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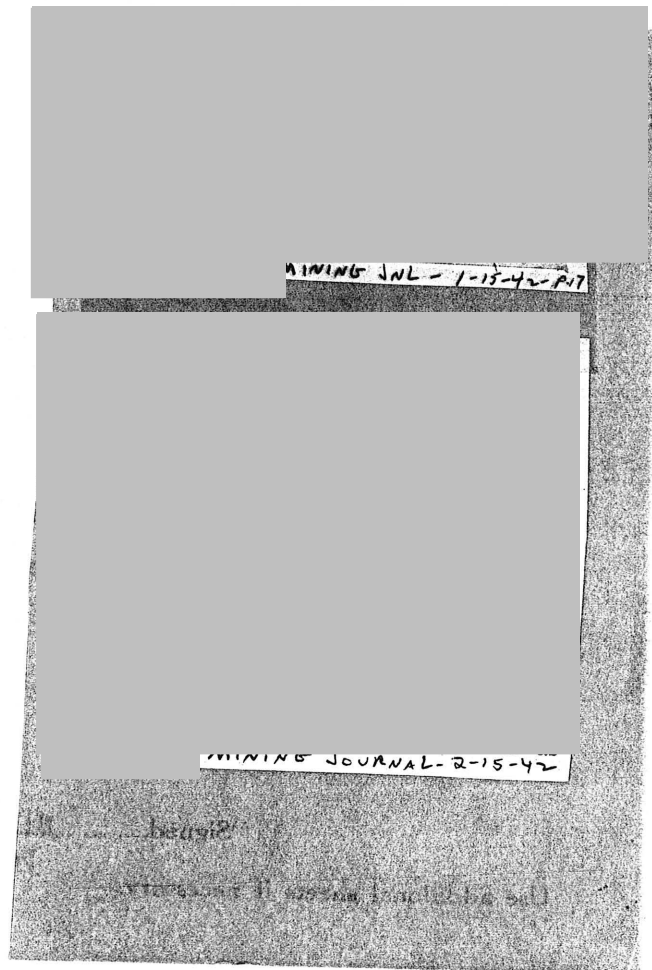
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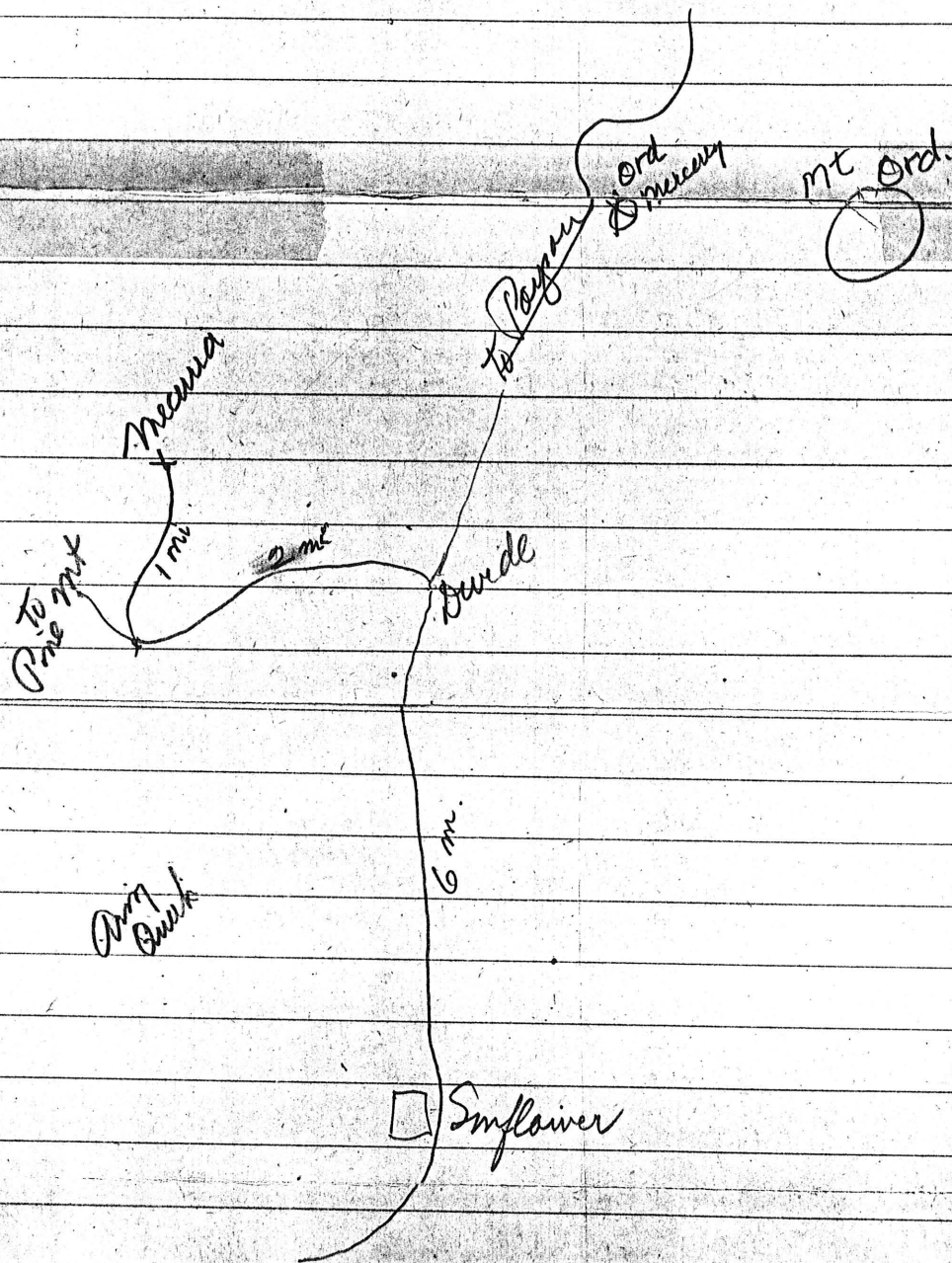
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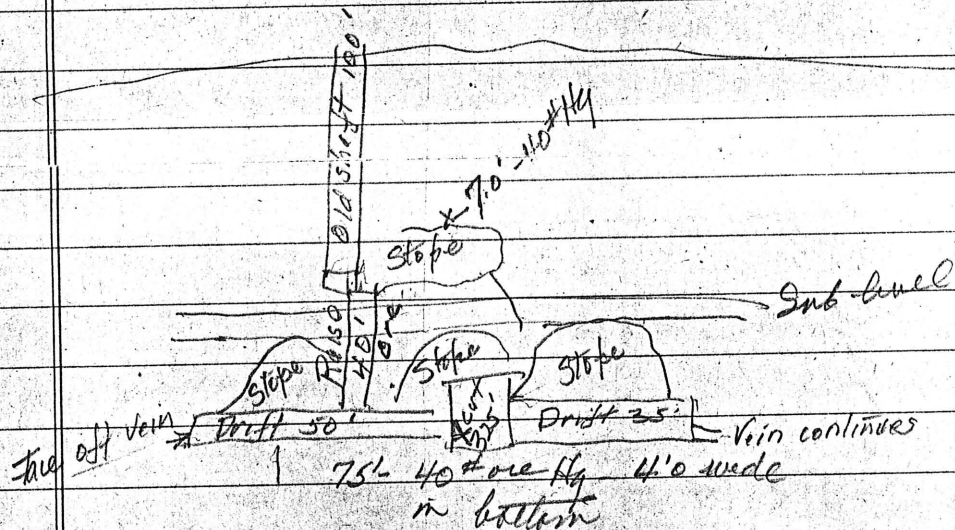
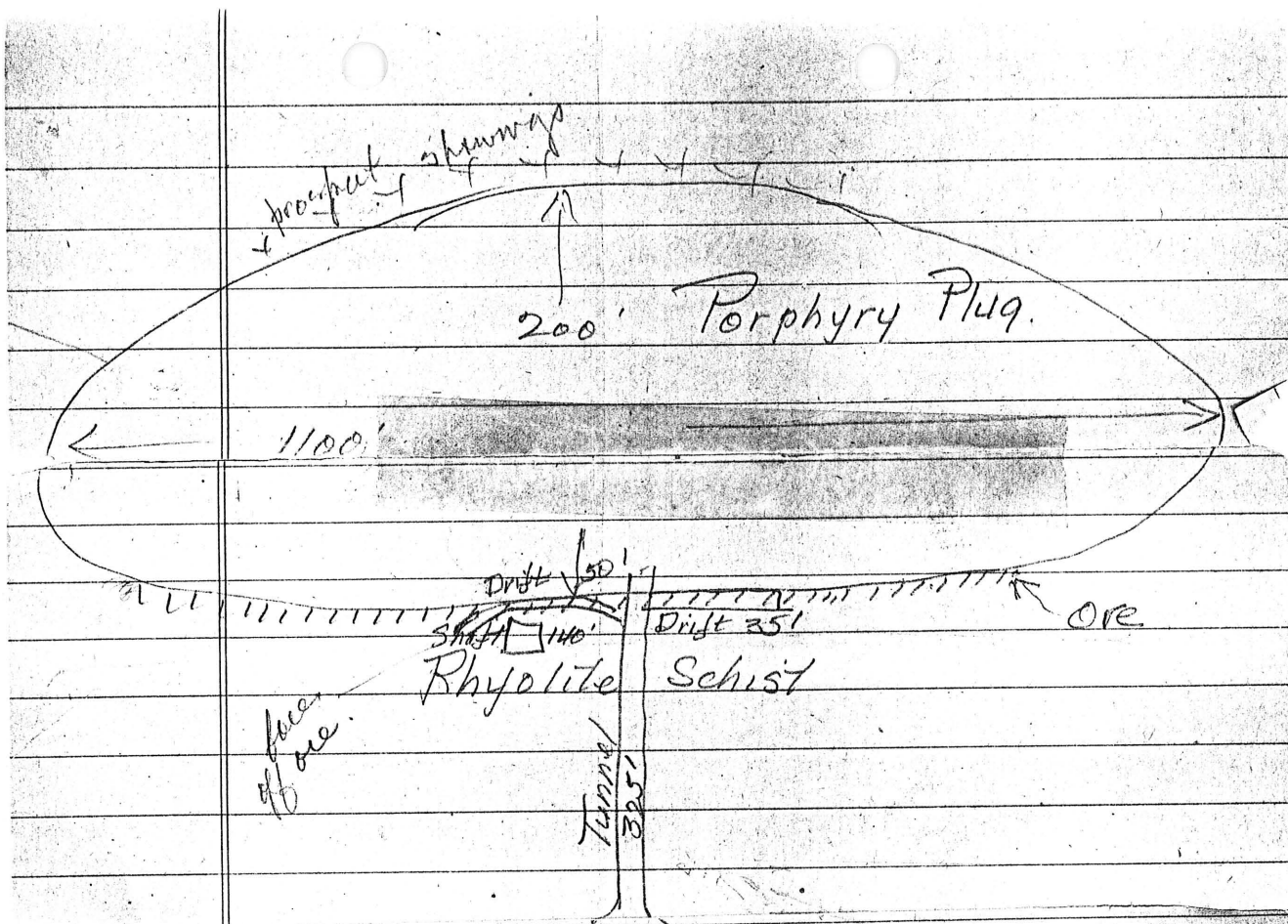
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MECURIA MINE

