Visit by Jack Danny
Nelson, BC.
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FROM MAP B2F
PUUTES TO IVA FERN SHONN IN RED-BEST .....

The Iva Lern is presently held by the following: - Wrs. \&...eaver, 1315 robertson Ave., $i e l s o n$ orns the excelsior L. 12657 C.A. and the Blacir Cap L. 12654 C.G. B.B.EOr Genson owns the standard L.l2653 C.G. and Eric Denny anc Jacir ver: ny own the Fern L. 12656 C. . and the three reverted Crown grants Iva L. 12655, Gem L.12652, Jewel L.l265 total oi 7 claims altosether.

No work ol any importance has been done on these claims since 1930 at wiich time they were accessible from iye on Kootenay Lake by 3 miles of trail only. Until 1931 when the railway between procter and iootenay Landing was completed the only connection that lye had with the rest of the world was by paddle wheel steamer or swaller boats on the lake. Today a road from Yoir zoes up Porcupine Creak and down Cultus Creai to Tye and passes beside the south boundary of the gem (the most southerly and lowest clain of the group. A branch road joes witnin a mile of the threeupper claims where nost of the development has taien place. Surface rifhts to the ground are held by Darkwoods Forestry Ltd. Distance from the highway just south of imir is approvimately 18 miles by good lo jing road. The claims are shown on lat. Top. kap 32F/7\%. Mey extend from 4100 ft , up to 6400 ft . on the north side oi Cultus Creelf so they face south and should be bare of snow to the top of the hill by June 15. Parts of the old trail are still in fair shape but the oldcabins at the mine are beyondrepair. Both portals are caved and many of the open cuts are partially sloughed in. No shipments were ever made as transportation was a severe problem at the time the claims were worked. The Great Depression was in full swing when work ceased.

The only government ceological mappine oftchis area was by H. $\mathrm{H} . \mathrm{A}$. Rice from 1936 to 1933 and published in 1940 (reprinted in 1956) and accompanying Hemoir 223 Nolson Kap-Area-iast !aly - at a scale of linch equals 4 miles. Rice places the Iva Fern in the Lorse thief Creeir Series which consists of "green , argillaceous quartzite; blue-grey linestone, arkose, pebble conglomerate." Granitic rocks outcrop to the east and lamprophyre dykes accompany the mineralization in places. Some of the ore is brecciated. The old reports in the Annual seports of the linister of Mines appear accurate as far as the writer las been able to detcriaine. These reports toeether with the copy of the liners Western underground plans (compiled from C.i..\& S. plans of 1920, 1929 \& 1930) 3ive a sood idea of the values, widths and types of mineralization encountered in tho surface workings and underground. Apparently there has been no stoping done. This plan shovs the main drift as having continuous mineralization of tunnel width for 600 ft . and is open at both ends vith several open cuts on surface proving the upward continuation of the ore.

The 500 ton pile oi sorted ore is still there together with small piles at many of the open cuts and some lover gradeore scattered through the various dumps.

Similar inineralization shows on the southside of Cultus Creek and near Low Pass.The writer staced approximately 130 claims along the trend oí this mineralization for a Vancouver company about 1969 but they ran out of fundsbefore accomplishing anything. T.lere is practically no outcrop in the entire area so there is a possibility of a considerable tonage of ore. Detailed mapping together with soil sampling and followed by the most suitable geophysical methods over a grid could very likely provide sone very worthwhile tar, f ets for diamonddrilling and to confirm obvious drilling targets already in existence.

For further information, a look at some samples, and arranjements for a tour oi the property please contact Eric Denny,R.R./. Nelison, pn. 325-4480 or Jack Denny, ph. $352-7726$ who each have a 4 whecl drive truck. The fastest. way to see it is by helicopter. It is just over 20 miles by air from lielson. The main dump was a good heliport a few years aso, and one can also land in a logsed area $3 / 4$ of a mile to the north.

Resident 7 1917-pige 167 - This Group, consistin; of seven claims, is
Engineer situat d on the north side of Cultus Creek, at a distance of about seven miles from Kootenay laise. Tho property is owned by J. l.ullholland, of Sirdar, B. C. In the vicinity of the
workings the hillside has a falrly unlform slope which is covered with overburden, and on which there is ample timber for all requirements. The workings are sltuated near the top of the hill at an elevation of 5,335 feet, or 1,870 feet above Cultus creek, where there is abundant waterpower avallable.

