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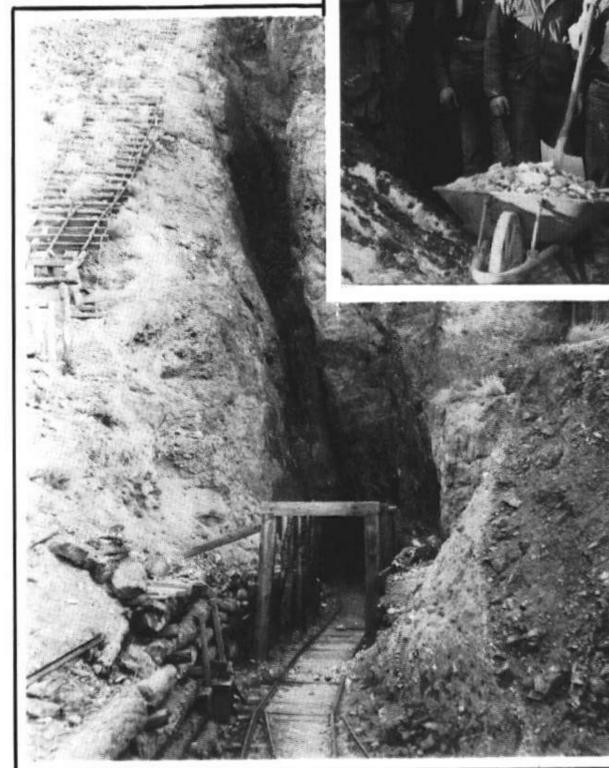
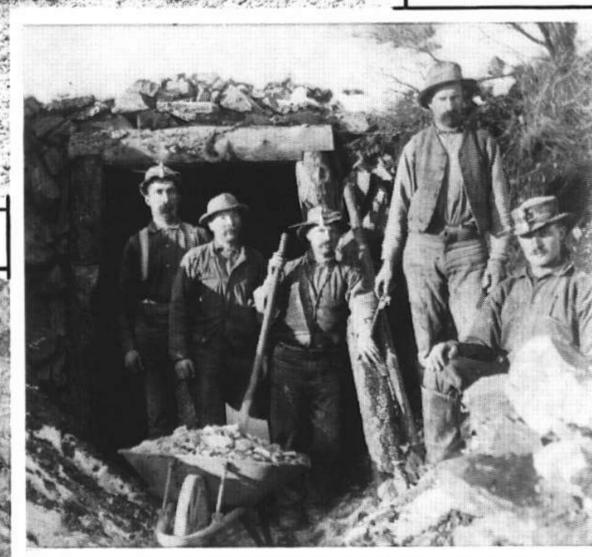
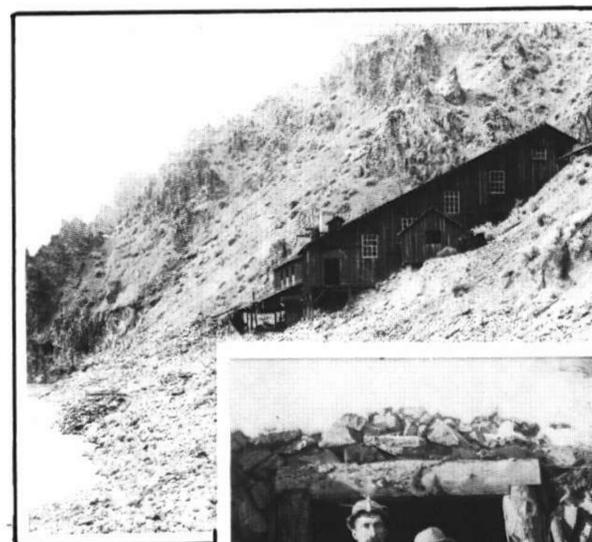
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PROPERTY FILE

A GOLD MINE OF INFORMATION...

LET US HELP YOU FIND YOUR MINE!



INTRODUCTION

Property File is a library of research material on approximately 10 000 mineral occurrences in British Columbia. It is a hardcopy reference for the computerized mineral inventory database MINFILE.

INFORMATION FOUND IN PROPERTY FILE

Property File continuously expands as new material specific to mineral occurrences and/or areas is received. Information contained in *Property File* consists of published and unpublished reports, news clippings, bulletins, ministry reports, theses, papers, field notes, company prospectuses and pamphlets, historical and commodity information, geology, geochemistry, geophysics, drilling data, and claim maps, sketches of workings, photographs, and old mineral inventory summaries and bibliographies (from early 1960's).

USERS OF PROPERTY FILE

Enquiries are received from all over British Columbia, other provinces, the United States, and occasionally overseas. University, industry, government, and Ministry researchers and geologists, private prospectors, students, and property owners are some of the users of *Property File's* resources. In turn, information has been donated to *Property File* from some of these sources, particularly the larger institutions.

Donations of technical and historical material on mineral occurrences and mining camps are encouraged.

HOW TO LOCATE INFORMATION

Mineral occurrences throughout the Province are assigned a MINFILE number based on the National Topographic System. For example, a property called XYZ near Prince George, may be designated as the 21st of 200 occurrences on the mapsheet. The MINFILE number would be 093G 021. Numbers are assigned to properties when they are documented by Ministry geologists.

In the southern part of the province from the 49th to the 51st parallel, the map sheet areas may be divided into 4 sections; NW, NE, SE, and SW. This subdividing increases the scale to 1:125 000, reducing the density of plots of mineral occurrences when displaying mapsheet areas. Therefore, a property occurring near Oliver, B.C. could have a MINFILE number such as 082ESW125.

Frequently, there are items in *Property File* that refer to a general area. In this case such material is filed by general NTS area, for example, 092F General. If the location is identified more accurately the material will be filed under a specific NTS number - 092F16.

Reports related to new occurrences are eventually researched and may be assigned a MINFILE number, then transferred into the detailed *Property File* system.

FUTURE OF PROPERTY FILE

Eventually *Property File* will be divided into three main systems:

- (1) *Property File* numbered properties - the reference file for MINFILE,
- (2) *Regional File* - the filing system by general NTS areas, and
- (3) *Commodity File* - commodity studies, etc. filed in alphabetical order by commodity.