

March 23, 1970

Mr. Donald D. McMillan  
 c/o MR. Gavin a Diron  
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 Canada

Dear Don:

When I was talking with Bill Hart several days ago, on the telephone, I mentioned the Willow Creek area located near Winnemucca, Nevada. You and I have talked about it.

As you know, this is a gold prospect, of over 400 acres, in the Willow Creek area in Pershing County, Nevada. It is in the East Range about 30 miles S<sup>15</sup>W of Winnemucca. The property is held by a Dr. ~~Calder~~ Calder Sr. of 348 W. 3rd St in Winnemucca, Nevada.

Bill suggested that I write to you. Apparently you had spoken to him about the area. As I understand it this ground adjoins a S.P. Section, that I believe you or Bill have mentioned as being available.

Dr. Calder's position with regards to a deal is as follows: He has a \$4500 commitment which he feels he should be able to pay off when he makes a deal. He would like a \$5000 down payment and something monthly. I think that he was getting \$1000 a month on the last deal he had on Willow Creek. I am sure that he is open for a certain amount of negotiation.

I have been on the property for only an hour or so, in company with Ralph Roberts of the USGS. The area does appear to have many of the features necessary for the formation of a large disseminated low grade gold deposit.

Some work has been done in the area. A few relatively shallow holes were drilled by Newmont. According to Dr. Calder, Newmont and Blanco Oil had a joint venture and Newmont pulled out abruptly, due to some ~~mis~~ understanding with Blanco Oil regarding expenditures. Homestake has done some work nearby and may still have claims in the district.

I think that the area is worth considering, even though some work has been done by other companies, provided a workable deal can be negotiated. I do not want to talk to Dr. Calder any more if Straus is not interested in the project. I'm sure that Bill felt that you would have some thoughts about Willow Creek.

Jim

Sincerely,

J. McLaren Forbes

Blanco Oil, <sup>merged with Consolidated Regaltes</sup> has joint Venture with  
Hecumont

\$18,000 claim surveys

Mr. Denton of San Raphael has Thacher  
place

control of 46 claims of Blanco  
surrounding this area have 1/2 interest

9- Laramie Canyon  
4- Inskeep " (some copper)

Option - monthly payment.

+ then some or \$4500 obligation if

Harry Bechtel

Thacher.

Claims near Spanish Basin. Holo  
Cerro

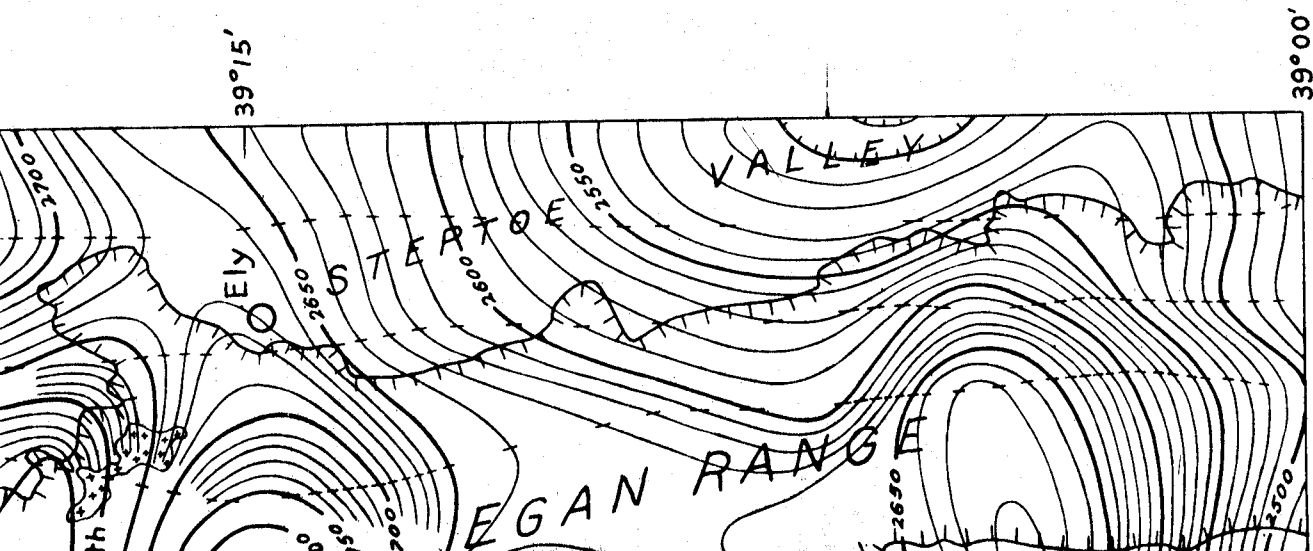
Black Canyon property under Star Peak

Astrol Oil Co. built a pump

Mr. Yost Raucha Codomo near Fair Oaks.  
contractor or

Walter Pantell Fair Oaks.





