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(Placer prospecting  
Au)

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Access

June 4<sup>th</sup> /94

At Milepost 1116 (approx.) the "planned" spot for crossing the Kluane river to access the proposed prospecting area was found to be extremely dangerous, because of the swift current and eddies in this area. The decision was made to cross the lake (Kluane lake) from Burnash, due north, to reach the other side near, or at the beginning of the mouth of the river. A horse trail from a local outfitter leads along the NE side into the Tin Cup Lake area.

Several other old Indian trails can also still be travelled, but are too grown over for use with a 4-wheel A.T.V.

Provisions and equipment were ferried over and cached and hauled into the prospecting area. This was accomplished over a two week period.

Due to high winds on Kluane lake, it took sometimes several days of "sitting it out" before another crossing could safely be made.

Previous consultation: Trevor Bremer, - Geologist from the Fed's, gave me some ideas of what to look for and where.

## Equipment:

1. One 2 inch "Keene Suction dredge" (portable).
2. one 2 inch Briggs & Stratton waterpump with hoses.
3. One 12 ft. Aluminum boat with 25 hp. Johnson O.B. motor. (incl. 2 lifejackets and oars).
4. One Husky 61 chainsaw.
5. One Yamaha 4 wheel A.T.V.
6. Home made alum. Slicebox (foldable).

\* #s

Equipment #'s: (corresponding to the  
above, in numerical order)

- 1.) E-414167
- 2.) B-9214782
- 3.) no number on boat: (12 ft. Aluminum)  
25 hp Johnson (SeaBreeze) FT 18 E C 413532
- 4.) Husqvarna 61 - 2380456
- 5.) 4 wheeler - JY 42 HT 00 X 4 000 9073
- 6.) no ser. number

# Little Creek (#1 on map)

sunny/warm

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June 16<sup>th</sup> /84

08<sup>30</sup> hrs. setting out to prospect on "little Creek" drop offs numbered #1 and #2 on map.

Under brush is dense and little water flow.

Noticed wash outs from 1988 flood, washed some gravels with Porta-sluice in #1 area.

12<sup>30</sup> hrs. Moved to #2 area for testing.  
no colours in both locations.

13<sup>30</sup> Set up for camp and run more gravel through suction dredge.

18<sup>00</sup> hrs. shut down for the day.

June 17<sup>th</sup>

Little Creek (#1)

(2)

Location #1 and #2

sunny, windy -

06<sup>00</sup> hrs. Returned to #1 location to resume testing on east and west banks. Even a 1½ meter deep hole did not yield any indications of Au - no colour.

13<sup>00</sup> hrs. moved up to #2 location, moved some boulders, used suction dredge - no colour.

Very little or small amount of magnetite. Continued with small trench on east side, still no colour.

18<sup>00</sup> Returned to camp.

June 18<sup>th</sup>

#2 Creek

(3)

windy, light overcast

07<sup>00</sup> hrs. moving all equipment to new  
location. (2 trips on foot)

14<sup>00</sup> hrs. setting up on #2 Crk. - location  
#1.

Tired!

June 19th

#2 Creek.

(4)

- location #1 -

windy, warm

09<sup>00</sup> hrs.

Gravels bear a distinct similarity to the ones on "Little Creek," (limestone).

Some ferruginous (rusty) oxide clumps.

Tested these for Au, via panning - no indications.

Removed some medium size boulders.

Very little water in Creek bed, at times dry, where it moved underground.

14<sup>00</sup> Used suction dredge to probe area where I removed boulders, sliced approx. 6 yds.<sup>3</sup>, panned concentrate, found 2 colours.

17<sup>00</sup> Returned to camp.

(5)

June 20<sup>th</sup>

- #2 Creek -  
location #1 and #2

sunny, windy

08<sup>00</sup> hr. Returned to #1 location, dug down  
in two areas, approx. 4' each, used  
suction dredge and pan - no colours.

13<sup>00</sup> Up on #2 location moving some boulders.  
15<sup>00</sup> Used suction dredge in these areas.

Note-X Some of the lower (deeper) lying gravels  
appear to be glacial fill, but no  
colours were found. The depth of  
bedrock remains undetermined and  
could possibly be established through  
seismic sounding.

17<sup>00</sup> washed through approx. 2 cu.yrd of  
gravel - no results -

19<sup>00</sup> Returned to camp.

