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Jessie & Union . My Start

Bagdad, Arizona February 10, 1954

Mr. W. L. Allison ALLISON STEEL MANUGACTURING COMPANY Box 6067 Phoenix, Arizona

Dear Mr. Allison:

Recently I purchased the Little Jessie group of claims (consisting of Little Jessie, Little Grace, Ella, and Dividend) located near Humboldt. I was inquiring of information—maps, engineer reports, assays, etc. concerning the property. A Mr. Walker, Mayer, told me that you might possibly have some information regarding it among some papers that he thought you obtained from Mr. Calvo Creses, manager of the old Humboldt smelter.

If you do have any information, I am wondering if I could look at it, or copy it, or purchase them from you.

Thanking you in advance for your trouble, I am

Very truly yours,

Edgar Kellis

February 15, 1954

Mr. Edgar Kellis Bagdad, Arizona

Dear Mr. Kellis:

This is in reference to your letter of February 10, 1954 regarding the Little Jessie Group of Claims which you recently purchased.

We do have a 477-word report dated November 1937 by G. M. Colvocoresses and several letters which were exchanged between Colvo and General Securities Corporation dated November, 1938 regarding this property.

In accordance with our arrangements with young Colvo, it is necessary for us to place a price on this information at around \$150.

Very truly yours,

ALLISON STEEL MANUFACTURING COMPANY

W. L. Allison President

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December 21, 1959

Mr. Edgar Kellis Bagdad, Arizona

Dear Mr. Kellis:

I have checked the file about which you inquired - on the Little Jessie - and I found the 477 word report made by G. M. Colvocoresses, Mining Engineer, in 1937.

This report gives a brief history of the property, describes its production, mentions the findings of the last operators of the property at that time, describes the type of ore found and contains a paragraph on the geology of the property and other values found.

In addition to the above-described report, there are 4 pages of correspondence (letters) between Colvocoresses and General Securities Commission dated November 1938 and the 2-page letter from Colvo gives his own impression of the property. There are no maps or assay reports in this file.

The total price of this file is \$100, which would include its peproduction. We could give you 3 copies of everything in the file.

Very truly yours,

W. L. ALLISON Properties

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Stella Freasier
2108 North 28th Place
Phoenix, Arizona

cc - W. L. Allison

LITTLE JESSIE AND UNION

(Note by G. M. Colvocoresses - November, 1937)

These adjoining mines, sometimes called the "Chaparral" are located five miles west of Humboldt and were frequently visited by me or my engineers who made a number of rather disconnected notes.

They are old mines which produced some high grade gold ore prior to 1907 when operated by Jesse Jones and his brother.

In 1914 under a man named Blacker the Little Jessie produced a small amount of picked ore which ran over \$200 to the ton but an attempt to open up the lower levels cost more money than had been expected and only low grade ore was found. The production from the Union only averaged about \$10.00 per ton which, lacking a mill, could not be mined with profit.

After Blacker quit in 1915 some development work was continued and in 1916 the #2 shaft at the Little Jessie was cleaned out to the bottom at 650' and some drifting was done on that level but no high grade ore was found.

The mines were then idle or nearly so for several years until acquired in about 1925 by a man named Nickerson who rebuilt the old mill at the Union and made a small production but devoted most 200 of his efforts to trying to promote a million dollar company on the basis of entirely fraudulent representations.

The property passed under lease to another outfit headed by a man named Reid who did some really good work and shipped quite a bit of bullion also developing a considerable tonnage of ore which ran about \$15.00 per ton (at present price of gold. It is reported that Reid's work was profitable but it was interrupted in '35 or '36 by litigation with Nickerson which still continues.

I have not visited the workings of these mines since Reid took them over but I am reliably informed that a considerable quantity of pay ore is now blocked out or indicated and if the litigation could be terminated in a satisfactory manner I think that there would be a good chance that future operation might be continuous on a small scale and profitable over a period of several years.