Near Pine Mountain
Sunflower Dist

10/19/43

(CWA)

MERCURIA MINE

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GILA COUNTY

NJN WR 5/20/83: Jean Meyer, Box 1827, Showlow, Arizona 85961, called seeking information on the Mercuria Mine, Gila County. He reported he and some other people were being asked to buy an interest in the mine. They were shown assays reporting up to 6 ounces of gold per ton from J & J Refining in Mesa, which has made them suspicious of the investment.

RRB WR 11/11/83: Tom Lisle of T.E. Lisle & Associates, Ltd. 422-470 Granville St. Vancouver, B.C. V6C 1V5, was in to look at the Mercuria Mine file, Gila County. He has claims that may be interested in acquiring the property.

NJN WR 11/28/86: Clay Sourant (c) reported that he and his aunt, Nancy O'Brien (c) are now the owners of the Mercuria (file) Gila County, having inherited it from his grandfather, Dick Robbins (c) who is now deceased. Mr. Sourant, who works for Pioneer Materials, was interested in the property's mercury and decorative and building stone potential. Additionally, they would like to patent the property.

NJN WR 1/30/87: Clay Sourant (c) brought in a report on the Mercuria Mine (file) Gila County by Nick Carusso. He plans to do some sampling and put together a submittal on the property emphasizing its precious metal potential.

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Went to Robbins Mercuria mine where the caretaker said Mr. Robbins was in Phoenix having an eye operation; the mine was down. GW WR 2/25/72

Went into Dick Robbins mercury mine where he said he had it leased to some Mesa people who had done nothing. GW WR 2/28/73

Buster Pendergast, Rt. 1, Box 31, Tolleson for mercury reduction plant information. wants a 100 TPD Gould rotary for Mercuria mines. FTJ WR 8/3/73

Mr. Pendergast, who is interested in the Mercuria mercury mine, wanted reduction information. Suggested he send for furnace information from Gordon I. Gould in San Francisco and Nichols Engineering in New York for multiple hearth furnace information. Made copies of costs and mining methods of an underground mercury mine. FTJ WR 8/8/73

Mr. L.A. "Buster" Pendergast, Rt. 1, Box 31, Tolleson, 85353, 934-4631, was in to see the file on Dick Robbins' Mercuria mine in the Sunflower District. He has hopes to operate the property for mercury. KAP Report dated 8/13/73

Mr. Pendergast, Tolleson, who has leased Mr. Robbins Hg properties NE of Sunflower, was in for advice on recovering Hg. It was suggested that, particularly in the beginning, it would be a good idea to lease the old Rattlesnake Gould type furnace nearby. He said he was having some flotation and Na_2S tests conducted. GW WR 8/8/73

Buster Pendergast suggested he may have the Mercuria ore tested for other minerals than cinnabar. Told him a spectrographic may tell him enough for less cost than chemical analysis. FTJ WR 11/15/73

Mr. Pendergast, Tolleson, did some development and exploration work on the Mercuria mine of Dick Robbins northeast of the old Ord quicksilvermine. GW AR 73-74

Phone call from Buster Pendergast regarding Mercuria Hg mine. He had Tonto Mining & Milling Company mill a few tons and received about $1\frac{1}{2}$ oil barrels of concentrates. When concentrates were reduced in mercury furnace, he recovered about $1\frac{1}{2}$ qts. of Hg. He said he thought condenser system leaked. He is now going to try leaching copper on a small property near Wickenburg. FTJ WR 3/18/75

Reno Pass 7 1/2

T7N, R9E

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At the Mercuria, Richard Robbins, Payson hoped to get a test-drill program going before long. The drill crew was to be in ^{by} early November. Robbins was not available at the mine or retort at the time of the late October visit. Only a very few flasks of quicksilver reportedly were produced. It is not known if the drill program materialized.