June 21<sup>st</sup>

#3 Creek

(6)

overcast, windy

07<sup>00</sup> Moved to #3 Creek - setting up.

checking via panning along the way.  
No colour.

\* No water flow at the 3500' level, although there's small waterflow above and below.  
The gravels on this Creek are somewhat coarser in appearance. Some of the boulders are of the conglomerate type, checked out some loose ~~for~~ quartz, crushed and panned some - no colours.

18<sup>00</sup>

Take camp.

June 22<sup>nd</sup>

(7)

#3 Creek  
#3 location

light wind, warm

06<sup>00</sup> moved some boulders, took samples  
to be washed elsewhere - no water.

11<sup>00</sup> at water - tested samples - no colours.

14<sup>00</sup> at confluence - terrain is steep,  
checking east + west bank for colour.

dipping down in area of previous small  
water fall - no colours.

Can run suction dredge only 20 min. at a  
time - low, slow water flow.

16<sup>00</sup> panning concentrate from dredge sluice -  
no colours.

18<sup>00</sup> back to camp.

June 23<sup>rd</sup>

#3 Creek

(8)

#2 location

sunny - no wind

07<sup>00</sup> hrs. moving equipment to location

\* The similarities here confirm to #1 and #2 Creek, although this Creek ~~is~~ cuts "deeper" into the terrain.

13<sup>00</sup> hrs. - setting up 2" pump and sluice box

14<sup>00</sup> moving gravels through box - the suction dredge is not suitable here - to coarse.

16<sup>00</sup> Testing (panning) some concentrate - no colour.

17<sup>00</sup> Continuing to test area in various locations with Pan - no colour.

18<sup>00</sup> To camp.

June 24th.

(9)

# 3 Creek

showers, cloudy

# 2 location

08<sup>00</sup> hr. tested ground between # 3 and # 2  
location - no colours.

14<sup>00</sup> hr. moving equipment to # 1 location.

June 25<sup>th</sup>

(10)

# 3 Creek  
# 3 location (one)

overcast, windy

09<sup>00</sup> hrs. setting up and moving some boulders.  
noticed conglomerate formation in same.

\* Again limestone and oxidized ferrous sand and light gravels were found - tested same - no colours. These "rusty zones" are set up in clumps and have to be broken down in order to wash them in a pan.

13<sup>00</sup> Found small (2 mm) size Copper nuggets in concentrate - no colours though.

18<sup>00</sup> Back to camp.

June 25<sup>th</sup>

#3 Creek

light breeze, cloudy

- #3 location - (one)

08<sup>00</sup> hrs. found another four small Copper nuggets,  
again no colour.

12<sup>00</sup> hrs. checking low lying area on NW bank  
with suction dredge in an old pool - slow  
water flow - gravels are well rounded, indicative  
of glacial till - checked under 4" layer  
of 1235 yr. old volcanic ash to confirm  
glacial deposits - again no colour - no  
copper.

17<sup>00</sup> hrs. reassembled gear and moved to  
camp at 19<sup>00</sup> hrs.

June 26<sup>th</sup>

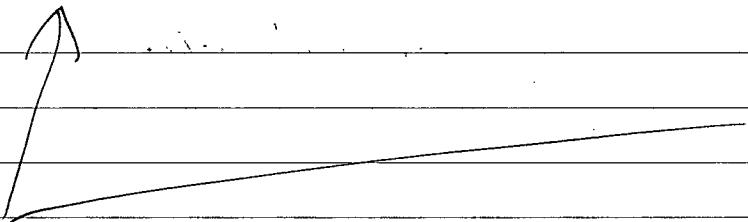
# 4 Creek

(11)

sunny, windy.

06<sup>00</sup> moving to # 4 Creek all day.

20<sup>00</sup> Setting up - checked at random  
during trip, several locations along the  
way via panning. No colours.  
X noticed silicified limestone, some bithmuth  
as well.



Note:

X Do to time consumption because of  
moving camp, location and equipment,  
the entries here are shorter than  
normal. All moves are on foot.

The terrain does not permit  
the use of A.T.V.s, to cut trail to do  
so would take away from the prospecting.

The distances are quite substantial.

Personal choices during prospecting, for supplies  
were made via the lake to Burnash, cont.

June 27th (12) #4 Creek strong S.wind - clear

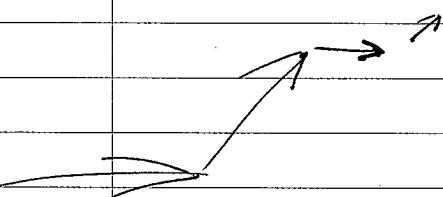
09<sup>00</sup> hrs. moving up the creek to #1 location

12<sup>00</sup> hrs. at #1 location.

