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PRELIMINARY REPORT

on

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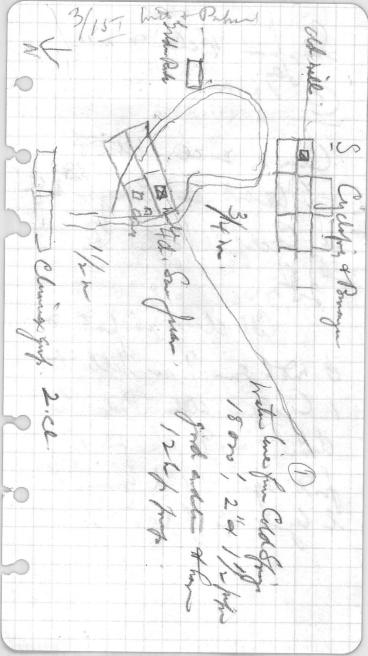
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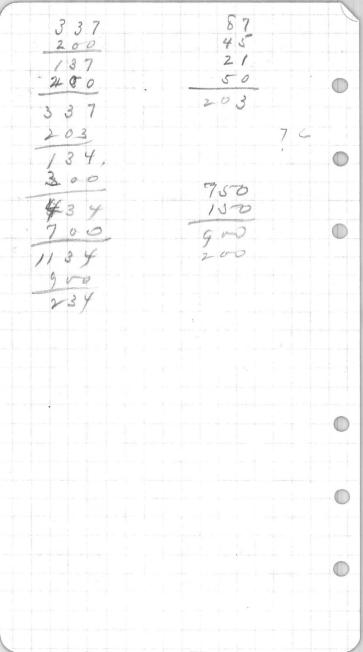


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(Signed) R. K. Humphrey, M.E.

March 17, 1930.

Col. Louis R. Ball, 1016 West 9th Street, Los Angeles, California.

Dear Col. Ball:

Just a line to tell you that I tried hard to see the property at Gold Basin but weather conditions made it impossible. I saw Parker on Friday, the 14th, and we arranged to spend all of the 15th at the property but when I reached Chloride on the morning of the 15th, it was beginning to rain and snow and Parker stated that the trip would be impossible under such conditions, particularly since he was troubled with mepheritis, meaning neuritis, and was afraid to go out in bad weather.

I obtained considerable information concerning Gold
Basin from some engineers of my acquaintance and also learned
the history of the district, and I had two long talks with Parker who is a very reasonable man and well spoken of.

I am convinced that a hurried trip to the property would be of little value and would add practically nothing to the general impression which you obtained, but it appears that these veins, particularly the Climax, are sufficiently attractive to justify a careful sampling such as I previously suggested and this would involve employment of two or three men for probably a week or ten says.

The President of the company to whom I wrote concerning the property in a general way, advises that they would be interested in investigating provided I confirmed from a personal visit the information which I passed along to him secondhanded, but I note that you feel that it would be more advantageous to organize an operating syndicate rather than to pass this property along on the basis of a commission. Perhaps you are quite right in your judgment, but the preferred plan would involve approaching people for money and this is something which I personally am very loathe to do at the present time since practically all of my friends are already interested in Meteor Crater and I feel that it is up to me to make that investment good if possible, before attempting to draw them into any other ventures, no matter how attractive these may seem.

My general impression regarding Gold Basin is that the area is quite extensively mineralized near the surface and there are some high grade veins from which a certain amount of pay ore could be mined and very possibly milled at a profit, but the quantity of this material is very uncertain and could only be determined by careful examination and sampling.

Aside from this there appear to be large bodies of low grade ore such as were developed in the working of the Cyclopic, but there is a suspicion that these were very shallow and the average grade was too low to permit their mining and treatment un-

less a very substantial tonnage could be developed which would justify a large expenditure for the best type of mining and milling equipment and permit comparatively cheap working costs.

If the small scale operations confined to the higher grade ore would yield a sufficient profit to permit developing the large low grade ore bodies there is a chance that a fairly extensive operation might later be carried on although one must consider the disadvantages due to the location of the camp and cost of transportation, also the record of Gold Basin to date is not particularly favorable.

