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ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF MINES AND MINERAL RESOURCES FILE DATA

PRIMARY NAME: AURORA

ALTERNATE NAMES:

MOHAVE COUNTY MILS NUMBER: 116B

LOCATION: TOWNSHIP 23 N RANGE 18 W SECTION 2 QUARTER SW LATITUDE: N 35DEG 25MIN 06SEC LONGITUDE: W 114DEG 10MIN 32SEC

TOPO MAP NAME: CHLORIDE - 7.5 MIN

CURRENT STATUS: DEVEL DEPOSIT

COMMODITY:

VANADIUM LEAD OXIDE GOLD LODE SILVER OXIDE ZINC

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978-E, P. 148-149, 1952

Vanadium Aurora Mine, Mr. Vondriska, Chloride, Arizona.

MEMORANDUM

To:

Earl F. Hastings

From:

Elgin B. Holt



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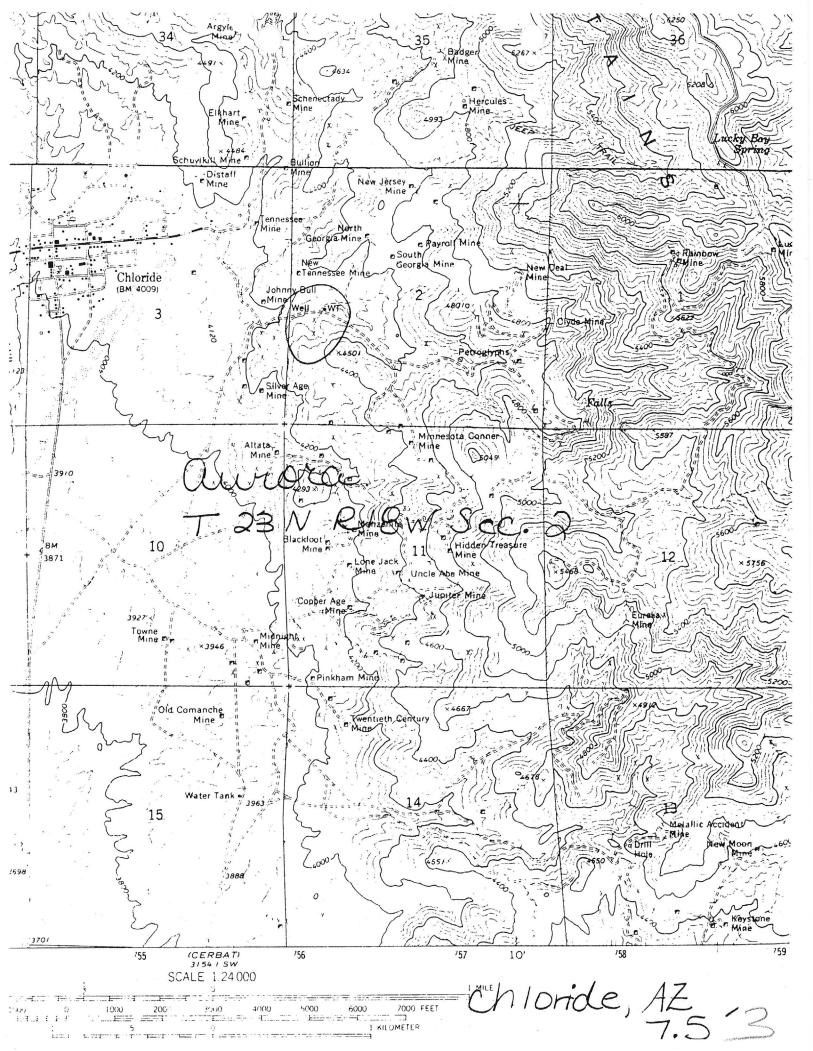
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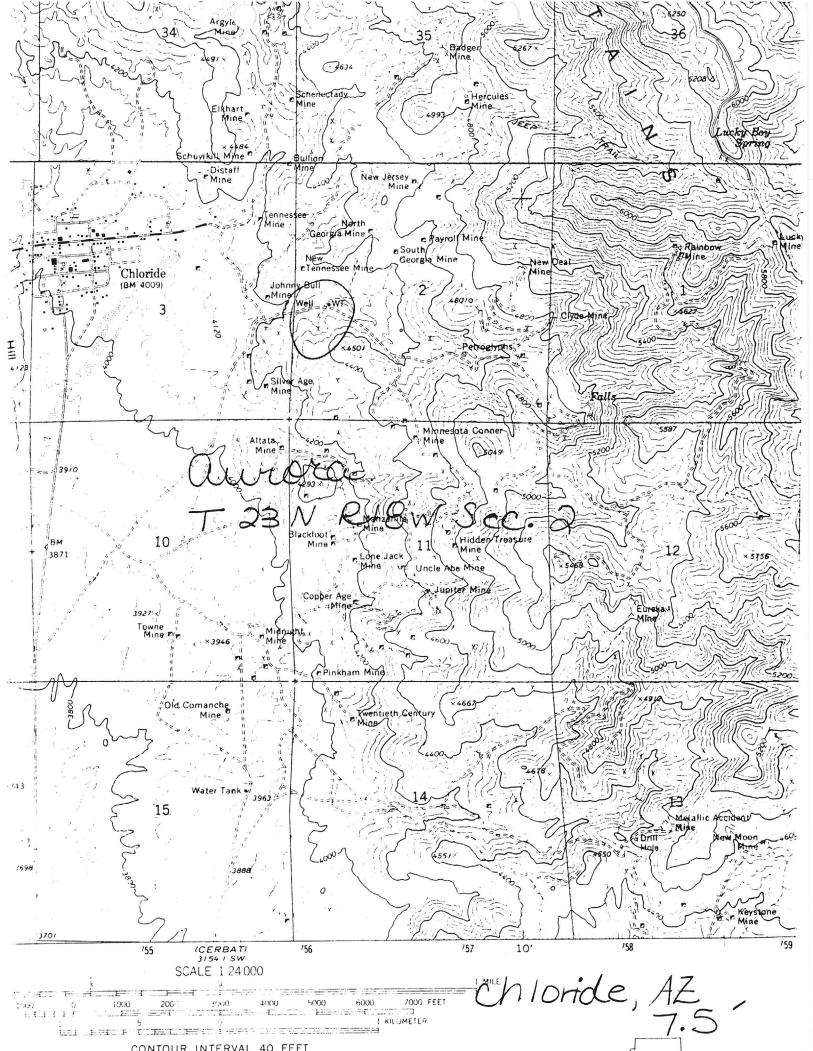
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NAME : AURORA