13<sup>00</sup> hrs. setting up at approx. the 4000' level in steep area.

15<sup>00</sup> checking several locations nearby via panning - no colours.

18<sup>00</sup> Back to camp.



\* equipment, fuel and supplies had to be ~~brought in~~ via the lake route. At times it was possible to cross via canoe at the original proposed crossing site 2 miles south of Iluane Village (118), yet it was too dangerous to move supplies there other than myself.

June 28th

#4 Creek  
#1 location

(13)

warm, windy.

- 10<sup>00</sup> set up and ready to run some gravel through suction dredge.
- 14<sup>00</sup> tested concentrate, had moved approx.  
3 yds.<sup>3</sup> of material. - No colours. -  
2 small copper nuggets.
- \* noticed more granite in gravels than in the other locations and creeks.

June 29<sup>th</sup>

(14)

cloudy, showers

Going out for supplies + provisions. (H.J.C.)

June 30<sup>th</sup>

day off

July 1<sup>st</sup>

day off

July 2<sup>nd</sup>

Too stormy to cross lake today.  
Winds up to 70 km/p.hr.

July 3<sup>rd</sup>

Windy - no crossing

July 4<sup>th</sup>

15

Still windy.

15°<sup>oo</sup> W. Crossed in the afternoon

July 5<sup>th</sup>

#4 Creek

windy, warm

22<sup>00</sup> hr. - arrived at camp.

(16)

July 6<sup>th</sup>

#4 Creek

(17)

sunny, calm

#2 location.

11<sup>00</sup> hr. arrived at site from camp.

set up to dredge at 4000' level in small ravine. \* Again noticed granite pieces and limestone - rusty coloured gravel, some indication of small amount of copper - found four colous <sup>Au</sup> in panneled concentrate, had sliced approx. 3 yds<sup>3</sup> of material - not a good ratio!

17<sup>00</sup> hr. had to shut down for repair on dredge motor. (faulty plug).

July 7th

(16)

#4 Creek

#2 location

cloudy, windy

10<sup>00</sup> hrs. used S. dredge to check several spots in the vicinity. - Hand washed several oxide (iron) deposits - some minute amount of copper - no more colours.

15<sup>00</sup> rechecked area where colours found on July 6<sup>th</sup> - hand dug a 3½ ft. hole and checked the bottom gravels - no colours.

Digging is prohibitive due to large boulders in gravels. These boulders appear to have been dropped by the retreating last glacier.

Note \* Apparently three different glaciation periods seem to have taken place in this region. Two of them retreated in the same direction - one at a 90° from them.

\* The lake level seems to have been at a higher elevation as well in the "recent" past. Some old roots and driftwood can still be found that indicate this.

\* It is very discouraging not to find any indication of glacial deposits so far, although the geology is quite different from that in the Doubs region.

July 8<sup>th</sup>

#4 Creek  
#3 location

(A)

cloudy, wind

07<sup>00</sup>

moving to #3 location,  
observing the gravels and rocks  
and finding a quite similar appearance  
as in #2 location.

11 30

excavated a 4' hole and using <sup>the</sup> suction -  
dredge to test contents. - No colours.

Moving around in different spots in  
the same area without results.

\*

If any gold were in these gravels, it  
would have definitely given indication by  
now.

18<sup>00</sup>

hrs. in Camp. - moving to #1 location.

23<sup>00</sup>

arrived and set up at #1.

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July 9<sup>th</sup>

# 4 Creek  
# 1 location

(26)

cloudy, warm

(East bank).

12<sup>00</sup> hr. moving some small boulders, cleaned out these areas with suction dredge.

15<sup>00</sup> hr. panned concentrate, - no colours.

(West bank) - checked old Creek bed - no water - removed piles of gravel to wash area - no colours.

18<sup>00</sup> back to camp.

July 10<sup>th</sup>

#4 Creek

(2)

cool, windy.<sup>NW</sup>

- #1 location -

08<sup>00</sup> hrs. checking on Eastbank under volcanic ash.  
noticed bands of rusty ferrous oxide,  
processed some - no colours, some minute  
copper granules.

11<sup>00</sup>

dipping hole for testing, pumping water  
to use suction dredge - removed approx.  
one cu. yrd - no colours.

