

Wm. Yolen Williams, of Spokane, last month went to Chesaw, Washington, to look at a mining property upon which an unusually good find of mineral had been reported to have been made. It is understood the report was not borne out by facts.

Frederic Keffer, engineer in charge of the British Columbia Copper Company's several mines in the Boundary District, left Greenwood on February 29 for Ottawa, Ontario, to there attend the annual meeting of the Canadian Mining Institute, of which he has been president for the institute year now closing.

J. L. Parker, formerly manager of the Brown-Alaska Company's mines in the Ketchikan and Portland Canal districts, is now in charge of operations at the Indian Chief mine at Sidney Inlet, west coast of Vancouver Island, where he has entered upon a vigorous development policy.

Isaac B. Hammond, president of the Hammond Manufacturing Company, Inc., Portland, Oregon, U.S.A., is reported to have spent last season examining properties regarded as probably suitable for gold-dredging purposes, situated in the Nome region and other parts of Alaska. It is understood he has been representing the Guggenheims in this connection.

R. Roberts, manager of the Jewel gold mine, situated in Long Lake camp, Boundary District, has been in Colorado, U.S.A., in connection with making treatment tests of ore from the Jewel, so as to better determine what provision it will be best to make for saving on a commercial scale the values the ore in bulk contains.

Alexander Sharp, manager of the First Thought mine, at Orient, Washington, U.S.A., was a visitor to Rossland during the last week in February. The Orient is reported to be regularly shipping about 1,500 tons of ore, in all, to smelters at Everett and Northport, Washington, and Marysville, East Kootenay, B.C.

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E. Vaughan, of Grand Forks, after two years' service in the assay department of the Granby Mining, Smelting and Power Company, left the Boundary district early in February. His intention is to proceed to England, but by a circuitous route, first visiting Colorado, Arizona, and other parts of the United States where mining is extensively carried on, and going thence to South Africa before proceeding to England.

Chester A. Thomas, manager of the Klondike interests of the Guggenheims, accompanied by the commissioner of the Yukon (Hon. Alex. Henderson) and other men prominent in Dawson City, recently made a four-days' visit of inspection to the extensive water-supply and other works of his principals in the Twelve-mile district of Yukon. It is stated the company intends to carry on extensive operations next season.

Horace G. Nichols, manager of the Ymir gold mine, is on a visit to England to confer with the directors of the company owning the mine and 80-stamp mill near Ymir. The *Nelson Daily News* says: Mr. Nichols is reported to have made a hit with his new patented process of separating slimes in cyanide plants. By the method adopted instead of there having to be a couple of hundred settling tanks in large plants, this number is cut down to three and the slimes instead of taking 36 hours to settle take but an hour. It is understood that Mr. Nicholls has been offered £50,000 for his patent but refused, preferring to take a royalty on ore treated by his process.



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