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Gentlemen:

I am submitting herewith a report on "The Preliminary Investigation of the Ore Minerals of the Big Four Mines Ltd." required by you in partial fulfillment of the course in Geology 409.

Yours respectfully,

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Acknowledgements

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I wish also to thank the officers of "The Big Four Mining Co. Ltd." and especially Dr. J. Mandy for supplying the suite of ores studied.

All flotation work was done by the author under the direction of Professor H. M. Howard of the Department of Metallurgy. The photographs included in this report were taken in the metallurgical laboratory with the permission of Professor W. Armstrong.

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Object

To determine the ore minerals in the suite of ores supplied by the management of the "Big Four Silver Mines Ltd." and to investigate the possibility of producing concentrates by flotation.

Sample

All specimens examined during the investigation were taken from an ore sample taken from the Silverado section of the "Big Four Silver Mines Ltd." property at Stewart, B.C.

Summary

Selected specimens, from the ore sample supplied, were cut, mounted, and polished. The sections were then examined under the microscope and the ore minerals present were determined as outlined in Short's "Microscopic Determination of the Ore Minerals".

Part of the sample was prepared in the university sampling laboratory and two selective flotation tests were run.

Results

In the study of the polished sections the following minerals were identified:

Galena	Pyrite
Sphalerite	Quartz
Chalcopyrite	Calcite
Native Silver	

The following minerals have been tentatively identified;

Tetrahedrite Pyrargyrite (Ruby Silver)

The age relation of the ore minerals are outlined in the following chart.

Age Relations

Pyrite	
Sphalerite	
Chalcopyrite	
Galena	
Tetrahedrite	
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Flotation Tests

Two flotation tests were run in an attempt to make a clean lead-silver-zinc concentrate and a clean zinc concentrate with a tailing free of all valuable minerals. The tests were fairly successful in recovering most of the valuable minerals except silver but the lead concentrate produced contained a large part of the zinc present. Tables on the following pages give the detailed results of the tests. The following important features should be noted:

- There was a high loss of silver amounting to 17.9% of the contained silver in the first test and 13.4% of the contained silver in the second test.
- 2. There was a good overall receovery of the lead, zinc, and gold

Heads Assay of the sample

Gold	.10 oz/ton
Silver	35.56 oz/ton
Lead	14.72%
Zinc	9•43%
Iron	8.68%
Copper	.23%

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Pb Conc.	328	38.5	40	/3/2	82.5	80.96	26500	72.4	41.4	13580	90.	18	5900	69.8	7. 4 0	•41
Zn Conc.	78	7.7	·20	15.6	98	46.12	3595	9.7	2.14	224	1.5	36. S	2870	24.3	7.81	•60
Tails	604	<i>2</i> 98	-02	12.1	7.7	10.84	6550	17.9	2.05	1240	8.4	1.15	695	5.9	9.87	•/15
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Zn. Conc.	122	12.1	48 .20	5880	16.0	•12	57.9	29.3			
Toils	530	52.4	9.52	4955	(3.4	·02	10.6	5.4			
Totals	1011	100		36885	100		/ 9 7.7	100			
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Flotation Results

Test No. 2

Intruduction:

The "Big Four Silver Mines Ltd." holds title to a group of thirty claims in the Portland Canal Mining District The claims belong to the Silverado, Silver Range, Porter Idaho and Prosperity groups and form a solid block on the summit and upper slopes of Mt. Rainey. The mine portal on the Silverado groups, on the western slope of Mt. Rainey, is at an elevation of 2,900 ft. and is about two miles south east of Stewart, B. C. The Porter Idaho and Prosperity groups of claims are on the eastern slope of Mount Rainey and occupy the upper valley of the north fork of the Marmot River. The property of the Big Four Silver Mines Limited is connected with Stewart on the Silverado side by about three miles of road and an arial tramway.

History:

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The operation now being carried out by the "Big Four Silver Mines Ltd." is the first attempt to consolidate the workings on the four groups of claims making up the property. The claims have in the past been worked by one company, The Premier Mining Company, but never as one unit.

In 1920 the Silverado group of claims was first staked by J. Haahti and the late R. Stewart of Stewart, B.C. These claims have been worked intermittently since they were staked but have produced no large tonnages of ore.

The Porter Idaho group of claims was staked in 1923, and was worked until 1927 by Porter Idaho Mining Company.

