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ABSTRACT

The Kangarilla lead mine, situated on section 796, Hundred of Kuitpo, is enclosed by the Stonyfell Quartzite (Proterozoic Age). Lead mineralization occurs in a narrow near-vertical joint or fault of average width 2ins. and strike length over 200ft. The lead occurs as galena and cerussite in bunches comprising from 20 to 70% of the vein material.

No thicker portions of the vein as mined are anticipated and if parallel veins to the north or south exist they would probably be no wider.

No further exploration is warranted.

KEYWORDS - Kangarilla, Echunga 1 mile, Lead, Structure, Stonyfell Quartzite, Proterozoic, Fault, Joint, 1969.

INTRODUCTION

The Kangarilla lead Mine situated on Section 796, Hundred of Kuitpo is 1 mile north east Kangarilla township. (138° 40' 3" 35° 8' 50") and is on the Echunga 1 mile Atlas sheet. It was worked from 1887 to 1888. No production has been recorded although a few tons of ore were almost certainly mined and sold. Except for inspections in 1887 and 1888 by the Inspector of Mines no geological inspections have been carried out (See Record of Mines p. 180).

The mine is situated on the east flank of a flat bottomed valley. The workings are a horizontal adit at creek level connecting to the east with a 90ft. vertical shaft, two hundred feet horizontally up the slope. A pit between the adit and shaft is the only other working.

Following a request, in May 1968 from Mr. J.M. Wilson a geological inspection of the Kangarilla Lead Mine was carried out in August, 1968, by Senior Geologist, P. Miller. He advised that the property was not worthy of further development due to the small dimensions and steep dip of the mineralized veins.

In February, 1969, the author spent two days in the field mapping the mine in detail for Departmental records; surface geology was controlled by theodolite (surveyor S. Mills) while underground geology was controlled by tape and compass.

REGIONAL GEOLOGY

The Kangarilla lead mine is situated within the Stonyfell Quartzite near its contact with the Saddleworth Formation. The former comprises quartzites and minor siltstones, the latter slates and siltstones of Adelaidean Age. (See Fig. 1 (S7152))

The rocks have been metamorphosed to the biotite zone of the greenschist facies of regional metamorphism. (Offler and Fleming, 1968) and primary structures are often discernible especially in the quartzites.

The mine rocks are near the nose of ^a regional anticline, the axis being north south and plunging south and truncated by a major north northeast striking normal fault on its western flank and by a number of arcuate normal faults trending northeasterly from the mine area (see fig. 1.)

DETAILED GEOLOGY

Bedding throughout the mapped area is nearly constant, (see Fig. 2) striking at approx. 170° and dipping $30-40^{\circ}$ to east. Foliation within the slates of the Saddleworth Formation is at an angle to bedding, striking near 80° and dipping about 40° to the south east.

The mineralization comprises galena, cerussite, clay and iron oxides in a small vein up to 3 inches wide. This mineralization has formed as a result of subsurface weathering (oxidation) of galena and iron oxides.

The vein is transverse to bedding and from available information is located entirely within the quartzite. It appears to be infilling a joint or possibly a small fault with minor movement and mineralization is confined to this zone and does not extend into the adjacent quartzite.

Fractures can be divided into three main categories:

- A. Shear joints (may be minor movement)
- B. Tension joints.
- C. Post ore normal fault with breccia.

As far as can be determined no other fractures were formed prior to those in which the mineralization is found and the fractures were probably all formed during the one tectonic phase, probably during the late Cambrian.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The Kangarilla lead mine is situated within the Stonyfell quartzite near its contact with the Saddleworth Formation both being Adelaidean in Age. Epigenetic lead mineralization controlled by fractures occurs in a steeply dipping joint or fault averaging two inches in thickness and over two hundred feet in length. Lead minerals average 20 to 70% of the vein filling.

Mineralization was probably introduced during the Late Cambrian orogeny.

No large increases in thickness of the vein are anticipated and no appreciably thicker veins are expected elsewhere in the area.

No further work is recommended at this prospect.

