The information regarding the operations of the company's coking plant was obtained from H. S. Munroe, the new general manager of the Granby Company, who has just arrived from his first trip of inspection of the company's smelter at Anyox.

The concentrator on the Kitselas Mountain Copper Company's property at Usk has been working very satis factorily and a good deal of ore is being handled. At the same time some development work is being carried out at

the mine.

The property is perfectly located from an operating standpoint and it has all the earmarks of being a dividend payer in the not distant future. The values are in the ore and there is lots of ore in the veins and a number of good stout rains

The policy of the company in regard to development and the treatment of the ore has been a very conservative one and consequently slow. Nevertheless, no serious mistakes have been made, and in a short time the company will be able to proceed on a much larger scale and with every prospect of success.

A tunnel on the level of the ore bunkers has been run in several hundred feet, tapping the vein. The next development will be a drift and then stoping. Considerable other development has already been done in the way of

shafts, cuts and tunnels.

The ore carries a good deal of gold, both fine and coarse, and it is not uncommon to get a good-sized nugget.

There is native silver, quick silver and copper.

C. W. Calhoun, a mining man from the Alice Arm District, has just returned from the North, having started a number of men working on the Bellevue property for the Alice Arm Consolidated Holdings, Ltd., a private company

composed of Vancouver business men.

A number of very high grade veins of silver-lead ore have been discovered on this property, averaging around \$200 per ton, picked samples running as high as \$1,000 to the ton, and the present work is being undertaken with the view of ascertaining the available tonnage. In addition to the veins already mentioned, Mr. Calhoun reports an absolutely new discovery during the last two weeks of a 30-foot mineralized dyke showing several veins of high grade ore, which may develop into a very important strike.

The Alice Arm Consolidated also own a large number of other promising properties in this district, including the Surprise Group immediately adjoining the famous Dolly Varden Mine.

A number of new discoveries of importance are reported to have been made on the Moose property, Royal Group and North Star on the Kitsault River, as well as one on the Illiance River at Copper Creek, carrying high values

The town of Alice Arm is rapidly building up to accommodate the expected influx of people into the district. The Dolly Varden is shipping about 200 tons of high grade ore daily at this time, but when the hydro-electric plant is completed and heavier rails laid replacing the light steel on the railway, it is expected that these shipments will be considerably increased.

Active operation was commenced on June 1st last on the Royal Group of mineral claims adjoining the Dolly Varden. A tunnel is now being driven on a lead which outcrops on claim No. 4. This lead is exposed for a distance of over 400 feet and is from 12 to 14 feet wide. The ore is of the same character as that now being mined on the Dolly Varden. An assay run from the surface ore by William Sloan, assayer of Alice Arm, gives values of \$74.40 per ton.

The publicity committee of the British Columbia Chamber of Mines are planning to make the exhibit at the Vancouver Exhibition better than ever, endeavoring to draw the public's interest by a larger and more excellent display by the leading mining companies, and also to interest the prospectors association with better displays of their prospects.

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