COUNTY: MOHAVE

R / 8 W SEC. 2 T23 N

21. 4300 DISTRICT: WALLAPAI

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Geology:

Type Operation: 300 daff 40' Winea

Production:

References: USGS 978-E P149

Mohave County Card File

DE ARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine

Aurora

Date May 15, 1952

District

1 m. SE Tennessee Mine

Engineer Mark Gemmill

Subject:

Present status

According to the records the property now belongs to Mrs. Herbert Langlois, c/o Langlois Trucking Co. Los Angeles, Cal.

It has been inactive for some time. No first hand information as to the value of the property is obtainable, but I was told by several men in the district that it had produced some ore and had further possibilities

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DEPARIMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA

FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine /AURORA

Date May 19, 1943

District Chloride, Mohave Co., Ariz.

Engineer Elgin B. Holt

Subject:

REPORT

OWNER: Dr. J. C. Blackwell, Chloride, Arizona.

LESSEES: Elmer E. Vondriska & James Depoe, Chloride, Arizona.

LOCATION: This property, consisting of one mining claim, is located about one-half mile southeast of the Tenneesee mine and 1.5 miles easterly from Chloride, Arizona. Property is now being operated, in a small way by lessees.

 $\frac{\text{GEOLOGY} - - \text{VEINS}}{\text{vein strikes N.}}: \text{ The country rock is grano-gneiss complex.} \text{ Main vein strikes N.} 14 deg. W; and dips 75 deg. southwesterly.} \text{ There is also another vein, which branches off from main vein and strikes in a southeasterly direction.}$

MINE WORKINGS: A tunnel has been driven on the main vein 258 feet, \$\overline{S}\$. 14 deg. \$\overline{E}\$. The first 100 feet of this tunnel is entirely barren of values; but after 100 feet was driven, a vein around 4 feet wide was encountered with spotty lead-silver values showing occasionally, with traces of vanadinite. Tunnel was continued another 110 feet, at which point a chimney of vanadinite ore was encountered, with a length of 25 feet and a probable width of 8 feet. Years ago, before it was known that vanadinite existed in the mine, a winze was sunk on the said ore chimney to a depth of 55 feet; but as this winze was sunk vertically, and as the vein dips 75 deg. southwesterly, as stated, the bottom of the winze is in the foot wall of the vein, and around 15 feet therefrom.

VANADINITE VALUES: Lessees shipped a 5-pound sample of mine-run ore from the ore chimney mentioned, to the U. S. Vanadium Corporation, Bishop, California, with a request that the sample be assayed. Results: 0.70% V205. It is my opinion that the vanadinite chimney mentioned is merely a surface enrichment, caused by downward percolating cold solutions, and that with slight depth the vanadinite will disappear entirely; but below water level there is a chance that commercial lead-silver ores may be found.

INTERSECTING <u>VEIN</u>: Around 300 feet north of the portal of the main tunnel, the said intersecting vein was opened by a 60-foot tunnel and a winze 30 feet deep on vein, which is around 6 feet wide, with a pay-streak from one inch to 4 inches wide of galena ore; but no vanadinite is showing in this latter vein.

CONCLUSION: I think this property is of little prospective value as the source of vanadium ore; but with deeper sinking, as stated, there is a chance that lead-silver values of goodly grade will be uncovered.

Dain B. Holt.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES STATE OF ARIZONA OWNERS MINE REPORT

Date June 17th. 1939.

Mine Aurora.

District Wallapai

Location Chloride

Former name

Owner VJ. G. Blackwell

Address Chloride

Operator

Address

President

Gen. Mgr.

Mine Supt.

Mill Supt.

Principal Metals Lead and vanadium.

Men Employed

Production Rate

Mill: Type & Cap.

Power: Amt. & Type

Operations: Present

Operations Planned

Number Claims, Title, etc. One

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Description: Topog. & Geog.

Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition

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If property for sale: Price, terms and address to negotiate. J. G. Blackwell, Chloride, Arizona.

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