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BEARING AND SLOPE

ROCK TYPE
DESCRIPTION

WEATHERING

TUNNEL INTERSECTION
PLANS

AND

CROSS
SECTIONS

ASSAYS (A)

PETROLOGICAL SAMPLES (P)

WALL

TOP

ROOF

TOP

WALL

PHOTOGRAPHS

GROUNDWATER - quantity & date.

STRUCTURES

JOINTING Pattern - attitude, spacing, persistence, character, surface, separation, coating.

FAULTS, SHEARED & CRUSHED ZONES

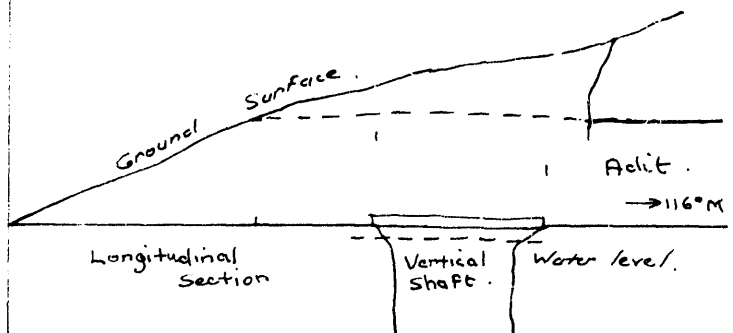
Attitude, relative displacement, width, character of material.

FOLDS, Classification, plunge, axial plane, size, persistence.

REFERENCES

Ag. RL. Approx 875ft. (From 1 mile map).
116°M. 108°T
Survey by tape and compass.
PROTEROZOIC - ADELAIDE SYSTEM - TORRENSIAN SERIES
STONEWELL GROUP
SANDSTONE - Medium grain size well rounded quartz, 70%
white and buff. Rest feldspar or altered to clay
Minor muscovite.

Physically fresh. Chemically slightly to moderately weathered.
Weathering more intense along joint planes.



50ft Rises few feet from entrance to end of tunnel.
- BURRA GROUP.

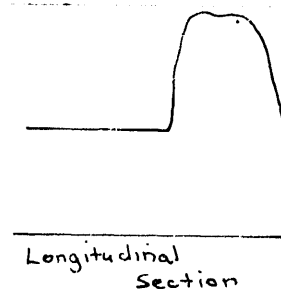
SCHIST - Pale brown
65% quartz - fine grained.
15% mica. Rest feldspar
minor clay.

SANDSTONE - As before.

100ft

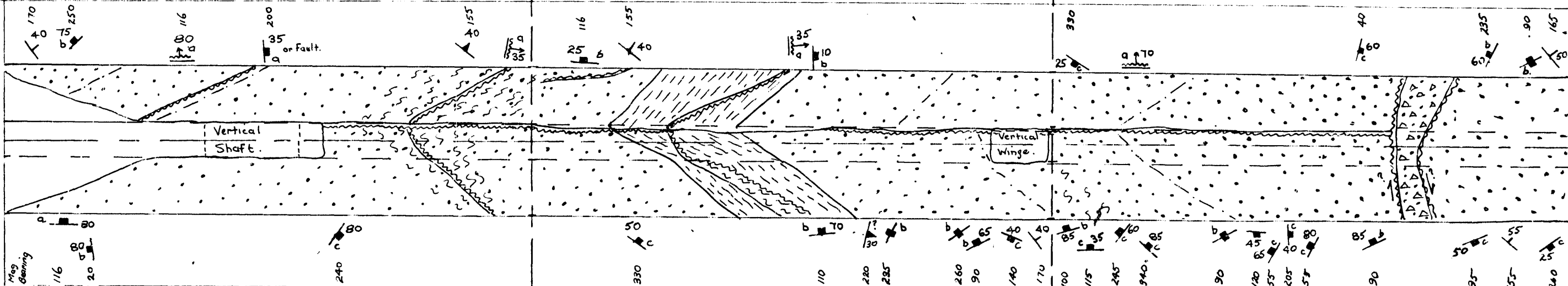
150ft

SANDSTONE
As before
Fragments average
2 inches diameter in
sand clay matrix



None taken.

