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Argonaut Mine  
Cracker Creek District  
Baker County

Owners: H.C. Wilmot, operator for the "Oregon Argonaut  
Gold Incorporated". Mine manager A. MacGahauy.

Location: NW¼ section 19, T 8 S, R 37 E.W.M.

Area: unpatented lode claims in two groups (see accompanying  
maps for details).

Equipment: 4 new houses (cook, bunk, warehouse and assay  
office, main office). Compressor, timber sheds,  
blacksmith shop.

Transportation: 10½ miles of new road built during summer  
of 1939, plan to keep this open all winter  
and ship ore if possible.

Geology: Country rock argillite near the contact with  
the Bald Mountain batholith to the south. Two  
veins, one striking N 35°E dipping 55° south; and one  
striking N80° E and dipping steeply south, intersect,  
with the main ore body at the intersection. Numerous  
granitic and aplitic dikes, some of which carry value.  
Ore pyritic, very fine grained. Values variable.

Development: Upper tunnel shown on accompanying map.  
New tunnel to intersect ore body at 600 feet,  
had reached 307 feet at 9/22/39. Plan to drive 3000  
foot tunnel with a 50 ton mill, after development of ore  
on present level.

Miscellaneous: Climate rigorous, with 10 feet of snow  
average, season open from June to October.  
Water from old upper workings. Power from E.O.L.& P.  
line 4800 feet south.

Informant: A. MacGahauy.

Report by J.F.A. 9/22/39
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**PRESENT LEGAL OWNER (S)**

Bascom Parker

**ADDRESS**

Baker, Oregon

**OPERATOR**

(Argonaut Mine, Oregon Limited)

**NAME OF CLAIMS**

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**PUBLISHED REFERENCES**

 Ore. Metal Mines Handbook 14-A, page 34

**MISCELLANEOUS RECORDS**

Owner: Col. Frank. .. Arthur. 4th St. 25, D. C.

**EQUIPMENT ON PROPERTY**

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**DEPARTMENTAL RECORDS on file in P'land G.P. Baker**

**REPORTS**

- Report on Argonaut mine about 1940 by H. C. Wilmot
- Map from C. M. S. A. 1924

**SHIPMENT AND ASSAY RECORDS**

**MAPS**

- Claim map and underground workings
- Assay map by P. H. Anderson—May 1936
- Plans for proposed mill, John Arthur, 1946