

State Department of Geology and Mineral Industries

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Portland, Oregon

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Golden Cabin prospect (gold)

Mule Creek Mining Dist.
Curry County

Owner:
W. F. Crowell

256 Beatty Street
Medford, Oregon

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Area:
1 claim (20 acres) held by location.

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Location:
On the West Fork of Mule Creek approximately 3 miles by trail from the end of Marial Forest Service road in Sec. 52, T.32S, R.10W.

History:
Located by C. M. Lewis and sold to W. F. Crowell in 1942.

There is no record of production.

Topography and Climate:
Rough and mountainous topography. Climate mild.

Development work:
There is one drift about 15' long which at the present time is caving. Several open cuts of small size complete the work which has been done on this property.

Geology:
All workings are in metavolcanics.

About 4 feet in from the portal of the 15' drift is a small (up to 6" wide), oxidized stringer which strikes at right angles to the drift and dips toward the portal. One sample from this taken by Mr. Crowell ran 0.42 oz/ton gold and 0.18 oz/ton silver. The extension of this stringer is limited by surface outcropping within a few feet of the portal. The remainder of the drift is in massive metavolcanics. A sample cut, by Mr. Crowell, at the face showed no gold.

The values from this prospect evidently were found in the residual soil at or near oxidized stringers. There were no continuous veins noted.

Mining:
The simplest type of prospecting or "gophering" was indulged in.

An arrastre and a small cable car leading up to the open cuts were used at one time. Both are now in ruins.

The gold was free.

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Economics:

This is another of those "pocket" prospects. The soil along the hillside was supposed to "pan like a house afire" but a single source of the gold was never picked up.

It is extremely doubtful if this property will ever amount to anything. At the present time it is being held only because a fairly good cabin is on the premises. The owner realizes it worth.

Informant:

W. F. Crowell

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