

"By March 1946 the Baker Brothers and Jones Mining Company expects to be able to start mining and milling operations from its Sykes Creek property in Jackson County, Oregon. The company has acquired under lease the Sykes Creek No. 1 placers, consisting of 230 acres, and 520 acres of lode property, believed to have been the feeder for the placers, from R. R. Stevenson of Rogue River, Oregon, and Floyd K. Dover, also of Jackson County, Oregon. The Baker Brothers company, of which Owen Jones, Box 484, Grants Pass, Oregon, is manager, has engineers on the lode claims doing preliminary work and plans to install a 700-ton cyanide plant. Mining will be by power shovel and bulldozers at the lode property. On the placer claims equipment is being installed to handle between 1,500 and 2,000 yards of the gold-platinum bearing gravels daily, using a dragline and washing plant. By mid-December the company expects to be in full operation, working two shifts. Frank Gilhouse of Grants Pass is superintendent of the placer operations for the Baker Brothers concern and Erle C. Annes, Box 444, Grants Pass, is chief mine engineer."

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