None taken



None taken.

Water level 1ft below floor of
drive in shaft.

Bedding - Prominent layering in parts - accepted as bedding in Sandstone
Foliation in schist parallels bedding.

JOINTS - 70° Master joint - may be minor movement and grade to
greater than 30ft extent. Few mm to 6 inches wide

70° Major joint - planar, greater than 5ft extent uncoated
Up to 2mm wide.

70° Minor joint - planar to wavy - less 5ft extent. no coating less few mm. width.

MINERALIZATION - in a fault or "a" joint extends probably for
Full length of drive (Minor offset at 135ft).
Varies from 1/16 inch to 2 inches in width.
20% - 70% galena or oxides next iron
oxides probably after sulphides. Minor veins
From main vein and FeS₂ blebs in holes in country rock.

Rpt Bk 45/120 (Hydrological Report.) Record of Mines 1908 p 180 Summary Card 164.

Slight seepage along rest of drive from
fault seam.

FAULTS or SHEARS - At 38. and 63ft appear to be shears in character.
Adjacent rock tends to be foliated. Near planar, slightly
wavy surface, "a" type in extent. Average 2 inches width.
Matrix sand and clay particles (weathering products
from sandstone.

FAULT - 2 to 5ft wide
walls overall near planar
although irregular in detail.
Matrix angular to subrounded
sandstone fragments with
20% sand and clay.
Movement appears East
block south?

Lead and iron oxides occur in separate clumps.

NOTE - north wall of drive through to 135ft is joint or fault face.

Timbering
70° Strike & dip of bedding.
Vertical, Horizontal.
20° Strike & dip of cleavage.
" " " " jointing
Vertical jointing.
Horizontal jointing
Plunge of lineation

60 Crushed zones or joints
Shears or faults
showing movement
Mineralized vein, in fracture.
Breccia within
Shear or fault zone
Shearing in rock adjacent
to fault or shear zone

LEGEND

PROTEROZOIC
BURRA GROUP
STONEWELL PARAGNEISS

SANDSTONE
SCHIST.

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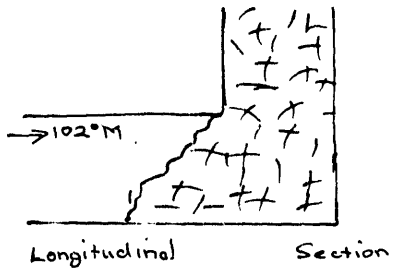
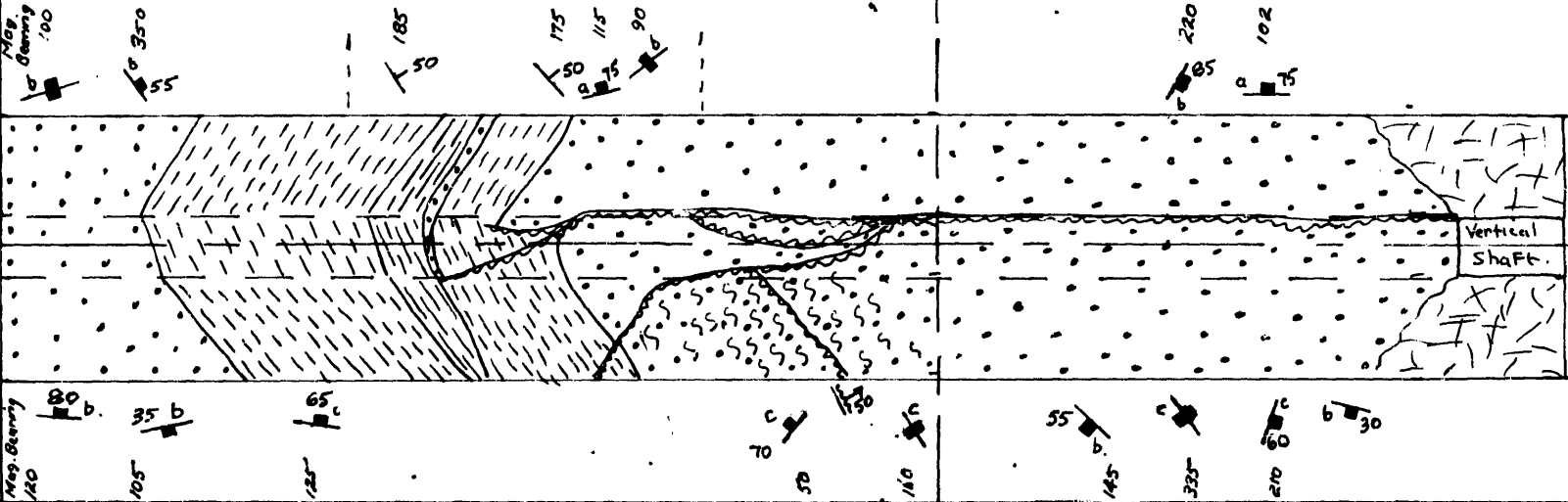
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TUNNEL GEOLOGICAL LOG - ADIT
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




