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BIG MISSOURI TAKES UNICORN

The Big Missouri Mining Co. has bonded the Unicorn group of claims from John Hovland and Louis Watkins of Hyder, Alaska, for $100,000, making a substantial cash payment, of which it is reported Mr Hovland, who is now in Seattle, at once converted his share into Big Missouri stock.

The Unicorn consists of six claims and three fractions, adjoining and extending northeast of the Big Missouri. It carries a number of fine surface showings and has had considerable development work done upon it in the past, both by the owners and by J.R.McDonald, who bonded the property in the fall of 1920, drove a long crosscut tunnel and did some diamond drilling.

Recent development of the Big Missouri, opening up a large body of ore near the north end of that group which apparently strikes into the Unicorn ground, made the acquisition of the latter property of importance to Big Missouri owners.

Trail Looks for Ore Here

Wallace C. Orchard, general agent for the Canadian Pacific Railways in Prince Rupert, spent the week end in the district looking the situation over with a view to securing ore shipments to the smelter at trail. In regard to freight rates, Mr Orchard said the mining companies would have to arrange their own rate from here to Vancouver but that a rail rate had been set of $5.50 per ton from that city to Trail. This is the first entrance of the Trail Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co. into this field for the purchase of ores.

William Slack Dies

William Slack, who left Stewart Feb. 11 for Vancouver to have an operation performed, died in the General Hospital on Suneay, Feb, 21, and was buried the following Thursday. He is survived by a widow and five children. The late Mr Slack had been a resident of Stewart for some time, and had many friends here who regret his passing.

Suit Against Porter Idaho

A writ was issued out of the Supreme Court Registry in Vancouver on the 1st of March at the instance of H.W.M. Rolston against the Porter Idaho Mining Company Ltd. in connection with the sale of the said company's stock. Messrs Whiteside & Kennedy, Solicitors, are acting for the plaintiff.

Blue grouse are hooting.

TEXAS CREEK CO. CHANGES NAME

At a special meeting of the Texas Creek Comstock Mining Company held in Hyder last Saturday, the name of the company was changed to Hyder Lead Mines Inc., the latter name being less cumbersome than the old, as well as being descriptive of the property, which is a high-grade lead proposition.

A letter from Wellington Beaton, of Vancouver, president of the company, outlined plans for the coming season's development which entail the expenditure of $25.000 in opening up the various ore showings exposed on the property, and providing camp accommodations.

The group consists of 20 claims the first locations on Texas creek The original discovery of an immense galena outcrop, caused a stampede into that section two summers ago.

R.G.Mellin, M.E., of Duncans B.C., who examined and reported upon the property for Beaton & Hemsworth last year, is to take charge of operations, which will commence as soon as climatic conditions will permit.

LOCAL MEMBER VISITS STEWART

H.F.Kergin, M. L. A. for this riding, arrived from Alice Arm Monday night and left for his home Thursday. His visit was for the purpose of looking things over generally prior to the opening of the summer season, enabling him to maintain close touch with the needs of the district.

Considerable road and trail work will be undertaken as soon as possible in the spring, but owing to the resignition of J. A. Stephen, public works engineer for this district, making it necessary to appoint someone in his place, Mr Kergin did not feel justified in detailing the nature and extent of che coming season's work, pointing out that this is largely at the discretion of the engineer. The road from Stewart to Hyder will be improved, he knows, also the roads and trails up the Bear and Salmon valleys, and the Marmot river road will be completed to the forks.

As to Alice Arm, Mr Kergin said that prospects have not been as bright in years for that section as they are at present.

Twenty-three members of the Moose Lodge went to Premier Wednesday and initiated 32 new members into the order. They had a rough trip on account of the bad condition of the roads, and did not get home until 4 o'clock yesterday morning.

Pussy willows blooming.

BIG MISSOURI OLD TUNNEL

This picture was taken about 1919 at the portal of one of the old prospect tunnels. In the foreground is John Hovland who, with Louis Watkins, bonded the Unicorn group to the Big Missouri Mining Co. Behind him, with the shovel, is the late Andy Lindeborg, original owner, with his brother Dan, of the Big Missouri.

STEWART-HYDER LOCAL NEWS

The Camosum brought in 101 drums of oil for Big Missouri.

The Moose will hold their regular meeting in Hyder next Thursday night.

Mr and Mrs Dale L. Pitt returned yesterday from a short visit in Vancouver.

Chas. Adam returned Monday night from Rupert where he has been for three months.