The Prosperity group, adjoining the Porter Idaho group, was staked in 1925. In 1928 the Premier Mining Company took over the management of the Porter Idaho and Prosperity claims. The claims were rapidly developed and in 1930 the Prosperity group became the third largest producer of silver in B. C.

The falling price of silver forced the closing of both the Prosperity and Porter Idaho properties in 1931 and the properties remained inactive until becoming part of the "Big Four Group" in May 1946.

Geology:

The geology of the "Big Four Silver Mines" property is outlined in a report by Dr. J. T. Mandy as follows:

"The Silverado-Prosperity-Porter Idaho claims are underlain by a complex of Triassic andesitic volcanic rocks (Hazelton or Bear River Series) composed of tuffs, breccias, rlyolite, intruded by lamprophyre dykes. In the area these rocks strike northeasterly and dip at moderate angles northwestward. These rocks occupy a prominent embayment with north-south axis and closed on the west, in a spur of granodiorite of the Coast Range intrusives. The west side or base of this embayment is occupied by the Bear River fault along which there has been a displacement of $1-\frac{1}{2}$ miles south of its east side. (Hanson Map "A") Beneath the embayment the granitic intrusives plunge steeply to the east.

"The Silverado-Prosperity-Porter Idaho area forms a an angular segment between the Bear River fault (striking about north-south) and the Big Rig fault (striking about

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north 70 degrees east.) (Map "A").

"The ore deposits consists of a zone of fracturing and shearing from 1,000 to 2,000 feet wide containing veins varying in width from a few inches to 20ft., but generally less than 5 ft. wide. On the Prosperity- Porter Idaho, the veins are characteristically oxidized to a depth of over 400 ft. This feature locally requires close timbering and also withdrawal of broken ore from some slopes to avoid loss and dilution from caving of stope. On the Silverado this characteristic is not prominent. It will probably ease as the Prosperity workings proceed north-westerly under the ice sheet towards the Silverado.

"The wines are mineralized with pyrite, sphalerite, galena, tetrahedrite, ruby silver and other eilver minerals as well as native silver locally. In view of the deep oxidation and presence of native silver, it is probable that that some secondary enrichment of the silver has occurred. In the vein system bunchy ore-shoots of shipping-grade ore were irregularly interspersed with in a general low-grade eilver mineralization, some of which may be disclosed by sampling , to be of milling grade. No regular attitude or rake of the high-grade oreshoots has been established. Some control in this regard may be found in some tuff beds, through which the veins strike, being more favourable then others.

"Observed characteristics of the ore deposits indicate the mineralization may be subdivided into the

following vertical column:

- (1) Zone of primary sulphides and secondary enrichment ores.
- (2) Zone of decreased primary sulphides with some secondary enrichment.
- (3) Continuation of vein structure, no primary sulphide and some secondary silver ores.

"The characteristics of the deposit suggest the establishment of a commercial ore-horizon conforming approximately to the slopes of the mountain and with a back of possibly between 300 and 750 feet, dependent on the depth of erosion or truncation of the east and west sides of the mountain by their respective valley-glaciers."

Development:

Development work has been carried out on the Silverado section of the property since the company assumed control in 1946. The development program consists of:

- (1) A complete resampling of the old workings
- (2) Extension of the Silverado transport adit to reach the former Prosperity-Porter Idaho workings. This project will explore upwards of 6,000 feet of virgin ground and provide a centralized operation from the Silv Silverado entry, adjacent to tidewater.
- (3) Erection of a mill of 150 to 200 tons per day capacity if the estimates of mill grade ores are confirmed during the development program.

Ore Reserves:

The ore reserves of the property may be divided into

two classes:

(1) Those that can be estimated with reasonable accuracy from the available reports, maps and other reliable information compiled during the period the property was previously worked.

(2) The potential ore that may be encountered in driving the main haulageway through the mountain.

The first class of ore reserves has been estimated to amount to 250,000 tons assaying 0.03 oz. gold/ton, 12 oz. silver/ton, 3 per cent lead and 3 per cent zinc.

The amount and grade of ore that may be developed in driving the main haulageway can only be inferred from knowledge of the existing workings.

Macroscopic Examination:

Approximately 15 lbs. of ore was received for study from the management of the "Big Four Silver Mines Limitea". The sample came from the Silverado section of the Big Four property and was highly exidized. It is assumed from the description in Dr. Mandy's report on the geology of the property that the samples came from the upper zone of the primary sulphides and secondary enrichment ores.

