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## Introduetion

During the winter of $1955-56$ the Fiddier group of 6 mineral clatins at Manette Lake, B. C., were optioned by Anuwon Uranium Hines Itd. from Ur. T. Curnow under an agreement to oarry out exploration work. Since an area of appreciable size on one clafm was reported to contain abundant copper minerals, it was deemed advisable to stake further clalas around the group, and in late January the Flddler claime 7 - 30 inclusive were recorded in the Company's nane. Later, four adjoining F.B. claims were purchased.

An exploration program on these claims was proposed for the sumner of 1956. The work was to consist of:
(a) Traversing the entire clains group from surveyed control lines, mapping the geology, atructure, and mineralized areas;
(b) Surveying in detail the zone of mineralization;
(c) Irenching, blasting, and saxpling the original showings, and any other mineralized area encountered on the group.

This report presents the details and results of the

Clatns, Omership, and Accessibility

The clains examined couprise two groupl: the Fiddler claims 1-30 inclusive, and the F.B. clatns 1-4 inclusive. Under the terms of the option agreament, 1tr. $T_{*} R_{0}$ Gurnow retained ownership of the Fiddler 1 - 6 claims. Reference to the enclosed map shows that most of the Fiddlers 25, 27, 29, and F.B.s 1 and 3 are forfeit to the Rod clains, which were staked previously. The groups are located on the west side of the Guichon Creek valley, northwest of Manette lake, B.C. The lake is reached by twenty-four miles of secondary road following Guichon Greek, northward from the Merititt - Spences Bridge highway. The property lies three miles northwest of the north end of Hamette Lake on an old cart road leading to Billy Lake.

Crem, and Equipuent

On Hay 5, 1956, a party consisting of A. Stenerson, mining enginear, G. Leonard, geologist, J. Tregilges and G. Lewis, assistants, set up a camp on damette lake and began working on the clatns. Stenerson was moved from the property May 15 and Tregilges Hey 30; Leonard was in charge of the exploration crew when the writer asoumed supervition June 5. Laborers were hired when required. A half-ton truck was rented to provide transportation for the crew, and camping equipment was purchased. When required a caterpillar tractor was contracted to build road or cut trenches, on one oocasion a water pump was rented for washing down rock exposed in an inportant area. A gasoline rock drill (Pionjar) was obtained when needed.
(1) On May $B$, $w$, Alfred $R_{0}$ Allon consulting enginoer, sampled the old open cuts on FIddler clains 3,4, and 6.
(2) The existing Billy Lake road was repaired by a bulldozer for a distance of 2 miles in order to provide access for the trick as far as the workings.
(3) Four trenches were cut by bulldozer to trace the extension of the mineralization found in the old pits Nos. 5 and 6. Trench Nos. 1 and 2 were subsequentiy cleaned by a water jet so that the bedrock corrld be examined closely. A detailed survey of this area was then made.
(4) With the help of the stakors the location lines were found and re-blazed. Chain and compass surveys of the claim location lines were then carried out, and a worling base map was dram.
(5) Using the surveyed base lines as controls, a pace and compass geological suxvey of the clains was nade. An approximate 400 - foot incerval was maintained between traverse lines. When minorallzation was found or when structure or petrology indicated its possibility, the area concorned was examined in closer detail.
(6) The original showings were drilled and blasted in the higher grade portions to test extension of mineralization to a shallow dopth. Test holes on other parts of the property were blested when mineral concentration was sufflcient to warrant detailed examination, and collect samples.

A list of the expenditures incurred in completing this
wrork is included as an appendix.

Physiography

The claims lie approximately 4000 feet above sea level, on an irregular platean which is a part of the Interior Plateau of central $B_{s}$ C. The upland is a series of rolling hills and ridges cut by occasional gullies; mountains rise to 2000 feet above the general level. Sheet glaciers have passed across the country, rounding off the protuberances; the movement was generally south by east. The claims area is heavily wooded with pine, spruce, and fir; swampy areas are
sall and rare. The majority of the area is covered by a mantle of soil and glacial debris, leaving only $20 \%$ of the rock exposed.