I feel that Parker would be very reasonable, and although he insists that the payment for the mill and the San Juan claims (\$10,000.00) should be made in each in order to take care of his partners. I have no doubt but that this could be postponed until after a thorough sampling had demonstrated the quantity and quality of the high grade ore.

Parker believes that a large tonnage of good grade material would be shipped to the mill from other mines located in that vicinity, but I am somewhat skeptical on that particular point and feel that you will agree with me in thinking that the purchase of the mill would only be justified in the event that a company or syndicate could feel reasonably certain of mining sufficient good grade material on their own property to repay the investment which would include a considerable amount of money for reconditioning the mill and to allow a fair margin of profit.

It appears to me, therefore, that if any further progress is to be made, the first step will be to carefully sample and measure such high grade ore as may be exposed, making due allowance for probable and indicated ore, as well as that which is actually brocked out or can be samples at or near the surface.

A careful examination of this kind would cost at least \$1,000 and would probably determine pretty definitely the advisability of further procedure, and, if your high opinion and the statements of Parker are borne out, the venture should prove attractive and actual mining of the high grade ore could probably be undertaken with a further expenditure covering the cost of reconditioning the mill and a small smount of mining equipment plus a small payment on account of purchase price to the owners who could, I believe, be induced to forget the \$10,000 cash payment, provided they were assured of a small monthly income since I think they are all pretty hard up and looking for a meal ticket at the present time.

I am sending you an extra copy of this letter in case you wish to forward it to Walter who writes that he will probably not be back in Ios Angeles until April.

The present storm is pretty severe in the Northern part of the State and I doubt if anyone could visit and examine the property with advantage for another week or ten days and no doubt you will be able to hold open the deal with Parker for some weeks if necessary.

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Col. Louis R. Ball - 5

please let me know if you have any suggestions regarding further cooperation and I will merely advise the President of the Mining Company that weather conditions, etc., have not made it possible for me to make any examination and of course there is no commitment on my part nor have I any right to make any such commitment, but my letter was merely a feeler and might open an alternative method of doing business in case it is impractical to organize a syndicate or company to proceed with the operation and development, assuming that an examination should indicate that such operation and development are fully justified.

This will acknowledge your letters of March 8th and 10th which I find on my return and I fully received your telegrams which were forwarded and was able to get in touch with Parker without difficulty.

Personal regards.

Very truly yours.

GMC : EBH.

P.S. It seems to me that any company entering the Gold
Basin District and acquiring the Parker Property should also
obtain the Cyclopic ground in which there is still undoubtedly
a substantial tonnage of low grade ore; possibly a little high

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Parker tells me that he has the title to the Cyclopic Claims, having restaked these when the previous owners failed to do the assessment work, but, from conversations with an attorney in Kingman who is well posted on the subject, I gather that Parker's title is by no means clear, although it could be validated by his restaking the claims at the present time.

My estimate for the expenditure of an examination would include some sampling and a general investigation of the Cyclopic: hence the work would be rather more extensive than I had first thought.

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Mr. G. M. Colvocoresses, Western Metallurgical Company, 1108 Luhrs Tower, Phoenix, Arizona.

Dear Mr. Colvocoresses:

I have received your letter of January 22, 1930, and wish to thank you for the data regarding the Meteor Crater. I shall be glad to take this up with some of the mathematicians at their leisure and feel as you do that they will be interested greatly in working on the problem.

I note that Mr. Ely has indicated on this letter that he noted your statement regarding the stockholder's meeting of the Western Metallurgical Company, scheduled for February 20th, and that notices of this meeting are being written up at the present time.

In reference to the large deposit of lead carbonate and mixed carbonate and sulphide ore in Nevada, it would seem that such a deposit was well worth investigating very thoroughly. I shall be more than interested to learn further regarding this deposit.

While on the subject of deposits, there is a proposition at Gold Basin, about forty miles north of Chloride, which I alluded to at one time when talking to you, that continuously keeps coming to my mind. There is a large well defined vein of gold ore whose outcrop can be traced for thousands of feet. It is a very wide vein and it is almost impossible to find a place on the

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for our alwards outcrop which does not show free gold under a glass. At one point there is a splendid outcrop showing four feet of ore on the foot wall which will probably run pretty close to \$100.00 a ton. There is about \$5,000.00/ worth of ore on the surface now. A couple of shafts to a forty or fifty feet depth which have been connected but all the work has been done in a sort of hap-

hazard way. I believe it would pay to sink a shaft in the foot wall and follow this high grade seam on the foot wall and possibly discover other high grade ore by cross cutting to the hanging wall and drifting on

both.

