient management, it is doubtful whether ore averaging less than \$100.00 per ton would pay all expenses including development work. When I was told that a recent shipment had returned only about \$90.00 per ton, I was prepared to say that further work would probably be useless, as a diminution in value with depth would be indicated. I reserved judgment however, pending returns from a sample that I saw taken from sacked ore that came from the bottom level. The sample was properly taken for the purpose of an approximate estimate of the value and I was informed by telephone yesterday evening that it assayed \$350.00 per ton. I was also informed yesterday by the man who purchased a small shipment early this month, that a careful sample of that ore assayed \$325.00 per ton. The average returns from shipments to the smelter have been \$200.00 per ton after deducting freight and treatment charges, and these two lots are therefore higher grade than the average, though not up to the highest grade lot that has been shipped. My conclusion, therefore, is that the mine is as good a prospect as it was a year ago and perhaps better for two reasons: The first being that the single lens exposed in the lowest level, is fully 18" wide as against 8" for the two exposures seen then; and the second one that a new lens, the existence of which was indicated in the north face of the first sub-level, has been shown by drifting two rounds.

With these facts in mind, the question is what should be done next, Mr. Hanford proposes to stope the ore remaining between the bottom level and the next sub-level above it and try in this way to accumulate a fund sufficient for sinking the winze a few feet deeper in order to develop more ore. As I see it, he can hardly hope to ship more than fifteen tons of sorted ore from this source and perhaps as little as eight tons, making it a "hand to mouth" operation, but he should be allowed to try it. He will probably be able to build up a small surplus in this way, but not enough for an economical development campaign as follows:- 1st- Drive the north drift on the first sub-level to explore the ore already exposed there. This should pay its own way after the drift is cleaned out. 2nd- Sink the winze with the present equipment to a further depth of thirty feet; and 3rd- Drive along the vein from the bottom of the winze a distance of fifty feet each way. This will cost about \$3500, and I would consider it a good gamble, even though only a small part of it could be provided from the proceeds of the ore in sight. The best lens of ore exposed

in the floor of the first sub-level is in the drift south of the winze, and there has been almost no exploratory work in that direction at any lower level.

The program that was recommended in January was to sink the winze to a further depth of 100 feet and do some drifting from the bottom. Instead, the winze has been deepened not more than 60 feet and there has been performed a total of about 70 feet of drifting on three sub-levels. This work cost about \$3500.00 more than I thought it would and I still believe that the cost has been excessive. But, with only a few hours on the ground, during which I had very little opportunity to talk with Mr. Hanford, except in the presence of the workmen, it was very difficult to put my finger on the cause or causes. Some that did occur to me are the following: He appears to have only one good miner at the present time and his other men, when they are working at all, are doing work of doubtful value. His hoisting equipment is inefficient and poorly arranged, as for instance, in the one little item of the trap doors over the winze. They are hinged on the wrong side, so that the hoist man has to go to them and push them down, while, if hinged on the right side, they could be raised by ropes and pulleys within the hoistman's reach and pulleys within the hoistman's reach and lowered by gravity.

One thing that has added to the ordinary cost of winze sinking and was entirely unavoidable, was that ore was encountered in the winze itself, and had to be broken separately.

I have been asked to give my opinion regarding the manager's work and, so far as I am able to judge from very brief contacts, I can put it in a few words. He appears to work hard himself when he is on the ground and knows how to drill and blast and break rock. Good miners are scarce in Southern Oregon, but, by using diligence, he should have been able to find a good crew for this small operation. He appears to have no mechanical ingenuity or knowledge and should have the advice and help of someone who has.

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Customer milling of run-of-mine rock should be considered if reasonable rates can be obtained.

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(Signed) Albert Burch  
Mining Engineer

Medbrd, Oregon  
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