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NOTES OF MOUNT ARMOUR GEOLOGY BY: J. Oliver August 30, 1984

MOUNT ARMOUR

D) GEOLOGIC STYLE - LITHOLOGY

- Map area dominated by major mafic volcanic sediment contact

i) Mafic Volcanics

- coarse to medium grain basalts, pillow basalts and possible sub-volcanic intrusions
- hiatus in volcanism demonstrated by thin N/S trending chert unit bounded by mafic volcanics, western margin of property

ii) Alteration Mafic Volcanics

- generally very light. Rare occurrences (cf. L35 900W) of light FeC development minor Py + sericite
- somewhat more widespread low grade cc development

iii) Sediments

- generally dominated by a quartz rich regime

@ cherts + ribbon cherts:

- dominant over much of the western portions of map area. Bedding in RC variable from 5-100cm.
- well developed chert bx's are noted, these show evidence of healing by secondary quartz but no sulphides. On no portion of the property was the equivalent of a Rea Bx noted.
- Between L45-L55 275W, the chert unit has been extensively altered by a Py-silica system. Suggestion has been forwarded that cherts in this region are acting as a cap rock.
- May appear anomalously thick due to folding e.g. <L 1+80N 400W.

@ Quartz - Pebble Congl.

- Appears to be the facies equivalent of the massve chert unit.
- Generally well sorted quartz and chert pebbles, rounded to sub-rounded, may contain (locally) slight disseminated hematite.
- No distinctive alteration.

@ Quartz - Wackes and Quartzites

 Widespread distribution, may contain occasional argillite interbeds. These rocks occur in close proximity to the main sulphide showing. Small slightly pyritized exposures at L3+05S 75W.

@ Argillites: (Phyllites + Mudstones)

- Widespread distrubition possible association with main sulphide showing. Suggest, based on intuition (and without o/c evidence) that argillites may be thickening slightly in the vicinity of the main showing.
- Argillites, small. o/c noted within 50m of second (south) massive sulphide showing.

@ Limestone - Limestone Cobble Bx

- Distribution confined entirely to Northern portions of map area. Appears to form classical reef and Fore-reef system.
- Bx's may have LST fragments in excess of 1.0m.
- No significant alteration associated with this unit.
- Dirty LST lens infrequently noted within unit 63.

Note: All other map units are essentially combinations of the above.

II GEOLOGIC STYLE: STRUCTURE

- All structural data summarized on Figures II-IV.
- Two distinctive and related fold styles
 - i) Large Scale 90° warp

- Structure best demonstrated by gradual changes in bedding attitudes.
- Poles to bedding, Figure IV, in combination wih an estimated trend of the axial trace suggest the major fold is:
 - 1) Symetric about 1650
 - 2) Upright eastward facing axial plane 165/77E
 - 3) Plunging north at moderate 35-45° angles.

ii) Tight Isoclines

- A series of three (minimum) of these folds are discernible in the N-S trending o/c ridge and cliffs L1S L5S approx. 300W.
- Most convincing structure at L1+30S 325W.
- Significant that data of Figure II and Figure IV, do not allow for the development of a 2nd fold phase. These isoclines are compatible with the 90° warp fold, when viewed as smaller ancillary folds or drag folds.
- Position of axial trace of these folds is contigent on the relations, facing, of unit 61 (chert); 67 (wackes fine graned quartz wackes). Chert progressively overlies underlies (repeated) wacke unit, as cliff face is traversed.

III SULPHIDE SHOWING - RELATION TO STRAT/STRUC.

- Strike relations derived from either pyrite fragmental "beds" (North Trench) or adjacent argillites (South Trench) and other spatially related attitudes, suggest that the two lenses represent stacked horizons, not a single folded horizon.
- Critical thickening of each of these pads may be occurring in the hinge region of the tight isoclines (35-40°, to 335°).
- Some characteristics of stratigraphy analogous to Besshi type deposits. (Salton Sea analogue). May be interesting to check cobalt content of massive sulphide pods.

GENERALIZED STRATIGRAPHIC COLUMN . MOUNT APMOUR

The thickness of the lithologies in this column over calculated from everage attitude and contact relations. Four represented within this section.