The hand specimens were heavily mineralized and the following minerals were identified:

Galena	Calcite
Pyrite	Chaleopyrite
Sphalerite	Malachite

Quartz

In the specimens examined, galena and pyrite were the most prominent metallic minerals present. In other samples examined by the author at the property, native silver was found in the ore.

Microscopic Examination:

The specimens of the ore sample to be examined microscopically were prepared in the Geology Laboratories at the Unversity of British Columbia. The United States Geological Survey Bulletin 914, "Microscopic Determination of the Ore Minerals" by M. N. Short was used as a text and the procedures outlined in this bulletin were followed throughout the examination.

The following minerals were found during the • examination:

Pyrite	Tetrahedrite
Galena	Ruby-Silver
Chalcopyrite	Quartz
Sphalerite	Calcite

Pyrite

Pyrite was observed in all the sections examined. The pyrite was present in well formed grains and was closely associated with the other sulphides present in the sections.

The pyrite was determined by its hardness and colour and was massly recognized whenever present. Galena

Galena was present in all of the sections examined. The galena was determined by its characteristic colour, hardness of triangular polishing pits and by the reaction/galena with HNO₃ and HCL.

The galena present was closely related to the other

sulphides present. Veins of galena were observed cutting grains of pyrite. The relation between the galena and sphalerite is quite complex, but it would appear that the galena is both contemporaneous and younger than the sphalerite. The evidence for the replacement of sphalerite by galena is as follows:

- 1. Veins of galena were observed cutting the sphalerite.
- 2. Under low magnification, some of the sphalerite appears as rounded inclusions in the galena.

There were, in some of the sections examined, small inclusions of galena in sphalerite which ranged in size from about 180 microns diameter to about 18 microns in diameter. Small, 36 micron to 18 micron diameter, desseminated galena particles were observed in quartz.

Sphalerite

Sphalerite occurs throughout the sections examined and is closely associated with galena and chalcopyrite. The sphalerite was identified by its hardness, colour, internal reflection and the reaction between the sphalerite and HNO₃, HCL and aqua regia. The relation between the sphalerite and galena is outlined in the description of the galena.

Chalcopyrite

The chalcopyrite observed in the specimens was generally very fine grained and closely associated with the sphalerite. The chalcopyrite was determined by its colour, hardness and the reaction between the chalcopyrite and HNO3, and aqua regia.

Chalcopyrite occurs chiefly as small grains of about 10 microns diameter in sphalerite. The grains of chalcopyrite seem to have a definite line orientation and they may be following the dodecahedral cleavage planes of the sphalerite. These grains of chalcopyrite would indicate that the chalcopyrite is younger than the sphalerite.

Some of the chalcopyrite is associated with the galena. There are small grains, about 36 microns in diameter, of chalcopyrite included in some sections of the galena. The chalcopyrite associated with the galena occurs chiefly as larger grains in contact with the galena and sphalerite.

Tetrahedrite

The tetrahedrite observed in the specimens was found as small, approximately 54 to 90 microns in diameter, inclusions in the galena. While some of the tetrahedrite dissemenated throughout the galena, it occurs usually on the contacts between the sphalerite and galena.

The tetrahedrime was determined by its colour, hardness and the etch reactions. The tetrahedrite appeared to be entirely unaffected when covered with a drop of HN₃ but the tetrahedrite seemed to be tarnished when exposed to HNO₃ fumes. Both of these reactions were hard to analyze because of the size of the tetrahedrite particles and their relation to the galena. The strong reaction between the surrounding galena and the HNO₃ masked the reaction between the tetrahedrite and the HNO₃. A positive reaction was observed when KCN was applied, the tetrahedrite turning a light brown. When tested with HCL, FeCL₂, KOH, HgCL₂, and aqua regia, the tetrahedrite showed no alteration. The results of the tests would seem to eliminate the possibility of this mineral being Freibergite which has no reaction with KCN and a positive reaction with FeCL₃. The smallness of the particles being tested must be considered in weighing this evidence and absolute identification of this mineral should be withheld until a sufficiently large piece can be picked for spectroscopic analysis.

Pyrargyrite

A light bluish mineral found in the galena has been identified as pyrargyrite. Identification was based on the physical properties and etch reactions. The mineral was identified by its light blue colour, hardness and its red internal reflection. When etch reagents were applied to the mineral, the following reactions were observed. The mineral was tarnished by HNO₃, with KCN the mineral was stained brown, and with KOH the mineral was stained black. Neither HCL nor HCL fumes had any effect on the mineral and the reaction between FeCL₃ and the mineral was also negative.