Values are total magnetic intensity relative to an  
 mas. Flight level is 11,500 feet above sea level.  
 sion of J. L. Meuschke. Geology is generalized  
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 eastern Nevada Geological Society.

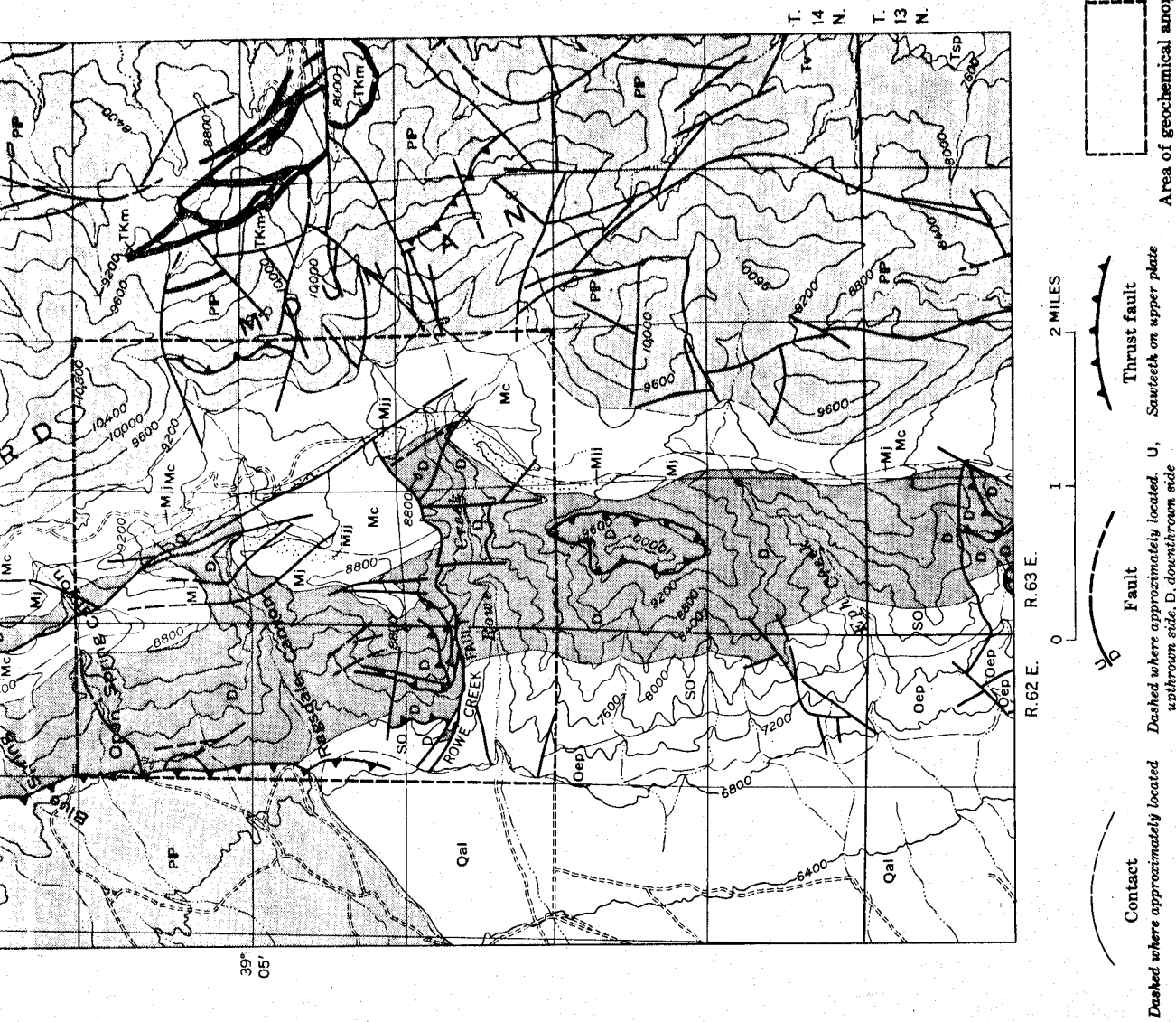


Figure 2.--Generalized geologic map of the southwest part of the Ely quadrangle, Nevada. Qal, alluvium (Quaternary); Tv, volcanic rocks, and Tsp, Sheep Pass Formation of Winfrey (1958) (Tertiary); TKm, monzonite porphyry (Tertiary or Cretaceous); PP, Permian and Pennsylvanian, undifferentiated; Mc, Chainman Shale (Mississippian); Mj, Joana Limestone, and Mjj, Joana jasperoid (Mississippian); D, Devonian, undifferentiated; SO, Silurian and Ordovician, undifferentiated; Oep, Eureka Quartzite and Pogonip Group (Ordovician). The Joana jasperoid is stippled. Geology by A. L. Brokaw and D. R. Shawe.