C. A. Banks, general manager of the B. C. Silver, and Mrs. Banks, left for Vancouver yesterday.

D.W.McLeman, the hardware merchant, returned yesterday from a business visit in Vancouver. He has been away since the middle of January.

H.Horstman returned Monday night after an absence of several weeks in Vancouver and Victoria on business connected with his Glacier creek mining interests.

Mrs Vince Lade left Monday night for Truro, N. S., having been called to the bedside of her mother, who is dangerously ill. Mr Lade accompanied her as far as Rupert, returning yesterday.

W.R.Harper put his oldtime goldpan experience into practice Monday at the News office and panned out a couple of samples from the Big Mike. The results gave satisfactory returns in gold.

Mrs Wm. Irwin, who has been visiting friends in Everett, Seattle and Victoria for the past three months, returned to Stewart Thursday. Mr and Mrs Irwin are occupying the Tooth cottage, Fifth street west.

D.A.Titus of Burns Lake, who has been mining for several years in that vicinity, Smithers and the Babine section, is a recent arrival. He is a cousin of A. N. McDonald and has gone up to see him at the Independence.

Snow going fast.

Harry Corkhill, of Premier, returned yesterday from a trip outside.

N. H. Stevens of Hyder left last night on a business trip to Ketchikan.

B.D.Clegg, Ingersoll Rand representative, arrived from Vancouver Monday night.

J. D. Littlepage M.E., of the Riverside mine, left on the Norco last Sunday night for Ketchikan.

Chas. H. Lake returned yesterday from an extended visit outside. He was down in California for awhile.

J. A. Barnes, Lord Mayor of Bitter Creek, mushed into Stewart this morning without having to use snowshos.

Mrs Anderson, of the Anderson Cafe, left for Seattle yesterday and will proceed from there to England for a visit.

It is reported that H. Zeffertt has arrived in Aberdeen, Scotland, and has entered King's College to complete his education. He expects to add the degree "M A C" to his name.

Wm. Irwin, superintendent of the L & L, broke trail for two days to get from the mine to town. The second day he tied a big rock to the rear end of each snowshoe to prevent his sliding under the snow ahead of him on the downhill slope. The heavy snowfall over the week end piled up at the camp to a depth of nearly eight feet.

Will Dance the Old Dances

Under the auspices of the Hospital Board a dance will be given on the night of March 17 in the Opera House, at which the real dances, such as were in vogue before the days of degenerate jazz, will be featured. Ladies desiring to donate cakes are requested to leave their names at Gibson's by the 14th.

L & L NEW VEIN CARRIES DRY ORE

The new vein on the L & L Glacier Creek property which was encountered by crosscutting into the hill a short distance below the portal of No. 2 tunnel, as reported last week, is now being drifted upon and is maintaining a width of three feet, dipping at an angle of 65 degrees and with both walls absolutely free. The ore is different in character from that in the tunnels, being a dry ore carrying pyrites and grey copper in a white quartz gangue, while the north and south vein opened above, from which shipments were made last year, is almost solid galena and zinc.

Work has been suspended in the drift from the No. 1 tunnel, and the drift on the new vein is being driven with two shifts. In a distance of 60 feet more it should reach the intersection with the galena vein, cutting it at a depth of 70 feet. From this point Wm. Irwin, the superintendent, intends to continue to drift east on the new vein, and at the same time drive northerly on the galena vein to get under the upper tunnels. The elevation between this lowest drift and the No. 2 tunnel will be about 120 feet.

BILLY LEADING DOG CONTEST

Although the figures given below, which designate the number of votes polled up to 5 p. m. yesterday, make it look as if the popularity contest had settled down to a four-dog race, rumor hath it that anything is liable to happen. Competition is keen and owners of entrants and their friends are doing gome strenuous rustling.

The polls close at 6 p. m. next Tuesday, and all votes and money must be in the hands of the registrar, H.G.Marvin, by that time.

The standing last night:—

Billy	1820
Bingo	1730
Sparkey	1630
Stag	1225
Pronto	900
Toby No. 2	665
Marcus	620
Toby No. 1	85

Riverside Concentrates

Last Sunday 25 tons of concentrates from the Riverside mine were shipped from Hyder. This brings the total shipments from this property since the present lessees, Messrs Littlepage and StClair, took charge of the mine and mill last fall, up to 107 tons.

BOARD OF TRADE HOLD MEETING

The first meeting of the Board of Trade since the election of officers two weeks ago was held on Tuesday evening. The committee on incorporation reported progress in compiling the data slow, owing to delay in getting replies to enquiries.

