BIG LEDGE GEOLOGICAL KEPORT 12 Copy 2. L50-118 NE. Big Ledge. Consolidated Mining and Smelting Co. of Canada Ltd. McEachern, R.G., Engineer.

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Gold Commissioner, Kaslo, B. C.

Dear Mr. Macdonald:

Re: Big Ledge Group.

We have found two copies of a geological report on the Big Ledge property (L.50-118) made September 20th 1947 by McEachern for the Consolidated Mining and Smelting Company. As this probably means that one of these belongs in your records we are returning it to you herewith.

Yours very truly,

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Chief Gold Commissioner.

LM Enc. THE CONSOLIDATED MINING AND SMELTING COMPANY OF CAMADA, LIMITED SULLIVAN MINE KIMBERLEY, B. C.

### BIG LEDGE PROPERTY

## INTRODUCTION

A four man party spant two months doing geological mapping and magnetometer surveying on the Big Ladge property during the summer of 1947. The accompanying maps illustrate the work done.

### GENERAL GEOLOGY

The mineralized some, known as the "Big Ledge" is a series of impure marbles and quartsites that contain sulphides in certain portions, usually associated with a granitic type of rock. The ledge averages about 100 feet in thickness and its outcrop has been traced for over 3 miles. The strike varies from North 60 to 90 degrees East and the dip from 25 to 50 degrees South.

At the western and the exposures are on rolling summit ground and reach an alevation of about 7,000 feet. Going Eastward the outerop crosses the Annie S. Culch at the head of Trout (Brownie) Creek and then follows the ridge on the North side of Trout Creek down to the lowest exposures at an elevation of 4,000 feet.

The wall rocks are mostly biotite gnaisses that represent metamorphosed sandy and shaly beds. Some of these have prominent garnet and feldspar augen. Scattered in the gnesses are bods of fairly pure marble and quartzite that serve as horison markers. Tracing these shows that the ledge is conformable to the bedding.

Interspersed with the metamorphosed sediments are a number of granite and pageatite bodies. In part these bodies are in the form of augen, small tenticles, and irregular lenses that are a hy-product of the metamorphism. In part they form distinct sills and dikes that may be offshoots of some large intrusive or may be merely granitic material of metamorphic origin that has been segregated along bedding planes and fractures more completely than the material that forms the small functions and lenses.

#### MINERALIZATION

Pyrrhotite is the most abundant sulphide. Pyrite, usually in scall nodular masses, is locally prominant, Sphalerite, the only ore mineral of consequence, is ermitically distributed with the pyrrhotite. Calena is occasionally present in trifling amounts along with the other sulphides, but the only notable concentrations seen were as small occurrences in the calearoous bads adjacent to the main mineralized sections.

In general the sulphides are coarsely crystallized, and except for the apparently small amount of ore minerals that is intergrown with the pyrrhotite, there should be no difficulty in obtaining a separation in milling the ore.

Throughout the series of rusty weathering beds that are considered to comprise the ledge is a small amount of disseminated iron sulphides usually accompanied by scattered graphite flakes, but it is only in their upper portion that sulphide mineralization is at all abundant. This some of heavier mineralization as observed on the surface and in the adits and transhes ranges from a few feet to over 20 feet in thickness, but old drill records indicate thicknesses up to 60 feet. This some is conformable with the bedding, but within it the sulphides are erratically distributed in irregular massive and disseminated bodies. Also within this some of heaviest sulphide mineralization is a large amount of granitic and pognatitic material.

The sphalerite tends to be most abundant in the disseminated sulphide sections, but small irregular high grade patches occur with both the massive and disseminated sulphides.

# MAGNETCRETER SURVEY

The gyrzhotite in the lodge is highly magnetic and the subsurface outcrop is readily traced with the magnetometer. However no direct relationship between the amount of pyrzhotite and the intensity of the anomalies was indicated. Lines run across the adjacent strata showed that some of the gneisses contain magnetic material, but anomalies occurring there are not sufficiently strong to be confused with those occurring over the ledge.