The lessee, D. J. Palmer, 130 E. McKelleps Road, Mesa and partner (Palo Verde Mining Co.) were exploring, intermittently for ore. They reportedly had very little, according to Tom Bolich of the Big Sam Mining Co., and Carlson's caretaker. They erected a small retort sometime back and this was completed in early October but has operated only briefly.

IAS Quarterly Report - 12/31/66

Interview 4/1967 - 2 men
" 7/1967 - 2 men

Interview Richard Robbins at the Mercuria. He had just completed a drilling project which he said turned up some ore. He intends to mine and truck ore to Grimes reduction plant.

FTJ WR 6/30/67

Mr. Nick Caruso is obtaining finances to explore, develop and mine the Mercuria mercury property.

FTJ WR 9/15/67

It is reported that only minor development work, and assessment work is being being done at the mercury mines in the area. They specifically mentioned the Mercuria mine being operated by Mr. Richard Robbins. Mr. Caruso is hopeful of soon getting the Mercuria back into production.

CLH ~~WR~~ Payson trip report 2/27/68

Mr. Nick Caruso, P.O. Box 579, Payson, Arizona 85541 and a consulting partner have been working on a flotation process to concentrate the cinnabar ore at the Mercuria Mine in the Mazatazal Mountains near Sunflower.

CLH WR 4/13/68

Some development work was done at the Mercuria Mercury Mine in the Mazatzal Mountains. Experimental work is being done on a flotation process to concentrate the cinnabar ore.

CLH Quarterly Report 4/1968

Interview 4/1968 - 2 men

Visited Mercuria Mine. Gate locked with a sign on it "Sold".

FTJ WR 6/27/69

Visited Mercuria Mine gate closed. Mrs. Robbins said Dixilyn Corp. is negotiating for the Mercuria. (FTJ WR 10/31/69)

Mercuria is idle. FTJ WR 2/27/70

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Conference with Mrs. Richard Robbins, in Payson 10/28/65

Mrs. Robbins said that Dick Robbins and Oliver Brunson are further sinking the winze that was started some years ago. This is about 200 feet in the main adit and follows a promising zone of good ore. The area above the winze is partially stoped. So far the winze muck has run 6-8 pounds at Hg and is being retorted.

Mrs. Robbins also said that Thompson had not done any of the required development work, stipulated in the option, so was out. The last retorting results were good. The winze will be sunk to considerably greater depth eventually.

MEMO LAS 10/28/65

Conference with Mrs. Richard Robbins, 2/23/66, at Payson.

According to Mrs. Robbins, Richard and Oliver Brunson were doing some retorting and had ceased underground work because of heavy ground caused by the heavy rains. They are preparing to open up a rhyolite blowout near and above the tunnel portal, that they believe contains fair ore. This was recently uncovered with a cat. The retorts according to Mrs. Robbins, produces about 14 lbs. per run and about a flask, or a little more, per week, when worked steadily. Extraction is good although the ore requires considerable lime in its treatment. The grade of the rhyolite ore is not yet certain nor is the extent of the blow-out known as yet.

An attempt to reach the mine was foiled by wet road from the Pine Mountain road to the Mercuria.

MEMO LAS 2/23/66

Visit and Conference with Richard Robbins 6/29/66

A new prospect tunnel has been driven to intersect a rhyolite-porphyry-schist transverse fault contact near the camp. The tunnel is in 80 feet and now is beginning to hit a little Hg mineralization. They hope to find a lens at about 100 feet. Little production has been had during the second quarter. Other than the tunnel considerable bulldozer trenching was done between the camp and the Mercuria Mine, not much was seen in the cuts, but there were a few iron-stained zones that might bear some further looking.

Memo: LAS 6/29/66

Visit and conference with James Popovich
No one was at the mine, but evidence of recent activity was evident. Later it was learned from Popovich that Richard Robbins, owner, and some outsiders were preparing to do some exploration drilling. Since no contact was made with Robbins, this will have to be verified later on. Previously Oliver Brunson and Robbins were driving a tunnel toward a contact with a rhyolite dike.

MEMO - LAS - 10--2566

MERCURIA MINE & RETORT

SUNFLOWER DISTRICT
GILA COUNTY

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Interview with Mrs. Richard Robbins, Payson

Mrs. Robbins said that they had been to the Mercuria Mine two weeks ago. The new retort has a capacity of about 3,000 to 4,000 pounds of ore per day and it so far has been run only for tests. Some difficulty with the firing jet had to be resolved, otherwise it appears to be doing well. The ore that was tested, is reported to run about 7-8 pounds per ton. The Mercuria ore contains considerable native mercury and as well as calamel and cinnabar. Therefore, it has to be mined with care in order to prevent loss of the native mercury. Reserves are reported to be appreciable.

Hugh Nichols and Oliver Brønson have a lease on the Mercuria from Richard Robbins.

MEMO LEWIS A. SMITH 6/27/63

Interview with C. O. Carlson, 10/7/63.

Carlson said that Oliver Brunson and Hugh Nichols were still ironing out "bugs" in their 2-ton retort, and that they had uncovered some very good ore.

MEMO LAS 10/7/63.

Return 10/23 - 3 men working

Conference with Mrs. Robbins, Payson 2/27/64

Mrs. Robbins said that Hugh Nichols and Oliver Brunson had not renewed their lease, on the Mercuria Mine. The lease terminated Jan. 1, 1964. They had no funds to continue. Richard Robbins, Payson, owns the mine.

MEMO LAS 2/27/64

Feb 1964
5 Pointe Mining Co. reportedly have taken over the property. L.P. Mr. Brunson operating it for the same Co.

MERCURIA GROUP

MARICOPA COUNTY
SUNFLOWER DIST.

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A postcard from Bill Grimes (Sunflower Dist, Maricopa-Gila Counties) indicated that the Pine Mountain, Little Daisy, Mercuria and Onieda mines and the Rattlesnake and Onieda mills are active in the Sunflower area. All of these operations are periodic.

LEWIS A. SMITH, Weekly Report - 9-30-60

MEMO

MERCURIA MINE

SUNFLOWER DIST.

Interview with Gordon Grimes.

Mr. Grimes stated that development work was continuing. He said that they had driven a drift around a caved area and had eventually encountered some very good ore. They sunk a winze in this shoot for 40 feet and, since it was still in ore, they were going to go down further.

Lewis A. Smith, 10-5-61

Mr. Bronson stated that Hugh Nichols and Oliver Bronson (his brother) were still doing development work at the Mercuria. He also stated that they, with Richard Robbins (owner) were well backed. They have developed some good ore which runs well in native mercury, after having reentered the old Mercuria workings. The Rattlesnake mill will probably handle some of this. Dick Robbins was not at home in Payson for further comment.

Memo - Lewis A. Smith - 2-7-62 - Interview with William Bronson.

Mr. Robbins stated that development work is continuing at the Mercuria Mine with satisfactory results. The ore contains a large percentage of native mercury.

