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KLONDIKE LODGE GOLD MINES LTD. is greatly en-
couraged by free gold found in quartz samples cut
from the side hill of Lone Star Mountain in its search
for the lode that was responsible for the fabulous placer
recovery in Eldorado and Bonanza Creeks in Yukon.
"Western Miner and Oil Review" took time out on Dis-
covery Day (August 17th, 1960) to visit the property. The
quartz samples and other float in the vicinity, as well as
gold in the area above Gay Gulch, a tributary of Eldorado
Creek.

The company's search has been materially assisted by
the sluicing operation of Ballarat Mines Ltd. in the bed
of Eldorado Creek under the direction of Glen Franklin,
an experienced placer operator formerly of Fairbanks,
Aaa. This placer work has clearly exposed a fault zone
in the east bank of the creek. Dr. F. C. Buckland, president
of the Klondike Lode Gold company, who visited the
property at the end of August reports that the bedrock
stripping has disclosed a zone 100 feet wide, heavily
altered and mineralized. Ballart holds the placer rights and
Klondike, the lode rights, under Yukon law.

The Klondike company has gouged five long bulldozer
cuts in the side hill of Lone Star Mountain about a mile
above Eldorado Creek. Soil sampling — a cubic yard of
soil is taken from every 100 feet of bulldozer advance,
run through a steel sluice box, and then panned for gold
— has given strong indication of gold content and where
bedrock has been reached in four separate places, free
gold has at all times been present. One big chunk brought
out by Dr. Buckland carries an abundance of visible free
gold.

In a 400-ft. inclined cut into the side hill, Dr. Buckland
found a 20-ft. band of solid rock containing numerous
quartz stringers. He states that both the quartz and the
remaining zone material carry gold values and he believes
the full width would qualify as ore. This occurrence was
found in Gay Gulch.

On the Bonanza Creek side of the mountain, five bull-
dozer cuts have been made for an aggregate length of six
miles. Between Victoria and O'Neil Gulches a heavy con-
centration of gold was noted in soil sampling. Every effort
is being made to cut through the overburden to bedrock
in this vicinity but progress is slow because of permafrost
conditions.

Gordon R. Hilchey, P.Eng., is directing the exploration.