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Copper-Molybdenum
( $49^{\circ} 119^{\circ}$ S.W.) Head office, 408, 580 Granville Street, Vancouver 2; mine office, Box 45, Keremeos. N. H. McDiarmid, president; G. E. Leonard, project engineer. The property comprises twelve mineral claims and fractions held by record and four mineral claims held under option from Ben Williams, of Keremeos. Except for the southern boundary of one claim, the property is entirely surrounded by Indian Reserve No. 13, and the areas now valid as mineral claims are those within the boundaries of Crown-granted mineral claims for which titles were issued before the Indian Reserve was established and which have since lapsed. Consequently, some of the claims are separated from others by Reserve lands. The claims are 3 miles west of the Similkameen River and about 7 miles north of the International Boundary. At an elevation of about 4,500 feet, they are on a topographic nose between Susap Creek and its tributary, Hunter Creek. A pack-trail connects the principal showings with the road on the west side of the river.

The first recorded work was by King Edward Mines Limited in 1903. On the King Edward claims an adit was driven to intersect, at a depth of 150 feet, mineralization exposed in an open cut on surface. The 1921 Annual Report states that an attempt was made in 1918 to mine for molybdenum, but no production is recorded. In 1921 another adit was driven about 100 feet higher in elevation and a little to the east of the 1903 adit. On adjoining claims a shallow shaft and a third adit

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explored other showings. In 1962 surface diamond drilling and trenching was begun by the present company.

The geology of the region is shown on Geological Survey Map 341a, Keremeos. The mineralization is in syenite, correlated with the Kruger and Olalla syenites, near the north contact of the Similkameen batholith.

The showings examined were those at the old King Edward workings. Other strippings, said to be about a mile northward, were, for lack of a guide, not seen by the writer.

The 1903 adit is driven on a bearing of north 10 degrees west. At 125 feet from the portal there is a fault, apparently post-mineral, striking north 45 degrees east and dipping 60 degrees southeast. A joint plane mineralized with molybdenite on the footwall side of the fault strikes north 55 degrees west and dips 30 degrees northeastward. A flat raise up the fault to the northeast exposes copper-stained joints or weak slips containing a little chalcopyrite in the hangingwall of the fault. These are in two sets; one strikes north 13 degrees west and dips 30 degrees eastward, the other strikes north 7 degrees east and dips 65 degrees westward. On the west side of the adit in the hangingwall of the fault, a zone of closely spaced joints or slips strikes near parallel to the adit and dips 75 degrees westward. This zone was not recognized on the footwall side of the fault. A joint plane containing molybdenite on the hangingwall of the zone strikes north 25 degrees east and dips 45 degrees southeastward.

At the open cut 150 feet higher than the adit, a sheeted zone is exposed over a width of about 10 feet. It is mineralized by quartz stringers parallel to the zone and about 6 inches apart, and by irregular masses of quartz. The quartz appears to be barren. Chalcopyrite and molybdenite occur as thin stringers in the syenite and along quartz-syenite contacts. In a few places the sulphides appeared to occur as inclusions in the quartz. The zone strikes north 60 degrees west and dips 35 degrees northeastward, subparallel to one of the mineralized joints in the adit. About 50 feet eastward and 10 feet higher than the open cut, two joint systems are exposed, both carrying chalcopyrite and molybdenite. One strikes north 5 degrees west and dips 85 degrees westward, or about parallel to the closely spaced joints in the hangingwall of the fault in the adit. The other strikes north 5 degrees east and dips 35 degrees eastward.

The chalcopyrite-molybdenite mineralization is associated with three sets of joint planes: strike approximately north 10 degrees west, dip 80 degrees westward; strike about north-south, dip 35 degrees east; strike north 60 degrees west, dip 35 degrees southwestward. No other control of the mineralization was recognized.

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