Conference with Dick Robbins, Payson - 6-6-62. - Lewis A. Smith

Active 10-62 3 men working

Gordon Grimes said that Hugh Nichols, of Globe, leased and optioned the Mercuria and was planning the erection of a retort. Oliver Brunson and he are working there. This was varified by others. The past two years of exploration had developed some reserves of good ore.

Interview with Gordon Grimes at Rattlesnake Mill

MEMO- Lewis A. Smith 2-27-63

MERCURIA GROUP

MARICOPA COUNTY
SUNFLOWER DIST.

Pine Mountain and Mercuria are owned by George Cline of Tonto Basin.

LEWIS A. SMITH
Wr - 6-11-59

The Mercuria Group is entirely owned by Richard (Dick) Robbins of Payson.
Active.

LEWIS A. SMITH
Memo
10-13-59

Three men are working ^{on} development and clean up at the Mercuria, owned by Dick Robbins of Payson. According to Robbins the old workings are in bad shape in places. He hopes to discover new ore areas.

LEWIS A. SMITH
CF - Sunflower - 10-7-59

MERCURIA MINE

MARICOPA COUNTY
SUNFLOWER DIST.

Salvado

According to "MINING YEAR BOOK 1958" the WESTMINISTER CORPORATION purchased the MERCURIA MERCURY PROPERTY in 1957. (Westminister Corp., Denver, Colo.)

p. 153

See: "MERCURY DEPOSITS IN GILA COUNTY" (In Geology Reports file)

See: "QUICKSILVER (Mercury) RESOURCES OF ARIZ."
Arizona Bureau of Mines Bulletin 122, p 93

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Sunday, October 27, 1957

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INFORMATION FOR FILES

FROM: JOHN H. JETT, DIRECTOR

Date: June 10, 1983

The following information was obtained from Jim Matt, State Mine Inspector's Office.

Mr. Robbins, owner of Mercuria Mine (Gila County) is no longer alive. The mine is being worked by a Mr. Mel Spragere, Box 493, Payson, Arizona, under a company name of West Ventures, Ltd. (a limited partnership). He is working the mine for gold. Surface material is being fed into a crusher then a grinder, then tumbled. The grinder (?) appears to be a piece of thick wall pipe about 8" in diameter and 2½ ft. long. It stands vertical and a shaft goes through the pipe. There are three "fins" spaced equally along the shaft. There is about a 3/8 clearance between the fin and the inner wall of the pipe. There is a side discharge with a screen of 100 mesh over the discharge exit from the pipe. The pipe has steel shot within the cylinder. It is operated at a very high RPM, with a 50 HP motor.

Only one assayer has been able to report any gold. Mr. Spragere stated this resulted from the other assayers using the fire method.

Mr. Matt also reported that Bob Ross and Floyd Bleak (sp?) have sold the Zulu (unconfirmed as yet).

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DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES

STATE OF ARIZONA
FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Mercuria Mine

Date 6/23/65

District Sunflower Dist. Gila County

Engineer Lewis A. Smith

Subject: Visit and Conference with Oliver Brunson and Frank Thompson 6/23/65

The Mercuria is being operated by Frank K. Thompson, Morgan Hill, Calif. (near the New Almaden Quicksilver Mine) and Oliver Brunson, under an option from Richard Robbins, Payson, owner.

At present 6 men, including Thompson, are mining and retorting 3 tons per day. The head grade is about 7-8 pounds per ton. The ore is being extracted from a small open pit about 100 feet above the "Main" adit portal. The retort is at the adit elevation. The ore consists of thin bedded white to light gray, sericitic schist, impregnated by cinnabar, a small amount of native mercury, and probably some mercury chlorides. It borders a rhyolite blow out. The ore is reduced to minus two inches in a crusher and then is charged into 6 cylindrical retorts that are 12 inches in diameter and 12 feet long. They are in a battery mounted in a fire box constructed of fire brick in a similar manner to the mounting of boilers. Heat is applied to the outside of the retorts and is said to average 800 deg. F. and this heats the retorts to a cherry-red heat. The overall firing box is about 15 feet long, 9-10 feet high, and 12 feet deep. The retorts are pitched at 10-15 deg. Each retort holds $\frac{1}{4}$ ton, the heat length is 6 hours, each charge being $1\frac{1}{2}$ tons. Two charges are made daily making a 12-hour run of 3 tons. On 6/22/65, according to Thompson the 3 tons yielded 20.5 lbs. of Hg. or close to 7 lb. per ton, showing a good extraction. However, with such a small tonnage Thompson does ^{not} believe he can make much profit. He therefore hopes to install a concentrating plant so as to reduce the volume of feed to his retorts, and also desires to increase the number of retorts. The gas from the retorts is taken out at the upper end and conveyed to water condensation vats. The gas is free of dust. Acidity due to sulphur is reduced by using CaO flux in the retorts. The Main adit is partially blocked by old stoping at the ore zone where spilling is believed necessary to reopen the area. It was suggested that it might be better to drive a drift around this area. Oliver Brunson said that some very good ore was cut off. This was also verified by Tom Bolich, he also worked here. Thompson stated that a wide rhyolite dike crossed the schist, just west of the mine camp, about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile W of the mine. This was generally sampled and ran $1\frac{1}{2}$ to 3 lbs of Hg to the ton. It was felt that rhyolite-schist contacts should also be prospected.

Carlson stated that the Mercuria, Pine Mountain and National were operating. Thompson, Morgan City, California, who had been operating the Mercuria, did not fulfill the option terms, and is out. Carlson said he heard that Richard Robbins and Oliver Brunson would work the property for the time being. ~~Lothmann & Dysart of Albuquerque who had been exploring the Saddle Mtn. Mine are doing nothing and Carlson was unable to contact them.~~

LAS WR 9/7/65

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA
FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Mercuria Mine

Date February 8, 1961

District Sunflower Dist., Maricopa Co.

Engineer Lewis A. Smith

Subject: Interview with Gordon Grimes

Recent work has been carried out by Oliver Brunson and two men. A drift is being driven around caved workings. Some very good ore was encountered recently at the face and in the drift floor. It is planned to continue the drift into the old Mercuria working where considerable ore still remains. When the drift is finished a winze on the new ore showing will be sunk. Oliver Brunson and Herb Nicols are now negotiating with Dick Robins for a lease option deal by which the two men could acquire the property. According to Grimes, Brunson & Nicols plan to erect a retorting plant, if ore development proves sufficient to warrant one. In the meantime the Rattlesnake Mill will handle the ore if desired by them. ← Pagen

DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA
FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

Mine Mercuria Group

Date February 3, 1960

District SUNFLOWER DIST., Maricopa County

Engineer Lewis A. Smith

Subject:

Gordon Grimes stated that Dick Robbins of Payson, had leased the Mercuria to Oliver Brunson and Gus Packard of Tonto Basin. Brunson has repaired the main adit and now is into some of the old workings. They found that the drifts and old stopes were in bad shape and would require considerable work to place them in proper condition to work. Some ore has been sighted in this area. Grimes believes he has a new zone, as indicated by a strong concentration of typical orange limonite, which may develop. He will test this soon.

FIELD ENGINEERS REPORT

1 Mr. Robbins stated that Oliver Brunson and Hugh Nichols of Tonto Basin, were leasing the Mercuria. They are sinking a shaft, near the old winze (now inaccessible) which is calculated to give access to the older workings. The shaft is now down to 40 feet and at 50-55 feet a crosscut will be driven to connect with an old 207 foot tunnel. This should not be far, according to Robbins. Two drill holes were once sunk, but no core was obtained. The holes were sunk to 60 and 230 feet respectively. Ore was struck at 100 feet in the deeper hole, indicating 130 feet or more of ore depth. The ore was estimated at 4-8 pounds per ton. The equipment consists of a Waugh hoist and 800 pound bucket. The mineralized zone has been traced for 5000 feet over a width of 100 feet. The grade of this zone fluctuates considerably. A 160 foot shaft, which once connected with the adit is now inaccessible. The old stopes have some 7-8 foot (diameter) pillars of good ore. These pillars are 100 feet high. Mr. Robbins said he could not say as to whether the pillars are still intact as it has been several years since he had seen them. The present work is calculated to find this out.

6/19/54
Reynolds
90 S A Robbins
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Fentledale

MERCURIA QUICKSILVER

Location: One mile south of Pine Mountain, 80 miles
northeast of Phoenix.

Samples

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|--------|--|
| No. 1 | Face of east drift - 3'. |
| No. 2 | Top of east drift - 10' from face - 3'. |
| No. 3 | Face of west drift - 20' west of raise - 5'. |
| No. 4 | West face on 100' level - 5'. |
| No. 5 | East face of stope above 100' level - 4'. |
| No. 6 | East stope above 100' level. |
| No. 7 | 30' above lower level - 3'. |
| No. 8 | East of main tunnel on floor - 4'. |
| No. 9 | West of main tunnel on floor - 4'. |
| No. 10 | 70' east of shaft on apex of vein. |

June 24, 1946

September 18, 1945

Mr. Arthur Bowen
Dallas, Texas

Dear Arthur:

Ed Sweeney came in this morning and showed me your wire inquiring about the Reynolds quicksilver mine in the Mazatzels.

We do not have any detailed reports on this mine in the office but do know it very well by reputation. It has been spoken of for many years as among the very best of the quicksilver prospects in that vicinity, or in fact in Arizona.

Lausen's A.B.M. report in 1926 mentions it as an outstanding prospect. We understand that subsequent developments have well proven these theories.

It seems that in this instance there is a large intrusive plug, and that the contact of this plug with the country rock on the south side had produced a vein of ore averaging about four feet wide with proven values around 20 pounds (1.0%) in mercury. Development by shaft (140') and tunnel cutting the vein at 140 feet have proven an ore shoot of considerable length and the above size and value.

Nothing has been done below this or around the rest of the perimeter of the plug, which appears to have equal possibilities. No doubt some simple diamond drilling would prove the situation easily and quickly.

It looks very good, and I plan in the near future to have our field engineer make a more detailed examination.

In the meantime I can only say that it is well worth investigation.

We would be very glad to cooperate with any of your friends who might care to consider it.

Yours very truly,

Chas. H. Dunning
Director

CHD:LP

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GOLD	5.00	1 OZ.	5/21/79	\$519	0	5.4	\$ 90.43
SILVER	5.00	"	"	\$12.80	0	1.3	.53
COPPER							
LEAD							
PLATINUM	10.00	"	"	\$558.	0	2.0	\$ 36.00
IRIDIUM							
RHODIUM							
PALLADIUM							
TUNGSTEN							
URANIUM							

Submitted by DICK ROWLAND Sample NO NAME Assayer Duane Wilkinson
 Assay based on specimens left at lab. only • Based on assay ton of 2,000 lbs.

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GOLD	4.00	1 OZ.	5/10/79	\$248.	---	8.4	\$ 67.44
SILVER	1.00	"	"	\$8.17	---	1.1	.28
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<input checked="" type="radio"/> CHEM <input type="radio"/> FIRE	CHARGE	WEIGHT USED	DATE	PRICE PER OZ.	OZS. PER TON	GRAMS PER TON	VALUE PER TON
GOLD	4.00	1 OZ.	5/10/79	\$248.	---	8.4	\$ 67.44
SILVER	1.00	"	"	\$8.17	---	1.1	.28
COPPER							
LEAD							
PLATINUM							
IRIDIUM							
RHODIUM							
PALLADIUM							
TUNGSTEN							
URANIUM							

Submitted by Dick Robbins Sample MERCURY TON Assayer Duane Wilkinson

Assay based on specimens left at lab. only • Based on assay ton of 2,000 lbs. THANKS

No. 207 De

CHAS. A. DIEHL

Phoenix, Arizona,
June 24, 1946.

ARIZONA ASSAY OFFICE

P. O. Box 1148

Phone 3-4001

This certifies That samples submitted for assay by Dep't of Mineral Resources contain as follows per ton of 2000 lbs. Avoir.

MARKS

No.

SILVER
Ounces Tenths

VALUE (Oz.)

GOLD
Ounces Hundredths

VALUE (Oz.)

TOTAL VALUE
Of Gold and Silver

MERCURY
%

PERCENTAGE

%

REMARKS

2
3
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.05
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11 156 14 200 280 313 per ton

Charges \$ 25.00

Assayer ARIZONA ASSAY OFFICE

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No.	SILVER		VALUE (Dz.)	GOLD		VALUE (Dz.)	TOTAL VALUE Of Gold and Silver	MERCURY		REMARKS
	Ounces	Tenhs		Ounces	Handths			%	PERCENTAGE	
2								08		
3								08		
4								25		
5								06		
6								49		
7								08		
8								05		
9								20		
10								19		
11										

Charges \$ 25.00

Assayer **ARIZONA ASSAY OFFICE**
EdA

MERCURIA QUICKSILVER

Location: One mile south of Pine Mountain, 80 miles
northeast of Phoenix.

Samples

- | | |
|--------|--|
| No. 1 | Face of east drift - 3'. |
| No. 2 | Top of east drift - 10' from face - 3'. |
| No. 3 | Face of west drift - 20' west of raise - 5'. |
| No. 4 | West face on 100' level - 5'. |
| No. 5 | East face of stope above 100' level - 4'. |
| No. 6 | East stope above 100' level. |
| No. 7 | 30' above lower level - 3'. |
| No. 8 | East of main tunnel on floor - 4'. |
| No. 9 | West of main tunnel on floor - 4'. |
| No. 10 | 70' east of shaft on apex of vein. |

June 24, 1946

November 19, 1945

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Dear Mr. Reynolds:

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I say this because it has the geological make up that would lead one to believe he might find just the things that your development work did find.

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I would not hesitate to advise anyone to further examine, explore or develop this condition or property.

Thank you again for the opportunity of looking at one so really good.

Yours sincerely,

Chas. H. Dunning
Director

CHD:LP

CC: Mr. Ed Sweeney

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State of Arizona
304 Arizona Title Building
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413 Home Builders Bldg.

June 17, 1942

Mr. Robert G. Lord
6238 DeLongpre Avenue
Hollywood, California

Dear Mr. Lord:

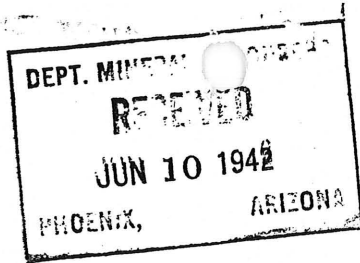
Many thanks for your letter of June 9; and I look forward to seeing you again in Phoenix shortly as you say.