There is a mill all ready set up and ready to go within about a mile and a half of this deposit with plenty of water for living and operating and more can be developed. Where the mill is established, there is also an indication of the likelihood of developing considerable ore. The vein, which by the way is an entirely different vein from the first one written about, has not been developed at all. The people who put in the mill depended entirely upon surface ore which was a d sort of a breakdown from the outcrop and furthermore they spent all the money they had getting the mill ready to run and then they were out of finances and could not get their stockholders to go on.

In addition to the situation just described, there is in the immediate vicinity of this mill other small promising gold veins and are available that could be hauled a mile or two and furnish condiderable ore to start the mill going right away with an expectation on my part that there is sufficient tonnage to run the mill for almost a year right now. The mill is probably about fifty tons capacity. It is a younder mull and I understand that it is ready to go. Cuspart

These veins other than the first one described are faulty veins, but the first one is a well defined wide vein whose outcrop can be traced for considerably over a mile. It is a most interesting situation

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and I am in a position to get the finest terms in the world. I would like very much to go over the ground with you. I honestly believe that everybody is overlooking a bet. I will be glad to hear from you at your convenience and want you to know that I have read your letters regarding the smelter proposition with a lot of interest.

I also have your letter of January 23, 1930 enclosing data on Arlington Mine and note what you say about the Yecorate River Placer. This latter, so far as we are concerned at this time is a dead issue; however, I do think the placer ground may be good. I also note what you say about the correction of the formula concerning the Meteor Crater.

I have not heard from Vorhees definitely about going to the Arlington Mine except that the upper grounds are covered with snow and they are waiting for a change of these conditions before going out.

With kindest regards and best wishes, I

Very truly yours,

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January 30, 1930

Mr. G. M. Colvocoresses, 223 Luhrs Building, Phoemix, Arizona.

Dear Mr. Colvocoresses:

I have your letter of January 29th in regard to the Gold Basin prospect, and your letter shows that you grasp the situation very well indeed. This proposition is not a developed mine and I did not wish to give you that impression in my letter concerning this. But it does appeal to me as being a wonderful prospect, with considerable chance of developing into a property that could be mined or sold to those later on who might become interested.

The name of this vein is "The Climax". I can scarcely call it a mine, and the name of the property on which the mill is situated is called the "San Juan". This mill is the old Cyclopic mill and now sits about a mile and a half from the original site of the Cyclopic, where it was moved by the people who started in to develop the San Juan. As I said in my previous letter, water has been brought into the present mill. This mill now is in place, about a mile and a half from the outcrop on the Climax vein, which I consider so promising.

I have only mentioned this property in a casual way to Mr. Schmidt, because he was very busy during the entire time that he was here. However, he did say that it might be something that you and I could look over at some time that it would be convenient to us. I do not know just how we could arrange this, nor about the expense of doing so, but if the opportunity occurs, I think it would be wise for us to get on the ground, unless as a result of your having engineers in there they have reported unfavorably regarding the situation. Nevertheless, even in that case I myself have been over the ground, every foot of it, and I am convinced that it deserves thorough investigation to say the least.

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I agree with you that it would take at least \$20,000.00 or \$25,000.00, depending on conditions to develop the possibilities as I see them at present. Yes, there would be a chance of considerable return from the high grade ore shoot, and in addition to that I believe that we could scrape up enough ore

on the outcrop of other small veins in the immediate vicinity of the mill to possibly be able to run the mill for a considerable time during the period of development work. The returns from these operations should help considerably toward the expense of the

I would not want to go ahead with trying to induce people to become interested in the project until I had obtained the benefit of your views, after a visit on the ground with you. If that could be arranged, and we both thought well of the situation after such a visit, we might then look to securing enough money for the development work, or at least for a thorough examination.

I should like to hear further from you, and with personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

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development work.