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Mr. Fred Chow

Dear Fred,

Thought I'd take a moment to send you this photo-copy of Max Fuerstner and his big nugget, found on the property adjoining ours, just downstream.

Should you decide on any linecutting, staking or any blasting and trenching as your season progresses this year, I would welcome an opportunity to bid on it.

Perhaps I'll see you in the Watson Lake or Ross River area this summer. Best Regards.

Sincerely



C. R. (Dick) Eastman

*In view of probable harsh environmental by-laws being approved by the Federal Govt, placer mining should be considered ONLY after present placer mining by-laws are kept intact.
Notified Dick by phone J. Chow*

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Big Salmon River area



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Miles Off Course

Downed Plane Found

Plane with three... missing on a flight... since July 15... early this morning on... Ocean coast... plane, a Norseman... Cameron Bay Air... of Alberta, was piloted... of Calgary... ned passengers Ray... and Pat Bellcourt, of... Lake, Alberta. All... ard are reported in... y condition, a... Forces spokesman in... e said today.

Twin Otter, both Armed Forces planes, were sent out to investigate and search an expanded area to cover the maximum range of the aircraft," he said. "No other transmissions were picked up."

This morning, more than 350 hours had been spent in the search, as an Argus and two Twin Otters carried on the search in the expanded area.

The Alaska Highway was re-opened to two-way traffic this morning after a 10-day closure between Watson Lake and Fort Nelson, B.C., caused by heavy rains last Monday night.

More than 2,000 northbound travellers who were escorted from Fort Nelson yesterday are expected to arrive in Whitehorse today and tomorrow.

Fort Nelson emergency coordinator Elmer Armstrong said yesterday 426 cars and light vehicles were counted leaving that town yesterday, in addition to 60 campers and 21 diesel rigs.

Armstrong estimated a total of 2,000 people left for Whitehorse. Watson Lake RCMP couldn't estimate how many travellers arrived there last night, saying many camped on the highway rather than attempting to reach that town yesterday.

Air-Freight Costs \$1 A

A quart of milk is costing Whitehorse residents almost \$1 these days. Yesterday morning the price jumped 33 cents to 96 cents a quart at two major food outlets.

Food Fair manager Don Palamar said today that the price increased because the milk was flown in at 11 cents per pound in freight because the Alaska Highway is still closed. A quart of milk weighs three pounds.

"We could either bring it in by air or do without," Palamar said, adding things should be back to normal by Monday. The acute shortage of milk developed when

At 9:40 a.m., Yellowknife time, the aircraft was located by a Canadian Forces Twin Otter, and the people aboard requested fuel and stated they would attempt to fly out when ready, the spokesman said. However, this afternoon a Canadian Forces Twin Otter with floats was sent out to pick them up and is expected to bring them to Yellowknife late today.

\$6,000 Gold Nugget Found Near City

By JAN O'BRIEN
Star Reporter

Max Fuerstner considers himself a lucky man, and he has good reason to. Sunday, he pulled one of the largest gold nuggets to be found since the Gold Rush out of his sluice box on Livingstone Creek.



A closer look at the Fuerstner nugget, compared to a quarter. Star Photos

The 20 1/2 ounce nugget, which nearly fills the palm of his hand, is supposed to be the largest nugget found since the Gold Rush, Fuerstner said yesterday.

"We screamed when we found it," he said. His 11-year-old son carried it down to his partners Bob Miller and Gary McCully, who thought he must have a rock or piece of wood in his hand, but certainly not a nugget, Fuerstner said.

He and his partners started sluicing on Livingstone, about 50 miles northeast of here, in May after taking a bulldozer and front-end loader in during March.

Most of the claims in the area have already been staked, the mining recorder in Whitehorse reported today.

The nugget—whose minimum value is estimated at \$3,500 at

current gold prices and \$300 an ounce because it's a nugget—has been placed in the bank for safe-keeping.

"It's something that you give to your son and your son gives to his son," Fuerstner said. He has no intention of selling the nugget.

It is the first time he has personally tried placer mining. "I consider myself lucky I've always been lucky, otherwise I wouldn't have gone into the investment," he stated.

He is modest about his find, saying he does not want any publicity, but agrees "everyone should have the right to know of what is in the Yukon."

The largest nugget to be found during the Gold Rush is recorded as a 77-ounce one discovered by Sables and Small on Cheechako Hill in 1898. Since then it is reported that Louis Engels, who had a claim upstream on Livingstone Creek from Fuerstner, found one about the same size, 21 ounces, in the late 1950s.

Fuerstner is fairly philosophical about gold mining. "Gold is where you find it. There is no instrument or magnet to pull it out of the ground," he said. "You walk over the ground and never know what is under it. There is no insurance that it's going to pay you to take the diesel in or all that equipment."

"I have no gold fever," Fuerstner said. "I'm interested in getting my investment back." But mention the mother lode, and like all placer miners he says, "we've got hopes."

The former owner of the Alpine Motel and Bambo Terrace said he took up placer mining for health purposes, for something to do and because he enjoys being out in the bush.

Thus far it's been a successful venture, Fuerstner reporting that he and his partners have only been finding course jewelry gold.



Placer miner Max Fuerstner shows the 20 1/2 ounce nugget discovered on his claim only 50 miles from Whitehorse.

