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233 EAST PLAZA
RENO, NEVADA

REPORT

ON

PROPERTY OF GALENA MINING COMPANY.

AT

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ASSAYS

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In the following assays, <u>Lead</u> is figured at the present market price of eight cents (8g) per pound; <u>Zinc</u> at seven cents (7g) per pound, and <u>Silver</u> at Sixty-five cents (65g) per ounce.

Pb.	Zn.	Ag.	Gross	Value per	ton
6.0	% 3.0 %	4 0z.	\$	\$ 23.44	
42.0	10.5	32 "	•	102.70	
35.0	8.0	2 9 *		86.05	14
1.5	32.0	2 4		48.50	₹,
3.0	4.0	5 "		10.95	
4.5	23.0	4 "		42.00	
1.5	12.0	1.5	0.00	20.17	
2.5	1 6.6 A 1	2 *		14.50	
25.0	8.0	20 a		64.24	
7.0	6.0	4 ")	88.80	
6.0	6.0	3.5		20.25	
4.0	2.0	3.0		11.15	
2.5	17.0	2 *		31.10	1
17.0	. 10.0	12 "		49.00	
38.0	10.5	30 M		95.00	
8.0	11.0	6 *	1 1 1	32.10	
	8.0	2 M		15.70	
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	10.0	1 "		17.05	
1.5	21.5	4 *		40.70	
5.0	6.0	2 ª		12.90	
2.0	13.0	2 "		21.25	
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9.0	16.0	3 *		20.15	
3.0	12.0	2 "		22.90	
3.0	8.0	17 "		62.25	
25.0	9.0	1 "		26.45	
2.0	13.0	1 "		20.45	

SUMMATION by Welliev

The Parker report covers all essentials in connection with the status of this property, except that the main tunnel has five or six caves, which will have to be removed and timbers caught up before it can be utilized for any important operation. While accessible yet for preliminary inspection, it would not be wise to place a sampling crew in the mine prior to rehabili-

tating this tunnel.

The potential value of this property is predicated upon the reliability of the Parker report, especially as to values. While the sample values reported therein are based upon prices in excess of present market, it is possible to break them down to current prices, which results in the conclusion that values at present prices would average about 50% of the figures quoted by Parker. Type and zone samples taken from the 300 level, (main tunnel) within the last two weeks, indicate values on the average in accordance with those of Parker. Recent shipments by leasors indicate that there is no reason to discredit his sampling.

If the average values as indicated in the Parker report can be substantiated by a re-sampling, then the results of flotation tests now under way indicate the

following probable economy;-

Probable average values, -

Silver, 6.8 oz., Lead, 8.8%, Zinc, 9.0 %

Newly mined silver is being paid for at the rate of 77¢ per oz. Lead at 4.5¢ returns 3¢ net, (60¢ per unit) zinc, about 1½¢ net, (30¢ per unit). These figures are being used in present calculations. The above average ore would then show a per ton ore value as follows;

Silver, \$5.23, - Lead, \$5.28, Zinc, \$2.70, - \$13.21, If 20% is deducted for extraction losses and certain smelter deductions, the average would appear to be in ex-

cess of \$10.00 anyway.

Concentration ration, about 8 - 1. This means that 100 tons daily would produce 12 tons daily of lead concentrate carrying the silver values with it. This concentrate would be worth about \$65.00 and would cost not in excess of \$35.00 to make, mining and milling included, a profit of \$30.00 per ton of concentrate. 12 tons daily \$30.00 per ton - \$360.00 per day, or about \$10,000 monthly operating profit. On tonnage said to be developed, this means about \$500,000 operating profit over five years at 100 tons daily or at least \$250,000 final net after retiring cost of equipment, purchase price of the property and all operating expense.

The location of this property is ideal, and selective

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Dated April 10th, 1926.

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Memorandum on

Commonwealth - Silver Lead

Mine

Location; - 15 miles south of Reno, 7 mile from paved highway, 250 feet from V. & T. railway, with spur track to foot of dumps.

Facilities; - Water supply from Galena Creek, over 300 miners inches running year round, 150 feet from mine dumps. Timber available from Reno dealers, or native 3 miles away. All supplies from Reno.

Development; - Mine opened by 700 ft. crosscut tunnel to the vein, 300 feet below surface. Additional levels at 80 ft and 180 feet respectively. Total of over 2000 feet of levels, raises, etc., on the vein, in ore. Ore in vein from 5 ft. to 35 ft. wide. Estimated tonnage available above 300 tunnel level from 150,000 to 180,000 tons of milling grade.

8 raises with chutes in, in good condition, Track in on 300 level clear to face. Several minor caves require to be cleaned out, and timbering caught up in a number of places. Shaft below 300 full of water but timbering apparently in good condition. Said to be in solid ore, widening with depth.

Purpose of present operation; - To open workings throughout, retimber where necessary, sample thoroughly and block definite tonnages of ore, preparatory to installation of milling facilities, presumably based upon differential flotation to produce a high grade lead-silver and a zinc concentrate.

Values; - 30 assays from the report of H.L. Parker, of the Treadwell-Yukon Co., show an average of

9.0% lead, 10 % zinc, and 7.0 oz. silver, which would produce a concentrate at the ratio of about 8 - 1 for the lead, and about 6 - 1 for the zinc. The lead concentrate would have a lead-silver value of about \$65.00 per ton at a cost of about \$35.00 per ton. With a 100 ton plant about 12 tons of lead concentrate would be produced at a net operating profit of about \$360.00 per day, or about \$100,000 per annum. Deductions for royalties, depletion, and all contingencies would still leave in excess of \$50,000 annual net profit.

Cost of property; - No payments, aside from royalty of 1 10 % are required to be paid for 42 years, so that this operation is ready to start immediately and can be conducted as rapidly as finances and organization are avail-

able for the purpose.