15<sup>00</sup>

tested several locations in the vicinity -  
no gratifying results.

X

Limestone, some granite, schist  
pyrite + calcopyrites

18<sup>00</sup>

Into camp. - packing for move to  
#5 Creek.

July 11<sup>th</sup>

#5 Creek

(22)

windy, cool.

Moving supplies + equipment  
all day.

\* doing spot checks with gold pan along the way.

July 12<sup>th</sup>

(23)

going out for provisions + fuel (H. Jd.)

July 13<sup>th</sup>

day of - (shopping)

July 14<sup>th</sup>

windy + cool

waiting to cross lake

July 15<sup>th</sup>

Too windy to cross

July 16<sup>th</sup>

Still waiting for winds to die down.

July 17<sup>th</sup>

(24)

cool, calm

17<sup>00</sup>

Crossing Lake

got to camp at 03<sup>00</sup> hrs. July 18<sup>th</sup>

July 18<sup>th</sup>

# 5 Creek

(75)

sunny, windy

- #1 location -

15<sup>00</sup> hrs. got moved to #1 location,  
setting up equipment.  
Checking gravels and panning  
in several areas - no colours.

East side

\* This location is a "natural sluice box" as  
the Creek runs well and "steps" down  
like a terrace.

17<sup>00</sup> hrs. moved approx. 2 cu. yds of gravels  
through machine, found 4 colours,

20<sup>00</sup> shut down

July 20th

#5 Creek  
#1 location

(26)

windy, clear

Eastside

10<sup>00</sup> Mrs. returned to same location and checked banks - again the always present "volcanic ash" layer, gravels below had not been moved and indicate glacial fill deposits.

15<sup>00</sup> dug several holes to wash lower lying contents.  
2 colours found - nothing larger.

17<sup>00</sup> tested concentrate from approx. 2 cu yards of washed gravels - 3 colours.  
- small amount of copper in some.

18<sup>00</sup> shut down - off to camp.

July 21<sup>st</sup>

#5 Creek  
#2 location

(27)

sunny, windy

10<sup>00</sup> arrived at #2 location, setting up.

12<sup>00</sup> panned at confluence of two pups into creek - no colours.

Moved up on NW pups and tested gravels.  
No colours.

16<sup>00</sup> set up near test hole (3' deep) for tomorrow.

18<sup>00</sup> into camp.

July 2<sup>nd</sup>

(28)

# 5 Creek

# 2 Location

heavy overcast  
showers.

11<sup>30</sup>

finish digging test hole and started  
suction dredge.

15<sup>00</sup>

hrs. run several cu.yrds of material through  
box - testing concentrate - 3 colours.  
again running into rusty oxide regions  
without getting any colour. Some indications  
of copper - very minute.

18<sup>00</sup>

into camp.

July 23<sup>rd</sup>

(2)

#6 Creek

cloudy, showers.

15<sup>00</sup> hrs. completed move to #6 Creek, set up camp  
and moved equipment up to #1 location.  
\* panning in several locations - no results  
18<sup>00</sup> returned to camp.

\* noted much more limestone than  
on #5 Creek.

July 24<sup>th</sup>

(30)

#6 Creek

#1 location

hazy, calm

7<sup>00</sup> hrs. The Creek had moved in several areas, just recently (probably 1988) and 2" pump and hand sluice were used to test old Creek beds. Hose had to be run to get water to dry Creek bed.

\* Found large copper nugget on creek bed surface (afloat), checked for possible source - (nil).

11<sup>00</sup> shoveling gravels through sluice, approx. 2 yds. - found some larger copper nuggets - and 2 colours. (Au).

15<sup>00</sup> foundling on east side - more copper grains - no colour.

18<sup>00</sup> Shut down.

July 25<sup>th</sup>

# 6 Creek  
# 2 Location

(31)

windy, warm

08<sup>00</sup> hrs. panning in area for indications. (nil)  
moved on # 2 pup.

11<sup>00</sup> hrs. started Suction dredge and moved  
approx. 3 yards of gravel - no copper - no  
gold indications.

15<sup>00</sup> started test hole to check lower areas,  
\* got to bedrock a 1 meter down.  
Checking "bottoms" - 2 colours.  
resumed suction dredging in hole.  
moved 3-4 cu yards of material, checking  
concentrate, some copper, (6 colours Pn)

18<sup>00</sup> Shut down

July 26<sup>th</sup>

# 6 Creek

(32)

cloudy, cool

# 3 location

08<sup>00</sup> hrs. setting up and hauling equipment.

