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COWICHAN COPPER COMPANY LIMITED

\$2,500,000 WON TO DATE CAME FROM FRACTION OF KNOWN ZONE Underground work and surface expos-

ures at Cowichan Copper Mine, Vancouver Island, have indicated that the main mineralized zone has a length of 3500 feet.

Since milling started in January 1958, mining from within only 20% of the zone as shown on the accompanying map has yielded copper concentrates to gross value of \$2,245,745.

This is the gross value of 13,835 dry short tons actually shipped to Japanese metal buyers, calculated at the New York export

price on date of delivery.

Proceeds of shipments have put the company well on the road to financial independence, says O.G.MacDonald, president. Earnings have paid for close to \$600,000 in capital assets, \$200,000 for mine development and \$300,000 for a deep sea dock and potential revenue waterfront property. The only obligation outstanding other than current operating accounts is about \$60,000 still to pay off on the loan incurred to build the wharf.

Mr.MacDonald says that the emphasis must continue to be on underground development and exploration because this work was seriously curtailed during the year devoted to mill installation and the subsequent year which was the initial production period.

It was necessary to give priority to paying off heavy financial commitments incurred at a time when equity financing was inadvisable because of a prolonged decline in
the price of copper which, fortunately,

proved to be temporary.

Working capital needs were met by an arrangement with the buyers of concentrates whereby they made cash advances against future shipments. This arrangement was terminated on March 15,1959. Now on the verge of financial independence, Cowichan also has 1,000,000 unissued shares in its treasury. The president says negotiations with Japanese interests for possible participation in other developments in the area in association with Cowichan are being actively pursued.

An appreciation of the ore potential remaining to be developed in the ore zone which has furnished all the ore to date may be gained by study of the accompanying longitudinal section, facing west. It will be noted that from north to south, underground work and surface exposures have indicated a mineralized zone 3500 ft. long. With the one exception of the "L" orebody, all ore developed so far has been above No. 3-X-cut fault (shown by waved line at extreme right.)

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