Regarding the Reynolds Mercuria mine, I am unable to give you any specific information. I understand, however, from rumors, that the property is still in the hands of Mr. Reynolds and that the people who had a lease are no longer operating. I believe the property is now open for negotiations, and understand that Mr. Reynolds is with the mine at the present time.

Yours very truly,

J. S. Coupal,
Director

JSC:GS



ROBERT G. LORD
6238 De Longpre
HOLLYWOOD, CAL.

June 9th, 1942.

Mr. J. S. Coupal, Director.
Dept. of Mineral Resources
Capitol Building
Phoenix, Arizona.

My dear Mr. Coupal:-

It has been many moons since I have laid eyes upon you, but I am hoping that it will not be much longer. In other words, I am contemplating a trip to Phoenix VERY soon.

As you will recall, I have been interested in Reynold's Mercuria Mercury Mine. In fact, my partner, Omer Supple, had some people there who bought it OR rather started out to buy it, but there was a great deal of internal trouble and NOW I don't know WHAT the condition of affairs are relative to the mine.

Will you inform me (confidentially) what might be the present situation at that mine. I am presuming that you hear from time to time relative to most of the mining activities of the state; particularly in your county.

I would like to know if they are operating and who are at present interested in it. It may be that the mine reverted to Reynolds on account of lack of money on the part of those who did put SOME money in it.

Will consider it more than a mere favor if you will give me any information as to the conditions there NOW.

I want to treat my communication to you on a confidential way, for the time being. Will be in to see you when I reach Phoenix — which will be soon, I believe.

With my best personal wishes to you I
beg to remain, Sincerely yours,

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DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA
OWNERS MINE REPORT

✓
Mine *Mercuria*
District *Sunflower*
Former name _____
Owner ✓ *Wm. Reynolds* ✓
Operator _____
President _____
Mine Supt. _____
Principal Metals *Cinnabar* ✓
Production Rate _____
Power: Amt. & Type _____
Operations: Present _____

Date _____
Location *Mazatzal north of
mt. Ariz.*
Address *Payson Arizona*
Address _____
Gen. Mgr. _____
Mill Supt. _____
Men Employed _____
Mill: Type & Cap. _____

Operations Planned _____

Number Claims, Title, etc.

Five, Mercuria

Description: Topog. & Geog.

*See Bureau of Mines
Description.*

Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition

*One hundred foot shaft
with 75 ft cross cut.*

Geology & Mineralization

See Bureau of Mines
Description.

Ore: Positive & Probable, Ore Dumps, Tailings

Mine, Mill Equipment & Flow Sheet

Road Conditions, Route

off Bush Highway 3 miles
north of Sunflower ranger station

Water Supply

Good

Brief History

Special Problems, Reports Filed

Remarks

If property for sale: Price, terms and address to negotiate.

Property is for sale, Contact Mr.
Reynolds for details

Signed

Bill Reynolds

Use additional sheets if necessary.

Per. J. O. Chum.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA
OWNERS MINE REPORT

Date

Mine Mercuria

District Sunflower

Location Mazarzal North of Mt. Ord

Former name

Owner Wm. Reynolds

Address Payson, Arizona

Operator

Address

President

Gen. Mgr.

Mine Supt.

Mill Supt.

Principal Metals Cinnabar

Men Employed

Production Rate

Mill: Type & Cap.

Power: Amt. & Type

Operations: Present

MERCURIA

Hg

Maricopa

7 - 2

T 7 N, R 9 E

Wm. Reynolds, Box 364, Scottsdale

'45

Operations Planned

Number Claims, Title, etc. Five, Mercuria

Description: Topog. & Geog.

See Bureau of Mines description

Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition

One hundred foot shaft with 75 ft. crosscut.

(over)

Geology & Mineralization See Bureau of Mines description

Ore: Positive & Probable, Ore Dumps, Tailings

Mine, Mill Equipment & Flow Sheet

Road Conditions, Route Off Bush Highway 3 miles north of Sunflower ranger station

Water Supply Good

Brief History

Special Problems, Reports Filed

Remarks

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Property is for sale - contact Mr. Reynolds for details

Signed.....Bill Reynolds.....

Per Jos. Akren

Use additional sheets if necessary.

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DEPARTMENT OF MINERAL RESOURCES
STATE OF ARIZONA
MINE OWNER'S REPORT

Date

Mine Mercuria

2. Location Mazatzal North of Mt. Ord.

Mining District & County Sunflower

Former name

Owner Wm. Reynolds

6. Address (Owner) Payson, Arizona

Operator

8. Address (Operator)

President, Owning Co.

9A. President, Operating Co.

Gen. Mgr.

14. Principal Minerals Cinnabar

Mine Supt.

15. Production Rate

Mill Supt.

16. Mill: Type & Cap.

Men Employed

17. Power: Amt. & Type

Operations: Present

Operations: Planned

Number Claims, Title, etc.

Five, Mercuria

Description: Topography & Geography

See Bureau of Mines description.

2. Mine Workings: Amt. & Condition

One hundred foot shaft with 75 ft. crosscut.

Geology & Mineralization See Bureau of Mines description.

Ore: Positive & Probable, Ore Dumps, Tailings

Dimensions and Value of Ore body

Mine, Mill Equipment & Flow-Sheet

Road Conditions, Route Off Bush Highway 3 miles north of Sunflower ranger station.

Water Supply Good

Brief History

Special Problems, Reports Filed

Remarks

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32. Signature (Signed) Bill Reynolds
Per Jos. Akren

Use additional sheets if necessary.

PRELIMINARY EXAMINATION

MERCURIA MINE (+)

GILA COUNTY, ARIZONA

NICHOLAS H. CARCISO

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I

INTRODUCTION

The Mercuria mine group is being examined, by Mr. N. H. Carouso, with two basic evaluation criteria in mind; one, the ore potential, in order of magnitude; and two, the metallurgical requirements for ore treatment.

An attempt will be made to correlate known data from nearby mercury properties with the data compiled during this preliminary examination of the Mercuria group.

II

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The property offers a very favorable target area for evaluation by the Induced Polarization geophysical method, and has the potential of being a moderately sized mercury producer.

Laboratory testing indicates the ore can be successfully treated by the flotation method. This produces a concentrate that can be treated by conventional pyrometallurgical method or by more efficient chemical reduction and refining methods.

The exploration program should be designed in two phases. Phase I, would be the geophysical survey by the Induced Polarization method, and should indicate the extent of continuity and depth of mineralization. This phase could also include a ground magnetic survey, because of the associated magnetite in the ore. Phase II, would include drilling, both from surface and underground, some bulldozing and underground development necessary to test and correlate all favorable geophysical anomalies and to determine the magnitude of proved ore reserves.

The financial requirement for Phase I, should not exceed \$3500. Phase II, would be dependent on the outcome of Phase I, however, a realistic estimate to accomplish both phases would require a budget of \$25,000.

III

LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

The Mercuria group of 13 contiguous unpatented mining claims is situated in the Sunflower Mining District, Gila County, Arizona, an unsurveyed area, approximately 55 miles northeast of Phoenix. The area is accessible from Phoenix, via State Highway 87, then by approximately

4 miles of graded dirt road. Snow and rain, during January, sometimes renders the dirt road hazardous to vehicular travel.