The quartz veins were strong and well mineralized with iron sulphide carrying gold and of a type in which the values might

persist to a considerable depth.

The Country Rock is mainly granite with sections of amphibolite schist, The veins are of massive quartz with sulphides of iron, zinc and lead and the gold is mainly associated with these sulphide minerals althout is free in the upper oxidized zone. The main vein varies from 5 to 10° in width with ore shoots having varying length up to a maximum of 250°.

The total production of these mines is reported to have had a value of about \$1,000,000 but most of this came from the high grade stopes of oxidized material.

CHAPARRAL MINING COMPANY, operating LITTLE JESSIE MINE,

near McCabe, Yavapai County.

Visited October 9th, 1916; saw J. F. Rogers, Secretary-Treasurer and Mr. Jones, Superintendent; Mr. Smith, Manager, away.

No. 2 shaft (the deepest) is now being cleaned out and when finished it is intended to drift East on the 650' or bottom level to get under a good ore body which is known to have been left in that direction, at a higher level. The operations are on a small scale at present. -

UNION MINE - idle.

Bonded to D. M. Lacey of Los Angeles, by Jones, Sr. for a reported price of \$300,000.00.

Koepke informed me that the amount of ore in sight is small. -

Ky Corresp file October 3rd, 1938 General Securities Corporation Wright & Callender Building 405 South Hill Street Los Angeles, California Re: Union-Jessie Mine Attention: Mr. Fred Ford, President Gentlemen: Your letter of September 30th on above subject is received and contents carefully noted. I am quite familiar with the Union-Jessie property and the mining district around Chaparral since for 18 years I was General Manager of the smelter at Humboldt and at various times we purchased the ore and concentrates produced from these mines for treatment. I have visited the mines on one or two occasions and had other investigations of them made by our field engineers although we never made any thorough engineering examination or complete sampling of the said properties. I have not been underground in any of these workings since the last operations were carried on by Mr. Nickerson and by Mr. Reid so that I am not altogether familiar with their present condition including the underground ore reserves and plant and equipment. My general impression of these properties is favorable considering the present price of gold and unless the mining and development during the last few years has changed the situation substantially for the worse, it would appear to me that they might form the basis for a small but profitable mining operation. I never attempt to undertake any mining promotion as my work is entirely of a technical nature and I therefore cannot consistently recommend any property to others unless I have made a professional examination of same and convinced my self that it has real merit. I am in contact with parties who are desirous of purchasing or leasing a small or medium sized gold mine and Union-should you desire to have me the Boughky investigate the Union-Jessie, I shall be glad to bring this to their attention provided the result of my examination was favorable and to further cooperate as might be possible in negotiations looking toward a lease or sale.

October 3rd, 1938 General Securities Corp. -2-I am much obliged to Mr. Adams for having mentioned my name to you and will be glad to hear further on this matter at your convenience. Yours very truly, J. h. C. GMC:MF

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General Securities Corporation Wright & Callender Building 405 South Hill Street Los Angeles, California Re: Union-Jessie Mine Attention: Mr. Fred Ford, President Gentlemen: Referring to previous correspondence on this subject, it has occurred to me that you might perhaps care to send me such reports, maps and other data concerning this property as are now available, particularly covering the present condition of the underground workings, assay map of developed and indicated ore and such mining and milling equipment as is now on the property. I have recently been given to understand that the mine was opened up for sampling a short time ago and that a winze was unwatered in which a particularly nice shoot of ore had been developed but apparently the engineer who had intended to sample the mine did not put in an appearance and the winze has now been allowed to fill with water. I have disucssed this situation in a general way with one of my clients who might be disposed to follow the matter up if you are still disposed to lease or sell the property but it would first of all be important to ascertain your intentions and also the terms which might form the basis of any such negotiation as well as the actual physical condition of the mine and plant. Thanking you for any information on these matters. I remain Yours very truly, GMC: MF

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