The question was discussed as to whether or not the matter of financing hospitals throughout the province could not be facilitated in some way. P. S. Jack, who brought the matter up, pointed out that it was not his wish to in any way appear to interfere with, or step into the sphere of the Hospital Board, but that he considered there might be a possibility of the Board proposing some scheme for assisting not only the local hospital but those in other open districts throughout the province, pointing out that though it actually costs the hospital $5 per day for each patient, the Workmen's Compensation Board pays only $3.50; thus the people of each locality have to make up the difference.

H.F.Kergin, M. L. A., arrived and was welcomed by the new president of the board, W. C. Cameron. Asked as to what the Public Works and Department of Mines have in view for this year, he outlined the program as reported elsewhere in this issue.

As to hospital financing, Mr Kergin stated that this is one of the most difficult problems the government has to face, but that if the board had anything to offer he would gladly take it up.

The president appointed P. S. Jack, John Scott and H. W. M. Rolston a committee to look into the matter.

Conviction Quashed

On Monday, Feb. 8th an order was made by the Hon. Mr Justice Morrison in Supreme Court, Vancouver, quashing the conviction made against Josephine Ault, formerly of this town, before Magistrate Scarlett on the 23d day of June, 1925. The order quashing the conviction was made on the grounds that the conviction was wrong for lack of jurisdiction in the local court. Messrs Whiteside & Kennedy represented Josephine Ault in the proceedings.

Dickson in China

James K. Dickson, mining and mechanical engineer who was associated with Gus Seiffert in development and equipment of the Emperor, writes from Shanghai, China, that he has been transferred from Mexico to the Orient by the company whom he joined when he left Stewart last year. Mr Dickson wishes to be remembered to his many friends here, and says to tell Dan Livingstone that he met many of Dan's friends in Shanghai.

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(Rev. Robert McIntyre in Denver Mining Record)

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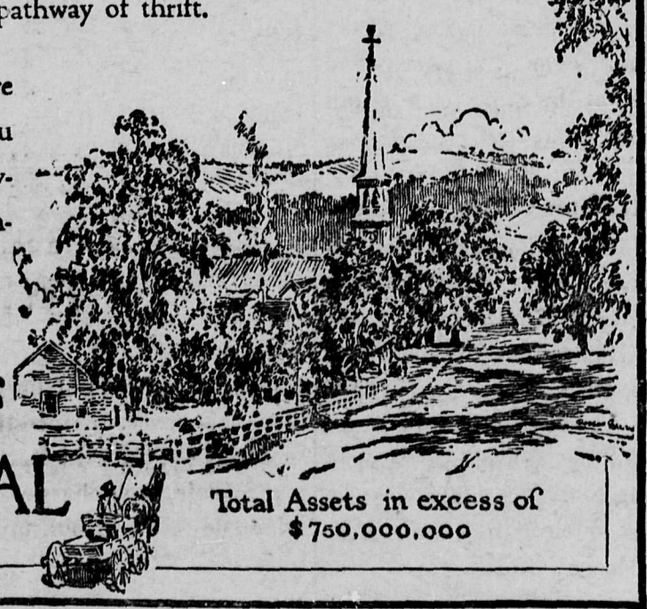

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Records will be granted covering only land suitable for agricultural purposes, and which is not timberland, i.e., carrying over 5,000 board feet per acre west of the Coast Range and 8,000 feet per acre east of that Range.

Applications for pre-emptions are to be addressed to the Land Commissioner of the Land Recording Division, in which the land applied for is situated, and are made on printed forms, copies of which can be obtained from the Land Commissioner.

Pre-emptions must be occupied for five years and improvements made to value of $10 per acre, including clearing and cultivating at least five acres, before a Crown Grant can be received.

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HON. W. SLOAN IS OPTIMISTIC

"I have been referred to as an optimist in respect of the mining industry. I admit it, and declare that such optimism is fully justified," says Hon. Wm. Sloan, Minister of Mines of British Columbia.

"The mining industry," he continued, "has never before been so prominently in the public eye. The mineral production for 1925, $61,491,600, an increase of over 26 per cent, set a new record that should make business men and citizens generally begin to realize what this great and growing industry means to the province. A better idea might be gained from the fact that it meant production at the rate of $118 per capita for every man, woman and child in British Columbia. He doubted if any other country in the world could make such a showing.

"Mining in this province is getting into its stride. It will go ahead until it reaches a position of industrial importance beyond any conception of the most optimistic among us," the minister declared, prefacing a comprehensive review of activity in the various mining fields. Copper is coming back fast, he showed, with mounting world demand and increased prices reflected in local confidence and activity. He predicted a long and healthy future for the Portland Canal district, where lode mining has been established on a good footing.

