

Copy of report by T.J.Marks on the
Ehatset Group of Mineral Claims.

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The Ehatset Group of mineral claims is located on the North Fork of the Zeballos River; which empties into the Zellabos Arm of Esperanza Inlet on the West Coast of Vancouver Island, B.C.

The section is reached by C.P.R. steamers, sailing winter months from Victoria on the first, eleventh and twenty first of each month. The district is served during the summer by C.P.R. boats sailing twice each week. Disembarking at Hecate Cannery on the inside of Nootka Island; it is then ten miles, by small boat, to the mouth of Zellabos River. There is a good trail five and one half miles long; easy grade; from the beach to the showings which could be easily and comparatively inexpensively converted into a road.

This property consists of thirteen claims, namely Ehatset Nos. 1 to 13 inclusive- staked along the North Fork of the river. The east bank of the creek is a steep wall of limestone; the creek bed marking the contact of the limestone with the altered volcanics on the west. The mineralization occurs in a schistose belt up to two hundred feet and more in width; which is a great shear zone in the Vancouver volcanics.

Work so far has been confined mostly to the surface. Large bodies of disseminated sulphides have been uncovered and a number of veins of nearly pure chalcopyrite. Careful sampling across the disseminated sulphides; over a width of sixty feet; show uniform values of six percent copper and \$5.00 in gold. The veins of chalcopyrite which run along the west side of the sulphides show from twenty four to thirty percent copper. This sampling was done on claim Four. On claim three; just below claim four and in the same schistose belt which contains the chalcopyrite and disseminated sulphides, there

are quartz veins containing galena, zinc-blend, arsenic and high gold values. There are a number of these quartz veins paralleling each other through the schistose belt. One of these veins has been uncovered and is exposed for a distance of several hundred feet. In doing this work several tons of high grade ore was piled up. Samples from this vein have run from six to forty ounces in gold. On claim three and closer to the lime contact there is a large quartz vein heavily mineralized with arsenic-pyrite; some zinc and an ounce of gold. This schistose belt runs through six claims a distance of 9000 feet. Fairly coarse gold can be panned from the gravels in the bed of the stream running along the foot of this belt.

A comparatively small sum of money spent crosscutting this belt at intervals with diamond drill should surely prove the existence of large bodies of commercial ore. The gold values alone certainly make it a very attractive property. This belt runs along and with a very steep mountain side; diamond drilling could start just above the creek bed; in ore; and crosscut the belt for probably two hundred feet; which would give a depth of about 150 feet. There is an abundance of water power easily harnessed; right at the outcroppings.

On claim three; four and five on the East side of the stream; there are replacement deposits in the limestone belt and a number of smaller quartz veins have been uncovered which show from five to ten ounces of gold. On claim two and three the arsenic-pyrite with some zinc extends across the stream into the lime, there appears to be quite a large body carrying an ounce of gold. Both sides of the stream are heavily mineralized for a known distance of two miles; and as stated before; owing to the almost ideal conditions a comparatively small sum of money should prove the ground.

A competent logging engineer who has been over the ground estimated that \$10000. will build a first class tractor road from salt water to the property. The foot of the outcroppings are less than 400 feet above tidewater.

At an altitude of about 1500 feet, one mile above the claims; there is a lake about 4 miles long; the outlet from which drops about 1000 feet in going a very short distance. This power could be easily harnessed and would furnish power for any operation. There is plenty of timber available anywhere one might have use for it.

Following the general direction of the strike across the valley at the forks of the river; and at an elevation of about 1000 feet; other interesting outcroppings are to be found carrying good gold values; the ore is exposed at intervals for a distnace of several miles; how far it extends is unknown, as this section is unexplored. The indications in this direction are very encouraging.

(Signed) T.J.Marks.

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May 13th., 1931.

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Vice-President , A. S. & R. Co.

ZEBALLOS ARM - W. Coast Vancouver Island , B.C.
My letter April 26 , 1931 . Ehatset Group.

Dear Sir ,

I questioned both Malmberg and Nordstrom at Quatsino recently about the gold occurrences in this area .

The Malmberg claims are now held by Marks as part of the Ehatset Group . Malmberg says Marks changed his stakings to cover them , and rather than fight a lawsuit Malmberg withdrew . Marks is working on copper outcrops with quartz veinlets carrying gold on the West side of Zeballos River ; the arsenopyrite which Malmberg found , which has a high gold content is on the East side of the River - under water now , and would require a tunnel into the hill and a shaft to prospect it .

Nearer the mouth of the River some claims were staked jointly by Malmberg and Nordstrom for themselves and Mr. Trites . They say Mr. Trites has not paid for the assessment work and only one claim , in Malmberg's name , is now in good standing . As Mr. Trites was to have a 60% interest in these stakings I expect he still has a 60% interest in the existing claim . The vein is small , only 6 ins. wide , but assays up to 20 ozs. gold per ton ; it also requires a shaft and is exposed at one place only .

The find that Malmberg made 14 miles up the river , in granite , (see my letter to Mr. Pitt , April 14 , 1931 , cc. to you) last year was discovered the final day of his trip . He shot off the outcrop and brought down a few lumps of ore . A piece of clear quartz holding chalcopyrite and pyrrhotite , purporting to be some of this ore , I sent to Wallace for assay under Sample No. 496 . Malmberg says that the vein is 2 ft. wide where he found it ; he traced it for 50 ft. in length one end then going under deep overburden and the other into a creek . He did not stake any claims as it was snowing and he was anxious to get out ; but says he is willing to go in and strip the showing and locate claims on a modest partnership basis for a grubstake , if you wish . A 2 ft. vein is pretty small that far from tidewater , even if the going is easy ; but it might assay sufficiently well to be interesting . That area is practically unexplored and gold occurs at the South end of it near Great Central Lake .

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From- Henry Lee.
To - Mr. H. A. Guoss.

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Re - ZEBALLOS ARM , W. Coast Vancouver Island , B.C.

Under the circumstances I felt that the expense of a journey to Zeballos River was not warranted at this stage ; but I can go in later on , if you wish, if the Marks Claims are tied up for examination or if stripping is done on the other showings so that they can be examined.

Please instruct me in due course.

Yours very truly,

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
HENRY LEE

cc- DLPitt. ✓