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### OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINING

The veteran prospector and mining man Fred M. Wells, who is expected to arrive in the city within the next few days, is very enthusiastic over the mining prospects in the country east of Prince Rupert, particularly in the Terrace and Usk districts. In a newspaper interview Mr. Wells says:

"For some reason which is not clear to myself, the Vancouver public does not, and never has, looked upon the northern districts as within its field of practical pioneer exploration. Edmonton, Calgary and Winnipeg money has been easier to interest. Today, these same cities speak with pride of their frontier territory in Northern British Columbia.

"Vancouver does not grasp and appreciate her favorable position in relation to this immense North Country. Other cities of the same size would be quick to see its great value, their capital and man-power would be thrown into the field for discovery and development.

"This is not mere idle talk. The intelligent application of prospecting work and development in the Cariboo has clearly demonstrated what may be accomplished. Hundreds of miners are now employed there in the quartz mines with, to me, the positive assurance of thousands more to follow. Many similar areas will be brought into existence in the north and within the boundaries of British Columbia.

"It is reasonable to claim that no such large unexplored area exists today with such favorable proven rock formations, railroad transportation facilities as well as great lake waterways, a climate which has no equal the world over, good mining laws, and a government quite in sympathy with the miner's interests.

"Along the line of the railroad from Prince Rupert east for a distance of several hundred miles, the rock formations are very favorable to gold producing mines. The transportation afforded by this railroad, the Canadian National, through the area is attracting the attention of hard-rock mining men, especially where gold prospects predominate.

"One such district to which special attention can be called is that around Terrace, about 100 miles inland from Prince Rupert. The rock formations in this area are very favorable to ore depositions, and especially gold. I look to see many gold quartz mines brought into production within the area not far distant from the towns of Terrace and Usk on the Canadian National Railway."

### OPEN UP PROPERTY

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Quartz Mines Ltd. is Fred M. Wells, veteran mining man of this district, who directed operations on the Cariboo Gold Quartz leading to that property becoming one of the leading gold producers in the Cariboo district.

The road to the Copper River property was built during the past season and was quite an ambitious undertaking involving some heavy and difficult construction. It leaves the main Copper River road about six miles from Terrace. The grade at no point exceeds eight percent. There are six bridges from twenty to sixty feet long and twelve feet wide.

Twelve men are now employed on the construction of permanent log camp buildings at the mine with Eric Hanson foreman in charge. A power house building is also under construction in addition to the usual camp buildings.

The property, one of the most promising in the interior, has already been opened up extensively and good ore traced over a wide area. The program is now to definitely block out tonnage.

### Locator's Ambition

The Dardanelles mining property consists of about thirty-five mineral claims, covering about 2000 acres of ground. Part of the property consists of the old Dardanelles group which was located over twenty-five years ago and which was acquired by Omineca Gold Quartz Mines Ltd. from the prospector, Steve McNeil, who for many years held the claims and personally carried out development work on the ground. It has been Mr. McNeil's ambition to live to see the result of many years' work expressed in a large quartz mill operating and to have the rare pleasure of seeing the first gold brick cast in the assay office of his old property.

The mineral showings on the property consist of a series of quartz veins following along a well defined shear zone in granodiorite rock. The character of the ore is a clean, white quartz with a distinct banded structure showing fine iron sulphides in the quartz bands. Along the walls of an eruptive dyke and parallel fissures the quartz veins occur, varying in width from a few inches to several feet. A fractured area which may be expected to contain workable quartz veins extends over a width of about two hundred feet. There are two veins at all times in evidence but three and some times four veins may be expected. Gold quartz is outcropping for a distance of about three thousand feet on the surface. The dyke and fracturing continue for a greater distance than this but work has not yet been done to expose the veins beyond this point.

Wherever tested the quartz contains fair gold values. At some points, especially at higher levels, assays of gold were obtained up to two ounces per ton. "From a general sampling of several quartz outcroppings," says Mr. Wells, "I believe ore for the mill will be developed showing a gold content of about one-half an ounce to the ton. The gold content has the same assurance of maintaining to great depth as the quartz itself as it would seem that the gold enrichment is coincident with vein formation.

"Development," continues a report by Mr. Wells, "is made very easy by the position of the quartz veins along the mountainside. A working tunnel may be run from a point low down, and continuing along the shear zone for a distance of several thousand feet following at all times quartz veins or close by parallel veins. A depth will soon be gained of several hundred feet. Up-raising can be carried out at favorable points along the different quartz bodies and the whole area prepared for the breaking of ore at a very low development cost."

The first program of work will be to extend the main tunnel along the dyke and quartz veins for a distance of 2000 feet. Frequent cross-cut drifts will be carried out at right angles to the main tunnel to the full extent of the shear for the purpose of cutting and proving values.

### To Install Mill

"It is not possible at this stage of development," says Mr. Wells, "to estimate the volume of ore probable to develop. I will, however, predict without hesitation that, within the first part of this work, there will be proven sufficient ore to plan the installation of a 100-ton mill and that later,

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### Art Noble Leaves Ocean Falls For Post in Victoria

Arthur Noble, popular pioneer resident of Prince Rupert, this city's first soldier to be invalided home from the Great War and for many years customs officer at Ocean Falls, left the paper town last Friday for Victoria to which city he has been transferred in the customs service as a travelling inspector. His successor at Ocean Falls is Jack Wynne of Anxox. As well as in Prince Rupert, Mr. Noble is also well known at Stewart and Premier.

### Vancouver Makes It Two Straight

SEATTLE, Nov. 14: (CP)—Vancouver Lions made it two straight over the Seattle Sea Hawks in the second fixture of the North-western Hockey League here last night by a score of two to one.

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