The mine camp facilities include 2 cabins, 1 permanent tent structure, kitchen and shower. Springs in the area presently supply ample water for camp use. Water development potential is favorable for a milling operation.

Elevations on the property average about 5000 feet. The terrain is mountainous and is transected by steep, youthful canyons. However, access to and travel within the area is easily accomplished due to a well developed system of roads.

SURROUNDING PROPERTIES

In the general area, sporadic production has come from four other mercury mines. They are the Ord mine, $2\frac{1}{4}$ miles southeast; The Rattlesnake mine, 2 miles southeast; the Pine Mountain mine, $\frac{4}{5}$ mile northwest; and the Sunflower mine, $3\frac{1}{2}$ miles southwest. These surrounding properties all have essentially the same approximate strike and dip of the formations and the mineralization is comparable.

Geographically, therefore, the Mercuria group occupies a very favorable, center of activity, position.

IV OWNERSHIP

The Mercuria group of 13 contiguous unpatented lode mining claims situated in the Sunflower Mining District, Gila County, Arizona, an unsurveyed area, is owned by C. R. Robbins and Delsie D. Robbins, husband and wife, and Renee Lee Adams, a divorced woman, with Delsie D. Robbins her Attorney in Fact, are recorded in the office of the County Recorder of Gila County, Arizona, as follows:

<u>Name of Claim</u>	<u>Docket</u>	<u>Page</u>
Delano No. 1	46	465
Delano No. 2	46	466
Delano No. 3	46	467
Delano No. 4	46	468
Delano No. 5	46	469
Mercuria No. 1	39	225
Mercuria No. 2	39	226
Mercuria No. 3	39	227
Mercuria No. 4	39	228
Mercuria No. 5	39	229
Mercuria No. 6	39	535
Mercuria No. 7	39	536
Mercuria No. 8	39	537

The claims are valid mining claims with annual assessment work performed and recorded.

V GEOLOGY

The area is composed dominantly of a thick sequence of metamorphosed shale, grit, sandstone, and conglomerate that are assigned to the Alder group of the Precambrian Yavapai series. In the Mercuria mine area the Alder group is composed mainly of fine-grained shaly units, which have been metamorphosed predominantly to phyllite and locally to schist.

The region was covered by extensive volcanic flows during Tertiary and Quaternary time, but subsequent erosion has, over most of the area, re-exposed the Precambrian rocks.

Rhyolitic rocks, some massive and blocky and others porphyritic to felsitic in texture, all somewhat schistose, are observed in the area.

A mafic dike, with dark-brown weathered surface exposure, tentatively named basalt, trends northerly along the eastern margin of the Mercuria group.

The regional strike of the rock units, on the property, is N 55° E, and the dip averages about 60° NW., however, the dip steepens locally and some beds are almost vertical. Foliation is nearly parallel to the bedding in most places.

The rocks have undergone considerable deformation as indicated by the crumpled nature of the phyllite, and by inconspicuous faults and shear zones that are parallel to the foliation. These faults and shear zones are important structural features because of the influence they no doubt have had on the control of ore deposition.

MINERALIZATION

Mercury mineralization occurs quite predominantly in the sericite schist. Sericitization of the schist and deposition of mercury mineralization are probably closely related. Cinnabar (HgS), is the main mercury ore mineral present.

In the surface deposits, very fine-grained cinnabar is disseminated through the sericite schist, and it is expected that the average grade would run about 4 pounds mercury per ton. Underground, higher grade coarser grained cinnabar mineralization is found more often in shear zones and embedded in quartz veins.

The areal extent of known mineralization at this property is quite extensive, approximately 6000 feet east-west and 2000 feet north-south. Within this area, there exists the potential of developing milling ore both from surface and underground mining.

POTENTIAL ORE RESERVE

Based on surface and underground showings of mercury mineralization, the writer estimates a minimum ore potential of approximately 1,500,000 tons of possible average 4 pounds per ton mercury ore. With a very conservative estimate of \$2.00 per pound mercury net profit, the property should produce a minimum net profit of \$12,000,000, during its productive life.

VI

HISTORY OF DEVELOPMENT

This property had its greatest development and production effort during the 1940's and early 1950's. However, during the past ten years or so, it has been prospected and developed to a limited extent. The interested parties, it has been reported, all had agreed that a reduction facility should be constructed on the property, however, except for small capacity, batch-type retorts, this was never accomplished.

It appears obvious to the writer, during this preliminary examination, that the property warrants a reduction plant, due to the potential ore observed.

In the past year, quite extensive road building and contour cutting has been accomplished, which has exposed previously unknown mercury mineralization. Also, wagon drilling, has proved that the ore persists at depth. A rock chip sampling program, both surface and underground, with the samples tested by the Willemite screen method, and recorded as "G" (good), "F" (fair), "T" (trace), and "O" (none), was conducted recently and the results were spray painted at the sample sites. No matter how crude this method may sound, it does offer a reliable semi-quantitative indication of mercury mineralization.

There is approximately 1200 feet of underground development at this property.

VII

GEOPHYSICAL SURVEY

It has been observed that the higher grade mercury mineralization is associated with disseminated pyrite and some magnetite. Because of the associated pyrite, it is felt that an Induced Polarization geophysical survey should generate significant data to effectively design a drilling program.

The Induced Polarization geophysical survey could be completed in approximately 10 days, for an expenditure of approximately \$3000.

The magnetite observed with the ore could also give significant exploration data by performing a ground magnetic survey. This survey could be accomplished for an expenditure of approximately \$500.

VIII

DRILLING AND EXPLORATION DEVELOPMENT

Depending on the geophysical survey data, drilling could be initiated to correlate geophysical data with drill hole samples.

Choice of drilling method would be core drilling, as it is believed that the most reliable information would be obtained. Regardless of the drilling method used, much care must be taken to assure reliable sampling in this type of formations.

Bulldozing to prepare drill sites and to uncover near surface indications, would be required. Also some underground work to secure areas for drilling would be required.

IX

ORE TREATMENT

The grade of mercury ore expected from near surface mining will probably average about 4 pounds of mercury per ton of ore. It can be expected that deeper ores will be higher grade, however, with resultant higher cost of mining.

Previous operations at this property and the other mercury properties in this district, have all relied on the pyrometallurgical method of roasting the ore to extract the mercury from the cinnabar mineral. The writer feels that this method of extraction is economically unfeasible for the average grade of ore found in this district. There must be some validity in this opinion, because at present, even

with a favorable mercury price, none of the properties are in operation.

A realistic approach to this situation is to first concentrate the cinnabar mineral by flotation and then treat the concentrate by chemical reduction and refining. The final product would be of high purity and could be sold as instrument or medical grade mercury as the market demands.

The writer has had previous experience with the ore from this property. Two years ago, on a consulting basis, he developed a flux for successful pyrometallurgical treatment of specific complex ore, and also conducted successful flotation studies to produce a cinnabar concentrate.

X

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT

The following preliminary breakdown would be dependent on the outcome of the exploration program, and would generate cash flow:

Exploration--to prove ore reserves	\$25,000
Beneficiation Plant--50 TPD (Design potential--300 TPD)	75,000
Water Development and Reclamation	35,000
Mining Equipment	
Surface (Payments for 6 mos. lease-purchase)	23,760
Underground	15,000
Contingency	10,000
Royalty payments--6 mos.	6,000
	<hr/>
	\$189,760

This report was prepared by:

Nicholas H. Carouso

Nicholas H. Carouso

PROFORMA FOR MERCURIA MINE.