The formation is of sedimentary orlgin, composed of shales and schists, and is cut by intrusive dykes which are sald to run parallel to the formation, but the short time that the writer had on the property did not allow a surface reconnalssance to be made in order to trace the geology or to ldentify the various surface showings of ore with the veln system.

The work done consisted of a number of open-cuts, which in every case showed a width of ore from 1 to 6 feet, but on account of the heavy covering of overburden it was diffeult to definitely determine the nature of the walls and the dip and strike of the strata, which latter, as far as could be ascertained, was aprroximately north and south. However, with only the cursory examination that was made, it was quite evident that the surface showings and general conditions were encouraging and fully warranted the further exploltation of the property.
at the lowest exposure the ore cousisted of a mixture of galena, a little chalcopyrite, and. iron pyrites occurring in oxidized ledge-matter; at the upper workings the ore was principally galena. A sample taken at the lowest showing, across a width of 6 feet, gave the following returns: Gold, trace; sllver, 3.50 oz .; lead, 5 per cent. Farther up the hill a sample across a width of 2.5 feet gave: Gold, 0.02 oz . silver, 3.40 oz ; lead, 22 per cent.; while at a shoft distance from this, on the summit of the hill, a sample across a wldth of 2 feet gave: Gold, trace; silver, 1.80 oz .; lead, 10 per cent.

During the summer development-work was carrled on, and according to recent.reports the property has now been bonded by the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company.

In connection with the occurrence of sedimentary rocks in this section, it may be of interest c to note that this belt of schists and slates, bounded by the granite formation on the east and west, extends southward across Cultus creek and apparently forms the saddle of the Low Pass divide; and, further, it bas been reported that the same character of ore has been founn in the vicinity of the Low pass on a group of clalms owned by C. O. Woodward. R. J. Elliot, and others, of Nelson.

1918-page 198 - This group situated on Cultus Creek, seven miles from Kootenay Lako, was staked by J. W. Kulholland. It consists of fifteen cliims. Considerable strippind was done by the locators, discovering large bodies of silver-lead ore, and a bond was taken on November 10th,1917, by the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co. of Trail, for a considerable sum. This company has done several thousand feet of stripping with good results and is at present driving a long crosscut tunnel to tap the veins at depth. It gives promise of being onc of our large shippers. Mr. Nulholland has other claims in the vicinity that show good values.

1919 -page 1,5 - This property, consistins of seven Crown-granted cleims, is situated on Cultus Creek at an approximate distance of sevon miles from Kootenay Lake. There is a good trail from the lake-shore to the mine, an the camp can be reached
comfortably elther on foot or norseback in adout three hours. The clalms are staked in a northerly direction along the strike of the velns from the valley of Cultus creek to the summlt : of the rounded ridge lying between the North and South forks of the creek, J. Mülbolland, the original owner, bonded the property to the Consolldated Mining and Smelting Company in 1918, under which bond he accepted a contract to drive a crosscut tunnel ind altogether ao some 700 or 800 feet of underground work. The mine cabins conslst of a bunk-house and cookhouse with accommodation for about elght men; there is also a small blacksmith-ihop at the tunnel and another cabin on the creek at the foot of the mountain trall which is used as a' storehouse.

The surface of the mountalin in the vicinity of the workings is covered with a depth of from ${ }^{2} x$ 3 to 6 feet of overburden and few rock-exposures are visible. The formation in which the ore has been found, consisting of steeply tilted and highly metamorphosed rocks of sealmentary origin, has been intruded in the vicinity of the velns by a basic lamprophyre dike, which may be genetically connected with the ore-deposits.

The surface work bas so far been confined to, an area near the summit of the ridge, and $\boldsymbol{f}^{3}$ although the vein is sald to have been traced down the hill, little work bas been done at lower altitudes. Long shallow trenches dug across the strike of the formation disclose the rock in-place, which near the surface bas been subjected to highly oxdalzing agencies; the dykerock is decomposed and there are wide' zones of broken materlal stalne with oxide of Iron. Besides oxidized and decomposed ledge material, small quartz stringers carrying ore are the only indications of the vein or veins in these trenches.