\* area predominantly limestone, some exposed bedrock. - Moving large rocks ~~far~~ from test site.

11<sup>00</sup> hrs. cuts on bank reveal some layering

\* consisting of silt, gravels (fill) porous oxide and below the humus layer, volcanic ash - 5".

15<sup>00</sup> sampled various layers of the above  
- no colours.

near bedrock - found some colours and very light amounts of magnetite. - No colours.

18<sup>00</sup> Shut down - moved equipment + camp

July 27<sup>th</sup>

(33)

Out for provisions H.J.E.

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July 28<sup>th</sup>

day off - (shopping) Wise.

July 29<sup>th</sup>

day off

July 30<sup>th</sup>

day off.

July 31<sup>st</sup>

(37)

07<sup>00</sup> Crossing lake -

22<sup>00</sup> arrived at camp. - set up. (ff 7 creeks)

\* Note - a great percentage of time is  
in moving through the terrain, panning  
here and there and packing equipment,  
camp & provisions, I abstained from  
"bothering you to death with writing  
about it. Interesting and worthwhile  
topics are mentioned only. It ~~feels~~ seems  
futile at times to exert the physical  
effort and labour.

~~Aug. 1<sup>st</sup>~~

# F Creek

(38)

hot, calm

# 1 location

10<sup>00</sup> hrs. exploring up, - panning for indications - we checked out the upper regions around the confluence (4000' level) and returned at 14<sup>00</sup> hrs. to haul suction dredge up. Initial panning was without success.

16<sup>00</sup> hrs. started dredging in confluence area. Some glacial fill on SE side, but no colour. Larger rounded off limestone rocks + boulders indicate a larger flow of water at one time; as they seem to have been moved from high lying host rock.

20<sup>00</sup> Shut down...

Aug 2<sup>nd</sup>

# 7 Creek

(39)

below # 1 location

light wind, warm

09<sup>00</sup> hrs. rechecking via panning both sides of Creek: No interesting hardrocks here. Had four colours in pan and set up to dredge this spot.

\* Note: The use of a portable suction dredge is superior to digging - especially where wet ground is concerned - hand digging only drops any possible heavier minerals lower, as with the suction nozzle they're caught. A truly great tool. Disturbance of sediments is minimal and settles out within 10 ft. downstream. Where suspended particles are high, the tailings are routed through a small tailings pond. Great care was taken not to destroy any possible fish habitat.

Most of the creeks flow intermittently in this region which is prohibitive to the life of fish.

18<sup>00</sup> hrs. A couple more colours were found but the ratio indicates no feasible further prospects.

Aug. 3rd

# 7 Creek

(40)

overcast, calm

# 2 + 3 location

10<sup>00</sup> hrs.

panning in both locations, (nothing notable)  
Schist + limestone are again predominant  
in this area.

16<sup>00</sup> hrs. moving into canyon area (E)

sampling, panning, used suction dredge  
to reach to bedrock - only 20cm in this  
area in some places. Some very small  
copper nuggets, very few colours.

18<sup>00</sup> moving to # 4 location

Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>

#7 Creek  
#4 location

(41)

light overcast, warm

10<sup>00</sup> dense under brush and mosses. (hard going)  
\* limestone, small conglomerate.

12<sup>00</sup> checking #4 area via goldpan, can't  
get suction dredge up there - (too steep).

Noticed rusty zones in East bank - checked out  
materials, - no colors.

17<sup>00</sup> Set down.

Aug. 6<sup>th</sup>

#7 Creek  
#5 + 6 location

(42)

31°C

sunny, hot

09<sup>00</sup> hrs... panning and testing on the way up,

- \* noticed a few "conglomerates" that must have been dropped during the glacial melt as there's no indication of host rock in the area, undisturbed - yet well worn.

13<sup>00</sup> going up pup (#5), panning from creek bed, no colour.

- \* Noticed small quartz stringers in limestone - removed some stained rusty looking quartz, crushed and washed same, some pyrite, no colour.

18<sup>00</sup> To camp.

Aug. 7<sup>th</sup>

# 7 Creek

(43)

29°C

hot, calm

# 6 location (pup)

08<sup>00</sup> hrs. (sleep) studying limestone, - some  
silicified, some small quartz stringers,  
checked various spots, crushed + washed  
materials - no colours.