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



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BEARING AND SLOPE (Surveying Date)	116°M → 108°T 128°M 120°T 102°M 94°T Survey by tape and compass.	Rises Few Feet From entrance of adit. End of tunnel. 1
ROCK TYPE DESCRIPTION	PROTEROZOIC - ADELAIDE SYSTEM - TORRENSIAN SERIES - BURRA SANDSTONE - SCHIST See Before. SCHIST before. Green 65% q's. 20% chlorite and mica neis Feldspar and clay	GROUP - STONEYFELL QUARTZITE
WEATHERING	Physically Fresh For Sandstone - Moderate For Schist. Chemically Slightly weathered. - moderately weathered along joints.	
TUNNEL INTERSECTION PLANS AND CROSS SECTIONS		 <p>Longitudinal Section.</p>
ASSAYS (A)		
PETROLOGICAL SAMPLES (P)		
WALL TOP ROOF TOP WALL		
PHOTOGRAPHS		
GROUNDWATER - quantity & date.		Flow (20 g.p.h.) From shaft. 6 Feb 69.
STRUCTURES JOINTING Pattern - attitude, spacing, persistence, character, surface, separation, coating. FAULTS, SHEARED & CRUSHED ZONES Attitude, relative displacement, width, character of material. FOLDS, Classification, plunge, axial plane, size persistence.	<p>Bedding - Prominent layering in part - Accepted as bedding in sandstone. Foliation in schist parallels bedding.</p> <p>JOINTS - 60° Master Joint - may be minor movement i.e. grade to fault or shear. Greater than 30ft extent. From m. to 6 inches wide. 70° Major Joint - planar greater than 5ft extent. uncoated. Up to few m.m. wide. 70° Minor Joint - planar to wavy. Less 5ft extent. No coating. Less few mm. width.</p> <p>MINERALIZATION - in a Fault or "a" joint from 175ft to end of drive. Probably same vein as exposed in previous part of tunnel. Average 1 inch wide. 20% galena or oxides, melt clay and iron oxides (originally sulphides). Very minor mineralization in vugs in adjacent quartzite.</p>	<p>North Wall From 180ft is joint or fault face. No bedding in sandstone in last 25 feet of tunnel.</p>
REFERENCES	Rpt. Bk. 45/120 (Hydrogeological Report.) Record of Mines 1903 p180. Summary Card 164.	

 Timbering
 Strike & dip of bedding.
 Vertical jointing.
 Strike & dip of cleavage.
 " " " " jointing.
 Vertical jointing.
 Horizontal jointing.
 Plunge of lineation.

 60 Crushed zones.
 20 Shears or faults showing movement.
 Mineralized vein in fracture.
 55 Shearing adjacent to shear zone.

PROTEROZOIC

BURRA GROUP

STONEYFELL QUARTZITE

SANDSTONE

BROWN SCHIST

GREEN SCHIST.