Near the summit of the ridge, at an elevation of about 6,300 feet, a 10 -foot shaft has been sunk on the No. 2 veln. At thls point there is a wlde exposure of oxidized and decomposed material in which ore occurs in streaks and bunches. On the foot-wall side at the bottom of r the shaft the ore shows a width of 2 feet, but the shattered condition of the enclosing rocks is not convincing as to its continulty. The veln conforms to the strafification of the formation, the dip being almost vertical and strike north and south. From thls shaft 3 or 4 tons of ore has been extracteđ, a grab sample of which ran: Gold, 0.04 oz ; sllver, 4.2 oz ; copper, 3.5 per cent.; lead, 26 per cent.; zinc, 9 per cent.

Farther down the hill and in an easterly direction from the No. 2 veln a 20 -foot shaft has been sunk on what is known as the No. 1 veln. At the top of this shaft the vein shows a wiath of about 6 feet, but the fact that the shaft was caved and partly filled prevented an examination' of the bottom. _A grab-sample of a few tons of ore extracted from thls shaft ran: Gold, 0.02 oz.j. silver, 5.2 oz ; lead, 35 per cent.; zinc, 4 per cent.

It is interesting to note the difference between the ore from these two velns. That from the Ne. 2 velin consists of a fairly coarse-grained galema, with. which is associated chalcopyrite and zinc-blende. The ore from the No. 1 veln is a steel-grain galena and carries no copper. The gangue material in both cases is composed of lime and sillica:

The crosscut tunnel which is being driven by the Consolldated Mining, and Smelting Company to Intersect these velns is now in 252 feet, and will gain a depth of about 200 feet on the No. 2 and 125 feet on the No. 1 veln. At a distance of 200 feet from the portal fwo quartz sirlngers carrying galena were cut. The wall-rocks at thls point are hard, massive slate. The last 50 feet of the tunnel is in the same material, but, judging by surface indications, softer ground will be encountered as the No. $\dot{2}$ vein is approached..

The No. 2 veln is the strongest and is of particular interest on account of its copper content, which possibly owes its origin to pneumatolytic processes created during the intrusions of the hornblendic dyke-rock. More surface prospecting might be done to adrantage on this vein, while the continuation of the crosscut tunnel will demonstrate the possibilities at depth.

The property is stlll a prospect and its future depends upot the development of sufficient ore to warrant the erection of a concentrator. The indications for finding ore are favourable, but at present the probabilities of its becoming an Important prodicer are stlll problematical....
 bond to the Consolidated Vining osmelting Co.Ltd., andconsists of 15 claims, seven of $\because$ hich have been Crown granted. A comprehensive plan $d$ development has been initiated, but owing to the scarcity of miners the the contemplated long crosscut tunnel, started to cut all veins, was only driven 225 feet, anciwori was closed down during the winter, the intention being to install machinery as soon as weather conditions permit in the spring. Several hundred feet of surface-trenching was done, disclosinf a series of parallel veins of economic width and value, and from all indications the property promises to be a large producer. The values are in lead-silver-copperscold. J.W. Hulholland, the locater and owner, has been retained asmanaecer.

1922- nage 209- At the Iva Fern on Cultus Creek, ©rivin; the crosscut was continued by the Standard Silver Lead rining Co. of Silverton, withuack :ulholland in charge of the work.

1923- paje219- At the Iva Fern, on Cultus Creek, vork was proceeded with ourins the oreater part of the year by the Standard Silver Lead Co. under option from the owner, J. i.ulholland. Accoruiing to recent advice the company has stopped worikat this property.