The mineral here identified as pyrargyrite was found in the galena and on the contacts between the sphalerite and the galena. The mineral was also observed in quartz surrounded by a matrix of sphalerite.

Silver

Native silver was identified in the galena. Identification was based on the colour, hardness, sectility and etch reactions.

Quartz

Quartz was found to be the chief gangue material. The quart- was identified by its hardness and lack of reaction with etch reagents.

Flotation Tests

Two flotation tests were run on the ore sample in order to determine the possibility of treating this ore by selective flotation. These tests can only be taken as preliminary tests since the test sample does not represent accurately the grade of ore that is to be treated at the property since:

- 1. The sample was small and could not be truly representative.
- 2. The grade of the sample tested was much higher than the expected grade of ore to be milled.

	gample	<u>Milling Grade Ore</u>
Au	0.157 oz/ton	0.03 oz./ton
Ag	36.28 oz/ton	12 oz/ton
Pb	14.89 %	3%
Zn	9.37%	3%

3. The sample was highly oxidized and the conditions for floating this material would be different from the conditions required for floating freshly broken ore. The tests showed that good recovery of the lead, **g**inc and gold may be expected. The recovery of silver was poor and although the recovery was Aproved in the second test, there was still a tailing loss of 13.7% of the contained silver. The lead concentrate has still to be treated to clean the zinc from it.

Details of Tests:

Approximately 3,000 gms of the sample were taken and crushed to -1/2 inch with the small Dodge type crusher in the University Sampling plant. The $-\frac{1}{2}$ inch material was then reduced to -10 mesh by crushing with rolls. Two samples of approximately 1,000 gms each were riffled out for testing, the remainder of the sample being prepared as a heads sample.

Test No. 1

Charge to batch type rod mill

Ore	1,000 gms
Water	1,000 gms
Soda Ash	3.5 gms (3 lbs./ton)
Sodium Cyanide	0.2 gms (0.9 lbs/ton)
Zinc Sulphate	0.5 gms (lb/ton)
Aerofloat	2 drops

The charge was fround for 15 minutes and then charged to a Denver Type Sub-Aeration flotation machine and the following reagents were added:-

> 10 c.c. of 0.5% Z3 1 drop pine oil 1 drop cysilic acid

The charge was conditioned for less than a minute since the galena floated very easily. After the lead concentrate was floated, the following reagents were added to the cell;-

> 10 c.c. of 10% Copper Sulphate solution 10 c.c. of 0.5% Z-3 1 drop crysilic acid 2 gms. lime

The charge was conditioned for four minutes and zinc concentrate floated off. After the flotation was completed, the tails were removed from the cell. All of the products were then dried, weighed and assayed.

Test No. 2

Charge to batch type rod mill

Ore	1,000 gms
Water	1,000 gms
Soda Ash	1.5 gms (3 lb/ton)
Sodium Cyanide	0.4 gms (0.8 lb/ton)
Zinc Sulphate	0.5 gms (lb/ton)
Aerofloat	2 drops

The charge was ground for 12 minutes and then charged to a Denver Type Sub Aeration Flotation Machine where the following reagents were added:-

> 5 c.c. of 1% Z-3 10 c.c. of 1% Reagent 208 1 drop pine oil 1 drop crysilic acid

The charge was conditioned for less than a minute, the galena floating very rapidly. After the bad concentfate was floated, the following reagents were added to the cell: 15 c.c. of 10% Copper Sulphate Solution 5 c.c. of 1% Z-3 10 c.c. of 1% Reagent 208 1 drop pine oil Lime 2 gms (41b/ton)

The charge was then conditioned for 10 minutes and another 10 c.c. of 10% Copper Sulphate Solution was added and conditioning continued. After conditioning for a total of 25 minutes, another 10°c.c. of 10% Copper Sulphate solution was added and 5 c.c. of 1% Z-3. The conditioning was continued for 5 minutes.

Totals

10% Copper Sulphate Solution35 c.c.1% Z-310 c.c.

Time of Conditioning 30 minutes

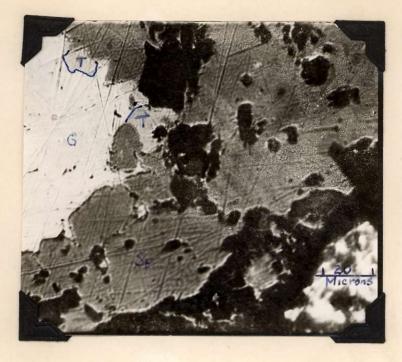
After the flotation was completed, the tails were removed from the cell. All of the products were dried, weighed and assayed for gold and silver.

