

Burnt River Mine Nets Gold, Test Run

More than 300 ounces of gold was brought to Baker Friday by the Oregon Mining company as a result of an eight-day clean-up operation on Burnt river near Bridgeport. The gold was shipped to the government assay office at Seattle.

Eighteen men were continuously employed on this mining project operating in three 8-hour shifts, with a dragline doodlebug. Work on the operation will be resumed after January first.

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The property of the Oregon Mining Company on Burnt River near Bridgeport, Oregon, which has been idle for the past year, has been reopened by H. Glaspel and Al Cayin of Bridgeport on a partnership basis. The former company operated a dredge on the Burnt River and handled 2,000 yards of gravel daily.

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The Oregon Mining Co., operating placers in Burnt River Canyon, between Bridgeport and Durkee, has been incorporated by the following: J. E. Angle, G. B. Walker, and C. R. Williams. Angle is also interested in placer claims on Pine Creek below Cornucopia.

Oregon Mining Co. on Burnt River

One of the new dragline dredging companies to get into operation near Baker in the past few weeks, is the plant of the Oregon Mining Company which completed construction and started digging in October.

The plant consists of a one and one-fourth cubic yard shovel and washing plant built by the Universal Dredge Manufacturing Company of Denver, Colorado. The company controls several miles of the Burnt river canyon between Bridgeport and Durkee. About one and one-fourths miles of the ground have been proven by testing by shafts and drilling. The Airplane drill equipment was used in drilling. These tests are said to have proved about a million yards of gravel that can be profitably handled with the possibility of a much larger yardage by further testing.

J. E. Angle, Route 9, Box 193, Seattle, Washington, is president and general manager. C. B. Walker, Moore Hotel, Seattle, is secretary. Home offices of the company are at 1926 Second Avenue, Seattle, and the mine postoffice, Bridgeport, Oregon.

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OREGON MINING COMPANY

Upper Burnt River Area

Owners: Main office, 1926 Second Ave., Seattle, Washington; J. E. Angle, Pres.; J. R. Angle, Supt.; A. B. Love, Vice-pres.; C. B. Walker, Secy.; incorporated 9/21/37.

Location: Sec. 3 and 9, T. 12 S., R. 41 E.

Area: Bed of Burnt River in the canyon from a point in sec. 3, southwest (upstream) nearly to point where river enters the canyon below Bridgeport. Comprises 12 or 14 placer claims and 80 acres of deeded ground.

History: Property was worked in a small way but never has been dredged before. Dredge started about November 1, 1938.

Equipment: "Universal" gas dragline with 1 1/4-yard dipper, floating washing plant, Kirk-Hillman airplane placer drill for testing, and caisson shaft sinking outfit, acetylene and electric welding outfits.

Equipment of the Dredge: 70 feet stacker with hand winch, 8 banks on each side of the dredge of 24 inch riffles 20 feet long. Trommel 20 feet long, 5 feet in diameter, one-half inch holes. Waukesha 40 h. p. gasoline engine. Main 8 inch pump run by Buda 60 h. p. gasoline engine. Also, 4 inch pump. The boat is of wood and measures 49 by 28 feet, 3 feet depth.

Geology: Bedrock, mostly schist with a few ribs of limestone crossing the river. It is possible to dig to the bedrock with bucket at all places. River flats are from 200 to 400 feet wide, averaging about 300. The gravel averages 25 feet in depth. Boulders are seldom more than 250 pounds in weight. Gold lies mostly within 5 feet of the bedrock, 50 per cent being upon the bedrock. It is very coarse. The fineness is 850. There is no clay and no false bedrock. The ground was tested by 50 to 60 drill holes and averages 35 cents a yard. Seven test pits were put down with a caisson and checked the drilling.

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its dredging operations on the Burnt River near Bridgeport, Oregon. A recent clean-up of an eight-day run is stated to have yielded over 300 ounces of gold. J. E. Angle, Route 9, Box 193, Seattle, Washington, is president and general manager. Equipment used includes a Northwest dragline with 1 1/4-yard bucket and dredge built by the Universal Dredge Manufacturing Company.

The dredge of the Oregon Mining Company on the Burnt River near Bridgeport, Oregon, is reported to have capsized in 15 feet of water. The company had started to resume work, the dredge having been in operation only a few hours when the mishap occurred. No lives were lost. The damage and cost of raising the dredge is estimated at \$2,000. When in normal operation the company, J. E. Angle, Route 9, Box 193, Seattle, Washington, president and manager, employs about 18 men in three shifts and handles 2,000 yards daily.

New and heavier equipment will be purchased by the Oregon Mining Company, J. E. Angle, Route 9, Box 193, Seattle, Washington, president and manager. The company had been operating a dredge on the Burnt River near Bridgeport, Oregon, employing around 18 men and handling 2,000 yards daily, until its dredge sank in 15 feet of water last January. Machinery has been raised and overhauled and the company will soon return to normal production.

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Oreg. Mining Company — This company is reported as having entered into a contract with Carl LaConto to dig the gravel for the company's dredging operation on Burnt river. Mr. LaConto has ordered a new 2-yard Marion shovel which will be used in the operation. The shovel is expected to arrive in Baker in about 10 days. A. A. Lytle of Baker, was instrumental in bringing about the arrangement which

has the purpose to bring this company into operation after being closed the greater part of the summer.

Dredge Sinks — The Oregon Mining Company operating a dragline dredge on Burnt River below Bridgeport had one of the problems in January that give miners gray hair. The boat sank in ten feet of water in the dredge pond and turned on its side. The job was to pump the water from the pond and right the boat. The job has been completed and operations will be resumed as soon as electric motors on the boat have been repaired. Nils Christensen, of Baker, was in charge of the work.