

MINING NEWS

Texas Creek

A contract for 3,000 feet of diamond drilling has been let by Texas Creek Mines Ltd. to test mineralization at its molybdenum prospect near Lillooet.

Texas president R. A. Brossard said drilling has started on the 63 claims at a spot where mineralization is evident but not at the main showings. Meanwhile a road is being pushed to the main showings.

Brossard said the company has spent more than \$150,000 on surface examination, geophysical survey, and building 13 miles of road from the 1,000-foot level on the Fraser River at the mouth of Texas Creek to the 8,000-foot level at the headwaters of Texas Creek and Phair Creek where the molybdenum claims are located.

Brossard said surface sampling indicates a large mineralized area and that geophysical surveys tend to confirm this.

The current program of exploration includes trenching in addition to road building and drilling. Two bulldozers, a portable percussion drill, road machinery, trucks and jeeps are on the property. A power shovel is being brought in.

Texas is a subsidiary of Cumberland Mining Co. which holds a 60 per cent interest.

Giant Metallics

Induced polarization survey is under way at the 81-claim property of Giant Metallics Mines Ltd. in the Adams Plateau 50 miles northeast of Kamloops.

At the same time a magnetometer and soli survey are being conducted in a search for suitable diamond drill targets. Meantime drilling is to start on ore known from old records of the silver-lead-zinc property.

The mineral deposits were discovered in 1914 by Theodore J. Bischoff of Celista, and his brother, now dead. The property is the consolidation of claims

held by a number of prospectors.

Alfred Allen, consulting geologist, said two bulldozers are in operation and a crew is laying out a gridlines at 100-foot intervals 300 feet apart.

Allen said Cominco drilled on the property 20 to 30 years ago and that the results are not known to Giant Metallics.

He said the objective at that time was high grade veins but now is large tonnage of lower grade ore.

The company has more than \$100,000 in the treasury.

Chataway

The first diamond drill hole at Chataway Exploration Co. Ltd.'s 140-claim Quilchena property has reached 325 feet and will be driven to 700 feet minimum, reports S. W. Wright, chairman. The core is mineralized with chalcopyrite, molybdenite and pyrite over the full 325 feet. An assay of the first 130 feet of core will be available in a few days.

A 37-mile I.P. survey has been completed in the southwest quarter of Chataway property in Highland Valley. A very large and strong anomaly, the Chataway Lake anomaly, was found in the initial stages of this testing program.

Test drilling in an area of 114 claims in the southeast quarter of the Highland Valley area is being done by Bralorne, which has the area under option. Drilling of the high-grade copper occurrence exposed in bulldozing last year is planned for this area.

Bralorne participation pertains only to 128 claims which it holds under option. Chataway also wholly owns 802 claims, including 60 in the Pinchi-Hogan area.