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Section made by A.E. Place 1927 shows several short adits along the same vein. The lower adit is the longest it is 200' long. This is now on the Colorado group Colorado #1 claim.

The Melbourne group is up the <sup>(willow)</sup> creek from the Colorado.

This is probably all in secs. 17-18-19-20 T4N R56E

Place states that the district is all in ls + lim. shale surrounded by granodiorite with a granodiorite dikes cutting the shale.

The principal work is on the High Grade vein which which is 1 to 3' wide (Place) white Qtz containing free Au and arsenopyrite. This vein can be traced for 4300'



~~Colorado Group~~ - Melbourne vein - Goodman  
located in May 1913 by Steve J. Pappas  
and Bill Blackwell. (4 c/s) High grade strike  
few days later. He later refers to this as Goodman  
and lower adit as Goodman tunnel.  
This on NW side Willow Cr.  
leased at the time by Cassady & Cates prod.  $\pm$  \$25,000  
This 1 mile above Colorado.

Colorado group - originally located in 1913 by Chas. Birimisa  
and M. Martin - found nothing and quit.

In 1917 Steve Pappas located ground; at 300' up  
from canyon between 4th & 5th tunnel found high  
grade float and uncovered a 4' vein of high grade.  
in 2 weeks made \$2,000 - shipment

Sold to S.L. Co. Liberty Mng. Co. put up 5 stamps  
mill between here and Goodman. Early in  
1918 stopped. Did not mill.

On 7/1/21 S. Pappas relocated opened the ore shoot  
and in few days started to ship.

In 1922 sold to Idaho Co. for \$2500 when they took out  
ore in sight & quit.

Steve opened ore again and also opened another  
pocket farther up and then resumed shipping. Then sold.  
Co. cleaned out ore & left.

Pappas opened again and found a shoot where the  
uppermost adit is now - made few shipments.

In fall 1926 Cassady & Ed Smith interested  
Judge Thorne of L.A. sold for \$15,000 cash and  
\$5000 for 4 c/s. adit he had with Emery Carrrett.  
He worked as foreman until he was fully paid off then  
quite. They sent up man from L.A. who mined out what  
was in sight & quit he believed.

Pappas returns on 3 shipments.

4/24/24	175#	\$54.39	This tails from ore he mortored
			and obtained \$1225.75 from mint.
10/22/24	93#	\$266.72	
12/3/24	266#	\$266.22	

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J. H. Walker  
3918 Percy St.  
Los Angeles 23, Calif.  
Dear Sir:

NEVADA STATE BUREAU OF MINES  
Box C, University Station  
Reno

Willow Cr 262  
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We are gathering information for a bulletin on the mineral resources  
of Nye County and would greatly appreciate data on your...  
Colorado group and any other mining claims you have in Nye County.....

Number and name of claims. Four, viz: Colorado Northern, Colorado Eastern,  
Colorado No. 1 and Colorado Annex.  
Ownership is in what name or names and addresses... James H. Walker and....  
James H. Walker Jr., both of 3918 Percy Street, Los Angeles 23, Calif......

Location by distance from a point on highways or railroads... About Four (4)  
miles from road at a former P. O. called Nyala, which road leaves main  
highway from Ely at Currant, or from Tonopah this desert road branches  
off at Warm Springs.

Township and section if know, Sec. 18 & T. 4 N. R. 55 E. <sup>19</sup> as far as I can determine

Amount and nature of development work and when done. Several hundred feet  
of tunnels at various points on the quartz outcroppings which was done prior  
to 1927 (See Profile).....

Ore minerals present, assays... Gold and silver,.....

Formation ore occurs in.....

Nature and size of ore occurrence, vein, or.....

Shipments made, date and to what mill or smelter.....

When discovered and general history (Use back of this page).

Any maps or reports if mailed in will be returned promptly, or pencil  
sketches of claims and workings will be appreciated. Please use this  
sheet for reply.