In lead and zinc, British Columbia is competing successfully in every market in the world, Mr Sloan said.

Gold mining, placer and lode, has been attracting more attention and prospectors and operators alike are realizing the possibilities of the Cariboo, the Omineca and the Peace River. Hydraulic and dredging plants are making it possible to obtain quicker and better recoveries. Dredging has started in the Cariboo with good results; hydrauliicing is being undertaken in the Dease Lake section under favorable conditions.

Passing briefly over success of efforts to curb extravagant prospectuses by companies floating stock issues, Mr Sloan combatted vigorously criticisms, mostly political, that the taxation policies of the government were keeping capital out of the province.

R. C. W. LETT GOOD BOOSTER

The notable development in the mining industry of British Columbia is no flash in the pan. It will grow steadily to a total hardly dreamed of by the most optimistic, in the opinion of R.C.W. Lett, superintendent of the Natural Resources Branch, Canadian National Railways, who is making his first visit to the coast since the new branch was instituted about a year ago.

Mr Lett will leave for the south tonight and plans to go as far as Los Angeles in his mission of spreading information of resources in the territory of the Canadian National among capitalists and operators. His headquarters are in Edmonton where he was formerly general agent of the Colonization and Development department of the C.N.R. His territory in the new work takes in the three western provinces and British Columbia.

Having unbounded confidence in the future of mining in the northern reaches of B.C., Mr Lett at present is most interested in the possibilities of securing a customs smelter that would adequately serve the smaller properties in the Portland Canal and other districts. He believes that the right people will eventually become interested, but hopes that the process may be hastened by broadcasting news of the opportunity.

"Mining is, and will remain one of the great sources of wealth of B.C. but agriculture must and will form the real backbone," Mr Lett declares. There are six million acres of first class farming lands in the valleys along the lines of the Canadian National, between Alberta and the coast, including the valleys to the north and south, he says, the main areas being in the valleys of the Fraser, Nechaco, Bulkley and Skeena. With ideal climate and plenty of moisture these districts grow diversified crops with very heavy yield. Fruit from the Terrace district, Mr Lett declares, is eagerly bought in Edmonton.—Vancouver Star.

WILL DEVELOP VENUS GROUP

Financial arrangements have been completed for a program of development work on the Venus property near Barrett lake, according to Joe Bussinger, one of the owners of the group, says the Interior News. Mr Bussinger states that the work will be under way by the first week in March.

The Venus group of claims is owned jointly by A. S. Millar of Smithers, M. E. Leblanc of Ketchikan, Alaska, and Mr Bussinger. Following a year of surface prospecting, Mr Bussinger undertook the sinking of a shaft on the property last year from which it was hoped that shipments would be made. This shaft was sunk on a vein dipping into the hill at an angle of 65 degrees, but work was suspended after 40 feet of depth had been gained.

Through a re-distribution of interest Mr Leblanc has undertaken to finance operations for sinking the shaft an additional 60 feet and to carry out another 40 feet of work by way of drifts or crosscuts to be determined when progress has reached the 100-foot level.

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MINERAL ACT.
Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE.

Lens, Mons, Vimy No. 1, Bar Silver, Silver Bars, Ida O and Banana Fractional Mineral Claims, situate in the Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located:—West side of Salmon Glacier on the point opposite Forty Nine mine.

Take notice that Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B. C., acting as agent for Outland Silver Bar Mines, Limited, (Non Personal Liability,] Free Miner's Certificate No. 84449C, intends, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for Certificates of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining Crown Grants of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificates of Improvements.

Dated this 15th day of February A. D. 1926. 39

BIG STRIKE IN DUTHIE MINE

A body of ore equalling in extent and richness the best that has yet been opened was encountered in work carried on at the Duthie mine last week to increase the prospects for larger shipments and additions to the working force during coming months. Two months ago there was considerable depression around the mine through encountering a bad fault, and work has been conducted for several weeks in an effort to again pick up the lead. Strong and general was the enthusiasm in town as well as at the mine when the extended tunnels again picked up the ore in even greater strength than preceding the fracture.

Under the adverse hauling conditions ore has been coming down steadily from the mine and the 34th carload is being shipped this week from Smithers. The roads just now are in fair shape and good progress is being made, but the past few months have presented much of grief and difficulty to the management, a condition that will be even more acute when the spring break-up sets in.