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The following microphotographs were taken in the metallurgical laboratory of the University of British Columbia.

Leitz Microscope No. 277417 was used in taking all of these pictures and the following conditions were used throughout.

Illumination Carbon arc lamp with green filter. Kodak Super-Panchromatic Plates Exposure time 20sec. (except where noted)



Tetrahedrite in Galena

associated with

Spalerite and Quartz Magnification 650X

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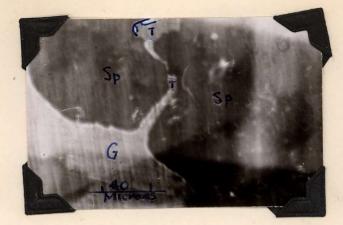
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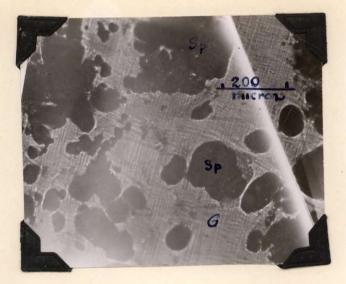
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Tetrahedrite in Galena Vein cutting Sphalerite Magnification 325X

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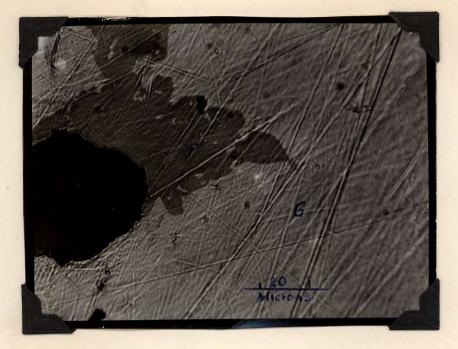
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Chalcopyrite in Sphalerite Magnification 650X