## 1925-pace 251- By B.T. O'Grady Assistant Engineer. <br> N. . As numerós references bave been made to this property in previous annual

Iva Fern.- Reports, it is only intended to give a short summary here of the work done since the property was last described in the Annual Report for 1919. The Iva Fern, owned by Jack Mulholland, who staked It originally, and A. B. C. Dando, who has recently acquired an Interest, is situated on Cultus creek, about 7 miles from Kootenay lake. The ore contains values in silver, lead, zinc, and copper. The property was bonded by the Consolldated Mining and Smelting Company In November, 1917, and developed by them in 1918 and 1919. Work done by this company Included a conslderable amount of surface-trenching and the driving of some 250) feet of tunnel to crosscut at depth the velng, of whlch there are three. Work was discontInued before the objectlve was reached, however, and the property was shut down durlng the following two years. In 1922 the Standard Sllver Lead Mining Company continued the crosscut tunnel for a further 250 feet to its intersectlon with the princlpal vein, whlch was then drifted on northerly for 120 feet. A short tunnel was also driven lower down the hill on the Iva claim. In 1923 work was discontlnued by thls company and nothlng of Importance has been done since.

All the development-work done on the Iva Fern property is localized towards the summit of the ridge. The clalms cover a large area, and althougb the mineralized zone has been traced for a long distance little work has been done at lower altitudes and much ground remalns to be prospected. The drift on the maln veln of the crosscut tunnel was stopped before reaching a point vertically below the strong surface showing exposed in the shaft and the trench just south of it.

1926- pase 275- On Cultus Cr. the Iva Fern chiefly owned by J. .. Hulholland, who discovered the property, was bonded by him late in tho fall to A. E. Place, of Los ANGDLES. An initial payment was riade and development work is due to start in the spring of 1927.

By $\rightarrow \frac{1928-\text { pace } 351}{\text { claims; This Eroup consists of the seven Crown-3ranted }}$ B. T. OGrady 12653 ; Iva, Lot 12655; Black Cap, Lot 12654; Jewel, Lot 12653 ; ano Geni, Lot 12652. The property is situated on the northern side of Cultus creek, about 7 or 8 miles by trail from Kootenay Lake, on which transportation is afforded by steamers of the Canadian Paciiic Railway Company. Cultus Creek llows into the westorn side of the lake at a point 9 miles north-vesterly from lootenay Landing. There is a ood wide trail on an easy Grade from the lake-shore to the foct of the hill a distance of about $5 \frac{1}{2}$ miles, from the end of which a switchback trail leads to the mine. The claims are staked in a northerly direction alons the strike of the veins from the valley of Cultus creek to the summit of the rounded ridge separating the Horth fork from the main creek. The mine buildings include a bunk-house to accommodate about 10 men , a comined dinins-room and
 oxidized ledge－matter，no galena being noted．
FT．The elevation of the upper tunnel and camp is about 5,050 feet．（All elevations herein are relative only，being based on aneroid readings．）This tunnel，which gains a depth of abont 200 feet on the outcrop of the No． 2 vein，is driven westerly as a crosscut for about 500 feet．A drift to the north then extends along the No． 2 vein for about 120 feet．A basic lamprophyre dyke follows the hanging－wall side of the vein，but crosses to the foot－wall side of the vein at its Intersection in the crosscut．
तir In the main crosscut， 22 feet east of the No． 2 vein，a 6 －foot vein was cut，a sample across 4 feet of which assayed：Sllver， 4.1 oz ．to the ton；lead， 12.1 per cent．；zinc， 11.9 per cent． Continuing along the crosscut and a short distance beyond the main vein，there is，according to rellable report，a short drift developing a copper－silver showing which the writer missed seeing． ins cursory inspection of the 120 －foot drift showed milling－ore in places through the first 100 feet of the tunnel，with continuous mineralization throughout the last 20 feet．A sample across 4 feet， 20 feet back from the face，assayed：Silver， 2.9 oz ．to the ton；lead， 11.5 per cent．； zinc， 8.2 per cent．；and a sample across 4 feet in the face of the drift assayed：Silver， 2.5 oz ． to the ton；lead， 5.9 per cent；zinc， 15 per cent．A short distance back from the face a narrow giringer of massive galena and chalcopyrite is visible in the west wall of the drift．
＂＇According to the plans seen by the writer，the face of the drift is about 80 feet short of reaching a point vertically below the shaft and about 40 feet short of a point vertically below the trench just south of it，in which surface workings strong showings are developed．The drift， therefore，would only have to be extended a short distance to prove the downward continuation if the ore－body Indicated on the surface．The No． 1 vein is cut in the main crosscut where it shaws well－defined lines of fracturing but no appreciable mineralization．
F．The No． 2 tunnel，developing the No． 2 vein at an elevation of about 5,650 feet，has only een driven a short distance．Just inside the portal mineralization was encountered consisting of a width of 8 feet of disseminated galena，zinc－blende，and chalcopyrite，in a gangue of siderite and altered silicified country－rock．The dip of the vein in this working is apparently about $60^{\circ}$ to the west．The hanging－wall of the velii is well defined，but the foot－wall is somewhit indefinite．