Geology

## General

The rook underlying most of the region includes the granodiorite and related (?) rocks of the Guichon Creek igneous series, described by f. E. Cockfield ( 1943$)_{\text {; ; }}$ it is classifled as a part of the Juram-rotaceous Coast Intrusive complex. The rocks are highly variable in corsposition, ranging fron granite to gabbro. Rapld, extensive changes ( $\mathrm{B}_{\mathrm{e}} \mathrm{g}$. in the Highland Valley, from coarsemgrained albite gramite on the west side to medium-grained quarts diorite on the east) indicate that aithar profound structural movement occured, or the rocks are not genetically related, inis particular regional problem does not arise in the Fiddler claim groups. Other rocks are older metamorphosed sedimentary and volcanic rocks of the Cache Creek and Hicola groups, and younger volcanic and clastic rocks of the Kamloops group.

Local Goology

Granodiorite predoninates in the claims area. The rock is pinkish to grey in color, and coarse to medium grained in texture. Plagioclase faldspar near the albite end is the major mineral, potassic feldapar is present in small amounts; guartz is common, but not in great eaccess; biotite in flakes and hooks is abundant as the main fenic mineral, and hornblende is sometines present. Gradation or rapid transition to a finar grained phase approaching diorite is obeerved locally in the vicinity of metamorphic rocks, a feature which is ascribed to assimilation of foreign matarials.

Sedimentary rocks are distributed over a fairly large
${ }^{1}$ Coakfield, W.E. (1943) Nicola tap Area, B. C. G.S.C. Henoir 249.
area on the F.B. and Flddler No. 1 clains and at the old woridnes. Flsewhere on the group gnch occurrences are rare, and amall in extent. These rocks have been metamorphosed to a fixirly ligh degree. Vediun-grained biotite schists have devoloped in the more pelitice sections, but quartinte of variable irmourity predominates; hence the saries as a whole was arenacocx:

Contact relations of these rocks with the granodionte is obscured in tie south by owarburdem. In the oecurence at the woridngs the contact relations are clear, and show a rapid trangition from igneous to metmozphic rock through a gneissose guarta dioxitic phase bordering pelitic rocke. Contacts are steeply dippinge The relations suggest that the metrmorphios are inclustons of rociss older than the intruaive granodiorite. Only three other occurences of this were observed on the clatus (see map); rock in the more favorable central area, however, is largely covered by overburden;

## Structaxe

Rock on the western and northeastern claims is exposed mostly along irregular ridgea which trend noxth-south. The intermadge areas are mostly covered, but no lithologic change is evident where rock is encountered hence the north-south trend is attributed to glaelal action. Two noxth-south fanit zones are apparent in the south central clalias, one cutting through the metamoiphic rocks, and the other bordering or within granodionite. Shearing, breociation, and an interrupted topographic lineation marked their directione Ho Idea of the extent or relative direction of raovenent conld be assartained. This north-south zone of weakness is possibly continuous through the central claims, since mach of the quartite at the worings has been intensely sheared and recrystallized.

1s approxdmately north-acuth and NE - SW. Prowinent fracturing south of the workings is in the latter direction, but no signs of movement are evident.

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The ore minerals at the workings are malachite and chalcopyrite with, locally, some molybdenite. Sone magnetite appeare to be assocdated with them, since a dip needle traverse revealed a magnetic high anomaly. The more highly mineralized area is at the epex of trenches Nos. 1 and 2, formerly the position of one of the old pits. The chalcopyrite is scattered along a band approxinately 15 feet wide by 30 feet long at the northern end of the metamorphic rock body. It is disseminated in both the quartsites and transitionsl rook, but is more sparsely distributed in the fomer. The greatest concentration is at the nose of the body, where the contact plunges steeply northwest; apart from this confined area, copper mineralization is sparse.