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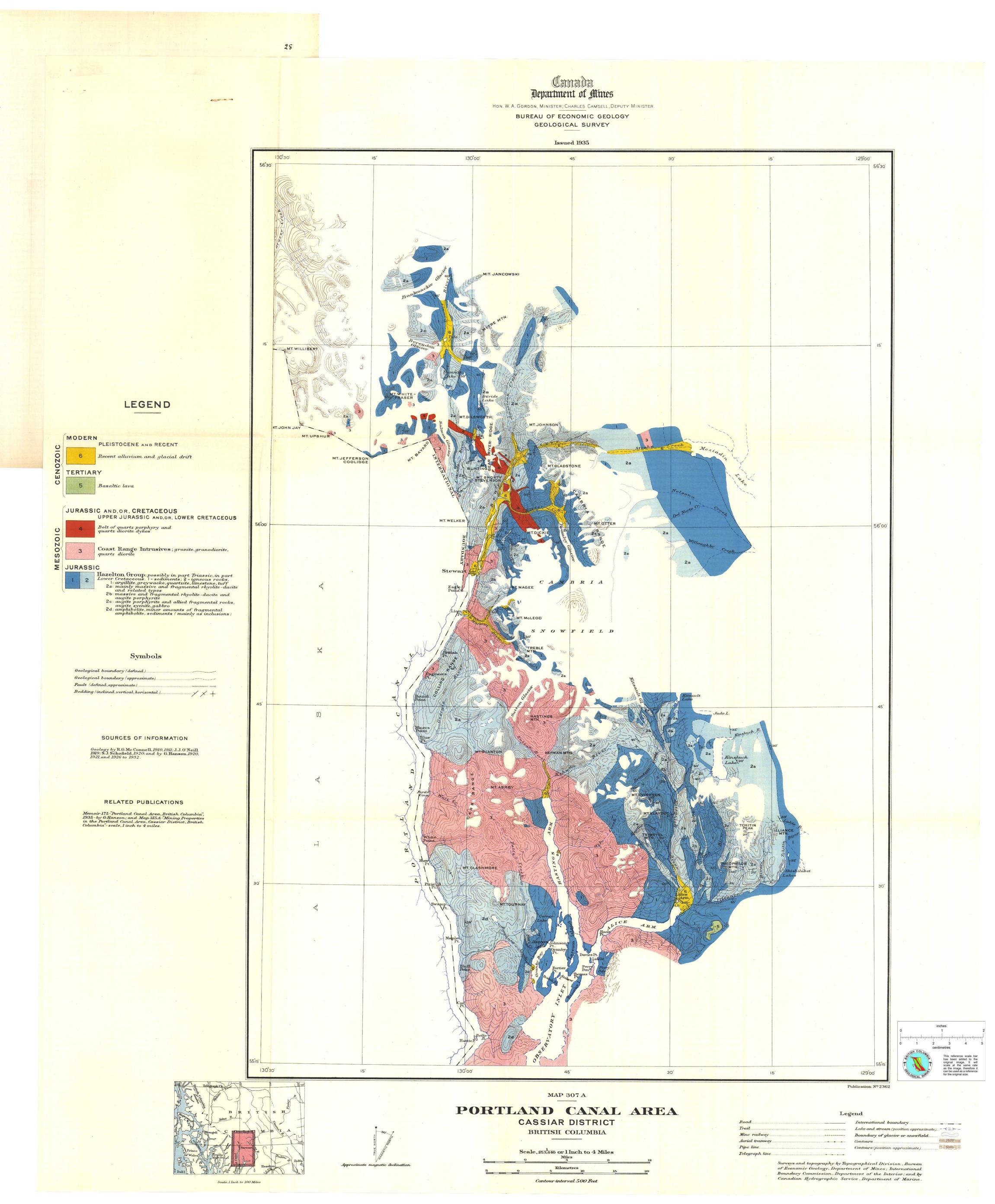
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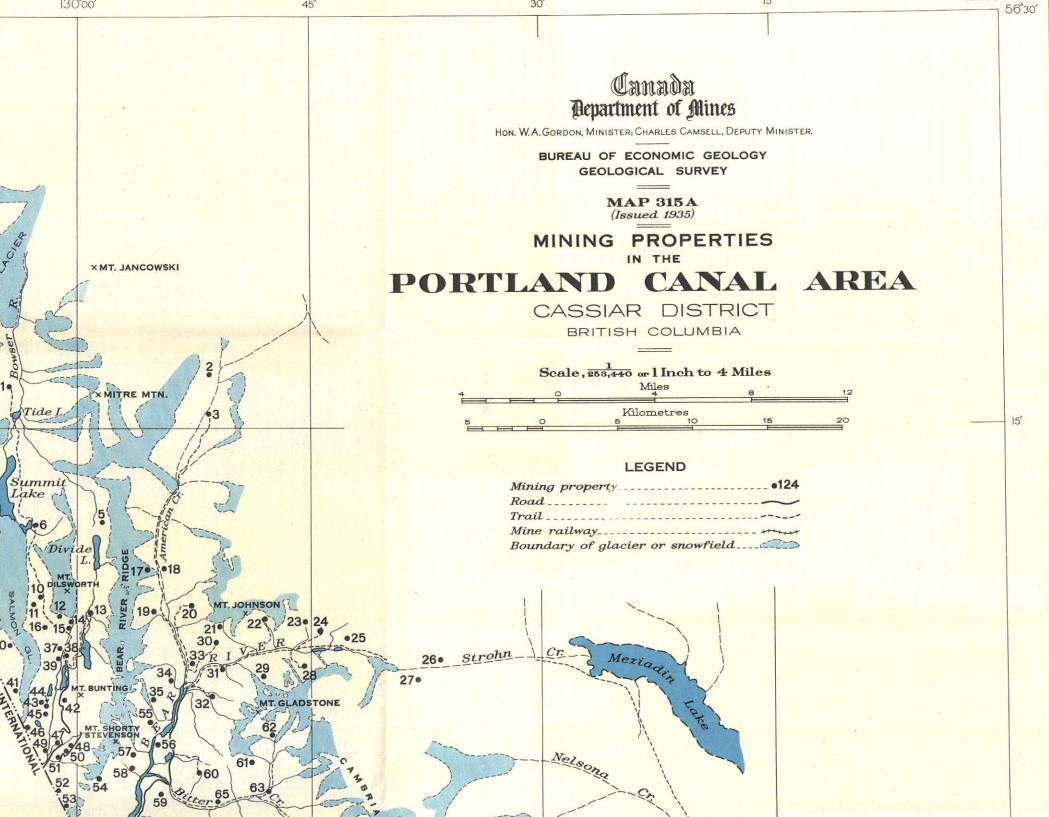
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