

Geneva-Pacific drills Peavine Claims

Parts of the Wrangell Mountain Range of Alaska have long been studied by companies interested in its signs of copper mineralization. Curiosity has continued because of the proximity to the famous Kennecott Mines, one of the largest producers of copper in U.S. History.

The most recent explorer in the region is the Geneva-Pacific Corp., Evanston, Illinois, a mineral exploration firm jointly owned by Cenco Incorporated and Belden Corp.

The company conducted exploratory drilling at its Peavine Mountain claims during 1976. Using a helicopter to support the operation, Geneva-Pacific diamond core drilled at sites 3,000 feet above the Chitistone River Valley, approximately 15 miles south of McCarthy, the site of the original Kennecott Mines.

Although the Peavine Mountain location has been studied by geologists since 1880, this apparently is the first drilling attempted.