A short length of this ore is exposed near the portal of the tunnel，which continues for a short distance in a semicircular direction towards the west；but does not show any further appreclable mineralization．－The ore at the portal has the appearance of being the apex of an oreshoot to explore which it will be necessary to gain further depth．On the dump of this tunnel there are a few tons of ore which is heavily impregnated with galena and chalcopyrite． The above workings comprise the area examined by the writer，but there are，it is understood， other showings，and also areas where conslderable amounts of float－ore have been found．
4if Some prellminary work was done on the Iva－Fern by the Consolldated Mining and Smelting Company in 1918 and 1919．Work done by this company included most of the surface－trenching and the driving of the first 237 feet，approximately，of the crosscut tunnel．In 1922 the Standard Sllver Lead Mining Company bonded the property and continued the crosscut to the intersection with the main vein，which was drifted on 120 feet to the north．In 1923 work was discontinued by this company and no work has been done since．
解The position is that，for various reasons not detrimental to the property，work done on the Iva－Fern has not been brought to full conclusions．By extending the drift a few hundred feet the downward continuation of the shaft ore－body will be tested and information gained which will he of value in developing the numerous other showings on the property．
z，The mineral－belt in which the Iva－Fern is situated presents very interesting exploratory． possibilties，chlefiy on account of the numerous indications of copper－deposits．The velns can be developed to（ry considerable depth by tunnelling，whlle conditions for timber－supply，water－ Dower development，and aerial－tram locution are favourable．All the development－work done on this property is locallzed towards the summit and much ground remains to be prospected．＇The Interesting possibilities of exploration along the vein extensions at lower altitudes is indicated by the recent discoveries of gold－silver－copper ore in the continuation of the same belt south of Cultus creek．

Since the above report was written the Iva Fern Mines，Limited，was formed，but up to the end of the year no work resulted owing，it is reported，to disagreement among the princlpals．

## 1323-pace 524

Fows has just come to hand to the effect that the property has been taken under a developmont bond by the Consolidated Mining and Smeltiń ${ }^{\prime}$ Company .

1929-page 359 - Tnis group owned by the Iva Fern Mines,Ltd. is Situated on the nor thern side if Cultus Creek, about 7 or 8 miles by road and trail from Kootenay Lake. The property was taken under a development bond by Consolidated Mininj and Smelting Co. early in 1929, since when exploratory work has been carried on continuously. The Iva Fern deposits are described in detail in the Annual Report for 1928. Since the new operations were initiated a large amount of trenching and 834 feet of underground work have been done. The surface work indicated an ore-body to tho south of the main tunnel, but subsequent driftine and crosscutting in this direction failed to prove the continuity of the ore to that depth. 'lhe northerly drift was also advanced without any appreciable results. Sinking has recently been started on the north side of the main crosscut. As the vein apparently dips steeper than the argillite countrymrock, with which it coincides in strike, it is possible tnat at further depth conditions will be found more favourable for deposition in the underlyinc strata, which includes a band of dolomitic limestone. By B.TÓgrady
v1930- page 278- This group, owned by Iva Fern Mines, Ltd., is situated on the northern side of Cultus Creek, about 7 miles by road and trail from the western shore of Kootenay Lake. Exploration, started by the Consolidated Kining and Smeltinj Co. of Canada in 1929, was continued until kay 1930, when work was suspended. Since the company's operaiions were initiated a large amount of trenching and 1,416 ieet of undertround work have been done. On this, 457 feet of tunnel was driven and a winze 125 feet deep was sunk during 1930. The Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company of Canada has acquired control of thd holdings by purchase of mostof the issued stock of the Iva Fern Mines, Ltd., Descriptions of the deposits are contained in past Annual Reports.


