Locality visited on this date. Local reports indicate that there has been no work done there for the past month. All machinery was removed except the cable used with the drag-line, and the scraper bucket. There is a wreck of some sort of gasoline engine.

There is a sizeable trench on the northeast side of Euchre Creek, where it parallels the ocean behind a spit before it empties into the ocean. The trench must be about 50 ft. long and 12 ft. deep. Apparently the set-up as previously mentioned of drag-lining the creek bed was abandoned, and a trench started parallel to the creek and some loo feet away.

Apparently, FINIS may be written to this project.

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## Black Sand Co. Deemed Fraud

SHREVEPORT, La., May 17.-(AP) The federal government accused the Western Black Sand Co., Gold Beach, Ore., of perpetrating a fraudulent gold mining scheme yesterday

Complaints filed by the securities and Exchange Commission charged the Oregon company and five other corporations with selling stock in a

"so-called magnetic mining machine which actually was not capable of recovering gold," as claimed.

The government also said the machine was "not even in operation" and accused defendants of using the mails to defraud through sale of

stock.

The complaint named J. E. Parker, Blanding, Utah, as inventor of the machine which he said would recover large quantities of black sand material containing gold and other precious metals.

A temporary injunction was issued and defendants were ordered to some a feed of the same and t

to appear in court May 26.

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