15<sup>00</sup>

checked main Creek bed - lots of exposed  
bed rock, slow water flow, panned in pool -  
no colors.

19<sup>00</sup>

arrived at # 7 Location, setting up  
and shuffing down.

Aug. 8<sup>th</sup>

# 7 Creek

(44)

# 7 Location

hot, hot, hot.  
no wind

09<sup>00</sup> hrs. passing small lake - "sumit"

# 7 and 8 location are not actually  
on # 7 Creek, but checked there any-  
way. (curious!?)

14<sup>00</sup> No indications of any kind, mossy + swampy  
no tall trees.

16<sup>00</sup> Returning to camp.

Aug. 9<sup>th</sup>

(45)

hot

Moving everything towards # 8 creek  
all day.

\* Rechecking # 7 Creek in some spots  
via panning, - no results.

Aug 10<sup>th</sup>

#8 Creek

(46)

hot, calm

#1 location

11<sup>00</sup>

all set up at bottom of #1 location  
this is also a summit area, mossy, swampy.

13<sup>00</sup>

checking out pup, no water in higher  
area, panned where possible - no colours.

16<sup>00</sup>

Too hot to continue.

Aug. 11<sup>th</sup>

# 8 Creek

(47)

hot,

# 2 + 3 location

07<sup>00</sup>

moving in the morning coolness to central area  
near bottom of # 3 location.

No colours found on main creek.

13<sup>00</sup>

Going up # 2, pup sloughed in at times,  
with organic debries. - Low and no flow. -  
Took samples to pan elsewhere.

16<sup>00</sup>

Checking samples in main creek - no colour.  
~~See Surrounding higher ground again~~  
limestone.

18<sup>00</sup>

Shut down. (too warm)

Aug. 12<sup>th</sup>

#8 Creek

(48)

#3 location

hot, calm

06<sup>00</sup> hrs. moving up on #3, - no water, - bone dry.

11<sup>00</sup> hrs. digging down to get sample material for panning.

15<sup>00</sup> hrs. no colours in samples.

17<sup>00</sup> shuffling down, extremely hot.

Aug 13<sup>th</sup>

(49)

lvt.

07<sup>00</sup> Going out for supplies.

22<sup>00</sup> crossed at Mile 1116 and hitched ride  
to B. wash.

Aug. 14th

Whse. for supplies

Aug 15<sup>th</sup>

Day off.

Aug. 16<sup>th</sup>

Day off.

Aug. 17<sup>th</sup>

warm, windy

18<sup>th</sup>

Crossing lake from S. wash

Aug. 18<sup>th</sup>

50

20<sup>00</sup> arrived at #8 Creek - camp.

Aug. 19<sup>th</sup>

# 8 Creek

(51)

warm, windy

# 4 location

11<sup>00</sup>

arrived at #4. quite a dropoff into  
canyon - stayed high and checked  
gravels - limestone, sandst.

panning in several locations - only  
small pools of water here and there,  
no colours.

15<sup>00</sup>

retrieved some samples and washed them  
in main creek - noticed a couple of  
copper granules. - no colours.

17<sup>00</sup> to camp.

Aug. 20<sup>th</sup>

#9 Creek

52

warm, calm

07<sup>00</sup>

moving to # 9 Creek all day.

sampling in various locations. no colours.

20<sup>00</sup>

hrs. getting set up for next day.

Aug. 21<sup>st</sup>

# 9 Creek

(53)

warm, cloudy

# 11 location

10<sup>00</sup> hrs. - pup is dry - digging down in  
likely areas for samples.

17<sup>00</sup> hrs. returning with samples and hand sliced.  
same - washed/poured concentrate,  
no colour.

\* This area is similar in geology as  
previous ones.

19<sup>00</sup> hrs. shut down.

Aug. 22<sup>nd</sup>

(54)

# 9 Creek

warm, overcast

# 12 location + A+B

06<sup>00</sup> hrs. checking pups - dry

taking samples - 3 trips

11<sup>00</sup> moving sampler to wash site

returning for further samples up  
on A+B, no water.

15<sup>00</sup> start washing samples; found 3 colours  
from pup "B".

17<sup>00</sup> Shut down

Aug. 23<sup>rd</sup>

#9 Creek

(55)

sunny, warm.

09<sup>00</sup> hrs.

#3 pup.

returned for deeper samples

11<sup>00</sup> washed out gravel samples. - one colour.

13<sup>00</sup> moving to #1 location.