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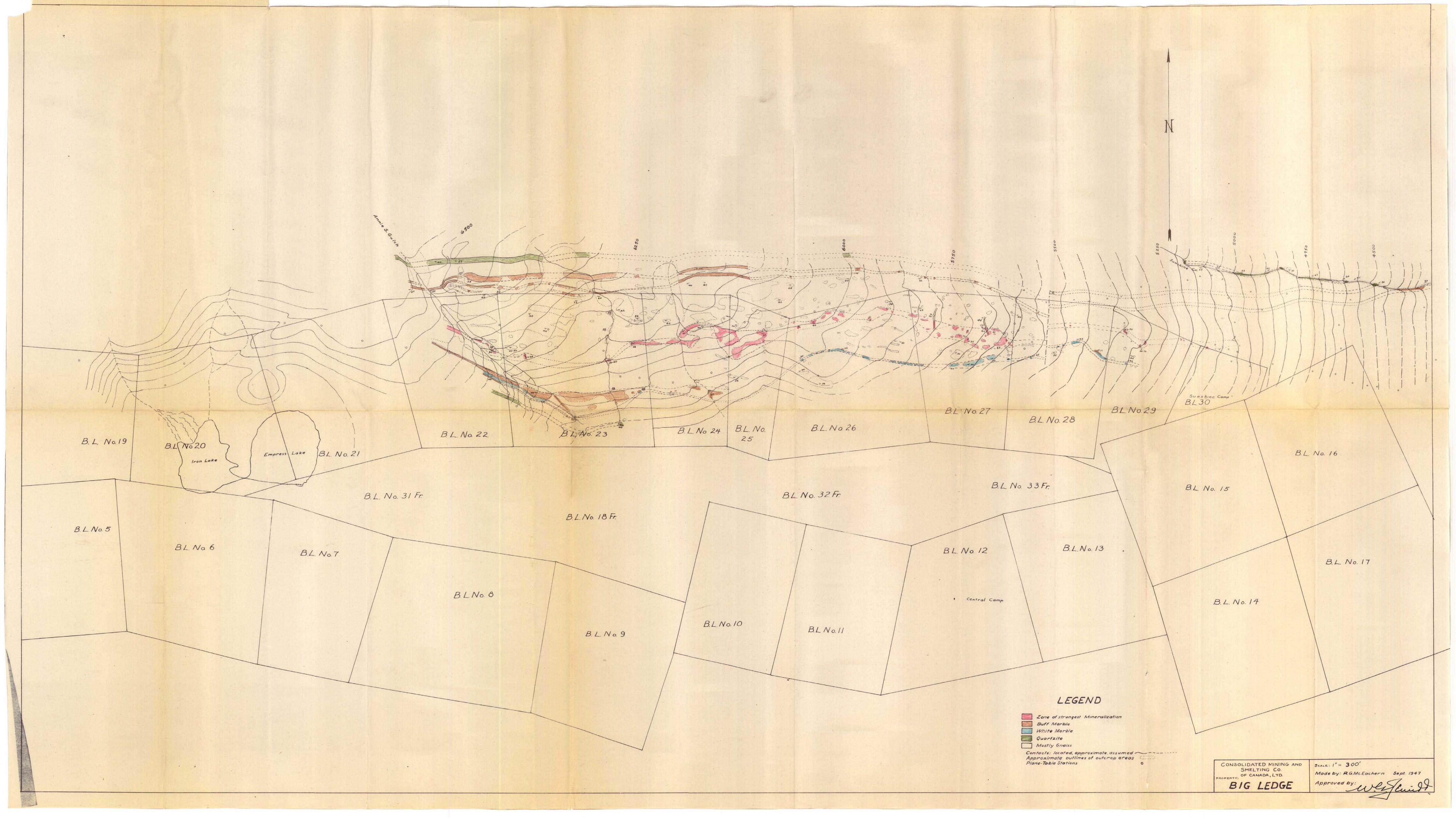
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