

Blackwell Place

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PUBLISHED REFERENCES

Geog. Bull 143 : page 97

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North Fork AREA

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PRESENT LEGAL OWNER (S)

William Blackwell

Address

Grant Co. W. Va.

OPERATOR

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EQUIPMENT ON PROPERTY

Owner: Wallace Blackwell, Granite, Oregon.

Location: Center of S $\frac{1}{2}$ sec. 8, T. 8 S., R. 35 E., 3 miles from the forest road at the point 24 miles to Granite and 29 miles to Ukiah. $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles of this 3 miles is by very steep trail.

Area: 6 unpatented placer claims.

History: First worked in the 1845-1850's. Worked in 1870-1890 by Chinese. Since then only sniped. Located by Miner Blackwell in 1933 and leased to Arnreiter June 16, 1938 to December 1938.

Equipment: 2 old log cabins in fair condition. Blacksmith equipment. 1100 feet of canvas flume made of 14-ounce double-weave canvas, supported by 16-foot lengths of timbers. This cost \$.47 per foot to build and in that distance gave a 28-foot head of water for a No. 1 giant.

Miscellaneous: Timber abundant. Water plentiful in river and in gulches from April to June. Also small amount in fall. Snowfall moderate.

Development: Bed of river was all placered at one time and the high bar on the south bank opened up with about 200 yards worked in 1937. \$69.70 said to be taken from it. There are 2 levels of old ditches on the south side of the river, about 50 and 70 feet above low water. The old workings on the bar 20 feet above low water show a 20-foot face and are about 300 feet long. These lie just below the high bar.

Geology: River workings: Bedrock argillite. Gravels up to 3 feet in diameter, averaging less than 5 inches, all well-rounded boulders, pebbles, some sand, and clay layers. The riffle boxes were started 8 feet below river level and the river by-passed. Riffles are steel and pole, with a no. 2 giant, 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ " nozzle, and 100 feet of old 7-inch pipe. There is said to be 25 colors per pan in the river bar being worked. The river gravel is from 50 to 200 feet in width averaging 75 feet, its total depth from 8 to 12 feet, but there is no evidence of testing. The grade is flat so that it is hard to get slope for the boxes.

High bar: 80 feet above river on the south side. This bar was opened in 1937 by a cut 40 feet square with a 10-foot backface. Bedrock is hackly, jointed argillite only occasionally water-worn and very hard to clean. Gravel is sub-angular to sub-rounded up to 2 feet in diameter and makes up about 60% of the face, the rest being very fine gravel and sandy soil. Gold is said to stick to the boulders, is very bright yellow, and quite fine. There is a large amount of black sand (about 2 teaspoonsful to a pan) which assays \$10.45 per ton. The bar extends for 800 feet in length and has a maximum width of 300 feet. The working width is probably less than 200 feet. It was prospected many years ago by five pits. No recent work has been done. Depth, therefore, is unknown.

Informant: T. V. Arnreiter; J.E.A. (9/11/38).

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