Approximately 400 feet south of the main showing, granitic pegratite veins lace through a large nose of granodiorite overhanging the neaby creek. Scattered aggregations of chalcopyrite and molybdenite occur in the pegmatite, preferentially following NE - SW fractures. Tro hundred feet scutheast along the oreek bank sparse chalcopyrite and malachite are again found along NE - SW fractures, in a broken granodiorite. Dlsewhere on the claims copper minerals are isolated in spot occurences along joints and small fractures in the granodiorite on Flddler clains $4,6,26,24,14$, and 11, and FB claims 1 and 3 (see map). The mineralization is poor. The two faults observed in the southern part of the group do not appear to be associated with mineralization.

Samples taken from the main showing gave maximm copper assays of $2.5 \%$ for well mineralized selected specimens, and a gemeral
assay of less than $0.75 \%$ across a 12-foot width. The pegmatite zone was not sampled because the seattered, thin fracture coatings obviously would yield low assays. Samples taken from the fractured zone to the southwest assayed less then $0.25 \%$ across 3 feet in freshly blasted rock. The other occurences were blasted open, but most showed an insufflicient concontration of copper minerals in the fresh rock to warrant assaying.

Conclusions and Recomiendations

Copper mineralization in the immediate viefinity of the old workings on Fiddler claims 3, 4, 5 and 6 is concentrated in a $15 \times 30$ foot area at the steeply-plunging northern end of a body of metamorphosed rediments enclosed in granodiorite. The average grade over this surface area would be leas than $1 \%$. Insewhere on the property mineralization is scattered, and localized in fractures and joints in granodiorite or pegmatite. Sanples taken yielded poor assays.

It is possible that mineral deposits are to be found beneath the abondant overburden, particularly in the central claina, and a geochemical or magnetoneter survey could possibly reveal their presence. The more highly mineralized area at the workings should be considered, however, and specifically two important points:
(1) The ignoous metamorphic contact appears most favorable, but only locally 80 , the grade is too low for deposits of mall tonnage.
(2) The'roof pendant' or inclusion type of deposit is invariably shallow, and since the granodiortte is poorly mineralized in contact with the inclusions (and elsemere) it aill likely remain so beneath them.

These two rather weighty points oppose a recomendation
for further work on these cladms, although it is admitied that the rare excoption could exist here. In view of ths activity in the Ifighland Valley to the north, it is suggestod that an application for work certificates be filed to protect the Fiddler claims 7-30 Inclusive for one year. If further work is deened necessaxy to protect the claims for a longer time, a magnetoneter survey combined with a ahort diamond drilling progrean in the vicinity of the main workings would sufflee and provide information on lateral and vertical continuation of mineralization as well.

Respactfully subritted,


## AP ENDIX

## Expenses Incurred in Carrying Oat Field

Work on Fiddler and F.B. Claims ${ }^{2}$

| Month | Equipment Rentals (Truck, Field Supplies) | Salaries | Suppiies |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Hay | \$ 528.50 | $81,320.00$ | \$192.00 |
| June | \$ 502.00 | \% 775.00 | \$135.00 |
| duly | \$ 360.00 | \$ 780.00 | \$214.00 |
| August | \$ 310,00 | \$ 880.00 | \$239.00 |
|  | \$2,700.50 | \$ $\$ 3,655.00$ | \$ $\$ 80.00$ |


| Tractor Rental | Trenching $\$ 560.00$ | Road work |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Casual Labor |  | $\$ 350.00$ |
|  |  | $\$ 194.95$ |
| $B l_{a}$ sting Supplies |  | $\$ 4.20$ |
| Truck inpenses |  | $\$ 345.20$ |
|  |  | $\$ 934.35$ |

## Total Expenditures \$7,069.85

Approximately one-half of the total time was spent on the geological surveying and prospecting; the remainder was spent on trenching, etc., on the main workings.

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