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GEOLOGICAL TUNNEL LOG - ADIT

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SCALE: 1"=10ft

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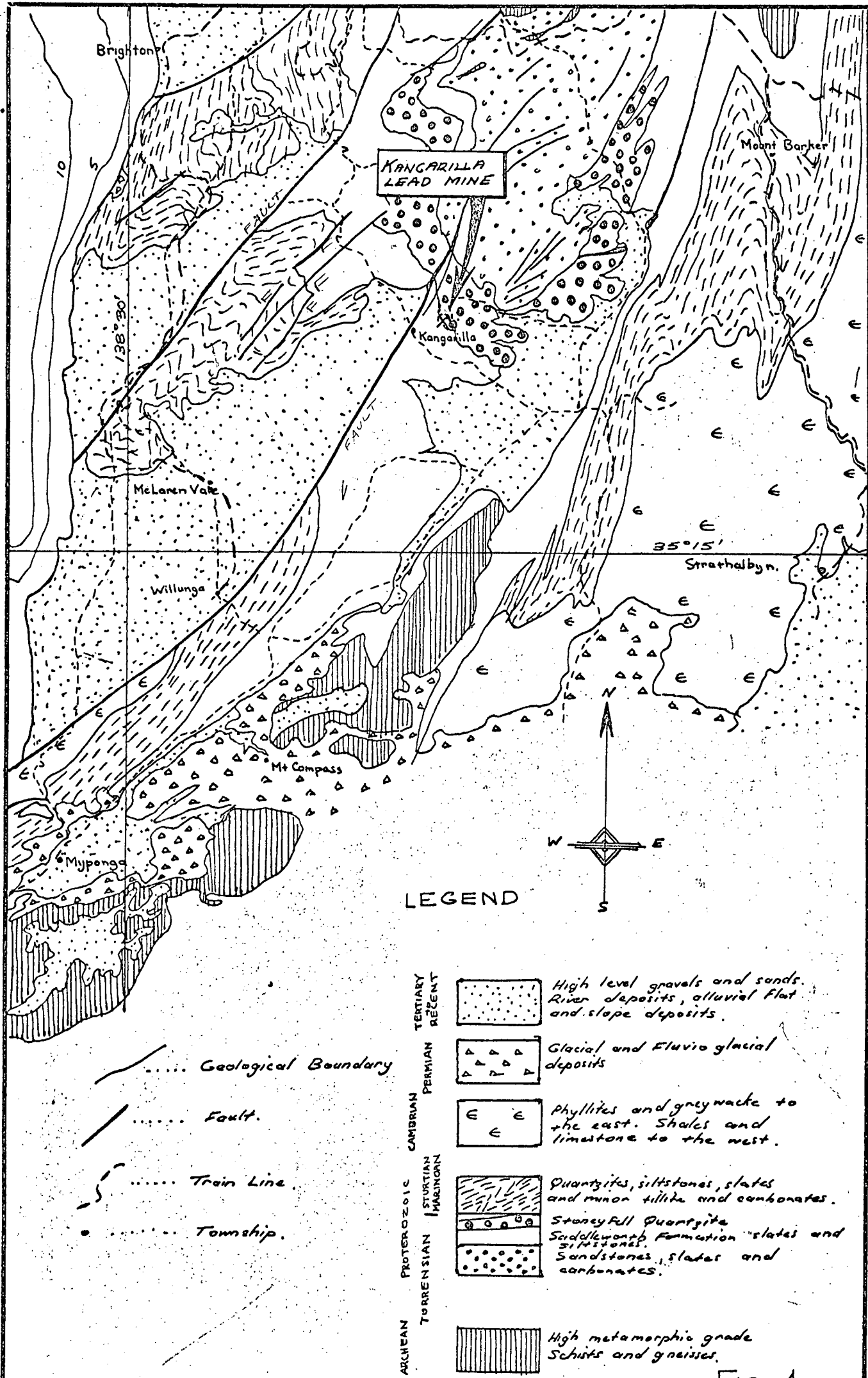


FIG-1

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	Tcd.	Sect 796 HP KUITPO	
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