While unusual weather conditions of the present winter have brought about a breakdown in transportation of ore to the railway, living conditions are ideal at the mine. Eight above zero is the lowest recorded temperature; the road up the mountain is practically bare, and there is very little snow around the camp —Interior News.

HYDER RESIDENTS NOW IN CALIFORNIA

In a special to the Alaska Weekly from Weed, California, a budget of news is given concerning former residents of Anchorage and Hyder, Alaska, who are now in the California town, which is having a little boom just now because of railroad construction. Doings of former Hyderites are as follows:

Bob Keith has the Coffee Shoppe and is doing fine.

Harry Lancaster and Chas. Johnson are on bridge construction for the S. P. Company.

Mickey Graham is driving a tractor. He was formerly a packer for the Crawford Transfer Co. and the Premier.

Jack Sutherland is foreman at Camp 14 on the Weed cut-off.

Chas. Martin has a contract and Gus Headlin is with him.

Headquarters for Alaskans is at Miller's Cigar Store. Mrs Miller formerly conducted the Victoria Apartments at 634 Kingsway, Hyder, B. C.

Mrs Bertha McKeage is building a hotel at Klamath Falls, getting ready for the new S. P. railroad work this spring.

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Local Stocks

(Quotations by H. W. M. Rolston & Co)

The market steadied down during the week and some of the more active stocks slackened off under considerable profit taking.

Porter Idaho slackened off with very little bidding. It appears as if most stock buyers are looking for lower levels in this stock before buying.

The report that the work being done on the L & L is proving far more favorable than at first expected, is radidly advancing the price of this stock.

Independence is in steady demand and at the present low market price is assured of a rapid enhancement.

As the time approaches for resumption of work on the Marmot Metals the stock market is acting accordingly. This property being one of the first in the district to ship ore, higher prices are expected in the near future.

Dunwell and Glacier Creek steadied down a little, but are always in good demand on a few points drop.

As we have predicted, Premier made a very rapid rise. There is very little of this stock offering, and with the present demand a new high level is expected.

National Silver, Lakeview, Victoria Mines, Rufus, Bayview, remained inactive, though it is believed that strenuous efforts are being made to finance summer operations on these properties.

The market closed as follows:

	Bid	Asked
B. C. Silver	$ 1.75	$ 1.90
Dunwell	2.05	2.25
Glacier Creek	.13	.16
Independence	.10	.12
Indian	.04½	.05½
National Silver	.12½	.15
Lakeview new issue	.—	.10
Premier	2.50	2.75
Terminus	.—	.25
Silver Crest	.13½	.16
L&L Glacier Creek	.18	.21
Victoria Mines	.—	.31
Marmot Metals	.08½	.12
Porter Idaho. Co.	.—	.11
Rufus	.—	.18
Ore Mountain	.—	.25
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Dated this 26th day of February, 1926.

William Reynolds Reid
Applicant.

MINERAL ACT
Certificate of Improvements
NOTICE

High Grade, High Grade No. 1, High Grade No. 2 Mineral Claims, situate in the Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located:—Adjoining the west side of Yellowstone Group of claims, Upper Salmon Valley.

Take Notice that Dalby B. Morkill, of Stewart, B. C., acting as agent for Edward Henry Fernald, Free Miner's Certificate No. 84425; Jessie Kilpatrick Jamieson, Free Miner's Certificate No. 84439; Angus L. McDonald, Free Miner's Certificate No. 92247C and William McGrew, Free Miner's Certificate No. 84387 intends, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements for the purpose of obtaining a Crown grant of the above claims.

And further take notice that action, under section 85, must be commenced before the issuance of such Certificate of Improvements.

Dated this 15th day of February, A. D. 1926. 41

MINERAL ACT.
Certificate of Improvements.
NOTICE

Silverado No. 3, Silverado No. 4, Silverado No. 4 Fractional, Silverado Fractional, Silver Bow No. 1, Silver Bow No. 2, Silver Bow No. 4 Fractional, Silver Bow No. 3 Fractional, Rainier Fractional, Glacier Fractional, Ariel, Renown, Fortune, Climax, Tram Fractional, Iron Hill, Glenearn, Canyon, and Contact Fractional Mineral Claims, situate in the Portland Canal Mining Division of Cassiar District.

Where located:—East side of Head of Portland Canal.

Take Notice that Dalby B. Morkill, acting as agent for Silverado Mines, Limited, (Non Personal Liability) Free Miner's Certificate No. 93404C intends, sixty days from the date hereof, to apply to the Mining Recorder for a Certificate of Improvements, for the purpose of obtaining a Crown Grant of the above claims.

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