Gila County, Arizona

FIFTY (50) TONS PER DAY OPERATION

Average Grade = 0.2% or 4 pounds mercury per ton

Expected mill recovery = 95%

Pounds of mercury per day = 50 T x 4 lb. x 0.95 = 190

Average sale price (virgin crude) per pound mercury = \$6.30

Gross dollars per day = 190 x \$6.30 = \$1,197.00

*Gross dollars per day - refined mercury = 190 x \$13.00 = \$2,470.00

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT TO CASH FLOW - 6 months

Exploration (Indicated ore reserves)	\$ 30,000.00
Beneficiation Plant (50 TPD) includes refining	75,000.00
Water Development & Reclamation	40,000.00
Mining Equipment	
Surface (Payments for 6 mos. lease-purchase)	23,760.00
Underground	15,000.00
Contingency	10,000.00
Royalty payments - 6 mos.	6,000.00
	<u>\$199,760.00</u>

OPERATING COST PER DAY AFTER COMPLETION OF FACILITIES

Beneficiation Plant (50 tons @ \$4.00 per ton)	\$200.00
Mine Plant	
Surface (75%) ore production @ \$4.50 per ton	225.00
Underground (25%) ore production @ \$15.00 per ton	188.00
	<u>\$613.00</u>

	Virgin Crude	Refined *
Gross dollars per day	\$1,197.00	\$2,470.00
Less operating cost	613.00	613.00
Total income per day	<u>\$ 584.00</u>	<u>\$1,857.00</u>

Payout period after start of production	13.1 months	4.1 months
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Annual gross income expected (338 days) based on refined mercury
 \$627,666.00 - Excluding Management and Taxes
 (Depletion Allowance Not Included)

* Note: All mercury produced at this property will be refined chemically pure grade.
 Virgin crude is the product listed in daily price quotations.

PROFORMA FOR MERCURIA MINE

Gila County, Arizona

ONE HUNDRED (100) TONS PER DAY OPERATION

Average Grade = 0.2% or 4 pounds mercury per ton

Expected mill recovery = 95%

Pounds of mercury per day = 100 T x 4 lb. x 0.95 = 380

Average sale price (virgin crude) per pound mercury = \$6.30

Gross dollars per day = 380 x \$6.30 = \$2,394.00

*Gross dollars per day of refined mercury = 380 x \$13.00 = \$4,940.00

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT TO CASH FLOW - 6 months

Exploration (Indicated ore reserves)	\$ 30,000.00
Beneficiation Plant (100 TPD) includes refining	150,000.00
Water Development & Reclamation	40,000.00
Mining Equipment	
Surface (Payments for 6 mos. lease-purchase)	23,760.00
Underground	15,000.00
Contingency	20,000.00
Royalty payments - 6 mos.	6,000.00
	<u>\$284,760.00</u>

OPERATING COST PER DAY AFTER COMPLETION OF FACILITIES

Beneficiation Plant (100 tons @ \$3.00 per ton)	\$300.00
Mine Plant	
Surface (75%) ore production @ \$3.50 per ton	263.00
Underground (25%) ore production @ \$15.00 per ton	375.00
	<u>\$938.00</u>

	Virgin Crude	Refined *
Gross dollars per day	\$2,394.00	\$4,940.00
Less operating cost	938.00	938.00
Total income per day	<u>\$1,356.00</u>	<u>\$4,002.00</u>

Payout period after start of		
production	8.1 months	2.7 months

Annual gross income expected (338 days) based on refined mercury
\$1,352,676.00 - Excluding Management and Taxes
(Depletion Allowance Not Included)

* Note: All mercury produced at this property will be refined chemically pure grade.
Virgin crude is the product listed in daily price quotations.

PROFORMA FOR MERCURIA MINE

Gila County, Arizona

THREE HUNDRED (300) TONS PER DAY OPERATION

Average Grade = 0.2% or 4 pounds mercury per ton

Expected mill recovery = 95%

Pounds of mercury per day = $300 \text{ T} \times 4 \text{ lb.} \times 0.95 = 1140$

Average sale price (virgin crude) per pound mercury = \$6.30

Gross dollars per day = $1140 \times \$6.30 = \$7,182.00$

*Gross dollars per day of refined mercury = $1140 \times \$13.00 = \$14,820.00$

FINANCIAL REQUIREMENT TO CASH FLOW - 6 months

Exploration (Indicated ore reserves)	\$ 30,000.00
Beneficiation Plant (300 TPD) includes refining	425,000.00
Water Development & Reclamation	75,000.00
Mining Equipment	
Surface (Payments for 6 mos. lease-purchase)	37,560.00
Underground	20,000.00
Contingency	50,000.00
Royalty payments - 6 mos.	6,000.00
	<u>\$643,560.00</u>

OPERATING COST PER DAY AFTER COMPLETION OF FACILITIES

Beneficiation Plant (300 tons @ \$2.50 per ton)	\$ 750.00
Mine Plant	
Surface (75%) ore production @ \$3.00 per ton	675.00
Underground (25%) ore production @ \$15.00 per ton	1,125.00
	<u>\$2,550.00</u>

	Virgin Crude	Refined *
Gross dollars per day	\$7,182.00	\$14,820.00
Less operating cost	2,550.00	2,550.00
Total income per day	<u>\$4,632.00</u>	<u>\$12,270.00</u>

Payout period after start of production	5.3 months	2.0 months
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Annual gross income expected (338 days) based on refined mercury
 \$4,147,260.00 - Excluding Management and Taxes
 (Depletion Allowance Not Included)

* Note: All mercury produced at this property will be refined chemically pure grade.
 Virgin crude is the product listed in daily price quotations.

MERCURIA MINE

WAGON DRILLING OF MINERALIZED AREA

<u>DRILL HOLE NO.</u>	<u>ATTITUDE</u>	<u>DEPTH</u>	<u>REMARKS</u>
1 (Test hole)	Vertical	70'	This hole was to test the drill.
2	E	90'	Good surface show and all the way.
3	NW	90'	Fair
4	SW	90'	Good to 30'
5	NW	135'	Encountered ore at 85', bottomed in
6	N	110'	Encountered ore at 85', bottomed in
7	NW	80'	Iron pyrite--water at 80'
8	NW	90'	Fair
9	SE	60'	60' into "Water Tunnel" and ore
10	NE @ 45°	100'	100' metacinnabarite (?)
11	N Horizontal	120'	30' to ore, bottomed in ore
12	NW Horiz.	132'	132' in good ore
13	NW Horiz.	80'	80' in good ore
14	NW Horiz.	120'	60' to ore, 30' in good ore
15	SE @ 55°	85'	Blank
16	N	75'	Ore at 25', bottomed in ore
17	E @ 55°	55'	Water at 55'
18	W @ 55°	90'	Ore at 40', fair for 50'
19	SE @ 45°	100'	Blank
20	NW Horiz.	132'	Encountered ore at 25', bottomed in
21	NE @ 60°	105'	Encountered ore at 25', bottomed in (Best ore at bottom of hole)

Note: At site of #20 and #21, previous drilling (1956) discovered very good ore at 200'-235', at this depth the bit was lost.

This data was furnished by Mr. Dick Robbins, as he panned all cuttings at five foot intervals, during this drilling effort.

MAP OF DRILL HOLES AVAILABLE FROM: CLAY 10/10/57