\* checking main creek on both sides,  
no indication of copper or gold.

lime stone, some small conglomerates, schists.

18<sup>00</sup> to camp.

Aug. 24<sup>th</sup>

(56)

#9 Creek  
#1 location

warm, windy

08<sup>00</sup>

Finally some water in pup, (small flow)  
panned in several locations, both banks  
at the 4000' and 4500' levels - no colours.

13<sup>00</sup> hrs.

- moved to higher location, various  
other pups feeding into this one, all dry  
but one, sampled dry and washed  
later, some copper granules - no colours.

The area is very steep and strewn with  
wind eroded materials - nothing noteworthy.

15<sup>00</sup>

hrs. checked out small quartz samples -  
again no colour.

18<sup>00</sup>

Shut down.

Aug. 25<sup>th</sup>

#9 Creek  
#2

(53)

sunny, windy.

08<sup>00</sup> moving to #2 location

13<sup>00</sup> hrs. set up and going up #2. No water!  
Taking several samples to be washed later.

17<sup>00</sup> washing samples, minute amount of copper - no gold indications.

19<sup>00</sup> returned and set up near #3.

\* the absence of water in paps makes it difficult to prospect.

Aug. 27<sup>th</sup>

(58)

#9 Creek

- #3 location -

hazy; warm.

07<sup>00</sup> hrs. no water again.

moving up to get samples

(\*) Fresh bear sign - returned to camp to  
bring up gun.

11<sup>00</sup> getting samples.

15<sup>00</sup> washing out samples - no mineral content.

\* again, the geology is similar throughout  
the area - nothing worth while to mention

17<sup>00</sup> Shut down.

(\* Out at 04<sup>00</sup> hrs. Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>)

Aug. 28<sup>th</sup>

day off  
trip to H.Jt. - supplies.

Aug. 29<sup>th</sup>

Day off - getting provisions

Aug. 30<sup>th</sup>

Day off

Aug. 31<sup>st</sup>

08<sup>00</sup> Crossing lake from S. wash

23<sup>00</sup> Arrived at #9 Creek.

Sep. 1<sup>st</sup>

#9 Creek (59) cool, windy

11<sup>00</sup> hrs. moving gear to #6 area - setting up,  
took various samples via pan on the  
way - no colours.

Limestone, some silicified, rusty gravels  
on bank cut.

15<sup>00</sup> Checked out ferrous oxide samples, no  
colours.

18<sup>00</sup> Shut down.

Sept. 2<sup>nd</sup>

# 9 Creek (6) sunny, windy  
# 7 location

0700 hrs. Pre Pup day, going up for samples

11<sup>00</sup> hrs. returning with samples for washing - nothing noteworthy - no colours.

13<sup>00</sup> getting another set of samples - same results - nil.

16<sup>00</sup> to camp.

Sept. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Creek # 9 (61) sunny, windy  
#8

11<sup>00</sup> reached #8 location, Main creek  
flowing sparsely, again limestone formations,  
some small conglomerates.

14<sup>00</sup> #8 pup dry - climbing for samples

16<sup>00</sup> very small indications of copper,  
checked out some ferrous oxide - no colours.

\* noticed some lighter coloured limestone -  
layers (?). no colours... (Au)

19<sup>00</sup> returned to camp.

Sept. 4<sup>th</sup>

Creek #9

(62)

overcast, cool

#9 location

07<sup>00</sup> hrs.: started up day pip; it appeared  
that there has been no water flow  
in this area for some time due to  
overgrowth - even the main creek  
disappears underground and sample  
washing was done in small pools.  
nothing of any significance to note.

\* 16<sup>00</sup> returning to camp and getting more  
samples near main creek - again  
no colour.

19<sup>00</sup> shut down for the day.

Sept. 5<sup>th</sup>

Creek # 9

(63)

cool-windy.

# 10 location

10<sup>00</sup> hrs. quite steep in canyon area, limestone,  
some mottled layers, took samples and  
panned same, small amount of copper -  
no colors.

13<sup>00</sup> Dug several holes 2 to 3 ft. deep, got  
2 to 3 colors per pan. - \*not enough  
water to run suction dredge\*

repeated sample runs and panned  
material, dug a bit deeper in test holes  
- again only 2-3 colors per pan.

18<sup>00</sup>

back to camp. -

Sept. 6<sup>th</sup>

Creek #9

(64)

windy, cool

OFGC up. moving equipment and supplies back  
into vicinity of #s. 11 + 12 location all  
day - tested ground in previously  
missed spots, had marked same with  
ribbon for return trip - two noteworthy  
results in these areas either.

Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> on #9 Creek (return) cool, cloudy.

07<sup>00</sup> moving all day - into #8 Creek area - alpine meadows - near both small lakes, took several samples and panned same, no results.

\* 19<sup>00</sup> Setting up camp near #2 location #7 Creek again sampled along the way - no colours.

Sept. 8<sup>th</sup>

(66)

sunny - cool.

1500hr. near confluence of #7 and #5 Creek  
did some digging + sampling in this  
area - nothing to report.

Very discouraging!

Sept. 9<sup>th</sup> (mouth of #7) cool, cloudy.

got across the river (Klunne) by noon - going out for supplies.

Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>

gone out - day off  
(H. Jct.)

Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>

day off

Sept. 12<sup>th</sup>

day off

Sept. 13<sup>th</sup>

day off

Sept. 14<sup>th</sup>

day off

Sept. 15<sup>th</sup>

day off

Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>

gone to see Nurse at D. bay

Sept. 17<sup>th</sup>

(67)

returned to mouth of  
# 7 Creek

cool, windy

13<sup>00</sup> hrs. moving over to # 6 Creek - upstream  
towards proposed land claims area - there is  
quite a good sized mountain there with  
plenty of wind erosion and a bare rock face,  
22<sup>00</sup> set up camp in area.  
04<sup>00</sup> being awakened by falling debris.

Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>

(68)

Land claims area.

cool, sunny

08<sup>00</sup> hrs.: abstained from moving motorized equipment into this area as the purpose of this trip is to check out various locations of rocky terrain for mineral content. No water anywhere, some small trickles here and there coming from the rock surface, and fissures.

\* hard rock is not my strongest area as I have limited experience in it, although anything noteworthy will be recorded or checked out with geologists and/or samples.  
Should take prospectors course

Sept. 19<sup>th</sup>

land claims area

(69)

windy, cool.

0700 X noticed some sharns which have formed on lime stone contact, usually fissured w/ rusty zones, also found pyrite + calcopyrite in these areas.

removed several samples for testing and lab check out.

1700

back to camp.

Sept. 20<sup>th</sup>

hand claims area

70

sunny, cool.

0900 Returned to area and found some more skarns.

\* previous day samples washed earlier - no mineral indications.

crushed some quartz found in small stringers for later washing - testing.

1700 Shut down.

Sept. 21<sup>st</sup>

homd claims area

(7)

cool, calm

0900

processed yesterday's samples. - no minerals,  
other than some ferrous oxide.

1100

discovered some smaller strains and  
removed material for washing. no colours.

Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>

near #6 Creek.

72

cool, windy

09<sup>00</sup>

washing out samples - trace of copper  
no colour.

16<sup>00</sup>

packing up gear to move out in morning.

# Summary

Nov. 2<sup>nd</sup> / 94

Re: Placer prospects. Au

Poor indication of mineral contents encountered during this prospecting venture leads me to believe that mining in this area is not feasible.

In the higher lying areas a thorough checking out of the ground was not possible, due to the lack of water, although samples were collected and taken out for lab. analysis, the results are pending until the samples are processed. (in progress at this time).

This area ~~is~~ was one of the toughest areas I have ever worked in, due to the long distances involved and the dense terrain,

The area directly east of the prospected area (approx. 8 to 10 km), ~~etc~~ the Gladstone area for example is fairly rich in placer deposits. It's therefore very puzzling that there were no noteworthy indications in the area I prospected.

There is just nothing to be put on paper. I'm very regretful that this ~~is~~ such a poor report.

A. John Obermeier

Even if you did not have good results, information is still important.

Work is done + documented in diary, map + SUMMARY REPORT

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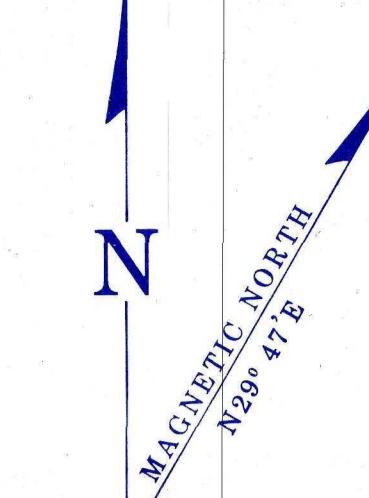
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