Thanking you for your attention to this request,

Nevada State Bureau of Mines

By, Victor E. Kral  
Victor E. Kral  
Mining Engineer



In compliance with your request I am sending herewith all the information I have regarding four claims in Willow Creek Mining District, in Nye County.

Am enclosing two letters written by one Steve J. Pappas, original discoverer of the claims, and well known prospector, in answer to my inquiries regarding reports of the returns he actually got out of them and a perusal of them will give you a very good idea of their discovery and early history.

Am also enclosing a report of one A E. Place, Mining Engineer of this City, which should give you some idea of the location and general description of the territory which is embraced by the four claims as relocated in 1929. Note what Pappas says in regard to values given in Place's report, also subsequent letter from Place in 1933 to a prospective lessee. Enclosed also is a profile of vein accompanying said report.

The letter from one F. A. Cassady, now deceased, who at one time had a bond and lease on several claims about a mile further up the canyon, then owned by Goodman, et al, of Ely, which letter indicates there is a reasonable chance of development of a paying mine.

I became interested in these claims in 1932 under the impression that the then owner was a practical miner. Though I had never seen a mine I set up a small ball mill, compressor plant and pump and proceeded to mill the most promising part of the dumps which had been mined by the original discoverers and their lessees. I had thought to recover enough from the dumps to enable me to do some development work but after milling an estimated fifty tons returns dwindled to the diminishing point and I refused to go ahead until I could become associated with some one who knew what the score was. However, I recovered, by amalgamation, about \$450. and am enclosing assay report of R. F. Robb of Tonopah, from our first clean up. Subsequently I sent two small batches direct to the mint at Carson City to make up the first named total. I let somebody take these mint reports and like a lot of other dope I had lent I never got them back. Since 1932 I have obtained title to the claims from the former owner and have complied with all the requirements as to assessments, filing of certificates, etc.

Finally I am enclosing a map of the entire Willow Creek District which was surveyed by Louis D. Rasor, U. S. Mineral Surveyor, in 1927. Mr. Rasor, whom I knew very well (he is now deceased) felt certain that these claims would ultimately be developed into a small paying proposition, but he was unable to help me to contact any reliable sources for the necessary cash.

At one time I had some very wonderful samples which had been taken from the dumps but was foolish enough to let a couple of sharks take them. When I asked for their return I was told they had lost them but my idea is that they ground them up and mixed them with their samplings. From the way the tunnel walls are now no such assays as they claim to have gotten are possible.

Kindly return return all enclosures accompanying this report.

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Willow Creek Mining Dist. Map.  
A. E. Place Report and profile map  
2 letters Steve J. Pappas  
1 letter F. A. Cassady  
R. F. Robb Assay report  
Photo of terrain.



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J. H. WALKER  
3918 Percy Street  
LOS ANGELES 23, CALIFORNIA  
Sept. 20, 1949.

Nevada State Bureau of Mines,  
Reno, Nev.

Dear Sir:

Attention: Victor E. Kral, Mining Engineer.

I am pleased to send you all available data I have relating to four claims I have in the Willow Creek Mining District of Nye County, which I trust will be useful in making up your bulletin on mineral resources. Might I ask that you send me a copy of the bulletin when available. Thank you.

Yours truly,

*J. H. Walker Sr.*  
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J. H. WALKER  
3918 Percy Street  
LOS ANGELES 23, CALIFORNIA  
Jan. 28, 1950.

Nevada State Bureau of Mines,  
Reno, Nev.

ATTENTION: Victor E. Kral M. E.

Dear Sir:

On Sept. 20th last I sent you, in response to your request, data relative to the Willow Creek Mining District in Nye County, which data included maps, Engineer's report, letters, etc, etc. On Oct. 13th you acknowledged receipt of said data and in your letter estimated you you would be finished with it in "about a month or less".

I would like to use these papers as soon as I can get them and am therefore asking that you return them to me at your earliest convenience. Thank you.

Kindly keep in mind that I am to receive a copy of the Nye Co. Bulletin when finished.

Yours very truly,

J. H. Walker.