## 4/26/38 Placer Summary

- 1. Present name of property <u>Western Dredging Company</u> Operating company (or individual Western Dredging Company Address John Day County Grant Location John Day River in town of John Day Stanford Lowengart, San Francisco, Area of holdings President. Area indefinite. 8 to 10 years operation left. E. C. Styskel, Secretary-Treasurer. G. A. Weldon, Dredge Superintendent.
- 2. History of property past and recent: Began operation November 21, 1937.
- 3. History of production yardage moved and bullion shipped: Moving 6000 yards/day.
- 4. Development acres mined, exploration of drilling, shafts, cuts: Working at present old Chinese tailings.
- 5. Water rights number of ditches, length, priorities, water allowed by law, amount actually used (average), length of mining season, av. date begin mining in Fall, av. date mining ends in Spring, etc.: Mining all year around. 5000 gallons of water used. 25 foot average depth--about 17' below water.

6. Geology and General Description: - Elevation above sea, gulch or flat operation, topography, character of bedrock, kinds of country rock, nature of gravel, nature of gold, amount of clay, and boulders, nature of gold, source of gold, winter snow conditions, etc.:

Old Chinese tailings. 6 cu. ft. dredge operation. 2 dredge sluices with tailing sluice. 90% of values recovered, retained in No. 1 sluice, 9% in No. 2 sluice, 1% in No. 3 sluice.

- 7. Equipment pipe, giants, etc.
- 8. Remarks economics: High or low cost, principal drawbacks, reasons for success or failure, apparent life of operation based on quantity of gravel, etc.

Cost: (Confidential)

Grade of ground--10¢ to 18¢ in old tailings.

Life:

Tailings--4 years more. Mt. Vernon area--4-6 years more.

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## WESTERN GOLD DREDGING CO.

## CANYON AREA

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Repair work is under way and production will be started shortly by the <u>Western Gold Dredging Company</u> at its property near John Day, Oregon. Holdings include the <u>Stockdale claims</u> in the Mount Vernon district which were acquired in the middle of 1941 and that is where present work is being done. Equipment on the ground has a 5,000-yard daily capacity. A. W. (Walter) Williams is dredgemaster and E. C. Styskel, 1400 Folsom Street, San Francisco, California, is general manager and secretary-treasurer of the company. Operations had been suspended during the war period, but are now a three-shift basis. Williams is addressed at Mt. Vernon, Oregon.

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