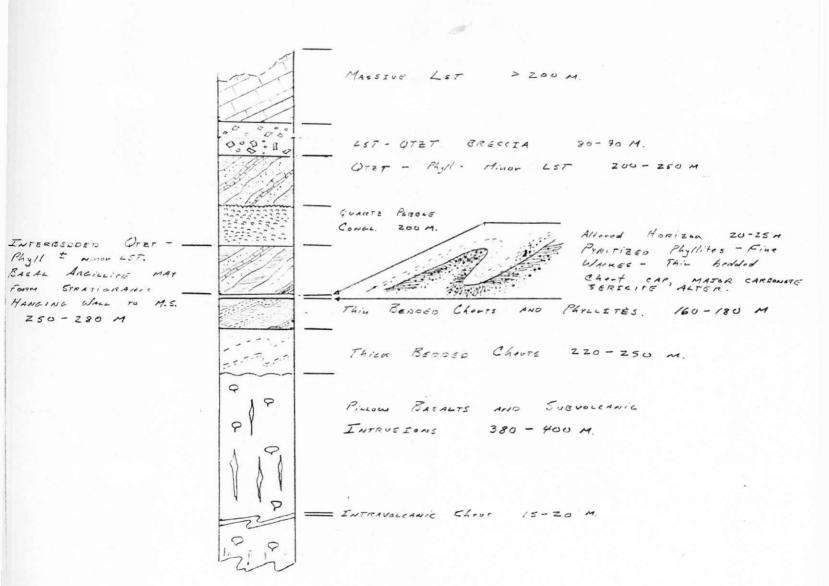
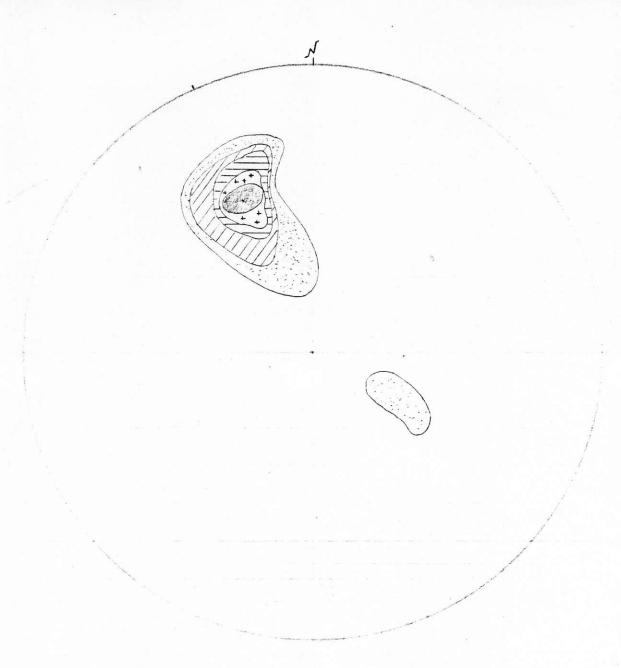


FIGURE I

ARMOUR LINEAR MOUNT FABRIC



CONTOUR DENSITY N= 24



5-10 %



10-20



20-30 %



30-35 %



35-40 %

CONCENTRATION OF

LINEAR DATA AT:

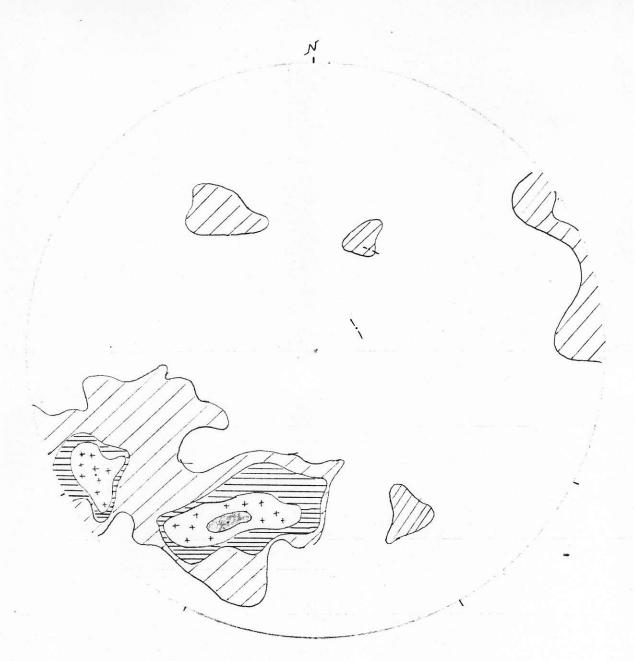
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FEGURE III

MOUNT ARMOUR FOLIATION

DATA.

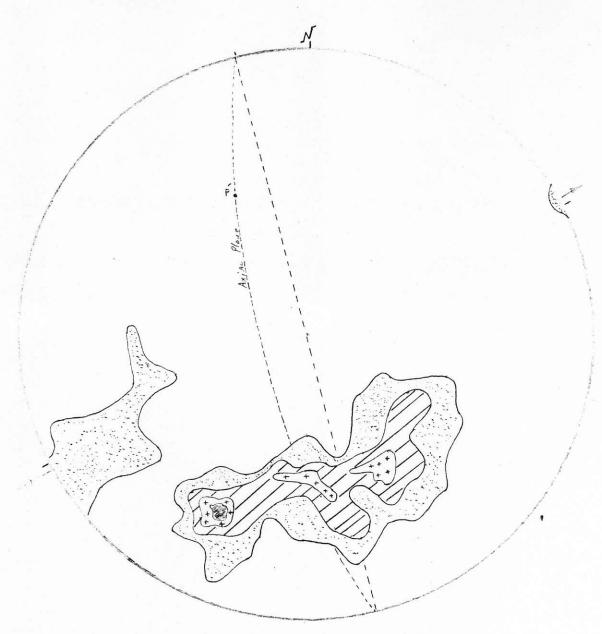


CONTOUR	DENS	ETY.
	2-5	10
	5-8	10
T + +	8-10	10
3)	10-12	/0

CONCE	NTRATION	0=
Planar	SURFACES	ABOUT
Two	Poles:	
F =	34→ 203.5	
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1-2,=	12 - 240.5	
F,	118/57 NE	
F.	151/78 NE	

FIGURE I

MOUNT ARMOUR POLES



CONTOUR DENSITY



4-6%

[+++] 6-8%

8-10%

AxiaL Plane Arifuee: